

CITY OF HUNTINGTON WOODS  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION  
MINUTES  
**Tuesday, August 18, 2020**  
7:30 p.m.  
Remote Meeting – Not at City Hall

Mayor Paul called the Meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Mayor Paul, Mayor Pro Tem Rozell, Commissioner Jenks, Commissioner Olsman, Commissioner Elder, City Manager Sullivan and City Attorney Rosati.

**ABSENT:** None

City Staff Present: Finance/Treasurer Director Rowland.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Moved by Commissioner Olsman and seconded by Commissioner Elder to approve the August 18, 2020 agenda as presented.

Ayes: Paul, Jenks, Rozell, Elder, Olsman

Nays: None

Absent: None

**The Motion Carried.**

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

Moved by Commissioner Olsman and seconded by Commissioner Jenks to approve the August 18, 2020 Consent Agenda as presented.

Ayes: Paul, Rozell, Elder, Olsman, Jenks

Nays: None

Absent: None

**The Motion Carried.**

**COMMUNICATIONS**

Mayor Paul noted that there were two resignations submitted from City's Boards and Commissions included in Communications.

Moved by Commissioner Elder and seconded by Commissioner Olsman, to accept the resignations from members of the community with thanks for time served on boards and commissions.

Ayes: Paul, Rozell, Elder, Olsman, Jenks

Nays: None

Absent: None

**The Motion Carried.**

### **ELECTED OFFICIAL REMARKS**

County Commissioner Helaine Zack reported:

- Reminded the public of grants still available through COVID funding. More information can be found at [www.oakgov.com/COVID](http://www.oakgov.com/COVID).
- Oakland County held a community meeting concerning the re-opening of schools in the County. There is a tool kit for schools found on the County website that can assist in safely returning kids to school this fall.
- Veteran services are available through the County and can also be found at [www.oakgov.com](http://www.oakgov.com).
- The County opened a Clerk's office on Crooks in the South Oakland Building.
- Oakland County Elections did a great job with the counting of the absentee ballots and promoting safe access to voting for the August 4, 2020 Primary.

### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

**Steven Gold - 13340 Balfour Ave.**

Commented on the draft anti-racism plan that the City is creating.

**Gail Linden – 25840 Concord Rd.**

Noted concern with the increase in COVID-19 cases within the City and allowance of block parties and public assembly within City parks.

**Rich Feldman- 10474 Lasalle Blvd.**

Questioned the Commission on the Public Safety Department budget.

**Claire Galed – 10084 Lasalle Blvd.**

Commended the City for moving forward with an anti-racism plan.

**Kevin Withane – 25844 Salem Rd.**

Commended Commissioner Elder for her work on the anti-racism plan that she has been assisting in developing.

**PROCLAMATION**

Mayor Paul read the proclamation declaring the week of September 11<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> as Patriot Week and September 11, 2020 Patriot Day.

**RESOLUTION R -151-2020:**

Matter of consideration to approve the Public Act 51 Annual Certification of Employee Related Conditions.

Moved by Commissioner Olsman and seconded by Commissioner Jenks to approve the Public Act 51 Annual Certification of Employee Related Conditions.

Ayes: Paul, Rozell, Elder, Olsman, Jenks

Nays: None

Absent: None

**The Motion Carried.**

**RESOLUTION R-152- 2020:**

Matter of consideration to proceed with the Redevelopment Ready Communities Certification.

Manager Sullivan noted the City has received the Baseline Report of the Redevelopment Ready Communities self-evaluation submitted to the MEDC in July 2019. Receipt of the report and adopting a resolution committing to adopting the best management practices is the next step in the certification.

Moved by Commissioner Jenks and seconded by Commissioner Elder to proceed with the Redevelopment Ready Communities Certification.

**Public Comments:**

**Steven Gold – 13340 Balfour:**

Questioned if the funding request from MEDC will include the best possible estimate of the costs of pursuing the public meetings for diversity and inclusion.

Manager Sullivan clarified the process and what is being looked at to include the diversity and inclusion.

