

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMISSION OF THE
CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN

Regular Meeting Held January 8, 1979

Present: Coms. Frost, Waters, Lorch, Gale and Worfel.

Absent: Com. Clary and Mayor Stoppels.

The meeting was called to order by the Acting Chairman, Commissioner Gale.

221. The minutes of the meeting held December 18, 1978, were received. It was moved by Commissioner Gale and supported by Commissioner Frost that these minutes be approved as written.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Lorch, Gale, Worfel - 5

Nays: 0

222. Pursuant to public notice, a hearing was then held upon the zoning variance request of Mike Rozelle at 2225 Argentina Drive SE, to permit construction of an addition to his garage which would encroach 6 feet into the required rear yard. Mr. Rozelle and Mr. Bill Herrington were present to discuss this request with the Commission. There were no objections raised.

222-A. Lorch-Worfel. That this Commission, acting as the Board of Zoning Appeals, grant the request of Mr. Mike Rozelle.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Lorch, Gale, Worfel - 5

Nays: 0

Commissioner Clary arrived at this time.

223. The City Manager's memorandum dated December 4, 1978, regarding replacement of the presently assigned vehicles was discussed. Persons speaking to this issue were Mr. Thomas Ditmar, Mrs. Marge Taber, Mrs. Victor Smedstad and Mrs. Lois Moseley.

223-A. Waters-Clary. That this matter be tabled for two weeks.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Waters, Lorch, Gale, Worfel - 6

Nays: 0

224. The City Manager requested authorization to pay Strain Electric Company the amount of \$2,110 for work done on the auxiliary generator which is located in the lower level of the municipal complex.

224-A. Waters-Worfel. That the City Manager be authorized to expend the amount of \$2,110 for work done on the auxiliary generator and that this amount be transferred from Contingencies to the Buildings-Repairs & Maintenance Account.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Waters, Lorch, Gale, Worfel - 6

Nays: 0

225. The City Manager submitted a memorandum relative to snowplowing contractor regulations which included the addition of three items to the previously adopted regulations.

225-A. Clary-Waters. That the regulations governing operations of snow removal contractors as revised be adopted and that the fee for snowplowing contractors be increased from \$10 for each contractor to \$25 for the first plow and \$10 for each additional plow, and that this new licensing fee become effective July 1, 1979.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Waters, Lorch, Gale, Worfel - 6

Nays: 0

226. The City Manager submitted a memorandum regarding hospitalization insurance for East Grand Rapids employees. The Commission gave authorization for the City Manager to continue his investigation of various alternative plans.

227. Mrs. Marge Taber was present to complain about the problem she is having with snowplows placing snow in her driveway, and the method in which the snowplow contractors are moving the snow which creates problems for East Grand Rapids residents. She was told that the problem with snow in driveways was a universal problem and that with the new snow removal regulations, the problems that contractors create should be reduced.

228. Waters-Frost. That the additional agenda items as submitted by the City Manager be accepted and added to the original agenda.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Waters, Lorch, Gale, Worfel - 6
Nays: 0

229. The City Manager reported that there were several CATV easements which relate to City-owned property which need to be signed by the Mayor and City Clerk to permit CATV to construct across City properties.

229-A. Clary-Waters. That the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign the CATV easements.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Waters, Lorch, Gale, Worfel - 6
Nays: 0

230. A letter from the Advisory Center for Teens thanking the City Commission for their added participation in their program was received for information.

231. A report from the East Grand Rapids Librarian relative to Sunday hours was received for information.

232. A memorandum from the City Clerk regarding the City Primary Election to be held February 19, 1979, was received for information.

233. The City Manager reported on bids which were received for the purchase of bleachers at the Remington Park and that the low bid was in the amount of \$1,359.

233-A. Worfel-Frost. That the purchase of bleachers be referred to the next City Commission meeting.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Waters, Lorch, Gale, Worfel - 6
Nays: 0

234. The City Manager reported that the Commission should designate an agent to represent the City of East Grand Rapids for the purpose of obtaining certain federal financial assistance under the Disaster Relief Act.

234-A.
BY COMMISSIONERS FROST-LORCH:

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Commission of The City of East Grand Rapids that Fred H. Tholen, City Manager, 750 Lakeside Drive SE, Grand Rapids, Michigan, is hereby authorized to execute for and in behalf of the City of East Grand Rapids, a public entity established under the laws of the State of Michigan, this application and to file it in the appropriate State Office for the purpose of obtaining certain Federal financial assistance under the Disaster Relief Act (Public Law 288, 93rd Congress) or otherwise available from the President's Disaster Relief Fund.

THAT The City of East Grand Rapids, a public entity established under the laws of the State of Michigan, hereby authorizes its agent to provide to the State and to the Federal Disaster Assistance Administration (FDAA), Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for all matters pertaining to such Federal disaster assistance the assurances and agreements printed on the reverse side hereof.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Waters, Lorch, Gale, Worfel - 6
Nays: 0

235. The City Manager brought to the attention of the Commission that with the resignation of Commissioner Maxfield, the appointment to the Board of Review of a City Commission representative was vacant. It was the decision of the Commission that Commissioner Waters be appointed by this Commission to fill the vacancy on the Board of Review created by the resignation of Commissioner Maxfield.

236. The City Manager requested authorization to purchase an additional automatic sampler which was installed in March of 1978, and for which \$1,750 rental charges have accrued and that for an additional \$250 this equipment can become the property of the City.

236-A. Lorch-Worfel. That the City Manager be authorized to purchase the automatic sampler, total payment of which will be \$2,000, which includes \$1,750 rental charges.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Waters, Lorch, Gale, Worfel - 6
Nays: 0

237. Commissioner Gale requested that the Parks and Recreation Commission be authorized to enter into a contract with an interested party who would like to have exclusive publication rights for a period of 18 months for the publication and distribution of the City brochure.

237-A. Worfel-Frost. That the City Attorney be requested to advise the Commission of the proper procedure in taking bids for the publication of the brochure and that this matter be placed on the next City Commission agenda.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Waters, Lorch, Gale, Worfel - 6
Nays: 0

238. The minutes of the Traffic Commission meeting held December 12, 1978, were accepted.

239. The Kent County Library System circulation report for the month of November, 1978, was received for information.

240. A letter from the Grand Rapids Area Chamber of Commerce including a financial report of the Metropolitan Area Economic Council was received for information.

241. A copy of the Mailgram sent to Governor William Milliken regarding the City's position in urging the Governor to veto Senate Bill 1174 was received for information.

242. Reports for the month of December, 1978, from the Fire Department, Police Department and Building Inspector were received for information.

243. It was requested that the cost for providing sidewalk plowing be submitted to the Commission as soon as possible.

244. The City Manager reported on a meeting held by the County Drain Commission regarding the Silver Creek drainage project and recommended that East Grand Rapids hold a hearing for residents who would be affected by this project, such meeting to be held February 5, 1979.

245. Commissioner Lorch reported upon a request which he received from a resident regarding no parking during night hours. It was the consensus of the Commission that they did not wish to change the current policy on parking.

246. Worfel-Gale. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$762,882.11, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$31,532.61, as approved by the Ways & Means Committee be allowed and the Controller be authorized to draw an order on the Treasurer for their respective amounts.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Waters, Lorch, Gale, Worfel - 6
Nays: 0

247. There were 12 residents in attendance at this meeting.

248. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, until January 22, 1979.



City Clerk

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Reference Only

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMISSION OF THE
CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN

Regular Meeting Held January 22, 1979

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

Present: Coms. Frost, Waters, Clary, Lorch, Gale, Worfel and Mayor Stoppels.
Absent: None.

Mayor Stoppels expressed his appreciation to the City Commission and City employees for their expression of thoughtfulness at the death of his mother.

249. The minutes of the meeting held January 8, 1979, were approved as written.

250. Bids were received for the purchase of bleachers at Remington Park.

250-A. Gale-Lorch. That the low bid of \$1,193.60 from Jennings, Inc. be accepted subject to the approval of the East Grand Rapids School Board to participate to the extent of 50% of the total cost.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Lorch, Worfel, Stoppels - 6
Nays: 0

Commissioner Waters arrived at this time.

251. A memorandum was received from Sally Godin concerning Sunday library hours at the East Grand Rapids library.

251-A. Clary-Frost. That consideration of Sunday library hours at the East Grand Rapids library be tabled.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Lorch, Waters, Worfel - 5
Nays: Gale, Stoppels - 2

252. The City Manager's memorandum dated December 4, 1978, regarding replacement of the presently assigned vehicles was discussed.

252-A. Waters-Frost. That the City replace the vehicles for the City Manager, Fire Chief and Public Service Superintendent, and not replace the vehicles for the Clerk-Controller and Recreation Director.

252-B. Clary-Lorch. That said motion be amended to provide the City Manager with the option of purchasing his own vehicle with reimbursement by the City for mileage and other expenses.

Yeas: Clary, Lorch, Worfel - 3
Nays: Frost, Gale, Waters, Stoppels - 4

The motion to amend failed.

A roll call vote was taken on the main motion. The vote on this motion was as follows:

Yeas: Frost, Gale, Waters, Worfel - 4
Nays: Clary, Lorch, Stoppels - 3

The motion carried.

253. There was discussion concerning the procedure for obtaining bids on the use of the City/School brochure.

253-A. Gale-Frost. That the City Commission adopt the following procedure regarding the bid and sale of property rights of the East Grand Rapids City/School brochure to private persons or firms for printing and distribution:

- A. That the City Commission allow private individual or firms to print a minimum of 2,000 brochures.
- B. Individuals being awarded this project would incur all printing and publishing cost.
- C. City Commission would grant individuals a period of 18 months to sell or distribute brochure in a manner which they deem necessary.
- D. Individual or firms wishing to print and distribute this brochure must submit a sealed bid to the City Commission. The bid to include:
 - 1. Consideration to be paid to City/School for right to use materials.
 - 2. Sample proof of brochure showing quality of workmanship.
 - 3. Bids to be presented to City Commission by February 5.
- E. Notice to bidders to be posted in East Grand Rapids City Hall. City has right to reject any and all bids proposed and to accept the proposal that fits the best interests of the City.
- F. All brochure materials presently owned by the City/School will remain the property of the City/School and must be returned by a successful bidder, if any, in its present condition.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Lorch, Waters, Worfel, Stoppels - 7

Nays: 0

254. The amendment to the Grand Rapids Water and Sewer Agreement was received by the Commission.

AMENDMENT TO
WATER AND SEWER SERVICE AGREEMENT
BETWEEN THE CITY OF GRAND RAPIDS AND
THE CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS

THIS AGREEMENT made by and between THE CITY OF GRAND RAPIDS, a Michigan Municipal Corporation, located at 300 Monroe Avenue, NW, Grand Rapids, Michigan, hereinafter referred to as "Grand Rapids", and THE CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS, a Michigan Municipal Corporation, located at 750 Lakeside Dr. SE, East Grand Rapids, Michigan, hereinafter referred to as "East Grand Rapids".

WHEREAS, Grand Rapids currently provides water and sewer services to East Grand Rapids as a bulk customer, under an agreement dated July 1, 1977, and

WHEREAS, the parties have determined that the aforesaid Agreement shall be amended to reflect the results of the 1978 Water-Sewer Rate Review.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS AGREED by and between the parties hereto as follows:

1. The first paragraph of Section 15 of The Water and Sewer Service Agreement shall be amended to provide as follows:

"15. East Grand Rapids as a single bulk customer of the Grand Rapids Water and Sewer Disposal System shall pay for such services at the following rates and charges:

	<u>Water Service</u>	<u>Sewer Service</u>
Commodity Charge	\$0.265 h. cu. ft.	\$215 per MG
Monthly Service Charge	\$794.00	\$2,164.00

These rates and charges are based upon the cost of providing service to East Grand Rapids as a bulk customer. Said rates and charges shall represent the proportionate share of cost actually incurred to service users within East Grand Rapids and are comprised of appropriate allocated costs of operation, maintenance, replacement, depreciation, and a reasonable rate of return on that part of the System's investment which East Grand Rapids as a hulk customer receives the benefit of. Such allocation of costs and rate of return shall be in accordance with the 1976-77 Grand Rapids Water System and Sewage Disposal System Rate Study (1976-77 Rate Studies).

Grand Rapids shall bill East Grand Rapids on a quarterly basis. All rates and charges billed shall be paid by the fifteenth day of the month following the month of billing. Rates and charges not paid within said period shall have an interest charge of five percent (5%) per annum to be computed daily to the unpaid balance."

2. Exhibit II of the Water and Sewer Service Agreement is hereby deleted in its entirety.

3. Exhibit III of the Water and Sewer Service Agreement is hereby deleted in its entirety.

4. Except as hereby specifically amended, the Water and Sewer Service Agreement shall continue in full force and effect according to its original tenor.

5. The provisions of this Amendment shall be effective as of the first day of January, 1979.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties have caused this Agreement to be executed pursuant to the authority of the respective parties.

254-A. Worfel-Gale. That the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign this Agreement.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Lorch, Waters, Worfel, Stoppels - 7

Nays: 0

255. There was discussion concerning the maintenance of emergency medical services. Letters were received from the Fire Chief and the West Michigan Emergency Medical Services.

255-A. Clary-Lorch. That the following resolution be adopted:

That the East Grand Rapids City Commission will maintain the level of the emergency medical services (EMS) System in the City of East Grand Rapids attained during the expenditure of federal funds in West Central Michigan under Public Law 93-154 (EMS Systems Act of 1973 and Public Law 94-573 (EMS Amendments of 1976)). This is to assure the quality maintenance of the EMS System following the expenditure of funds under the above public laws.

This by no means obligates the East Grand Rapids City Commission to expending funds for emergency medical services maintenance outside of its area of jurisdiction.

Yeas: Frost, Clary, Gale, Lorch, Waters, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

256. There was consideration of a proposal for an "Energy Conservation Study" for City Buildings. Staff was directed to conduct an in-house "mini" energy audit.

257. The minutes of the Traffic Commission meeting held January 9, 1979, were received for information.

258. There was consideration of the authorization to continue lake weed harvesting.

258-A. Gale-Worfel. That the consideration of a Reeds Lake weed harvesting program be placed on the agenda.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Lorch, Waters, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

258-B. Worfel-Gale. That the City Manager be authorized to contract with a weed harvester for an approximate amount of \$7,000 with no competitive bids since this is the only service currently available.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Lorch, Waters, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

259. A letter from T. Daniel Mulvihill regarding auto replacement was received for information.

260. There was discussion concerning the purchase of portable radio equipment. A memorandum was received from the Police Chief on this matter.

260-A. Gale-Worfel. That the consideration of the purchase of portable radio equipment be placed on the agenda.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Lorch, Waters, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

260-B. Gale-Worfel. That the City Manager be authorized to expend the amount of \$2,742.00 for the purchase of portable radio equipment.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Lorch, Waters, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

261. There was discussion concerning Mayors' Exchange Day. It was decided that East Grand Rapids would not participate this year.

262. There was discussion concerning "Meet The Mayor" week at Woodland Mall. It was decided that East Grand Rapids would not participate in this program.

263. A letter was received from J. B. Albert concerning the improvement of Arlington Drive. He requested that the cul-de-sac be installed immediately south of the south lot lines of Lots 27 and 28. It was decided to defer consideration of this request until a later meeting.

264. The annual report of the Fire Department activities for 1978 was received for information.

265. It was announced that there would be a public hearing on the enclosure of the Silver Creek drain on February 5, 1979, at the regular City Commission meeting.

266. The Mayor requested that the Commissioners consider recommendations for the replacement of George Heartwell, who is moving out of the city, on the Board of Review.

267. The Mayor requested that the School Board consider sharing the costs of the appeal by Blodgett Memorial Medical Center of its property assessments.

268. There was discussion concerning the possible private contracting of front end loaders to remove the snow placed in driveways by snowplows.

269. Commissioner Worfel requested that the City consider setting a fine for minors in possession of alcohol.

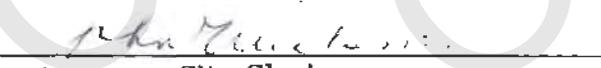
270. Gale-Lorch. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$2,181,670.87, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$31,532.61, as approved by the Ways & Means Committee be allowed and the Controller be authorized to draw an order on the Treasurer for their respective amounts.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Lorch, Waters, Worfel, Stoppels - 7

Nays: 0

271. There were 10 residents in attendance at this meeting.

272. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, until February 5, 1979.



City Clerk

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMISSION OF THE
CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN

Regular Meeting Held February 5, 1979

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

Present: Coms. Frost, Waters, Lorch, Gale, Worfel and Mayor Stoppels.
Absent: Com. Clary.

273. The minutes of the meeting held January 22, 1979, were corrected to show Mayor Stoppels voting "nay" and Commissioner Worfel voting "yea" on Item 252-B. They were then approved as corrected.

274. Pursuant to public notice, a hearing was then held relative to the proposed construction of a storm drain in the vicinity of Hall Street and Plymouth Road to be known as the Silver Creek Drain-Hall Street District. The City Engineer discussed the various alternatives. Residents who spoke relative to this matter were Mr. Peter Stekete, Mr. Charles Zimmerman, Mr. Charles Fuller, Mr. Robert Eleveld, Mr. Robert Daverman, Mrs. Betty Fuller and Mr. Russell Burpee. Of the residents who spoke, Mr. Robert Daverman was the only one who supported the previous determination of the Commission to proceed with Alternative #2. The Mayor stated that a public hearing for this joint Grand Rapids/East Grand Rapids project will be held February 13, 1979, at 11:15 a. m., in Room 315 of the Kent County Building. No action was taken by the Commission.

274-A. Waters-. That the Kent County Drain Commission defer its decision on the Silver Creek Drain Project until the East Grand Rapids City Commission has re-considered the various alternatives.

The motion failed for lack of support.

275. Commissioner Gale reported that one bid was received for printing the City/School brochure and that this bid from Etheridge Company complies with the specifications approved by the City Commission on January 22, with a consideration of \$1.00 to be paid and ten brochures to be provided to the City of East Grand Rapids and the East Grand Rapids Schools.

275-A. Lorch-Frost. That this Commission accept the bid from Etheridge Company contingent upon the East Grand Rapids School Board's approval and that the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign a contract to be drafted by the City Attorney.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 6
Nays: 0

276. A report from the City Engineer regarding the cost differential involved in changing the location of the Arlington cul-de-sac from 520 ft. south of Cascade Road to 285 ft. south of Cascade Road was discussed.

276-A. Lorch-Frost. That this Commission directs the City Engineer to change the specifications for the improvement of Arlington to locate the cul-de-sac at a point 285 ft. south of Cascade Road.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 6
Nays: 0

277. Mrs. Barbara Hoag, Mr. Thomas Robberson and Mr. Mike Karolle were present to present to the Commission the Citizens' Advisory Committee report and recommendations relative to the Reeds Lake Restoration Project. These recommendations were prepared by the Sub-Committee on Engineering and Ecology. The Mayor scheduled a work session to consider these recommendations for 7:30 p. m., February 12, 1979, in the East Grand Rapids City Commission Room, and directed that notices be sent to the members of the Citizens' Advisory Committee informing them of this meeting.

278. Commissioner Worfel discussed the need for a City Ordinance relative to the consumption and/or possession of alcoholic beverages by persons under age 21. It was decided that this matter be placed on the AGRAG agenda in an effort to establish uniform ordinances throughout the Grand Rapids area.

279. Mayor Stoppels discussed a resolution which was received from the City of Walker recommending moving the Michigan Municipal League offices from Ann Arbor to Lansing, and stated that this item would be on the agenda of the next AGRAG meeting.

280. The City Engineer reported that the City obtained temporary easements on either side of Lake Drive for grading, filling and shaping the embankment for the Lake Drive Improvement from Woodshire to the east city limits. The City Engineer recommends that inasmuch as this project has been completed, these easements be discharged.

280-A. Worfel-Gale. That the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign the necessary documents to discharge the temporary easements recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Kent County in Liber 2105, page 980 and 981.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 6
Nays: 0

281. Mayor Stoppels reported that Mr. Heartwell, who is a member of the Board of Review, has moved from the City of East Grand Rapids and that a replacement is needed. He recommended Bruce Kellogg for this position.

281-A. Frost-Worfel. That Mr. Bruce Kellogg be appointed to the Board of Review to fill the vacancy created by Mr. Heartwell.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 6
Nays: 0

282. Reports for the month of January were received from the Fire Department, Police Department and Building Inspector.

283. Mayor Stoppels reported that this Commission must appoint a representative to the Kent Community Action Program and recommended that Robert Cooper be reappointed to this Committee.

283-A. Gale-Lorch. That Robert Cooper be reappointed to serve as the City of East Grand Rapids' representative on the Community Action Program.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 6
Nays: 0

284. The City Manager submitted an invoice in the amount of \$270.00 from Ernst & Ernst for its audit of the Motor Equipment Revolving Fund internal control procedures.

284-A. Gale-Worfel. That the invoice from Ernst & Ernst in the amount of \$270.00 be accepted and this amount be transferred from the Contingency Account to the Audit Account.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 6
Nays: 0

285. A letter was received from Mr. Robert M. Ross, Director of Aeronautics at the Kent County International Airport, expressing sincere appreciation and thanks to the members of the East Grand Rapids Police and Fire Departments for their assistance in the rescue operations related to the accident that occurred January 19, 1979.

286. Mayor Stoppels commended Mr. Bill Rhodes, Recreation Director of the City of East Grand Rapids, for having received the Fellowship Award from the Michigan Recreation & Parks Association for his outstanding contributions in the field of Parks and Recreation in the State of Michigan.

287. Worfel-Gale. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$1,470,595.72, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$34,245.10, as approved by the Ways & Means Committee be allowed and that the Controller be authorized to draw an order on the Treasurer for their respective amounts.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 6
Nays: 0

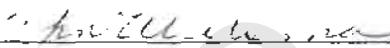
288. Gale-Waters. That this Commission go into closed session for the purpose of discussing settlement of the Lakewood Hills Apartments tax appeal.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 6
Nays: 0

The Mayor then adjourned the regular Commission meeting to go into closed session. After the closed session, the Mayor called the meeting to order.

289. There were 16 persons in attendance at this meeting.

290. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, until February 19, 1979.



City Clerk

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMISSION OF THE
CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN

Regular Meeting Held February 19, 1979

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

Present: Coms. Frost, Waters, Lorch, Gale, Worfel and Mayor Stoppels.

Absent: Com. Clary.

291. The minutes of the meeting held February 5, 1979, were corrected to show that in Item 274 Commissioner Waters moved that the Kent County Drain Commission defer its decision on the Silver Creek Drain Project until the East Grand Rapids City Commission had reconsidered the various alternatives. His motion failed for lack of support. The minutes were then approved as corrected.

292. Mrs. Mary Wilson was present to present to the City Commission her proposal for the clearing of snow from sidewalks. She distributed copies of her proposal to the Commission and explained her suggestion that the propertyowner become responsible for keeping his sidewalks clear of snow when the City is unable to clear the sidewalks.

292-A. Worfel-Frost. That this be placed on the City Commission work session agenda.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

293. The Commission then discussed the proposed construction of a storm drain in the Silver Creek Drain-Hall Street District. Mr. Tholen reported that the Kent County Drain Commission had adjourned its February 13th hearing relative to the joint petition from East Grand Rapids and the City of Grand Rapids for construction on the Silver Creek Drain pending final determination of the position of East Grand Rapids. Dr. Vernon Ehlers, representing the Kent County Drain Commission, was present to discuss this matter with the City Commission. He stated that the public hearing on this question would reconvene February 27, 1979. Mr. Peter Steketee and Mr. Charles Zimmerman spoke in opposition to the previous determination of the Commission to proceed with Alternative #2. Commissioner Waters moved that the City Commission rescind its previous decision of September 25, 1978, to proceed with Alternative #2. His motion failed for lack of support. No further action was taken by the Commission.

294. Bids were received for the 1979 Street Improvement Program.

294-A. Worfel-Stoppels. That the following street project contracts be awarded to the indicated low bidders:

MAJOR STREETS

1) Reeds Lake Blvd. - Gravel - Manhattan to City Limits - Michigan Colprovia Co.	\$ 8,258.00
2) Plymouth resurfacing - Michigan Colprovia Co.	78,712.93
3) Hall Street resurfacing - Michigan Colprovia Co.	97,601.92
4) Hall Street - Curb reconstruction - Grand Rapids Concrete	<u>78,966.10</u>
	\$ 263,538.95

LOCAL STREETS

1) Beechwood - resurfacing - Michigan Colprovia Co.	\$ 33,882.41
2) Lenox - resurfacing - Michigan Colprovia Co.	9,270.50
3) Lake Grove & York - Resurfacing and curb repair - Michigan Colprovia Co.	14,428.00
4) Reeds Lake Blvd. (South Shore), El Dorado, Frederick - Gravel - Michigan Colprovia Co.	16,259.20
5) Pioneer Club Road, Reeds Lake Blvd. Cutoff - Gravel - Michigan Colprovia Co.	11,710.80
6) Pioneer Club Road, Cotswold and Lakewood - Gravel - Michigan Colprovia Co.	<u>8,961.20</u>
	\$ 94,512.11

Also, that bids be received for additional local street projects as far down the priority listing as funds permit.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 6
Nays: 0

294-B.

BY COMMISSIONERS FROST-WATERS:

RESOLVED that the special assessment roll for the improvements consisting of all things necessary for the construction of a 30 foot wide roadway and cul-de-sac including excavation, fill and grading; relocate existing hydrants; excavate for water services; construct storm drain structures; examine existing sanitary sewer by closed circuit TV; concrete curb and gutter; concrete sidewalk on east side only; concrete drive approach where drives exist; adjust existing manhole castings; proper asphalt concrete base; asphalt concrete pavement surface; fine graded topsoil (no seed or sod) to blend to existing; and any other necessary appurtenances and underground work on

ARLINGTON ROAD from Cascade to 285 ft. south

is directed to be filed in the office of the City Clerk for public examination and that the City Commission meet at the City Hall on Monday, March 5, 1979, at 7:30 p. m. for the purpose of reviewing such roll at which time and place all persons interested or who are liable to be assessed for such improvement may appear and be heard in regard to such improvement and assessment roll; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk is instructed to give notice of such hearing in the manner provided by ordinance Section 1.307(1) at least 10 days prior to the date of said hearing.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 6
Nays: 0

294-C.

