



Agenda

Regular Meeting of the City Commission

City of Kalamazoo

Monday, September 21, 2009

7:00 p.m.

City Commission Chambers – 241 West South Street

A. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

B. OPENING CEREMONY

1. Invocation: **Pastor Jamie Tucker**, Higher Heights Ministries
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Introduction of Guests
4. Proclamations
 - a. **National Literacy Month**, September, 2009

C. ADOPTION OF FORMAL AGENDA

D. COMMUNICATIONS

1. The public is invited to attend the following meetings of boards and commissions:
 - a. The **Local Officers' Compensation Commission** will meet on Wednesday, September 23, 2009 at 4:00 p.m., in the Community Room at City Hall.
 - b. The **Transit Authority Board** will meet on Friday, September 25, 2009 at 8:15 a.m., in the Metro Transit Conference Room, located at 530 N. Rose Street.
 - c. The **Dangerous Buildings Board** will meet on Thursday, October 1, 2009 at 2:00 p.m., in the City Commission Chambers at City Hall.
2. The last day to register to vote for the November 3, 2009 City Commission Election is Monday, October 5, 2009. Qualified persons residing in the City of Kalamazoo may register at the Kalamazoo City Clerk's Office, the County Clerk's Office, any Michigan Secretary of State's Office, or designated voter registration agencies

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 "1-13" and hold item "14" until October 5, 2009)

1. Consideration of a recommendation to approve a two-year contract to purchase Waterous fire hydrants from ETNA Supply Company for an amount not to exceed \$140,000.
2. Consideration of a recommendation to adopt a RESOLUTION approving the vacation of Whiskey Alley and the sale of a portion of Lot 9 relating to the planned renovation and redevelopment of the historical buildings in the 100 Block of East Michigan Avenue.
3. Consideration of a recommendation to adopt a RESOLUTION (a) approving the transfer of \$400,000 from the Economic Initiative Fund and \$101,000 from the Economic Opportunity Fund to the City of Kalamazoo Brownfield Redevelopment Authority; (b) approving the Preliminary Term Sheet in connection with the New Market Tax Credits sought by the developer; and (c) authorizing the City Manager to execute all documents that require the City's approval relating to the Property and Project.
4. Consideration of a recommendation to adopt a RESOLUTION that: (a) approves a \$200,000 HOME grant, and (b) approves a \$200,000 HOME loan, and (3) authorizes the City Manager to sign and execute all contracts and documents associated with the project in the 100 Block of East Michigan Avenue.
5. Consideration of a recommendation to adopt a RESOLUTION recognizing The Whole Art Theater, Inc. as a non-profit organization operating in the community for the purpose of obtaining a charitable gaming license.
6. Consideration of a recommendation to adopt a Notice of Intent RESOLUTION for the issuance of Water Supply System Revenue Bonds in an amount not to exceed \$8.75 million and Wastewater System Revenue Bonds in an amount not to exceed \$4 million for the purpose of financing capital projects included in the Fiscal Year 2009 Capital Improvement Program
7. Consideration of a recommendation to renew the contract with the Kalamazoo Regional Chamber of Commerce in support of the Southwest Michigan Alliance, a regional initiative to promote economic development through a common legislative agenda in an amount not-to-exceed \$15,000.

8. Consideration of a recommendation to accept the COPS Hiring Recovery Program award of \$1,911,340 from the U.S. Department of Justice and authorize the City Manager to sign the award document and other documents associated with this funding.
9. Consideration of a recommendation to adopt a deficit elimination plan in accordance with Public Act 140 of 1971, for the Local Development Finance Authority, a component unit.
10. Consideration of a recommendation to adopt a deficit elimination plan in accordance with Public Act 140 of 1971, for the Kalamazoo Municipal Golf Association, both component units.
11. Consideration of a recommendation to approve three applications for Neighborhood Enterprise Zone certificates in the Vine Neighborhood Enterprise Zone.
12. Consideration of a recommendation to approve the updated list of Non-Bargaining Unit Employees exempt from Civil Service Protection.
13. Consideration of a recommendation to approve the following appointments to advisory boards and commissions:
 - a. the appointment of **Barbara Blissett** to the Local Officers' Compensation Commission for a term expiring on September 30, 2010.
 - b. the appointment of **Bradley Cosgrove** to the Local Officers' Compensation Commission for a term expiring on September 30, 2011.
 - c. the appointment of **Barbara Larson** to the Local Officers' Compensation Commission for a term expiring on September 30, 2012.
 - d. the appointment of **David Pawloski** to the Local Officers' Compensation Commission for a term expiring on September 30, 2015.
 - e. the appointment of **Karen Wellman** to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a term expiring on September 30, 2010.
14. Consideration of a recommendation to approve a quit claim deed conveying the City's interest in 1512 Fairbanks Ct. to Devon Title of Kalamazoo, LLC, whose address is 800 East Milham, Suite 201, Portage, MI 49002, in consideration of \$3,495.33 in payment of 1991 through 1996 foreclosed taxes. *Hold Until October 5, 2009*

G. REGULAR AGENDA

1. Consideration of a recommendation to approve a multi-year contract with Giffels LLC/IBI Group to provide Consultant and Program Management Services to the Transportation Department for its Intelligent Transportation System program design and implementation in an amount not to exceed \$359,435. **(Action: Motion to approve)**
2. Consideration of a recommendation to offer for first reading an ORDINANCE to amend Chapter 22 of the Kalamazoo City Code to add a section addressing youth party regulation and adult responsibility. **(Action: Motion to offer for first reading)**

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**

1. Consideration of a recommendation to go into closed session to discuss labor negotiations. **(Action: Motion to go into 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.

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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