

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

Regular Meeting Held January 10, 1977

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

Present: Coms. Clary, Frost, Gale, Murphy, Remien, Robberson and Mayor Stoppels.  
Absent: None.

195. The minutes of the meeting held December 20, 1976, were amended by correcting the vote in Item 189-A to read: Yeas: Clary, Frost, Murphy, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 6. Nays: Gale - 1. The minutes were then approved as corrected.

196. The Mayor presented a service award watch to Raymond Rothenthaler in recognition of 25 years service as a City employee in the Public Service Department, and congratulated him for a job well done.

197. Pursuant to public notice, a hearing was held regarding the recommendations of the Traffic Commission for control of parking in the vicinity of Blodgett Memorial Medical Center. Letters were received from Mr. & Mrs. C. Cudlipp, Jr., 600 Plymouth Road and Blodgett Memorial Medical Center - Mr. William J. Downer, Jr. Mr. Glenn Lorch, 516 Cambridge, submitted a petition signed by 32 residents living on Cambridge requesting that the two-hour parking signs now in place between Wealthy and Lake Drive on Cambridge remain and the present manner of enforcement continued. Of the 28 persons present, the following commented relative to the parking situation: Dr. Holmes, 1935 Wealthy; Mr. Holt, 1705 Wealthy; Glenna Armstrong, 405 Cambridge; Mrs. Cudlipp, 600 Plymouth; Mr. O'Brien, 1901 Lake Drive; Mr. Pawlowski, 519 Edgemere; Mr. Gryzan, 1905 Lake Drive; Mrs. Watkins, 555 Locust; and Mr. Charles R. Fisher, representing Blodgett Memorial Medical Center.

197-A. Robberson-Clary. That this Commission approve the recommendation of the Blodgett Memorial Medical Center by amending the recommendations of the Traffic Commission as it relates to the south side of Wealthy from Plymouth to Hospital Entrance Drive, to provide a sign for "No Parking 6:00 a. m. to 9:00 a. m. "

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Murphy, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

197-B. Clary-Gale. That the requests of the residents on Cambridge be honored and that the recommendations of the Traffic Commission be amended to retain the two-hour parking limitation on Cambridge between Wealthy and Lake Drive.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Murphy, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

197-C. Frost-Gale. That the recommendations of the Traffic Commission be approved as amended.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Murphy, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

The Mayor commended the members of the Traffic Commission for doing a fine job of research and study regarding the parking problems in the vicinity of Blodgett Memorial Medical Center.

198. A letter was received from the City Attorney regarding the amendment to Chapter 107 of the City Code relative to the Parking Violation Bureau recommending that this matter be postponed to the January 24th Commission meeting to permit the preparation of revisions to this ordinance. The request of the City Attorney was approved.

199. A letter from Mr. Samuel Weiss, 1747 Danby Lane SE, regarding the method in which the City determines the sewer charge based on the winter water consumption was received.

199-A. Frost-Gale. That the City Manager and staff be directed to look into possible inequities in determining the sewage charge and report back to this Commission.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Murphy, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

200. A letter was received from the City of Grand Rapids Inspection Services Coordinator regarding a notice he has sent to Breton Village requiring screening of their facility. This letter was received for information at this time. The City Manager was instructed to contact Mr. Stoll for more detail.

201. A letter and financial report was received from the Grand Rapids Area Chamber of Commerce Economic Development Program. Inasmuch as there was no action required, this letter was received and filed.

202. A letter was received from Dr. J. A. Yared objecting to a weed cutting bill which he had received for his lot on Idema Drive.

202-A. Remien-Clary. That the request of Dr. Yared to reduce the amount of his invoice be denied.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Murphy, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

203. The Mayor recommended the re-appointment of Mr. Paul Steketee to the East Beltline Association.

203-A. Remien-Robberson. That the request of the Mayor be concurred in.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Murphy, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

204. Reports for the month of December of the Fire Department, Police Department, and Building Inspector were received and filed.

205. The financial report for a 5-month period ended November 30, 1976, was received and filed.

206. The City Manager reported that a request for a zoning variance has been received from Mr. Arthur R. Potter and William J. Kruer for the purpose of permitting the construction of 12 attached single-family townhouses on property located off Greenwood. He further stated that a meeting is scheduled by Mr. Kruer and Mr. Potter with residents in the area to obtain their input as it relates to their proposed project.

207. The Mayor stated that he is in the process of establishing a Blue Ribbon Committee for the purpose of preparing a brochure for our community and named the following individuals to this Committee: George Ruwitch, Myrtle Starr and Charles Donner.

208. Remien-Robberson. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$842,726.52, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$42,807.58, 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, Murphy, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

209. Commissioner Remien inquired about the progress of the Gilmore project. The City Manager stated that Mr. Gilmore is expecting plans from his architect between January 18 and 22, and that the delay was caused by the City requiring more detailed structural plans.

210. Commissioner Clary suggested that this Commission prepare a draft of proposed guidelines as to how the Joint Facilities Committee is intended to function.

211. There were 28 residents in attendance at this meeting.

212. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, until January 24, 1977.

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

Regular Meeting Held January 24, 1977

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

Present: Coms. Clary, Frost, Murphy, Robberson and Mayor Stoppels.

Absent: Coms. Gale and Remien.

213. The minutes of the meeting held January 10, 1977, were approved as written.

214. Pursuant to public notice, a hearing was held upon the request of Arthur R. Potter and William J. Kruer for a zoning variance to permit construction of 12 single-family attached townhouses on vacant property at 537 Greenwood. Mr. Potter, Mr. Kruer, Mr. Ward and Mr. Robert Reid-Architect for the petitioners, were present to discuss their plans and displayed architectural renderings of the proposed project. Mr. Walter Freihofer, representing Dr. Elias, objected to the request. Mr. Mark Miller, 543 Greenwood, objected to the construction of townhouses in this area and was concerned about a potential traffic problem that it may create. Mr. Dick Murphy, of the Planning Commission, reported that the Planning Commission had discussed the plans with Mr. Kruer and Mr. Potter. Mr. Don Johnson was interested to know more about this project because he is building a house at the end of Edgemere and his property would abut the property in question.

214-A. Clary-Frost. That this request be tabled.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Robberson - 3

Nays: Murphy, Stoppels - 2

215. Robberson-Murphy. That the above matter be removed from the table.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Murphy, Robberson, Stoppels - 5

Nays: 0

215-A. Robberson-Murphy. That the zoning variance request for 537 Greenwood be referred to the Planning Commission for their study and recommendation.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Murphy, Robberson, Stoppels - 5

Nays: 0

216. The City Attorney submitted a revision to the Parking Violations Ordinance which was introduced at the last Commission meeting.

216-A. Robberson-Murphy. That the proposed ordinance introduced on December 20, 1976, as Item 189-A be amended to read as follows:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 10.66  
OF CHAPTER 107 OF TITLE X OF THE CODE  
OF THE CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS

THE CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS ORDAINS:

Section 1. Section 10.66 of the East Grand Rapids City Code is amended as follows:

"10.66 Schedule of Penalties. Violations of parking regulations established by this Code may be settled at the Parking Violations Bureau by imposition and payment of fines as herein set forth:

a. UNIFORM TRAFFIC CODE VIOLATIONS.

U. T. CODE SECTION (AS AMENDED)	OFFENSE	PENALTY
8.1-8.2	Parking too far from curb	\$ 2.00
8.1(a)	Unattended vehicle with motor running or without brakes set	\$ 5.00
8.1(a), 5.58	Parked on grade - wheels not turned to curb	\$ 2.00
8.3	Angle parking violations	\$ 2.00
8.4	Violation of loading/unloading permit	
8.5	Obstructing traffic	\$ 5.00
8.8a	Parked during darkness without proper rear light or reflector	\$ 2.00
8.9	Parked without dimming lights	\$ 2.00
8.9(a)	Parked on too narrow road	\$ 5.00
8.10	Prohibited parking (signs unnecessary unless noted)	
8.10(a)	on sidewalk	\$ 5.00
8.10(b), 8.9(a)	opposite drive or within 10 feet of edge of driveway	\$ 5.00
8.10(c)	within intersection	\$ 10.00
8.10(d)	within 15 feet of hydrant	\$ 5.00
8.10(e)	on cross walk	\$ 5.00
8.10(f)	within 20 feet of cross walk or 15 feet of corner lot lines	\$ 5.00
8.10(g)	within 30 feet of approach to traffic sign or signal	\$ 5.00
8.10(h)	(deleted)	
8.10(i)	(deleted)	
8.10(j)	within 20 feet of fire station driveway or within 75 feet of fire station driveway on opposite side of street (when posted)	\$ 5.00
8.10(k)	alongside or opposite street excavation when traffic is obstructed thereby	\$ 5.00
8.10(l)	double parking	\$ 5.00
8.10(m)	(deleted)	
8.10(n)	within 200 feet of accident where police are in attendance	\$ 3.00
8.10(o)	(deleted)	
8.10(p)	blocking emergency exit	\$ 5.00
8.10(q)	blocking fire escape	\$ 5.00
8.10(r)	where parking is prohibited by posted sign	\$ 3.00
8.10(s)	parked on street between 3:00 and 6:00 a. m. from November 1 to April 30	\$ 5.00
8.10(t)	failure to move parked vehicle on request of officer when parked beyond time limit	\$ 2.00
8.13	Parking in alley unless authorized by sign	\$ 3.00
8.14	Parking for purpose prohibited by Sec. 8.14	
8.14(a)	displaying vehicle for sale	\$ 3.00
8.14(b)	working on or repairing vehicle	\$ 3.00
8.14(c)	displaying advertising	\$ 3.00
8.14(d)	selling merchandise	\$ 3.00
8.14(e)	storage over 48 hours	\$ 5.00
8.15	On wrong side of boulevard or divided roadway	\$ 2.00
8.16-8.17-8.18	Loading zone violation	\$ 2.00
8.19	Bus or taxicab unauthorized parking	\$ 3.00
8.20	Bus stop, taxicab stand violation	\$ 3.00
8.21	Parking meter violations	\$ 2.00
8.22	Meters, not parked within space	\$ 2.00
8.25	Parked on lawn extension	\$ 3.00
6.17	Bicycle parking violations	\$ 1.00

b. ADDITIONAL EAST GRAND RAPIDS CITY PARKING VIOLATION

The following violation may be settled at the Parking Violations Bureau by the imposition and payment of a fine as herein set forth:

Overtime parking in time restricted zones first hour or fraction of hour	\$ 2.00
each additional hour or fraction thereof	\$ 2.00

c. PENALTIES FOR NON-PAYMENT. If the penalty listed in a. or b. above is not paid or postmarked within 10 days of issuance of the notice of violation, the penalty shall be twice the amount of the penalty set forth in section a. or b. above; if not paid or postmarked within 45 days, the penalty shall be four times the amount of the penalty set forth in section a. or b. above. The traffic ticket or notice of violation shall indicate that the violation fee shall be so increased if not timely paid."

Section 2. This ordinance shall be published in accordance with the requirements of the City Charter and shall be effective on and after February 15, 1977.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Murphy, Robberson, Stoppels - 5  
Nays: 0

216-B. Robberson-Murphy. That the proposed ordinance with the amendments as set forth in Item 216-A above be adopted.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Murphy, Robberson, Stoppels - 5  
Nays: 0

217. The City Manager recommended that the City adopt the State's Uniform Traffic Code Supplement which was effective July, 1976. The Commission requested that this matter be deferred for two weeks to give them an opportunity to review the changes in the 1976 revision of the Uniform Traffic Code.

218. The City Manager informed the Commission that the Michigan Municipal League will be holding its annual Legislative Conference on Wednesday, February 23, 1977, in Lansing and requested that the Mayor and Commissioners let the City Manager or City Clerk know if they plan to attend this meeting.

219. The City Manager reported on the meeting of the Water and Sewer Users Liaison Committee he attended on January 21, 1977. He stated that a written report will be mailed to the Commissioners at a later date.

220. The minutes of the Traffic Commission meeting held January 11, 1977, were received and filed.

221. The Library report for the month of November, 1976, was received and filed.

222. The City Attorney reported on his conversation with Mr. Jones, who represented the City in the Gilmore condemnation suit, regarding the pending appeal and the request of the defendant that the City stipulate to dismissal of this appeal.

222-A. Robberson-Clary. That this Commission authorize the City Attorney to transmit the approval of the City Commission to stipulate to the dismissal of the appeal on the question of necessity.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Murphy, Robberson, Stoppels - 5  
Nays: 0

223. The City Manager inquired of the Commissioners if they would be interested in obtaining Lots 32 and 33 of Robinson Road Plat which are going up for tax sale in May. The Commissioners felt that inasmuch as these lots are not adjacent to other city property in that area, that no action be taken on this until after the May tax sale.

224. Commissioner Frost reported on the Grand Rapids Press release about the Grand Rapids Transit Authority's expanded services and he also reported that the Authority is encountering problems in becoming organized.

225. Frost-Robberson. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$1,983,462.99, as approved by the Ways & Means Committee be allowed and the Controller be authorized to draw an order on the Treasurer for this amount.

225-A. Robberson-Frost. That the above motion be amended by reducing the vouchers by \$64,432.65, which represents the amount of the increase in the water and sewer charge by Grand Rapids resulting from the recent rate increase, and that this portion be placed in reserve pending the determination of our position in obtaining a reduced water rate in the future.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Murphy, Robberson, Stoppels - 5  
Nays: 0

The vote on the main motion was as follows:

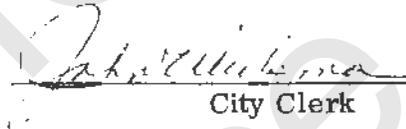
Yeas: Clary, Frost, Murphy, Robberson, Stoppels - 5  
Nays: 0

225-B. Frost-Robberson. That payroll in the amount of \$43,721.70, as approved by the Ways & Means Committee be approved.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Murphy, Robberson, Stoppels - 5  
Nays: 0

226. There were 13 residents in attendance at this meeting.

227. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, until February 7, 1977.

  
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City Clerk

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

Regular Meeting Held February 7, 1977

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

Present: Coms. Clary, Frost, Gale, Murphy, Remien and Mayor Stoppels.

Absent: Com. Robberson.

228. The minutes of the meeting held January 24, 1977, were amended to reflect in Item 225-B that the motion was moved by Commissioner Frost and supported by Commissioner Robberson. The minutes were then approved as amended.

229. The proposed resolution to adopt the 1976 Uniform Traffic Code was discussed. A letter from Commissioner Robberson was received for information.

229-A. Murphy-Remien. That the following ordinance be adopted:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 10.1  
OF CHAPTER 105, TITLE X OF THE CODE  
OF THE CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS

THE CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS ORDAINS:

Section 1. Section 10.1 of Chapter 105 of Title X - Traffic of the Code of the City of East Grand Rapids is amended to read as follows:

"Section 10.1. Code Adopted. The Uniform Traffic Code for cities, townships and villages promulgated by the Commissioner of State Police on February 14, 1958 and published in Supplement No. 13, and as amended on February 14, 1961 and published in Supplement No. 25, and as amended on February 26, 1968 and published in Supplement No. 54, to the 1954 Michigan Administrative Code, and as amended effective August 4, 1976 and published in Supplement No. 88 to the 1954 Michigan Administrative Code, in accordance with Public Act 62 of 1956, State of Michigan, is hereby adopted by reference as in this ordinance modified."

Section 2. All other provisions of Chapter 105 of Title X - Traffic of the Code of the City of East Grand Rapids are ratified as presently set forth in said Code.

Section 3. The City Clerk shall publish this ordinance in the manner required by law and shall at the same time publish a supplementary notice setting forth the purpose of the said Uniform Traffic Code and of the fact that complete copies of the Code are available at the office of the Clerk for inspection by and distribution to the public at all times.

Section 4. This ordinance shall be immediately effective the 7th day of February, 1977.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Murphy, Remien, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

230. The proposed ordinance to amend Chapter 79, entitled "General Building Regulations" of Title 8 of the Code of the City of East Grand Rapids was discussed.

230-A. Frost-Remien. That the following ordinance be adopted:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 79  
GENERAL BUILDING REGULATIONS OF  
TITLE VIII OF THE CODE OF THE CITY  
OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS

THE CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS ORDAINS:

Section 1: That Chapter 79, General Building Regulations of Title VIII of the Code of the City of East Grand Rapids be amended to read as follows:

"CHAPTER 79 GENERAL BUILDING REGULATIONS

"8.1 Adoption of Code by Reference. Pursuant to the provisions of Section 8 of the State Construction Code Act (Act 230 of 1972, Compiled Laws 1948, Sec. 125.1501 et seq.) and pursuant to Section 3 (k) of Act 279 of 1909, State of Michigan as amended, the Basic Building Code, 1975 Edition, (excepting therefrom all of Article 1 pertaining to Administration and Enforcement and all of Article 14 relating to signs and outdoor display structures) both as promulgated and published by the Building Officials and Code Administrators International, Inc. (BOCA), are hereby adopted by reference by the City of East Grand Rapids as in this Chapter modified, for the purpose of regulating the erection, construction, enlargement, equipment, alteration, repair, moving, removal, demolition, conversion, use, height, area and maintenance of all buildings and structures in the City of East Grand Rapids.

"8.2 Code on File. Complete copies of the Basic Building Code 1975, herein adopted, are available for public use and inspection at the office of the City Clerk.

"8.3 Reference in Code. References in the Basic Building Code to 'state' shall mean the State of Michigan; references to 'municipality' shall mean the City of East Grand Rapids; references to the 'municipal charter' shall mean the Charter of the City of East Grand Rapids, and references to 'local ordinances' shall mean the East Grand Rapids City Code.

"8.4 Changes in Code. The following sections and subsections of the Basic Building Code are hereby amended or added to read as indicated below. Subsequent section numbers used in the Chapter shall refer to the like numbered sections of the Basic Building Code."

102.1. Ordinary Repairs. Ordinary repairs to buildings costing less than one hundred (\$100.00) dollars may be made without application or notice to the Building Official, but such repairs shall not include the cutting away of any wall, partition, or portion thereof, the removal or cutting of any structural beam or support, or the removal or change of any required means of egress, or rearrangement of parts of a structure affecting the exit requirements; nor shall ordinary repairs include additions to or alterations of any room or space; nor shall it include additions to, alterations of, replacement or relocation of any standpipe, water supply, sewer, drainage, drain leader, gas, soil, waste, vent or similar piping, electric wiring or mechanical equipment or other work affecting public health or general welfare.

102.2. Condemnation. No permit shall be issued for any building or other structure upon any land which has been condemned for any public improvement, or on any land ordered condemned by the City Commission for any public improvement until a notice of such proposed condemnation has been fixed to the plans, application and permit. Nor shall a permit be issued for any building or structure upon which a notice of violation of any pertinent laws or ordinances has been issued, unless there shall be included in the application proposed work to correct the violation at the same time.

113.0. Application for Permit. No building or structure or part thereof shall hereafter be erected, converted, repaired, altered or enlarged, moved or demolished until a building permit has been obtained by the owner or his agent. The application for a permit shall be made in writing on approved forms; and shall be accompanied by two (2) complete sets of dimensioned plans showing all habitable floors, basement, cellar, foundations and sections, and by specifications describing the kind, size, quality and grade of all construction materials and service equipment. The Building Official may waive the requirement for filing plans when the work involved is of a minor nature and the building operation is adequately described in the application. All plans submitted for filing shall be prepared and signed as required by the statutes of the State of Michigan. Where compliance with State statutes governing building construction is required, the application shall be accompanied by a set of the plans approved by the designated authority. Applications for a building permit to move any building shall show the width and cubical content of the building to be moved, its location and address and the location and address to which it is being moved and the route to be traversed in the course of such movement, in addition to the information required by this section for building permits for other types of operations. No permit to move a building shall be granted except upon compliance with section 4.26 of this Code.

118.1. Fees (General). No permit to begin work for any new construction, alteration, removal, demolition or other building operation or installation of service equipment shall be issued until the fees prescribed herein, have been paid to the Building Official, nor shall any amendment to a permit necessitating an additional fee because of an increase in the estimated cost of the work involved, be approved until additional fees shall have been paid.

118.2. Special Fees. The payment of the fees for the construction, alteration, removal or demolition and for all work done in connection or concurrently with the work contemplated by a building permit, shall not relieve the applicant or holder of the permit from the payment of other fees that may be prescribed by laws or ordinances for water taps, sewer construction, electrical connections, plumbing permits, or fees for inspection, certificates of use and occupancy, or other privileges or requirements.

118.4 and 118.5. Demolition and Moving Permits. With respect to a building which is under ten (10) feet wide and does not contain over 2500 cubic feet, the fee for a moving permit shall be five (\$5.00) dollars; with respect to a building which is over ten (10) feet wide or contains more than 2500 cubic feet, the fee shall be twenty-five (\$25.00) dollars. The fee for a demolition permit shall be ten (\$10.00) dollars for a building having a value in excess of one thousand (\$1,000.00) dollars and one (\$1.00) dollar for a building having a value of one thousand (\$1,000.00) dollars or less.

118.6. Other Fees. For fee schedules for plumbing installations, see section 117.21 as modified in this Chapter; for electrical installations, see section 121.5 as added in this Chapter; for heating installations, see section 114.98 as modified in this Chapter. The permits and inspections required by sections 113 and 114 shall be issued and conducted by the Fire Chief.

118.7. Deposits. Before receiving a building permit, the owner or his agent shall deposit with the City, an amount determined by the Building Official to be adequate to protect the City against the cost of any expenses which the City may incur as the result of the work covered by the permit, including (but not by way of limitation) the cost of further permits, removal of debris, restoration of ground levels, use of unmetered water, repair of damaged sidewalks and other property and charges in connection with establishing and discontinuing water connections.

119.1. - 119.4. Fee Computation. The fee for the building permit shall be based on the cost of the building as estimated by the Building Official, who shall determine such costs on the basis of current standard prices.

119.5. Fee Schedule - Buildings.

<u>Valuation of Work</u>	<u>Fee</u>
Up to \$100.00	\$2.00 (see 104.23)
\$101.00 to \$500.00	\$3.00
\$501 to \$1000.00	\$4.00
\$1001.00 and over	\$4.00 plus \$2.00 for each additional \$1000.00 of valuation or part thereof over \$1001.00.

122.1. Violations. Any person erecting, using, moving, demolishing, occupying or maintaining any building or structure in violation of this Building Code or causing, permitting or suffering any such violation to be committed, shall be punished as provided in section 1.13 of the East Grand Rapids City Code. Any building or structure erected, used, moved, demolished, occupied or maintained in violation of this Chapter is hereby declared to be a nuisance per se. Upon application to any court of competent jurisdiction, the court may order the nuisance abated and/or the violation, or threatened violation, restrained and enjoined.

127.1. Appeals. Appeals from the decisions of administrative officials under the provisions of this Chapter, as well as under the provisions of the Housing Law of the State of Michigan, shall be heard and determined by the Housing Board of Appeals, established by Chapter 83 of this Code.

127.2. Building Code Board of Appeals. The Housing Board of Appeals shall act as a Building Code Board of Appeals and shall have the power to determine the suitability of alternate materials and types of construction and to provide for reasonable interpretations of the provisions of this Chapter. Appeals from the decisions of administrative officials charged with the enforcement of the provisions of this Chapter shall be taken to said Board under the provisions of such rules and regulations as it may prescribe. The Board shall render all decisions in writing to the Building Official charged with the enforcement of this Chapter and shall provide the appellant with a duplicate copy of such decision. The Board shall have such other powers and duties as may be stipulated in this Chapter and elsewhere in this Code.

201.0. Definitions. In addition to the definitions contained in said section, the definition of the term "Building Official", is changed as follows; and a definition of the terms "building permit" and "Fire Chief" are added as follows:

Building Official. The Building Inspector of the City of East Grand Rapids or his duly authorized representative.

Building Permit. Where the context permits, the term "building permit" shall include permits for demolition or moving of buildings, as well as for construction, alteration or repair of any building.

Fire Chief. The Chief of the Fire Department of the City of East Grand Rapids or his duly authorized representative.

301.2. Fire Limits. The following area shall be designated as "within the fire limits", to wit:

The B-1 and the C-1 Districts as shown on the Zoning Map made a part of Chapter 39 of this Code.

1008.2. Incinerator Installation Permit. No incinerator shall be installed upon any premises without a permit from the Fire Chief; said permit shall show the location, make and capacity of such incinerator and be issued in compliance with the provisions of this Chapter upon payment of an incinerator permit fee of Two (\$2.00) Dollars which fee shall be paid to the Fire Department.

1008.3. Type and Size of Incinerators. No portable incinerators shall be permitted in any district of the City zoned as business or industrial or in any property occupied for business or industrial purposes.

1008.4. Approval of Installation. No incineration equipment so installed, shall be used until the same has been inspected and found in compliance with this Chapter by the Fire Chief, and in the case of stationary incinerators installed in any business or industrial district or in any property used for business or industrial purposes, such equipment shall, before being used, be approved by the Fire Chief as to construction, installation, size, capacity, location and smoke control features.