BY COMMISSIONERS FROST-WATERS:

RESOLVED, that this Commission deems it advisable to consider a proposal to vacate, abolish and discontinue all that part of ARLINGTON ROAD in the City of East Grand Rapids, Kent County, Michigan described as commencing on the East line of Arlington Road 17.14 feet South of the Northwest corner of Lot 36 Robinson Road Plat, East Grand Rapids, Kent County, Michigan, T 7 N, R 11 W, thence Northerly along the East line of

Arlington Road 242.14 feet to a point 50.0 feet South of the Northwest corner of Lot 31 said plat, thence Westerly to the East line of Lot 22 said plat at a point 15.0 feet South of the Northeast corner thereof, thence Southerly along the West line of Argentina Road 257.51 feet to a point 2.49 feet North of the Southeast corner of Lot 18 said plat, thence Easterly to beginning.

Full width of above vacated parcel to be reserved for public utilities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Commission shall hold a public hearing on the 19th day of March 1979, at 7:30 p.m. in the Commission Room in the City Hall of said City to hear and consider any and all objections and reasons why the above mentioned portion of ARLINGTON ROAD described as aforesaid should not be vacated, abolished and discontinued, subject to the reservation of an easement for public utilities over the full width thereof; and it is

ORDERED that the City Clerk give notice of the time and place when and where the Commission of said City will meet to hear and consider objections to the vacating, abolishing and discontinuing of said portion of ARLINGTON ROAD above described by any persons interested therein and desiring to be heard by publishing the notice of such meeting with a copy of this resolution once not less than two weeks before said meeting in a newspaper of general circulation in the City of East Grand Rapids.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 6
Nays: 0

295. Bids were received for the replacement of three police patrol cars.

295-A. Gale-Worfel. That the low bid of Berger Chevrolet for the replacement of three police patrol units be approved for a net cost of \$11,036.44.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 6
Nays: 0

295-B. Lorch-Worfel. That Car #41 be sold for salvage to the highest bidder in the amount of \$427.00 and that the insurance money received for the repair of Car #41 in the amount of \$1,751.55 and an appropriation of \$48.45, for a total of \$1,800.00 be approved for the purchase of Car #65 back from Berger Chevrolet in lieu of a trade-in allowance.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 6
Nays: 0

296. A Letter of Understanding with Kent County regarding a rate adjustment for the Plainfield landfill was discussed.

296-A. Waters-Lorch. That the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign the following Letter of Understanding concerning site acquisition and a service contract with Kent County:

By letter dated May 8, 1978, the undersigned agreed to a disposal rate at the Plainfield Landfill of \$5.65 a ton, effective July 1, 1978. In that letter, Kent County reserved the right to adjust that rate during the period July 1, 1978 to June 30, 1979, should the assumptions made by Kent County in setting the \$5.65 rate not hold true.

Those assumptions have not held true, and Kent County now proposes and agrees to adjust that rate to \$7.66 a ton effective February 1, 1979 through December 31, 1979.

It is agreed between the parties hereto that the disposal rate at the Plainfield Landfill be \$7.66 effective February 1, 1979 through December 31, 1979.

Insofar as the contracts, as amended, between the parties are inconsistent with this arrangement, the parties, by signing this letter, agree that those contracts shall be deemed further amended by this letter.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

297. The City Manager requested authorization to pay an invoice from Wolverine Tractor & Equipment for rented equipment used for snow clearance in the amount of \$10,610.00.

297-A. Gale-Worfel. That the City Manager be authorized to pay Wolverine Tractor & Equipment for rented equipment used for snow clearance in the amount of \$10,610.00.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

298. The Library circulation report for December was received for information.

299. A letter from the City of Kentwood asking that AGRAG recommend that the state legislature approve capital punishment for those guilty of certain heinous crimes was received and filed.

300. The minutes of the Planning Commission meeting held February 13, 1979, were received for information.

301. A memorandum was received from the Planning Commission recommending that the request from Howard R. Davidson for the vacation of the El Dorado rights-of-way adjacent to his home at 1900 El Dorado be denied. This item is to be placed on the March 5, 1979, City Commission agenda.

302. The Mayor announced that the Michigan Municipal League would be holding its Legislative Conference on Wednesday, March 21, 1979, in Lansing, and requested that those Commissioners interested in attending this meeting contact the City Manager or City Clerk by March 1, 1979.

303. The City Manager requested authorization to pay National Biocentric, Inc., the amount of \$1,195.99.

303-A. Lorch-Waters. That the City Manager be authorized to pay the invoice from National Biocentric, Inc., in the amount of \$1,195.99.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

304. The Mayor announced that there would be a City Commission work session meeting on the Reeds Lake Restoration Project on Thursday, March 8, 1979, at 8:30 a.m. at City Hall.

305. The budget performance report for January was received for information.

306. Mr. Richard Becker inquired about the possibility of coordinating the school and city elections. Commissioner Worfel stated that he is looking into the possibility of the City switching to odd year elections for the City Primary and General Elections.

307. Commissioner Worfel reported that the East Grand Rapids Public Library will be open on Sundays from 1:00 - 5:00 p. m. during the months of March and April.

308. Commissioner Gale inquired as to the progress on ordinance codification. City Attorney Richardson stated that his recommendations as to ordinance codification are nearly completed except for the section relating to building codes.

309. Gale-Worfel. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$606,386.51, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$31,286.62, as approved by the Ways & Means Committee be allowed and that the Controller be authorized to draw an order on the Treasurer for their respective amounts.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 6
Nays: 0

310. Waters-Frost. That the Mayor advise AGRAG that the East Grand Rapids City Commission is opposed to AGRAG taking any or making any recommendation with respect to the initiation of capital punishment in Michigan.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Lorch, Gale, Worfel - 5
Nays: Stoppels - 1

311. There were 10 persons in attendance at this meeting.

312. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, until March 5, 1979.



City Clerk

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMISSION OF THE
CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN

Regular Meeting Held March 5, 1979

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

Present: Coms. Frost, Waters, Lorch, Gale, Worfel and Mayor Stoppels.

Absent: Com. Clary.

313. The minutes of the meeting held February 19, 1979, were approved as written.

314. Pursuant to public notice, a hearing was then held upon the assessment roll for the improvement of Arlington Road from Cascade Road to 285 ft. south. Mr. J. Brock Albert was present to discuss this matter with the Commission.

314-A.

BY COMMISSIONERS WATERS-WORFEL:

RESOLVED, that a public hearing having been duly held on the special assessment roll for the improvement consisting of all things necessary for the construction of a 30 foot wide roadway and cul-de-sac including excavation, fill and grading; relocate existing hydrants; excavate for water services; construct storm drain structures; examine existing sanitary sewer by closed circuit TV; concrete curb and gutter; concrete sidewalk on east side only; concrete drive approach where drive exists; adjust existing manhole castings; proper asphalt concrete base; asphalt concrete pavement surface; fine graded topsoil (no seed or sod) to blend to existing; and any other necessary appurtenances and underground work on

ARLINGTON ROAD from Cascade Road to 285 ft. south

and all persons having been given the opportunity to be heard with regard thereto and this City Commission having considered all written or oral objections thereto, and it appearing that said special assessment roll does not require any changes or corrections, this City Commission does confirm such special assessment roll and does order that the Clerk endorse the date of confirmation upon such special assessment roll and transmit the same to the Treasurer for collection.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

315-B. Gale-Worfel. That the contract for the improvement of Arlington Road from Cascade Road to 285 ft. south be awarded to Smith Bros. Contracting, Inc., in the amount of \$28,248.59, contingent upon the receipt of easements from Albert Builders, Inc. for the full width of the cul-de-sac.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

316. The Planning Commission recommendation relative to the petition for the vacation of the El Dorado rights-of-way adjacent to 1900 El Dorado Drive was received.

316-A. Frost-Waters. That the petition to vacate that portion of El Dorado rights-of-way adjacent to 1900 El Dorado be denied, and that the Clerk be instructed to notify the petitioners of this decision.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

317. Commissioner Worfel submitted a proposal for the utilization of the lower level of the City Hall Complex. The estimated cost for the renovation of this lower level is \$102,287.00. The City Manager was requested to consider this project in preparing the 1979/80 budget.

(Commissioner Clary arrived at this time.)

318. The City Controller reported on the receipt of bids for the purchase of an electronic cash register and requested that this item be deferred until the next regular City Commission meeting to permit him to further investigate the bids as they relate to the specifications.

319. The City Manager requested authorization to issue a purchase order to Wolverine Tractor in the amount of \$5,635.00 for the rental of loaders for snow removal purposes during February.

319-A. Gale-Worfel. That this Commission authorize the City Manager to issue a purchase order to Wolverine Tractor in the amount of \$5,635.00.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Waters, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

320. The report of the Board of Canvassers regarding votes cast at the Non-Partisan Primary Municipal Election of February 19, 1979, was received and filed.

321. A financial and progress report of the Grand Rapids Area Chamber of Commerce regarding the Metropolitan Area Economic Council was received for information.

322. Reports from the Fire Department, Police Department and Building Inspector were received.

323. Mayor Stoppels-Lorch. That the report of bids on 1979 baseball and softball equipment items which matter was not on the agenda for this meeting be considered at this meeting.

Yeas: Clary, Waters, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 6
Nays: Frost - 1

323-A. Mayor Stoppels-Lorch. That a contract for the purchase of baseball and softball equipment be awarded to the low bidder, Reynolds & Brown, in the amount of \$2,337.90.

Yeas: Clary, Waters, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 6
Nays: 0
Commissioner Frost abstained.

324. Mayor Stoppels reported that he had received correspondence from a resident expressing appreciation for the library being open on Sunday afternoon. Commissioner Worfel inquired about the installation of a light at the front right corner of the library and he also requested that the rise in the pavement, which is approximately 4 feet from the entrance of the library, be repaired. Mr. Tholen responded that installation of the lights is in process.

325. Gale-Lorch. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$822,872.26, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$31,892.25, as approved by the Ways & Means Committee be allowed and the Controller be authorized to draw an order on the Treasurer for their respective amounts.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Waters, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

326. Commissioner Frost reported that he had received a call from a senior citizen who objected to being required to remove snow from her own sidewalk.

327. Commissioner Waters reported that Mike Karolle, Chairman of the Reeds Lake Restoration Committee's Engineering Sub-Committee, has requested that the City underwrite the expenses of bringing William Bailey from Arkansas to East Grand Rapids to discuss stocking Reeds Lake with the weed eating white amur fish. It was decided to place this item on the next regular City Commission agenda.

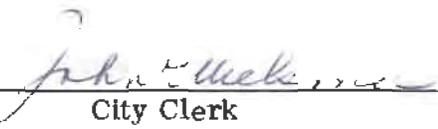
328. Commissioner Waters requested that the report from the City Manager on the proposal for cars be placed on the next regular City Commission agenda.

329. Mayor Stoppels requested that the City Commission think about the possibility of purchasing the Manhattan School property.

330. The Mayor reminded the Commissioners of the all-day Committee-of-the-Whole session to be held Thursday, March 8, 1979, commencing at 8:30 a. m.

331. There were two residents in attendance at this meeting.

332. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, until March 19, 1979.



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PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMISSION OF THE
CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN

Regular Meeting Held March 19, 1979

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

Present: Coms. Frost, Clary, Lorch, Gale, Worfel and Mayor Stoppels.

Absent: Com. Waters.

333. The minutes of the meeting held March 5, 1979, were approved as written.

334. Clary-Lorch. That discussion of the possible purchase by the City of the Manhattan School property be added to the agenda.

Yeas: Clary, Lorch, Worfel, Stoppels - 4

Nays: Frost, Gale - 2

(Commissioner Waters arrived at this time.)

335. Pursuant to public notice, a public hearing was held on the vacation of a portion of Arlington Road from 285 feet south of Cascade Road.

335-A. Lorch-Frost. That the resolution as presented be adopted.

335-B. Waters-Worfel. That the resolution be amended to provide that only the easterly 22½ feet of Arlington Road be vacated.

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: Waters, Lorch, Gale, Worfel - 4

Nays: Clary, Stoppels - 2

Commissioner Frost abstained.

335-C. Waters-Worfel. That the resolution as amended be further amended to read as follows:

WHEREAS, the owners of all the land and premises abutting on that portion of Arlington Road described herein, located in the City of East Grand Rapids, Michigan, have petitioned for the vacation of the portion of Arlington Road described below; and

WHEREAS, this Commission at a regular meeting of said Commission held in said City on the 19th day of March, 1979, has held a public hearing and has determined that it is advisable to vacate that portion of Arlington Road; and

WHEREAS, the opinion of this Commission the vacating, closing, discontinuing and abolishing of said portion of Arlington Road is a necessary public improvement and a necessary public convenience, the City, however, reserving an easement for public utilities over the full width of said street and an easement for public walk and drive purposes over the Westerly 37½ feet of Arlington Road, as platted, subject to the exclusive control of the City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Commission of the City of East Grand Rapids, Michigan, that the portion of Arlington Road described as commencing on the East line of Arlington Road, 17.14 feet South of the Northwest corner of Lot 36 Robinson Road Plat, East Grand Rapids, Kent County, Michigan, T 7 N, R 11 W, thence Northerly along the East line of Arlington Road 242.14 feet to a point 50.0 feet South of the Northwest corner of Lot 31 said plat, thence Westerly to the East line of Lot 22 said plat at a point 15.0 feet South of the Northeast corner thereof, thence Southerly along the West line of Arlington Road 257.51 feet to a point 2.49 feet North of the Southeast corner of Lot 18 said plat, thence Easterly to beginning, City of East Grand Rapids, Kent County,

Michigan, be and is hereby vacated, closed, discontinued and abolished, reserving to the City of East Grand Rapids an easement over the full width of the said vacated parcel for the purpose of constructing, maintaining, and servicing public utilities therein and reserving an easement for public walk and drive purposes over the Westerly 37½ feet of Arlington Road, as platted, subject to the exclusive control of the City.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk of this City be and is hereby directed to record a certified copy of this resolution with the Register of Deeds of Kent County, Michigan, and to send a copy to the State Treasurer, together with his certificates giving the name of the plat, or plats, affected by this resolution.

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: Waters, Lorch, Gale, Worfel - 4
Nays: Stoppels - 1
Commissioners Frost and Clary abstained.

Commissioner Clary requested that the minutes show that he considers the City Commission's action is arbitrary.

335-D. Lorch-Frost. That the resolution as amended be adopted.

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Lorch, Gale, Worfel - 5
Nays: Stoppels - 1
Commissioner Clary abstained.

335-E. Waters-Worfel. Be It Resolved that it is the intent of the resolution in Item 335-D that the City Manager not be authorized to permit driveway access to the premises abutting the vacated portion of Arlington Road on the west.

Yeas: Waters, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 4
Nays: 0
Commissioners Frost, Clary and Lorch abstained.

335-F.

BY COMMISSIONER CLARY-MAYOR STOPPELS:

RESOLVED, that the assessments to be levied in conjunction with the improvement of

ARLINGTON ROAD from Cascade Road to 285 feet south

as confirmed by the City Commission on March 5, 1979, shall be in the amount of \$35,168.97, that \$317.45 of said cost shall be paid by the City-at-large and \$34,851.52 by special assessment payable in 10 annual installments with interest at the rate of 7% per annum on all installments not paid within 30 days of confirmation of the assessment roll.

Yeas: Waters, Clary, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 6
Nays: Frost - 1

336. There was discussion regarding the possible purchase by the City of the Manhattan School property. Mr. Jim Wynsma, a member of Christ Church, discussed a proposal to purchase the Manhattan School property for use by his church.

336-A. Clary-Mayor Stoppels. That the City Manager be authorized, with a committee appointed by the Mayor, to negotiate with the School Board for the purchase of Manhattan School, and that this Committee report back to the City Commission regarding their findings of fact.

Yeas: Waters, Clary, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 6
Nays: Frost - 1

The Mayor appointed Commissioners Waters, Gale, and Clary to serve on this committee.

337. The report of bids received on March 14, 1979, for the supplemental local street improvement program was received.

337-A. Worfel-Gale. That the following street improvement projects be awarded to the low bidder:

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| 1) Heather, Heather Court, Stratford Court and Eastlawn -
resurfacing - Michigan Colprovia Co. | \$ 27,998.70 |
| 2) Rosalind - Estelle to Boston - resurfacing
Michigan Colprovia Co. | 14,842.10 |

That the following street improvement project be awarded to Michigan Colprovia Co. at the same unit prices as the other street improvement projects:

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| 3) Eastlawn - Hall to Anderson - resurfacing -
Michigan Colprovia Co. | <u>7,929.30</u> |
| Total Street Project Costs | \$ 50,770.10 |

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Clary, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

338. The City Manager reported on the bids received for the health insurance policy for City employees. There was general discussion and questions concerning coverage included in the proposals and the administration of the insurance.

338-A. Frost-Waters. That the Mayor appoint a committee of two to review the health insurance proposals.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Clary, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

338-B. Waters-Clary. That the City Manager be authorized to negotiate with the representatives of the Police, Fire, Public Service and general office employee groups regarding a possible change in the City's health insurance policy.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Clary, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

338-C. The Mayor appointed Commissioner Gale and Mr. Tom Cole to a committee to review the health insurance proposals.

339. Mr. Richard Becker, 2250 Elmwood Drive, presented a proposal whereby the residents on Elmwood would pay the costs for an off-duty policeman to operate radar on Elmwood.

339-A. Mayor Stoppels-Clary. That the City purchase a mechanical traffic recording device at a cost of \$550.00 and that such amount be transferred from the contingency fund account.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Clary, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

340. Mrs. Barbara Hoag, First Ward Commissioner-Elect, reported that she had received a letter from a resident complaining about traffic at Lakeside and Greenwood. This matter was referred to the Traffic Commission.

341. Consideration of the City automobile policy was deferred until the April 9, 1979, City Commission meeting.

342. A memorandum was received from the Kent County Library System requesting a \$4,681.45 increase in the library formula payment.

342-A. Gale-Worfel. That the increase be approved and paid and that \$4,681.45 be transferred from the contingency fund to cover the increased cost of the Kent County Library formula payment.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Clary, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

343. A request was received from the Department of Management and Budget for designation of a coordinator for the distribution of federal surplus property.

343-A. Gale-Frost. That Fred H. Tholen, City Manager, be designated as the coordinator for the distribution of federal surplus property.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Clary, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

344. A report and invoice was received from the City Attorney regarding the Lakewood Hills v. City of East Grand Rapids tax appeal settlement.

344-A. Worfel-Gale. That payment be approved and that \$2,267.29 be transferred from the contingency fund account.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Clary, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

Commissioner Clary requested that a statement of the hours spent on this case and the code revision be provided by the City Attorney.

345. A report and invoice was received from the City Attorney for legal work on the code revision.

345-A. Gale-Lorch. That payment be approved and that \$2,250.00 be transferred from the contingency fund account.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Clary, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

346. There was consideration of paying the expenses of Mr. William Bailey, of the Arkansas Game & Fish Commission, to come to East Grand Rapids to discuss the use of white amur fish as a form of biological control in Reeds Lake.

346-A. Gale-Lorch. That a \$150 consultation fee plus transportation, lodging and meal expenses be paid to Mr. William Bailey of the Arkansas Game & Fish Commission to come to East Grand Rapids on April 21, 1979, to discuss the white amur fish as a form of biological control in Reeds Lake.

Yeas: Waters, Clary, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 6
Nays: Frost - 1

347. There was consideration of designating representatives to the Reeds-Fisk Water Management Board.

347-A. Worfel-Gale. That Mike Karolle, Barbara Hoag and Fred H. Tholen be appointed to the Reeds-Fisk Water Management Board.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Clary, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

348. Consideration of the proposed engineering contract with National Biocentric, Inc. for services on the Reeds Lake restoration program is to be placed on the agenda for the April 9, 1979, City Commission meeting.

349. A resolution from the City of Utica regarding Emergency Medical Services was received for information.

350. There was discussion regarding the disposal of the NCR accounting machine. A memorandum was received from the City Manager stating that NCR has advised that the machine has no market value and that bids were solicited, but no bids were received.

350-A. Waters-Worfel. That John Wielsma be authorized to take, and remove, the NCR 400 accounting machine, that the cost of removing the machine from the Municipal Offices be paid by Mr. Wielsma, and that ownership be transferred to Mr. Wielsma.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Clary, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

351. A questionnaire from the Michigan Municipal League was distributed to the Commissioners. Completed questionnaires are to be returned to the City Clerk.

352. The minutes of the Library Commission meetings held November 7, 1978, and January 10, 1979, were received and filed.

353. The budget performance report dated February 28, 1979, was received and filed.

354. The minutes of the Planning Commission meeting held March 6, 1979, were received and filed.

355. Commissioner Gale inquired about the progress of General Electric in installing CATV in East Grand Rapids. Mr. Tholen responded that work is proceeding, but that GE Cablevision is currently studying means of completing the installation without the approximately 240 easements which have not been obtained.

356. Gale-Worfel. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$346,430.86, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$31,374.30, as approved by the Ways & Means Committee be allowed and that the Controller be authorized to draw an order on the Treasurer for their respective amounts.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Clary, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

357. Commissioner Clary submitted a log of damage done to parked vehicles in East Grand Rapids in 1979, to date. Police Chief Babcock indicated that an unusual number of parked vehicles had been vandalized so far in 1979. He encouraged citizens to report any suspicious vehicles or individuals to the Police Department.

358. Mr. Tholen circulated a printed copy of the City/School brochure. He indicated that the printer would like to sell copies to the City. It was decided to place this matter on the agenda for the April 9, 1979, City Commission meeting.

359. There were 14 residents in attendance at this meeting.

360. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, until April 9, 1979.


City Clerk

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMISSION OF THE
CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN

Regular Meeting Held April 9, 1979

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

Present: Coms. Frost, Waters, Clary, Lorch, Gale, Worfel and Mayor Stoppels.
Absent: None.

361. The minutes of the meeting held March 19, 1979, were corrected by inserting the name of "Waters" in place of "Worfel" as Committee appointee in Item #336-A; inserting the vote relative to Item #337-A as "Yeas-7, Nays -0"; and changing the vote of Frost from "Yes" to "No" in Item #346-A. The minutes were then approved as corrected.

362. Pursuant to public notice, a hearing was then held upon the zoning variance request of Blodgett Memorial Medical Center to place a wall sign on the east side of the Blodgett Professional Building, one unlighted free standing sign identifying the Marion Louise Withey Building, and one sign with indirect lighting over the emergency entrance to the hospital. Mr. John Logie, representing Blodgett Memorial Medical Center, discussed the need for these signs. Letters were received from Beth Ann Elve, Maurice Deering, Reatha Boon, Jack O. Russell, Mr. & Mrs. John Dickinson, Steven W. Taylor, Alice L. Carbonneau, Tom Bommart, D. Eugene Wiley, M.D., and Warren B. Mason, M.D., requesting identifying signs on the Professional Building. Letters from Elaine Mitchell and Barbara & Robert Munro objecting to the proposed emergency entrance sign were received. Persons speaking in favor of the Blodgett Memorial Medical Center request were Mr. Downer, Dr. Swanson, Dr. MacIntyre and Dr. Vining. Other persons who expressed objections were Mr. & Mrs. Robert Kress, Mrs. Munro and Mrs. Mitchell.

362-A. Gale-Worfel. That this Commission, acting as the Board of Zoning Appeals, approve the request of Blodgett Memorial Medical Center for a permit to place 12-inch brushed aluminum identifying lettering on the east side of the Blodgett Professional Building and to place a free standing unlighted sign, not to exceed 3 x 5½ ft. in dimension, to identify the Marion Louise Withey Building.

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Clary, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

362-B. Frost-Mayor Stoppels. That this Commission, acting as the Board of Zoning Appeals, approve the request of Blodgett Memorial Medical Center for a permit for an indirect lighted sign over the emergency entrance of the hospital.

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: Frost - 1
Nays: Waters, Clary, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 6

The motion failed.

363. A discussion of the various alternatives on the Silver Creek Drain Project was held. Petitions which contained a total of 61 signatures were submitted by Mr. Peter Steketee opposing the enclosing of any portion of the Silver Creek drain from Plymouth to Santa Cruz and favoring keeping this area in its present state. He also submitted a letter from Williams & Works suggesting that the drain not be enclosed. A letter from Walter B. Freihofer requesting that the drain remain as is was also received. Dr. Vernon Ehlers, Chairman of the Kent County Board of Commissioners, was present to express the interest of Kent County in this project. Persons who spoke in opposition of enclosing the drain were Peter Steketee, Walter Freihofer and Harold Baer.

363-A. Clary-Frost. That the decision on the Silver Creek storm drain be deferred until the next regular City Commission meeting which will be held April 23, 1979.

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Clary, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

The motion carried.

364. The City Manager submitted a memorandum relative to the matters discussed at a City Commission all-day session held March 8, 1979, on the lake restoration project.

364-A. Gale-Lorch. That the Citizens' Advisory Committee on Lake Restoration be authorized to issue a purchase order in the amount of \$3,500 for the purchase of 25 tons of zero phosphorus content fertilizer to be sold at a price of \$4.50 per bag.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Clary, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

364-B. The City Manager read a letter received from Romence Gardens objecting to the City's involvement in the sale of fertilizer.

364-C. Clary-Lorch. That this Commission adopt the program as outlined in the City Manager's memorandum and that a contract between the City of East Grand Rapids and the National Biocentric, Inc. be entered into for the amount of \$24,293.76.

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: Waters, Clary, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 6
Nays: Frost - 1

The motion carried.

365. Commissioner Clary reported on the special meeting held of the Sub-Committee of the East Grand Rapids City Commission and East Grand Rapids School Board for the purpose of discussing the possible acquisition of the Manhattan School property by the City.

