

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

Regular Meeting Held January 6, 1975

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Baxter.

Present: Coms. Remien, Pierce, Clary, Stoppels, Robberson, and Mayor Baxter.  
Absent: Com. Cooper.

178. The minutes of the meeting held December 23, 1974 were corrected by inserting the word "12-inch" storm drain in place of "12-foot" storm drain in Item 164. They were then approved as corrected.

179. Mr. Winfred Ettesvold was present to discuss the activities of the Grand River Watershed Council. After a lengthy discussion it was moved by Commissioner Remien and supported by Commissioner Pierce that the City of East Grand Rapids participate in the Grand River Watershed Council in the amount of \$628.25. Commissioner Clary stated his opposition to the City's participation in the Grand River Watershed Council and pointed out that only 20% of the governmental units within the flood plain area of the Grand River participate in this Council. Mr. Ettesvold responded that 80% of the population lives within the units who do participate. Mr. Clary also said that there appears to be a proliferation of governmental as well as private agencies who perform the same functions as the Grand River Watershed Council. Other Commissioners also expressed themselves on the subject.

179-A. Mayor Baxter-Clary. That this Commission defer action on this matter until a later date to permit further study.

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: Clary, Pierce, Stoppels, Baxter - 4  
Nays: Robberson, Remien - 2

The motion carried.

180. Departmental reports for the month of December of the Building Inspector, Fire Department, and Police Department were received and filed.

181.

BY COMMISSIONERS STOPPELS-ROBBERSON:

RESOLVED that the statement of preliminary proceedings with respect to this proposed improvement having been filed with the City Clerk, a public hearing be held before the City Commission at the City Hall on Monday, February 3, 1975, at 7:30 p.m. relative to necessity of the proposed improvement consisting of grading, proper base, asphalt wearing surface, combination curb and gutter, concrete drive approaches, concrete sidewalks, 12" storm drain, catch basins, and other necessary appurtenances and underground work on

ARUNDEL ROAD from Melrose Drive to Conlon Drive, and  
YORK DRIVE from Berwyck Road to Arundel Road, and  
MELROSE DRIVE from Berwyck Road to Norfolk Road

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

Yeas: Remien, Pierce, Clary, Stoppels, Robberson, Baxter - 6  
Nays: 0

182.

BY COMMISSIONERS STOPPELS-ROBBERSON:

RESOLVED that the statement of preliminary proceedings with respect to this proposed improvement having been filed with the City Clerk, a public hearing be held before the City Commission at the City Hall on Monday, February 3, 1975, at 7:30 p.m. relative to necessity of the proposed improvement consisting of WATERMAIN, including the necessary services, and underground work on

ARUNDEL ROAD from York Drive to Conlon Drive, and  
MELROSE DRIVE from Arundel Road to Berwyck Road

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

Yeas: Remien, Pierce, Clary, Stoppels, Robberson, Baxter - 6

Nays: 0

183.

BY COMMISSIONERS STOPPELS-ROBBERSON:

RESOLVED that the statement of preliminary proceedings with respect to this proposed improvement having been filed with the City Clerk, a public hearing be held before the City Commission at the City Hall on Monday, February 3, 1975, at 7:30 p.m. relative to necessity of the proposed improvement consisting of SANITARY SEWER, including the necessary laterals and underground work on

ARUNDEL ROAD from Melrose Drive to Conlon Drive, and  
YORK DRIVE from Berwyck Road to Arundel Road, and  
MELROSE DRIVE from Berwyck Road to Norfolk Road

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

Yeas: Remien, Clary, Pierce, Stoppels, Robberson, Baxter - 6

Nays: 0

184. Commissioner Clary suggested establishing a committee to study the feasibility of publishing a monthly newsletter to be distributed to the East Grand Rapids residents. Mayor Baxter appointed Commissioners Clary, Pierce, and Robberson to this committee and asked Mr. Clary to call a meeting of the committee.