1101.4. Heating Equipment, Mounting and Installation. The provisions of this Code are limited in application to heating appliances fired with solid, liquid or gas fuels in which the products of combustion will result in sustained flue gas temperatures of not more than one thousand (1,000) degrees F. under normal operating conditions; or a steam boiler operated at fifty (50) pounds per square inch or less gage pressure; or a steam boiler of not over ten (10) boiler horse power regardless of operation pressure, or any equipment otherwise classified as a medium heat appliance but not larger than one hundred (100) cubic feet in size; and to gas and fuel oil fired heating appliances. The installation of heating appliances which operate at higher temperatures and pressures and industrial and power boilers shall be governed by the Basic Building Code. No permit shall be required for the installation, alteration, extension or removal of any heating furnace which burns less than fifteen (15) pounds of anthracite per square foot of grate surface per hour, nor for gas ranges, space heaters, or similar domestic gas appliances. The installation permit required by section 1101.5 of this Chapter, for oil-fired and gas-fired heating equipment, shall be in lieu of any installation permit otherwise required by this Chapter.

1101.5. Installation Permit. No person shall install or alter any gas-fired or oil-fired heating equipment, without first securing a permit for such installation or alteration from the Fire Chief. The permit fee shall be established by City Commission resolution. Upon the completion of the installation of such gas-fired or oil-fired heating equipment, the person installing the same shall notify the Fire Chief to inspect the installation as soon as possible and if, upon inspection of such heating equipment, the same is found to be in compliance with this Chapter, the Fire Chief shall deliver to the person installing the same, a certificate of inspection authorizing the use of such heating equipment, and, in the case of gas-fired heating equipment, authorizing the turning on of the gas for use in such equipment. No person having control or management of any building or structure shall use, or permit to be used therein, any fuel oil heating equipment for which no certificate of compliance has been issued, nor shall any person, except authorized personnel of the Gas Company, turn on the gas for use in any gas-fired heating equipment for which no certificate of compliance has been issued.

1101.6. Inspection of Existing Equipment. The Fire Chief may also inspect any oil-fired or gas-fired heating equipment, heretofore installed, to determine whether such equipment, if not installed in conformity with this Chapter, is dangerous to life or property because of its construction or installation.

1101.7. Condemnation. The Fire Chief may also inspect any oil-fired or gas-fired heating equipment, regardless of when installed or whether previously inspected and approved, to determine whether such equipment is dangerous to life or property because of its deterioration and present condition. Whenever any oil-fired or gas-fired heating equipment or part thereof, or any accessory thereto, is found to be unsafe or in a condition so as to be dangerous to life or property, the Fire Chief is hereby empowered to condemn the unit or part thereof, and no such unit or part thereof shall thereafter be used until put in a safe condition, inspected and approved by the Fire Chief.

1101.8. Condemnation Procedure. Whenever any oil-fired or gas-fired heating equipment or part thereof has been condemned, the Fire Chief shall place thereon, a warning tag listing the causes for the condemnation. It shall be unlawful for any person, having control of or management of the building or structure in which any such heating equipment or part thereof is located, to use or permit to be used, such heating equipment or part thereof, until the causes for the condemnation shall have been remedied and the heating equipment or part thereof has been put in safe condition, inspected and approved by the Fire Chief. Contractors will be permitted to place such equipment in operation in accordance with the following procedure:

- (1) Correct the causes of condemnation.
- (2) Notify the Fire Chief by telephone or in writing that the hazardous condition has been corrected.
- (3) Upon receiving the permission of the Fire Chief, place the heating equipment in operation.

1101.9. Plumbing Not Permitted. The installation, alternation, maintenance, extension, or replacement of any plumbing, including domestic water heating equipment, as defined by the Plumbing Laws of the State of Michigan and the Plumbing Code of the City, is not permitted to be done by any heating contractor or installer, unless he is licensed as a Master Plumber under the said Plumbing Laws of the State of Michigan.

1101.10. Wiring Requirements. The electric wiring installed in connection with any oil-fired or gas-fired space heating equipment shall be installed in accordance with the provisions of section 121 of this Chapter. Each oil or gas-fired installation shall be provided with a remote control switch capable of disconnecting the electrical supply from the fuel burning equipment located in a place easily accessible, in case of fire, near the equipment. This switch shall be permanently and clearly labeled "Burner Shut Off Switch".

1500.1. Electric Equipment and Wiring. Pursuant to the provisions of section 3 (k) of Act 279 of 1909, State of Michigan, as amended, the National Electrical Code, 1975 Edition, as promulgated and published by the National Board of Fire Underwriters, New York City, New York (Approved 5/25/74), American Standards Association is hereby adopted by reference by the City of East Grand Rapids as in this Chapter modified, for the purpose of regulating the installation, alteration, repair, conversion, use and maintenance of all new electric wiring for light, heat and power service equipment, for radio and television receiving systems, and all alterations or extensions to existing wiring systems in buildings and structures. Complete printed copies of the National Electrical Code, herein adopted, are available for public use and inspection at the office of the City Clerk.

1500.2. Exceptions. The provisions of this Code shall not be applied to electrical power supply companies or communication agencies in respect to the generation, transmission, or distribution of electrical power and light, to public communication transmission systems, to operation of signal systems used exclusively by public service agencies, to installation or equipment used by railway utilities and public carriers or to radio transmission systems, other than the equipment and wiring for power supply and the installation of radio towers and antennae whether erected on buildings or on the ground. Radio and television receiving sets and equipment may be installed by other than licensed electrical contractors and journeymen electricians, but such installations shall otherwise conform to this Code. The installation of convenience outlets for power supply to a radio set shall not be deemed within this exception and shall be deemed engaging in the occupation or trade of journeyman electrician. Nothing contained in this Chapter shall be deemed to prohibit any person from installing, altering, or repairing electrical wiring, and apparatus in a residence owned and occupied by him, in conformity with the requirements of this Code, but all such work shall be subject to the permit requirements and inspection requirements of this Chapter.

1500.3. Electric Installation Standards. Conformity of installations of electrical equipment to the National Electrical Code and National Electrical Safety Code and rules and regulations established as provided in section 121.7 of this Chapter, shall be prima facie evidence that such installations and equipment are reasonably safe for use in the service intended and in compliance with the provisions of this Code.

1500.4. Electric Equipment Standards. It shall be unlawful to install or use any electrical device, apparatus, or equipment designed for attachment to, or installation on any electrical circuit or system for heat, light or power that is not of good design and construction and safe and adequate for its intended use. The Building Official shall have power to disapprove the use or installation of devices not fulfilling these requirements. Devices, apparatus and equipment approved by such generally recognized authorities as United States Bureau of Standards, Electrical Testing Laboratories of New York, or Underwriters Laboratories shall be held to have the approval of the Building Official unless explicitly disapproved by said Building Official for reasons of faulty design and poor construction involving danger to persons and/or property. It shall be the duty of the Building Official from time to time to inspect devices, apparatus and equipment offered to the public for use in installation to see that such items conform to the above requirements. The person designated as City Electrical Inspector shall be a Deputy Building Official.

1500.5. Fees for Inspection. When an application is made for a permit to equip any building with electric fixtures or wiring for heat, light or power, a fee shall be paid in an amount as prescribed in the following schedule.

#### SCHEDULE OF FEES

##### Permanent Services

30 Ampere 120, 240, and 480 volts	\$ 2.00
60 Ampere 120, 240, and 480 volts	2.00
70 Ampere 120, 240, and 480 volts	2.00
100 Ampere 120, 240, and 480 volts	2.50
200 Ampere 120, 240, and 480 volts	3.00
400 Ampere 120, 240, and 480 volts	4.00
Over 400 Amperes	10.00
Temporary service, each location	3.00

##### Wiring

##### Installing or altering wiring for lights, switches and/or receptacles:

1 or 2 outlets	1.00
3 or 4 outlets	1.25
5 or 6 outlets	1.50
7 to 12 outlets	2.00

The above fees are based on wiring which does not equal one circuit. When wiring does not require the installation of new circuits, all outlets over 12 will be 50 cents for each additional 12 or major part thereof.

1 circuit	\$ 2.00
For each additional circuit	.50

##### Fixtures

Schedule same as wiring

Where one contractor installs or alters both wiring and fixtures at the same time, and it does not equal one circuit, no charge will be made for the following fixtures, drop cords, light receptacles and/or weather proof sockets.

## Residential Installations

Range	\$ 2.00
Water Heater	2.00
Dryer	2.00
Dishwasher	1.00
Disposal or Garbage Grinder	1.00
Gas Furnace	2.00
Oil Furnace	3.00
Incinerator	5.00
Gas Logs	5.00

## Individual Space Heating

First Unit	\$ 10.00
Additional Units	5.00
Trailer Service	4.00
(One meter and one circuit)	

Note: Appliances such as range, dishwasher, garbage disposal, dryer or room air conditioner require separate circuit for each unit, \$2.00 each.

## Luminous Gas Tube System Transformers

2,000 to 6,000 volts incl.	\$ 1.00
6,000 to 11,000 volts incl.	1.50
11,000 to 15,000 volts incl.	2.00

## Motor Schedule

	1 to 5 (1)	6 to 10 (2)	over 10 (3)
Fractional hp	\$ 1.00	\$ .75	\$ .50
1 to 3 hp incl.	2.00	1.50	1.00
3½ to 5 hp incl.	2.50	2.00	1.50
5½ to 10 hp incl.	3.00	2.50	2.00
10½ to 20 hp incl.	3.50	3.00	2.50
20½ to 30 hp incl.	4.00	3.50	3.00
30½ to 40 hp incl.	4.50	4.00	3.00
40½ to 50 hp incl.	5.00	4.00	3.00
50½ to 75 hp incl.	5.50	4.00	3.00
Over 75 hp	6.00	4.00	3.00

Where more than five (5) and less than eleven (11) motors are installed and inspected at the same time and on the same premises, Schedule No. 2 shall be used in computing inspection fees.

Where more than ten (10) motors are installed and inspected at the same time and on the same premises, Schedule No. 3 shall apply.

Where motors are moved more than two feet and less than twenty feet, Schedule No. 3 shall apply provided that the equipment and/or motor was previously inspected and a permit fee paid.

## Heating Devices

Up to 1.0 KW, incl.	\$ 1.00
1.1 to 5 KW, incl.	1.50
5.1 to 10 KW incl.	2.00
10.1 KW and over	2.50

## Transformers

Up to $\frac{1}{2}$ K. V. A., incl.	\$ 1.00
.6 to 1 K. V. A., incl.	1.50
1.1 to 5 K. V. A., incl.	2.00
5.1 to 10 K. V. A., incl.	2.50
10.1 K. V. A., and over	3.00

## Illuminated Signs

Single face signs	15 cents per sq. ft.	\$2.00 minimum
Double face signs	25 cents per sq. ft.	2.00 minimum

## Air Conditioners

$\frac{1}{2}$ HP or Less	\$ 5.00
Over $\frac{1}{2}$ HP through 3 HP	10.00
Over 3 HP through 24 HP	10.00 plus 1.50 per HP over 3
Over 25 HP	43.00 plus .75 per HP over 25
Window Units up to 24,000 BTU/NR	3.00
New Installation of an Air Condition Cooling Tower	4.00 per unit

## Heating Schedule

## Hot Water, Gas Steam

Up to 75,000 BTU input	\$ 5.00
75,100 to 140,000 BTU input	7.50
140,000 to 200,000 BTU input	10.00
Over 200,000 BTU input	10.00 for equipment valued to \$1,000.00. Add \$1.00 for each additional \$1,000.00

If any job or work covered by this Chapter is commenced before a permit is obtained from the Building Inspector, an amount equivalent to 200% of the appropriate fee set forth herein shall be paid to the City Treasurer before a permit is issued.

1500.51. Access to Building. The Building Official shall have the right during reasonable hours to enter any building in the discharge of his official duties or for the purpose of making any inspection or test of the installation of electric wiring, electric devices and/or electric material contained therein, and shall have the authority to cause the turning off of all electric supply and cut or disconnect, in cases of emergency, any wire where such electrical currents are dangerous to life or property or may interfere with the work of the Fire Department.

1500.52. Permits. No alterations or additions shall be made in the existing wiring of any buildings, nor shall any building be wired for the placing of any electric lights, motors, heating devices, or any apparatus requiring the use of electrical current at a potential over thirty (30) volts, nor shall any alterations be made in the wiring in any building after inspection, without first notifying the Building Official, and securing a permit therefor. Applications for such permit, describing such work, shall be made by the person installing same, and permit, when issued, shall be to such applicant. This section shall not apply to maintenance and repairs on the premises of a person, regularly employing qualified electricians for that purpose, nor to such minor repair work as repairing flush and snap switches, replacing fuses, changing lamp sockets and receptables, taping bare joints or repairing drop cords.

1500.53. Inspection. Upon the completion of the wiring of any building, it shall be the duty of the person installing the same to notify the Building Official, who shall inspect the installations as soon as possible, and, if it is found to be fully in compliance with this Code and does not constitute a hazard to life and property, he shall issue to such person, for delivery to the owner, a certificate of inspection, authorizing connection to the electrical service and the turning on of the current. All wires which are to be hidden from view shall be inspected before concealment, and any person installing such wires shall notify the Building Official, giving him sufficient time in which to make the required inspection before such wires are concealed.

1500.54. Re-Inspection. The Building Official shall make periodically a thorough re-inspection of the installation in buildings of all electric wiring, electric devices and electric material now installed or that may hereafter be installed, within the City, and when the installation of any such wiring, devices, and/or material is found to be in a dangerous or unsafe condition, the person, owning, using, or operating the same shall be notified and shall make the necessary repairs or changes required to place such wiring, devices and material in a safe condition, and have such work completed within fifteen (15) days, or any longer period specified by the Building Official in said action. The Building Official, is hereby empowered to disconnect or order the discontinuance of electrical service to such wiring, devices and/or material so found to be defectively installed until the installation of such wiring, devices and material has been made safe as directed by him.

1500.55. Review. When the Building Official condemns all or part of any electrical installation, the owner may, within five (5) days after receiving written notice thereof, file a petition in writing for review of said action with the Board of Examiners, upon receipt of which the said Board of Examiners shall at once proceed to determine whether said electrical installation complies with this Code, and within three (3) days shall make a decision in accordance with its findings.

1500.6. Contractor's License. It shall be unlawful for any person to engage as an independent contractor in the installation, alteration, maintenance or repair of electrical wiring, equipment, apparatus or fixtures for light, heat or power purposes where the electromotive force exceeds thirty (30) volts in or about buildings and/or structures located within the City, without first having procured a license in the manner prescribed in Chapter 59 of the City Code.

1500.61. Qualifications for License. Persons making application for a Contractor's License must be twenty-one (21) years of age or over, and must have a license as a Journeyman electrician, and pass a suitable examination. Persons applying for Contractor's license must have at least one (1) member of the firm with the above qualifications and experience, or have one (1) or more men employed with the above qualifications and experience, and this shall be a continuing requirement and condition to the validity of all such licenses.

1500.62. Journeyman's License. It shall be unlawful for any person to engage in the occupation or trade of journeyman electrician in the installation, alteration, maintenance or repair of electrical wiring equipment, apparatus or fixtures for light, heat, power or medical purposes where the electromotive force exceeds thirty (30) volts in or about buildings and/or structures within the City, without having first taken the examination and obtained a license as herein provided. This provision shall not apply to helpers and apprentices, provided such work as they may do is performed under the direction and supervision of a licensed journeyman electrician who shall be on premises at all times when such helpers or apprentices are performing such work on the premises.

1500.63. Qualifications. Minimum qualifications for examination for journeyman electricians shall be four (4) years of practical experience. Time spent in trade school attendance shall be credited as apprentice experience; four (4) years in technical school and one (1) year practical experience shall also qualify for examination.

1500.64. Board of Examiners. A Board of Examiners is hereby created which shall consist of the City Manager or his deputy, a representative of the company furnishing the electricity supply and a licensed electrical contractor. The members of this Board shall be appointed by the City Commission to serve during the pleasure of the City Commission and shall hold office without receipt of remuneration from the City of East Grand Rapids. The Board shall prepare the application blanks, prescribe the examination and hold meetings whenever necessary to hold examinations. Due notice shall be given applicants of the date of examinations. Applicants failing to pass will not be eligible for re-examination for a period of thirty (30) days in reciprocal municipalities. The appointment of said Board shall be deferred until such time as the City Commission determines by resolution that the appointment of such Board is appropriate to the volume of business. Pending such determination, the functions and duties of the Board of Examiners shall be carried out by an examining board of a reciprocating municipality selected by the Building Official for the purpose of administering examinations.

1500.65. Fees for Licenses. Fees for licenses shall be as prescribed in Chapter 60 of the East Grand Rapids City Code. The issuance, expiration, renewal and transfer of such licenses shall be in accordance with Chapter 59 of the East Grand Rapids City Code, except as otherwise specifically provided in this Chapter. After March 1st of any year, all licenses not renewed shall be considered cancelled and may not be renewed except upon approval by the Examining Board. No license shall be issued except upon recommendation of the Examining Board. No electrical contractor licensed under the provisions of this Chapter shall secure permits for any electrical work to be done by any person not employed by such electrical contractor.

1500.66. Reciprocal Provisions. The City shall permit electrical contractors and journeymen electricians lawfully licensed by other municipalities of the State of Michigan or by the State Electrical Administrative Board, to install, alter or repair electrical wiring, equipment, apparatus or fixtures for light, heat, power or medical purposes within the corporate limits of the City, upon registration with the City Clerk, which registration shall expire concurrently with the license presented for registration. No municipal license shall be recognized for registration unless the issuing municipality reciprocates in recognizing electrical contractors and journeymen who are duly licensed under the provisions of this Code, by granting them the same privilege and charging the same uniform license and registration fees and unless the licensing ordinance is substantially equal to the requirements of this Code. A fee of five (\$5.00) dollars shall be charged for registration of contractors and journeymen electricians.

1500.67. Foreign Corporations - Penal Bond. Corporations applying for electrical contractor licenses, whose principal place of business is not in the State of Michigan, may obtain such license from the City upon approval by the Examining Board and the payment of the prescribed fee. Provided, that the applicant shall file a duly executed bond in the penal sum of one thousand (\$1,000) dollars, running to the City, conditioned for the faithful performance and observance of the provisions of this Chapter, and rules and regulations made and approved as hereinafter provided, controlling the installation of electrical wiring and equipment. Such bond shall be a surety bond from a recognized and approved surety company authorized to transact business in the State of Michigan.

1500.68. License Suspension and Revocation. Any electrical contractor's or journeyman electrician's license may, after a hearing, of which hearing the licensee is given not less than five (5) days notice, which notice shall inform the licensee of the charges to be heard against him, be suspended or revoked by the Examining Board having issued such license, when it shall appear to the satisfaction of the Examining Board that such licensee falsified his application in any particular, or that such licensee has violated any rule or regulation relating to the installation, inspection, maintenance, alteration or repair of electrical wiring, devices, appliances or equipment, or has violated any of the provisions of this Chapter or any rule or regulation issued by the Board pursuant hereto. The Examining Board shall also have the power, upon cause shown, to rescind the reciprocal privileges with the City of any registered electrical contractor or journeyman electrician otherwise permitted by the terms of this Chapter to do business or perform services in the City.

1500.7. Rules and Regulations. The Board of Examiners is hereby empowered and it shall be their duty to make such rules and regulations concerning electrical work in the City as may be required to properly provide for the situation therein. The rules and regulations so made shall be approved by the City Commission, and shall take precedence over plans, specifications and National Electrical Code Rules.

1500.8. Liability. This Code shall not be construed to relieve from or lessen the responsibility or liability of any party owning, operating, controlling or installing any electrical wiring, electric devices and/or electric material for damages to person or property caused by any defect therein nor shall the City be held as assuming any such liability by reason of the inspection authorized herein, or certificate of inspection issued as herein provided.

Section 2: This ordinance shall be effective on February 17, 1977.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Murphy, Remien, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

231. A letter from Mary Brown, President of the East Grand Rapids High School Women's Team Boosters regarding recognition of athletes and their teams was received and filed.

232. A letter from Brenda Jeisy, 2325 Hall Street, suggesting inserting the designation "38th" on the President Ford signs was received.

232-A. Clary-Remien. That the suggestion of Brenda Jeisy be adopted and that a letter of thanks be sent to her.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Murphy, Remien, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

233. The Mayor reported that the Brochure Committee has met and will be submitting an estimate of printing and writing costs in the very near future.

234. Remien-Frost. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$196,533.23, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$47,118.71, 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, Murphy, Remien, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

235. The financial report for the 6-month period ended December 31, 1976, was received and filed.

236. Departmental reports from the Fire Department, Police Department, and Building Inspector for the month of January were received and filed.

237. The City Manager reminded the Commissioners of the Michigan Municipal League Legislative Conference which will be held February 23rd. He also informed them of the State's intent to withhold distribution of payments to local units of government until after the first of July because of the State's cash flow problems. It was suggested that this matter be placed on the AGRAG agenda for its next meeting.

238. The City Manager invited the Commission to attend the 201 Waste Water Treatment Program hearing which will be held on March 9th, 7:30 p.m., in the East Grand Rapids Commission Room.

239. The City Manager reported that the Grand Rapids Transit Authority will be placing bus stop signs at the various locations throughout the City of East Grand Rapids and he displayed a sample of the sign.

240. The City Manager requested authorization to issue a purchase order to Gregware Equipment Company in the amount of \$1,112.50 for the purpose of purchasing grader blades.

240-A. Remien-Gale. That the request of the City Manager be granted.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Murphy, Remien, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

241. The City Manager distributed a proposed ordinance to amend the Code of the City of East Grand Rapids by adding a new section which New Section shall be designated as "Section 9.10 of Chapter 88" regarding snow removal.

241-A. Clary-Remien. That the following ordinance be adopted:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE  
CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS BY ADDING A  
NEW SECTION, WHICH NEW SECTION SHALL BE  
DESIGNATED AS SECTION 9.10 OF CHAPTER 88  
OF TITLE IX OF SAID CODE.

THE CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS ORDAINS:

Section 1. Chapter 88 of Title IX of the Code of the City of East Grand Rapids is amended by adding thereto a new Section 9.10 as follows:

"9.10. Snow Removal. No person shall move snow into a public street in such a manner as to interfere with the safe use of the street for vehicular traffic or in such a manner as to interfere with an adjoining owner's use of a driveway or access walk. The City Manager shall have the authority to issue regulations for the enforcement of this section. Such regulations shall be subject to review by the City Commission at the next meeting of the Commission following issuance of the same. The license issued to a Snow Removal Contractor under Section 7.35 of this Code may be revoked by the City Clerk upon violation of said contractor of the provisions of this ordinance or the regulations issued hereunder."

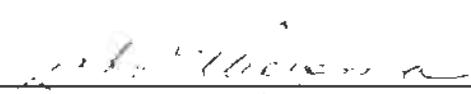
Section 2. This ordinance shall be effective immediately and shall be published in full within ten (10) days from the date of adoption.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Murphy, Remien, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

242. The City Manager distributed a copy of a letter he had received from the City Manager of Grand Rapids regarding withholding of the water and sewer increase from the last invoice paid to the City of Grand Rapids. This information was received and filed.

243. Commissioner Clary complimented the Public Service Department for the excellent job they have done in clearing the snow from the streets after our last week's storms.

244. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, until February 21, 1977.

  
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City Clerk

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

Regular Meeting Held February 21, 1977

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

Present: Coms. Clary, Frost, Gale, Murphy, Remien, Robberson and Mayor Stoppels.  
Absent: None.

245. The minutes of the meeting held February 7, 1977, were approved as written.

246. A letter was received from Gerald F. Burns requesting water service to 190 Robinwood SE (Grand Rapids Township). The City Engineer explained that the request was for a 2-inch water service from the City's watermain in Robinson Road some 250 ft. to the resident at 190 Robinwood. The City policy is that a water service can only service one residence and cannot be extended to other residences. If other homes are built in the area, they would have to request an individual water service. The City Manager stated that the staff recommends approval of the request as it applies to 190 Robinwood only and recommends that the request be passed on to Grand Rapids and Grand Rapids Township for approval.

246-A. Gale-Robberson. That the request of Gerald F. Burns for a 2-inch water service to 190 Robinwood be granted with the restriction that only the property at 190 Robinwood be served and that no extension of that water service be made in the future and subject to approval by Grand Rapids and Grand Rapids Township.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

Commissioner Murphy abstained.

247. A letter was received from Albert Builders, Inc., requesting the vacation of one-half of Fernwood Drive SE, which would allow a larger house to be built on the vacant property at 342 Kingswood SE. Commissioner Clary questioned whether the City could legally vacate half a street. It was suggested to Mr. Albert that he obtain consent for the vacation of the entire street from all other property owners and that he then bring the matter before the Commission for its consideration.

248. The Financial and Progress report was received from the Grand Rapids Area Chamber of Commerce. Commissioner Robberson commented that the Chamber of Commerce has done an excellent job in bringing industry into the Grand Rapids area which benefits all of us. This report was received and filed.