366. A group of residents were in attendance at this meeting to discuss the East Grand Rapids School Board's decision to enter into a lease agreement with the Grand Valley State Colleges. Joel Krissoff stated that residents were concerned about the School Board's authority to enter into such a lease without obtaining a "special use" permit from the East Grand Rapids City Commission, and that they were concerned about the increased traffic that may occur in the converting of Woodcliff property to accommodate Grand Valley. Bob Skilton, Mrs. Karen Davies, Emery Freeman, Rodney Anderson, Dr. Gerald Barofsky, Kenneth Ellis and Harold Baer spoke in opposition to the lease. Dr. Jean McGrew requested the City Commission to act expeditiously in their decisions, both as to Woodcliff and as to Manhattan. He also commented that the Board of Education had obtained a legal opinion from their attorney relative to the lease to Grand Valley State Colleges.

366-A. Waters-Clary. That this Commission consider the lease between the East Grand Rapids Board of Education and the Grand Valley State Colleges as it may relate to the health, safety and welfare of our citizens and that this item be placed on the agenda of our next regular City Commission meeting which will be held April 23, 1979.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Waters, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

366-B. The City Manager was directed to investigate the availability of an impact analysis which can be obtained without charge from the West Michigan Regional Planning Commission. Dr. McGrew requested that the City Commission specify the information it would like from the School Board prior to the April 23rd meeting.

367. The City Manager requested authorization to purchase lighting equipment for the parking area between the library and the municipal offices in the amount of \$2,930.35.

367-A. Waters-Frost. That the request of the City Manager be granted and that the amount of \$2,930.35 be transferred from the Contingency account to the Buildings Repair Account for that purpose.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Clary, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

368. The City Manager requested authorization to issue a purchase order for four traffic recorders in the amount of \$4,480.00.

368-A. Lorch-Waters. That the City Manager's request be granted and that the amount of \$1,673.00 be transferred from the Contingency Fund to the Police Capital Account for this purpose.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Clary, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

369. The City Manager reported that 286 of the required easements have not been signed to permit cable TV to place their cables across the rear city lots. He reported that a study is being made as to the effect that these 286 properties have on the installation of CATV cable. It appears that if the easements cannot be obtained the persons living south of Hall Street would not be able to obtain CATV.

370. Monthly reports from the Fire Department and Police Department were received and filed.

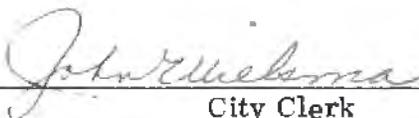
371. Gale-Worfel. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$653,639.83, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$65,732.09, as approved by the Ways & Means Committee be allowed and the Controller be authorized to draw an order on the Treasurer for their respective amounts.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Clary, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

372. The Mayor reported that following the meeting on May 7th, a reception will be held in honor of Mr. Clary as a retiring Commissioner, and Mrs. Hoag as a newly elected Commissioner.

373. There were 53 persons in attendance at this meeting.

374. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, until April 23, 1979.



City Clerk

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMISSION OF THE
CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN

Regular Meeting Held April 23, 1979

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

Present: Coms. Clary, Lorch, Frost, Waters, Gale, Worfel and Mayor Stoppels.
Absent: None.

375. The minutes of the meeting held April 9, 1979, were approved as written.

376. Pursuant to public notice, a hearing was then held upon the zoning variance request of James E. Fuller, 2809 Woodcliff Circle SE, to permit placement of a swimming pool 5 ft. from his northerly lot line. Mr. Fuller was present to discuss his request with the Commission. There were no objections raised.

376-A. Lorch-Waters. That this Commission, acting as the Board of Zoning Appeals, grant a variance to James E. Fuller to permit placement of a swimming pool on his property as requested.

Yeas: Clary, Lorch, Frost, Waters, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

377. The proposed use of the Woodcliff School by Grand Valley State Colleges was discussed. Following discussion, the following resolution was adopted.

377-A. Clary-Gale. Resolved, that it is the determination of the City Commission that the City Zoning Ordinance applies to any proposed use of the Woodcliff School property by Grand Valley State Colleges, that the Board of Education and Grand Valley State Colleges be advised that an application should be filed for approval by the City of any proposed use by Grand Valley State Colleges, and that in the event such an application is not filed the City Commission intends to hold a hearing on its own motion to consider this matter if necessary.

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: Waters, Clary, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 6
Nays: Frost - 1

The motion carried.

378. The City Manager reported on various alternatives of constructing the Silver Creek drain project and the manner of paying the County drain assessment. Greg Hayes, a resident of Hall Street and member of Grace Church, commented on the need for the improvement of Silver Creek.

378-A. Lorch-Frost. That this Commission select Alternate #1 of the choices presented by the County Drain Commission for the construction of Silver Creek drain project, and that the cost of this project be paid as a city-at-large expense and that no assessment district be created.

Yeas: Clary, Lorch, Frost, Waters, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

379. Clary-Waters. That this Commission, at the conclusion of the agenda, meet in executive session to consider the acquisition of the Manhattan School property.

Yeas: Clary, Lorch, Frost, Waters, Gale, Stoppels - 6
Nays: Worfel - 1

379-A. Frost-Worfel. That the above motion be reconsidered.

Yeas: Frost, Worfel - 2

Nays: Clary, Lorch, Waters, Gale, Stoppels - 5

379-B. Gale-Waters. That the executive session be held at this time.

Yeas: Clary, Lorch, Waters, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

Commissioner Frost abstained.

After the executive session was held, the meeting reconvened.

379-C. Commissioner Clary reported on the proposal to purchase Manhattan School.

379-D. Clary-Lorch. That the City of East Grand Rapids extend an offer to the East Grand Rapids School Board for the purchase of Manhattan School property for the sum of \$1.00. That the City also offer to establish a new policy whereby the City would reimburse the School for usage of school property by the City in the amount of \$40,000 annually for three years. That this policy be reviewed at the end of the three year period to determine actual costs relating to usage of school property by the City and subject to negotiation by the parties. That the Mayor and Manager be authorized to draw up an offer and submit it to the East Grand Rapids School Board for their consideration.

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: Waters, Clary, Lorch, Gale, Stoppels - 5

Nays: Frost, Worfel - 2

The motion carried.

380. Waters-Worfel. That consideration of the automobile policy be deferred until the next meeting of this Commission.

Yeas: Clary, Lorch, Frost, Waters, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7

Nays: 0

381. The City Manager reported on the grant offer from EPA for the Sewer System Evaluation Study.

381-A. Clary-Frost. That this Commission accept the grant offer from EPA for funding the 201 Facilities Plan, that the engineering agreements pertinent to this proposal be executed, and that the inspection phase of the proposed Sewer System Evaluation Study to observe effects of the maximum ground water conditions be rescheduled to begin in March, 1980.

Yeas: Clary, Lorch, Frost, Waters, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7

Nays: 0

382. A letter from the City Attorney regarding the vacation of Elmwood Drive from Lenox to Cornell was discussed.

382-A. Gale-Waters. That staff determine the cost of printing, mailing, legal fees, and construction costs regarding the vacation of Elmwood and that the interested parties be contacted to determine whether they are willing to assume these costs.

Yeas: Clary, Lorch, Frost, Waters, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7

Nays: 0

383. The City Commission discussed ordering copies of the City/School brochure at a cost of \$3.50 per copy.

383-A. Worfel-Clary. That this Commission not purchase any copies of the City brochure.

Yeas: Worfel, Clary, Frost - 3

Nays: Lorch, Waters, Gale, Stoppels - 4

The motion failed.

383-B. That the City purchase 500 copies of the brochure at a cost of \$3.50 each, and that the amount of \$1,750 be transferred from the Contingency Fund to the Community Services Fund to provide for this purchase.

383-C. Worfel-Gale. That the above motion be amended to include that the policy of the Commission is that the City not give copies away free to anyone who lives within the Grand Rapids area or to any commercial enterprises.

Yeas: Lorch, Frost, Waters, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 6

Nays: Clary - 1

The vote on the main motion as amended was as follows:

Yeas: Lorch, Waters, Gale, Stoppels - 4

Nays: Frost, Clary, Worfel - 3

384. The City Clerk submitted a memorandum requesting approval of the purchase of an electronic cash register.

384-A. Worfel-Frost. That this Commission accept the low bid of Cash Register Electronics, Inc. in the amount of \$2,150 and that \$600 be included in the 1979/80 budget for purchase of a slip printer.

Yeas: Clary, Lorch, Frost, Waters, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7

Nays: 0

385. A letter from the Advisory Center for Teens requesting funding for the 1979/80 year in the amount of \$1,148 was received.

385-A. Worfel-Gale:

WHEREAS, it has come to the attention of the City Commission of the City of East Grand Rapids that the Advisory Center for Teens, an outpatient adolescent/young adult mental health center for Kent County, is a non-profit organization for the purpose of providing an essential community service; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission wishes to encourage and cooperate with any such efforts to provide counsel to the young members of our community, and

WHEREAS, the Advisory Center for Teens requires financial support from the City of East Grand Rapids for the fiscal year July 1, 1979 - June 30, 1980, based on the Association of Grand Rapids Area Governments (AGRAG) formula for a total of \$29,683.00, amounting to \$1,148.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Commission of the City of East Grand Rapids will provide the Advisory Center for Teens its share of the necessary financial support during the 1979-1980 fiscal year for the purpose of providing professional counseling and assistance for adolescents/young adults regardless of the problem.

Yeas: Lorch, Frost, Waters, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 6

Nays: Clary - 1

386. A letter was received from the East Grand Rapids Public Schools requesting permission to relocate the fence on the north side of the athletic field within the Lakeside Drive right-of-way and to construct bleachers along the fence with a capacity of 300 - 400 to match the existing bleachers at Memorial Field.

386-A. Gale-Lorch. That this Commission permit the School to move the fence north which would be parallel to the sidewalk, and to construct bleachers subject to proper screening.

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: Clary, Lorch, Gale, Stoppels - 4

Nays: Frost, Waters, Worfel - 3

The motion carried.

387. The minutes of the Traffic Commission meeting held March 13, 1979, were accepted.

388. The minutes of the Library Commission held February 28, 1979, were received and filed.

389. The minutes of the Planning Commission meeting held April 10, 1979, were received and filed.

390. The financial reports for the month ending March 31, 1979, were received and filed.

391. Barbara Hoag requested that the City change its place for dumping of grass clippings, etc. from the present dumping site to the water tower site. She also expressed concern about the action of the Parks & Recreation Commission in authorizing the submission of an application for a grant to construct recreational facilities at the water tower site.

392. Commissioner Clary suggested that the City Commission establish a definition of parameters within which the various boards and commissions of the City Commission operate.

393. Commissioner Waters requested that the following three items be placed on the next agenda:

1. Procedures for making a grant application.
2. Disposal of grass clippings.
3. Status of cable TV.

394. Commissioner Clary stated, this being the last meeting he will be attending as Commissioner, that he has enjoyed working with all of the Commissioners and that he is exceedingly proud of having been a member of this Commission. He called it a maturing experience and stated that he would be willing to assist the Commissioners in any way possible in the future.

395. Gale-Worfel. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$37,837.38, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$29,980.95, as approved by the Ways & Means Committee be allowed and the Controller be authorized to draw an order on the Treasurer for their respective amounts.

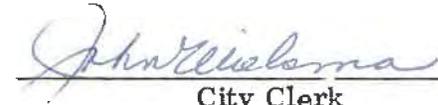
Yeas: Clary, Lorch, Frost, Waters, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7

Nays: 0

396. Mayor Stoppels reminded the Commissioners of the reception for the outgoing Commissioner, Jack Clary, and the incoming Commissioner, Barbara Hoag, which will be held following the next City Commission meeting on May 7, 1979, and asked the City Manager to keep the agenda as short as possible.

397. There were 105 persons in attendance at this meeting.

398. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, until May 7, 1979.



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PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMISSION OF THE
CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN

Regular Meeting Held May 7, 1979

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

Present: Coms. Clary, Lorch, Frost, Waters, Gale, Worfel and Mayor Stoppels.
Absent: None.

399. The minutes of the meeting held April 23, 1979, were amended as follows:

- a) In Item 377-A, the words "if necessary" were added to the last sentence following "matter".
- b) Item 379-E was corrected by adding "and subject to negotiation by the parties" after "City" in the third sentence.
- c) Item 383-A was corrected to show the vote as follows: "Yeas - 3, Worfel, Clary, Frost", and "Nays - 4, Lorch, Waters, Gale, Stoppels. The motion failed".
- d) Item 383-B was corrected by deleting "that the above motion be amended to provide" from the beginning of this resolution, and the vote was deleted from Item 383-B as well as the vote on the main motion.
- e) Item 383-C was corrected by including "that the above motion be amended to include" at the beginning of this resolution. Following the vote on this resolution, the vote on the main motion as amended was taken and it was "Yeas: Lorch, Waters, Gale, Stoppels - 4
Nays: Frost, Clary, Worfel - 3".

The minutes were then approved as corrected.

400. The Mayor presented a Civic Service Award plaque and a key to the City to Commissioner Clary and thanked him for the contributions he has made to the City during his tenure as City Commissioner of the First Ward.

401. The City Clerk then swore Barbara Hoag into office as First Ward Commissioner.

402. Pursuant to public notice, a hearing was then held upon the request of Robert Olson, 956 Maxwell SE, for a zoning variance to permit construction of an addition to his home within 5 feet of his garage. Mr. Olson was present to discuss this request. There were no objections.

402-A. Gale-Worfel. That this Commission, acting as the Board of Zoning Appeals, grant the variance as requested by Mr. Olson.

Yeas: Hoag, Lorch, Frost, Waters, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

403. Procedures to be followed by advisory committees of the Commission in applying for federal funds were discussed. It was decided that guidelines are needed and that the City Manager will submit a memorandum to the City Commission regarding these guidelines as they relate to various advisory committees and departments within the City.

404. The Mayor read a memorandum from the East Grand Rapids Board of Education regarding the transfer of ownership of the Manhattan School property. After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Lorch and supported by Commissioner Gale that the City purchase Manhattan School according to the terms of the City's original offer and that the City Attorney be directed to prepare the necessary legal documents to consummate this transfer.

Yeas: Hoag, Lorch, Waters, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 6
Nays: 0

Commissioner Frost abstained.

404-A. Waters-Lorch. That the City agree that in the event it sells the Manhattan School property for more than \$120,000.00, plus costs to the City, within the next six months to someone with whom the East Grand Rapids Board of Education has had prior negotiations, that the City, in its discretion, will consider sharing the excess on an equitable basis with the School Board; also, the City Attorney is requested to review the title for possible deed restrictions.

Yeas: Hoag, Lorch, Waters, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

Commissioner Frost abstained.

405. The City Manager reported on the progress of cable TV for East Grand Rapids and stated that 1,469 people have signed the easement agreements and that 221 people have not. Due to the 221, there are substantial areas of the city where cable TV cannot be provided. Should there be questions regarding cable TV, Mr. Bill Kimmel, General Manager of General Electric Cablevision, is available to assist.

406. The Traffic Commission minutes of their meeting held April 17, 1979, were received for information.

407. Reports from the Police Department, Fire Department, and Building Inspector for the month of April were received for information.

408. The Mayor requested authorization for the City Manager to discuss the possible purchase of an aerial ladder fire truck.

408-A. Worfel-Gale. That the purchase of a proposed fire truck be placed on the agenda.

Yeas: Lorch, Waters, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 5

Nays: Hoag, Frost - 2

408-B. The City Manager reported that Deputy Fire Chief Kroes went to Virginia to inspect a piece of fire equipment which is available. This fire apparatus has been used only as a demonstrator, and the cost to the City would be \$126,000.00, a savings of 33% from its original price new of \$173,000.00. This equipment is on a Ford C-8000 chassis with a diesel motor and was built in August, 1978. It has a 65 foot aerial ladder which can be controlled by one man and has 9,000 miles on the odometer. Pictures of this equipment were distributed to the Commissioners.

408-C. Worfel-Gale. That this Commission deems that the subject of this contract is not competitive in nature, that no advantage to the City would result from requiring competitive bidding and that the public interest will be best served by the purchase of this equipment without delay; further, that the City Manager be authorized to issue a purchase order to the Grumman-Howe Company in the amount of \$126,000 and that this amount be transferred from the General Fund reserves.

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: Hoag, Lorch, Waters, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

Commissioner Frost abstained.

The motion carried.

409. It was requested that House Bill 4325, which relates to conflict of interest, be placed on the next agenda of the City Commission.

410. A memorandum from Sally Godin, Librarian of the East Grand Rapids Library, regarding Sunday library hours was received. It was requested that this matter be placed on the next agenda of the City Commission for discussion.

411. The City Manager distributed a ready reference regarding the Open Meetings Act which was prepared by the City Attorney.

412. Gale-Waters. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$662,914.10, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$41,443.43, as approved by the Ways & Means Committee be allowed and that the Controller be authorized to draw an order on the Treasurer for their respective amounts.

Yeas: Hoag, Lorch, Frost, Waters, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

413. Commissioner Hoag reported that she and Thomas Robberson were planning to resign as Co-Chairmen of the Citizens' Advisory Committee for the lake restoration program and recommended the appointment of Mike Karolle as Chairman. This item is to be placed on the next agenda of the City Commission.

414. There were 21 persons in attendance at this meeting.

415. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, until May 21, 1979.



City Clerk

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMISSION OF THE
CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN

Regular Meeting Held May 21, 1979

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

Present: Coms. Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale and Mayor Stoppels.

Absent: Com. Worfel.

416. The minutes of the meeting held May 7, 1979, were approved as written.

417. Pursuant to public notice, a hearing was then held upon the request of M. Brooks and Marjorie H. Kindel, 2233 Estelle Drive SE, for a zoning variance to permit reconstruction and relocation of their garage within 6 ft. of their home. Mr. Kindel was present to discuss his request with the Commission. There were no objections raised.

417-A. Gale-Lorch. That this Commission, acting as the Board of Zoning Appeals, grant the zoning variance requested by Mr. & Mrs. Kindel.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

418. At the request of Hartland Development Corporation, its presentation regarding Reeds Lake Place was postponed until further notice.

419. A petition signed by Mr. Arthur Apkarian and Mr. Clinton H. Scobey, requesting the vacation of Elmwood Street between Lenox Road and Cornell Drive, was received. Mr. Apkarian and Mr. Scobey were present to urge the Commission to vacate that portion of the street that is in East Grand Rapids.

419-A. Frost-Gale. Resolved, that this Commission deems it advisable to vacate that part of Elmwood located in the City of East Grand Rapids between Lenox Road and Cornell Drive, that a hearing on this vacation be held June 18, 1979, and that notice of such hearing be published not less than two weeks before the date of the hearing.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

420. A petition was received from Mrs. Janet Gilmore requesting the construction of a storm drain at the south end of Kingswood. This item was referred to the City Manager and City Engineer for study and report.

421. A draft copy of a Memorandum of Agreement regarding the purchase of Manhattan School was distributed to the Commissioners for their review. This Memorandum of Agreement was also sent to the President of the East Grand Rapids Board of Education for his review and the City Attorney is currently awaiting a reply from the East Grand Rapids Board of Education.

422. An offer for the purchase of Manhattan School was received from Christ Church in the amount of \$135,000.

422-A. Waters-Frost. That this request be referred to the Planning Commission for its review and that it be requested to examine all alternatives for the use of the Manhattan property.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

423. House Bill 4325, regarding conflict of interest, was discussed and several Commissioners stated strong objections to the bill. The City Attorney was requested to draw up a proper resolution which could be distributed to the area legislators expressing the stated concerns of the Commissioners as to the effect legislation would have on the conduct of municipal government, including the suggestion that legislation establishing specific

rules and penalties to prevent conflict of interest would be preferable to the establishment of another government bureau.

424. Gale-Frost. That discussion relative to the opening of the library on Sunday be tabled until the next meeting.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Stoppels - 6
Nays: 0

425. A memorandum from the East Grand Rapids Planning Commission regarding housing rehabilitation funds was received.

425-A. Lorch-Gale. That pursuant to the recommendation of the Planning Commission, the Controller be directed to establish a community development and rehabilitation fund and to deposit in such fund moneys received in repayment of housing rehabilitation loans with the intent that moneys in this fund be used by future City Commissions for general community development purposes.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale - 5
Nays: Stoppels - 1

426. A memorandum from the East Grand Rapids Planning Commission regarding the lakefront property from the Grand Rapids Yacht Club north to the Reeds Lake-Fisk Lake channel was received. It was recommended that the land be acquired without restriction as to public use pursuant to the desire of the Planning Commission to protect this portion of the lakefront as a "greenbelt" and to permit such public uses at the time of acquisition or subsequent to acquisition as may be determined by the City Commission to be appropriate. It was further recommended that, with respect to privately owned portions of this lakefront corridor, the City Commission state its intention not to initiate condemnation proceedings to acquire the property, but to instruct the City Attorney and City Manager to negotiate first refusal agreements with each of the private owners. After some discussion, it was decided to postpone consideration of this recommendation until the next City Commission meeting.

427. A letter from the Ex-Offender Contact Center requesting funding in the amount of \$500 to assist in their 1979 budget was received. This matter was referred to a budget work session.

428. A memorandum from the City Manager regarding policy direction on applications for federal funding was received.

428-A. Gale-Hoag. Resolved, that no pre-application or application for funds shall be filed with any State of Michigan or United States government agency for any project or equipment purchase whatsoever until such pre-application or application has been approved by the City Commission.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Stoppels - 6
Nays: 0

429. Consideration of the automobile policy was deferred until the next City Commission meeting.

430. The City Controller submitted a listing of delinquent special assessments, water bills and miscellaneous bills and recommended that these be re-assessed on the 1979 City Tax Roll.

430-A. Gale-Frost. That the following delinquent bills be re-assessed on the 1979 City Tax Roll:

<u>SPECIAL ASSESSMENT</u>	<u>AM'T OF INSTALL</u>	<u>INTEREST</u>	<u>10% PENALTY</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>1971 WOODCLIFF IMPR. -8th Install</u>				
18-03-206-020 - 3027 Lake Drive	\$ <u>141.69</u>	\$ <u>35.54</u>	\$ <u>17.72</u>	\$ <u>194.95</u>
Total 1971 Sp. Assess.	\$ 141.69	\$ 35.54	\$ 17.72	\$ 194.95
<u>1970 EDGEWOOD, RIDGEWOOD, MAPLEWOOD IMPR.</u>				
-9th Install.				
18-03-255-013 - 1453 Woodcliff	\$ 93.80	\$ 17.56	\$ 11.15	\$ 122.51
18-03-258-014 - 1545 Ridgewood	<u>83.37</u>	<u>15.60</u>	<u>9.90</u>	<u>108.87</u>
Total 1970 Sp. Assess.	\$ 177.17	\$ 33.16	\$ 21.05	\$ 231.38
<u>1969 SHERWOOD IMPR. - 10 Install.</u>				
18-03-258-004 - 1526 Sherwood	\$ <u>87.95</u>	\$ <u>10.87</u>	\$ <u>9.88</u>	\$ <u>108.70</u>
Total 1969 Sp. Assess	\$ 87.95	\$ 10.87	\$ 9.88	\$ 108.70
TOTAL 1971 SPECIAL ASSESSMENT	\$ 141.69	\$ 35.54	\$ 17.72	\$ 194.95
TOTAL 1970 SPECIAL ASSESSMENT	177.17	33.16	21.05	231.38
TOTAL 1969 SPECIAL ASSESSMENT	<u>87.95</u>	<u>10.87</u>	<u>9.88</u>	<u>108.70</u>
TOTAL	\$ 406.81	\$ 79.57	\$ 48.65	\$ 535.03

<u>DELINQUENT TREES:</u>	<u>AM'T OF INSTALL</u>	<u>10% PENALTY</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
14-33-103-036 - 519 Briarwood	\$ 12.00	\$ 1.20	\$ 13.20
18-04-428-010 - 1707 Asbury	<u>12.00</u>	<u>1.20</u>	<u>13.20</u>
Total Del. Trees	\$ 24.00	\$ 2.40	\$ 26.40

DELINQUENT REMOVAL & REPLACE CONCRETE SIDEWALK

18-03-258-001 - 2860 Maplewood	\$ <u>120.00</u>	\$ <u>12.00</u>	\$ <u>132.00</u>
	\$ 120.00	\$ 12.00	\$ 132.00

DELINQUENT WATER FOR LEDGER A

<u>PARCEL NO.</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>BILL AM'T.</u>	<u>10% PENALTY</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
14-33-151-002	1608 Sherman	\$ 666.35	\$ 66.64	\$ 732.99
14-28-353-021	263 Briarwood	80.20	8.02	88.22
14-33-103-036	519 Briarwood	142.37	14.24	156.61
14-33-105-004	426 Cambridge	438.19	43.82	482.01
14-33-252-019	663 Croswell	65.30	6.53	71.83
14-33-106-013	561 Gladstone	183.61	18.36	201.97
14-33-151-006	627 Gladstone	161.88	16.19	178.07
14-33-302-001	802 Gladstone	98.40	9.84	108.24
14-33-307-025	984 Gladstone	29.43	2.94	32.37
14-33-207-009	614 Greenwood	65.04	6.50	71.54
14-34-303-010	2434 Lake Drive	80.72	8.07	88.79
14-34-378-029	2660 Lake Drive	251.80	25.18	276.98
14-33-129-006	558 Locust	113.25	11.33	124.58
14-33-276-013	610 Lovett	55.40	5.54	60.94
14-33-428-026	919 Maxwell	63.40	6.34	69.74
14-33-428-029	939 Maxwell	98.15	9.82	107.97
14-33-429-032	964 Maxwell	92.50	9.25	101.75
14-33-176-010	720 Plymouth	107.80	10.78	118.58
14-33-176-011	730 Plymouth	235.23	23.52	258.75
14-33-102-017	429 Rosewood	84.70	8.47	93.17
14-33-154-006	624 Rosewood	45.50	4.55	50.05

<u>PARCEL NO.</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>BILL AM'T.</u>	<u>10% PENALTY</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
14-33-452-001	1010 San Juan	\$ 198.75	\$ 19.88	\$ 218.63
14-33-403-003	2126 San Lu Rae	124.18	12.42	136.60
14-33-154-002	1646 Sherman	42.80	4.28	47.08
14-33-203-027	2053 Wealthy	232.79	23.28	256.07
14-33-276-016	2143 Wealthy	263.11	26.31	289.42
14-33-253-003	2168 Wealthy	<u>106.40</u>	<u>10.64</u>	<u>117.04</u>
TOTAL LEDGER A		\$ 4,127.25	\$ 412.74	\$ 4,539.99

DELINQUENT WATER FOR LEDGER B

<u>PARCEL NO.</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>BILL AM'T.</u>	<u>10% PENALTY</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
14-33-402-004	2905 Bonnell	\$ 191.59	\$ 19.16	\$ 210.75
14-33-430-015	937 Breton	187.05	18.71	205.76
14-34-353-010	1120 Breton	350.66	35.07	385.73
18-04-434-020	1761 Breton	102.35	10.24	112.59
18-03-306-018	1725 Conlon	110.65	11.07	121.72
14-33-459-006	2108 Coronado	123.53	12.35	135.88
18-03-154-018	1535 Lake Grove	141.45	14.15	155.60
14-34-206-007	2916 Pioneer	144.70	14.47	159.17
18-03-258-014	1545 Ridgewood	150.88	15.09	165.97
18-03-255-010	1427 Woodcliff	<u>203.64</u>	<u>20.36</u>	<u>224.00</u>
TOTAL LEDGER B		\$ 1,706.50	\$ 170.67	\$ 1,877.17

DELINQUENT WATER FOR LEDGER C

<u>PARCEL NO.</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>BILL AM'T.</u>	<u>10% PENALTY</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
18-04-202-003	2054 Anderson	\$ 59.86	\$ 5.99	\$ 65.85
18-04-428-010	1707 Asbury	73.75	7.38	81.13
18-04-278-004	2216 Audobon	61.33	6.13	67.46
18-04-277-018	2223 Audobon	55.55	5.56	61.11
18-03-102-012	2456 Beechwood	70.45	7.05	77.50
18-04-280-004	1432 Eastlawn	124.75	12.48	137.23
18-03-128-013	2559 Elmwood	227.90	22.79	250.69
18-04-406-027	2056 Englewood	43.87	4.39	48.26
18-04-405-009	2206 Englewood	118.35	11.84	130.19
18-04-204-003	1222 Lenox	43.67	4.37	48.04
18-03-128-007	2622 Oakwood	140.33	14.03	154.36
18-03-152-014	2429 Richards	73.25	7.33	80.58
18-04-229-003	2318 Wilshire	<u>301.00</u>	<u>30.10</u>	<u>331.10</u>
TOTAL LEDGER C		\$ 1,394.06	\$ 139.44	\$ 1,533.50
TOTAL LEDGER A		\$ 4,127.25	\$ 412.74	\$ 4,539.99
TOTAL LEDGER B		1,706.50	170.67	1,877.17
TOTAL LEDGER C		<u>1,394.06</u>	<u>139.44</u>	<u>1,533.50</u>
TOTAL		\$ 7,227.81	\$ 722.85	\$ 7,950.66

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Stoppels - 6
Nays: 0

431. A report from the Grand Rapids Chamber of Commerce Economic Council was received for information.

432. The minutes of the Planning Commission meeting held May 8, 1979, were received for information.

433. The minutes of the Traffic Commission meeting held May 8, 1979, were received for information.

434. A notice of a special meeting to be held on May 24, 1979, at 2 o'clock p. m., in the East Grand Rapids City Commission Chambers regarding the National Flood Insurance Program was received for information.