185. Pierce-Remien. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$1,047,816.75, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$37,060.62, 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: Remien, Pierce, Clary, Stoppels, Robberson, Baxter - 6

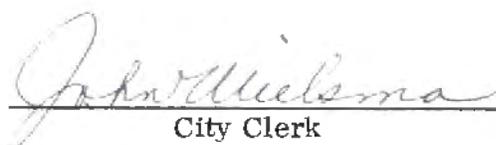
Nays: 0

186. There were five residents in attendance at this meeting.

187. Remien-Pierce. That the meeting be adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, until January 20, 1975.

Yeas: Remien, Pierce, Clary, Stoppels, Robberson, Baxter - 6

Nays: 0

  
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City Clerk

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

Regular Meeting Held January 20, 1975

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Baxter.

Present: Coms. Clary, Remien, Pierce, Robberson, Stoppels, and Mayor Baxter.  
Absent: Com. Cooper.

188. Mayor Baxter presented Mr. Ivan Porter with a Civic Service Award plaque for services rendered as volunteer tax consultant for senior citizens in our community. Mr. Porter has spent innumerable hours in this area which is very much appreciated by the City Commission and the citizens of East Grand Rapids.

189. The minutes of the meeting held January 6, 1975 were approved as written.

190. Pursuant to public notice, a hearing was then held on the request of Mr. Wayne Stone, 2436 Santa Monica Dr. SE, to permit construction of a family room at the rear of his residence which would be attached to the northwest corner of his garage. A letter from Mr. & Mrs. Wayne Mawhinney of 2426 Santa Monica Dr. approving of this request was received and filed.

190-A. Pierce-Remien. That this Commission, acting as the Board of Zoning Appeals, approve this variance request providing that the grantee comply with the building codes as they relate to construction of a fire wall for attached garages.

Yeas: Clary, Remien, Pierce, Robberson, Stoppels, Baxter - 6  
Nays: 0

191. Mr. Harold Davidson and Mr. Gary Humphries, representing the audit firm of Ernst & Ernst, were present to discuss the management letter as it pertained to the 1973-74 audit report.

192. The City Manager reported on the Borderline Street Agreement with the City of Grand Rapids and recommended its adoption.

192-A. Remien-Robberson. That the Borderline Street Agreement be renewed for another three year period and that the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign this Agreement.

Yeas: Clary, Remien, Pierce, Robberson, Stoppels, Baxter - 6  
Nays: 0

193. Mr. Bill Buffum, Director of A. C. T. East, was present to discuss some of the happenings that are occurring in the East Grand Rapids branch of the Advisory Center for Teens and invited the Commissioners to an open house to be held January 30 from 2 o'clock to 8 o'clock at the Center located at 652 Lovett St. SE.

194. Upon reviewing the Traffic Commission report, a discussion was held regarding making Sherman Street a one-way street eastbound.

194-A. Remien-Mayor Baxter. That Sherman Street be designated as a one-way street, eastbound, on a trial basis and that the City Manager be directed to send a letter to the residents on Sherman, Laurel and Locust Streets informing them of this motion.

Yeas: Clary, Remien, Pierce, Robberson, Stoppels, Baxter - 6  
Nays: 0

Commissioner Cooper arrived at this time.

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195. Pierce-Cooper. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$1,455,383.96, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$40,641.71, 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, Cooper, Remien, Pierce, Robberson, Stoppels, Baxter - 7  
Nays: 0

196. Commissioner Clary reported that he has been appointed by the Michigan Municipal League to serve on their Labor Relations Committee and that a committee meeting will be held this Friday to discuss Act 312 which relates to police and fire compulsory arbitration.

197. The Mayor reported that Mr. Chase, who is the chairman of the millage committee for the East Grand Rapids Public School millage vote which will be coming up on March 10, 1975, has asked that a member of the City Commission be present at their committee meeting which will be held at 7:30 p.m. in the School Administration Building on January 21, 1975. Commissioner Stoppels was designated as the member of the City Commission to attend this meeting.

198. The City Manager reported on the progress of the East Grand Rapids building lawsuit.

199. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, until February 3, 1975.