249. The City Manager submitted the following recommendation on the City's policy for expense reimbursement to department heads and other staff employees:

It is recommended that the City Commission confirm and approve the following policy for expense reimbursement which has been a matter of administrative policy directed by my office during my tenure as City Manager:

1. That department heads and appropriate staff employees be strongly encouraged to participate in the affairs of their professional organizations with expenses for meeting attendance reimbursed, including the expense of the spouse for attendance at one meeting annually.
2. That department heads and appropriate staff members be reimbursed expenses for attendance at training sessions.
3. That department heads be reimbursed expenses for luncheon meetings with chairpersons of citizen committees, with potential or current suppliers, with consultants, and with one another where appropriate and subject to advance approval by the City Manager.

4. The following department heads are furnished vehicles which, because of frequent requirements for night-time and week-end work assignments, they are permitted to use for transportation to and from their place of residence:

City Manager  
 Public Service Superintendent  
 Recreation and Parks Director  
 Clerk-Controller  
 Fire Chief  
 Police Chief  
 Water Plant Operator

All expense reimbursement procedures are the responsibility of the City Manager to properly monitor and control and are subject to the audit of the Controller and the Ways and Means Committee of the City Commission.

249-A. Remien-Clary. That the City Manager's policy recommendation be adopted as written and that it be placed on file with the City Clerk.

249-B. Gale-Frost. Motion for the division of the question.

A roll call vote was taken on the motion for division:

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Robberson - 4  
 Nays: Murphy, Remien, Stoppels - 3

For the benefit of the individuals in attendance, Mayor Stoppels read paragraph #1 of the recommendation.

249-C. Frost-Gale. That paragraph #1 be amended to read, after the comma, "expenses of the spouse for attendance will be paid by the employee".

Yeas: Frost, Gale - 2  
 Nays: Clary, Murphy, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 5

Mayor Stoppels read paragraph #2 for the benefit of those present at the meeting.

249-D. Gale-Mayor Stoppels. That paragraph #2 be adopted as written.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Murphy, Robberson, Remien, Stoppels - 7  
 Nays: 0

Mayor Stoppels read paragraph #3 for the benefit of those present at the meeting.

249-E. Gale-Frost. That paragraph #3 be amended to read after the phrase, "with consultants", and that expenses for luncheon meetings, including associated expenses between department heads and/or appropriate staff employees are not to be considered reimbursable expenses".

Yeas: Frost, Gale - 2  
 Nays: Clary, Murphy, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 5

Mayor Stoppels read paragraph #4 for the benefit of those present at the meeting.

249-F. Gale-Frost. That the following words be added to paragraph #4, "A daily log will be maintained by all personnel assigned City vehicles of business mileage used. Mileage to and from place of work is not to be considered business mileage. All personal mileage will be reimbursed to the City monthly at a rate per mile currently approved by the IRS for business mileage deduction".

Yeas: Frost, Gale - 2  
 Nays: Clary, Murphy, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 5

The main motion to adopt the policy recommendations of the City Manager was then voted upon:

Yeas: Clary, Murphy, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 5  
Nays: Frost, Gale - 2

250. The Fire Department annual report for the year 1976 was received and filed.

251. Commissioner Clary suggested that the City purchase Lots 32 & 33 of Robinson Road Plat which are up for sale by the State of Michigan after March 1, 1977. The City can purchase these lots for \$1.00 each prior to March 3, 1977. Commissioner Clary pointed out that the City already owns land in the area and that Arlington will probably never be developed because most of the lots on the west side are owned by the homes on Manhattan.

251-A. Clary-Gale. That the staff take the necessary steps to purchase Lots 32 & 33 of Robinson Road Plat for a nominal fee.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Murphy, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

252. Mayor Stoppels informed the Commission that the week of May 23, 1977 is Michigan Week and that he has made arrangements for Mayor's exchange with the City of Grand Haven.

253. Mayor Stoppels reported that at the last AGRAG meeting the fact that the State is delaying the distribution of State shared revenues was discussed and that it was recommended that each city state their objections directly to the Governor and the legislators.

253-A. Remien-Clary. That the City send a telegram to the Governor and the area legislators protesting the delay in the distribution to the City of State shared revenues.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Murphy, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

254. Commissioner Robberson pointed out that in his absence two weeks ago the City Commission adopted the Uniform Traffic Code and that Sec. 6.21, which requires bicycles to have a device which is audible for the distance of 100 ft. is bad law since it cannot be enforced, and if it cannot be enforced it should not be part of the law.

254-A. Robberson-Murphy. That Sec. 6.21 of the Uniform Traffic Code be deleted in its entirety from the City Code.

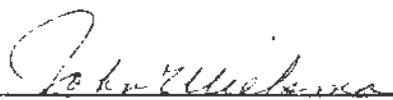
Yeas: Clary, Frost, Murphy, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: Gale - 1

255. Remien-Frost. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$206,536.67, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$44,551.62, 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: Clary, Frost, Gale, Murphy, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

256. Commissioner Frost requested that staff check into devices which can be placed on furnaces which will help reduce the cost of gas and improve safety for property-owners. The City Manager stated that he will report back to the Commission on this matter.

257. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, until March 7, 1977.

  
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City Clerk

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

Regular Meeting Held March 7, 1977

In the absence of the Mayor, the meeting was called to order by Commission President Remien.

Present: Coms. Clary, Frost, Gale, Murphy, Remien and Robberson.

Absent: Mayor Stoppels.

258. The minutes of the meeting held February 21, 1977, were approved as written.

259. A letter was received from Senator VanderLaan responding to the telegram the City Commission sent the Governor regarding the withholding of revenue sharing funds. He stated that he has met with the Governor to discuss this problem and urged him to instruct the Treasurer to engage in short term borrowing in order to ease the cash flow situation.

260. A proposed street lighting contract with Consumers Power was reviewed. The City Attorney questioned certain sections of the contract as follows: 1) the third paragraph from the bottom of the first page disclaiming liability in the event of an accident to machinery or equipment, etc.; 2) the provision on the last page of contract allowing termination upon 12 months' written notice given by either party. It was decided that the City Manager would obtain clarification from Consumers Power regarding the City Attorney's inquiries.

261. Fire Chief Terpstra submitted a report on gas saving devices as requested by the City Commission at its previous meeting. This report was received and filed for information.

262. The City Controller requested authorization to obtain bids for an accounting machine to replace the present equipment which is becoming obsolete.

262-A. Gale-Remien. That the City Controller be authorized to obtain bids for an accounting machine.

Yeas: Clary, Gale, Murphy, Remien, Robberson - 5

Nays: Frost-1

262-B. Robberson-Clary. That the City Clerk provide the City Commission with costs of alternative methods of processing budget information.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Murphy, Remien, Robberson - 6

Nays: 0

263. The City Manager reported on a problem that existed relative to the method of distribution of the spring recreation program announcements.

263-A. Clary-Robberson. That this matter be referred to the Parks & Recreation Commission.

Yeas: Clary, Murphy, Remien, Robberson - 4

Nays: Gale - 1

Commissioner Frost abstained.

264. The City Manager submitted a memorandum to the Commission regarding the transferring of the variance at 469 Greenwood Avenue from a personal grant to Dr. Nelson to a personal grant to Dr. and Mrs. William Easley.

264-A. Robberson-Frost. That a hearing be set and the usual notices of this hearing be sent.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Murphy, Remien, Robberson - 6

Nays: 0

265. The Board of Canvassers' Statement of Votes Cast at the Non-Partisan Primary Municipal Election held in the City of East Grand Rapids on Monday, the 21st day of February, 1977, was received and filed.

266. The minutes of the Planning Commission meeting held February 8, 1977 were received and filed. A recommendation was also received from the Planning Commission regarding the request for a variance to permit construction of 12 attached single-family townhouses on the vacant property at 537 Greenwood SE. The City Manager reported that notices have been sent out and that a hearing on this request will be held March 21, 1977.

267. Departmental reports for the month of February from the Fire Chief, Police Chief and Building Inspector were received and filed.

268. The financial report for a 7-month period ended January 31, 1977, was received and filed.

269. The monthly report of the circulation and inquiries of the East Grand Rapids Library was received and filed.

270. A letter was received from the Michigan Municipal League notifying the Commission of an annual regional meeting which will be held April 21, in the City of Wyoming.

271. A letter from Mayor Drasin in response to the request of the East Grand Rapids City Commission to meet jointly with the Grand Rapids City Commission to discuss the water and sewer services was received and filed.

272. The City Manager distributed a memorandum from the City Clerk-Controller regarding the purchase of a cash receipts machine. The City Attorney stated that the proper procedure is to obtain bids on all purchases in excess of \$1,000. It was decided that action would be deferred on this item until bids have been received.

273. The City Manager reported that the Board of Review will be meeting the 14th, 15th and 16th of March.

274. The City Manager requested authorization to pay a voucher in the amount of \$1,700 to Vos Equipment Company for hydraulic impact equipment used for the repair of watermain breaks occurring during the period of heavy frost depths.

274-A. Remien-Clary. That this Commission authorize the payment of \$1,700 to Vos Equipment Company.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Murphy, Remien, Robberson - 6  
Nays: 0

275. The City Attorney submitted a proposed ordinance to amend Section 10.4 of Chapter 105 of Title X - Traffic of the Code of the City of East Grand Rapids.

275-A. Robberson-Murphy. That the following ordinance amendment be adopted:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 10.4 OF  
CHAPTER 105 OF TITLE X --TRAFFIC-- OF THE  
CODE OF THE CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS

WHEREAS the City of East Grand Rapids has determined that Section 6.21 of the Uniform Traffic Code promulgated by the Commissioner of State Police as last amended effective August 4, 1976, should be further amended as it applies to the City of East Grand Rapids by deletion of Section 6.21 therefrom, which section requires bicycles to have a device which is audible for a distance of 100 feet;

NOW, THEREFORE:

## THE CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS ORDAINS:

Section 1. Section 10.4 entitled "Changes from Uniform Code -- Deletions" of the Code of the City of East Grand Rapids is hereby amended to read as follows:

"10.4 Changes from Uniform Code - Deletions. The following sections (Section numbers used in this Chapter refer to the like numbered sections of the Uniform Traffic Code) of said Uniform Traffic Code for Cities, Townships and Villages promulgated and published as set forth in Section 10.1 of this Chapter are hereby deleted: Sections 2.32, 2.33, 2.34, 2.35, 2.36, 2.53, 4.3, 5.69, 6.21, 8.8 and 9.3."

Section 2. This ordinance shall be effective immediately, this 7th day of March 1977, and shall be published in accordance with the requirements of the City Charter.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Murphy, Remien, Robberson - 5

Nays: Gale - 1

276. A petition for the vacation of Fernwood and Maplewood from Kingswood Road to Cascade Road and a proposed easement to the owners of Lots 67 and 66, Lot 65, Lot 64 and East 25 ft. of Lot 57, over the East 1/2 of vacated Maplewood and South 1/2 of vacated Fernwood to provide for access in utilities was received. This request was referred to the Planning Commission for their recommendation.

277. Commissioner Clary requested that staff develop a feasible program for installation of smoke detectors in homes throughout the city.

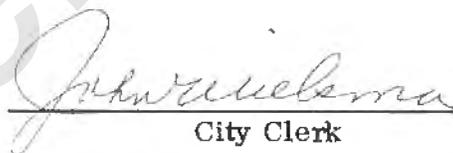
278. Mrs. Linda Williams, Secretary to the Woodstone Association, was present and distributed copies of the by-laws of the Woodstone Neighborhood Association to the Commissioners and invited the Commissioners to a meeting which will be held in the Community Room on March 30, 1977, at 7:30 p.m.

279. Gale-Frost. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$1,599,657.05, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$43,421.05, 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, Murphy, Remien, Robberson - 6

Nays: 0

280. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, until March 21, 1977.

  
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 City Clerk

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

Regular Meeting Held March 21, 1977

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

Present: Coms. Clary, Frost, Gale, Murphy, Remien, Robberson and Mayor Stoppels.  
Absent: None.

281. The minutes of the meeting held March 7, 1977, were approved as written.

282. Commissioner Gale reported that he had received a 6 - 1 vote by the members of the Parks & Recreation Commission approving obtaining bids for the preparation of the Recreation Spring Brochure and the distribution of this brochure as an insert in Cadence.

283. Pursuant to public notice, the Commission, acting as the Board of Zoning Appeals, held the adjourned hearing on the variance request of Mr. William Krueer, et al, to permit construction of two structures which would house 12 townhouse units on the property located at 537 Greenwood. Mr. Thomas Heiden, representing the petitioners, made a presentation regarding the need for this variance and also submitted a suggested Restrictive Covenant agreement relative to the use of the north 407 feet of the parcel. Mr. William Krueer, Mr. Art Potter, and Mr. Robert Reid were also present and discussed the project. A letter favoring the approval of this variance was received from Walter B. Freihofer, representing Dr. Elias. A letter from Mrs. Pat Allen, objecting to the number of units proposed by the petitioner, was received. A letter from Harry A. Vetvick stating that he would not purchase this property to construct a single family residence was received. Mr. John Waters, 2560 Elmwood, expressed an interest in preserving open spaces in our community. Mr. Art Spalding, representing Mark Miller and Mrs. Pat Allen, submitted a petition signed by 28 persons opposing the granting of the zoning variance. He stated that his clients were concerned with the increased traffic that could be generated from such a project, and the water runoff which may affect his clients. He further stated that two or three family units would not be objectionable, but 12 units are excessive and that with parking in front, the aesthetics of the area would not be benefitted. Mr. Jim Claus, 601 Greenwood, objected to the proposed variance because the project would not be beneficial to the neighborhood and would increase traffic. Mrs. Jean DeVries, 553 Greenwood, and Mrs. Dalroot, 523 Greenwood, expressed their objections to the variance.

283-A. Gale-Remien. That this Commission, acting as the Board of Zoning Appeals, accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission and approve the variance as requested, subject to the review and filing of the Restrictive Covenant. After further discussion, the above motion was withdrawn.

283-B. It was then moved by Commissioner Robberson and supported by Commissioner Murphy that this Commission, acting as the Board of Zoning Appeals, deny the variance request.

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: Frost, Murphy, Robberson - 3

Nays: Clary, Gale, Remien, Stoppels - 4

The motion failed.

The City Attorney was then directed to prepare suggested findings of facts and submit a draft of a resolution to the City Commission prior to its next meeting, April 11, 1977.

284. A petition was received from Mr. J. Brock Albert, Nancy Leavitt, Margaret S. Greenawalt, and Luebert Docter requesting that a portion of Fernwood Drive and all of Maplewood Road be vacated. The Planning Commission report recommending the vacation of Fernwood Drive and Maplewood Road was received.

284-A. Remien-Clary. That this Commission adopt the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that this Commission deems it advisable to consider a proposal to vacate, abolish and discontinue all that part of FERNWOOD DRIVE and MAPLEWOOD ROAD in the City of East Grand Rapids, Kent County, Michigan described as commencing on the East line of Kingswood Road, formerly platted Elmwood Road, at a point 49.1 feet Southerly of the Northwest corner of lot 58 Robinson Road Plat, East Grand Rapids, Kent County, Michigan, T7N, R11W, thence Southerly to the South line of Fernwood Drive to a point 27.5 feet West of the Northeast corner of lot 59 said plat, thence Northeasterly 610.82 feet along the South line of Fernwood and its extension, the East line of Maplewood to the Southerly line of Cascade Road, thence Westerly along said South line to the Westerly line of Maplewood Road thence Southwesterly 556.36 feet along the Westerly line of Maplewood and its extension, the Northerly line of Fernwood to the point of 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 25th day of April, 1977, 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 FERNWOOD DRIVE and MAPLEWOOD 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 written or printed 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 FERNWOOD DRIVE and MAPLEWOOD 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: Clary, Frost, Gale, Murphy, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

285. A report on bids received for the repair of sewers in Lake Drive from Lake Grove to Bellelaire, Hall Street at Eastwood, and Wilshire at Lenox Road, were discussed. The City Engineer recommended that the contract be awarded to the low bidder, Jack DeVries, in the amount of \$15,621.00.

285-A. Remien-Frost. That the contract for the repair of the above mentioned sewer locations be awarded to Jack DeVries in the amount of \$15,621.00, and that this amount be transferred from the Contingency Fund.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Murphy, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

286. The City Manager reported on bids which were received for modification of the auxiliary generator to expand its service to the municipal heating and cooling system and the water pumping station. There were three bids received, of which Strain Electric Company was the low bidder in the amount of \$2,110.00.

286-A. Remien-Clary. That the contract be awarded to Strain Electric Company in the amount of \$2,110.00 and that this amount be transferred from the Contingency Fund.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Murphy, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

287. A letter from Sydney D. Shank recommending that a physical re-appraisal of all property in this city be made, was received for information. It was decided to discuss this matter at a Committee-of-the-Whole session which is to be held March 28, 1977, and the staff was directed to prepare a report addressing this issue.

288. The Advisory Center for Teens submitted a request for continued support of its program based on the financial aid formula suggested by AGRAG.

288-A. Murphy-Remien. That the following resolution be adopted:

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 out-patient 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, 1977 - June 30, 1978, based on the Association of Grand Rapids Area Government (AGRAG) formula for a total of \$27,000.00, 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 1977-1978 fiscal year for the purpose of providing professional counseling and assistance for adolescents/young adults regardless of the problem.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Murphy, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

289. The City Controller reported that he received from the State Treasurer on March 17, 1977, the amount of \$24,782.37 in payment of the City's share of the State Income Tax distribution which was heretofore believed to be delayed until July. It was suggested that a letter be sent to the Governor and Senator VanderLaan expressing appreciation for their concern in this matter.

290. The City Manager reported on the timetable for consideration of the 1977-1978 budget. Commissioner Gale commented on zero base budgeting and suggested that the Commission consider this concept of budgeting for future budgets. Commissioner Clary suggested that the Commissioners should establish a list of goals it wants to see accomplished within the next fiscal year which staff can use as a guide.

291. The minutes of the Traffic Commission meeting held March 8, 1977, were received and filed.

293. The minutes of the Parks & Recreation Commission meeting held March 16, 1977, were received and filed.

294. A letter from Sally Charnley thanking the Commissioners for the recognition dinner and for the plaque she received in recognition of her service on the Traffic Commission was received and filed.

295. The City Manager distributed copies of the Kent County Library financial formula for 1977.

296. The City Manager reported that a home has been purchased for the purpose of establishing a foster care facility which is permitted under the newly created Public Act 369 of 1976 which becomes effective March 31, 1977.

297. Commissioner Murphy commended Shirley Norman, the City Assessor; Mr. Newberg and Mr. Shank, assistant assessors, for the fine job they did and the time spent while serving on the Board of Review.

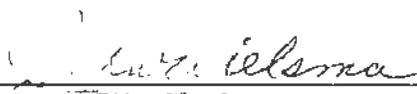
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298. Remien-Robberson. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$113,723.66, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$43,095.49, as approved by the Ways & Means Committee be allowed and the Controller be authorized to draw an order on the Treasurer for their respective amounts.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Murphy, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

299. There were 26 residents in attendance at this meeting.

300. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, until April 11, 1977.

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

Regular Meeting Held April 11, 1977

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

Present: Coms. Clary, Frost, Gale, Murphy, Robberson and Mayor Stoppels.  
Absent: Com. Remien.

301. The minutes of the meeting held March 21, 1977, were approved as written.

302. The Mayor presented Mr. Alfred Harig with an award watch in recognition of his 25 years of service with the Public Service Department.

303. Mrs. Gretchen Bouwsma, representing the West Michigan Regional Planning Commission, gave a slide presentation of housing allocation in the metropolitan Grand Rapids area and requested that the Commissioners consider adopting a resolution agreeing to cooperate with the West Michigan Regional Planning Commission in the planning and implementation of specific annual goals to meet housing needs as reflected in area-wide and community housing assistance plans. The Mayor directed that this matter be referred to the Committee-of-the-Whole.

304. A request from Florence Chan and Arnola Murphy to permit operation of a marina at 518 Lakeside was received.

304-A. Gale-Clary. That this request be tabled.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Murphy, Robberson, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

305. A petition for the vacation of Fernwood between Kingswood and Arlington was received.

305-A. Gale-Murphy. That this request be referred to the Planning Commission.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Murphy, Robberson, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

306. A resolution opposing House Bill 4048 which would require Primary Elections to be held on Saturday in August was received from the City of Wyoming.

306-A. Murphy-Robberson. That the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, House Bill 4048 provides for the establishing of the second Saturday in August as the date for the partisan and non-partisan Primaries in the State of Michigan, and

WHEREAS, said bill if enacted would be totally impractical as many citizens could be on vacations or enjoying a weekend outside of their City, and

WHEREAS, said Bill as enacted would create additional expense by having to pay overtime to employees of the Clerk's office for working on Saturday, and

WHEREAS, there are many persons who do attend religious services on Saturday, and

WHEREAS, the provision concerning non-partisan Primaries should be left to the cities pursuant to their charter provisions, now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that the City Commission does hereby urge the defeat of House Bill 4048 for the reasons as stated above and urge the area legislatures to oppose the same strongly, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk shall forward to the Chairman of the Committee on Elections and to the area Legislators a copy of this Resolution.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Murphy, Robberson, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

307. The acquisition of Lots 32 & 33 of Robinson Road Plat from the State of Michigan was discussed.

307-A. Gale-Clary. That the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, Act 223, P.A. 1909, as last amended by Act 196, P.A. 1970 provides for the conveyance of State-owned tax-reverted lands to municipal units for public purposes, and

WHEREAS, such lands are under the jurisdiction of the State of Michigan, Department of Natural Resources and are available for acquisition under the provisions of the above mentioned Act Lots 32 & 33 of Robinson Road Plat, P.U. 77-47, and

WHEREAS, East Grand Rapids desires to acquire said lands for purposes of park and playground.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of East Grand Rapids is authorized to make application to the State of Michigan, Department of Natural Resources, Lands Division for conveyance of said land to the City of East Grand Rapids for a nominal fee of \$1.00, plus the State's maintenance costs, if any, and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the City of East Grand Rapids shall set up necessary procedures and controls to provide for the proper distribution of funds arising from the subsequent sale of the acquired property in conformity with the above mentioned acts.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Murphy, Robberson, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

308. The City Manager reported that the Street Lighting Contract between the City of East Grand Rapids and Consumers Power Company has been reviewed and it is his recommendation and that of the City Attorney that this contract be accepted.

308-A. Mayor Stoppels-Clary.

RESOLVED, that it is hereby deemed advisable to enter into a contract with the Consumers Power Company of Jackson, Michigan, for furnishing street lighting service within the City of East Grand Rapids for a period of five years and thereafter from year to year in accordance with the terms of the contract heretofore submitted to, and considered by, this Commission, and

RESOLVED, further that the Mayor and City Clerk be and are authorized and directed to execute such contract on behalf of the City.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Murphy, Robberson, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

309. The City Attorney submitted three resolutions for the consideration by the Commission, the purpose of which is to conform with the Open Meetings Act which became effective April 1, 1977.

309-A. Frost-Robberson. That the following resolutions be adopted:

RESOLVED that public notices of all meetings of the East Grand Rapids City Commission and of any board, commission, committee, subcommittee, authority or council of the City which come within the definition of "Public Body" under Section 2 of Public Act 267 of 1976 be posted in a conspicuous public location in the East Grand Rapids City Hall by the City Clerk, or in his absence by his deputy or assistant, pursuant to Public Act 267 of 1976. Such notices shall conform in all respects with the requirements of said Act 267.

RESOLVED that regular meetings of the East Grand Rapids City Commission be held on the following dates and times:

April 25, 1977 at 7:30 p.m.  
 May 9, 1977 at 7:30 p.m.  
 May 23, 1977 at 7:30 p.m.  
 June 6, 1977 at 7:30 p.m.  
 June 20, 1977 at 7:30 p.m.  
 June 27, 1977 at 7:30 p.m.

RESOLVED that the City Commission of the City of East Grand Rapids meet as the Committee-of-the-Whole on the call of the Mayor or in his absence by the President of the City Commission, or on the call of a majority of the Commissioners elect, and that public notices of all such meetings be posted in a conspicuous public location in the East Grand Rapids City Hall by the City Clerk or, in his absence by his deputy or assistant, pursuant to Public Act 267 of 1976. Such notices shall conform in all respects with the requirements of said Act 267.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Murphy, Robberson, Stoppels - 6  
 Nays: 0

310. A request to obtain a SDD License was received from the Trading Post. This was filed until further notice is received from the Liquor Control Commission.

311. The Kent County Library support formula was discussed.

311-A. Frost-Robberson. That it is the intent of this Commission to continue its support of the Kent County Library System and that an amount of \$46,042.82 be included in the 1977/78 budget for this purpose.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Murphy, Robberson, Stoppels - 6  
 Nays: 0

312. A request for continued support of Project Rehab was received.

312-A. Murphy-Frost. That it is the intent of this Commission to allocate \$2,125 in the 1977/78 budget and that further consideration will be given to increasing this contribution by 10% upon review of the 1977/78 General Fund budget of the city.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Murphy, Robberson, Stoppels - 6  
 Nays: 0

313. The Mayor reported on the Rural Urban Development Assistance Team which was created by the Association of Architects and recommended that the Commission endorse the concept of R. U. D. A. T.