435. The financial reports for the period ending April 30, 1979, were received for information.

436. A letter from the Woodstone Association requesting the investigation by the Building Inspector of the conditions that exist at 656 Gladstone was received.

437. The City Manager reported that he had inadvertently left the matter of the appointment of a temporary chairman for the Citizens' Advisory Committee off the agenda.

437-A. Lorch-Waters. That Mr. Mike Karolle be appointed temporary chairman of the Citizens' Advisory Committee.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Stoppels - 6
Nays: 0

438. Gale-Lorch. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$744,691.98, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$31,129.66, as approved by the Ways & Means Committee be allowed and the Controller be authorized to draw an order on the Treasurer for the respective amounts.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Stoppels - 6
Nays: 0

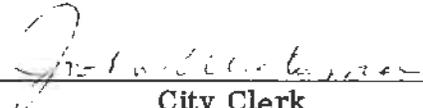
439. Commissioner Lorch urged the Commissioners and those present in the audience to attend the 1979 Arts Festival which will be held June 1, 2 and 3. He reported that the bus service will be extended into the evening hours to accommodate persons who wish to attend the Festival.

440. Commissioner Hoag requested a progress report on the recommendations of the Citizens' Advisory Committee, in particular to the problem relating to debris in the streets and the enforcement of rules requiring yard debris to be placed in containers.

441. The Mayor set May 29, 1979, 7:30 p. m., in the City Commission Room as a budget work session.

442. There were 9 residents in attendance at this meeting.

443. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, until June 4, 1979.



City Clerk

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMISSION OF THE
CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN

Regular Meeting Held June 4, 1979

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

Present: Coms. Frost, Waters, Hoag, Worfel, and Mayor Stoppels.

Absent: Coms. Lorch and Gale.

444. The minutes of the meeting held May 21, 1979 were approved as written.

445. The Mayor presented a service award to Russel C. Standley in recognition of his 25 years of service to the City of East Grand Rapids.

446. The zoning variance hearing on the request of Donald J. and Patricia G. Reis, 1108 Lakeside Drive SE, for a permit to construct a side porch to within 2 feet of the side lot line was deferred until later in the meeting.

447. A zoning variance hearing was held on the request of Jeffrey A. VanDenBosch, 2763 Elmwood Drive SE, for a permit to construct a carport within the required side yard of 7 feet.

447-A. Worfel-Hoag. That this Commission, acting as the Board of Zoning Appeals, grant the variance requested by Mr. VanDenBosch.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Worfel, Stoppels - 5

Nays: 0

(Commissioners Lorch and Gale arrived at this time.)

448. There was a request from the Woodstone Neighborhood Association to discuss the burned house at 656 Gladstone. The following persons expressed their concern on this matter: Victor Smedstad, Bruce Coeling, Beverly Stuart, Lee Weber, Joseph Pierce, Albert Hefferon and John Jackson.

448-A. Frost-Waters. That this matter be placed on the agenda for the July 23, 1979, City Commission meeting, and that the City Attorney investigate the alternative procedures for dealing with this property and that the City staff prepare an evaluation of these alternatives.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Lorch, Gale, Hoag, Worfel, Stoppels - 7

Nays: 0

449. The zoning variance hearing on the request of Donald J. and Patricia G. Reis, 1108 Lakeside Drive SE, for a permit to construct a side porch to within 2 feet of the side lot line was reconvened.

449-A. Worfel-Hoag. That this Commission, acting as the Board of Zoning Appeals, grant the variance requested by Mr. & Mrs. Reis.

Yeas: Waters, Lorch, Gale, Hoag, Worfel, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

Commissioner Frost abstained from voting on this item.

450. A report was received from the City Engineer on the request of Janet Gilmore for a storm drainage structure at the south end of Kingswood.

450-A. Lorch-Hoag. That the City Commission adopt the following resolutions:

RESOLVED, that this Commission desires to consider the proposed improvement consisting of a 12" storm drain including one manhole, two catch basins, 10" basin connections, discharge end section, sand backfill, and restoration on

VACATED FERNWOOD DRIVE from Kingswood Road to 200 feet east,

all or part of the cost of which may be defrayed by special assessment and request the Manager to provide the information and recommendations relative thereto as specified in Section 1.303(a) of the City Code.

RESOLVED, that the statement of preliminary proceedings with respect to this proposed improvement having been filed with the City Clerk, a public hearing be held before the City Commission at the City Hall on Monday, June 18, 1979, at 7:30 p. m., relative to necessity of the proposed improvement consisting of a 12" storm drain including one manhole, two catch basins, 10" basin connections, discharge end section, sand backfill, and restoration on

VACATED FERNWOOD DRIVE from Kingswood Road to 200 feet east,

and that the Clerk cause notice of this hearing to be published and mailed as required by ordinance Section 1.303(b) at least 10 days prior to the date of such hearing.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Lorch, Gale, Hoag, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

451. A Memorandum of Agreement regarding the acquisition of Manhattan School was distributed and discussed.

451-A. Lorch-Waters. That the City proceed with the acquisition of Manhattan School according to the terms of the following Memorandum of Agreement:

The following sets forth the agreement between the City of East Grand Rapids and the East Grand Rapids Board of Education as approved and authorized by the respective bodies at meetings held on Monday, May 7, 1979.

(1) The Board of Education will deed the entire premises known as the Manhattan School Site, including all recreational areas adjacent thereto, to the City of East Grand Rapids for the stated consideration of \$1.00.

(2) The Board of Education will commit itself to continue to provide for community use recreational areas substantially as provided at the present time and during the past several years.

(3) The City will pay to the Board of Education the sum of \$1.00 as consideration for the transfer of title to the Manhattan School premises. The City further agrees to pay to the Board of Education the sum of Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000) per year for the next three (3) years as consideration for the Board of Education's making available for community use the recreational areas referred to in (2) above, payments to be made in quarterly installments of \$10,000 on July 1, October 1, January 1 and March 1, commencing July 1, 1979 and ending March 1, 1982.

(4) The Board of Education will provide to the City evidence of the title to the Manhattan School property. In the event the title is not satisfactory to the City because of restrictions on use or for any other reason, the City may by resolution of the City Commission terminate this agreement.

(5) In the event that the transfer of title to the Manhattan School Site is completed and if, within three (3) years from May 7, 1979, the City enters into an agreement to sell the Manhattan School premises or part thereof to any third person for a sum in excess of \$120,000 plus the actual cost of improvements made by the City to the premises or the portion of the premises being sold, the City in its discretion will consider sharing with the Board of Education, on an equitable basis to be determined by the City, the amount by which the sale price exceeds the sum of \$120,000 plus the cost of such improvements.

(6) This Agreement shall terminate on April 30, 1982, and it is the intention of the parties that it shall then be replaced by an agreement to be negotiated on the basis of costs accruing to each party individually for maintenance and use of said joint facilities.

Executed by the respective officers of the City and of the Board of Education pursuant to authority granted at meetings of the City Commission and the Board of Education on May 7, 1979.

CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS

Mayor

ATTEST: _____
City Manager

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE
CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS

BY: _____
President

ATTEST: _____
Superintendent of Schools

Yeas: Waters, Lorch, Gale, Hoag, Stoppels - 5

Nays: Worfel, Frost - 2

452. There was discussion of the recommendation of the Planning Commission made at the May 21, 1979, City Commission meeting regarding the lakefront property from the Grand Rapids Yacht Club north to the Reeds Lake-Fisk Lake channel. Commissioner Waters distributed copies of the following two resolutions for the purposes of discussion.

452-A. RESOLVED, that the City Commission approves, as a matter of public policy, the acquisition of all lakefront property north from the Grand Rapids Yacht Club to the Reeds Lake-Fisk channel for public purposes without restriction as to public use, it being the Commission's intention to protect this portion of the lakefront as a "greenbelt" and to permit such public uses as, at the time of acquisition or subsequent to acquisition, may be determined by the City Commission to be appropriate.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that, with respect to the privately owned portions of this lakefront corridor, the City Attorney and City Manager are directed to negotiate "first refusal agreements" with each of the private owners.

452-B. RESOLVED, that the City Commission approves, as a matter of public policy, the acquisition of all lakefront property north from the Grand Rapids Yacht Club to the Reeds Lake-Fisk channel for public purposes, without restriction as to public use, it being the Commission's intention to protect this portion of the lakefront as a "greenbelt" and to permit such public

uses as, at the time of acquisition or subsequent to acquisition, may be determined by the City Commission to be appropriate.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that, with respect to the privately owned portions of this lakefront corridor, the City Attorney and City Manager are directed to negotiate "first refusal agreements" with each of the private owners and to inform the private owners that the City Commission does not intend at the present time to initiate condemnation proceedings in the near future to acquire the property, at least with respect to those properties for which satisfactory "first refusal agreements" are negotiated.

Commissioner Hoag read and distributed copies of a letter from Mrs. R. Montgomery Welch, 858 Bellclaire, regarding the acquisition by the City of lakefront property. Mrs. Welch, Charlene Rose and John D. Rose spoke in opposition to the possible acquisition by the City of their lakefront property.

452-C. Lorch-Gale. That the matter of the acquisition by the City of lakefront property be referred back to the Planning Commission for study of other possible locations for a park and the possible use of public land to increase the access to the lake.

Yeas: Gale, Lorch, Hoag, Stoppels - 4
Nays: Worfel, Waters, Frost - 3

453. A resolution drafted by the City Attorney stating the City Commission's opposition to proposed conflict of interest legislation was discussed.

453-A. Worfel-Frost. That the following resolution be adopted:

RESOLVED, that the City Commission of the City of East Grand Rapids, Michigan strongly opposes the so-called Conflict of Interest bills pending before the state legislature for the following reasons:

1. The legislation would impose serious deterrents upon citizens of our city who would ordinarily be motivated to serve the public as members of the City Commission or as members of important City boards and commissions.

2. The legislation would require broad disclosures of information commonly accepted as personal and confidential and also of information which has important business significance and which any responsible individual could be expected not to wish to disclose as the bills would require.

3. The City government has operated, to the personal knowledge of present officials with twenty or more years of service, without a single instance of conflict during all those years. Obviously many similar communities in the state have had the same experience. To saddle all these communities with the onerous requirements of this proposed legislation is not warranted. It will accomplish no purpose. It will have a serious adverse effect upon the functioning of local government.

4. The objective of the legislation, which is to prevent improper action by governmental personnel can be better accomplished by legislation which establishes required standards of conduct and imposes penalties enforceable by the prosecuting attorneys or attorney general upon those who violate the established standards. This will accomplish the purpose of the legislation without imposing the disclosure requirements written into the pending bills upon the thousands of honest and honorable law abiding citizens presently serving local and state governments, and without imposing the resultant impediment to service in the future.

5. The proposed legislation would result in the creation of another large bureaucracy with its staff of hundreds of employees charged with preparing rules, regulations, instructions, reports, statements, notices, bulletins, guides, check-lists, manuals and forms, and with sending them out, receiving them back and then filing and cataloging them all. It would require many acres of office building space for the clerical help, supervisors and the files to be maintained. It would require a huge investment of taxpayer's money in salaries, rental or equivalent building costs,

equipment purchases for office equipment, typewriters, computers and all of the other expenditures required to maintain a bureaucracy.

6. The creation of such a bureaucracy and the expenditure of tax moneys would be for a clearly non-productive purpose. Nothing would be produced by or result from this expenditure which would improve the quality of life of the citizens and taxpayers of this state. Creation of a new department of state government under these circumstances is contrary to the will of the voters of this state who by adoption of the Headlee Amendment expressed in very clear terms their desire that government cease the expenditure of tax moneys on non-essential and non-productive activities.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk forthwith transmit duly certified copies of this resolution to the Governor of the State of Michigan; to all of the Representatives and Senators serving in the State legislature from Kent County; to all Mayors of AGRAG communities; to the Chairman of the Kent County Board of Commissioners; and to the Michigan Municipal League.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Lorch, Gale, Hoag, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

454. A memorandum from the City Manager with regard to the regulations governing collection of yard debris was discussed.

454-A. Waters-Frost. That the following regulations be adopted:

The following regulations are issued pursuant to the provisions of Section 2.6 of Chapter 16 of Title II of the Code of the City of East Grand Rapids.

Regulation No. 1. Yard rubbish, including grass clippings, branches, twigs, leaves, weeds, shrub clippings, and general yard and garden waste materials shall be picked up by the City at curbside according to a schedule established and published by the City Manager.

Regulation No. 2. All grass clippings, weeds, and general yard and garden waste materials shall be placed in a bag, box, or other suitable container, limited in capacity to 40 lbs., which shall be placed on the outlawn next to the curb for collection.

Regulation No. 3. Shrub clippings and branches may be placed on the outlawn next to the curb for collection. Such materials shall be bundled in lengths no greater than four (4) feet and the total bundle shall weigh no more than 40 lbs. Tree removal contractors are required to remove from the premises all waste materials resulting from the removal or trimming of trees.

Regulation No. 4. During the period from October 15 thru November 15, leaves not placed in bags or containers may be placed in the street along the curb for collection, but care should be taken that piles of leaves not extend into the traveled portion of the roadway.

Regulation No. 5. Residents are requested to place such materials for pickup by the City not earlier than the day preceding the scheduled pickup day for the area.

Regulation No. 6. These regulations apply to lawn contractors and tree removal and tree trimming contractors as well as to residents. Violation of these regulations by contractors shall be grounds for suspension of their licenses.

Failure to comply with these regulations shall constitute a misdemeanor subject to the penalty prescribed in Sec. 1.13 of the City Code.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Lorch, Gale, Hoag, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

454-B. Gale-Waters. That the City Attorney prepare a memorandum on procedures for the enforcement of the yard debris regulations and that a sample letter to residents explaining the regulations be prepared.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Lorch, Gale, Hoag, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

455. Mr. Thomas Heywood, representing the Arts Council of Greater Grand Rapids, was present to discuss the request of the Arts Council for funding in the amount of \$1,500.00.

455-A. Waters-Gale. That the City agree to contribute \$1,500.00 to the Arts Council of Greater Grand Rapids upon execution of an appropriate agreement and that \$1,500.00 be transferred from the contingency fund.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Gale, Hoag, Worfel, Stoppels - 6
Nays: 0
Commissioner Lorch abstained.

456. There was a recommendation from the City Manager to purchase a storage tank for diesel fuel at a cost of \$5,100.00.

456-A. Gale-Worfel. That the purchase be authorized and that \$5,100.00 be transferred from the Motor Equipment Revolving Fund.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Lorch, Gale, Hoag, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

457. Frost-Lorch. That the hearing on the vacation of that part of Elmwood Drive located in the City of East Grand Rapids between Lenox Road and Cornell Drive be held on July 9, 1979, rather than on June 18, 1979, as previously ordered and that notice of such hearing be published not less than two weeks before the date of the hearing.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Lorch, Gale, Hoag, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

458. The City Manager reported relative to the planned 4th of July fireworks display.

458-A. Gale-Frost. That this Commission designate Fred H. Tholen as the Pyrotechnic Operator for the 4th of July fireworks display and authorize the issuance of a fireworks permit for that purpose.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Lorch, Gale, Hoag, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

459. Commissioner Worfel reported that the Library Commission will be preparing a report on Sunday library hours before the opening of school in September.

460. Commissioner Worfel requested that a presentation by Michael Karolle on the possibility of obtaining federal or state grants for the public acquisition of art be placed on the agenda for the June 18, 1979, Commission meeting.

461. Gale-Lorch. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$161,996.21, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$31,227.62, as approved by the Ways & Means Committee be allowed and the Controller be authorized to draw an order on the Treasurer for their respective amounts.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Lorch, Gale, Hoag, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

462. There were 37 residents in attendance at this meeting.

463. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, until June 18, 1979.


City Clerk

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMISSION OF THE
CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN

Regular Meeting Held June 18, 1979

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

Present: Coms. Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel and Mayor Stoppels.

Absent: None.

464. The minutes of the meeting held June 4, 1979, were approved as written.

465. Pursuant to public notice, a hearing was held to determine necessity of constructing a storm drain in vacated Fernwood Drive. Mr. Sweder stated that because of a death in the family, Mr. Al Leavitt could not be present and asked Mr. Sweder to express his opposition to this improvement. Mrs. Gilmore urged the Commission to proceed with this improvement to help alleviate the drainage problems that are occurring in that area.

465-A.

BY COMMISSIONERS WORFEL-GALE:

RESOLVED, that the improvement consisting of a 12" storm drain including one manhole, two catch basins, 10" basin connections, discharge end section, sand backfill, and restoration on

VACATED FERNWOOD DRIVE from Kingswood Road to 200 feet east

is a necessary public improvement and that the cost and expense of such improvement shall be paid by special assessment levied upon the lands and premises, except public highways and alleys, benefitting from said improvement, according to front footage.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the plans and specifications for said improvement as prepared by the City Engineer are approved, that the estimated cost thereof is \$8,560.00, that \$2,717.42 of said cost shall be paid by the City-at-large and \$5,842.58 by special assessment payable in 10 annual installments with interest at the rate of 7% per annum on installments not paid within 30 days of confirmation of the assessment roll.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the special assessment district upon which special assessments shall be levied is established as consisting of

Part of Lots 42 and 64

Lots 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 50, 51, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60,
61, 62 Robinson Road Plat,

and that this Commission deems and declares that all real estate within said district is benefitted by said improvement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Manager prepare or cause to be prepared a special assessment roll in accordance with the determination of this Commission.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7

Nays: 0

466. Pursuant to public notice, a hearing was held on the request of Albert Bldrs., Inc., for a zoning variance which would split Lots 68 and 69 of Robinson Road Plat into building sites of approximately 80' x 130' and 85' x 120'. It was reported that Mr. J. Brock Albert could not be present at this meeting because of a death in the family.

466-A. Worfel-Hoag. That this Commission, acting as the Board of Zoning Appeals, adjourn this hearing until July 9, 1979.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

467. Mr. Mike Karolle, Chairman of the Citizens' Advisory Committee on Lake Restoration, gave the Committee report. He also submitted a letter directed to the Department of Natural Resources requesting that it permit to establish a positive program of research relative to use of the white amur in Reeds Lake to assist in the aquatic weed control.

467-A. Gale-Lorch. That the letter prepared for the Department of Natural Resources be endorsed by this Commission.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

468. Mike Karolle submitted a proposal relative to the advancement of art in the City of East Grand Rapids and reported that there are various grants available to East Grand Rapids for the planning, development and acquisition of art for local viewing. The material submitted by Mr. Karolle was received for information.

468-A. Gale-Hoag. That a citizens' advisory committee to study visual arts for East Grand Rapids be organized and that Commissioner Lorch be designated as the Commission liaison with this committee.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

469. A proposed informational letter to citizens concerning regulations governing placement and collection of yard debris and enforcement of these regulations was discussed. It was decided to send the letter as approved by the Commission, to the residents along with a copy of the collection schedule and the regulations governing collection of yard rubbish.

469-A. Gale-Worfel. That the following ordinance be adopted:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS BY ADDING NEW SECTIONS WHICH NEW SECTIONS SHALL BE DESIGNATED AS SECTIONS 2.11 and 2.12 OF CHAPTER XVI OF TITLE II OF SAID CODE.

THE CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Code of the City of East Grand Rapids is amended by adding thereto new Sections 2.11 and 2.12 as follows:

"2.11. Regulations Governing Collection of Yard Rubbish. The following regulations issued pursuant to the provisions of Section 2.6 of the Code of the City of East Grand Rapids are approved by the City Commission of the City of East Grand Rapids:

Regulation No. 1. Yard rubbish, including grass clippings, branches, twigs, leaves, weeds, shrub clippings, and general yard and garden waste materials shall be picked up by the City at curbside according to a schedule established and published by the City Manager.

Regulation No. 2. All grass clippings, weeds, and general yard and garden waste materials shall be placed in a bag, box, or other suitable container, limited in capacity to 40 lbs., which shall be placed on the outlawn next to the curb for collection.

Regulation No. 3. Shrub clippings and branches may be placed on the outlawn next to the curb for collection. Such materials shall be bundled in lengths no greater than four (4) feet and the total bundle shall weigh no more than 40 lbs. Tree removal contractors are required to remove from the premises all waste materials resulting from the removal or trimming of trees.

Regulation No. 4. During the period from October 15 thru November 15, leaves not placed in bags or containers may be placed in the street along the curb for collection, but care should be taken that piles of leaves not extend into the traveled portion of the roadway.

Regulation No. 5. Residents are requested to place such materials for pickup by the City not earlier than the day preceding the scheduled pickup day for the area.

Regulation No. 6. These regulations apply to lawn contractors and tree removal and tree trimming contractors as well as to residents. Violation of these regulations by contractors shall be grounds for suspension of their licenses."

"2.12. Failure to comply with the aforesaid regulations shall constitute a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not more than \$100 and costs of prosecution or by imprisonment for not more than 90 days or by both such fine and imprisonment. Each act of violation and every day upon which such violation shall occur shall constitute a separate offense.

Section 2. This ordinance shall be effective on July 1, 1979.

Section 3. This ordinance shall be published in full pursuant to the provisions of Chapter VIII, Section 5 of the Charter of the City of East Grand Rapids.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7

Nays: 0

470. The City Attorney gave a brief report on the conditions of the 656 Gladstone property and stated that restoration of this property had begun.

471. The automobile assignment and reimbursement policy was discussed.

471-A. Frost-Worfel. That the previously adopted Commission decision to reduce the fleet by two, namely the Clerk-Controller's and Recreation Director's automobiles be implemented commencing July 1, 1979.

471-B. Waters-Frost. That the above motion be amended to include that the two individuals be given the opportunity to purchase these automobiles at the Blue Book wholesale value and that a reasonable period of time be given for these individuals to pay for the vehicles.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Gale, Worfel - 5

Nays: Lorch, Stoppels - 2

The vote on the main motion was as follows:

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Gale, Worfel - 5

Nays: Lorch, Stoppels - 2

471-C. Frost-Waters. That any City employee required to utilize his or her personal car for City business be reimbursed at least once a month at the rate of 20¢ per mile upon submission of a voucher to which is to be attached a daily log which indicates the date, miles driven and purpose of the trips.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel - 6
Nays: Stoppels - 1

472. The City Manager reported on bids which were received for a one-half ton pickup and a van to be used for the Engineering Department and recommended the low bid of Jack Keller Ford in the amount of \$5,259.75 for the one-half ton pickup, and the low bid of Berger Chevrolet in the amount of \$5,442.37 for the van be accepted.

472-A. Mayor Stoppels-Worfel. That the bid of Jack Keller Ford in the amount of \$5,259.75 and the one-half ton pickup be accepted and a purchase order be issued for that purpose.