  
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City Clerk

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

Regular Meeting Held February 3, 1975

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Baxter.

Present: Coms. Cooper, Robberson, Stoppels, and Mayor Baxter.

Absent: Coms. Clary, Pierce, and Remien.

200. The minutes of the meeting held January 20, 1975, were approved as written.

201. Pursuant to public notice, a hearing was then held on the vacation of portions of Arundel and Melrose. Several interested parties were present to discuss this issue. Mr. Daniel C. Molhoek, representing Breton Village, reported that it has purchased the lots that were owned by Mr. Al Leavitt and Mrs. Bess Albert in this plat, which significantly changes the majority petition which was submitted some time previously. He stated that Breton Village objects to the vacation or improvement of Arundel, Melrose and York, primarily because the cost of the improvement would be greater than the value of these lots. Breton Village wishes to construct, some time in the future, a parking lot for employees of Breton Village. Mr. & Mrs. D. A. Pengelly and others objected to such a proposal and asked that the streets be improved and homes constructed in this area.

201-A. Robberson-Stoppels. That the portion of Melrose from Arundel south to the city limits be vacated reserving the full width of this vacated portion for public utilities and sidewalk.

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: Robberson - 1

Nays: Cooper, Stoppels, Baxter - 3

The motion failed.

201-B. The City Manager recommended that the owners of the lots in Paris Road Uplands consider replatting this land to better utilize the property.

201-C. Robberson-Cooper. That this hearing be adjourned until March 10, 1975 to permit Mr. Jim Albert and Breton Village representatives time to work out the problems in this area with the residents.

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: Cooper, Robberson, Stoppels, Baxter - 4

Nays: 0

The motion carried.

201-D. Commissioner Robberson requested that propertyowners be notified of the March 10 adjourned hearing.

202. The Election Commission submitted a certification of those persons who filed nomination petitions for the City Primary Election. This report was received and filed.

203. The annual report of the Fire Department and the monthly report of the Assessor-Building Inspector were received and filed.

204. The financial statement for a 6-month period ended December 31, 1974 was received and filed.

205. The City Manager reported that Mr. Peter Wege, who has been the East Grand Rapids representative on the East Belfline Association, has submitted his resignation. The Manager encouraged the Commissioners to contact the Mayor regarding persons they feel should be appointed to this position to fill this vacancy.

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206. The City Manager reported that the City Engineer is in the process of mailing between 65 and 130 notifications to persons in East Grand Rapids who have their storm drains connected to the sanitary sewer and directing them to disconnect.

207. The City Manager reported that the Michigan Municipal League is holding a Legislative Conference in Lansing on February 20th and requested that those interested in attending this Conference contact the City Clerk no later than February 7, 1975.

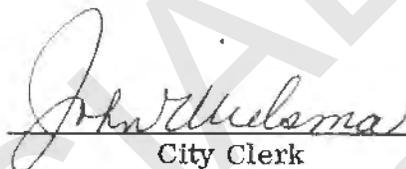
208. Cooper-Stoppels. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$625,279.45, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$38,391.17, as approved by the Ways & Means Committee be allowed and the Controller be authorized to draw an order on the Treasurer for their respective amounts.

Yeas: Cooper, Robberson, Stoppels, Baxter - 4

Nays: 0

209. There were 18 residents in attendance at this meeting.

210. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, until February 24, 1975.

  
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City Clerk

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

Regular Meeting Held February 24, 1975

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Baxter.

Present: Coms. Cooper, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels, and Mayor Baxter.

Absent: Com. Clary.

211. The minutes of the meeting held February 3, 1975, were approved as written.

212. Pursuant to public notice, a hearing was then held upon the request of J. C. Hook and J. T. Aalsburg for a zoning variance for construction of a multi-unit residence at the northwest corner of Plymouth and Wealthy. Petitions with approximately 250 signatures were presented to the Commission opposing any change of the zoning to permit construction of an apartment complex in this location. Several letters were also received objecting to this request. Several residents in attendance at this meeting expressed objections. Petitions with 186 signatures were received requesting that the owners of this property be required to grade and seed the property to conform with the character of the surrounding residential area.