313-A. Gale-Mayor Stoppels. That this Commission concur in the Mayor's recommendation that the City endorse the concept of R. U. D. A. T.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Murphy, Robberson, Stoppels - 6  
 Nays: 0

314. Departmental reports for the month of March of the Police Department and Building Inspector were received and filed.

315. The financial report for an 8-month period ended February 28, 1977, was received and filed.

316. The Mayor recommended that Mr. Christopher Worfel, newly elected Commissioner, be appointed to the Chamber of Commerce Economic Development Committee to replace Commissioner Robberson. There were no objections raised relative to the recommendation of the Mayor and Mr. Worfel was appointed.

317. The City Manager reported that the Kruer variance will be on the agenda for the April 25th meeting.

318. The City Manager reported that an application has been filed to obtain Title 6 CETA funds for the purpose of assisting in the funding of persons needed in the performance of the re-assessment project. The total grants requested by the application is \$32,500.

319. At the request of Commissioner Clary the next Committee-of-the-Whole session was scheduled for April 19.

320. Commissioner Clary reported that the use of the term "in house" in connection with the physical re-appraisal for assessment purposes is confusing to the public, and asked that other language be used to refer to City staff personnel.

321. Gale-Frost. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$573,390.05, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$83,346.88 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, Murphy, Robberson, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

322. Frost-Gale. That the marina request for 518 Lakeside Drive SE, be removed from the table.

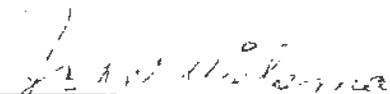
Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Murphy, Stoppels - 5  
Nays: Robberson - 1

322-A. Frost-Gale. That the request for the marina license at 518 Lakeside Drive SE, be referred to the Planning Commission.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Murphy, Stoppels - 5  
Nays: Robberson - 1

323. The City Attorney brought to the attention of the Commission the provisions of the Fence Ordinance relative to lots which have frontage on more than one street. It was decided that the Planning Commission be requested to review the Ordinance and submit their recommendation to this Commission.

324. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, until April 25, 1977.

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

Regular Meeting Held April 25, 1977

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

Present: Coms. Clary, Frost, Gale, Murphy, Remien and Mayor Stoppels.

Absent: Com. Robberson.

325. The minutes of the meeting held April 11, 1977, were approved as written.

326. Pursuant to public notice, a hearing was held upon the request of Charles Troost, 325 Pioneer Club Road, for permission to construct a fence around a swimming pool in his rear yard. Mr. Troost was present to discuss his project. There were no objections raised to this request.

326-A. Remien-Clary. That this Commission, acting as the Board of Zoning Appeals, grant the request of Mr. Troost as outlined in his plan for the construction of a fence.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Murphy, Remien, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

327. Pursuant to published notice, a hearing was held on the proposed vacation of Fernwood and Maplewood from Kingswood to Cascade Road. There were no objections raised to this petition.

327-A.

BY COMMISSIONERS CLARY-FROST:

WHEREAS a majority of the owners of land and premises abutting on FERNWOOD DRIVE and MAPLEWOOD ROAD from Kingswood Road (formerly Elmwood Road as platted) to Cascade Road located in the City of East Grand Rapids, Michigan, have petitioned for the vacation of that portion of FERNWOOD DRIVE and MAPLEWOOD ROAD described below; and

WHEREAS this Commission at a regular meeting of said Commission held in said City on the 25th day of April, 1977, has held a public hearing and has determined that it is advisable to vacate that part of Fernwood Drive and Maplewood Road; and

WHEREAS no objections were presented to the vacation of said part of Fernwood Drive and Maplewood Road; and

WHEREAS in the opinion of this Commission the vacating, closing, discontinuing and abolishing of said portion of Fernwood Drive and all of Maplewood 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;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Commission of the City of East Grand Rapids, Michigan, that the portion of Fernwood Drive and Maplewood Road from Kingswood Road (formerly Elmwood Road as platted) to Cascade Road described as:

Commencing on the East line of Kingswood Road, formerly platted Elmwood Road, at a point 49.1 feet Southerly of the Northwest corner of Lot 58, Robinson Road Plat, East Grand Rapids, Kent County, Michigan, T7N, R11W, thence Southerly to the South line of Fernwood Drive to a point 27.5 feet West of the Northeast corner of Lot 59 of said plat, thence Northeasterly 610.82 feet along the South line of Fernwood and its extension, the East line of Maplewood to the Southerly line of Cascade Road, thence

Westerly along said South line to the Westerly line of Maplewood Road, thence Southwesterly 556.36 feet along the Westerly line of Maplewood and its extension, the Northerly line of Fernwood to the point of beginning, 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 parcels 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.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Murphy, Remien, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

327-B.

BY COMMISSIONERS REMIEN-FROST:

WHEREAS in connection with the vacation by this Commission of parts of Fernwood Drive and Maplewood Road it is necessary to provide driveway access to certain lots heretofore served by said vacated streets,

RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute easements for driveway purposes over portions of vacated Fernwood Drive and Maplewood Road owned by the City, for the benefit of the following parcels in Robinson Road Plat, viz.: Lot 64 and the East 25 feet of Lot 57; Lot 65; and Lots 66 and 67 and that part of Lots 68 and 69 commencing at the Southeast corner of Lot 69, thence Northeasterly along the Easterly line of Lot 69 ten feet, thence Westerly to the Southwest corner of Lot 68, thence Easterly along the Southerly lines of Lots 68 and 69 to beginning.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Murphy, Remien, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

Commissioner Robberson arrived at this time.

328. A letter from Attorney Thomas J. Heiden, representing William J. Kreur, et al, requesting delay in consideration of the variance request to construct multi-family units on Greenwood was received. It was decided that this matter be deferred to the next regular City Commission meeting which will be held May 9, 1977.

329. The City Manager submitted a memorandum recommending that the City Commission authorize the commencement of a staff directed program for the physical re-appraisal of properties within the City of East Grand Rapids. A letter from Mr. & Mrs. Steven Cole, 1112 Lake Grove SE, opposing a general re-appraisal of property in East Grand Rapids was received. Commissioner Clary objected to a physical re-appraisal and commented on the effect it may have upon State aid to the East Grand Rapids School System and suggested that the Commission should consult with the East Grand Rapids School Board as to possible effects of the re-appraisal. Also, he stated his concern over the expenditure in light of other needs within the City budget. He questioned the need of an overall re-appraisal when, in his opinion, records exist which are basically good and could be updated without doing a complete re-appraisal. He questioned whether the number of appeals to the Board of Review indicates a severe problem. He stated that the actions of the County Bureau of Equalization do not indicate that the City of East Grand Rapids is significantly under or over assessing as compared to other units of government throughout the County.

Commissioner Robberson stated his opinion that a physical re-appraisal was needed, but that an outside firm should be employed to do this work.

Mr. and Mrs. David Stallard stated their support for a re-appraisal. Mr. Sydney Shank, Assistant Assessor, express his opinion that there is a need for a physical re-appraisal to establish consistency and equity throughout the entire city.

Commissioner Murphy stated that he was concerned about Commissioner Clary's discussion of the effect a re-appraisal may have on the School System. Commissioner Gale stated that he favored the staff recommendation.

329-A. Gale-Frost. That this Commission concur in the recommendation of the City Manager and that the cost, not to exceed \$45,000.00, be appropriated in the budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1977.

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: Frost, Gale, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 5  
Nays: Clary, Murphy - 2

The motion carried.

330. The request of Mrs. Florence Chan and Mrs. Arnola Murphy for a permit to operate a marina at 518 Lakeside Drive was considered. A communication from the Planning Commission recommending that the request be denied was received.

330-A. Robberson-Remien. That the request for a marina license at 518 Lakeside be denied.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Murphy, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

331. A recommendation from the Planning Commission regarding the vacation of Fernwood between Kingswood and Arlington was received.

331-A. Robberson-Gale. That the following resolution be adopted:

RESOLVED, that this Commission deems it advisable to consider a proposal to vacate, abolish and discontinue all that part of FERNWOOD DRIVE in the City of East Grand Rapids, Kent County, Michigan described as commencing on the North line of Fernwood Drive at the Southeast corner of Lot 36 Robinson Road Plat, East Grand Rapids, Kent County, Michigan, T7N, R11W, thence West along said North line 64.7 feet thence South 60 feet to the South line of Fernwood Drive at a point twenty feet West of the Northeast corner of Lot 38 said plat, thence East along said South line 165.55 feet, thence North 60 feet to the North line of Fernwood Drive to a point 100.85 feet East of the Southeast corner of Lot 36 said plat, thence West 100.85 feet 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 6th day of June, 1977, 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 FERNWOOD DRIVE 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 FERNWOOD DRIVE 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: Clary, Frost, Gale, Murphy, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

The Clerk was also instructed to mail notices to all owners of property adjacent to Arlington and Kingswood from Fernwood and Cascade Road.

332. A recommendation from the Planning Commission that Section 5.89 of Chapter 39, Zoning Ordinance for the City of East Grand Rapids be amended as it relates to fences was received. This item was referred to the Committee-of-the-Whole session for further discussion.

333. The City Manager and City Clerk submitted a letter recommending that the City purchase from Philips Business Systems a P-320 accounting-billing machine at a cost, including the equipment and programming of functions now performed on our NCR 400 machine, of \$19,314 and that the City enter into a maintenance contract in the amount of \$1,415 annually, and that these amounts be appropriated in the budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1977. Representatives from Burroughs and Philips were present to answer questions.

333-A. Remien-Gale. That this Commission concur in the staff's recommendation with the amounts of \$19,314 and \$1,415 to be included in the budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1977.

Yeas: Clary, Gale, Murpby, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: Frost - 1

334. A letter from Crosby & Henry regarding liability insurance for elected officials was received and referred to the Committee-of-the-Whole.

335. A letter was received from the Department of Natural Resources informing the Commission that the property located at Robinson Road Plat, Lots 32 and 33, has been re-deemed by the former owner and thus would not be available for acquisition by the City.

336. The March report of the Fire Department was received and filed.

337. The minutes of the Traffic Commission meeting held April 12, 1977, were received and filed. Included in these minutes was the installation of a "Yield" sign on Estelle Drive and Rosalind Road upon request of Walter Pawelka, a 12-year old Boy Scout at St. Stephen's Parish. It was recommended that a letter be sent to Walter Pawelka commending him for his interest in the safety of his community.

338. Mayor Stoppels announced that there will be a reception for new and retiring Commissioners after the May 9, 1977 Commission meeting.

339. Mayor Stoppels distributed a letter received from Patricia H. Edison, President of East Grand Rapids Board of Education, regarding declining enrollment. This letter was referred to a Committee-of-the-Whole session.

340. Remien-Frost. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$249,482.32, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$43,940.24, 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.

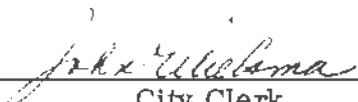
Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Murphy, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

341. Commissioner Gale reported that the Chamber of Commerce will hold a reception for the local Senators and Representatives of this area on May 6th, from 4 - 6 p.m. and invited all Commissioners to attend.

342. Commissioner Murphy suggested that consideration be given to setting up a Compensation Committee to determine compensation for the Commissioners. The City Attorney was directed to provide the Commission with more information on this matter. Commissioner Murphy commented on the high quality of the service by his colleagues on the Commission and by the staff during his two years as a Commissioner of the City and extended an invitation to all citizens to become involved in municipal government. Commissioner Robberson concurred in the statement of Commissioner Murphy.

343. There were 20 persons in attendance at this meeting.

344. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, until May 9, 1977.

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

Regular Meeting Held May 9, 1977

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

Present: Coms. Clary, Frost, Gale, Murphy, Remien, Robberson and Mayor Stoppels.  
Absent: None.

345. Mayor Stoppels presented Richard Szczepanek, an East Grand Rapids fireman, with a Certificate of Completion of an Advanced Training Course for Emergency Medical Technicians and complimented him for the effort in obtaining this certificate. The Mayor further stated that Mr. Szczepanek was unable to attend the graduation exercises, at which time he would have received the certificate, because he was fighting a fire in East Grand Rapids.

346. Remien-Frost. That the minutes of the meeting held April 25, 1977, be approved as written.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Murphy, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

347. The Commission, acting as the Board of Zoning Appeals, then took up the matter of the zoning variance request of William J. Krueer, et al, to permit construction of townhouses on property located at 537 Greenwood, which was the subject of a public hearing on March 28, 1977. A letter from Thomas J. Heiden, representing Mr. Krueer, et al, was received which stated that the architect had re-done the drawings to increase the setback of buildings and to provide better screening. He also reported that Williams & Works, Inc. had conducted a series of soil borings and the reports showed the 8 unit building can be located far enough to the north to save the large oak tree on the property. Mr. Robert Reid explained the architectural renderings which depicted the revised location of the buildings on the property and the location of the east edge of the parking area 16 feet from the easterly property line. Mr. David Soet, representing Mark Miller, objected to the granting of the variance on the grounds that no special condition exists on this land which would create a hardship to the propertyowner and that economic hardship should not be considered. He stated that low density should be maintained in this area to keep it in character with the rest of the neighborhood. He further stated that his client would not object to a two to four unit building. Mr. Peter Sears, Chairman of the Planning Commission, stated that the Planning Commission reviewed the plans and recommended the request of the petitioners be granted. Commissioner-elect Worfel expressed concern about the effect such a complex would have on the neighborhood and recommended denial of the request. Mr. William Hutchinson reaffirmed the recommendation of the Planning Commission and supported approval of the request. Commissioner Murphy stated that he recognized the need for multi-family rental property in the city, but that he believes that the number of units are excessive and the proposed project would be inconsistent with the single-family characteristic of the neighborhood. Commissioner Robberson also spoke against the variance request and said that he did not believe economic hardship could be justifiably argued and that the surrounding neighborhood may not be interested in maintaining their homes if the variance is granted.

347-A. Remien-Gale. That this Commission, acting as the Board of Zoning Appeals, adopts the following as its findings of fact and as its order:

This matter came on to be heard before the Board of Zoning Appeals of the City of East Grand Rapids, Michigan, pursuant to the provisions of Article XV of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of East Grand Rapids on March 21, 1977, at which time a public hearing was held on the request for zoning variance filed by William J. Krueer, Paul A. Ward and Arthur R. Potter, dated January 3, 1977.

A statement of behalf of the petitioners was made by Attorney Thomas Heiden. Letters relating to this matter were received from Ms. Pat Allen, Harry A. Vetvick and Attorney Walter B. Freihofer representing Dr. Elias as owner of adjoining property.

Mr. William Krueer, one of the applicants for the zoning variance, also made a statement in support of the application as did Mr. Art Potter and Mr. Robert Reid, the architect for the project. Statements were also received from the following named persons in opposition to the granting of the requested variance, viz.: Attorney Arthur Spaulding, Attorney John A. Waters, Mr. James Claus, Mrs. Jean DeVries and Mrs. Edwin A. Dalroot. The minutes of the March 21, 1977 meeting (item 283) are incorporated herein by reference.

#### FINDINGS OF FACT

Based on the testimony presented at the public hearing on this matter, this Board makes the following findings of fact:

1. The property in question is a parcel about 230' x 778' and is all zoned for single family residential use. However, the North 407' of the property is not suitable for use as zoned because of the topographic conditions, it being low and marshy and not suitable for use as building sites. Further, this property is bounded on the East along Greenwood by two commercial buildings, the Elias Professional Office Building and the Gilmore Office Building in what was formerly the Burleson Hospital and on the West by a tri-plex or duplex. The Board concludes that the foregoing constitute special circumstances peculiar to this parcel of land and not generally applicable to other lands in the same zone district as a result of which the property cannot reasonably be used consistent with the existing zoning and which circumstances require consideration of the request for zoning variance. The conditions above referred to are not in any respect the result of the action of the applicants or of their predecessors in title to the parcel of land in question.

2. Development of the property in accordance with the plan contained in the application for zoning variance would permit construction of 12 dwelling units and parking for 28 automobiles on the premises with landscaping as provided for in said plans. This Board concludes that the property, so developed, could be properly served by City sewers as well as by other necessary utilities. The automobiles of the occupants of the dwelling units and their guests would result in additional traffic on Greenwood and adjoining streets but it does not appear that the additional traffic resulting from these units would create a traffic flow any greater than that on other city streets which because of their greater length or their location along a more heavily traveled route presently carry substantially more traffic than Greenwood would carry with the addition of 12 dwelling units. Assuming a traffic movement with respect to each unit each hour will result in only one additional movement each five minutes and while it is acknowledged that during certain hours in early morning and late afternoon the traffic movements may well be concentrated in shorter time spans, even the addition of one movement for each unit in a ten or fifteen minute span, which it may be reasonable to anticipate, would not unreasonably tax the capacity of the street and in the opinion of this Board would not result in substantial detriment to the neighboring property. The development will be set back and well screened with trees and shrubbery. Existing trees will be retained where possible. This Board finds no reason to conclude that the construction of dwelling units of the quality which would be required under the application filed herein would devalue or otherwise result in substantial detriment to the neighboring property.

3. This Board further finds that inasmuch as the total parcel is zoned for residential purposes and its total area after deducting for a 66-foot street the full length of the parcel in question is equal to the lot area requirements for 6.56 A-3 lots and 13.16 A-2 lots, granting of the requested variance will not be contrary to the spirit and purpose of the City Zoning Ordinance.

#### CONCLUSION

Based on the above findings this Board grants the application for zoning variance and directs the issuance of the necessary building permit or permits in accordance with the plans filed herein, subject to the following Conditions of Approval which are imposed as authorized by S5.171 of the City's Zoning Ordinance.

CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

1. That prior to the issuance of a permit by the building inspector a Restrictive Agreement in the form presented to this Board, amended to provide in paragraph 2 that the City shall not be bound by any of the provisions of said Restrictive Agreement should the City acquire an interest in the property, be recorded with the Kent County Register of Deeds at the expense of the applicants for the variance. Approval by this Board shall be evidenced by the signature of the Mayor on the document.

2. That the trees of over 4 inches in diameter now on the premises be retained and protected against damage except for three trees which will have to be removed to make room for the planned improvements. That all existing planting on the East 16 feet of the South 264 feet of the premises be retained and protected against damage and that the surface level of said area not be lowered below the present level.

3. That prior to the occupancy of any of the dwelling units constructed under the variance a row of evergreens be planted along the East side of the wall of the carport shown in the plans heretofore submitted to this Board so as to effectively screen said carport from the property abutting it on the East.

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Remien, Stoppels - 5

Nays: Murphy, Robberson - 2

The motion carried.

348. Mayor Stoppels presented Commissioners Robberson and Murphy with civic service award plaques in recognition of their service as City Commissioners for the past four and two years respectively.

349. The City Clerk administered the oath of office to Commissioners Maxfield and Worfel, after which the Mayor welcomed them to the Commission.

350. The Mayor reported that on Mayor Exchange Day, May 16, East Grand Rapids will exchange mayors with the City of Grand Haven and invited those Commissioners who wish to participate in this function to let him know by 9 a. m., May 10th.

351. The City Manager reported that the Grand Rapids Transit Authority has requested permission to install two shelters in East Grand Rapids for bus users. The City Manager was directed to investigate alternative areas for these shelters and report back to this Commission at a later date.

352. The question of a re-study of current parking lot construction requirements in areas adjacent to the commercial district was referred to the Committee-of-the-Whole.

353. Minutes of the Planning Commission meeting held April 12, 1977, were received and filed.

354. Reports from the Fire Department and Police Department were received and filed.

355. The financial report for a 9-month period ended March 31, 1977, was received and filed.

356. The City Manager reported that the Recreation Director, Mr. William Rhodes, will be receiving his Masters Degree from Central Michigan University the first of next week.

356-A. Remien-Frost. That the City Commission commends Mr. William Rhodes for his accomplishment in completing the requirements for a Masters Degree from Central Michigan University and that the City Clerk furnish Mr. Rhodes with a copy of this resolution.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 7

Nays: 0

357. The City Manager submitted a statement which was received from the City Attorney in the amount of \$1,425 for legal fees related to three tax appeals pending before the State Tax Tribunal.

357-A. Remien-Maxfield. That authorization be given to pay the amount of \$1,425 to the Attorney for services rendered and that this amount be transferred from the Contingency Fund.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

358. Commissioner Frost stated that he is finding it tremendously time consuming to serve on the Resource Allocation Board and the Transit Authority and would like to receive some relief in this area. Mayor Stoppels stated that appointments will be made the first of July and requested the Commissioners submit names to him within the next three or four weeks of persons who would be interested in becoming a member of one of the boards and commissions of the City Commission.

359. Maxfield-Remien. That a resolution be prepared commending Officer Pullen of the East Grand Rapids Police Department for the award he received from the American National Red Cross Health and Safety Organization as it relates to strengthening school health and safety education programs.

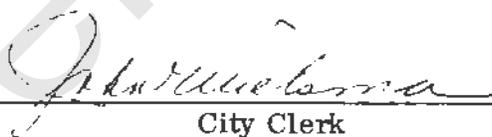
Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

360. Remien-Gale. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$102,323.04, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$55,226.28, 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, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

361. There were 23 residents in attendance at this meeting.

362. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, until May 23, 1977.

  
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City Clerk

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

Regular Meeting Held May 23, 1977

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

Present: Coms. Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien and Mayor Stoppels.  
Absent: Com. Worfel.

363. The minutes of the meeting held May 9, 1977, were approved as written.

364. Pursuant to public notice, a hearing was then held upon the request of Sarah J. Gleason, 1733 Pontiac Road SE, for a zoning variance to permit construction of a detached garage on the north and east lot line 8 feet from the residence. Mr. & Mrs. Gleason were present to discuss their plans and Mr. Donald Fritz, architect representing the Gleasons, was also present and distributed plans for this proposed project to the Commissioners. Mr. & Mrs. Bryson F. Hoff, 1745 Pontiac Road, raised an objection to the garage being located on the property line and said that they preferred that it be located 3 feet from the easterly lot line.

364-A. Clary-Gale. That this Commission, acting as the Board of Zoning Appeals, adjourn this hearing for two weeks to permit the petitioner and the neighbors to work out a compromise.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

365. The Mayor reported on sample ordinances received from the Michigan Municipal League relative to a Local Officers' Compensation Commission. Several Commissioners spoke against establishing a Compensation Commission. Commissioner Clary spoke in favor of establishing such a commission. After discussion, it was decided to defer this issue.

366. The City Clerk-Controller submitted a listing of delinquent water bills, special assessment bills and a weed cutting bill to be reassessed on the 1977 City Tax Roll.

