



Agenda

Regular Meeting of the City Commission

City of Kalamazoo

Monday, August 16, 2010

7:00 p.m.

City Commission Chambers – 241 West South Street

A. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

B. OPENING CEREMONY

1. Invocation: **Pastor Sean Niestrath**, East Main Church of Christ
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Introduction of Guests
4. Proclamations
 - a. **Kalamazoo Community Foundation's 85th Anniversary**, July 2010
 - b. **League of Women Voters 90th Anniversary**, August 26, 2010

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, August 17, 2010 at 5:00 p.m., in the City Commission Chambers at City Hall.
 - b. The **Kalamazoo Municipal Golf Association** will meet on Tuesday, August 17, 2010 at 7:00 p.m., in the Third Floor Conference Room at City Hall.
 - c. The **Perpetual Care Investment Committee** will meet on Wednesday, August 18, 2010 at 10:00 a.m., in Room 207A at the Kalamazoo County Administration Building, 201 West Michigan Avenue. The **Investment Committee of the Retirement System** will meet immediately following.
 - d. The **Environmental Concerns Committee** will meet on Wednesday, August 18, 2010 at 4:30 p.m., in the Community Room at City Hall.
 - e. The **Brownfield Redevelopment Authority** will meet on Thursday, August 19, 2010 at 7:30 a.m., in the Community Room at City Hall.

- f. The **Downtown Development Authority** will meet on Monday, August 23, 2010 at 3:00 p.m., in the Community Room at City Hall.
 - g. The **Employee Retirement System Board of Trustees** will meet on Wednesday, August 25, 2010 at 8:00 a.m., in the Third Floor Conference Room at City Hall.
 - h. The **Housing Board of Appeals** will meet on Thursday, August 26, 2010 at 2:00 p.m., in the City Commission Chambers at City Hall.
 - i. The **Transit Authority Board** will meet on Friday, August 27, 2010 at 9:00 a.m., in the Metro Transit Conference Room, located at 530 North Rose Street.
 - j. The **Friends of Recreation** will meet on Wednesday, September 1, 2010 at 4:00 p.m., in the Parks and Recreation Community Room, Mayors' Riverfront Park, located at 251 Mills Street.
 - k. The **Dangerous Buildings Board** will meet on Thursday, September 2, 2010 at 2:00 p.m., in the City Commission Chambers at City Hall.
 - l. The **Planning Commission** will meet on Thursday, September 2, 2010 at 7:00 p.m., in the City Commission Chambers at City Hall.
 - m. The **Parks and Recreation Advisory Board** will meet on Tuesday, September 7, 2010 at 5:15 p.m. in the Parks and Recreation Community Room, Mayors' Riverfront Park, located at 251 Mills Street.
- 2. The Kalamazoo City Commission will meet for a Committee of the Whole meeting on Friday, August 27, 2010 at 7:30 a.m. The meeting will be held in the Community Room at City Hall for an update on the FY2010 Budget.
 - 3. The regularly scheduled City Commission meeting of Monday, August 30, 2010 has been canceled. Due to city offices being closed Monday, September 6, 2010, in observance of the Labor Day holiday, the next regular meeting of the Kalamazoo City Commission will be held Tuesday, September 7, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Commission Chambers.
 - 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

F. CONSENT AGENDA**(Action: Motion to approve items "1-4")**

1. Consideration of a recommendation to approve two items to allow for the construction of a new water pressure reducing station, Station #36, in the Township of Oshtemo: a) a construction contract with Balkema Construction, Inc. of Kalamazoo in the amount of \$ 169,000; and, b) a budget increase of \$240,000 for the project in the City's 2010 Water CIP Budget funded entirely by contractor.
2. Consideration of a recommendation to adopt a RESOLUTION extending the effect of the previously adopted Resolution No. 09-68, Resolution No. 09-69 and Resolution No. 09-70 until December 31, 2010 for property located in the 100 block of East Michigan Avenue.
3. Consideration of a recommendation to approve the donation of unclaimed bicycles to non-profit organizations within the City of Kalamazoo.
4. Consideration of a recommendation to approve the appointment of Jason Meddaugh the Kalamazoo Transit Authority Board for a term expiring on December 31, 2011.

G. REGULAR AGENDA**H. REPORTS AND LEGISLATION**

1. City Clerk's Report
2. 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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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 and Saturday morning at 9:00 a.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