Yeas: Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 4
Nays: Waters, Frost, Hoag - 3

472-B. Lorch-Hoag. That the low bid of Berger Chevrolet in the amount of \$5,442.37 be accepted for the purchase of a van and that a purchase order be prepared for that purpose.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

473. The City Manager reported on the CATV progress and stated that there are still approximately 200 unsigned easements resulting in large areas of the city that are unable to obtain CATV.

473-A. Gale-Waters. That a city map be published in the Cadence indicating the availability of CATV and that persons who call City Hall for information as to addresses which are holding up distribution lines from being installed be given that information as required by the Freedom of Information Act.

Yeas: Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 6
Nays: Frost - 1

474. The financial report for the period ended May 31, 1979, was received for information.

475. The renewal of the Animal Control Agreement between the City of East Grand Rapids and the County of Kent was reviewed.

475-A. Gale-Worfel. That the Animal Control Service Agreement be renewed with an effective date of July 1, 1979, subject to changing the charge per vehicle mile from 16¢ to 14¢ per mile; and that the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign this contract subject to the approval of the County.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

476. A recommendation from the Planning Commission regarding the use of the Manhattan School property was received. Their recommendations were as follows:

1. That the current zoning for Manhattan School property, A-1 single family, not be insisted upon by the City Commission, acting as the Board of Zoning Appeals.

2. That the Manhattan School property be devoted to a low intensive use compatible with the neighborhood and compatible with the tennis courts, nature trails and recreation fields. Access to these public facilities should be maintained.
3. That the offer by Christ Church to purchase Manhattan School is a project that would be compatible with the neighborhood and the public facilities if adequate access to the public facilities is maintained.
4. That the Planning Commission recommends that if Christ Church files an application for a special use permit, that a public hearing be scheduled by the City Commission per Section 5.24 of the Zoning Ordinance.

It was the consensus of the Commission that this matter be referred to a Committee-of-the-Whole session following the next budget hearing which is set for June 25, 1979, and that the City Engineer be requested to prepare suggestions as to concepts for providing parking for the recreation facilities.

477. The Mayor reported that he had received a request from the President Ford Library/Museum Fund for East Grand Rapids' financial participation in this project. The City Attorney was requested to research and report back to this Commission relative to the authority this City Commission has to contribute to such a fund.

478. The minutes of the Planning Commission meeting held June 12, 1979, were received for information.

479. A letter from the City Attorney regarding Senate Bill 210 which relates to the terms of office of the Mayor and other elected officials was received for information.

480. A letter from Hartland Development Corporation stating their intent to construct a condominium project to be known as Reeds Lake Place in the City of East Grand Rapids was received for information.

481. A letter from Mr. David LaClaire indicating bis interest in purchasing the Manhattan School was received for information.

482. A letter from Cadence objecting to the manner in which the awarding of the contract for the preparation and publication of the Budget Supplement was received for information.

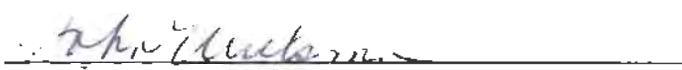
483. Commissioner Gale reported that the outlawn at 980 Plymouth between the sidewalk and the street which was damaged by the snow removal equipment is in need of attention.

484. Gale-Worfel. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$367,178.85, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$35,689.49, as approved by the Ways & Means Committee be allowed and the Controller be authorized to draw an order on the Treasurer for the respective amounts.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

485. There were 13 persons in attendance at this meeting.

486. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, until June 25, 1979.



City Clerk

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMISSION OF THE
CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN

Special Meeting Held June 25, 1979

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels at 7:30 p.m.

Present: Coms. Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel and Mayor Stoppels.

Absent: None.

487. Pursuant to published notice, a public hearing was held by the City Commission for the purpose of considering the proposed budget for the fiscal year 1979/80. There were two residents in attendance at this meeting.

487-A. Gale-Worfel. RESOLVED, that the following budget be adopted as the annual budget for the City of East Grand Rapids for the fiscal year July 1, 1979 to June 30, 1980:

ANTICIPATED REVENUES:

City Taxes	\$ 1,750,700
Licenses & Permits	3,200
Fines & Fees	27,000
Distribution from Other Agencies	687,100
From Use of Money & Property	67,000
Charges for Current Services	<u>298,700</u>
Total Anticipated Revenues	\$ 2,833,700

EXPENSE APPROPRIATIONS:

General Government	\$ 288,400
Public Safety	828,000
Public Service	757,900
Contributions & Aid	318,300
Other Operating Expenses	<u>452,000</u>
Sub-Total Operating Approp.	\$ 2,644,600
Capital Expenditure Approp.	<u>189,100</u>
Total Expense Appropriations	\$ 2,833,700

And that there be levied a tax upon all property subject to taxation by the municipal government of the City of East Grand Rapids sufficient with other resources, to pay the estimated expense of the City government for the ensuing fiscal year, the maintenance of all sinking funds and interest on all municipal debts, the total of which said amount and the amounts estimated to be necessary for such purposes is hereby declared to be the sum of \$2,833,700 and the tax rate per \$1,000 valuation is hereby determined to be 18.0 mills.

487-B. Gale-Worfel. That the above motion be amended as follows:

EXPENSES:

City Assessor be increased from \$42,400 to \$43,200.

City Clerk be increased from \$135,600 to \$135,900.

Total general government be increased from \$288,400 to \$289,500.

Library be decreased from \$72,200 to \$65,200.

Recreation be increased from \$143,300 to \$183,300.

Other Contributions be increased from \$27,800 to \$31,500.

Total Contributions and Aid be increased from \$318,300 to \$355,000.

Contingencies be decreased from \$141,700 to \$128,800.

Total Other Expenditures be decreased from \$452,000 to \$439,100.

Total Operating Expenses be increased from \$2,644,600 to \$2,669,500.

CAPITAL EXPENSES:

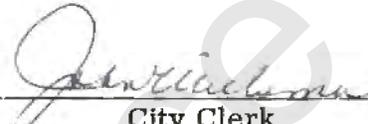
Be decreased from \$189,100 to \$164,200.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

The vote on the main motion as amended was as follows:

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

488. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, until July 9, 1979.



City Clerk

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMISSION OF THE
CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN

Regular Meeting Held July 9, 1979

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

Present: Coms. Frost, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel and Mayor Stoppels.

Absent: Com. Waters.

1. The minutes of the meetings held June 18 and June 25, 1979, were approved as written.

2. Pursuant to public notice, a hearing was held upon the request of Robert E. W. Schnoor, 2960 Woodcliff Circle SE, to permit construction of a 7-foot extension to the street side of his attached garage. There were no persons present objecting to this variance request.

2-A. Worfel-Gale. That this Commission, acting as the Board of Zoning Appeals, grant the variance request of Mr. Schnoor.

Yeas: Frost, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

3. Pursuant to public notice, a hearing was held relative to the zoning request of Theodore Theule to permit construction of a home at the northwest corner of Burchard and Pinecrest, which would be 7 feet from the rear property line and 14 feet from the northerly lot line. Mr. Theule was present to explain his request. There were two neighbors present who were interested in the plans of Mr. Theule, but offered no objection to his request.

3-A. Worfel-Lorch. That this Commission, acting as the Board of Zoning Appeals, grant the variance request of Mr. Theule.

Yeas: Frost, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

(Commissioner Waters arrived at this time.)

4. Pursuant to public notice, a hearing was then held upon the request of Richard L. VanGelderens, 2904 Pioneer Club Road SE, to permit construction of an addition to his home which would reduce the total side yard requirement from 24 feet to 14 feet. Mr. & Mrs. VanGelderens were present to discuss their request. Mrs. Gilleo expressed concern of the blockage of her view of Reeds Lake from her vacant lot adjacent to the VanGelderens residence. There were two additional neighbors present who expressed their support of this request.

4-A. Frost-Waters. This this Commission, acting as the Board of Zoning Appeals, grant the request of Mr. VanGelderens.

Yeas: Frost, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Waters, Worfel, Stoppels - 7

Nays: 0

5. The adjourned zoning variance hearing upon the request of Albert Builders, Inc. to divide Lots 68 and 69 and vacated portion of Maplewood was held. Mr. J. Brock Albert was present to discuss his request with the Commission. There were no objections raised pertaining to this request.

5-A. Lorch-Hoag. That this Commission, acting as the Board of Zoning Appeals, grant the request of Albert Builders to divide Lots 68 and 69 and the vacated portion of Maplewood per attached sketch.

Yeas: Frost, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Waters, Worfel, Stoppels - 7

Nays: 0

6. Pursuant to published notice, a hearing was then held upon the vacation of the north 1/2 of Elmwood Drive from Lenox to Cornell. Residents of Elmwood were present to encourage the Commission to vote favorably on this vacation. A letter from Grand Rapids Engineering Department requesting the City Commission to delay taking any action on the vacation until all the issues have been properly considered was received. A letter from Peter Botma objecting to the closing of a portion of the street was received.

6-A.

BY COMMISSIONERS GALE-HOAG:

WHEREAS, a majority of property owners of land and premises abutting on Elmwood Drive from the West line of Lenox Road to the East line of Cornell Drive within the City of East Grand Rapids, Michigan, have petitioned for the vacation of that portion of Elmwood Drive from the West line of Lenox Road to the East line of Cornell Drive; and

WHEREAS, this Commission at a regular meeting of said Commission held in said City on the 9th day of July, 1979, has held a public hearing and has determined that it is advisable to vacate that part of Elmwood Drive; and

WHEREAS, in the opinion of this Commission the vacating, closing, discontinuing and abolishing of said portion of Elmwood Drive is a necessary public improvement and a necessary public convenience, the City, however, reserving an easement for public utilities over the full width of said streets except for the North 15 feet of the East 100 feet.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Commission of the City of East Grand Rapids, Michigan, that the portion of Elmwood Drive from the West line of Lenox Road to the East line of Cornell Drive within the City of East Grand Rapids, Kent County, Michigan, be and is hereby vacated, closed, discontinued, and abolished except that the City of East Grand Rapids reserves an easement over the full width of said vacated parcel except for the North 15 feet of the East 110 feet for the purpose of constructing, maintaining and servicing public utilities therein.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk of this City be and he is hereby directed to record a certified copy of this resolution with the Register of Deeds of Kent County, Michigan, and to send a copy to the State Treasurer, together with his certificates giving the name of the plat or plats affected by this resolution.

6-B. Frost-Waters. That the above motion be tabled.

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: Frost, Waters - 2

Nays: Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 5

The motion failed.

6-C. Waters-Hoag. That the main motion be amended so that the words "and cable TV facilities" be inserted between "utilities" and "therein" at the end of the 5th paragraph of the resolution.

Yeas: Frost, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Waters, Worfel, Stoppels - 7

Nays: 0

The vote on the main motion as amended was as follows:

Yeas: Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 5

Nays: Waters - 1

Commissioner Frost abstained.

The motion carried.

7. Representatives of Christ Church were present to discuss their offer for the purchase of Manhattan School, and to request that a special use hearing be held as soon as possible. Also present were Mrs. LaClaire from LaClaire Studios and Mr. White from Grand Rapids Typesetting, who are also interested in the purchase of this property. Mr. Gordon Lewis, 509 Manhattan Road SE, was present to encourage the Commission to hold a hearing as soon as possible on the Christ Church use variance request. The City Attorney submitted a letter and information regarding special land uses under the Zoning Ordinance. The Mayor established July 16, 1979, at 7:30 p.m., as a Committee-of-the-Whole session to discuss the Manhattan School property.

7-A. Waters-Worfel. That a special use hearing be set for August 6, 1979, to discuss the Manhattan School property as requested by Christ Church.

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: Hoag, Lorch, Worfel, Waters, Frost - 5

Nays: Gale, Stoppels - 2

The motion carried.

8. Representatives implementing the Reeds Lake Place project were present to discuss their plans with the Commission. Mr. John Logie, legal representative of Hartland Development Company and Investors Incentives, Inc., stated that this was an information session and that there is an application still pending for the purpose of constructing a complex which contains 80 units and that it would be a condition of this application that the owners of this project would deed to the City the land lying between Reeds Lake Blvd. and Reeds Lake. He reported that there have been no significant changes made to the application as originally submitted. He introduced Mr. Woudenberg, who is President of Hartland Development Company, who identified the ownership and management of this Reeds Lake venture and expected groundbreaking to take place in September for Phase I of the project. Occupancy of the first phase is expected to take place in April. He then introduced Mr. Marvin DeWinter, Architect for the project, who showed a model of the project and explained the various aspects of the Reeds Lake Place project by use of slides and drawings. It was reported that the project will cost in the vicinity of \$10,000,000 when completed and that the selling price per unit will range between \$100,000 - \$200,000.

9. A summary of bids received for the storm drain construction on vacated Fernwood Drive from Kingswood to 200 feet east was received.

9-A.

BY COMMISSIONERS GALE-HOAG:

RESOLVED that the special assessment roll for the improvements consisting of a 12" storm drain including one manhole, two catch basins, 10" basin connections, discharge end section, sand backfill, and restoration on

VACATED FERNWOOD DRIVE from Kingswood Road to 200 ft. east

is directed to be filed in the office of the City Clerk for public examination and that the City Commission meet at the City Hall on Monday, July 23, 1979, at 7:30 p.m. for the purpose of reviewing such roll at which time and place all persons interested or who are liable to be assessed for such improvement may appear and be heard in regard to such improvement and assessment roll, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk is instructed to give notice of such hearing in the manner provided by ordinance Section 1.307(a) at least 10 days prior to the date of said hearing.

Yeas: Frost, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Waters, Worfel, Stoppels - 7

Nays: 0

10. The City Manager submitted a tabulation of bids which were received for the purchase of two truck chassis and dump body units for the replacement of two 4-ton dump trucks which are used for snowplowing operations.

10-A. Worfel-Gale. That the low bid of Jack Keller Ford in the amount of \$26,061.23 per unit for the truck chassis, and the bid of Hoekstra Truck in the amount of \$2,265.00 for each dump body unit be accepted and the bid awarded to them respectively.

Yeas: Frost, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Waters, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

11. A memorandum from the City Controller requesting the issuance of a purchase order for the creation of a program which would allow for the recording of costs as they relate to equipment in the Motor Equipment Revolving Fund was received.

11-A. Worfel-Gale. That this Commission authorize the issuance of a purchase order in the amount of \$2,500.00 to the Computer Place, Inc., for the creation of the motor equipment fund program.

Yeas: Frost, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Waters, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

12. A recommendation from the City Manager to join suit with other municipalities in the state to recover costs from the State of Michigan for overtime pay to firemen mandated by the adoption of Public Act 604 was discussed. Additional material was submitted along with this recommendation.

12-A.
BY COMMISSIONERS LORCH-FROST:

WHEREAS, Act 604 of P. A. 1978 amended the State Minimum Wage Overtime Pay Law, effective January 4, 1979, imposing certain overtime pay requirements on cities; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature provided in Act 604 that the state will reimburse cities for the cost of such overtime pay only if Act 604 made a change in the former overtime pay law; and

WHEREAS, there is a substantial legal question as to the overtime pay requirements under Michigan law prior to January 4, 1979, a question which the Legislature failed to clarify when it passed Act 604; and

WHEREAS, until the law is clarified, the City will not know whether the State will reimburse the City for the cost of overtime pay under Act 604, or whether the City will be liable for retroactive overtime pay without state reimbursement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the City authorizes and directs the law firm of Brown, Colman & DeMent, P. C. of Kalamazoo, Michigan, in the name of the City, to take whatever steps it deems necessary and desirable to obtain a clarification of the law and reimbursement from the State for expenditures made by the City pursuant to Act 604. The legal fees and costs for such action shall be prorated among cities participating in the litigation based upon the normal complement of employees engaged in fire protection activities in each participating city and in no event will the charges to the City exceed \$2,000.

Yeas: Frost, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Waters, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

13. A proposal from Moore & Bruggink in the amount of \$1,500 for furnishing professional services to provide the City with a conceptual design for modifications to the drainage course lying east of Plymouth Avenue and north of Grace Church in order to accommodate the runoff demand and retain an open water course characteristic was received.

13-A. Waters-Frost. That this Commission retain the firm of Moore & Bruggink for a fee of \$1,500 to provide the City with information relating to the drainage course lying east of Plymouth Avenue and north of Grace Church, and that this amount be allocated from contingencies.

Yeas: Frost, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Waters, Stoppels - 6
Nays: Worfel - 1

14. Reports for the month of June from the Fire Department, Police Department and Building Inspector were received for information.

15. The request of Commissioner Hoag to discuss amending the Animal Control Ordinance to change permission for 3 dogs per person currently in the Ordinance to 3 dogs per family was considered. It was decided to refer this item to the next Commission agenda and to request the City Attorney to prepare necessary language.

16. A letter from the City Attorney relative to the City's legal authority to appropriate funds toward the construction of the President Ford Library/Museum was received and referred to a future Commission meeting.

17. A letter from Consumers Power Company requesting amendment of the Standard Streetlighting Contract between the City and Consumers Power Company was received.

17-A.

BY COMMISSIONERS GALE-WORFEL:

RESOLVED, that it is hereby deemed advisable to authorize Consumers Power Company to make changes in the streetlighting service as provided in the Standard Streetlighting Contract between the Company and the City of East Grand Rapids, dated April 20, 1977, in accordance with the Authorization for Change in Standard Streetlighting Contract as of _____, 19_____, heretofore submitted to and considered by this Commission; and

RESOLVED, Further, That the Mayor and City Clerk be and are authorized to execute such authorization for change on behalf of the City.

Yeas: Frost, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Waters, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

18. A letter from the City Attorney regarding the composition of the Board of Review as it relates to the Charter and the State Statute was received. It was the consensus of this Commission that this matter be placed on the agenda in November and that the creation of a Charter Commission be considered at a meeting in September.

19. A letter from the City Attorney regarding the prosecution of several infractions under changes in the Michigan Vehicle Code was received.

19-A. That the following ordinance be introduced at this time:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 9.3(a)
OF CHAPTER 105 OF TITLE X OF
THE CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS

THE CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Section 9.3(a) of Chapter 105 of Title X of the Code of the City of East Grand Rapids is amended to read as follows:

"9.3(a). Penalties. Any provision of this Ordinance which describes an act or omission which constitutes a civil infraction under the terms of the Michigan Vehicle Code, being 1949 P.A. 300, as amended, shall be processed as a civil infraction and any person found to have committed a civil infraction may be ordered to pay a civil fine of not more than \$100 and costs in accordance with Section 907 of the Michigan Vehicle Code.

"Any person convicted of violating any provision of this Ordinance not constituting a civil infraction as herein provided shall be punished by a fine of not more than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) or imprisonment in the County Jail of Kent County for a period of not more than 90 days, or both such fine and imprisonment, and/or shall be required to attend a school of instruction in the discretion of the court; provided, however, that any pedestrian convicted of violating any provision of this Ordinance not constituting a civil infraction as herein provided shall be punished by a fine of not more than Ten Dollars (\$10.00), or imprisonment in the County Jail of Kent County for a period of not more than 10 days and/or shall be required to attend a school of instruction in the discretion of the Court.

Section 2. This ordinance shall be effective on August 1, 1979, at 12:01 a.m.

Section 3. This ordinance shall be published in full pursuant to the provisions of Chapter VIII, Section 5 of the Charter of the City of East Grand Rapids.

Yeas: Frost, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Waters, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

20. A letter from the City Attorney regarding Senate Bill 210, which would provide that the terms of office of the Mayor and other elected officials now serving less than four year terms would be extended to four years in all home rule cities solely by the action of the City Council. This information was received and filed.

21. The minutes of the Traffic Commission meeting held June 12, 1979, were received and filed.

22. The City Manager reported that the Commission should designate a representative and alternate to represent the City of East Grand Rapids at the annual business meeting of the Michigan Municipal League which will be held September 12, in Dearborn, Michigan. The Mayor requested that those Commissioners interested in attending this conference notify the Manager or Clerk as soon as possible of their intent. There was no designation made of the City representative or alternate at this time.

23. The Mayor submitted a list of recommended appointments to the various boards and commissions of the City for the 1979/80 fiscal year.

23-A. Waters-Frost. That the name of William Boorstein be inserted in place of Valerie Nelson on the Planning Commission, Mrs. Nelson having fulfilled the 6 year limitation on Planning Commission service.

Yeas: Frost, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Waters, Worfel - 6
Nays: Stoppels - 1

23-B. Worfel -Gale. That the following list of appointments be approved:

PRESIDENT OF COMMISSION &	George Gale
VICE-CHAIRMAN BOARD OF APPEALS	Frederic H. Tholen, Jr.
CITY MANAGER	
CITY CLERK, CONTROLLER, TREASURER,	John Wieisma
ASS'T MANAGER	Robert W. Richardson
CITY ATTORNEY	Shirley Norman
ASSESSOR-BUILDING INSPECTOR	Bruce Kellogg
ASSISTANT ASSESSORS	Paul Haviland
	Farrell Babcock
CHIEF OF POLICE	John F. Terpstra
FIRE CHIEF	Dr. Douglas A. Mack
HEALTH OFFICER	Charles Harrett
HARBOR MASTER	John DeBoer
ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR	Richard Kruizena
FORRESTER	

WAYS & MEANS COMMITTEE

Jack Frost, Chmn.
John Waters
Barbara Hoag

FIRE & POLICE

C. Christopher Worfel
Jack Frost
Barbara Hoag

STREETS, SIDEWALKS, TREES

Glenn Lorch
John Waters
Barbara Hoag

RECREATION & PARKS

George Gale, Chm.
Barbara Hoag
John Waters

UTILITIES COMMITTEE

Jack Frost, Chm.
John Waters
C. Christopher Worfel

ORDINANCE COMMITTEE

Barbara Hoag
Jack Frost
Glenn Lorch

LIBRARY COMMISSION

Mary Dutcher (Mrs. David)
C. Christopher Worfel
Nancy Buskirk (Mrs. Thomas)
Patrick McCarthy
Donald Pengelly
Louise Uhl (Mrs. John)
Myrtle Starr - Friends of the Library

BOARD OF REVIEW

	<u>Term Expires</u>
Shirley Norman, Chwmn.	7/1/80
Bruce Kellogg, Ass't Assessor	7/1/80
Paul Haviland	7/1/80
John Waters	7/1/80
Barbara Hoag	7/1/80

PLANNING COMMISSION

William Henry	7/1/81
William S. Bennett	7/1/80
Patricia Edison	7/1/80
Kenneth Ellis	7/1/80
Thomas Heiden	7/1/81
Robert Olson	7/1/82
William Boorstein	7/1/82
Tom Gleason	7/1/82
Glenn Lorch	7/1/81
Board of Education	
	ex-officio
The Mayor	"
The Manager	"

TRAFFIC COMMISSION

Kenneth Wiedaw	7/1/80
Betsy Borre	7/1/80
Lois Moseley	7/1/80
Carl Fleetwood	7/1/80
Police Chief	
City Manager	
John Waters	

EAST BELTLINE BD. OF DIRECTORS

Ingvar W. Samuelson (Business)	1/1/81
Jack Steketee (Citizen)	1/1/80
F. H. Tholen (Gov't)	1/1/82

ELECTION COMMISSION

John Wielsma
Shirley Norman
R. W. Richardson

NOTE: All appointments that do not have an expiration date are for a period of one year.

BOARD OF CANVASSERS

	<u>Term Expires</u>
David M. Amberg	12/31/83
Sally G. Boshoven (Mrs. Herbert R.)	12/31/81
Linda S. Chervenka	12/31/81
Merle Johnson	12/31/83

RECREATION COMMISSION

Robert Eleveld	7/1/80
Nancy Harper (Mrs. James H.) (V-Chmn.)	7/1/82
George Gale	7/1/81
3 Board of Education Appointees	
Jerry Sieracki, Sec'y.	7/1/80
	7/1/81

At-Large - Simon Francis 7/1/80

AGRAG REPRESENTATIVES

Mayor Stoppels
George Gale

GRETS POLICY COMMITTEE

C. Christopher Worfel

GRETS TECHNICAL COMMITTEE

F. H. Tholen

GRETS CITIZENS ADVISORY

Barbara Van't Hoff

COMMUNITY ACTION PROGRAM

Robert P. Cooper Jan. 1980

HOUSING BOARD OF APPEALS

Barbara Eggerding (Mrs. J. L.)
R. A. Reid
Health Officer
Building Inspector

JOINT CITY-SCHOOL RECREATIONAL FACILITIES COMMITTEE

City Appointees
George Gale
John Waters
Mayor Stoppels
School Board Appointees

Wallson G. Knack
Rudyard C. Abbott

BUILDING AUTHORITY

F. H. Tholen)
John Wielsma) 7/1/80
Robert Richardson)

LOCAL OFFICERS COMPENSATION COMM.

Merle Johnson	1983
Paul Seibold	1984
William Muir	1980
Katherine McIlhargey	1981
Bruce Kellogg	1982

Yeas: Frost, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 6
Nays: Waters - 1

24. Gale-Worfel. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$258,775.98, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$33,267.45, as approved by the Ways & Means Committee be allowed and the Controller be authorized to draw an order on the Treasurer for their respective amounts.

Yeas: Frost, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Waters, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

25. There were 34 persons in attendance at this meeting.

26. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, until July 23, 1979.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Glenn Lorch

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL ON THE AGING

Rev. F. VanderStoep

GRAND RAPIDS TRANSIT AUTHORITY

Jack Frost

REGION VIII

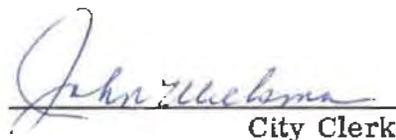
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City Clerk

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMISSION OF THE
CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN

Regular Meeting Held July 23, 1979

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

Present: Coms. Frost, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, and Mayor Stoppels.

Absent: Com. Waters.

27. The minutes of the meeting held July 9, 1979, were corrected by changing Item 23-B to show that the motion was made by Commissioner Worfel. Also, the clause "WHEREAS, no objections were presented to the vacation of said part of Elmwood Drive" was deleted from Item 6-A. The minutes were then approved as corrected.

