

Meeting

Date: December 16, 2024

Time: 6:30pm.

Location: Meeting was held at City Hall 1 South Huron St. Ypsilanti, Mi 48197. It was recorded and hosted by City of Ypsilanti Staff Bonnie Wessler.

1. Call to Order Commissioner McAtee called the meeting to order at

2. Roll Call Present were Michael McAtee, Cathy Thorburn, Brian Merlos, Aaron Seagraves, Amanda May Moore. Absent Ben Connor-Barrie Bonnie Wessler Director of Public Works.

3. Document Approvals

A. Approval of Agenda Amended to correct date at top of agenda. Acceptance moved by Commissioner Seagraves and seconded by Commissioner Merlos Passed

B. Approval of Minutes Acceptance moved by Commissioner Merlos seconded by Commissioner Moore Passed.

4. Audience Participation-Evan Sweet City Residence, Mike via Zoom

5. Standing Business-

A. Internal Commission Business

i. 2024 Annual Report Commissioner Seagraves moved to adopt the report and to send it to the Council and Commissioner Merlos seconded. Passed

It was moved by Commissioner Seagraves to adopt the longer annual report and also include it and Commissioner Merlos seconded Passed.

ii. P&A Ordinance update

a. Council requested we ensure Ypsilanti city resident voting majority on Commission-Non-residents can still vote but not count as quorum. Moved to accept language from council. Commissioner Merlos, seconded Commissioner Seagraves. Passed

6. Reports

A. Commission Initiatives

i. Youth Poet Laureate- Questions were raised about the output and benefits to the city. How were the director's hours spent? Did the project occur? Will send back some positive feedback and ask for documentation. Commissioner May Moore will reach out for more information.

B. City Updates

i. Adopt-a-Park evolution – Will be discussing more in the next year.

ii. Washtenaw ISD Early On program- nothing

iii. Special Events Policy- Presenting to council in January.

iv. Parks and Recreation Master Plan Check-in wait till the public information session. Contracts have been sent to attorneys.

v. City Report Few events, new metal picnic tables in Recreation, Prospect and Riverside under the pavilions. Grants applied for Riverside Park for stormwater, trails and accessibility.

Education regarding Urban Forest presentation possibly before a commission meeting.

C. Friends Groups/Facility Reports/Event Updates

i. Rutherford Pool-Email blast for end of year donation. Pool floor was inspected to conclude the grant funding requirements.

ii. Senior Center-Newsletter was shared out through email

iii. Parkridge- nothing

7. Audience Participation-None

8. Adjournment 7:25

Next meeting: Monday February 16, 2024, 6:30 PM