



Agenda

Regular Meeting of the City Commission

City of Kalamazoo

Monday, July 20, 2009

7:00 p.m.

City Commission Chambers – 241 West South Street

A. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

B. OPENING CEREMONY

1. Invocation: **Sr. Pastor Jeff Porte**, Third Reformed Church
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Introduction of Guests
4. Proclamations
 - a. **Honoring K-9 “Ranger” for Meritorious Service**

C. ADOPTION OF FORMAL AGENDA

D. COMMUNICATIONS

1. The public is invited to attend the following meetings of boards and commissions:
 - a. The **Kalamazoo Historic District Commission** will meet on Tuesday, July 21, 2009 at 5:00 p.m., in the City Commission Chambers at City Hall.
 - b. The **Kalamazoo Municipal Golf Association** will meet on Tuesday, July 21, 2009 at 7:00 p.m., in the Third Floor Conference Room at City Hall.
 - c. The **Transit Authority Board** will meet on Friday, July 24, 2009 at 8:15 a.m., in the Metro Transit Conference Room, located at 530 North Rose Street.
2. The City is updating its land use master plan and citizens are invited to attend one of two public meetings to share their vision for the city's neighborhoods, commercial and employment areas, green spaces and the transportation system. Meetings are scheduled for Tuesday, July 21 from 4-8 p.m. at the Northside Association for Community Development (612 North Park Street) or Tuesday, July 28 from 6-8 p.m. at the Maple Street Magnet School for the Arts (922 West Maple Street). For more information, call 337-8044 or visit www.Plan@kalamazoo.org.

3. The City is accepting applications for appointment to various city Commission advisory boards and commissions. Interested citizens are encouraged to contact the City Clerk's Office at 337-8792 to request an application form or to obtain additional information on board vacancies.

E. PUBLIC HEARINGS

F. CONSENT AGENDA

(Action: Motion to approve items "1-7" and hold item "8" until August 3, 2009)

1. Consideration of a recommendation to approve a contract with MOSS for network switch replacement in the amount of \$244,828.09.
2. Consideration of a recommendation to adopt a Michigan Department of Consumer & Industry Services, Liquor Control Commission RESOLUTION to approve a new entertainment permit and official permit (food) for Green Top Tavern located at 250 East Michigan Avenue.
3. Consideration of a recommendation to offer for first reading an ORDINANCE to amend Chapter 15 of the Kalamazoo City Code to add Article II entitled "Outdoor Furnaces."
4. Consideration of a recommendation to accept a grant of \$20,000 from the Dorothy U. Dalton Foundation to support the LaCrone and Woods Lake Beach Parks Redevelopment Project.
5. Consideration of a recommendation to: a) accept a donation of \$500 from Herschel Figg to fund additional advertising for the Kalamazoo Farmers' Market; and, b) increase the advertising line item budget for the Farmers' Market by the amount of the donation.
6. Consideration of a recommendation to approve the appointment of **Shawn Brier** to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board for a term expiring January 1, 2012.
7. Consideration of a recommendation to approve the City Commission minutes from the Neighborhood Meeting on June 15 and the Business Meetings on June 15, June 29 and July 6, 2009.
8. Consideration of a recommendation to approve the purchase of a 28.13 acre property located southeast of the "G" Avenue and 6th Street intersection, Section 3, Oshtemo Township for the amount of \$245,944.
HOLD UNTIL AUGUST 3, 2009

G. REGULAR AGENDA

1. Consideration of a recommendation to adopt an ORDINANCE amending Subsections D and E of Section 35-4, regarding the date for when PILOT payments are due. **(Action: Motion to adopt the ordinance)**

H. REPORTS AND LEGISLATION

1. City Manager's Report

I. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

J. POLICY ITEMS

K. NEW BUSINESS

L. CITIZEN COMMENTS

M. MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS AND CONCERNS BY COMMISSIONERS

N. CLOSED SESSION

O. ADJOURNMENT

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Questions regarding agenda items may be answered prior to the meeting by contacting the City Manager's Office at 269.337.8047.

Persons with disabilities who need accommodations to effectively participate in City Commission meetings should contact the City Clerk's Office at 337-8792 a week in advance to request mobility, visual, hearing or other assistance.

Agendas for the regular meetings of the Kalamazoo City Commission are available on the Internet at: **www.kalamazoocity.org**

Kalamazoo City Commission meetings are held the first, third and fifth Mondays at 7:00 p.m. and are shown live on Public Media Network Channel 21. The meetings are rebroadcast on Tuesday afternoon at 2:00 p.m. on Channel 21, Saturday morning at 9:00 a.m. and Sunday evening at 8:00 p.m.

GUIDELINES FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AT CITY COMMISSION MEETINGS

Welcome to the Kalamazoo City Commission meeting, and thank you for your participation in Kalamazoo local government. The City Commission recognizes that citizens who make the effort to attend a Commission meeting often feel passionately about an issue. The following guidelines are not meant to discourage individual expression; rather, they exist to facilitate the orderly conduct of business and to ensure that all citizens who wish to address the City Commission are able to do so in an atmosphere of civility and respect, without fear or intimidation.

1. Out of respect for business being conducted during the meeting, please turn off all cell phones and pagers prior to the start of the meeting.
2. In an effort to maintain order and to allow a respectful discussion, please do not make comments from the audience area. Audience members should also refrain from applause or other audible noise at times not formally recognized as appropriate by the meeting chair.
3. Citizens have opportunities to address the Commission at the following times during a meeting:
 - a. Consideration of Regular Agenda items. Citizens are permitted to speak to the Commission on Regular Agenda and Unfinished Business prior to the City Commission voting, except those votes setting a public hearing. (Note: The Consent Agenda is a list of items proposed for City Commission approval to be voted upon all at one time. This is a time-saving procedure as most Consent Agenda items are housekeeping measures. A citizen may request an item be removed from the Consent Agenda for individual consideration or discussion.) Comments must be germane to the specific item under consideration.
 - b. The Citizen Comment period near the end of the meeting is for comment on Agenda or Non-Agenda items.

4. To address the City Commission, please sign in at the podium near the Clerk's station and then proceed to the podium directly in front of the dais when invited by the meeting chair. Before beginning your comments, please clearly state your name for the record and whether you reside within the city limits. Comments are limited to four minutes.
5. Citizen comment periods are a time for citizens to make comments; they are not intended as a forum for debate or to engage in question-answer dialogues with the Commission or staff. Commissioners are encouraged not to directly respond to speakers during citizen comment periods. At the conclusion of a speaker's remarks, the Mayor or individual Commissioners may refer a question to City staff, if appropriate. Also, individual Commissioners may choose to respond to speakers during "Miscellaneous Comments and Concerns of Commissioners."
6. Signs, placards and banners are permitted in Chambers during open meetings but only along the perimeter of the room (side and back walls) and only if they do not obstruct the vision of others.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the City Clerk's Office at 269.337.8792
