

MINUTES OF THE GROSSE POINTE CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 17145 MAUMEE AVENUE, GROSSE POINTE, MICHIGAN ON MONDAY, AUGUST 17, 2015.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Scrace, Council Members Boettcher, Parthum, Stempfle, Turnbull, and Walsh

In Attendance: City Manager Dame, Attorneys Fildew and Kennedy, City Clerk Arthurs, Finance Director Kleinow, Public Safety Director Poloni, and Public Service Director Huvaere.

Motion by Council Member Stempfle second by Council Member Parthum to excuse Council Member Weipert from the meeting for personal reasons.

UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Council Member Parthum second by Council Member Stempfle to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of the following:

1. Minutes from the regular Council Meeting held on July 20, 2015, closed session meeting of July 20, 2015 and the special Council Meeting held on August 3, 2015.
2. Invoices
 - a) Anderson, Eckstein and Westrick, Inc.
 - Chalfonte Pavement & Water Main, 6.29.15 – 7.26.15, \$19,829.23
 - Chalfonte Pavement & Water Main, 6.01.15 – 6.28.15, \$17,284.83
 - 2015 Resurfacing Program, 6.29.15 – 7.26.15, \$5,440.56
 - 2015 Resurfacing Program, 6.01.15 – 6.28.15, \$18,917.74
 - Kercheval Resurfacing, 6.01.15 – 6.28.15, \$18,271.49
 - Kercheval Resurfacing, 6.29.15 – 7.26.15, \$11,942.64
 - 2015 CDBG Ramp Replacement, 6.29.15 – 7.26.15, \$6,231.06
 - SRF Sewer Project, 6.01.15 – 6.28.15, \$13,455.66
 - SRF Sewer Project, 6.29.15 – 7.26.15, \$21,135
 - b) F.D.M. Contracting
 - Chalfonte Water Main & Pavement Reconstruction, Estimate #4, \$59,950.88
 - c) Pro-Line Asphalt - 2015 Resurfacing Program, Estimate #2, \$16,829.82
 - d) Rizzo - Recycling, August 2015, \$5,768
 - e) McKenna - Planning Services, June 2015, \$10,755
 - f) City of Detroit - Sewage Disposal, June 2015, \$69,500
 - g) Fontana Construction, Inc. - SRF Sewer Project, Estimate #8, \$403,371.05
 - h) BS&A Software - Annual Service Contract, August 2015 – August 2016, \$7,323
 - i) City of Grosse Pointe Farms - Water Purchased, 4/1/15 – 6/30/15, \$165,932.63
 - j) Oakland County - Clemis, 4/1/15 – 6/30/15, \$5,117
 - k) MDOT- Kercheval Resurfacing, June 2015, \$40,237.83
 - l) Traffic & Safety - Annual Maintenance Contract, 7/1/15 – 6/30/16, \$30,238.50
3. Approval of appointment of Mayor Scrace as a delegate/representative and Council Member Stempfle as an alternate delegate/representative to attend the annual business meeting at the MML Convention on Thursday, September 17, 2015 at 12 noon.
4. Approval and adoption of ordinance modification, approval of the retiree health plan amendment and the non-union retiree medical account contribution levels of \$2,000 annually (City) and \$650 annually (Employee).

CONSENT AGENDA UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED.

PUBLIC HEARING – TRANSFER OF LIQUOR LICENSE – ST. CLAIR ASSOCIATES, LLC

Mayor Scrace indicated that this was the time set for a public hearing regarding an application to transfer a liquor license into the City of Grosse Pointe.

City Manager Dame made the following report:

The City received an application for a transfer of an existing Class C license granted by the State of Michigan. The application has been filed by St. Clair Associates, LLC, owners of the proposed Whiskey Six restaurant/pub, to be located at 646 St. Clair. The transfer does include a full Sunday Sales Permit for both AM and PM. The Grosse Pointe City Code

sets forth the procedures and criteria for review and approval of liquor license requests and transfers. The ordinance further provides that a public hearing be conducted by the City Council on any application with notice in a local newspaper.

It was noted that the five members of St. Clair Associates, LLC, have been interviewed and investigated by City staff and City Planner for background and eligibility requirements under the liquor license ordinance and are eligible. If the transfer is approved, a \$1,000 liquor license issuance fee is due to the City. The applicant noted and requested that the hours of operation be 11:00 am – 2:00 am, and on Sunday opening at 9:00 am for brunch. All deliveries will be made from alley.

Mayor Scrace asked for public comment regarding this transfer request. Hearing no comments, the Mayor closed the public comment portion of the hearing.

Motion by Council Member Parthum second by Council Member Walsh to approve the transfer of an existing Class C license to St. Clair Associates, LLC and adopt a Resolution recommending Class C and full Sunday Sales permit for both am and pm be transferred and granted:

That the request from St. Clair Associates, LLC for the transfer of the Class C license and full Sunday Sales permit for both am and pm, to now be located at Whiskey Six, 646 St. Clair, Grosse Pointe, Wayne County, Michigan, be considered for APPROVAL above all others

<u>Approval</u>		<u>Disapproval</u>
Yeas:	6	Yeas:
Nays:	0	Nays:
Absent:	1	Absent:

It is the consensus of this legislative body that the application for transfer is RECOMMENDED for approval and that this resolution is forwarded by the Clerk to the Michigan Liquor Control Commission.

UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED.

APPOINTMENT AND APPROVAL OF CONTRACT FOR CITY ASSESSOR

The City Assessor left her position in July after three years of service. The City advertised the position through publication and metro Detroit assessor associations. Staff is recommending that the City contract with WCA Assessing for its assessor and assessing services. WCA will handle all the duties of the assessor. WCA has provided assessing services since 1980 and their clients include the cities of Harper Woods, Plymouth, Northville Twp., and most recently Grosse Pointe Park. The assessor of record is proposed to be Eric Dunlap, a Level IV Assessor, and the day to day person would be Pete Bierzynski who would be in the office each week on Wednesday. The proposed contract is for \$29,875, \$11 per parcel for three years, adjusted in the next two years by the rate of inflation as determined by the Michigan Tax Commission.

Motion by Council Member Stempfle second by Council Member Walsh to authorize the execution of the agreement with WCA Assessing to provide assessing services, and approve a resolution naming Eric Dunlap as the Assessor of Record.

UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Sally MackIntosh, 17580 Mack Avenue, Apt. 13, expressed concern regarding DTE smart meters recently installed in homes and their dangerous effect on the health and well-being of residents.

COUNCIL COMMENT

The City Council commented on the following topics:

- Michigan Week event hosted by Grosse Pointe Park on August 19 at 5:30 pm.
- Scott Shuptrine grand opening event on August 20 at 5:30 pm.

On Motion, the meeting was adjourned at 7:14 p.m.

Julie E. Arthurs, City Clerk
City of Grosse Pointe