366-A. Remien-Maxfield. That the delinquent bills as reported by the Controller be reassessed on the 1977 City Tax Roll as follows:

		<u>Am't of Bill</u>	<u>10% Penalty</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>LEDGER A</u>				
1664 Alexander	41-14-33-352-003	\$ 165.65	\$ 16.57	\$ 182.22
519 Briarwood	41-14-33-103-036	179.93	18.00	197.93
426 Cambridge	41-14-33-105-004	459.15	45.92	505.07
627 Gladstone	41-14-33-151-006	176.35	17.64	193.99
656 Gladstone	41-14-33-152-013	115.64	11.56	127.20
802 Gladstone	41-14-33-302-001	148.74	14.87	163.61
2856 Lake Dr.	41-18-03-201-009	126.66	12.67	139.33
429 Rosewood	41-14-33-102-017	349.93	34.99	384.92
616 Rosewood	41-14-33-154-004	395.13	39.51	434.64
1010 San Juan	41-14-33-452-001	100.00	10.00	110.00
1608 Sherman	41-14-33-151-002	288.73	28.87	317.60
2053 Wealthy	41-14-33-203-027	248.77	24.88	273.65
2143 Wealthy	41-14-33-276-016	313.19	31.32	344.51
2168 Wealthy	41-14-33-253-003	<u>51.98</u>	<u>5.20</u>	<u>57.18</u>
TOTAL LEDGER A		\$ 3,119.85	\$ 312.00	\$ 3,431.85

		<u>Am't. of Bill</u>	<u>10% Penalty</u>	<u>Total</u>	
<u>LEDGER B</u>					
2204	Argentina	41-14-33-455-013	\$ 258.08	\$ 25.81	\$ 283.89
937	Breton	41-14-33-430-015	75.35	7.54	82.89
1761	Breton	41-18-04-434-020	169.56	16.96	186.52
1064	Kenesaw	41-14-34-355-005	84.24	8.42	92.66
1535	Lake Grove	41-18-03-154-018	154.53	15.45	169.98
1545	Ridgewood	41-18-03-258-014	170.63	17.06	187.69
1318	Woodcliff	41-18-03-226-008	68.18	6.82	75.00
3061	Woodcliff	41-14-34-476-012	<u>156.62</u>	<u>15.66</u>	<u>172.28</u>
TOTAL LEDGER B			\$ 1,137.19	\$ 113.72	\$ 1,250.91

<u>LEDGER C</u>					
2145	Anderson	41-18-04-204-010	\$ 69.45	\$ 6.95	\$ 76.40
2054	Anderson	41-18-04-202-003	325.77	32.56	358.33
1707	Asbury	41-18-04-428-010	101.17	10.12	111.29
2223	Audobon	41-18-04-277-018	60.20	6.02	66.22
2056	Englewood	41-18-04-406-027	142.11	14.21	156.32
2206	Englewood	41-18-04-405-009	58.68	5.87	64.55
2249	Estelle	41-18-04-276-023	68.42	6.84	75.26
2065	Hall	41-14-33-459-014	242.88	24.29	267.17
1416	Laurel	41-18-04-254-004	<u>162.85</u>	<u>16.29</u>	<u>179.14</u>
TOTAL LEDGER C			\$ 1,231.53	\$ 123.15	\$ 1,354.68

TOTAL LEDGER A	\$ 3,119.85	\$ 312.00	\$ 3,431.85
TOTAL LEDGER B	1,137.19	113.72	1,250.91
TOTAL LEDGER C	<u>1,231.53</u>	<u>123.15</u>	<u>1,354.68</u>
GRAND TOTAL	\$ 5,488.57	\$ 548.87	\$ 6,037.44

<u>SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS</u>				
	<u>Am't. of Install.</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>10% Penalty</u>	<u>Total</u>
1971 Woodcliff Impr. (6th Install)				
3027 Lake Dr. (18-03-206-020)	\$ <u>141.69</u>	\$ <u>51.01</u>	\$ <u>19.27</u>	\$ <u>211.97</u>
Total	\$ 141.69	\$ 51.01	\$ 19.27	\$ 211.97
1970 Edgewood, Ridgewood, Maplewood Impr.				
1545 Ridgewood (18-03-258-014)	\$ 83.37	\$ 25.01	\$ 10.84	\$ 119.22
1453 Woodcliff (18-03-255-013)	<u>93.89</u>	<u>28.16</u>	<u>12.21</u>	<u>134.26</u>
Total	\$ 177.26	\$ 53.17	\$ 23.05	\$ 253.48
1969 Sherwood Impr. (8th Install)				
1526 Sherwood Dr. (18-03-258-004)	\$ <u>87.90</u>	\$ <u>21.10</u>	\$ <u>10.90</u>	\$ <u>119.90</u>
Total	\$ 87.90	\$ 21.10	\$ 10.90	\$ 119.90
1968 Audobon Impr. (9th Install)				
2223 Audobon (18-04-277-018)	\$ 46.64	\$ 8.40	\$ .55	\$ 55.59
2247 Audobon (18-04-277-023)	<u>46.64</u>	<u>8.40</u>	<u>.55</u>	<u>55.59</u>
Total	\$ 93.28	\$ 16.80	\$ 1.10	\$ 111.18

	<u>Am't of Install</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>10% Penalty</u>	<u>Total</u>
1968 Lakeside Impr. (9th Install)				
1133 Lakeside (14-33-480-016)	\$ 37.94	\$ 6.83	\$ .45	\$ 45.22
1119 Lakeside (14-33-480-013)	<u>37.94</u>	<u>6.83</u>	<u>.45</u>	<u>45.22</u>
Total	\$ 75.88	\$ 13.66	\$ .90	\$ 90.44
1967 Fisk Impr. (10 Install)				
1064 Gladstone (14-33-354-001)	\$ <u>92.29</u>	\$ <u>11.08</u>	\$ <u>10.34</u>	\$ <u>113.71</u>
Total	\$ 92.29	\$ 11.08	\$ 10.34	\$ 113.71
TOTAL 1971 Special Assessments	\$ 141.69	\$ 51.01	\$ 19.27	\$ 211.97
TOTAL 1970 Special Assessments	177.26	53.17	23.05	253.48
TOTAL 1969 Special Assessments	87.90	21.10	10.90	119.90
TOTAL 1968 Special Assessments	169.16	30.46	2.00	201.62
TOTAL 1967 Special Assessments	<u>92.29</u>	<u>11.08</u>	<u>10.34</u>	<u>113.71</u>
	\$ 668.30	\$ 166.82	\$ 65.56	\$ 900.68
<u>WEED CUTTING BILL</u>	<u>Am't.</u>	<u>10% Penalty</u>	<u>Total</u>	
1116 Idema (14-34-477-008)	\$ <u>112.45</u>	\$ <u>11.25</u>	\$ <u>123.70</u>	
Total	\$ 112.45	\$ 11.25	\$ 123.70	

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Maxfield, Remien, Stoppels - 5  
Nays: Gale - 1

367. The City Manager informed the Commission that a request may be submitted for a variance to permit living quarters to be attached to Rose's Popcorn Shop and he stated that the owner would like to know the attitude of the Commission toward such a request. It was decided that this Commission cannot make anticipatory decisions and that it will consider the request when it is formally presented.

368. The City Manager discussed possible revisions of the requirements for parking within a residential district adjacent to a commercial area. It was decided that this matter requires further study and that it be referred to the Committee-of-the-Whole.

369. The City Manager reported that Mr. Kruer would like to know the intent of the City Commission as it relates to the deed to the City of the northerly portion of his Greenwood property.

369-A. Maxfield-Gale. That the City accept a deed to the northerly portion of the Kruer, et al, property.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

370. The City Manager requested a fireworks display permit for the 4th of July.

370-A. Remien-Clary. That the permit for fireworks display for the 4th of July be approved.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Remien, Stoppels - 5  
Nays: Maxfield - 1

371. The Mayor reported that he has been informed that the East Grand Rapids Merchants Association would not be in a position to pay for the band concert for the 4th of July. The cost to the City would be \$200 for the band. The City Manager reported that amplification equipment would cost \$900, which equipment could be used not only for the 4th of July band concert, but also for other City and School activities.

371-A. Clary-Gale. That the City Manager be authorized to purchase amplification equipment for an amount not to exceed \$900, providing that the School is willing to pay 50% of the cost and that an amount of \$200 be allocated to provide a band concert for this year for the 4th of July function.

371-B. Clary-Stoppels. That the above motion be amended to read that the City Manager be authorized to purchase sound equipment for an amount not to exceed \$900 and that the School be asked to participate to the extent of 50% of this cost, and that \$200 be allocated to the support of the band concert for this year.

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: Clary, Maxfield, Remien, Stoppels - 4

Nays: Frost, Gale - 2

The motion carried.

A roll call vote was taken on the motion as amended:

Yeas: Clary, Maxfield, Remien, Stoppels - 4

Nays: Frost, Gale - 2

The motion carried.

372. The City Manager requested authorization to issue a purchase order in the amount of \$1,120 for the purpose of obtaining an 18 ft. double door to replace two 9 ft. doors at the Fire Department equipment garage to permit better access to the E-Unit.

372-A. Remien-Maxfield. That the City Manager be authorized to issue a purchase order for two 9 ft. doors in the amount of \$1,120 to McKee Overhead Door Company and that this amount be transferred from the Contingency Fund to the Building Capital Account.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

373. The City Manager reported that he will have the budget for the fiscal year 1977/78 completed for the Commissioners' review by the middle of this week. Mayor Stoppels set the following dates for Committee-of-the-Whole sessions for the purpose of reviewing the City Manager's budget:

June 7 - 7:30 p.m. - East Grand Rapids City Hall

June 13 - 7:30 p.m. - East Grand Rapids City Hall

374. Copies of the Agreement between the City of East Grand Rapids and the Public Service Department Employees' Chapter of the Local 1645, Council #11, American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, AFL-CIO were reviewed by the Commission.

374-A. Clary-Remien. That this Commission ratify the Agreement with the provision that Section 18.1, Pensions, second paragraph, 7th line and 3rd word be changed from "obtain" to "explore".

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

375. The minutes of the Federal Revenue Sharing hearing held May 18, 1977, were received and filed.

376. A letter from Richard Szczepanek, East Grand Rapids fireman, thanking the Commission for the recognition given him at the prior Commission meeting was received and filed.

377. The Mayor reported that he had an enjoyable time in Grand Haven during Mayor Exchange Day and found the experience very worthwhile.

378. Gale-Remien. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$42,812.00, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$42,213.16, 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, Maxfield, Remien, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

379. Commissioner Frost inquired about the progress of the Gilmore project.

379-A. Clary-Frost. RESOLVED, that the City Manager be directed to place on the agenda for the regular meeting of June 6, consideration of the revocation of the agreement dated November 25, 1974, between the City of East Grand Rapids and John Gilmore relative to property owned by Mr. Gilmore south of the Reeds-Fisk Lake Channel, east of Lakeside Drive and west of Reeds Lake and, further, that the City Manager be directed to advise Mr. Gilmore of this motion and to request that Mr. Gilmore will attend the meeting of June 6th to discuss this matter.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

380. There were 6 residents in attendance at this meeting.

381. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, until June 6, 1977.

  
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City Clerk

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

Regular Meeting Held June 6, 1977

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

Present: Coms. Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien and Mayor Stoppels.

Absent: Com. Worfel.

382. The minutes of the meeting held May 23, 1977, were approved as written.

383. The adjourned hearing regarding the request of Sarah J. Gleason, 1733 Pontiac Road SE, for a zoning variance to permit construction of a detached garage on the north and east lot line 8 feet from the residence was adjourned to June 20, 1977.

384. Commissioner Clary inquired as to consideration of the revocation of the Gilmore agreement. The Mayor stated that this matter will be discussed later in the meeting when Mr. Gilmore arrives.

385. Pursuant to public notice, a hearing was then held upon the zoning variance request of Robert P. Reynhout, 2830 Cascade Road SE, to construct an attached garage 5 feet from his east lot line. Mr. Reynhout was present to discuss the need. There were no objections received.

385-A. Clary-Remien. That this Commission, acting as the Board of Zoning Appeals, grant the variance as requested by Mr. Reynhout.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

386. Pursuant to published notice, a hearing was held on the proposed vacation of Fernwood between Arlington and Kingswood. There were no objections.

386-A.

BY COMMISSIONERS REMIEN-MAYOR STOPPELS:

WHEREAS a majority of the owners of land and premises abutting on FERNWOOD DRIVE from Arlington Road to Kingswood (formerly Elmwood Road as platted) located in the City of East Grand Rapids, Michigan, have petitioned for the vacation of that portion of FERNWOOD DRIVE described below; and

WHEREAS this Commission at a regular meeting of said Commission held in said City on the 6th day of June, 1977, has held a public hearing and has determined that it is advisable to vacate that part of Fernwood Drive; and

WHEREAS in the opinion of this Commission the vacating, closing, discontinuing and abolishing of said portion of Fernwood 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 street;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Commission of the City of East Grand Rapids, Michigan, that the portion of Fernwood Drive from Arlington Road to Kingswood Road (formerly Elmwood Road as platted) described as:

Commencing on the North line of Fernwood Drive at the Southeast corner of Lot 36 Robinson Road Plat, East Grand Rapids, Kent County, Michigan, T7N, R11W, thence West along said North line 64.7 feet thence South 60 feet to the South line of Fernwood Drive at a point twenty feet West of the Northeast corner of Lot 38 said plat, thence East along said South line 165.55 feet, thence North 60 feet to the North line of Fernwood Drive to a point 100.85 feet East of the Southeast corner of Lot 36 said plat, thence West 100.85 feet to beginning, 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 parcels 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.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

387. Consideration of the establishment of a Local Officers Compensation Commission was deferred to a later date.

Mayor Stoppels turned the meeting over to Commission President Remien to chair the following item and excused himself from the meeting at this time.

388. A request for a marina license at 518 Lakeside Drive by Mr. & Mrs. Jack Runnels was discussed. Mr. & Mrs. Runnels were present to describe their plans. The City Attorney questioned whether this request relates to an existing non-conforming use and advised the Commission that if it does not a zoning variance would be necessary.

388-A. Clary-Maxfield. That this request be tabled until June 20, 1977.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien - 5  
Nays: 0

The Mayor then resumed the chair and continued the meeting.

389. A redraft of the Restrictive Agreement regarding the Kruer, et al, property was received.

389-A. Gale-Remien. That the Restrictive Agreement as presented (item 389) be approved as submitted.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

390. A proposed deed for 547 Greenwood was received which conveys the northerly portion of said lot to the City of East Grand Rapids.

390-A. Gale-Remien. That the deed be accepted in the form submitted.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

391. A letter from Thomas Robberson regarding the Grand Rapids water rates was received for information.

392. Reports for the month of May from the Fire Department and Police Department were received and filed.

393. Financial reports for a 10-month period ended April 30, 1977, of the General and Water Funds were received and filed.

394. Commissioner Gale inquired about the reporting system which relates to dog bites treated at Blodgett Hospital. This matter will be investigated by the Police Department for report at the June 20th meeting.

395. A list of members appointed to the various boards and commissions of the City Commission was distributed to the Commissioners by the Mayor who requested them to submit suggestions of persons whom they would like to replace those who will be retiring July 1, 1977.

396. Gale-Remien. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$461,989.15, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$42,468.25, 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, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

397. Commissioner Gale questioned the adequacy of current water safety patrol on Reeds Lake. The City Manager estimated that it would cost approximately \$7,000 to add significantly to the lake patrol force. No action was taken at this time.

398. The Mayor requested the Cadence reporter to remind citizens to place their grass clippings in containers.

399. Mayor Stoppels - Remien. That this Commission go into closed session for the purpose of discussing the Gilmore agreement.

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: Clary, Remien, Stoppels - 3  
Nays: Frost, Gale, Maxfield - 3

The motion failed.

A recess was then taken.

400. The Mayor called the meeting to order to discuss the Gilmore project. Mr. Gilmore was present to discuss with the Commission the time frame he anticipates for the starting of construction on his project. Mr. Gilmore was unable to give a direct answer to this inquiry at this time, but said that he should be able to within 30 days.

400-A. Clary-Frost. That this Commission adjourn the discussion on this matter until July 11, 1977.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

401. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, until June 20, 1977.

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City Clerk

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

Regular Meeting Held June 20, 1977

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

Present: Coms. Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel and Mayor Stoppels.  
Absent: None.

402. Remien-Maxfield. That the minutes of the meeting held June 6, 1977, be approved as written.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

403. The adjourned hearing regarding the request of Mr. & Mrs. Gleason, 1733 Pontiac Road SE, for a zoning variance to permit construction of a garage on the north and east lot lines, 8 ft. from the residence, was continued. Mr. Gleason was present and stated that he was unable to work out a compromise with his neighbor, Mr. Bryson Hoff, 1745 Pontiac Road. Mr. Hoff was present and expressed his request that the garage be located three feet from the easterly lot line. Mr. Gleason stated that his neighbor, Mr. Massey, whose yard abuts his rear lot line had no objection of the garage being located within one foot of the rear lot line.

403-A. Clary-Remien. That this Commission, acting as the Board of Zoning Appeals, deny the zoning variance request as it relates to the easterly property line.

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: Clary, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 4  
Nays: Frost, Gale, Maxfield - 3

403-B. Worfel-Frost. That this Commission, acting as the Board of Zoning Appeals, grant the request to construct the garage one foot from the rear lot line.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

Mayor Stoppels turned the meeting over to Commission President Remien to chair the following item and excused himself from the meeting at this time.

404. The request for a marina license at 518 Lakeside Drive by Mr. & Mrs. Jack Runnels was again discussed. Mr. & Mrs. Runnels were present to describe their plan. Letters from the City Attorney and City Manager were received for information. Commissioner Remien stated that the Planning Commission has recommended that the marina license request be denied.

404-A. Gale-Maxfield. That this Commission approve the issuance of a license for operation of a marina for 24 boats at 518 Lakeside under rules as submitted with the request.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien - 5  
Nays: 0  
Commissioner Worfel abstained.

The Mayor then resumed the chair and continued with the meeting.

405. Mr. Donald Pengelly, 1766 Breton Road SE, was present to discuss with the Commission the construction of the fence by Breton Village on its property in East Grand Rapids, directly north of the Shopping Center. Mr. Pengelly also objected to the trash and litter which comes from the Shopping Center and the Texaco Station and suggested a trash container be placed in the vicinity of the Texaco Station. The City Manager and City Attorney were directed to investigate the height of the fence and the litter as it relates to existing ordinances.

406. There were six skateboarders who use Manhattan Road as their skateboard course present to discuss the possibility of placing signs to alert motorists of the fact that they are using this area. They also requested that for special events the road be blocked off for a period of time, plus they had several other suggestions. They were asked to discuss their ideas with Mr. Rhodes, the Recreation Director.

407. A letter was received from Old Kent Bank & Trust Company requesting that they be designated as the principal depository for the funds of the City of East Grand Rapids for the City's fiscal year beginning July 1, 1977.

407-A. Clary-Remien. That Old Kent Bank be named as principal depository for the funds of the City of East Grand Rapids for the fiscal year indicated above.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

408. The establishment of a Municipal Officers' Compensation Commission was discussed.

408-A. Worfel-Clary. That the City Attorney prepare a proposed ordinance establishing the Compensation Commission for consideration.

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: Clary, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 4  
Nays: Frost, Gale, Maxfield - 3

The motion carried.

409. A proposed resolution approving application for Community Development Funds was received.

409-A. Gale-Frost. That the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS the City of East Grand Rapids is eligible for a Community Development Block Grant pursuant to applicable Federal statutes and regulations, including pertinent regulations promulgated by the Department of Housing and Urban Development, and

WHEREAS this Commission has reviewed an Application for Federal Assistance relative to such Grant and has held two public hearings to obtain the views of citizens on the community development and housing needs of this City;

RESOLVED that this City Commission authorizes the filing of the Application for Federal Assistance as presented to and reviewed by this Commission, including all understandings and assurances contained therein, and that the City Manager is directed and designated as the authorized representative of the City in connection with such Application and to provide such additional information as may be required.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

410. A Resolution of Intend regarding a proposed Waste Water Collection Facilities Plan was received.

410-A. Clary-Gale. That the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, the City of East Grand Rapids by its authority vested under the laws of the State of Michigan, has the necessary legal, financial and institutional capabilities to construct, operate, and maintain wastewater disposal and treatment systems or, where advisable, to contract for provision of the needed services from established municipal entities; and

WHEREAS, the recently completed facility planning report, prepared in accordance with the Final Construction Grant Regulations, 40 CFR, Part 35, Subpart E, dated February 11, 1974, recommends a Sewer System Evaluation Survey with subsequent rehabilitation for the existing wastewater collection system, and the replacement of unreliable wastewater transportation facilities to enable the City to satisfy State and Federal water quality requirements:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of East Grand Rapids hereby indicates its concurrence with the proposed recommended facilities in the referenced planning report and its intent to construct, operate, and maintain such proposed facilities in accordance with State and Federal Requirements, if said facilities are approved and funded by the State and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 7

Nays: 0

411. A schedule of meetings of the City Commission for the next fiscal year 1977/78 was submitted:

411-A. Remien-Worfel. That the following schedule of meetings of the City Commission be adopted:

July 11 and 25  
 August 8 and 22  
 September 12 and 26  
 October 10 and 24  
 November 7 and 21  
 December 5 and 19  
 January 9 and 23  
 February 6 and 20  
 March 6 and 20  
 April 3 and 17  
 May 8 and 22  
 June 5, 19 and 26

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 7

Nays: 0

412. A request for a fireworks display permit was received from Keith R. Beaver, 539 Manhattan Road SE.

412-A. Remien-Maxfield. That the request for a permit for fireworks display to be used on the 4th of July be approved.

Yeas: Clary, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

Commissioner Frost abstained.

413. The minutes of the Traffic Commission meeting held June 14, 1977, were received and filed.

414. The Fire Chief submitted a report of building permits issued for the month of May, 1977, which was received and filed.

415. The circulation report from the East Grand Rapids Library for the month of May was received and filed.

416. Gale-Remien. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$37,434.51, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$51,925.77, 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, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 7

Nays: 0

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

Special Meeting Held June 27, 1977

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

Present: Coms. Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel and Mayor Stoppels.  
Absent: None.

419. 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 1977-1978. There were two residents in attendance at this meeting with whom the Commission discussed various items of the budget;

419-A. Remien-Clary. RESOLVED that the following budget be adopted as the annual budget of the City of East Grand Rapids for the fiscal year July 1, 1977 to June 30, 1978:

ANTICIPATED REVENUES:

City Taxes	\$ 1,622,600
Licenses & Permits	2,600
Fines & Fees	23,000
Distribution from Other Agenc.	545,000
From Use of Money & Property	30,000
Charges for Current Services	<u>438,800</u>
Total Anticipated Revenues	\$2,662,000

EXPENSE APPROPRIATIONS:

General Government	\$ 367,150
Public Safety	718,350
Public Service	759,800
Contributions & Aid	198,100
Other Operating Expenses	<u>371,150</u>
Sub-Total Operating Approp.	\$ 2,413,550
Capital Expenditure Approp.	<u>248,450</u>
Total Expense Approp.	\$ 2,662,000

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 of 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 \$2,662,000 and the tax rate per \$1,000 valuation is hereby determined to be 20.4 mills, which tax rate includes .4 mills for garbage collection.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the City levy a sewage charge of \$.90 per 1,000 gallons of water consumed during the winter quarter and that this charge be included in the water bill of the customer.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

420. The City Manager reported on bids which were received for our risk management package. Of the 11 companies requesting an invitation for bid, we received one bid from Crosby & Henry, Inc., bidding our current company of Home Insurance Company which covers property and liability package in the amount of \$19,970.00, and Workmen's Compensation with the Netherlands Insurance Company in the amount of \$22,155.00. He recommended

that we renew our insurance package with the current carriers in the above stated amounts.

420-A. Clary-Remien. That the City Manager be authorized to renew the property and liability package with Home Insurance Company in the amount of \$19,970.00 and the Workmen's Compensation package with Netherlands Insurance Company in the amount of \$22,155.00.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

421. The City Manager reported that it is staff recommendation that we do not pursue the use of C. E. T. A. funds to employ personnel to conduct the reappraisal program in the City of East Grand Rapids for the following reasons:

1. We cannot qualify the categories of people we want.
2. Availability of people qualified under Title VI is limited.
3. We have received negative citizen reaction to the use of C. E. T. A. employees.
4. Because of the time it takes to hire Title VI C. E. T. A. employees, our program would not get under way until late August.
5. The quantity of additional record keeping and reporting required is excessive.

He also submitted a budget estimate of the reappraisal program which totaled \$36,200.00, which was received for information.

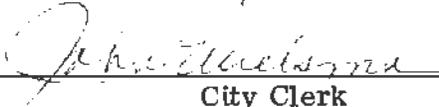
422. The City Manager reported that he had received notification from Mr. Robert Robillard, Jr., that he is to represent the East Grand Rapids Lodge of the Fraternal Order of Police as delegate on the Act 312 arbitration panel. The City Manager recommended that the City Commission appoint Mr. Jack R. Clary as the City's delegate on the arbitration panel.

422-A. Remien-Worfel. That Mr. Jack R. Clary be appointed as the City's delegate to the arbitration panel.

Yeas: Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0  
Commissioner Clary abstained.

423. The City Manager reported on the memorandum he received from the Recreation Director regarding skateboarding on Manhattan Road and stated that the Recreation Department is looking into the possibility of establishing two or three different events, but that it is not recommended that Manhattan Road be used for a skateboarding course because of the necessity for frequent total closure of the road. The City Manager was directed to write a letter to the skateboarding group notifying them of the unsuitability of Manhattan Road as a skateboard course and that the Recreation Department is looking into the possibility of holding one or more special events. The possibility of utilizing the sliding hill on the Manhattan property was also discussed.

424. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, until July 11, 1977.

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

Regular Meeting Held July 11, 1977

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

Present: Coms. Frost, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel and Mayor Stoppels.

Absent: Coms. Clary and Gale.

1. The minutes of the regular meeting held June 20, 1977, were approved as written.

2. The minutes of the special meeting held June 27, 1977 were approved as written.

3. Mr. Herb Boshoven, representing Old Kent Bank & Trust Company, was present to thank the Commissioners for designating the bank as the principal depository of the City funds for the 1977-78 fiscal year.

4. Mr. John Gilmore was present to report on the Reeds Lake Place Project construction schedule. He stated that a mortgage commitment had been signed by him on July 7th, that he expects to receive it between July 28th and August 6th and, that the project will begin on or before October 1, 1977. He will be submitting a variance request well before this date so that a building permit can be issued, a variance granted, and proscribed property deeded to the City. He further stated that the anticipated completion would be 14 months from the starting date.

5. There were five skateboarders present to inquire about the establishment of a skateboard course in the Manhattan area. The City Manager submitted a memorandum which reported on a meeting held by the Joint City-School Recreational Facilities Committee on Thursday, July 7th. The action of this committee was to recommend to the City Commission and the School Board that no further consideration be given to the construction of a skateboard course at Manhattan School. The Mayor thanked the five skateboarders for coming and showing interest in pursuing this project.

6. The City Engineer submitted a report on bids which were received for concrete curb reconstruction at various locations throughout the city. He recommended that the low bid of Grand Rapids Concrete Construction Company, in the amount of \$22,819.50, be approved and a contract issued.

6-A. Remien-Worfel. That the contract for the curb repairs throughout the city be awarded to Grand Rapids Concrete Construction Company in the amount of \$22,819.50.

Yeas: Frost, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 5

Nays: 0

7. The City Manager reported on a letter and resolution he had received amending the Interlocal Agreement with the Grand Rapids Transit Authority.