212-A. Pierce-Remien. That this Commission, acting as the Board of Zoning Appeals, deny the request for variance.

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: Cooper, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels, Baxter - 6

Nays: 0

The motion carried and the request was denied.

213. A request from Switchboard for financial assistance was received.

213-A. Cooper-Remien. That this request be tabled until the next meeting to permit the director of Switchboard to supply the Commission with additional information.

Yeas: Cooper, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels, Baxter - 6

Nays: 0

214. A request from A.C.T. for continuation of financial support for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1975 through June 30, 1976 was received.

214-A. Stoppels-Cooper.

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 adolescent/young adult mental health center for Kent County, is a non-profit organization incorporated 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, 1975 - June 30, 1976 based on the Association of Grand Rapids Area Governments (AGRAG) formula.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Commission of the City of East Grand Rapids will provide to the Advisory Center for Teens 4.25% of the total of \$27,000 needed amounting to \$1,147.50 during the 1975-1976 fiscal year for the purpose of providing professional counseling and assistance for adolescents/young adults regardless of problem.

Yeas: Cooper, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels, Baxter - 6  
Nays: 0

215. A letter was received from Mr. Peter Wege recommending several names of persons who would be interested to serve on the East Beltline Association. After some discussion the Mayor, with the concurrence of the Commission, appointed Mr. Jack Steketee to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Peter Wege on the East Beltline Association Board of Directors.

216. A note thanking the Commissioners for their thoughtfulness in sending flowers was received from Commissioner Jack Clary.

217. The City Manager reported on plans for remodeling certain sections of the lower level of the City Hall and the Library. He recommended that a contract be entered into with Steketee's Contract Interiors in an amount not to exceed \$10,316.00 and that \$3,000.00 be transferred from General Fund surplus to cover the non-budgeted portion of this amount.

217-A. Robberson-Pierce. That the City Manager be authorized to proceed with the remodeling of the lower level of the City Hall and Library and to enter into the contract with Steketee's Contract Interiors in an amount not to exceed \$10,316.00 and that \$3,000.00 be transferred from General Fund surplus to cover the un-budgeted portion of this project.

Yeas: Cooper, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels, Baxter - 6  
Nays: 0

218. The Board of Canvassers Statement of Votes which were cast at the Non-partisan Primary Election held in the City of East Grand Rapids on Monday, the seventeenth day of February, 1975, was received and filed.

219. The City Manager reported on plans proposed for recreational improvements at the Manhattan School site and stated that an application has been filed and received by the Grants and Aid Section of the Michigan Department of Natural Resources for a grant in the amount of \$14,000.00 which could cover 50% of the cost of this project.

219-A. Cooper-Robberson. That the City continue with plans and specifications and with efforts to obtain the state grant for this program.

Yeas: Cooper, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels, Baxter - 6  
Nays: 0

220. Reports for the month of January were received from the Fire Department and Police Department.

221. Financial report for a 7-month period ended January 31, 1975, was received and filed.

222. The City Engineer submitted a letter which is being sent to residents of East Grand Rapids requiring that footing tiles directly connected to the sanitary sewer system to disconnect in order to prevent the infiltration of storm water into the sanitary sewer system.

223. Pierce-Cooper. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$674,331.44, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$38,735.84, as approved by the Ways & Means Committee

be allowed and the Controller authorized to draw an order on the Treasurer for their respective amounts.

Yeas: Cooper, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels, Baxter - 6  
Nays: 0

224. Commissioner Remien requested that the matter of the City's contribution to the Grand River Watershed Council be taken from the table and discussed at this time.

224-A. Remien-Cooper. That the City of East Grand Rapids provide financial support to the Watershed Council in the amount of \$628.25.

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: Cooper, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 5  
Nays: Baxter - 1

The motion carried.

225. There were 34 residents in attendance at this meeting.

226. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, at 9:25 p.m. until March 10, 1975.

