



**CITY OF OAK PARK, MICHIGAN
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING OF THE
36th OAK PARK CITY COUNCIL
September 19, 2016
5:30 P.M.**

MINUTES

This Special Meeting of the 36th Oak Park City Council was held in the Executive Conference Room of City Hall located at 14000 Oak Park Boulevard, Oak Park, MI 48237.

Notice of this Special Meeting was given in compliance with the provisions of Act 267 of the Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, as amended, the "Open Meetings Act".

The Special Meeting was called to order by Mayor McClellan at 5:32 P.M.

PRESENT: Mayor McClellan, Mayor Pro Tem Burns, Council Member Rich,
Council Member Speech

ABSENT: Council Member Radner

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager Tungate, Assistant City Manager Yee, Public Safety Director Cooper, City Clerk Norris, Assistant to the City Manager McLain, City Attorney Murphy (Arrived at 5:45 PM)

SPECIAL BUSINESS:

(AGENDA ITEM #3A) Amendments to various ordinances were not discussed as City Attorney Duff was not present to discuss them.

(AGENDA ITEM #3B) City Manager Update on Special Projects

City Hall Parking Lot Fencing and Security Gates

City Manager Tungate and Assistant City Manager Yee presented a proposed plan that would provide for a security enclosure around employee parking at City Hall and the 45th District Court. The plan calls for four security gates that would allow access to parking by city employees. The most visible parts of the enclosure would possibly be constructed of aluminum fencing and brick pillars. There was consensus among council members to proceed with determining actual costs then final approval would be considered at a later date.

I-696/Coolidge bridge fence enhancement and identity

Mr. Tungate presented an idea to enhance the bridge fencing on the overpass at I-696 and Coolidge. He indicated this would be an excellent marketing opportunity for the City since I-696 is traveled by so many vehicles. The proposal would enhance the look of the bridge with new fencing and lighting and also provide for city identity viewable from both east and westbound traffic. There was consensus among council members to keep from using general fund dollars for this project and to proceed with figuring actual costs.

Water Tower

Council discussed plans for the repainting of the Oak Park water tower located off of 11 Mile Road. Several color schemes were reviewed and there was consensus among council members to review additional options then make final selections for approval at a later meeting. The budgeted amount for this project is \$150,000.00.

Water lines

Mr. Yee indicated that Oak Park has changed out all but 9 lead water service lines in the City and discussed plans to replace those lines from the main to the stop box at a cost of \$30,000. He indicated that there have been no elevated levels of lead in Oak Park water but it would be advantageous to eliminate all lead lines in Oak Park. He indicated our water is treated with an additive to prevent lead contamination. Council discussed the need to provide a special assessment program to allow homeowners to voluntarily participate in changing out their lead water line from the stop box to the meter. This would be advantageous to the homeowner since the contractor would already be working on the city's service line. There was consensus that this would be a good program to offer residents.

Council Member Speech expressed the desire to extend the moratorium established for smoke lounges that will expire in October.

CALL TO THE AUDIENCE:

There were no members of the audience wishing to speak.

ADJOURNMENT:

The Special Meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

T. Edwin Norris, City Clerk

Marian McClellan, Mayor