28. Pursuant to published notice, a hearing was then held upon the request of Eberhard Foods, Inc., for a variance allowing construction of a 40 ft. x 110 ft. addition at the northwest corner of the existing location at 2181 Wealthy Street SE. Mr. Robert Wold and Mr. L. V. Eberhard explained the need for this storage addition. Mr. Jack Baxter stated that he owns neighboring property and had no objections to this request.

28-A. Worfel-Gale. That this Commission, acting as the Board of Zoning Appeals, grant the variance request of Eberhard Foods, Inc., on the condition that retail floor space not be expanded into the requested 40 ft. x 110 ft. addition or the recently constructed 40 ft. x 101 ft. addition.

Yeas: Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 5

Nays: Frost - 1

29. Pursuant to published notice, a hearing was then held on the special assessment roll for the Kingswood-Fernwood storm drain. Letters were received from Mr. & Mrs. Al Leavitt and Mr. Robert A. Tol objecting to the assessment. Mr. J. Brock Albert was present to express his opposition to the assessment. Mrs. Janet Gilmore spoke in favor of the proposed drainage project and special assessment.

29-A.

BY COMMISSIONERS WORFEL-GALE:

RESOLVED, that a public hearing having been duly held on the special assessment roll for the improvement consisting of a 12" storm drain including one manhole, two catch basins, 10" basin connections, discharge end section, sand backfill, and restoration on

VACATED FERNWOOD DRIVE from Kingswood Road to 200 ft. east

and all persons having been given the opportunity to be heard with regard thereto and this City Commission having considered all written or oral objections thereto, and it appearing that said special assessment roll does not require any changes or corrections, this City Commission does confirm such special assessment roll and does order that the Clerk endorse the date of confirmation upon such special assessment roll and transmit the same to the Treasurer for collection.

Yeas: Frost, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

29-B. Frost-Gale. That the contract for the construction of a storm drain on vacated Fernwood Drive and Kingswood Road be awarded to the low bidder, Northern Construction Company, in the amount of \$6,329.00.

Yeas: Frost, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

30. There was discussion regarding the fire damaged house at 656 Gladstone SE. A report from the City Attorney concerning the options available to the City Commission in dealing with the fire damaged structure was received. The City Assessor-Building Inspector reported on the progress of the repair of the structure. Mrs. Lee Weber and Ms. Beverly Stuart were present to express their concerns on this property.

30-A. Worfel-Gale. That a public hearing be scheduled for August 6, 1979, pursuant to Section 9.3 of the City Ordinance Code relative to the condition of the premises at 656 Gladstone SE, and that the City staff be directed to give proper notice of this hearing.

Yeas: Frost, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel - 5
Nays: Stoppels - 1

31. A proposed ordinance regarding prosecution of infractions under the amended Michigan Vehicle Code was considered.

31-A. Worfel-Frost. That the following ordinance amending the City Ordinance Code be adopted:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 9.3(a)
OF CHAPTER 105 OF TITLE X OF
THE CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS

THE CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Section 9.3(a) of Chapter 105 of Title X of the Code of the City of East Grand Rapids is amended to read as follows:

"9.3(a). Penalties. Any provision of this Ordinance which describes an act or omission which constitutes a civil infraction under the terms of the Michigan Vehicle Code, being 1949 P.A. 300, as amended, shall be processed as a civil infraction and any person found to have committed a civil infraction may be ordered to pay a civil fine of not more than \$100 and costs in accordance with Section 907 of the Michigan Vehicle Code.

"Any person convicted of violating any provision of this Ordinance not constituting a civil infraction as herein provided shall be punished by a fine of not more than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) or imprisonment in the County Jail of Kent County for a period of not more than 90 days, or both such fine and imprisonment, and/or shall be required to attend a school of instruction in the discretion of the court; provided, however, that any pedestrian convicted of violating any provision of this Ordinance not constituting a civil infraction as herein provided shall be punished by a fine of not more than Ten Dollars (\$10.00), or imprisonment in the County Jail of Kent County for a period of not more than 10 days and/or shall be required to attend a school of instruction in the discretion of the Court.

Section 2. This ordinance shall be effective on August 1, 1979, at 12:01 a.m.

Section 3. This ordinance shall be published in full pursuant to the provisions of Chapter VIII, Section 5 of the Charter of the City of East Grand Rapids.

Yeas: Frost, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 6
Nays: 0

32. A proposed amendment to the Animal Control Ordinance was considered.

32-A. Frost-Lorch. That the following ordinance be introduced for consideration at the next meeting of this Commission:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 9.37-2 OF
CHAPTER 89 OF TITLE IX OF THE CODE OF
THE CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS

THE CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Section 9.37-2 of Chapter 89 of Title IX of the Code of the City of East Grand Rapids is amended to read as follows:

"9.37-2. Limit on Number of Dogs. No owner, as defined in Section 9.36-10 of this Ordinance, of a dog, nor any person who owns, leases, or is otherwise in control of any premises within the City of East Grand Rapids, shall keep dogs or permit dogs to be kept within the City of East Grand Rapids except in compliance with the following:

- "(a) Not more than two (2) dogs may be kept in or about the premises of a dwelling unit in a duplex, apartment, condominium, or other multi-family dwelling unit.
- "(b) Not more than three (3) dogs may be kept in or about the premises of any single family dwelling.
- "(c) No dog may be kept in or about premises other than occupied dwelling units except upon application filed with the City Clerk setting forth in detail the request and the reasons therefor, and upon the granting of a special permit by the City Commission following a hearing and findings that a valid reason exists for granting the request and that the granting of a permit will not have an adverse effect on neighboring property or on the general public. Any permit granted hereunder shall be for such period of time as the City Commission shall determine and may attach such conditions, including but not limited to the breed, nature and number of dogs and their care and maintenance as shall be deemed necessary for the protection of neighboring property and the public interest.
- "(d) Dogs born to a female dog kept in compliance with the provisions of this section may be kept on the premises with said female dog for a period of not more than six (6) months following the date of birth notwithstanding the provisions of (a) and (b) above."

Section 2. This amendatory ordinance shall be effective on August 1, 1979.

Section 3. This ordinance shall be published in full pursuant to the provisions of Chapter VIII, Section 5, of the Charter of the City of East Grand Rapids.

Yeas: Frost, Hoag, Lorch, Worfel, Stoppels - 5

Nays: Gale - 1

33. A request was received from the Kent County Library System asking East Grand Rapids to participate in a matching grant for the Book Collection Enrichment Grant Program.

33-A. Worfel-Lorch. That the City contribute \$500 to the Book Collection Enrichment Grant Program and that this amount be transferred from the Contingency Fund.

Yeas: Frost, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

34. A recommendation was received from the Clerk-Controller concerning the purchase of bags for yard debris collection. It was recommended that the low bidder, Quality Transparent Bag, Inc., be issued a purchase order in the amount of \$2,124.00.

34-A. Worfel-Frost. That a purchase order be issued to Quality Transparent Bag, Inc., in the amount of \$2,124.00 for 720 rolls of plastic bags.

Yeas: Frost, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

35. It was decided that a public hearing will be held August 6, 1979, on the request of Christ Church for a special use permit for the Manhattan School property.

36. A letter from Mr. Rich Doyle thanking the Commission for sponsoring the Reeds Lake Run for Life Road Pace on June 23rd, was received and filed.

37. Commissioner Worfel inquired about the memorandum received from the GRETS Policy Committee concerning a southbelt survey. It was decided that the questionnaire on the southbelt survey would be duplicated and sent to each Commissioner with the agenda for the next meeting.

38. Commissioner Gale reported that he had received several complaints on the condition of the house at the corner of Lake Drive and Croswell.

39. It was requested that the staff check on the temporary "No Left Turn" sign at the intersection of Plymouth and Lake Drive and try to make it more clear that left turns onto Lake Drive are prohibited during the construction work on Plymouth.

40. The City Manager reported that 99 easements needed for the installation of CATV remain unsigned. He stated that the CATV work crews will be leaving the city as soon as all of the cable that can presently be strung is installed.

41. Commissioner Frost requested that consideration of a Master Plan for the City be placed on the agenda for the next City Commission meeting.

42. Hoag-Frost. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$706,240.52, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$39,527.33, as approved by the Ways & Means Committee be allowed and the Controller be authorized to draw an order on the Treasurer for the respective amounts.

Yeas: Frost, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

43. The library circulation reports for the months of May and June were received and filed.

44. There were 15 residents in attendance at this meeting.

45. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, until August 6, 1979.

City Clerk

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMISSION OF THE
CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN

Regular Meeting Held August 6, 1979

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

Present: Coms. Frost, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel and Mayor Stoppels.

Absent: Com. Waters.

46. The minutes of the meeting held July 23, 1979, were approved as written.

(Commissioner Waters arrived at this time.)

47. Pursuant to published notice, a hearing was then held upon the request of Christ Church for a special use permit allowing it to occupy the Manhattan School property as a church. Mr. James Wynsma, Rev. Allan Baldwin, Mr. Donald Fritz, and Mr. James Schriemer discussed the use that Christ Church proposed for the Manhattan School property. Mr. Robert Sawdey, Mrs. Joan Bruhnke, Mrs. Barbara Keller, Mr. James Nachtegall, Mr. David Runnells, Mrs. Rita Boyce and Mr. Jack Clary spoke in opposition to granting a special use permit. Mr. Kenneth Wolgemuth, Mr. Ian Edwards and Mr. James Preston spoke in favor of granting the special use permit.

47-A. Worfel-Gale. That this Commission, acting as the Board of Zoning Appeals, deny the request of Christ Church for a special use permit.

Yeas: Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Waters, Stoppels - 6

Nays: Frost - 1

47-B. Worfel-Gale. That this Commission employ a planning consultant to study the potential residential uses for the Manhattan School property.

47-C. Waters-Frost. That the motion be amended to provide that the matter of the use to be made of the Manhattan School property be referred to the Planning Commission, and, that the Planning Commission be authorized to hire a planning consultant approved by the City Commission to study all potential uses of the Manhattan School property.

Yeas: Lorch, Hoag, Waters, Frost - 4

Nays: Worfel, Gale, Stoppels - 3

The vote on the main motion was as follows:

Yeas: Frost, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Waters - 6

Nays: Stoppels - 1

48. Pursuant to published notice, a hearing was held to determine whether the condition of the structure at 656 Gladstone constitutes a public nuisance under Section 9.3 of the East Grand Rapids Ordinance Code. Letters were received from Mrs. Lois Dyksterhouse and Mrs. Lee Weber regarding this matter. Mrs. LaRene Clark, Ms. Beverly Stuart, Mrs. Lee Weber, Mr. David Hoffman, Ms. Charlene Hackmuller, Mr. Robert N. Alt and Mrs. B. Rozella Salter expressed their concern over the condition of the structure and urged that the necessary exterior repairs be completed rapidly. Mr. Dexter Cooley and Ms. Lois Dyksterhouse, the owners of the structure, stated that the repair work was in progress and would be completed soon.

48-A. Gale-Worfel. That the property at 656 Gladstone be declared to constitute a public nuisance under Section 9.3 of the East Grand Rapids Ordinance Code, due to the structure being unsecured with missing doors and windows and damaged exterior boards, and, that the necessary exterior repairs be completed within a 60 day period.

Yeas: Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Waters - 5

Nays: Frost, Stoppels - 2

49. The proposed amendment to the Animal Control Ordinance was discussed. Mr. and Mrs. James E. Burgess expressed their support for increased enforcement of the Animal Control Ordinance.

49-A. Worfel-Hoag. That the following ordinance be adopted:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 9.37-2
OF CHAPTER 89 OF TITLE IX OF THE
CODE OF THE CITY OF EAST
GRAND RAPIDS

THE CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Section 9.37-2 of Chapter 89 of Title IX of the Code of the City of East Grand Rapids is amended to read as follows:

"9.37-2. Limit on Number of Dogs. No owner, as defined in Section 9.36- 10 of this Ordinance, of a dog, nor any person who owns, leases, or is otherwise in control of any premises within the City of East Grand Rapids, shall keep dogs or permit dogs to be kept within the City of East Grand Rapids except in compliance with the following:

- "(a) Not more than two (2) dogs may be kept in or about the premises of a dwelling unit in a duplex, apartment, condominium, or other multi-family dwelling unit.
- "(b) Not more than three (3) dogs may be kept in or about the premises of any single family dwelling.
- "(c) No dog may be kept in or about premises other than occupied dwelling units except upon application filed with the City Clerk setting forth in detail the request and the reasons therefor, and upon the granting of a special permit by the City Commission following a hearing and findings that a valid reason exists for granting the request and that the granting of a permit will not have an adverse effect on neighboring property or on the general public. Any permit granted hereunder shall be for such period of time as the City Commission shall determine and may attach such conditions, including but not limited to the breed, nature and number of dogs and their care and maintenance as shall be deemed necessary for the protection of neighboring property and the public interest.
- "(d) Dogs born to a female dog kept in compliance with the provisions of this section may be kept on the premises with said female dog for a period of not more than six (6) months following the date of birth notwithstanding the provisions of (a) and (b) above."

Section 2. This amendatory ordinance shall be effective on August 16, 1979.

Section 3. This ordinance shall be published in full pursuant to the provisions of Chapter VIII, Section 5, of the Charter of the City of East Grand Rapids.

Yeas: Frost, Hoag, Lorch, Worfel, Waters - 5

Nays: Gale, Stoppels - 2

50. A memorandum was received from the City Manager requesting authority to issue three purchase orders.

50-A. Frost-Waters. That the requested traffic radar equipment is not competitive in nature and that no advantage would result from competitive bidding, and, that a purchase order be issued to Decatur Electronics, Inc., in the amount of \$1,185.00 for one traffic radar.

Yeas: Frost, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Waters, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

50-B. Worfel-Gale. That a purchase order be issued to Gregware Equipment in the amount of \$8,090.00 for two snowplows.

Yeas: Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Waters, Stoppels - 6
Nays: 0
Commissioner Frost abstained.

50-C. Worfel-Lorch. That the requested under truck scrapers and hydraulic systems is not competitive in nature and that no advantage would result from competitive bidding, and, that a purchase order be issued to Root, Inc., in the amount of \$13,700.50 for two under truck scrapers and two hydraulic systems.

Yeas: Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Waters, Stoppels - 6
Nays: 0
Commissioner Frost abstained.

51. There was discussion concerning the preparation of a master plan for the City. It was decided that each Commissioner would review the 1972 Community Attitudes Survey, the 1968 proposed Community Renewal Program, and a memorandum from the City Attorney outlining the organization and function of the Planning Commission.

52. The minutes of the Planning Commission meeting held July 10, 1979, were received and filed.

53. A quarterly report was received and filed from the Retired Seniors Volunteer Program.

54. Survey forms relative to the Southbelt highway were received by each Commissioner. Commissioner Worfel requested that the completed surveys be returned to the Mayor.

55. The monthly reports were received and filed from the Police Department, Fire Department and Building Inspector.

56. The City Manager announced that the City had received a formal notification relative to the Greenwood Apartments being converted to condominiums.

57. There was discussion concerning the annual meeting of the Michigan Municipal League in Dearborn, September 12-14.

57-A. Mayor Stoppels-Frost. That the City designate Commissioner Hoag as delegate and Fred Tholen as alternate to the annual meeting of the Michigan Municipal League.

Yeas: Frost, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Waters, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

58. Commissioner Gale inquired about the status of the house at the corner of Crosswell and Lake Drive. The Building Inspector reported that the owner had been notified of the complaints concerning the condition of the property.

59. Commissioner Gale inquired about the necessity of bundling tree limbs and brush. The City Manager reported that no citations have been issued to violators of this provision and that the bundling of limbs and brush speeds up the collection of yard debris.

60. Commissioner Lorch reported that the Planning Commission has expressed its concern over the potential hazard of the incline constructed at the intersection of Cascade Road and the East Beltline as part of the widening of the East Beltline.

61. Commissioner Hoag reported that EPA Project Officials will be visiting East Grand Rapids soon relative to the City's Lake Restoration Program.

62. Frost-Waters. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$866,201.39, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$40,082.89, as approved by the Ways & Means Committee be allowed and the Controller be authorized to draw an order on the Treasurer for the respective amounts.

Yeas: Frost, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Waters, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

63. The City Manager reported that a deferred payment program is available for the Silver Creek drainage project.

64. There were 60 residents in attendance at this meeting.

65. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, until August 20, 1979.

City Clerk

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMISSION OF THE
CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN

Regular Meeting Held August 20, 1979

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

Present: Coms. Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale and Mayor Stoppels.

Absent: Com. Worfel.

66. The minutes of the meeting held August 6, 1979, were corrected by changing the vote of the Mayor from "yes" to "no" in Item 49-A. The minutes were then approved as corrected.

67. Pursuant to public notice, a hearing was then held upon the request of Mr. Azzar, 208 Pioneer Club Road SE, for a zoning variance to permit construction of an addition to his home to within 10 ft. of the rear lot line. Mr. Azzar was present to discuss his request with the Commission. There were no objections raised.

67-A. Gale-Lorch. That this Commission, acting as the Board of Zoning Appeals, grant the variance as requested by Mr. Azzar.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

68. A letter was received from Mr. Robert C. Hicks, 1659 Lake Drive SE, protesting rejection by the Rehabilitation Review Committee of his application for a rehabilitation grant. Mr. Hicks was present to discuss his need for a grant. The grant would be used for roof repair.

68-A. Hoag-Gale. That this matter be tabled for three weeks to permit Commissioners to obtain additional information.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

69. The City Manager submitted a memorandum regarding the northeast and northwest corners of the intersection at Hall Street and Conlon. It appears that this intersection is hazardous for youngsters walking from the former Woodcliff area to the Lakeside School. A memorandum from the City Engineer indicated that the cost for improving this intersection would be \$5,042.63, based on a quotation from Michigan Colprovia Company.

69-A. Gale-Hoag. That the intersection at the northwest and northeast corners of Hall Street and Conlon be reconstructed, as recommended by the Engineer, and that the quotation from Michigan Colprovia Company in the amount of \$5,042.63 be accepted.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

70. A memorandum from the City Manager regarding the financing of the City's portion of the Silver Creek Drain project was received.

70-A. Waters-Lorch. That this Commission authorize the staff to request the Kent County Drainage Board to sell 5-year notes secured by a contract between the City and the Drainage Board, and that the City wishes to avail itself of the opportunity to extend payment over a 5-year period.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

71. A letter from H. F. Damon, 863 Orchard SE, offering to purchase a portion of City-owned property at the south end of Ross Court was received. Mr. Damon was present to discuss his offer.

71-A. Hoag-Lorch. That a hearing be set for September 10th, for the purpose of discussing various uses of this property and that persons within a 300 ft. radius of this property be notified that an offer to purchase has been received and that a hearing will be held.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Stoppels - 6
Nays: 0

72. A letter was received from S & R Environmental Consulting, which includes a proposal for consulting fees for our task assignments which relate to the Lake Restoration Program.

72-A. Mr. Harold Baer reported that his son, who is a professional oceanographer, had reviewed the environmental impact report prepared by National Biocentric, Inc., and was unimpressed with it due to its errors in grammar, punctuation and the use of a lot of filler. The status of the EPA grant for the lake restoration project was also discussed. The City Manager was criticized for not having notified the entire Commission of the suspension by EPA of financial participation in the Lake Restoration Project.

72-B. Hoag-Waters. That this Commission authorize proceeding with the contract with S & R Environmental Consulting with the understanding that this cost will not exceed \$4,375.00.

Yeas: Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Stoppels - 5
Nays: Frost - 1

73. The City Manager submitted a memorandum regarding the conversion of the City's health insurance policy. A quotation has been received from Independent Liberty Life Insurance Company. Extensive discussions have been held with the employees over the past 30 days to determine whether they could accept this plan and a vote was taken by the employees which results were: Yes-65, No-5, and 5 did not vote.

73-A. Lorch-Hoag. That the City accept the quotation from Independent Liberty Life Insurance Company and that the staff proceed to convert the health insurance policy.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Stoppels - 5
Nays: 0
Commissioner Gale abstained.

74. A statement for services by the City Attorney in connection with the brief filed with the Court of Appeals in connection with the Blodgett Hospital tax appeal was received.

74-A. Hoag-Waters. That payment of \$1,478.45 for Attorney's services in the Blodgett Hospital matter be approved and that this amount be transferred from contingencies to the City Attorney's Miscellaneous Account.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Stoppels - 6
Nays: 0

75. A resolution from the City of Wyoming regarding legislation which would allow the various municipalities to set local standards relative to pornography was received and filed.

76. A communication from the School Board listing their meeting dates as the second and fourth Monday of the month was received for information. The Mayor stated that the President of the School Board was interested in holding neighborhood coffees for the purpose of discussing City and School matters. Commissioner Hoag stated that she would prefer that these coffees be held on a Ward basis.

77. A letter from Maurice A. Fetty, Minister of Mayflower Congregational Church, brought to the attention of the Commission the omission of religion in the City brochure which was recently printed. This letter was received for information.

78. The minutes of the Traffic Commission meeting held August 7, 1979, were received and filed.

79. The circulation report for the East Grand Rapids Library was received for information.

80. The minutes of the Planning Commission meeting held August 14, 1979, were received and will be placed on the next City Commission agenda.

81. The City Manager reported that he had received a letter from the Kent County Director of Animal Control referring to the recently adopted ordinance of the City Commission regulating the number of dogs per household. This matter was referred to the City Attorney.

82. The City Manager reported that he had received the signed deed from the School Board conveying the Manhattan School property.

82-A. Gale-Waters. That this Commission accept this deed for the Manhattan School property and that the City Clerk be instructed to record the deed with the Kent County Register of Deeds.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Stoppels - 6
Nays: 0

83. Frost-Hoag. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$1,276,413.89, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$37,027.51, as approved by the Ways & Means Committee be allowed and the Controller be authorized to draw an order on the Treasurer for their respective amounts.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Stoppels - 6
Nays: 0

84. Commissioner Frost distributed a letter he had received from Mr. Alfred S. Leavitt objecting to the current use by the City of the property located at 345 Maplewood Road. This matter was referred to a Committee-of-the-Whole session.

85. Commissioner Waters inquired about the status of the cable TV. The City Manager reported that CATV is activating the system and preparing for distribution and that it is now reviewing the opinion recently received from the Supreme Court relative to cable TV's use of utility easements.

86. Commissioner Hoag inquired if there was any problem with her requesting National Biocentric, Inc., for clarification on their reports. The City Manager suggested that she send a letter to them rather than calling via the telephone so that her requests can be specific and that a copy of the letter can be put in the contract file.

87. Commissioner Hoag asked if we were a member of the Michigan Alliance of Small Communities. The City Manager reported that we are not.

88. Commissioner Gale reported that he had received a request that some type of amplification system be installed in the Commission Room to allow those persons in the back of the room to hear the Commissioners. He requested that consideration be given to this matter.

89. Mr. Harold Baer inquired about the use of the Woodcliff School for aerobic dancing classes which are offered by the Recreation Department. He reported that an agreement between the East Grand Rapids Public Schools and property owners in that area preventing use of this property for commercial purposes was in existence. Mr. David Warm was also present to express his concern regarding this matter. The City Manager stated that he was not aware of the Recreation Department's usage of Woodcliff School for

aerobic dancing classes and that he would check into the matter further. This matter will be placed on the next City Commission agenda.

90. There were 11 residents in attendance at this meeting.

91. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, until September 10, 1979.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMISSION OF THE
CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN

Regular Meeting Held September 10, 1979

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

Present: Coms. Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale and Mayor Stoppels.
Absent: Com. Worfel.

93. The minutes of the meeting held August 20, 1979, were approved as written.

94. Pursuant to public notice, a discussion was then held upon the proposed sale of property located at the south end of Ross Court. Mr. Harry Damon expressed his interest in this property. Mrs. Mary Miller and Mr. Joe Apsey inquired as to the use that would be made of this property should it be sold.

94-A. Waters-Gale. That this Commission offer property for sale subject to a minimum to be established by appraisal by the City Assessor, and that the Clerk be instructed to give notice of such sale.

94-B. Waters-Hoag. That the above motion be amended to include all of the portions of City-owned property at the end of Ross Court and that the Planning Commission be requested to review this property for any potential use by the City.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Stoppels - 6
Nays: 0

The vote on the main motion as amended was as follows:

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Stoppels - 6
Nays: 0

95. The request of Robert C. Hicks that the Commission reverse the Rehabilitation Review Committee's denial of his application for a rehabilitation grant was discussed. Mr. Hicks was present to discuss his request with the Commission. Mr. Philip Jacobus, a member of the Rehabilitation Review Committee, discussed the Committee's action.

95-A. Gale-Hoag. That this Commission concur in the decision of the Rehabilitation Review Committee to deny the grant.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Stoppels - 6
Nays: 0

96. A letter was received from Mr. Mark Miller, Director of the Kent County Animal Shelter, regarding the changes in East Grand Rapids Animal Control Ordinance. It was decided that this matter be placed on the next City Commission agenda and that the City Attorney be requested to submit an opinion of this subject.

97. A memorandum from the Recreation Director outlining the fall 1979 schedule for aerobic dancing classes to be held in Lakeside Gym and Wealthy Gym and not in the Woodcliff School as originally announced, was received. Mr. Harold Baer and Mr. Warm were present. Mr. Baer stated that he had submitted an opinion from his legal counsel relative to use of school buildings by a profit-making organization. The Manager reported that he had received a contrary opinion from the City Attorney relative to this matter and that copies of this opinion will be sent to the Commissioners for their review.

97-A. Gale-Waters. That this Commission acknowledge receipt of the aerobic dance class schedule and that it be approved as submitted by the Recreation Director.

Yeas: Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Stoppels - 5
Nays: 0
Commissioner Frost abstained.

98. A memorandum was received from the Recreation Department regarding applying stone dust at Aquinas softball field. Commissioner Hoag requested additional information as to the status of the participants such as how many residents as compared to non-residents utilize the program.

98-A. Gale-Frost. That this matter be tabled.

Yeas: Frost, Hoag, Lorch, Gale - 4

Nays: Waters, Stoppels - 2

99. The City Manager submitted a report on yard debris placed in violation of City regulations. He stated that citizens are cooperating exceptionally well in this program, thereby reducing the nutrient loading of our lakes and improving the appearance of our streets.