7-A. Frost-Remien. That the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, the City Commission authorized execution of an Agreement to establish a Grand Rapids Area Transit Authority on June 7, 1976 in Proceeding 396A, and

WHEREAS, the City Commission authorized execution of an Amendment to the Agreement on October 11, 1976 in Proceeding 103A, and

WHEREAS, certain changes in the Agreement have been made at the request of the Attorney General on behalf of the Governor which changes along with the Amendment have been incorporated into the Agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the attached Inter-Local Agreement to Establish the Grand Rapids Area Transit Authority be approved and that the Mayor be and is hereby authorized to execute the same for and on behalf of the City of East Grand Rapids.

Yeas: Frost, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 5  
Nays: 0

8. The City Manager reported that the City was notified on July 6th, that it has received a grant in the amount of \$903,452.00 from the United States Environmental Protection Agency to assist in development of a program to improve the water quality of Reeds and Fisk Lakes. The program includes storm water diversion, storm water treatment, continued development planning through the watershed, and an intensive public education program on control of nutrient sources. He recommended that the City Commission accept the EPA grant. Mr. Paul Steketee was present and objected to the City's accepting the grant. Mrs. Barbara Hoag expressed an interest in reviewing the lake restoration program which was submitted along with the application to EPA.

8-A. Mayor Stoppels-Remien. That this Commission accept the EPA grant and that the City Manager be authorized to sign the grant agreement on behalf of the City of East Grand Rapids.

Yeas: Frost, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 5  
Nays: 0

9. The City Manager requested authorization to issue a purchase order to Leupold & Stevens, Inc. in the amount of \$3,102.75, for the purpose of purchasing seven continuous water flow recorders for use in recording flows at storm water outlets to Reeds Lake and in the sanitary sewer evaluation study.

9-A. Maxfield-Worfel. That the City Manager be authorized to issue a purchase order as requested in the amount of \$3,102.75, and that this amount be transferred from the Contingency Fund to the Lake Restoration Fund.

Yeas: Frost, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 5  
Nays: 0

10. An invoice was received from Anne Frahm & Associates in the amount of \$1,360 for the purpose of preparing the East Grand Rapids Budget Report for 1977-78 which was inserted in the Cadence. Along with this statement was a letter received from Susan Lovell and Mary Abbott Cumming expressing disappointment in not getting the business of creating the budget summary. After much discussion, including the possibility of the City Manager submitting his budget to the Commission on May 1st instead of June 1st, to provide more time for the Commissioners to review the budget, it was then moved by Commissioner Remien and supported by Commissioner Worfel that the statement be accepted and the amount of \$1,360 be paid to Anne Frahm & Associates for the work done on the 1977-78 budget report.

Yeas: Frost, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 5  
Nays: 0

11. A notice was received from the Michigan Municipal League regarding the annual meeting which will be held in Grand Rapids on September 28 - 30, 1977, and requesting that each municipality designate a delegate and an alternate to represent the city at the annual business meeting. The Mayor directed this to be carried over to a later meeting.

12. The City Manager informed the Commission that a request has been submitted for a variance relative to the transfer from Dr. Clifford Nelson to Dr. & Mrs. William Easley of the business operated at 469 Greenwood SE. This item will be noticed for hearing at the next meeting.

13. The Mayor submitted the following list of recommended appointments for the 1977-78 fiscal year:

PRESIDENT OF COMMISSION & VICE-CHAIRMAN BOARD OF APPEALS CITY MANAGER CITY CLERK, CONTROLLER, TREASURER, ASS'T MANAGER CITY ATTORNEY ASSESSOR-BUILDING INSPECTOR ASSISTANT INSPECTORS	Herbert Remien Frederic H. Tholen, Jr.  John Wielsma Robert W. Richardson Shirley Norman Sydney D. Shank William Newberry Farrell Babcock John F. Terpstra Dr. Douglas A. Mack Charles Harrett John DeBoer Richard Kruiuzenga	
CHIEF OF POLICE FIRE CHIEF HEALTH OFFICER HARBOR MASTER ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR FORRESTER		
<u>WAYS &amp; MEANS COMMITTEE</u> Jack Clary, Chm. Ralph Maxfield C. Christopher Worfel	<u>BOARD OF REVIEW</u> Shirley Norman, Chwmn. Sydney D. Shank William Newberry Ralph Maxfield C. Christopher Worfel	
<u>FIRE &amp; POLICE</u> C. Christopher Worfel, Chm. Jack Frost J. R. Clary		<u>Term Expires</u>
<u>STREETS, SIDEWALKS, TREES</u> H. C. Remien Ralph Maxfield J. R. Clary	<u>PLANNING COMMISSION</u> William Henry William S. Bennett Patricia Edison Kenneth Ellis John Waters Ralph Maxfield Peter M. Sears Valerie Nelson (Mrs. Willis) Alan VanderMeer Board of Education	7/1/78 7/1/80 7/1/80 7/1/80 7/1/78 7/1/78 7/1/79 7/1/79 7/1/79
<u>RECREATION &amp; PARKS</u> George Gale, Chm. J. R. Clary Ralph Maxfield		ex-officio " "
<u>UTILITIES COMMITTEE</u> Jack Frost, Chm. Ralph Maxfield C. Christopher Worfel	The Mayor The Manager	
<u>ORDINANCE COMMITTEE</u> J. R. Clary, Chm. Jack Frost H. C. Remien	<u>TRAFFIC COMMISSION</u> Harold Child Lois Moseley Carl Fleetwood Wallace Rickard Police Chief The Manager Herbert Remien	7/1/78 7/1/78 7/1/78 7/1/78 7/1/78 7/1/78 7/1/78
<u>LIBRARY COMMISSION</u> Myrtle Starr Mary Dutcher (Mrs. David) C. Christopher Worfel Nancy Buskirk (Mrs. Thomas) Patrick McCarthy	<u>EAST BELTLINE BOARD OF DIRECTORS</u> Ingwar W. Samuelson (Business) Jack Steketee (Citizen) F. H. Tholen (Gov't)	1/178 7/1/80 1/1/79

LIBRARY COMMISSION (Con't.)

Donald Pengelly  
Deanne Carr (Mrs. Gordon)  
Louise Uhl (Mrs. John)

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

David M. Amberg  
Mrs. Herbert R. Boshoven  
Douglas W. Hillman  
Merle Johnson

AGRAG REPRESENTATIVES

Mayor Stoppels

RECREATION COMMISSION

	<u>Term Expires</u>
Paul Seibold	7/1/80
Nancy Harper (Mrs. James H.)	7/1/80
George Gale	7/1/79
3 Board of Education Appointees	
Katherine McAleenan	7/1/79
Jane Goodspeed	7/1/80
Joseph Parini	7/1/78

GRETS POLICY COMMITTEE

C. Christopher Worfel

GRETS TECHNICAL COMMITTEE

F. H. Tholen

GRETS CITIZENS ADVISORY

Wallace Rickard

HOUSING BOARD OF APPEALS

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

COMMUNITY ACTION PROGRAM

Robert P. Cooper

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

C. Christopher Worfel

JOINT CITY-SCHOOL RECREATIONAL FACILITIES COMMITTEE

City Appointees  
    George Gale  
    Jack Clary  
    Mayor Stoppels  
School Board Appointees  
    Dr. James T. Maher  
    Wallson G. Knack  
    Rudyard C. Abbott

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL ON THE AGING

Rev. F. VanderStoep

GRAND RAPIDS TRANSIT AUTHORITY

Jack Frost

BUILDING AUTHORITY

Fred H. Tholen  
John Wielsma  
Robert Richardson

13-A. Maxfield-Frost. That the list of appointments as submitted by the Mayor be approved with the exception that Ralph Maxfield be replaced by George Gale on the Ways & Means Committee.

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: Frost, Maxfield, Worfel - 3  
Nays: Remien, Stoppels - 2

The motion carried.

13-B. Frost-Maxfield. That the four citizen members be re-appointed for one year on the Traffic Commission.

Yeas: Frost, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 5  
Nays: 0

14. Reports from the Fire Department and Police Department were received and filed.

15. A letter from Mr. Roger H. Martindill regarding his attempt to make a citizen's arrest for a person who passed him on a double yellow line was received for information.

16. The City Manager reported that a temporary restraining order was granted by Judge Snow against Breton Village to prevent it from making a parking lot in the area to the north of the Breton Village Shopping Center which is located in East Grand Rapids.

17. Mr. John Rose was present to request permission to construct an addition to his restaurant and popcorn shop on Reeds Lake to provide a garage and living quarters. The Mayor turned this item over to the Building Inspector for study and recommendation.

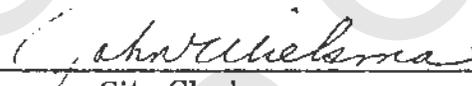
18. Frost-Remien. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$659,223.83, which excludes the Reynolds & Brown voucher in the amount of \$2,250.70, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$65,588.83, as approved by the Ways & Means Committee be allowed and the Controller be authorized to draw an order on the Treasurer for this amount. The Reynolds & Brown voucher was referred back to the full Ways & Means Committee for report.

Yeas: Frost, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 5

Nays: 0

19. There were 11 residents in attendance at this meeting.

20. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, until July 25, 1977.

  
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City Clerk

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

Regular Meeting Held July 25, 1977

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

Present: Coms. Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel and Mayor Stoppels.  
Absent: None.

21. The minutes of the regular meeting held July 11, 1977, were amended to include the Mayor's list of recommended appointments in Item 13. The minutes were then approved as amended.

22. Pursuant to public notice, a hearing was then held upon the request of Dr. Clifford Nelson to change the owner of the variance held in the name of Dr. Nelson to Dr. and Mrs. William L. Easley, to permit continuation of an antique studio at 469 Greenwood. Dr. Nelson and Mrs. Easley were present to discuss their request with the Commission. There were no objections submitted.

22-A. Remien-Maxfield. That this Commission, acting as the Board of Zoning Appeals, grant the request of Dr. Nelson subject to the following conditions:

1. The variance be granted to Dr. & Mrs. William Easley on an individual basis providing that when they cease operation of the antique shop the variance then will be revoked to prevent any other person from operating it as an antique shop.
2. That parking requirements in the Zoning Ordinance for commercial district be complied with.
3. No sign other than the one attached to the wall of the building be permitted.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

23. The City Manager submitted a report regarding the request of John D. Rose for a permit to construct an addition to his building at 550 Lakeside Drive, for the purpose of creating living quarters. Mr. Rose was present to discuss his plans with the Commission. A hearing on a zoning variance will be held on August 8, 1977, pursuant to public notice.

24. The City Attorney submitted a proposed ordinance to establish a Local Officers' Compensation Commission.

24-A. Clary-Worfel. That the following ordinance be introduced:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF  
THE CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS BY ADDING  
A NEW CHAPTER, WHICH NEW CHAPTER SHALL  
BE DESIGNATED AS CHAPTER 11 OF TITLE 1 OF  
SAID CODE

The City of East Grand Rapids ordains:

Sec. 1. The Code of the City of East Grand Rapids is amended by adding thereto a new chapter designated as Chapter 11 of Title 1 of said Code as follows:

CHAPTER 11 - LOCAL OFFICERS COMPENSATION  
COMMISSION

1.501. Establishment of Commission; membership. A local officers' compensation commission is created which shall determine the salaries of all local elected officials. The commission shall consist of five members who are registered electors of the city, appointed by the mayor subject to confirmation by a majority of the members elected and serving in the City Commission. The term of office shall be five years, except that of the members first appointed, one each shall be appointed for terms of one, two, three, four and five years. All first members shall be appointed within thirty days after the effective date of this ordinance. Thereafter members shall be appointed before October 1 of the year of appointment. Vacancies shall be filled for the remainder of the unexpired term. No member or employee of the legislative, judicial or executive branch of any level of government or members of the immediate family of such member or employee shall be eligible to be a member of the commission.

1.502. Authority of Commission; Determination of salaries. The commission shall determine the salaries of all local elected officials, which determination shall be the salaries unless the City Commission by resolution adopted by two-thirds of the members elected to and serving on the City Commission, reject them. The determinations of the commission shall be effective thirty days following their filing with the city clerk unless rejected by the City Commission. In case of rejection, the existing salary shall prevail. Any expense, allowance or reimbursement paid to elected officials in addition to salary shall be for expenses incurred in the course of City business and accounted for to the City.

1.503. Meetings of Commission. The commission shall meet for not more than fifteen session days in 1977 and every odd-numbered year thereafter, and shall make its determination within forty-five calendar days of its first meeting. A majority of the members of the commission constitute a quorum for conducting the business of the commission. The commission shall take no action or make determinations without a concurrence of a majority of the members appointed and serving on the commission. The commission shall elect a chairman from among its members. "Session days" means any calendar day on which the commission meets and a quorum is present. The members of the commission shall receive no compensation, but shall be entitled to their actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties.

1.504. Referendum. Within sixty days after the effective date of this ordinance a petition for a referendum on the ordinance may be filed in accordance with Michigan Public Act No. 8 of 1972, by filing a petition with the city clerk containing the signatures of at least five percent of the registered electors of the city on the effective date of the ordinance, in which case the election shall be conducted in the same manner as an election on a charter amendment. If a petition for referendum is filed, any determination of the commission shall not be effective until the ordinance has been approved by the electors.

Sec. 2. This ordinance shall be published in full within 10 days of its enactment.

Sec. 3. This ordinance shall be effective 10 days after its adoption, i. e. on \_\_\_\_\_, 1977.

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: Clary, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 4  
Nays: Gale, Maxfield - 2  
Commissioner Frost abstained.

The motion carried.

25. Judy Meek and Bill Erickson, representatives of Westdale Realtors, were present to discuss an offer they submitted to the City Manager on July 22, 1977, on behalf of their client for the purchase of the lot owned by the City located at 421 Gladstone. The amount of the offer was \$750 and was subject to the possibility of their client obtaining V. A. financing.

25-A. Clary-Gale. That this offer be taken from this agenda and that discussion be continued at the next Commission meeting.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

26. Mrs. Barbara Hoag reported that she had read the report prepared by National Biocentrics, Inc., and discussed on several areas of concern.

27. The City Manager reported on bids which were received for tire purchases for the period from July 1, 1977 to June 30, 1978, and recommended that the contract be awarded to McGraw Tire Company, the low bidder.

27-A. Remien-Gale. That the recommendation of the City Manager be concurred in.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

28. The Mayor reported that the annual business meeting of the Michigan Municipal League will be held September 29, 1977, and recommended that the City Commission appoint a delegate and alternate to represent the City at this meeting. Commissioner Clary was appointed as delegate and Mayor Stoppels as alternate.

29. The City Engineer reported on a request by Grand Rapids Osteopathic Hospital and the City of Grand Rapids for a standby water connection to our water system to furnish emergency service to the hospital. There would be no cost to the City for this modification and water used in an emergency would be paid for by the hospital.

29-A. Remien-Maxfield. That the request of Grand Rapids Osteopathic Hospital and the City of Grand Rapids to make a standby water connection be granted.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

30. The City Manager requested authorization to issue a purchase order to Communications, Inc. in the amount of \$1,503 for revision in the telephone equipment at the Public Service Building.

30-A. Gale-Remien. That the authorization requested by the City Manager be granted.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

31. The City Manager reported that umbrella liability coverage for the City to provide \$2,000,000 excess limit would cost the City \$8,100. For \$1,000,000 excess limits the cost would be \$5,100. The basic coverage is \$500,000. After much discussion, the staff was directed to investigate various alternatives and report back.

32. The City Manager reported that he met with representatives of Breton Village regarding their desire to utilize the vacant lots in East Grand Rapids adjacent to their shopping center for parking. A restraining order is in effect which prevents them from using this property for parking purposes.

33. The building permit report for the month of June, as submitted by the Fire Chief, was received and filed.

34. A letter from Mrs. Fred Sarne objecting to the City accepting the EPA grant was received and filed.

35. The Mayor suggested that the City contribute the sum of \$200 to the East Grand Rapids Village Merchants' Association.

35-A. Clary-Remien. That the City participate in the East Grand Rapids Village Merchants' Association to the extent of \$200.

Yeas: Clary, Maxfield, Remien, Stoppels - 4

Nays: Frost, Gale, Worfel - 3

The motion carried.

36. Gale-Worfel. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$266,891.71, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$34,286.32, 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, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 7

Nays: 0

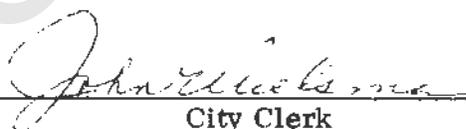
37. Commissioner Remien inquired about the condition of the 200 Bi-Centennial trees some of which have died. It was reported that many were replaced and that the cause of some not surviving was due to lack of watering by adjacent propertyowners.

38. Commissioner Clary reported that a large amount of poison ivy is growing near the Reeds Lake Blvd. and Manhattan intersection and requested that it be killed.

39. The Mayor announced that a Committee-of-the-Whole session will be held at 7:30 p.m., August 1, 1977, in the East Grand Rapids Conference Room to discuss the lake restoration project.

40. There were eight persons in attendance at this meeting.

41. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, until August 8, 1977.

  
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 City Clerk

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

Regular Meeting Held August 8, 1977

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

Present: Coms. Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel and Mayor Stoppels.

Absent: Com. Clary.

42. The minutes of the regular meeting held July 25, 1977, were corrected by placing the proper numerical count behind the nay votes in Item 24-A and by clarifying Item 1 in 22-A to read as follows: "The variance be granted to Dr. & Mrs. William Easley on an individual basis providing that when they cease operation of the antique shop the variance then will be revoked to prevent any other person from operating it as an antique shop". The minutes were then approved as corrected.

43. Pursuant to public notice, a hearing was then held upon the zoning variance request of John D. Rose to construct a garage and residence quarters on existing popcorn shop at 550 Lakeside Drive. Mr. Rose was present. Mr. Jack Runnels of 518 Lakeside Drive expressed his approval of this request. Mr. Tom Heiden, representing the Lakewood Hills Apartments, submitted a letter objecting to the zoning variance request and also was present to further discuss the concerns of his client with respect to this request.

43-A. Gale-Remien. That the zoning variance request of Mr. Rose be referred to the Planning Commission for further study.

Yeas: Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel - 5

Nays: Stoppels - 1

44. Pursuant to public notice, a hearing was then held upon the zoning variance request of Mr. David L. Dozeman to construct an addition to his garage at 1149 Orchard SE. Mr. Dozeman was present to discuss his request. There were no objections raised.

44-A. Gale-Worfel. That this Commission, acting as the Board of Zoning Appeals, grant the request of Mr. Dozeman to construct an addition to his garage.

Yeas: Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

45. A request from the Voluntary Action Center asking the City to support their program to the extent of \$897.00 was received.

45-A. Gale-Maxfield. That this Commission approve the request and that the amount of \$897.00 be transferred from the Contingency Fund to the Community Services Fund for this purpose.

45-B. Frost-Remien. That the above motion be tabled.

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: Frost, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 4

Nays: Gale, Maxfield - 2

The motion carried.

46. A letter from Mr. Harry Lieffers regarding the use of the park property located on San Lu Rae and San Lucia to provide a small game preserve was received. This matter was referred to Committee-of-the-Whole.

47. A letter from Sue Ward, 849 Orchard Avenue SE, offering to purchase the City owned property located at the south end of Ross Court was received. Sue Ward was present to discuss this proposal. There was a question as to whether the City was going to proceed with installing a cul-de-sac at the east end of Ross Court. This matter was referred to the City Engineer for re-submission at the next regular meeting which will be held August 22.

48. A letter from Mayor A. L. Drasin of Grand Rapids regarding the City's participation in the Michigan Municipal League Convention was received. He suggested that East Grand Rapids contribute the sum of \$188.00 for this purpose.

48-A. Worfel-Remien. That the City contribute the sum of \$188.00 as its share of the cost of hosting the 1977 Michigan Municipal League Convention.

Yeas: Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

49. A resolution regarding proposed legislation for extension of time limit for use of the EPA 201 funds was received from the City of Kentwood.

49-A. Frost-Gale. That the following resolution be adopted:

A RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT THE PASSAGE OF H.R. 2752 AND S 1694 TO EXTEND TIME FOR USE OF EPA 201 FUNDS

WHEREAS, the United States Congress has established the goal of clean water in Public Law 92-500 and,

WHEREAS, Many communities are working to meet the goal of clean water through the expansions of sewage treatment plants and the provision of sanitary sewer to developed residential areas and,

WHEREAS, H.R. 2752 and S 1694 would extend the deadline for commitment of EPA 201 funds until September 1978 and would not cause a need for any new expenditures,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Commission of the City of East Grand Rapids supports the passage of H.R. 2752 and S 1694 which would extend the deadline for commitment of EPA 201 funds until September 1978 to allow communities to complete projects for which local funds have been committed and urges Congress to approve these two bills as soon as possible.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be sent to Congressman Harold Sawyer, Senator Donald Riegle, Senator Robert Griffin and to other affected communities in the Grand Rapids area.

Yeas: Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

50. A proposed Local Officers' Compensation Commission Ordinance was reviewed.

50-A. Mayor Stoppels - Worfel. That the following ordinance be adopted:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS BY ADDING A NEW CHAPTER, WHICH NEW CHAPTER SHALL BE DESIGNATED AS CHAPTER 11 OF TITLE I OF SAID CODE

The City of East Grand Rapids ordains:

Sec. 1. The Code of the City of East Grand Rapids is amended by adding thereto a new chapter designated as Chapter 11 of Title I of said Code as follows:

CHAPTER 11 - LOCAL OFFICERS COMPENSATION  
COMMISSION

1.501. Establishment of Commission; membership. A local officers' compensation commission is created which shall determine the salaries of all local elected officials. The commission shall consist of five members who are registered electors of the city, appointed by the mayor subject to confirmation by a majority of the members elected and serving in the City Commission. The term of office shall be five years, except that of the members first appointed, one each shall be appointed for terms of one, two, three, four and five years. All first members shall be appointed within thirty days after the effective date of this ordinance. Thereafter members shall be appointed before October 1 of the year of appointment. Vacancies shall be filled for the remainder of the unexpired term. No member or employee of the legislative, judicial or executive branch of any level of government or members of the immediate family of such member or employee shall be eligible to be a member of the commission.

1.502. Authority of Commission; Determination of salaries. The commission shall determine the salaries of all local elected officials, which determination shall be the salaries unless the City Commission by resolution adopted by two-thirds of the members elected to and serving on the City Commission, reject them. The determinations of the commission shall be effective thirty days following their filing with the city clerk unless rejected by the City Commission. In case of rejection, the existing salary shall prevail. Any expense, allowance or reimbursement paid to elected officials in addition to salary shall be for expenses incurred in the course of City business and accounted for to the City.

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1.504. Referendum. Within sixty days after the effective date of this ordinance a petition for a referendum on the ordinance may be filed in accordance with Michigan Public Act No. 8 of 1972, by filing a petition with the city clerk containing the signatures of at least five percent of the registered electors of the city on the effective date of the ordinance, in which case the election shall be conducted in the same manner as an election on a charter amendment. If a petition for referendum is filed, any determination of the commission shall not be effective until the ordinance has been approved by the electors.

Sec. 2. This ordinance shall be published in full within 10 days of its enactment.

Sec. 3. This ordinance shall be effective 10 days after its adoption, i. e. on August 18, 1977.

Yeas: Frost, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 4  
Nays: Maxfield - 1  
Commissioner Gale abstained.

51. The City Manager requested authorization to issue a purchase order in the amount of \$1,008.90 for Fire Department uniforms.

51-A. Worfel-Gale. That the request of the City Manager be approved.

Yeas: Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

52. It was brought to the attention of the City Commission that they must designate a representative of the City for the purpose of authorizing him to sign documents, reports, etc., on behalf of the City of East Grand Rapids as it relates to the EPA grant.

52-A. Gale-Remien. RESOLVED, that the City Manager, Fred H. Tholen, is hereby designated as the representative of the City of East Grand Rapids, grantee organization under EPA grant identification No. S804708010, authorized to sign documents, reports, etc., on behalf of the grantee organization.

Yeas: Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

53. A discussion on the 1977-1978 Street Improvement Program was deferred until the August 22nd meeting.

54. Reports for the month of July from the Building Inspector, Police Department, and Fire Department were received and filed.

55. The City Manager reported that the deed for the property located at 421 Gladstone is in the process of being received from the Department of Natural Resources Lands Division.

56. Worfel-Gale. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$1,210,673.01, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$50,801.18, 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.

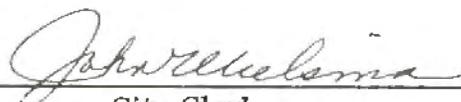
Yeas: Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

57. Mr. David Thompson, representing the City Attorney's Office, suggested that the City consider holding a public hearing for the purpose of permitting residents to discuss problems relative to dog control within the City. It was decided that staff and the Attorney's Office would investigate the need for such a hearing and schedule one, if necessary, at a time other than a regular Commission meeting.

58. Mr. Bruce Gilmore was present to inquire about auto parking as it relates to the Reeds Lake building project as proposed by Mr. John Gilmore.