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

Regular Meeting Held March 10, 1975

The meeting was called to order by the President, Robert M. Stoppels.

Present: Coms. Cooper, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, and Stoppels.

Absent: Com. Clary and Mayor Baxter.

227. The minutes of the meeting held February 24, 1975, were approved as written.

228. Pursuant to public notice, the adjourned hearings from February 3rd, relative to the street vacations and improvements in Paris Road Uplands were held. Mr. Daniel Molhoek, representing Breton Village interests, objected to the proposed street plans because Breton Village would be interested in constructing a parking lot in this area, if permitted by the Commission. He further stated that attempts have been made to purchase lots that are owned by Albert Builders in this area; however, no agreement could be reached because Albert Builders were asking several times the value as assessed by the City Assessor. There were several residents who spoke in favor of keeping the Paris Road Uplands as a residential area and objected strenuously to the idea of placing a parking lot in this area. Mr. J. Brock Albert requested that Breton Village screen the existing property line along Norfolk as it presently exists and requested the Commission to act favorably on the improvement of the streets.

228-A. Cooper-Stoppels. That the request to improve York, Melrose and Arundel be denied.

228-B. Pierce-Remien. That this matter be tabled for 60 days.

A roll call vote was taken on the motion to table:

Yeas: Pierce, Remien - 2

Nays: Cooper, Robberson, Stoppels - 3

The motion failed.

A roll call vote was taken on the main motion to deny the request for improvement:

Yeas: Cooper, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 4

Nays: Pierce - 1

228-C. Cooper-Remien. That the petition for vacation of portions of York and Melrose be denied.

Yeas: Cooper, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 5

Nays: 0

At this point Commissioner Robberson stated that he opposed any change in use of land as it is presently zoned to permit anything other than residential use for property in East Grand Rapids and urged the Breton Village owners and Albert Builders, Inc. to work out a common plan for use of the land in the Paris Road Uplands.

229. Mr. Mike Pearson was present representing Switchboard, Inc. for the purpose of discussing with the Commission the functions of their corporation.

229-A. Cooper-Remien. That the City contribute to Switchboard, Inc. an amount not to exceed \$489.00, subject to the adoption of a contributing formula by AGRAG.

Yeas: Cooper, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 5

Nays: 0

230. The City Manager recommended that Chapter 8 of the Ordinance Code be removed in its entirety inasmuch as it is no longer applicable.

230-A. Cooper-Pierce. That the City Attorney be directed to prepare an ordinance to repeal Chapter 8 of the Ordinance Code.

Yeas: Cooper, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 5  
Nays: 0

231. The City Manager recommended that due to the increased costs of materials and labor of installation of water taps the price be increased as follows:

1" tap	from \$120 to \$175
1½" tap	from \$200 to \$310
2" tap	from \$275 to \$430

231-A. Pierce-Robberson. That the request of the City Manager be concurred in and that the new water tap rates go in effect immediately.

Yeas: Cooper, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 5  
Nays: 0

232. The City Manager requested authorization to enter into a contract with Progressive Engineering to design and draw up specifications for the mechanical and electrical systems in the lower level of the City Hall and Public Safety buildings.

232-A. Robberson-Remien. That the City Manager be authorized to sign the contract with Progressive Engineering.

Yeas: Cooper, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 5  
Nays: 0

233. A letter was received from the Michigan Municipal League encouraging the Mayor and Commissioners to attend the annual regional meeting of Region V which will be held on Thursday, April 10, 1975. The host city will be Greenville.

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

235. The Traffic Commission minutes of the meeting held February 25, 1975, were received and filed.

236. A report on the communications received by the Engineering Department relative to the letter sent to persons in the Maplewood sanitary sewer district was received and filed.

237. The City Manager reported on an invoice that was received from Vilican-Leman & Associates relative to charges their firm incurred for preparing the Housing & Environmental Conditions Report and recommended that the amount of \$4,755.00 be transferred from Contingencies to Professional Planning account to cover this expenditure.