100. A letter was received from the Voluntary Action Center requesting the City to contribute \$1,075.00 to support the Retired Senior Volunteer Program.

100-A. Gale-Hoag. That an agreement be entered into between the Voluntary Action Center and the City, and that the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign the same, and that the sum of \$1,075.00 be approved as the City's support of the Retired Senior Volunteer Program.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

101. A letter was received from the Department of Housing and Urban Development requesting that the City submit nominations for a person to serve on the Community Housing Resources Board.

101-A. Gale-Frost. That Barbara Eggerding, 618 Gladstone SE, be nominated to serve as a board member of the Community Housing Resources Board.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

102. An annual financial and activities report for the fiscal year July 1, 1978, to June 30, 1979, for the Metropolitan Area Economic Council of the Grand Rapids Area Chamber of Commerce was received for information.

103. The minutes of the Planning Commission meeting held August 14, 1979, were received for information.

104. Reports for the month of August from the Fire Department and Police Department were received for information.

105. The Mayor reported that the Library Commission will hold a special meeting next Wednesday evening at 6:30 p.m., September 19th, for the purpose of discussing Sunday hours.

105-A. Waters-Lorch. That this Commission support the concept of Sunday library hours and that the Library Commission consider utilizing volunteers where possible so that services can be provided to the public at minimal cost.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

106. The City Manager reported that the East Grand Rapids American Legion Post #311 has contributed \$900.00 toward the purchase of radio equipment for the E-Unit operated by the Fire Department.

106-A. Gale-Frost. That the City Manager send a letter of appreciation to the East Grand Rapids American Legion Post #311 and that a similar letter of appreciation be sent to the Lake Drive Baptist Church for its contribution made several months ago which will be applied toward the purchase of such radio equipment.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Stoppels - 6
Nays: 0

107. The City Manager reported that discussion of Charter revision would be placed on the next agenda of the City Commission.

108. Commissioner Gale inquired about the condition of 656 Gladstone. The City Assessor reported that the home has been enclosed and secured except for two windows on the east side which had to be returned to the supplier because of improper sizing.

109. Commissioner Gale requested that the City Commission hold a Committee-of-the-Whole session to discuss communications between the Commission, the staff of the City, and the Mayor, and that the City Attorney be requested to submit an opinion as to his interpretation of Section 11 of Chapter IV of the City Charter.

109-A. Gale-Hoag. That a work session be held on Monday, September 17, 1979.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Stoppels - 6
Nays: 0

110. Frost-Waters. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$177,100.66, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$71,256.32 as approved by the Ways & Means Committee be allowed, subject to the review of Vouchers #3884 and #3885, and that the Controller be authorized to draw an order on the Treasurer for the respective amounts.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Stoppels - 6
Nays: 0

111. Commissioner Waters inquired about Cable TV. The City Manager reported that 750 homes, mostly in the northeast area, have CATV hookups available to them. Cable TV is still in the process of reviewing the 83 properties as to which easements have not been signed and their legal counsel is examining the Supreme Court ruling relative to their requirement to obtain easements for installation of Cable TV where there already exists an easement for public utilities.

112. There were 16 residents in attendance at this meeting.

113. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, until September 24, 1979.

City Clerk

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMISSION OF THE
CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN

Regular Meeting Held September 24, 1979

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

Present: Coms. Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel and Mayor Stoppels.
Absent: None.

114. The minutes of the meeting held September 10, 1979, were approved as written.

115. Pursuant to public notice, a hearing was then held upon the zoning variance request of Dr. & Mrs. Domenic Federico, 541 Cambridge SE, to permit construction of a swimming pool within 6 feet of their westerly property line. Dr. Federico was present to discuss his request with the Commission. There were no objections raised.

115-A. Lorch-Worfel. That this Commission, acting as the Board of Zoning Appeals, grant Dr. & Mrs. Domenic Federico a zoning variance to construct a swimming pool to within 6 feet of their westerly property line at 541 Cambridge SE.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

116. Discussion of the request of the Ex-Offender Contact Center for funding in the amount of \$500 was deferred to a later time when the Executive Director can be present.

117. A resolution from the Planning Commission concerning the City-owned property on Ross Court was discussed. Mr. Tom Heiden, Chairman of the Planning Commission, requested that the Commission permit the Planning Commission to look at this property in greater depth to determine various alternatives.

117-A. Waters-Lorch. That this matter be referred to the Planning Commission for its review and recommendation.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

118. The Planning Commission minutes of the meeting held September 11, 1979, were received for information.

119. Commissioner Gale submitted a report regarding the participation of residents and non-residents in the Recreation Softball programs and the excellent cooperation experienced over the past with area colleges. He recommended that the Commissioners would give favorable consideration to the request of expending \$1,631.00 for the placement of stone dust on the ballfield at Aquinas College. Commissioner Hoag stated that she objected to the expenditure of public funds for improvement of property not located within the East Grand Rapids city limits.

119-A. Waters-Worfel. That the request of the Parks & Recreation Commission to place stone dust on the Aquinas ballfield at a cost of \$1,631.00 be approved and that this amount be transferred from the Contingency fund to the Recreation Capital Account.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 6
Nays: Hoag - 1

120. A communication from the City Attorney regarding the proposed amendment to the Animal Control Ordinance and a draft of this amendment were received.

120-A. Worfel-Hoag. That the following ordinance be adopted and given immediate effect:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 9.37-2 OF
CHAPTER 89 OF TITLE IX OF THE CODE OF THE
CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS

THE CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Section 9.37 of Chapter 89 of Title IX of the Code of the City of East Grand Rapids is amended to read as follows:

"9.37-2. Limit on Number of Dogs. No owner, as defined in Section 9.36-10 of this Ordinance, of a dog, nor any person who owns, leases, or is otherwise in control of any premises within the City of East Grand Rapids, shall keep dogs or permit dogs to be kept within the City of East Grand Rapids except in compliance with the following:

- "(a) Not more than two (2) dogs may be kept in or about the premises of a dwelling unit in a duplex, apartment, condominium, or other multi-family dwelling unit.
- "(b) Not more than three (3) dogs may be kept in or about the premises of any single family dwelling.
- "(c) No dog may be kept in or about premises other than occupied dwelling units except upon application filed with the City Clerk setting forth in detail the request and the reasons therefore, and upon the granting of a special permit by the City Commission following a hearing and findings that a valid reason exists for granting the request and that the granting of a permit will not have an adverse effect on neighboring property or on the general public. Any permit granted hereunder shall be for such period of time as the City Commission shall determine and may attach such conditions, including but not limited to the breed, nature and number of dogs and their care and maintenance as shall be deemed necessary for the protection of neighboring property and the public interest.
- "(d) Dogs born to a female dog kept in compliance with the provisions of this section may be kept on the premises with said female dog for a period of not more than six (6) months following the date of birth notwithstanding the provisions of (a) and (b) above.
- "(e) The provisions of this section shall not be construed to require any person to dispose of a dog or dogs kept on June 1, 1978, in compliance with the provisions of the City Code in existence on that date.

Section 2. This amendatory ordinance shall be effective on September 24, 1979.

Section 3. This ordinance shall be published in full pursuant to the provisions of Chapter VIII, Section 5, of the Charter of the City of East Grand Rapids.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Loreh, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

121. A memorandum from the City Manager regarding the rate of pay for School Crossing Guards was received. He requested that the rate be raised from \$7 per day to \$10 per day to facilitate the Police Department in manning stations throughout the city.

121-A. Worfel-Hoag. That the Crossing Guards be paid \$10 per day and that \$4,860 be transferred from contingencies to the Police Salary and Wage Temporary Account.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7

Nays: 0

122. A memorandum from the City Manager regarding the purchase of a diesel fuel pump and a report on bids for this purchase were received. The Manager recommended that the City Commission approve the purchase of this equipment to Visser's Sales & Service, Inc., in the amount of \$1,993.00, which was the low bid. Commissioners Waters and Frost requested that, in the future, when more than one item in excess of \$1,000 is involved in the purchase of equipment related to one another, estimates of necessary items to be purchased later be furnished by the City Manager at the time of the initial purchase.

122-A. Worfel-Waters. That this Commission accept the low bid of Visser's Sales & Service, Inc., in the amount of \$1,993.00, and that a purchase order be issued.

Yeas: Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

Commissioner Frost abstained and did not participate in the discussion for reason of conflict of interest.

123. A memorandum from the City Manager requesting authorization to purchase a magnetic drill was received. He recommended that the City Commission authorize the purchase of one Howell Hougen portable magnetic drill in the amount of \$1,543.20. He further reported that two quotations were received which were identical and requested that a purchase order be issued to Central Industrial Supply.

123-A. Worfel-Lorch. That the City Manager be authorized to issue a purchase order in the amount of \$1,543.20 to the Central Industrial Supply Company for the purchase of a magnetic drill.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7

Nays: 0

124. The City Manager reported that the CATV crews were back in town to complete CATV installation in East Grand Rapids. He reported that there may be one or two locations where cable TV cannot be provided because of adjoining property owners not signing leases. It is anticipated that the entire city will be serviced by spring of next year.

125. Discussion of charter revision was referred to the next regular Commission agenda because of the absence of the City Attorney at this meeting.

126. Audit reports for the year ended June 30, 1979, were received along with the management letter from Ernst & Whinney. It was decided to discuss this audit report at a work session which will be held October 1, 1979.

126-A. Frost-Lorch. That the Ways & Means Committee be appointed as the Audit Committee as recommended by Ernst & Whinney.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7

Nays: 0

127. The Traffic Commission minutes of September 11, 1979, were received for information.

128. The automobile reimbursement policy for the City Manager was discussed. Commissioner Worfel reported that he believed that it was the intent of the prior resolution which was passed regarding the reimbursement policy to establish economic balance so that the cost of reimbursement would not exceed the cost of the City providing the Manager with an automobile.

128-A. Worfel-Gale. That the City Manager be paid not in excess of \$200 per month for car reimbursement expenses.

Yeas: Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 6
Nays: Frost - 1

129. The use of the leaf area on Cascade Road and the East Beltline was discussed briefly. It was decided to refer this item to the Committee-of-the-Whole session which will be held October 1, 1979.

130. Commissioner Hoag reported that the Board of Trustees of the Michigan Municipal League honored Mr. Jack R. Clary, former First Ward Commissioner, with a special award of merit in recognition for his substantial contributions in the field of local labor relations and his participation as Chairman of the League Employee Relations Committee from 1975-1979, and as a committee member from 1973-1975 and 1978-1979.

131. A schedule of regular meetings and work sessions of the East Grand Rapids Board of Education, for the 1979-1980 school year, was received for information.

132. A letter from Patricia H. Edison regarding the manner in which the trees in the parkway in front of her home had been trimmed was received for information. The City Manager was directed to investigate this matter.

133. The City Manager reported, pursuant to the request of the City Commission to investigate the cost of amplifying equipment to be used in the City Commission Chambers, that this equipment would cost \$825.65 for materials and that the equipment could be installed by City employees. It was decided that at 98% of the meetings, no amplification equipment is required and, therefore, no action be taken.

134. The City Manager reported that he had received a report from the attorneys for the Reeds Lake Place advising that sub-structure drawings are being prepared and will be available in 4 - 6 weeks. He further reported that there are differences from the original contract as drawn up between the City and Mr. John Gilmore as to height and that the developer raises a question as to the responsibility for maintaining the property to be deeded to the City.

135. The City Clerk reported that the Commission is required to appoint an employer delegate and alternate to represent the City at the annual business meeting of the Michigan Municipal Employees' Retirement System.

135-A. Gale-Lorch. That John Wielsma be appointed employer delegate and William Bacon the appointed alternate to represent the City of East Grand Rapids at the annual business meeting of the Municipal Employees' Retirement System, to be held on Thursday, October 4, 1979.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

136. The Mayor reported that the School Board has announced that a neighborhood coffee will be held at the Michael Dodgson home, 803 San Jose Dr. SE, on October 24th, with Kathy Muir and Wally Knack representing the School Board. Commissioners Worfel and Gale volunteered to attend as representatives of the City Commission.

137. Commissioner Worfel reported that the contract for the Library System between the County and the City should be reviewed and, if approved, signed by the appropriate individuals. He asked that the matter be placed on the agenda for the October 8th meeting. He reported that the Library Commission was further studying the possibility of opening the library on Sunday and that a written memorandum from the library is forthcoming on this matter.

138. Commissioner Worfel requested that the use of the lower level of the library in City Hall be placed on the next scheduled City Commission agenda.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMISSION OF THE
CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN

Regular Meeting Held October 8, 1979

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

Present: Coms. Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel and Mayor Stoppels.
Absent: None.

142. The minutes of the meeting held September 24, 1979, were approved as written.

143. Mr. Philip M. Rupp, Executive Director of the Ex-Offender Contact Center, was present to discuss the services that the Center performs for ex-offenders in the Kent County area. He stated that the 1979 budget is \$160,000.00, of which \$7,000.00 is funded by the United Way. This is a Kent County supported service and has been well accepted within the community.

143-A. Lorch-Hoag. That this Commission support the Ex-Offender Contact Center in the amount of \$500.00 for their 1979/80 fiscal year contingent upon the execution of the contract between the City and the Ex-Offender Contact Center, and that this amount be transferred from contingencies to the Community Services Project Account.

Yeas: Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 6
Nays: 0
Commissioner Frost abstained.

144. A letter from Mrs. Patricia H. Edison, 3137 Bonnell Avenue SE, objecting to the method in which the trees have been trimmed on her block, was received. The City Manager reported that he had talked with the Public Service Superintendent and the Grand Rapids Tree Company. This matter was referred to the Committee-of-the-Whole work session.

145. Commissioner Worfel discussed the proposed agreement between the Kent County Library System and the City of East Grand Rapids.

145-A. Worfel-Gale. That the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign the agreement between the Kent County Library System and the City of East Grand Rapids.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

146. Commissioner Worfel discussed the Sunday hours of the library.

146-A. Worfel-Frost. That this Commission recommend that the library be open on Sundays from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., from October through May, or to coincide with the school year as deemed necessary by the Library Commission, and that the additional cost to permit the opening of the library on Sundays be allocated from the Contingency Fund.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

147. Commissioner Worfel discussed a proposal to improve the lower level of the library and City Hall and recommended that consideration be given at this time to completing the mechanical work for the air handling system for these areas, and that the renovation of the lower level be considered at a later date.

147-A. Gale-Hoag. That bids be sought on extension of the air handling system in the lower level of the library and City Hall, and that this bid be solicited as three alternatives; namely, 1) a combined bid for the library and City Hall air handling system, 2) a bid on the library air handling system only, and 3) a bid on the City Hall system only.

147-B. Frost-Waters. That the above motion be tabled.

Yeas: Frost - 1

Nays: Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 6

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7

Nays: 0

148. Departmental reports from the Fire Department, Police Department and Building Inspector for the month of September, were received for information.

149. The matter of charter revision was discussed with the City Attorney, and he stated that it was his opinion that the Code review should be given first priority and that the second priority be charter revision. This would require general updating of the Charter and also revision of those sections which have been revised through State legislation. He further recommended that the charter revision be done on a local basis, which can be done by the election of a Charter Commission if major revisions are contemplated, or by the process of the City Commission submitting amendments to the vote of the people if only an update is desired.

150. A proposed change in the Street Lighting Contract to provide for lighting on Manhattan Road was submitted.

150-A. Worfel-Gale. That the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign the amendment to the Standard Street Lighting Contract to permit the installation of one street light on Manhattan Road at the curve.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7

Nays: 0

151. The City Manager reported that he had received bids for a \$2,000,000 umbrella in excess of our underlying liability limit which currently is \$500,000. The bids were from Lincoln Insurance Company in the amount of \$8,570.00; the Cranford Insurance Company in the amount of \$5,000.00; Cincinnati Insurance Company in the amount of \$10,647.00. The Commission requested that Crosby & Henry be instructed to document their recommendation to accept the quotation of the Lincoln Insurance Company and that the staff solicit additional bids.

152. The City Manager reported that the labor counsel for the City had not yet completed his review of the labor contract with the Public Service Department and, therefore, this matter should be deferred until the next regular City Commission meeting.

153. The financial report for a 2-month period ended August 31, 1979, was received for information.

154. The City Manager reported that the National Biocentric, Inc., with whom we have contracted in the past for engineering services on the lake restoration project, is apparently either discontinuing, or substantially revising, its organization. He further stated that he understands that this laboratory has been sold to the Environmental Research Laboratories, whose home office is in Ann Arbor, Michigan. There was some question as to the status of the East Grand Rapids files and the method of their disposition. The City Attorney was requested to meet with the City Manager and the Chairman of the Citizens' Advisory Committee to review this matter and to send a letter to National Biocentric, Inc., to clarify this issue.

155. The City Manager reported that it is time to advertise for bids for the tree plantings relative to the 1979 street improvements. Existing policy does not adequately provide for the Plymouth Road and Hall Street projects and the Manager asked for policy direction.

155-A. Hoag-Frost. That this matter be placed on the next agenda of the City Commission meeting.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

156. The City Manager reported that the National League of Cities will be holding their conference in Detroit on November 10 - 13, and that he will send information on this conference to the City Commissioners for their review.

157. The City Manager reported that we have received the report as authorized by the City Commission from Patrick Rusz, S & R Environmental Consulting, regarding the search for bog lemming in the east end of Reeds Lake area and that no bog lemmings were found during the trapping period. This report was received for information.

158. Commissioner Frost requested that a potential pedestrian problem at the north-east corner of Lake Grove and Boston be referred to the Traffic Commission.

159. Commissioner Frost requested consideration of putting limits on car reimbursement vouchers which would alter the current policy as established by the City Commission, and that this matter be placed on the agenda for a work session.

160. Commissioner Hoag reported that a symposium for fish culture will be held in Traverse City on October 15 - 18, and recommended that Mike Karolle be designated as the City representative to attend a portion of this symposium.

160-A. Waters-Lorch. That this Commission authorize Mike Karolle to attend the symposium for fish culture and that the City pay the direct expense that will be incurred by Mr. Karolle at this conference.

Yeas: Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 6
Nays: Frost - 1

161. Commissioner Frost asked Commissioner Worfel, the City's representative on the GRETS Policy Committee, to note his concern that in the planning of the South Belt expressway that a Breton Road exit might be planned, thus causing further congestion of traffic on Breton Road.

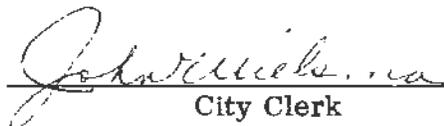
162. Hoag-Waters. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$183,563.06, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$31,330.19, as approved by the Ways & Means Committee be allowed and the Controller be authorized to draw an order on the Treasurer for the respective amounts.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

163. The Mayor announced that a Committee-of-the-Whole meeting will be held October 15th, at 7:00 p.m., in the City Commission Chambers.

164. There were 5 persons in attendance at this meeting.

165. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, until October 22, 1979.


City Clerk

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMISSION OF THE
CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN

Regular Meeting Held October 22, 1979

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

Present: Coms. Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel and Mayor Stoppels.
Absent: None.

166. With reference to Item 143 of the minutes of the meeting held October 8, 1979, the City staff was directed to ascertain the correct amount of funding that the United Way provides for the Ex-Offender Contact Center and to correct the minutes if necessary. The minutes were then approved as corrected.

167. Representatives from the East Grand Rapids Merchants' Association were present to discuss the proposed parking project on the west side of Croswell. A recommendation from the Planning Commission was received stating that while they are not opposed to the proposal of the Merchants' Association, they are concerned about how the substantial changes in the business district might affect the character of the area. The Planning Commission recommended that an in-depth study be made of the entire business district. A memorandum was received from the City Engineer with cost estimates for the construction and maintenance of the proposed parking lot. The total cost of the project is estimated to be \$176,994.00. Jordan Sheperd, representing the Merchants' Association, presented a written statement requesting that the City, through the East Grand Rapids Building Authority, construct and finance the proposed parking project, that a special assessment district be created to handle the debt service on the necessary bonds, and that the City pay 50% of the cost of the project. A scale model of the proposed parking facility was presented by Mr. Sheperd. The following persons spoke in favor of the proposed parking facility: L. V. Eberhard, Joan Remes, Jane Kropenek, Chris VanAllsburg, George Granville, John Rickerhy, Martin Packard and Brian LeGwin. The following persons questioned the plans for the parking facility: Dan Parker, Mary Carroll, Brian Carroll, George Macie, Ernest Boorsma, John Terpstra and Margit Sarne.

167-A. Frost-Hoag. That this matter be referred to the Planning Commission and that the Planning Commission report its recommendation back to the City Commission no later than the first Commission meeting in January.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Worfel - 4
Nays: Lorch, Gale, Stoppels - 3

168. Michael Karolle, Chairman of the Citizens' Advisory Committee for Lakes Restoration, presented a status report. He stated that the first meeting of the Reeds Lake Watershed Management Board has been scheduled for October 25, 1979, that the Citizens' Advisory Committee has initiated a request for a state-wide limitation on phosphorus in lawn fertilizers, and that a response from the EPA regarding the status of the East Grand Rapids grant should be forthcoming by the end of October. A letter drafted by Mr. Karolle to the Department of Natural Resources concerning its refusal to experiment with the white amur as a means of in-lake weed and algae control was received by the Commission.

168-A. Worfel-Gale. That the letter drafted by Mr. Michael Karolle regarding the use of the white amur as a means of weed and algae control be sent to the Department of Natural Resources, signed by the Citizens' Advisory Committee on Lakes Restoration and the City Commission.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

169. Mr. Karolle discussed the report of the East Grand Rapids Arts Committee. This report was referred to a Committee-of-the-Whole work session. Mr. Karolle was invited to attend the work session scheduled for October 29, 1979, at 7:00 p.m.

170. A memorandum was received from the City Manager regarding the City policy on tree planting.

(Commissioner Gale left the meeting at this time with permission from the Mayor.)

170-A. Mayor Stoppels-Lorch. That the 1979 tree planting program, as described in the City Manager's October 15, 1979, memorandum, be approved; that the City staff be directed to maintain trees planted on public property; and that authorization be given to advertise for bids for the 1979 tree program.

Yeas: Frost, Hoag, Lorch, Worfel, Stoppels - 5
Nays: Waters - 1

171. There was discussion concerning street lighting and plantings in the Plymouth median from Lake Drive to Franklin. The City Engineer reported that Mrs. Brander, 634 Plymouth, has investigated the types of poles to be placed in the median and the type of plantings desired by the owners. George Decker, 644 Plymouth, and Boris Palmer, 730 Plymouth, were present to express their support for new street lights and plantings.

171-A. Worfel-Mayor Stoppels. That \$690.00 be allocated for the planting of shrubs in the Plymouth median between Lake Drive and Franklin.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Worfel, Stoppels - 6
Nays: 0

171-B. Lorch-Worfel. That a contract be entered into with Consumers Power Company in the amount of \$7,564.00 for street lights on Plymouth between Lake Drive and Franklin, said funds to be transferred from Contingencies.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Worfel, Stoppels - 6
Nays: 0

172. A report was received from the Fire Chief regarding the bids for the purchase of fire hose and fittings.

172-A. Frost-Hoag. That the low bid of Shiawassee Fire Apparatus Company, in the amount of \$1,441.85, be approved for the purchase of fire hose and fittings.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Worfel, Stoppels - 6
Nays: 0

173. Worfel-Lorch. The the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, the City of East Grand Rapids is a participating municipality of the Michigan Municipal Employees' Retirement System, established by Act No. 135, Public Acts of 1945, as amended; and

WHEREAS, Act No. 314, Public Acts of 1969 amended the said Act No. 135 to permit a participating municipality to waive the reduction in retirement allowance for members who retire prior to age 60.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Commission of the City of East Grand Rapids does hereby elect to waive the application of the reduction in retirement allowance, as provided in Sec. 47f, for members who retire after having attained age 55 with 25 or more years of credited service for B-1 members only.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk shall file a certified copy of this Resolution with the Michigan Municipal Employees' Retirement Board within 10 days after its adoption; and the effective date of coverage shall be July 1, 1979.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Worfel, Stoppels - 6
Nays: 0

174. The minutes of the Planning Commission meeting held October 9, 1979, were received for information.

175. A recommendation was received from the Planning Commission concerning City-owned property on Ross Court. The Planning Commission recommended that the three parcels on Ross Court be put up for sale or lease on a competitive bid basis.

175-A. Worfel-Waters. That the City Clerk be authorized to advertise for bids for the sale, subject to the approval by the City Commission, of the three City-owned parcels at the end of Ross Court, and, that the abutting property owners be notified by letter that bids are being accepted for the sale of these properties.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Worfel, Stoppels - 6
Nays: 0

176. A recommendation was received from the Planning Commission regarding the guidelines for the Housing Rehabilitation Program. The Planning Commission recommended that in the future direct deferred payment loans be made instead of grants. No monthly payments would be required on the loan, nor would any interest be charged. The loan would be repaid in full upon the sale or transfer of the property.

176-A. Worfel-Frost. That the City Commission concur in the recommendation of the Planning Commission to replace future grants with deferred payment loans in the Housing Rehabilitation Program.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Worfel, Stoppels - 6
Nays: 0

177. The City Controller submitted an invoice from the West Michigan Regional Planning Commission in the amount of \$1,146.00, which represents the City's 1979/80 contribution. The amount was inadvertently omitted from the 1979/80 General Fund Budget as approved by City Commissioners on June 25, 1979.

177-A. Hoag-Waters. That \$1,146.00 be transferred from the contingency fund for the payment of the local contribution for the West Michigan Regional Planning Commission.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Worfel, Stoppels - 6
Nays: 0

178. The Police Chief requested authority to advertise for bids for three police cars.

178-A. Worfel-Waters. That the Police Chief be authorized to advertise for bids for three police cars.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Worfel, Stoppels - 6
Nays: 0

179. The minutes of the Traffic Commission meeting held October 9, 1979, were received by the Commission. There was much discussion concerning the recommendation by the Traffic Commission that an evaluation program be conducted with the installation of "Stop" signs on Elmwood at Eastlawn Road.

