



Agenda

Regular Meeting of the City Commission

City of Kalamazoo

Monday, November 16, 2009

7:00 p.m.

City Commission Chambers – 241 West South Street

A. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

B. OPENING CEREMONY

1. Invocation: **Pastor Mark Couch**, Solid Grounds Student Ministries
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Introduction of Guests
 - a. **Greg Ayers, Discover Kalamazoo**
4. Proclamations
 - a. **Honoring Superintendent C.G. and First Lady Fannie Charles**

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, November 17, 2009 at 5:00 p.m., at Mayor's Riverfront Park, 251 Mills Street.
 - b. The **Kalamazoo Municipal Golf Association** will meet on Tuesday, November 17, 2009 at 7:00 p.m., in the Third Floor Conference Room at City Hall.
 - c. The **Perpetual Care Investment Committee** will meet on Wednesday, November 18, 2009 at 8:00 a.m., in the Kalamazoo County Admin Bldg., 201 West Kalamazoo Avenue. The **Investment Committee of the Retirement System** will meet immediately following.
 - d. The **Environmental Concerns Committee** will meet on Wednesday, November 18, 2009 at 4:30 p.m., in the Community Room at City Hall.

- e. The **Economic Development Corporation** will meet on Thursday, November 19, 2009 at 7:30 a.m., in the Community Room at City Hall. The **Brownfield Redevelopment Authority** will meet immediately following.
 - f. The **Local Development Finance Authority** will meet on Tuesday, November 24, 2009 at 7:30 a.m., at in the Southwest Michigan Innovation Center, located at 4717 Campus Drive.
2. The public is invited to participate in a meeting for the master planning of Blanche Hull and Milham Parks. The meeting will take place November 19, 2009 beginning at 7:00 p.m. at Mayors' Riverfront Park. For more information, contact the Parks and Recreation Department at 337-8191.
 3. City Hall will be closed Thursday, November 26 and Friday, November 27, 2009, in observance of the Thanksgiving Day holiday. Offices will re-open Monday, November 30, 2009.
 4. 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

1. Receive public comments regarding a proposed fare structure for the Kalamazoo Metro Transit System scheduled for implementation on January 4, 2010. **(Action: Motion to open the public hearing and receive citizen comments)**

F. CONSENT AGENDA (Action: Motion to approve items "1-8")

1. Consideration of a recommendation to approve the purchase of three pieces of fire apparatus in the amount of \$1,501,759.00 from Pierce Manufacturing Inc through Halt Fire.
2. Consideration of a recommendation to approve a one-year contract for Metro Transit fleet liability insurance with the Michigan Transit Pool at an annual premium of \$218,628, payable in four equal installments of \$54,657 to Macatawa Bank.
3. Consideration of a recommendation to approve a three-year contract to provide janitorial services at both the Kalamazoo Transportation Administration and Kalamazoo Transportation Center buildings, located at 530 North Rose Street and 459 North Burdick Street respectively, in the total amount of \$210,273.55.

4. Consideration of a recommendation to adopt a RESOLUTION authorizing the issuance of Tax Anticipation Notes in the amount of \$3 million for fiscal year 2010.
5. Consideration of a recommendation to adopt an ORDINANCE which provides for the issuance and sale of Water revenue bonds in an amount not to exceed \$8.9 million for the purpose of financing capital projects included in the adopted 2009 and 2010 proposed Water Capital Improvement Program.
6. Consideration of a recommendation to adopt a Revenue Bond ORDINANCE which provides for the issuance and sale of Wastewater revenue bonds in an amount not to exceed \$4 million for the purpose of financing capital projects included in the adopted 2009 and 2010 proposed Wastewater Capital Improvement Program.
7. Consideration of a recommendation to adopt a RESOLUTION granting a Payment in Lieu of Taxes to the Catholic Family Services Nonprofit Housing Corporation for six-units of permanent supportive rental housing to be developed at 751 Pleasant Avenue, pursuant to Section 35-4 of the Kalamazoo City Code.
8. Consideration of a recommendation to adopt a Michigan Department of Consumer & Industry Services, Liquor Control Commission RESOLUTION to allow an additional bar permit including outdoor service area for a total of two bars to be held in conjunction with 2009 Class C-SDM license issued under MCL 346.1521(1)B non-transferable with dance-entertainment and official permit (food) for The Strutt, located at 773 W. Michigan.

G. REGULAR AGENDA

1. Consideration of a recommendation to approve the future improvement project, Arboretum Development – East End Improvements along Solon Street, and a contract change order with Hurley & Stewart, LLC of Kalamazoo, MI to provide construction engineering services for Phase 1 of the project in the amount of \$55,600. **(Action: Motion to Approve)**

H. REPORTS AND LEGISLATION

1. City Manager's Report

I. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

J. POLICY ITEMS

K. NEW BUSINESS

1. Correspondence of Ms. Doreen Brinson's request to grant a reduction in healthcare coverage premium.

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.

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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