59. There were 13 residents in attendance at this meeting.

60. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, until August 22, 1977.

  
City Clerk

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

Regular Meeting Held August 22, 1977

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

Present: Coms. Clary, Frost, Maxfield, Remien and Mayor Stoppels.

Absent: Coms. Gale and Worfel.

61. The minutes of the meeting held August 8, 1977, were corrected to reflect that Commissioner Maxfield was present. The minutes were then approved as corrected.

62. The Mayor advised that Administrative Aide Roger VanDyk has accepted a position as City Manager of St. Johns, Michigan, and will be leaving the employ of the City of East Grand Rapids on September 9, 1977.

63. The Mayor presented Deputy Chief Patrick Daley with an award watch in recognition of his 25 years of service with the Police Department.

64. Commissioner Maxfield questioned the conclusion reached relating to dog control in Item 57 of the minutes of August 8th. The City Attorney discussed this subject. There was no action taken.

65. Mr. Curtis Strader, District Executive of the Department of Civil Rights, was present and discussed the changes in the State Housing Law and the Michigan Fair Employment Practices Act. He distributed copies of the new Michigan State Fair Housing Act and the Michigan Fair Employment Practices Act to the members of the Commission. This was referred to a Committee-of-the-Whole session.

66. A memorandum recommending the denial of a variance to Mr. John D. Rose to add a garage and living quarters to his restaurant at 550 Lakeside Drive was received from the Planning Commission.

66-A. Remien-Frost. That this hearing be adjourned until September 12, 1977.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Maxfield, Remien, Stoppels - 5

Nays: 0

67. The City Manager submitted a memorandum relative to the offer to Ms. Sue Ward to purchase property on Ross Court. Also, a sketch of the proposed cul-de-sac at the end of Ross Court was submitted by the City Engineer.

67-A. Remien-Maxfield. That the area shown in the Engineer's exhibit be sold to Ms. Ward for \$500.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Maxfield, Remien, Stoppels - 5

Nays: 0

68. The City Manager distributed copies of a report from National Biocentric, Inc. regarding the next phase of the Reeds-Fisk Lake Restoration Program. He requested tentative approval of the program.

68-A. Clary-Remien. That this item be deferred until later in the meeting and a recess be taken to permit the Commissioners to review the report.

Yeas: Clary, Remien, Stoppels - 3

Nays: Maxfield, Frost - 2

69. A memorandum and a summary of bids regarding the Manhattan Nature Trail was received from the City Manager. He recommended that the contract be awarded to the low bidder, Jack DeVries, in the amount of \$31,985.00.

69-A. Clary-Remien. That the contract be awarded to the low bidder, Jack DeVries, in the amount of \$31,985.00.

Yeas: Clary, Maxfield, Remien, Stoppels - 4  
Nays: Frost - 1

70. A communication was received from Stephen C. Oldstrom, 1435 Rosalind Road, regarding the lake restoration program. This letter was received and filed.

71. A communication was received from the Grand Rapids Chamber of Commerce expressing their appreciation for the financial support given by the City of East Grand Rapids. This letter was received and filed.

72. The minutes of the Traffic Commission meeting of August 9, 1977, were received. Mrs. Lois Moseley, Chairman of the Traffic Commission, was present and advised that she had contacted most of the residents on Lovett Street who would be affected by the two-hour limitation on parking and met with no opposition. Discussion was held regarding the placing of a "stop" sign at the intersection of Greenwood and Lakeside. This matter was referred to the Traffic Commission for study and recommendation. The minutes were then filed.

73. The circulation report from the Kent County Library for the month of July was received and filed.

74. Discussion was held on the 1977-1978 street improvement program as submitted by the City Manager on July 25, 1977, to the City Commission.

74-A. Remien-Clary. That the Engineering Department be instructed to proceed with the necessary engineering work for the 1977-1978 street improvement program pursuant to the memorandum from the City Manager dated July 25, 1977.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Maxfield, Remien, Stoppels - 5  
Nays: 0

75. The City Manager, on behalf of the City Clerk, requested authorization to issue a purchase order to Xpress Business Forms, Inc., the low bidder, in the amount of \$1,930.22 for the purchase of water ledger cards to be utilized in connection with the new equipment purchased to prepare water bills.

75-A. Remien-Maxfield. That the City Manager, on behalf of the City Clerk, be authorized to issue a purchase order in the amount of \$1,930.22 to Xpress Business Forms, Inc., for water ledger cards.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Maxfield, Remien, Stoppels - 5  
Nays: 0

76. Commissioner Frost inquired as to the status of the Gilmore project.

77. Clary-Mayor Stoppels. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$199,835.92, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$34,146.49, 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, Maxfield, Remien, Stoppels - 5  
Nays: 0

A 10-minute recess was taken to permit the Commissioners to review the report from National Biocentric, Inc.

78. The meeting re-convened and the report from National Biocentric, Inc., was considered.

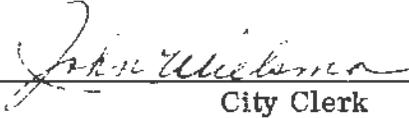
78-A. Clary-Remien. That the work program submitted by National Biocentric, Inc. be given tentative approval and that the City Manager be authorized to submit it to EPA.

Yeas: Clary, Maxfield, Remien, Stoppels - 4

Nays: Frost - 1

79. There were eight residents in attendance at this meeting.

80. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, until September 12, 1977.

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

Regular Meeting Held September 12, 1977

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

Present: Coms. Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Worfel and Mayor Stoppels.  
Absent: Com. Remien.

81. The minutes of the meeting held August 22, 1977, were approved as written.

82. The Commission then considered the request of John D. Rose for a variance to construct an addition to the restaurant at 550 Lakeside Drive SE. This matter was adjourned from a previous meeting. Mr. Rose submitted an architectural drawing of his proposed addition. Mr. Tom Heiden, as attorney for Lakeshore Club Apartments, reiterated opposition on the grounds that this was not a proper variance request, but an expansion of a non-conforming use and that this request is inconsistent with goals of the City to improve public access to the lake.

82-A. Clary-Mayor Stoppels. That this Commission, acting as the Board of Zoning Appeals, grant the variance request of Mr. Rose with the amendment that a one-story addition be permitted, not a two-story as requested.

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: Clary, Stoppels - 2

Nays: Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Worfel - 4

The motion failed.

83. Pursuant to public notice, a hearing was then held upon the variance request of Robert Evans to construct an addition to his home located at 1041 Keneberry Way SE. Mr. & Mrs. Evans were present to discuss the need for this addition. There were no objections raised.

83-A. Gale-Worfel. That this Commission, acting as the Board of Zoning Appeals, grant the request of Mr. Evans.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Worfel, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

84. The contract with the National Biocentric, Inc., for the development of the scope of work for the Reeds and Fisk Lakes Restoration Program was discussed.

84-A. Clary-Mayor Stoppels. That the proposed contract be amended as suggested by the City Attorney by inserting the words "not to exceed" preceding the figure of \$71,265.35 in the fourth line of Schedule B.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Worfel, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

84-B. There were approximately 80 persons in attendance and the following persons indicated their concern: Kenneth Skar, Mike Karolle, Edward Vorenkamp, Jack Krause, John Kernosky, James Hoekzema, Bill Poisson, Frank Spies, Mary Lyon, Barbara Hoag, Steve Oldstrom, Lois Moseley, Mrs. Burgess, Jon Stoppels, Paul F. Steketee, Glenn Lorch, Betsy Welch, Sidney Welch, Bob Holm, Zim Zarafonetis, Pam Nicholson, Sharon Gibson and Mike Cary. Mr. Arnold Blomquist and Bruce Munholand, from National Biocentric, Inc., were present to answer questions regarding the contract.

84-C. Gale-Maxfield. That this Commission not approve the National Biocentric, Inc. contract.

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: Frost, Gale, Maxfield - 3  
Nays: Clary, Worfel, Stoppels - 3

The motion failed.

84-D. Mayor Stoppels-Clary. That this Commission authorize the Mayor to execute the contract with National Biocentric, Inc.

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: Clary, Worfel, Stoppels - 3  
Nays: Frost, Gale, Maxfield - 3

The motion failed.

84-E. Gale-Frost. That this matter be tabled.

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Worfel - 4  
Nays: Clary, Stoppels - 2

The motion carried.

84-F. Maxfield-Gale. That a Citizens' Advisory Committee be established to study the Reeds and Fisk Lakes restoration problem.

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

The Mayor then declared a recess for the purpose of permitting those persons who were interested to place their names on a list of volunteers for membership on this Advisory Committee. After the recess the Mayor reconvened the meeting.

85. The City Manager reported that the City has received a deed for the property located at 421 Gladstone and that an offer in the amount of \$750 for this property was received from Mr Robert Baas; that this property is 40' x 110' and that the City Assessor has valued this property at approximately \$1,500 to \$1,800. The City Attorney stated that the Ordinance No. 1.216 specifies that property with a value in excess of \$1,000 may be sold only after advertising and receiving competitive bids.

85-A. Frost-Worfel. That the City Clerk advertise this property and that a bid opening be held on September 26, 1977.

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

86. The Mayor submitted the following list of names and recommended that these persons be appointed to the Local Officers' Compensation Commission: Merle Johnson, 1 year term; Anne Frahm, 2 year term; William Muir, 3 year term; Katherine McIlhargey, 4 year term; Bruce Kellogg, 5 year term.

86-A. Clary-Worfel. That this Commission approve the list of names as submitted by the Mayor.

Yeas: Clary, Gale, Worfel, Stoppels - 4  
Nays: Maxfield, Frost - 2

87. The audit report as prepared by Ernst & Ernst for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1977, was submitted for information. The Commission requested additional time to study this report and would like an opportunity to discuss it with the auditors.

88. The City Attorney submitted a statement regarding legal services his firm incurred from May 18, 1977, to August 3, 1977, in regards to the East Grand Rapids vs. Hatch and East Grand Rapids vs. Moen cases in the amount of \$2,904.10.

88-A. Clary-Mayor Stoppels. That the invoice as submitted by the City Attorney in the amount of \$2,904.10 be approved for payment and that this sum be transferred from the Contingency Fund. Be It Further Resolved, that the City Attorney provide this Commission with a more detailed breakdown of this invoice and previous statements relating to this suit.

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

89. Reports for the month of August from the Fire Department, Police Department, and Building Inspector were received and filed.

90. Commissioner Frost inquired about the Gilmore project. The Mayor and Manager reported that they have been informed that Mr. Gilmore is waiting for a letter of mortgage commitment.

92. Gale-Worfel. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$392,577.83, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$59,889.81, 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.

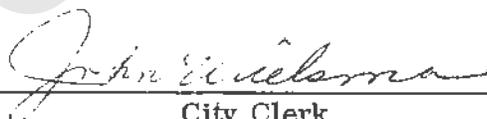
Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Worfel, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

93. A letter from the Michigan Alliance of Small Communities requesting the City's participation in this association was received for information and referred to the Committee-of-the-Whole.

94. County Commissioner Vernon Ehlers was present and commented on the problems incurred in the Plainfield Landfill operation and advised that there would be a meeting of the Landfill Advisory Board on the 28th of September.

95. There were approximately 80 persons in attendance at this meeting.

96. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, until September 26, 1977.

  
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City Clerk

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

Regular Meeting Held September 26, 1977

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

Present: Coms. Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Worfel and Mayor Stoppels.  
Absent: Com. Remien.

97. The minutes of the meeting held September 12, 1977, were approved as written.

98. The minutes of the Committee-of-the-Whole meeting held September 19, 1977, were corrected by changing the word "directive" to "direction" in each of the categories and were then received for information.

99. Pursuant to public notice, a hearing was then held upon the zoning variance request of John B. Idema, 836 Floral Drive SE, to construct an extension to his attached garage which would extend to a point 4.3 feet from his southerly lot line. Mr. Idema was present to discuss the need for this addition. There were no objections raised.

99-A. Worfel-Gale. That this Commission, acting as the Board of Zoning Appeals, grant the request of Mr. Idema.

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

100. Pursuant to published notice, bids were then opened for the sale of the City owned property located at 421 Gladstone. There was one bid received, from Westdale Company in behalf of Robert Baas, in the amount of \$1,100.00, contingent upon the buyer being able to obtain a VA mortgage on 419 Gladstone.

100-A. Gale-Maxfield. That the offer received from Mr. Baas be accepted and the City Manager be authorized to sign the agreement.

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

101. A request from the Voluntary Action Center for a contribution in an amount recommended by the Grand Rapids Human Resources Department was received.

101-A. Gale-Worfel. That this Commission authorize the expenditure of \$897.00 as a one-year contribution to the Voluntary Action Center and that this amount be transferred from the Contingency Fund to the Community Services Fund.

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

102. A resolution submitted by Commissioners Frost and Gale regarding the distribution of agenda items in advance of regular meetings was discussed.

102-A. Frost-Gale. That the following resolution be adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED that a Commission meeting agenda and all supporting material be prepared and delivered to each City Commissioner not less than 7 days prior to the City Commission meeting to which said agenda applies; and said agenda shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the City of East Grand Rapids prior to the meeting to which said agenda applies.

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Stoppels - 4  
Nays: Clary, Worfel - 2

102-B. Gale-Worfel. That the agenda be published in the Cadence for a cost not to exceed \$15 per publication.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Worfel - 5

Nays: Stoppels - 1

103. The Mayor read the list of volunteers of the Citizens' Advisory Committee for the lake restoration project.

103-A. Gale-Maxfield. That Thomas Robberson and Barbara Hoag be appointed temporary co-chairpersons of this Citizens' Advisory Committee.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Worfel, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

103-B. Clary-Maxfield. That the Citizens' Advisory Committee be open to any interested citizen of East Grand Rapids who wishes to serve on this Committee.

103-C. Frost-Gale. That the above motion be amended by designating a 3-week deadline for those who wish to volunteer to serve on this Committee.

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: Frost, Gale - 2

Nays: Clary, Maxfield, Worfel, Stoppels - 4

103-D. Worfel-Clary. That the above motion be amended to include interested citizens who live within the Reeds Lake watershed.

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: Clary, Maxfield, Worfel, Stoppels - 4

Nays: Gale - 1

Commissioner Frost abstained.

A roll call vote was taken on the main motion as amended:

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Worfel, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

The motion carried.

104. The City Manager submitted a proposed resolution for consideration by this Commission regarding the Unemployment Compensation System.

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

BE IT RESOLVED that the East Grand Rapids City Commission in regular session assembled this twenty-sixth day of September, 1977, does hereby express its very strong support of amendments to SB 714 proposed by the Michigan Municipal League and introduced by Senator Alvin DeGrow for the reason that we deem it essential, in the best interests of our taxpayers and for the purpose of maintaining youth employment opportunities, to maintain our locally adopted Unemployment Compensation System and to extend the current 16-week exemption for seasonal employees, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to Senator Robert VanderLaan and to Representatives serving the Kent County area.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Worfel, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

105. The City Manager discussed the City sidewalk repair policy and stated that repair notices are sent out only in cases where dangerous conditions are found. It was decided that this matter be deferred until a more extensive repair program is deemed to be necessary.

106. The Mayor reported that the City of Grand Rapids is interested in finding out whether municipalities are interested in becoming involved in the "911" emergency call system.

106-A. Clary-Gale. That the staff proceed to obtain a quotation of the cost of this new system from the Telephone Company.

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

107. The Mayor recommended that Estelle Leven be appointed to represent the City of East Grand Rapids on the West Michigan Regional Planning Commission.

107-A. Gale-Worfel. That the recommendation of the Mayor be concurred in.

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

108. The City Manager reported that the City Commission is to designate an official delegate and alternate to represent the City at the Michigan Municipal Employees' Retirement System annual business meeting.

108-A. Worfel-Gale. That John Wielsma be designated as delegate and Fred Tholen as alternate to represent the City of East Grand Rapids at the Michigan Municipal Employees' Retirement System annual business meeting.

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

109. A letter from the Chairman of the Board of Public Works of the County of Kent regarding the Plainfield Landfill Site was received. This matter was referred to a Committee-of-the-Whole session.

110. A letter from the Grand Rapids Osteopathic Hospital thanking the City Commission for solving a potentially dangerous water service problem to their institution, was received and filed.

111. A letter from Margit Sarne, 647 Lovett SE, regarding two-hour parking ban on Lovett Street was received and referred to the Traffic Commission.

112. The minutes of the Traffic Commission meeting held September 13, 1977, were received and filed.

113. The Mayor reported on vandalism that had occurred at the Manhattan Recreation Site and suggested that a reward in the amount of \$100 be posted to encourage those who may have information that would lead to the arrest of the vandals to report it.

Commissioner Clary requested that the staff prepare an estimate of the cost of a 4-foot high fence along the parking lot and along the north end of the field at the Kingswood Road entrance to Manhattan field.

113-A. Gale-Worfel. That a \$100 reward be offered; that the informant be given anonymity; and that the City Attorney prepare a notice of such reward, and that this notice be published.

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

114. The City Manager reported that the life pack used in the E-Unit of the Fire Department has been requiring major repair costs and recommended that a new unit be purchased from Electro Medical Services, Inc., the low bidder, in the amount of \$4,140.00.

114-A. Clary-Gale. That the City Manager be authorized to accept the bid of Electro Medical Services, Inc. in the amount of \$4,140.00 and that this amount be transferred from the Contingency Fund to the Fire Capital Account.

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

115. The City Manager reported that he has obtained a quotation from Grand Rapids Tile and Mosaic Company in the amount of \$4,525.00 for the repair of cement surfaces around the buildings of the Municipal Complex.

115-A. Gale-Clary. That the City Manager be permitted to proceed with such repairs and that a contract be awarded to Grand Rapids Tile and Mosaic Company in the amount of \$4,525.00.

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

116. Worfel-Gale. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$57,112.77, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$29,162.34, 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, Maxfield, Worfel, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

117. Commissioner Clary requested that discussion of potential uses of City owned land located at the northeast corner of the City Limits off Cascade Road be placed on a Committee-of-the-Whole agenda.

118. Commissioner Clary requested that the gravel area of Reeds Lake Blvd. be graded as soon as possible.

119. There were 11 residents in attendance at this meeting.

120. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, until October 10, 1977.

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City Clerk

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

Regular Meeting Held October 10, 1977

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

Present: Coms. Clary, Frost, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel and Mayor Stoppels.  
Absent: Com. Gale.

121. The Mayor welcomed the members of a Cub Scout Troup who were in attendance at this meeting.

122. The minutes of the meeting held September 26, 1977, were approved as written.

123. The minutes of the Committee-of-the-Whole meeting held October 3, 1977, were received for information.

124. The Commission then considered the proposed offer of reward prepared by the City Attorney, relative to vandalism at the Manhattan recreation area.

124-A. Remien-Maxfield. That the following offer of reward be approved and that the City Clerk be directed to publish it in the Cadence.

"The City of East Grand Rapids offers a reward of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) for information leading to the apprehension and conviction of the person or persons responsible for the vandalism committed at the recreation area adjacent to the Manhattan School site. Information should be given to the East Grand Rapids City Police, 740 Lakeside Dr. SE, East Grand Rapids, Michigan.

"If requested, the identity of the informant will be kept confidential.

"In the event such information is given by more than one person, the City Commission shall determine who is entitled to such reward.

"By order of the City Commission taken on September 26, 1977"

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

125. The City Manager requested authorization to purchase the Hough Model H6DE Payloader which has been leased for the past 12 months at a cost of \$21,871.00 from Wolverine Tractor & Equipment Company.

125-A. Worfel-Remien. That the City Manager be authorized to purchase the Payloader for \$21,871.00.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

126. A revised copy of the tentative draft of the proposed Water and Sewer Agreement between the City of Grand Rapids and the City of East Grand Rapids was received. This matter was deferred to the next meeting to permit time for the City Attorney and Commissioners to review the document.

127. The City Manager recommended that the ordinance that bans night-time parking between November 1st and May 1st be eliminated.

127-A. Maxfield-Worfel. That the City Attorney prepare the necessary ordinance amendment to eliminate the night-time parking ban.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

128. The proposed contract between the City of Grand Rapids and East Grand Rapids regarding water and sewer on borderline streets was discussed.

128-A. Frost-Remien. That the Mayor be authorized to sign the agreement relative to water and sewer service in borderline streets with the reference to the November 1963 date be deleted from the second paragraph.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

129. Reports for the month of September from the Fire Department, Police Department, and Building Inspector were received and filed.

130. The minutes of the Planning Commission meeting held September 13, 1977, were received and filed.

131. A letter from the Voluntary Action Center regarding receipt of City's contribution was received and filed.

132. A letter from Senator VanderLaan regarding legislation involving Unemployment Compensation was received and filed.

133. Notice of scheduled Citizens' Advisory Committee meeting was received for information.

134. A letter from the City Attorney regarding breakdown of his firm's charges in connection with the Hatch-Moen case was received for information.

135. Commissioner Worfel inquired about the progress of the reassessment program. The Assessor reported that because of bad weather, the program has experienced some delays. Approximately 65% of the City has been reviewed.

136. A letter from Frederick L. Meadows, Chief, Grants Operation Branch of the Grants Administration Division, received September 22, 1977, regarding the submission of certain data pertaining to the EPA Grant was discussed. Dr. Blomquist, representing National Biocentrics, Inc., was present to explain the requirements included in this letter and the 60 day requirement to report on the detailed scope of work. It was recommended that the City enter into a contract with National Biocentrics for the purposes of developing a response to this letter and of determining the detailed scope of work to meet the EPA grant requirements, at a cost not to exceed \$21,000.

136-A. Worfel-Remien. That the Mayor be directed to execute such contract with National Biocentrics, Inc., in the amount not to exceed \$21,000 and that a payment voucher be submitted to EPA to recover 50% of the cost expended from March 1, 1977, to September 30, 1977.

Yeas: Clary, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 5  
Nays: Frost - 1

137. A resident in attendance inquired about the status of Cable TV for the City of East Grand Rapids. The City Manager reported that a consent agreement with General Electric has been submitted to the City Attorney for his review. Our system would be an extension of Grand Rapids' system.

138. The City Manager submitted a statement received from the Advisory Center for Teens in the amount of \$1,148.00 which represents the City's annual contribution and was budgeted in the 1977/78 fiscal year of the General Fund.

138-A. Remien-Maxfield. That the amount of \$1,148.00 be authorized for payment to the Advisory Center for Teens.

138-B. Frost-Worfel. That the above motion be tabled.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel - 5

Nays: Stoppels - 1

139. The City Manager requested authorization to issue a purchase order in the amount of \$2,384.00 to Motorola Corp. for the purchase of radio equipment for the Fire Department. These items were included in the 1977/78 budget.

139-A. Maxfield-Clary. That the request of the City Manager be concurred in.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

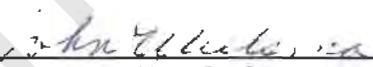
140. Worfel-Remien. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$40,608.75, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$29,615.86, as approved by the Ways & Means Committee, be allowed and that the Controller be authorized to draw an order on the Treasurer for their respective amounts.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

141. There were 16 residents in attendance at this meeting.

142. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, until October 24, 1977.

  
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City Clerk

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

Regular Meeting Held October 24, 1977

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

Present: Coms. Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel and Mayor Stoppels.  
Absent: None.

143. The minutes of the meeting held October 10, 1977, were approved as written.

144. The proposed ordinance to amend Section 10.5 of Chapter 105 - Traffic, of Title X - Traffic of the Code of the City of East Grand Rapids, was discussed.

144-A. Maxfield-Clary. That the following ordinance be adopted:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 10.5  
OF CHAPTER 105 - TRAFFIC, OF TITLE X -  
TRAFFIC OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF  
EAST GRAND RAPIDS

The City of East Grand Rapids ordains:

Section 1. Section 10.5 of Chapter 105 of Title X of the East Grand Rapids City Code is amended by repealing and deleting subsection 8.10(s) thereof entitled "Parking of Vehicles" relating to the parking of vehicles on a public street in the City of East Grand Rapids between the hours of 3:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m.

Section 2. This ordinance shall be published in accordance with the requirements of the City Charter and shall be effective immediately, this 24th day of October, 1977.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

145. The revised Water & Sewer Service Agreement with the City of Grand Rapids was discussed. The City Attorney submitted a list of recommended language changes.

145-A. Remien-Gale. That the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign the Agreement as submitted with such changes as may be approved by the City Attorney.

Yeas: Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0  
Commissioner Clary abstained.

146. A letter from the City Attorney and Attorney General's opinion regarding contribution by municipalities to private non-profit corporations was discussed. The City Attorney was directed to draw up a simple contract which meets the requirements of the Attorney General's opinion that can be used in the future.

147. A letter from the City of Grand Rapids notifying us of an appeal coming before the Grand Rapids Zoning Appeals on November 3rd, to erect a doctor's office in a residential zone at 1800 Hall Street SE, was received for information.

148. A memorandum from the City Manager regarding the 208 Area-Wide Waste Treatment Management Plan was reviewed.

148-A. Clary-Maxfield. That Dr. Donald Norris be invited to appear before the City Commission on November 7, 1977, to discuss this plan as it relates to East Grand Rapids.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

149. A letter from Hon. Steven Monsma, State Representative, 93rd District, regarding Senate Bill 714 was received for information.