**Helaine Zack – Oakland County Commissioner**

Commended the City for pursuing this certification.

**Commissioner Comments:**

**Elder:**

Commended Manager Sullivan for her hard work with this project and is impressed with how far the City has gotten. Fully supports moving forward with this program.

**Jenks:**

Is in support of moving forward with this as well.

Ayes: Paul, Rozell, Elder, Olsman, Jenks

Nays: None

Absent: None

**The Motion Carried.**

**RESOLUTION R-153-2020:**

Matter of consideration of a three-year agreement with the City of Berkley to provide dispatch, jail, use of firearms range and animal control services.

Manager Sullivan noted that the City of Berkley has been providing dispatching services to Huntington Woods since the 1990's and the current agreement was approved in 2011. Since then dispatching services have evolved with technological changes and updates. Additional services have been added to include housing prisoners prior to transport to court or Oakland County Sheriff's Department along with handling fingerprinting and the use of their firearm range. The City of Berkley has asked for an increase in cost due to the additional services. Quotes were received from the City of Ferndale and the Oakland County Sheriff's Department with both quotes coming in higher than Berkley and offering less services. Both Chief Pazuchowski and Manager Sullivan recommend approving the agreement presented.

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Rozell and seconded by Commissioner Olsman to approve the three-year agreement with the City of Berkley to provide dispatch, jail, use of firearms and animal control services.

**Commissioner Comments:**

**Rozell:**

Noted he is in support of approving the agreement due to the satisfaction in service received from the City of Berkley and is comfortable with the increase in cost.

Ayes: Paul, Rozell, Olsman, Jenks, Elder

Nays: None

Absent: None

**The Motion Carried.**

**ORDINANCE NO. 10 :**

Matter of adoption of an Ordinance to amend the City of Huntington Woods Code of Ordinances, Chapter 4, to add new Article III, Chickens, to permit regulate and establish requirements relating to the keeping of chickens. (Second Reading)

Moved by Commissioner Jenks seconded by Commissioner Olsman to adopt an Ordinance to amend the City of Huntington Woods Code of Ordinances, Chapter 4, to add new Article III, Chickens, to permit regulate and establish requirements relating to the keeping

Ayes: Paul, Rozell, Elder, Jenks, Olsman

Nays: None

Absent: None

**The Motion Carried.**

**ORDINANCE NO :**

Matter of adoption of an Ordinance to amend Chapter 40, Zoning, Article 4, District Regulations, Section 40-4.03, R-1A through R-1E: One -Family districts, to delete in its entirety former subsection 40-4.03(4) and to renumber remaining subsections.  
(Second Reading)

Moved by Commissioner Elder seconded by Commissioner Olsman to amend Chapter 40, Zoning, Article 4, District Regulations, Section 40-4.03, R-1A through R-1E: One -Family districts, to delete in its entirety former subsection 40-4.03(4) and to renumber remaining subsections.

Ayes: Paul, Rozell, Elder, Jenks, Olsman

Nays: None

Absent: None

**The Motion Carried.**

**CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

- Provided an update on the Anti-Racism plan noting that after receiving resident feedback, has pushed the completion of the plan off until the September 2020 Commission meeting.
- The Hometown Herald for the fall will be available online only. If you would like a hard copy, the Recreation Department or City Hall can print and deliver to you.
- Reminded residents to cut back bushes and hedges for the coming winter months so the DPW can easily clear the sidewalks when it snows.
- Road construction project is moving along with Nadine and Borgman being paved and ready for sod. York Street had the base coat put on and the curbs have been put in on Humber Street with the base being laid on Monday. The next street will be Talbot and residents have been notified that it will start shortly but will not actually start until after the holiday weekend.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Commissioner Jenks seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Rozell to adjourn the meeting.

Ayes: Paul, Rozell, Jenks, Olsman, Elder

Nays: None

Absent: None

**The Motion Carried, meeting adjourned at 8:13 p.m.**

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Heidi Barckholtz, City Clerk

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Robert F. Paul, III, Mayor