179-A. Mayor Stoppels-Hoag. That a program to evaluate use of "Stop" signs to control speeding be conducted on Argentina Drive.

Yeas: Hoag, Stoppels - 2
Nays: Frost, Waters, Lorch, Worfel - 4

The minutes of the Traffic Commission were approved as submitted.

180. A resolution from the Kent County Board of Commissioners regarding the Sunday sale of liquor by the glass was received for information.

181. Commissioner Worfel requested that Commissioner Lorch inform the Planning Commission that he is not satisfied with the Planning Commission's deliberations on the future use of Manhattan School. He suggested that a recommendation be forthcoming from the Planning Commission in the near future on the use of this property.

182. Commissioner Frost informed the Commission that the Ways & Means Committee plans to meet with the City Manager to discuss mileage vouchers that have been submitted.

182-A. It was moved by Commissioner Frost that vouchers relating to employee expense reimbursement not be prepaid.

This motion failed for lack of support.

183. Frost-Worfel. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$446,336.02, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$31,800.25, as approved by the Ways & Means Committee be allowed and the Controller be authorized to draw an order on the Treasurer for the respective amounts.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Worfel, Stoppels - 6
Nays: 0

184. The Ways and Means Committee will meet with the auditors at 7:00 p.m., on November 5, 1979, prior to the regularly scheduled City Commission meeting.

185. There were 53 persons in attendance at this meeting.

186. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, until November 5, 1979.

City Clerk

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMISSION OF THE
CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN

Regular Meeting Held November 5, 1979

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

Present: Coms. Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale and Mayor Stoppels.
Absent: Com. Worfel.

187. The minutes of the meeting held October 22, 1979, were amended by adding the following item:

182-A. It was moved by Commissioner Frost that vouchers relating to employee expense reimbursement not be prepaid.

This motion failed for lack of support.

The minutes were then approved as amended.

188. There was discussion concerning the fire damaged house at 656 Gladstone SE. Commissioner Gale stated that it appears that little or no work has been done on the house in the past six weeks. He reported that three windows were open on the second floor, a basement window was open, the snow fence adjacent to the house is damaged and debris remains scattered on the property. Ms. Beverly Stuart, 650 Gladstone, stated her objections to the condition of the house.

188-A. Waters-Hoag. That a hearing be held November 19, 1979, to consider the condition of the house at 656 Gladstone, and that staff be directed to prepare a list of structural and aesthetic repairs that need to be completed and to give notice of the hearing as required by City Code.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Stoppels - 6
Nays: 0

189. A request was received from the Kent County Library System for a letter of commitment for purchase of computer terminals on a shared cost basis.

189-A. Frost-Gale. That the Mayor be authorized to sign the following computer terminal shared cost agreement with the Kent County Library System:

"The City of East Grand Rapids agrees to participate in the Lakeland Library Cooperative shared cost plan for the installation of computer terminals in local libraries, and

- (a) to pay \$2,000 to Kent County Library System for the local share of a composite laser terminal, to be payable by June 30, 1980, and
- (b) to pay \$2,250 to Kent County Library System as the local share of a light pen terminal, to be payable by June 30, 1981, and
- (c) to pay one-quarter ($\frac{1}{4}$) of the annual maintenance and telephone line costs for a composite terminal, estimated to be a local cost of not more than \$500 per year, beginning January 1, 1981, and
- (d) to pay one-half ($\frac{1}{2}$) of the annual maintenance and telephone line costs for a light pen terminal, estimated to be a local cost of not more than \$500 per year, beginning January 1981."

"Kent County will match the local cost share. The Kent County Library System will be responsible for transacting all matters relating to the acquisition, operation, management and maintenance of the terminals with the Lakeland Library Cooperative."

"All monies due under this agreement are to be payable to the Kent County Library System."

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Stoppels - 6
Nays: 0

190. A letter was received from Crosby & Henry explaining their recommendation relative to purchase of umbrella liability insurance. Staff was directed to obtain clarification on the letter from Crosby & Henry and report back to the Commission.

191. A letter was received from Jack R. Clary regarding the employment of his firm for labor relations work.

191-A. Lorch-Waters. That the firm of Clary, Nantz, Wood, Hoffius, Rankin & Cooper be retained as labor relations counsel for the City of East Grand Rapids.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Stoppels - 6
Nays: 0

192. A copy of an Attorney General's opinion pointing out that only the Planning Commission may adopt a master plan for the city was received for information.

193. The City Manager reported on the bids received for the purchase of trees.

193-A. Gale-Hoag. That the low bid of Chet's Nursery & Landscaping for the 1979 tree planting contract in the amount of \$9,241.00 be accepted and that the residents be charged \$20 for the purchase of a tree.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Stoppels - 6
Nays: 0

194. The City Manager requested authorization to issue a purchase order for stump removal to the low bidder, East Paris Tree Service, in the amount of \$1,494.00.

194-A. Lorch-Hoag. That the low bid of East Paris Tree Service for the 1979 stump removal contract in the amount of \$1,494.00 be accepted.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Stoppels - 6
Nays: 0

195. The City Manager requested authorization to issue a purchase order to Sun Valley Equipment Company in the amount of \$2,117.50 for an oil and anti-freeze system. It was the consensus of the Commission not to purchase the system at this time.

196. The City Manager requested authorization to issue a purchase order in the amount of \$1,875.00 to the low bidder, RCA, Incorporated, for the replacement of three mobile radios in the Public Service Department.

196-A. Waters-Hoag. That the low bid of RCA, Incorporated, in the amount of \$1,875.00 be accepted and that a purchase order be issued for the replacement of three mobile radios.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Stoppels - 6
Nays: 0

197. Correspondence from the National Municipal League regarding the National Conference on Government was received for information.

198. The City Manager reported that a request had been received for the placement of a storm sewer on the north side of Norfolk Road. A report regarding this project will be prepared by the City Engineer.

199. The monthly reports from the Police Department and Building Inspector were received for information.

200. A resolution from the City of Wyoming urging the release of federal highway funds was received for information.

201. Commissioner Frost reported that the Ways & Means Committee had met with the auditors and would report back to the Commission in the near future.

202. Hoag-Frost. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$688,078.41, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$44,131.27, as approved by the Ways & Means Committee be allowed and the Controller be authorized to draw an order on the Treasurer for the respective amounts.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Stoppels - 6
Nays: 0

203. Commissioner Gale requested that discussion of liability insurance for Commissioners be placed on the Committee-of-the-Whole agenda. He also requested that the City Manager contact other communities that have had experience with police-fire consolidation.

204. There were 3 residents in attendance at this meeting.

205. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, until November 19, 1979.

City Clerk

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMISSION OF THE
CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN

Regular Meeting Held November 19, 1979

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

Present: Coms. Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel and Mayor Stoppels.
Absent: None.

206. The minutes of the meeting held November 5, 1979, were approved as written.

207. Pursuant to public notice, a hearing was then held to determine whether and in what respects the premises at 656 Gladstone SE, constitutes a public nuisance under the City Code. A memorandum from the City Manager was received outlining items to be considered by the Commission. A letter was received from Beverly J. Stuart, asking for something specific from the City Commission as far as a deadline for completion of exterior repairs are concerned. Attorney Mark Kidder, representing Lawrence Cooley and Lois Dyksterhouse, owners of the property at 656 Gladstone, spoke on behalf of his clients and contended that no public nuisance had been shown to exist under the City Code. Beverly Stuart was present to discuss her letter with the City Commission and to encourage them to establish a deadline for exterior repairs. Ms. Janet Gilmore, 340 Kingswood SE, supported the viewpoint of the property owners of 656 Gladstone. Lorraine Clark, 745 Gladstone, stated she was pleased with the progress of the reconstruction and that she was pleased with the current owners' work on the property.

207-A. Waters-Hoag. That this Commission determine that the following items with respect to condition of this building are a public nuisance and that repairs be completed within 30 days:

1. Securing of an approximately 2 ft. x 3½ ft. opening approximately 5 ft. from the floor of the garage, opening into the house.
2. General cleanup of the premises, including removal of debris and, when the home is totally secured, the removal of the snow fence.
3. Securing of a basement window on the north side of the premises opening into a crawl space beneath the floor of the kitchen area.
4. Complete installation of windows presently missing on the second floor.
5. Re-siding of the entire home or re-installation of siding damaged on the east side of the home.

Further, that such repairs be completed within 30 days.

Further, that the owners of said premises be given notice of this resolution by the City Attorney.

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: Waters, Hoag, Gale, Worfel - 4
Nays: Frost, Lorch, Stoppels - 3

The motion carried.

208. Pursuant to public notice, a hearing was then held upon the request of Albert Builders, Inc., for a zoning variance to permit construction of two two-family residences on Lots 68 and 69 of Robinson Road Plat. Mr. Jim Albert was present to encourage the Commission to grant the variance. Ms. Janet Gilmore, 340 Kingswood, expressed her approval of Mr. Albert's request and her opinion that this would be an asset to the community.

208-A. Frost-Gale. That this Commission, acting as the Board of Zoning Appeals, grant the use variance request providing that full plot plans and exterior elevations be submitted for review and that there be a minimum of 1,590 square feet in each building.

208-B. Lorch-Waters. That this motion be tabled and that the hearing be adjourned until December 17, 1979.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7

Nays: 0

209. The City Manager reported on bids which were received for the replacement of two automobiles and recommended that the low bid of Borgman Ford in the amount of \$11,171.56 be accepted.

209-A. Frost-Worfel. That the recommendation of the City Manager be concurred in and that a purchase order be issued to Borgman Ford in the amount of \$11,171.56.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7

Nays: 0

210. The City Manager reported on bids which were received for the acquisition of snow removal equipment to be utilized on sidewalks and skating rinks and recommended that the low bid received from Kent AMC in the amount of \$8,064.24 for a CJ-7 Jeep and the low bid from Hoekstra Truck Company in the amount of \$925.00 for a straight plow blade be accepted.

210-A. Worfel-Waters. That the recommendation of the City Manager be concurred in and a purchase order be issued to Kent AMC in the amount of \$8,064.24 for a CJ-7 Jeep, and to Hoekstra Truck Company in the amount of \$925.00 for a snow plow blade.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7

Nays: 0

211. A proposed ordinance amendment to the Animal Control Ordinance was considered.

211-A. Frost-Waters. That the following ordinance amendment be adopted:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 9.35-4 OF CHAPTER 89 OF TITLE IX OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS AND TO ADD SECTIONS 9.42 TO 9.42-6 INCLUSIVE TO CHAPTER 89 OF TITLE IX OF SAID CODE.

THE CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS ORDAINS:

Section 1. Section 9.35-4 of Chapter 89 of Title IX of the Code of the City of East Grand Rapids is amended to read as follows:

"9.35-4. Any person violating any of the provisions of this ordinance is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not exceeding One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) or by imprisonment in the County Correctional Facility for a period not exceeding 90 days, or both such fine and imprisonment. Any person charged with such violation may voluntarily appear and respond to such charge before the Violations Bureau pursuant to the provisions of Article 8 of this Ordinance."

Section 2. Chapter 89 of Title IX of the Code of the City of East Grand Rapids is amended by adding new Sections as follows:

"9.42-1. Bureau established. A Violations Bureau for the purpose of handling alleged animal control violations within the city, is hereby established.

9.42-2. Location. The Violations Bureau established by this chapter shall be operated in conjunction with the Parking Violations Bureau established by Chapter 107 of the East Grand Rapids City Code.

9.42-3. Offenses, disposition of. No violation not scheduled in Section 9.42-6 of this chapter shall be disposed of by the Violations Bureau. The fact that a particular violation is scheduled shall not entitle the alleged violator to disposition of the violation at the bureau and in any case the person in charge of such bureau may refuse to dispose of such violation, in which case any person having knowledge of the facts may make a sworn complaint before any court having jurisdiction of the offense as provided by law.

9.42-4. Procedure. No violation may be settled at the Violations Bureau except at the specific request of the alleged violator. No penalty for any violation shall be accepted from any person who denies having committed the offense and in no case shall the person who is in charge of the bureau determine, or attempt to determine, the truth or falsity of any fact or matter relating to such alleged violation. No person shall be required to dispose of an animal control violation at the Violations Bureau and all persons shall be entitled to have any such violation processed before a court having jurisdiction thereof if they so desire. The unwillingness of any person to dispose of any violation at the Violations Bureau should not prejudice him or in any way diminish the rights, privileges and protection accorded to him by law.

9.42-5. Notice of Violation. The issuance of a ticket or notice of violation by a police officer or animal control officer of the city shall be deemed an allegation of an animal control violation.

9.42-6. Schedule of violations. The following violations may be settled at the Violations Bureau when so provided in this chapter by imposition and payment of fines as herein set forth:

	<u>Fine</u>
Violation of animal control ordinance, first offense	\$ 15.00
Violation of animal control ordinance, second offense	20.00
Violation of animal control ordinance, third offense	30.00

Section 3. This amendatory ordinance shall be effected on November 19, 1979.

Section 4. This amendatory ordinance shall be published in full pursuant to the provisions of Chapter VIII Section 5 of the Charter of the City of East Grand Rapids.

211-B. Waters-Lorch. That Section 9.42-6 of the proposed ordinance be amended to read as follows:

"9.42-6. Schedule of violations. The following violations may be settled at the Violations Bureau when so provided in this chapter by imposition and payment of fines as herein set forth:

	<u>Fine</u>
Violation of animal control ordinance, first offense	\$ 15.00
Violation of animal control ordinance, second offense within 24 months	20.00
Violation of animal control ordinance, third offense within 24 months	30.00

Yeas: Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel - 5
Nays: Frost, Stoppels - 2

The vote on the main motion, as amended, was as follows:

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

212. Mayor Stoppels welcomed Boy Scout Troup #253 which meets in the Eastminster Presbyterian Church, to this Commission.

213. A memorandum from the City Engineer regarding drainage on the north side of Norfolk at Danby extended south, was discussed. A letter from Mr. Paul D. Koehl, 1748 Danby Lane SE, requesting this improvement, was received. Mr. Koehl was present to discuss this matter with the Commission.

213-A.
BY COMMISSIONERS WORFEL-GALE:

RESOLVED, that this Commission desires to consider the proposed improvement consisting of local 12" storm drain including manholes, catch basins, catch basin leads, sand backfill and restoration on

NORFOLK ROAD from the existing storm drain 68 feet west of the east line of Lot 86 to the east line of Lot 60 Albert Realtors Hampshire Replat

all or part of the cost of which may be defrayed by special assessment and request the Manager to provide the information and recommendations relative thereto as specified in Section 1.303(a) of the City Code.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

214. A communication was received from Mr. Bill Henry of Crosby & Henry Insurance Company, regarding the financial condition of Lincoln Insurance Company which has submitted a bid for umbrella coverage for the City of East Grand Rapids. The City Manager reported that he is awaiting additional information from various insurance companies before submitting a recommendation on the acquisition of umbrella liability coverage.

215. An invoice for the City's support of ACT in the amount of \$1,148.00 was received.

215-A. Lorch-Waters. That this Commission authorize the payment of \$1,148.00 to ACT, subject to execution of the standard form of agreement.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

216. A report was received from the Grand Rapids Area Chamber of Commerce outlining how the funds being contributed by local units of government and other Grand Rapids area organizations are being used to provide jobs and promote a strong economy for the residents of Kent and eastern Ottawa counties.

217. A report for the month of October was received from the Fire Department.

218. The City Manager reported that the Fire Chief will undergo open heart surgery in the very near future.

219. Frost-Waters. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$65,078.69, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$34,359.95, as approved by the Ways & Means Committee be allowed and the Controller be authorized to draw an order on the Treasurer for the respective amounts.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

220. Commissioner Gale inquired about the policy of police cruisers on emergency calls as to the use of lights and sirens when on such calls. He cited an incident which occurred on Sunday, November 18th, at 3:00 p.m., when a police cruiser was going west on Lake Drive, then north on Plymouth at high speed without the use of lights or siren. He was assured that this matter would be checked into.

221. There were 21 residents in attendance at this meeting.

222. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, until December 3, 1979.

City Clerk

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMISSION OF THE
CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN

Regular Meeting Held December 3, 1979

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

Present: Coms. Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale and Mayor Stoppels.

Absent: Com. Worfel.

223. The minutes of the meeting held November 19, 1979, were corrected as follows:

"208-B. Lorch-Waters. That this motion be tabled and that the hearing be adjourned until December 17, 1979."

The minutes were then approved as corrected.

224. A recommendation from the Planning Commission regarding the proposed Croswell parking lot was received. It was their recommendation that the City Commission approve the parking lot proposal on Croswell Avenue as outlined, providing that the final site plans for the parking lot be submitted to the Planning Commission for approval. The Planning Commission gave no consideration to the financing of the proposed parking lot. There were several interested persons in attendance at this meeting, including neighbors and merchants.

224-A. Lorch-Gale. That this Commission accept the Planning Commission's recommendation that the City approve the proposed parking project, that a special assessment district be created to handle the debt service on the necessary bonds, and that the City pay 50% of the cost of the project.

224-B. Gale-Waters. That the above motion be tabled.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

224-C. It was determined that a special meeting of the Commission be held to consider this project.

225. A recommendation from the Planning Commission regarding the pre-application for community development block grant funds was received. It was their recommendation that the City Commission not apply for community development block grant funds at this time. This recommendation was received and filed.

226. Invoices from National Biocentric, Inc., totaling \$2,621.63 was discussed. The City Manager also distributed a news release relative to the National Biocentric, Inc. ownership change. Mr. Mike Karolle was present to inquire about the ten questions he has requested to be answered by National Biocentric, Inc., and he also stated 25 additional copies of the most recent report on a preliminary design and water quality impact are needed. The City Manager reported that he would see that the Citizens' Advisory Committee receives the copies of the report requested.

226-A. Waters-Hoag. That the City Manager be directed to send the ten questions as requested by Mike Karolle to the National Biocentric, Inc., and that the unpaid invoices be held pending further communication with National Biocentric, Inc.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

227. The Traffic Commission minutes of their meeting held November 13, 1979, were received for information.

228. The minutes of the Planning Commission meeting held November 13, 1979, were received for information.

229. A memorandum from the City Manager regarding appointments to the West Michigan Regional Planning Commission was received.

229-A. Waters-Frost. That Barbara Hoag be appointed to replace Fred H. Tholen on the West Michigan Regional Planning Commission, Region 8 Board.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Stoppels - 6
Nays: 0

230. The circulation reports for the Kent County Library System, East Grand Rapids Branch, for the periods from August 29 to October 2, and from October 3 to October 30, were received for information.

231. The report of the Fire Department for the month of November was received for information.

232. A report from the Assessor-Building Inspector for the month of November was received for information.

233. The City Manager requested that the report on the receipt of bids for police automobiles be placed on the agenda.

233-A. Mayor Stoppels-Lorch. That the bids for police automobiles be placed on the agenda.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Stoppels - 6
Nays: 0

233-B. The City Manager then reported on bids that were received for three automobiles to be used in the Police Department and recommended that the Commission accept the low bid of Northfield Dodge in the net amount of \$12,099.85.

233-C. Frost-Waters. That this Commission accept the low bid of Northfield Dodge in the amount of \$12,099.85 for the purchase of three police vehicles.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Stoppels - 6
Nays: 0

234. The City Manager reported that he had attended a meeting relative to the water and sewer rates to be charged by the City of Grand Rapids for 1980, and stated that the water rate would be reduced by 4% and that the sewage disposal charge would be increased by 8.2% for the 1980 calendar year.

235. The City Manager reported that there are three lots at the end of Asbury which have been acquired by the State of Michigan for non-payment of property taxes and asked whether the City would be interested in obtaining these lots from the State. The Commission directed the City Manager to find out if the City can acquire this property and to report back.

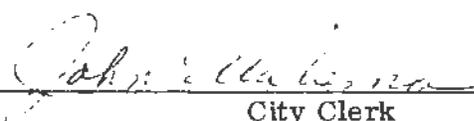
236. Commissioner Waters suggested that the possibility of extending the leaf pickup period to the first snowfall of the year be considered in 1980. He also inquired as to the progress on obtaining bids for solid waste pickup.

237. Waters-Hoag. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$54,867.06, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$35,950.51, as approved by the Ways & Means Committee be allowed and the Controller be authorized to draw an order on the Treasurer for their respective amounts.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Stoppels - 6
Nays: 0

238. There were approximately 17 residents in attendance at this meeting.

239. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, until December 17, 1979.



City Clerk

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMISSION OF THE
CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN

Regular Meeting Held December 17, 1979

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

Present: Coms. Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel and Mayor Stoppels.
Absent: None.

240. The minutes of the meeting held December 3, 1979, were approved as written.

241. Representatives of the East Grand Rapids Merchants' Association were present to discuss the proposed Croswell parking lot. There were also several residents owning property adjacent to this parking lot also present at this meeting. Mayor Stoppels reported that there had been three work sessions held by the City Commission to discuss the proposed Croswell parking lot.

241-A.

WHEREAS, the City Commission recognizes that the central business district is a valuable asset of the City and that careful planning is necessary to promote the welfare of the business district, while at the same time protecting the residential values of the surrounding areas;

NOW, THEREFORE, It Is Resolved that a Planner will be interviewed and hired through the joint consultation of the City Commission and Planning Commission with a view toward developing a complete central business district plan by March 1980, if possible.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

242. The adjourned hearing on the zoning variance request of Albert Builders, Inc., to construct two 2-family residences at 3118 and 3120 Cascade Road SE, was reconvened. Mr. J. Brock Albert was present to discuss his request with the Commission.

242-A. Waters-Worfel. That the request of Albert Builders, Inc., to construct two 2-family residences at 3118 and 3120 Cascade Road SE, not be approved.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

242-B. Frost-Gale. That this Commission, acting as the Board of Zoning Appeals, grant Albert Builders, Inc., a zoning variance to permit construction of one 2-family unit on the entire parcel, provided that detailed drawings be submitted for approval by this Commission prior to issuance of a building permit.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

243. A letter from Mr. David G. Frey, requesting that the City plant trees along the perimeter of the Campo Grande Park located on San Lu Rae Drive, was received for information. The City Manager reported that this request will be considered along with the inventory of publicly owned land now in process.

244. The City Manager reported on a request from Mr. Ted S. Koning, 5805 Thornapple River Drive, to rent Manhattan School on Friday evenings for seven weeks at \$30.00 per night for square dancing instruction. The City Attorney reported that such use of the building should be integrated in the Recreation program.

244-A. Waters-Worfel. That this Commission establish the following policy:

1. That no prior approval be required by this Commission for one-time use of the Manhattan School.
2. That advance approval by this Commission is required except for such one-time use.
3. That the City Manager submit a monthly report on the utilization of Manhattan School.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel - 6

Nays: Stoppels - 1

245. The City Manager submitted an invoice from the West Michigan Regional Planning Commission in the amount of \$344.08 as the City's payment toward Grand Rapids and Environs Transportation Study.

245-A. Gale-Worfel. That the invoice in the amount of \$344.08 from the West Michigan Regional Planning Commission be allowed and a check issued for the respective amount, and that this amount be transferred from Contingencies to the Community Service Project Account.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7

Nays: 0

246. A request from the East Grand Rapids Merchants' Association asking for the City's contribution of \$200.00 was received.

246-A. Hoag-Lorch. That the amount of \$200.00 be allowed and a check issued as the City's contribution toward the East Grand Rapids Merchants' Association.

Yeas: Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 6

Nays: Frost - 1

247. The Police Department report for the month of November was received for information.

248. A report on bids for the 1980 athletic equipment for the Recreation Department was received from the Recreation Director. He recommended that the low bid of Reynolds & Brown be accepted. It was suggested by the Commissioners that the staff look into other ways of purchasing this equipment to take advantage of cost savings by equipment classification.

248-A. Worfel-Gale. That the bid of Reynolds & Brown for the 1980 athletic equipment needs be accepted.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7

Nays: 0

249. The City Manager reported that he had received a call from the Environmental Protection Agency and that its representatives will be in East Grand Rapids on January 8th, and have requested that the City obtain files from National Biocentric, Inc. for their review. They have invited Commissioner Hoag and Mr. Karolle to meet with them on that day.

250. The City Manager submitted an invoice from Sani-Sweep Company in the amount of \$1,935.00, for rental of a leaf pickup vehicle the latter part of October and first part of November.

250-A. Gale-Lorch. That this invoice in the amount of \$1,935.00 be approved as requested by the City Manager.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7

Nays: 0

251. Commissioner Worfel requested that a report be submitted on the cost of reconstructing the air handling system in the lower level of the library and City Hall. He also requested that a report on the Manhattan project by the Planning Commission be made an agenda item for a future Commission meeting. He also requested that the question of animal control fines be placed on the agenda of a work session.

252. Commissioner Lorch requested that discussion of the Arts Council be placed on a work session agenda.

253. Hoag-Worfel. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$284,740.31, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$46,583.75, as approved by the Ways & Means Committee be allowed and the Controller be authorized to draw an order on the Treasurer for the respective amounts.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

254. Mr. Brian LeGwin, operator of the Gas Light Inn, requested that a crosswalk be placed on Wealthy at Croswell, to assist pedestrians. This request was referred to the Traffic Commission.

255. Worfel-Gale. That this Commission go into a closed session to consider the purchase of real property.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

The meeting was then recessed at this time.

Following the closed session, the Mayor called the meeting to order.

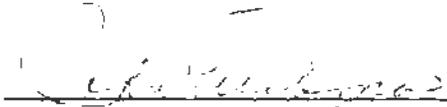
256. The City Manager reported that he had written letters to the propertyowners of the two vacant lots located north of Wealthy Street and west of Plymouth Road. He stated that he had not received any response from the Blackhawk Company, owner of one lot, but had received response from Mr. George Gordon, owner of the second lot, who indicated an interest to sell.

256-A. Gale-Waters. That this Commission authorizes the purchase of the parcel owned by George Gordon described as parcel #41,14-28-354-022, at a cost not to exceed \$8,000.00, that title insurance be obtained, and that the Manager make the necessary arrangements.

Yeas: Frost, Waters, Hoag, Lorch, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 7
Nays: 0

257. There were 33 people in attendance at this meeting.

258. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, until January 7, 1980.



City Clerk