150. A letter from Hon. Donald W. Reigle, United States Senator, regarding HR 2752 was received for information.

151. The minutes of the Traffic Commission meeting held October 11, 1977, were received and filed.

152. A letter from residents on Beechwood requesting the closing of Beechwood Drive at the corner of Hall and Breton, was referred to the Traffic Commission.

153. Mrs. Barbara Hoag and Mr. Thomas Robberson, co-chairpersons of the Citizens' Advisory Committee, reported as to the progress the Committee is making and requested that \$2,500 be appropriated for use by the Committee for communication costs and for the payment of speakers.

153-A. Gale-Maxfield. That this Commission appropriate \$2,500 for the use of the Citizens' Advisory Committee, that these funds be dispersed by the City Treasurer upon request, and that this sum be transferred from contingencies to the Lake Restoration Account.

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: Clary - 1

The motion carried.

154. Mr. Allen Trimpe, 1741 Ridgewood, and Mr. Lensworth Cottrell, 1441 Ridgewood, were present to inform this Commission that the City of Grand Rapids is considering the improvement of Ridgewood south of the East Grand Rapids City Limits, and expressed their concern with traffic and the very difficult intersection at Lake Drive and Elmwood.

154-A. Frost-Maxfield. That the City Manager send a letter to the City of Grand Rapids informing them of the poorly configured intersection at Lake Drive and Elmwood, and advising them that for this reason this Commission recommends to the City of Grand Rapids that if they deem it necessary to improve Ridgewood, a cul-de-sac be constructed at the Grand Rapids City Limits in Grand Rapids.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

155. The City Manager distributed information relative to the Women's Resource Center including a request that the City contribute to the project.

156. The City Manager recommended that Mr. Ehlers, Kent County Commissioner, be invited to discuss the County Landfill program at the November 7th meeting.

157. The City Manager reported that he has hired William Bacon as Administrative Aide and that he will start November 14th.

158. It was requested that Mr. Gilmore be asked to meet with the City Commission after its regular meeting on November 7, 1977, to discuss his plans.

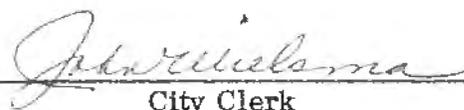
159. Gale-Remien. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$49,224.78, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$28,093.87, as approved by the Ways & Means Committee, be allowed and that the Controller be authorized to draw an order on the Treasurer for their respective amounts.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

160. Commissioner Maxfield reported that he has received a petition from residents on Elmwood Drive requesting "Stop" signs and "Speed Limit" signs placed at various locations on their street. This item was referred to the Traffic Commission.

161. There were 16 residents in attendance at this meeting.

162. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, until November 7, 1977.



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

Regular Meeting Held November 7, 1977

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

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

Absent: Nono.

163. The minutes of the meeting held October 24, 1977, were approved as written.

164. Dr. Donald Norris, West Michigan Regional Planning Commission, was present to discuss the "208" Waste Water Treatment Plan and encouraged the Commission to designate itself as a management agency. He stated that those units of government who do not accept such designation would lose future grant eligibility. He further stated that there would be no new responsibilities should the City become a management agency.

164-A. Clary-Maxfield. That this matter be tabled.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 7

Nays: 0

165. A letter from T. Daniel Mulvihill regarding the use of cable TV revenues to help offset the cost of the restoration of Reeds and Fisk Lakes was received. It was recommended that this letter be referred to the Citizens' Advisory Committee. The City Manager stated that the Consent Agreement regarding the cable TV has been reviewed by the City Attorney and that his comments will be mailed to the City Commissioners.

166. The City Attorney submitted a form of contract which can be used in connection with the payment to ACT as well as payments to similar organizations for similar purposes.

166-A. Gale-Remien. That the contract, as prepared by the City Attorney, be used as a basic form of agreement between the City and agencies requesting funding.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 7

Nays: 0

167. A request from the Women's Resource Center for a contribution of \$1,000 and from the Jellema House, Inc., for a request of a contribution of \$950 were received.

167-A. Clary-Remien. That these requests be referred to a work session for the purpose of establishing criteria which can be used in determining what organizations and programs the City is to participate in.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 7

Nays: 0

168. The City Manager reported on estimates which were obtained for construction of an enclosure for Manhattan field. This program requires enclosing the parking lot and the construction of a barrier from bushline to bushline. Two types of materials were discussed:

1. Posts with galvanized rope.
2. 4-foot chain link fence.

There were two estimates for each design which were as follows:

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|-------------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. Posts with galvanized rope | \$2,073 and \$2,623 |
| 2. 4-foot chain link fence    | \$1,384 and \$1,649 |

The above costs were based on the projects being contracted to an outside firm. It was suggested that a cost comparison be prepared which would use our staff to do as much of the installation as possible.

169. Dr. Vernon Ehlers was present to discuss with the City Commission the question of requiring licensed waste haulers in the City of East Grand Rapids to utilize the Plainfield Landfill. He stated that the increase in cost would probably not exceed 20¢ per month per family. Ramifications, as a result of complying with this contract requirement, were discussed. It was decided that the City Attorney prepare for consideration an ordinance amendment which would require haulers doing business in East Grand Rapids to use the Plainfield Landfill.

170. The City Manager reported on quotations for re-roofing the City Complex buildings. He stated that original roofing carries an 18-year guarantee; however, the supplier is willing to give only a \$1,299.96 credit. It was decided that the City Manager continue to obtain quotations and that the City Attorney investigate this matter to determine whether there is any course of action the City can take to recover some of the costs. This matter was then referred to a Committee-of-the-Whole session.

171. A report on stump removal bids was received.

171-A. Remien-Maxfield. That the contract for stump removal be awarded to the low bidder, Mr. Ken Poortenga, in the amount of \$1,497.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

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

173. A letter from J. Brock Albert requesting the improvement of Arlington Road from Cascade Road to the north lot line of Lot 36 was received for information.

174. A letter from J. Brock Albert requesting a zoning variance to allow a 2-family residence at 3118 Cascade Road SE, was received for information. A hearing will be held November 21 on this request.

175. Mr. & Mrs. Sarne, 647 Lovett, were present to request the removal of the "No Parking" restriction on their street. This matter will be considered at the next Traffic Commission meeting which will be held at 8:15 a.m., on November 15, 1977.

176. The City Manager reported that an item will appear on the next agenda regarding a modification of the contract with Consumers Power Company to allow the installation of a street light at the end of Kingswood 365 feet south of Cascade Road, and for lighting on Estelle and Eastlawn.

177. The Mayor scheduled a Committee-of-the-Whole session for 7:00 a.m., November 14, 1977.

178. The Mayor reported that he has received an invitation from the Easttown Community Association to attend the opening ceremonies of the town hall which is located at 415 Ethel. This event will be held at 1:00 p.m., on Saturday, November 5, 1977.

179. Worfel-Gale. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$484,215.16, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$37,716.77, 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: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

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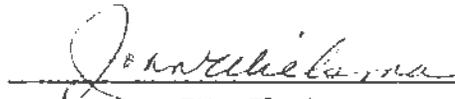
180. Commissioner Gale reported that he has received a request from citizens to have the Code enforced relative to improperly parked recreational vehicles.

181. Commissioner Maxfield requested that revision of the dog ordinance be considered. The City Attorney was asked to review the ordinance and make a recommendation.

182. Commissioner Maxfield inquired about the possibility of improving Laurel from Boston to Heather Downs Pool.

183. There were five residents in attendance at this meeting.

184. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, until November 21, 1977.

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

Regular Meeting Held November 21, 1977

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

Present: Coms. Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel and Mayor Stoppels.  
Absent: None.

184. The minutes of the meeting held November 7, 1977, were approved as written.

185. Pursuant to public notice, a hearing was then held upon the request of Kirk W. Rottschaffer for a zoning variance to permit reduction of the total sideyard requirement from 40 ft. to 18 ft. and to allow construction of a two-family home at 735 Bagley SE. Mr. Rottschaffer was present to explain the need for this variance. Mr. Dallas Carpenter, Mr. Mike Clay, Mr. Dick Burke and Ms. Nancy Selfridge objected to this variance. Mr. Dick Burke submitted a petition which contained 21 signatures of residents living on Bagley, Croswell and Lake Drive objecting to this variance.

185-A. Gale-Remien. That this Commission, acting as the Board of Zoning Appeals, deny the request of Mr. Rottschaffer for a variance.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

186. Because of improper notification, the hearing on the request of Albert Builders, Inc. for permission to construct a two-family home in a single-family district at 3118 Cascade Road, was deferred to the next meeting of the City Commission which will be held December 5, 1977.

187. The request from Albert Builders, Inc. for the improvement of Arlington from Cascade Road to the north line of Lot 36 of Robinson Road Plat was discussed. Mr. J. Brock Albert was present to discuss this request. It was reported that none of the residents in this area favor this improvement.

187-A. Worfel-Gale. That the request of Albert Builders, Inc. to improve Arlington Road from Cascade Road to the north lot line of Lot 36 of Robinson Road Plat be denied and that should further interest be developed from other property owners affected by this improvement, that this Commission will then consider scheduling a hearing for this improvement.

Yeas: Clary, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel - 5  
Nays: Frost, Stoppels - 2

188. The question of changing the Dog Ordinance was discussed. Mr. Mark Miller, Kent County Animal Control Officer, was present but was called out of the meeting prior to his presentation. Commissioners Worfel and Maxfield submitted a recommended animal control program for East Grand Rapids and a copy of the ordinance of the City of Wyoming. After considerable discussion, it was directed that this item be placed on a Committee-of-the-Whole agenda for November 28, 1977, and also on the agenda of the regular City Commission meeting to be held December 5, 1977.

189. The proposed Water & Sewer Service Agreement between the City of East Grand Rapids and the City of Grand Rapids, as revised, was reviewed.

189-A. Clary-Gale. That the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign the Water & Sewer Service Agreement between the City of Grand Rapids and the City of East Grand Rapids.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

190. The City Manager gave an oral report on quotations that were obtained for the purpose of re-roofing the City Buildings and recommended that the contract be awarded to Boorstein-Zank Roofing Company in the amount of \$13,750.00, which was the low bid, and that this sum be transferred from Contingencies to the Building Repair Account.

190-A. Gale-Remien. That the contract for re-roofing the City Buildings be awarded to Boorstein-Zank Roofing Company in the amount of \$13,750.00, and that this amount be transferred from the Contingency Fund to the Building Repair Account.

Be It Further Resolved that the City Manager continue to seek an equitable settlement from the initial supplier of the shingles.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

191. The City Manager submitted a report regarding the Manhattan Recreation Field enclosure and brought to the attention of the City Commission the need to amend the lease with the East Grand Rapids Public Schools as it relates to the tennis courts and also that the School has requested an amendment to the lease to eliminate public access to the parking lot.

191-A. Gale-Maxfield. That the recommendation for the Manhattan Recreation Field enclosure be tabled.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

191-B. Frost-Clary. That staff be directed to take the necessary action to amend the lease with the East Grand Rapids Public Schools to include the entire area of the tennis courts.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

191-C. Clary-Maxfield. That the staff be directed to draft an amendment to said lease to exclude the parking lot access and that this amendment be brought back to the City Commission before it is executed.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

192. Information was distributed to the Commissioners regarding the joining of the Michigan Municipal League Municipal Unemployment Compensation Group Account for the purpose of administering the City's unemployment compensation program. It was the consensus of the Commission that the City of East Grand Rapids not join this group at this time.

193. Resolutions authorizing the installation of street lights on Kingswood and at Estelle and Eastlawn were received from Consumers Power Company.

193-A. Frost-Clary. That the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to execute the change in Standard Street Lighting Contract to provide for a street light on Kingswood and at Estelle and Eastlawn.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

194. A financial report from the Grand Rapids Area Chamber of Commerce regarding the Metropolitan Area Economic Development Committee activities was received for information.

195. Information from the Human Resources Department regarding general-local revenue requests was received for information.

196. The City Manager distributed a letter received from General Electric Cablevision Corporation regarding the Consent Agreement for providing service to East Grand Rapids which states that an appropriation to provide for service to East Grand Rapids will receive final approval from the corporate headquarters within the next week.

197. The City Manager distributed the proposed Employment Agreement between the City of East Grand Rapids and the Fire Department employees.

197-A. Clary-Remien. That the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign this Agreement which is to include a 6% increase in wages retroactive to July 1, 1977, a 6% increase in wages beginning July 1, 1978, and effective through June 30, 1980, and the inclusion of the 47-F waiver relating to the Municipal Employees' Retirement System to become effective July 1, 1979.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 7

Nays: 0

198. Commissioner Gale requested that a report be submitted regarding the parking of recreational vehicles in the residential area and a review of ordinances which relate to the maintenance of homes be placed on the agenda of December 5, 1977. He further requested that the Ordinance Code be updated.

199. Commissioner Gale reported that the Parks & Recreation Commission has offered to assist in preparing a city brochure, should it not be completed by the special committee on or before January 1, 1978.

200. Commissioner Gale distributed copies of House Bill 4055 and Senate Bill 749 to the Commissioners which contain new Civil Rights provisions, and recommended that the City Manager and City Attorney review our ordinances as they relate to compliance with the State's requirements.

201. Gale-Worfel. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$156,787.21, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$29,084.27, 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: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 7

Nays: 0

202. Commissioner Frost reported that the Grand Rapids Area Transit Authority will be in serious financial difficulty should the State Legislature not continue funding mass transit systems. He further stated that should the State not appropriate funds for this purpose, the federal funding will also be withheld. He recommended that the Commissioners contact the area legislators to urge them to pass the appropriate legislation.

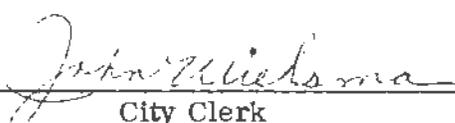
203. Mayor Stoppels read a letter he received from Lake Drive Baptist Church commending the City on the excellent services it provides, enclosing a contribution in the amount of \$350.00 to be used for Fire and Police protection, or for street maintenance.

204. A letter from the Department of Commerce announcing a major program entitled "Project Conserve" which will be starting in our community within the next month was received for information.

205. Commissioner Clary reported that the president of the Michigan Municipal League has requested him to continue his membership for another term on the Labor Relations Committee of the League and inquired if there were any objections from the Mayor or Commissioners. There being none, the Mayor and Commissioners commended him for his participation in this activity.

206. There were 13 residents in attendance at this meeting.

207. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, until December 5, 1977.

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

Regular Meeting Held December 5, 1977

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

Present: Coms. Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel and Mayor Stoppels.  
Absent: None.

208. The minutes of the meeting held November 21, 1977, were approved as written.

209. Pursuant to public notice, a hearing was held upon the zoning variance request of Albert Builders, Inc., to construct a two-family home in a single-family district at 3118 Cascade Road SE. Mr. Albert was present to discuss his request with the Commission. Letters opposing this variance request were received from Bernie Lueder, 262 Manhattan Road; William Seeger, 322 Manhattan Road; and Mr. and Mrs. Roger Harrison, 250 Manhattan Road. Commissioner Clary reported that he had spoken personally with all neighbors along Manhattan and Cascade Roads and that everyone indicated opposition to the project.

209-A. Clary-Gale. That this Commission, acting as the Board of Zoning Appeals, refer the request of Albert Builders, Inc. to the Planning Commission for its consideration and that it review the potential land use of the entire area.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

210. The animal control program recommended by Commissioners Worfel and Maxfield was discussed. Commissioner Clary introduced County Commissioner Jerry DeRuiter, who stated that he was the chairman of the Animal Control Advisory Committee of Kent County, and was interested in establishing a cooperative program with East Grand Rapids. He stated that plans to enlarge the Animal Shelter, which are being finalized, will make possible accommodating more dogs. The following persons expressed their interest and concern regarding the animal control program: Paul Seibold, 943 Lakeside Drive; Wallace Rickard, 1533 Woodcliff Drive; Lucy Welch, 3188 Bonnell Avenue; Walter Freihofer, 1940 El Dorado Drive; A. Newton Dille, 436 Cambridge Blvd.; William Remien, 2019 Argentina Drive; Fred Sarne, 647 Lovett Street; William Ruoff, 1720 York Drive; Deanne Carr, 1739 Breton Road; and John Peterson, 2721 Darby Road.

Letters were received from the following persons commenting on the animal control program: Mrs. Dorothy Smith, 1770 Warwick Road; Tom Fox, 942 Plymouth Road; Walter B. Freihofer, 1940 El Dorado Drive.

210-A. Maxfield-Gale. That this Commission discuss with the County Animal Control Committee a possible agreement between the City and County and that this matter be placed on the agenda of December 19, 1977.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

211. A report was received from the Controller recommending water and sewer rate reductions.

211-A. Clary-Remien. That the following ordinance be adopted:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE  
CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS BY AMENDING  
SECTION 2.83 OF CHAPTER 19 OF TITLE I OF  
SAID CODE AND BY ADDING NEW SECTION 2.83a  
AND 2.83b TO SAID CODE AND BY AMENDING THE  
TITLE OF SAID CHAPTER.

(Relative to Water Rates and Sewer Rates)

## THE CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS ORDAINS:

Section 1. The title of Chapter 19 of Title I of the Code of the City of East Grand Rapids is amended to read as follows:

## "CHAPTER 19 - WATER AND SEWER RATES"

Section 2. Section 2.83 of Chapter 19 of Title I of the Code of the City of East Grand Rapids is amended to read as follows:

"2.83. Water Rates. Charges for water service shall be payable every three months. The charge for water service shall be a total of the Consumption Rate of 70 cents per 1,000 gallons and the following quarterly meter service charge depending on meter size:

1/2"- 3/4" Meter - \$4.75	2" Meter - \$34.00
1" Meter - \$8.50	3" Meter - \$76.00
1-1/4" Meter - \$13.00	4" Meter - \$135.00
1-1/2" Meter - \$19.00	6" Meter - \$305.00

Section 3. Said Chapter 19 is amended by adding Section 2.83a and 2.83b to read as follows:

"2.83a. Sewer Rates. Charges for sanitary sewer service shall be payable every three months. The charges for sanitary sewer service shall be 45 cents per 1,000 gallons of water consumption and shall be based on water consumption during the preceding winter quarter for each user. For the purposes of this section the winter quarter shall mean the 3-month period ending, as to each user, on either the last day of December, January, or February preceding the billing date."

"2.83b. Rate Adjustments. The rates for water and sewer service established by this ordinance shall be automatically adjusted from time to time in an amount equal to such adjustments in rates as may be made in the charges by the City of Grand Rapids to the City of East Grand Rapids for such services and any such adjustments in rates shall be effective as of the effective date of the change in the rates charged by the City of Grand Rapids to the City of East Grand Rapids for such service."

Section 4. This ordinance shall be effective immediately upon enactment and shall be published in full within 10 days after its enactment pursuant to the provisions of Chapter VIII, Section 5, of the City Charter.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

212. The City Manager submitted a report regarding the exterior housekeeping requirements of the East Grand Rapids Ordinance Code. He reported that no ordinance exists which directly requires a person to paint the exterior of his home. The City Attorney and the City Manager pointed out the possibility of adoption, by reference, of the BOCA Housing-Property Maintenance Code. This matter will be reviewed by the Attorney and City Manager and more information will be forthcoming at a later date.

213. A report from the Local Officers' Compensation Commission was received. It was decided to place this item on the agenda of the next regular City Commission meeting which will be held December 19, 1977.

214. A memorandum from the City Manager regarding the non-bargaining unit employees' wage revisions was received.

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214-A. Clary-Remien. That this Commission authorize a 6% increase for the non-bargaining employees to be effective July 1, 1977.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

215. The minutes of the Traffic Commission meeting held November 15, 1977, were received and filed.

216. Reports for the month of November, of the Fire Department and Police Department activities were received and filed.

217. Minutes of the Committee-of-the-Whole session held November 28, 1977, were received for information.

218. Commissioner Worfel reported that the "Yield" sign at San Lucia and San Lu Rae has been knocked down and should be replaced.

219. Gale-Worfel. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$27,448.65, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$42,463.21, 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: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

220. There were 38 persons in attendance at this meeting.

221. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, until December 19, 1977.

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

Regular Meeting Held December 19, 1977

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

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

Absent: None.

222. The minutes of the meeting held December 5, 1977, were corrected by inserting the word "non-bargaining" in place of "non-uniform" in Item 214-A. The minutes were then approved as corrected.

223. The Mayor reported on the joint meeting held December 14, by the East Grand Rapids City Commission and the Kent County Animal Control Committee. He stated that the County offered to provide East Grand Rapids with animal control service at \$6.50 per hour and 20¢ per mile driven in a County supplied truck. The Mayor suggested that the City subcontract with the County for this additional enforcement. The County would be responsible for paying the costs of administration, dispatching, animal care and office expense related to the program. Mr. Mark Miller was present to answer questions. Letters supporting an animal control program were received from Sally J. Beaudoin, Harry Loeffers, Jr., and Dr. M. C. Andrea. After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Worfel and supported by Commissioner Maxfield that the City of East Grand Rapids contract with the County for increased animal control in conformity with the memorandum received from Mr. Mark Miller, Kent County Animal Control Warden, by which a full-time control officer would be assigned to our city and, that further, the City Attorney review and approve said contract before submission to the City Commission and recommend ordinance changes.

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Worfel, Stoppels - 6

Nays: Remien - 1

The motion carried.

223-A. Commissioner Clary suggested that a committee of this Commission be appointed to represent this Commission in the negotiations with the County and report back to the Commission. Mayor Stoppels established the committee and appointed Commissioners Worfel, Maxfield and Gale as members of this committee.

224. The report and recommendation from the Local Officers' Compensation Commission regarding the salary of the Mayor and Commissioners was discussed.

224-A. Maxfield-Gale. That this Commission reject the recommendation of the Local Officers' Compensation Commission.

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel - 4

Nays: Clary, Frost, Stoppels - 3

The motion carried.

225. A letter from Donald E. Johnson, Mayor of the City of Muskegon, regarding the establishment of a constitutional convention was received. The consensus of the Commission was that no position would be taken as a group, but that individual Commissioners would be welcome to convey their opinions to Mayor Johnson.

226. A memorandum regarding the City's compliance with Civil Rights legislation was received. After discussion by the Commissioners and a resident, Mr. Victor Smedstad, it was moved by Commissioner Gale and supported by Commissioner Worfel that the staff draft an ordinance to comply with the State Ordinance on fair housing.

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Worfel - 4  
Nays: Clary, Remien, Stoppels - 3

The motion carried.

226-A. On request of Commissioner Gale, the Mayor directed that the Affirmative Action Plan which was presented to this Commission on January 15, 1976, be re-submitted for review by this Commission, and that a copy of our current policy, as it relates to contractors doing business with the City of East Grand Rapids, be submitted to this Commission.

227. The City Manager submitted a communication regarding the receipt by the City of East Grand Rapids of approval from the Department of Housing and Urban Development of the City's request for funding of the rehabilitation program. He reported that the Department of Housing and Urban Development has submitted a Grant Agreement for signature.

227-A. Gale-Worfel. That the Mayor be authorized to sign the Grant Agreement regarding funding for the rehabilitation program.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

228. The City Manager reported on bids which were received for the purchase of four police cars and stated that the low bidder requested that his bid be withdrawn because of errors in calculations.

228-A. Frost-Remien. That the bids which were received December 9, 1977, for four police cars be rejected and that bids be re-advertised.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

229. The City Controller submitted a resolution that 25% of monies received from the State of Michigan for Major Street purposes be transferred to the Local Street Fund.

229-A. Clary-Remien. That the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, Act 51 of P.A. 1951, as amended, permits a local unit of government to transfer to the Local Street Fund an amount not to exceed 25% of monies received from the State of Michigan for Major Street purposes; and

WHEREAS, our experience has indicated that the expenditures in the Local Street Fund far exceeds the revenues we receive from the State of Michigan for Local Street purposes;

NOW, THEREFORE, Be It Resolved that this Commission authorize the transfer from the Major Street Fund to the Local Street Fund an amount which equals 25% of monies received in the fiscal year of 1977/78 from the State of Michigan for Major Street purposes.

Yeas: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

230. The Building Inspector's report for the month of November was received and filed.

231. The minutes of the East Grand Rapids Planning Commission of their meeting held December 13, 1977, were received and filed.

232. Commissioner Clary reported that there will be a meeting of the City School Joint Facilities Committee on January 5, 1978, at which time items such as Manhattan Phase II Nature Trail, reconstruction of the track located on the East Grand Rapids High School property and the City's participation in the cost of this track, and vandalism at the Manhattan Recreation Center will be discussed. He requested that any Commissioners who have comments regarding these items contact him or George Gale or Mayor Stoppels who are the other members on this particular committee.

233. Gale-Worfel. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$791,834.71, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$39,995.06, 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: Clary, Frost, Gale, Maxfield, Remien, Worfel, Stoppels - 7

Nays: 0

234. The City Manager distributed a smoke detector resource catalog to Commissioners interested in this matter.

235. There were seven residents in attendance at this meeting.

236. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, until January 9, 1978.

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City Clerk