237-A. Cooper-Remien. That the request of the City Manager be granted and that the amount of \$4,755.00 be transferred from the Contingency Fund to the Professional Planning Contractual Services Account.

Yeas: Cooper, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 5  
Nays: 0

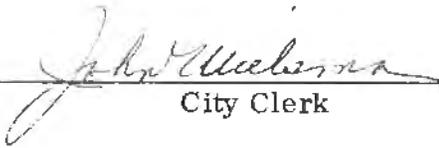
238. Pierce-Cooper. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$861,912.23, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$38,335.24, as approved by the Ways & Means Committee be allowed and the Controller be authorized to draw an order on the Treasurer for their respective amounts.

Yeas: Cooper, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 5  
Nays: 0

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239. There were 29 residents in attendance at this meeting.

240. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, until March 24, 1975.

  
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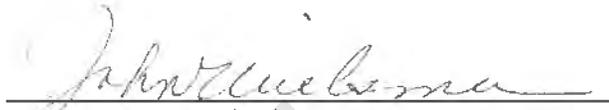
Regular Meeting Held March 24, 1975

The meeting was called to order by the President of the Commission, Robert M. Stoppels.

Present: Coms. Cooper, Robberson, Stoppels.

Absent: Coms. Clary, Pierce, Remien, and Mayor Baxter.

Due to a lack of a quorum the meeting was adjourned until April 7, 1975.

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

Regular Meeting Held April 7, 1975

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Baxter.

Present: Coms. Cooper, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels, and Mayor Baxter.  
Absent: Com. Clary.

241. The minutes of the meetings held March 10 and 24, 1975 were approved as written.

242. A letter was received from the East Grand Rapids Bi-Centennial Committee requesting that the city park abutting Reeds Lake be named in honor of Ex-Mayor John A. Collins. Mr. William Poisson stated his objections to naming the park after any person and suggested that a monument be constructed in honor of Mr. Collins and urged the Commission to vote favorably on this request.

242-A. Cooper-Pierce. That the request of the Bi-Centennial Committee be granted and that the park at Reeds Lake be named "John A. Collins Park".

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: Cooper, Pierce, Remien, Stoppels, Baxter - 5  
Nays: Robberson - 1

The motion carried.

243. A letter was received from Albert Builders, Inc., requesting the improvement of Kingswood. Mr. J. Brock Albert and Mr. Harold Albert were present to discuss this request. After much discussion the following motion was moved by Commissioner Cooper and supported by Commissioner Stoppels:

RESOLVED, that this Commission desires to consider the proposed improvement consisting of grading, bituminous base, asphalt concrete wearing surface, combination curb and gutter, concrete drive approaches, concrete sidewalks, and other necessary appurtenances and underground work on

KINGSWOOD AVENUE from Cascade Road to Fernwood Drive

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the statement of preliminary proceedings with respect to this proposed improvement having been filed with the City Clerk, a public hearing be held before the City Commission at the City Hall on Monday, May 19, 1975, at 7:30 p.m., relative to necessity of the proposed improvement and that the Clerk cause notice of this hearing to be published and mailed as required by Ordinance Section 1.303(b) at least ten days prior to the date of such hearing.

Yeas: Cooper, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels, Baxter - 6  
Nays: 0

243-A. Remien-Cooper. That it is the intention of this Commission to require assessments to be prepaid prior to the letting of the contract for these improvements.

Yeas: Cooper, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels, Baxter - 6  
Nays: 0

244. A letter was received from Albert Builders, Inc., requesting the improvement of Paris Road Uplands. Mr. J. Brock Albert and Mr. Harold Albert were present to discuss this request.

244-A.  
BY MAYOR BAXTER-STOPPELS:

RESOLVED that this Commission desires to consider the proposed improvement consisting of watermain, including all necessary services and underground work, sanitary sewer including the necessary laterals and underground work, grading, proper base, asphalt wearing surface, combination curb and gutter, concrete drive approaches, concrete sidewalks, 12-inch storm drain, catch basins, and other necessary appurtenances and underground work in the following streets:

ARUNDEL ROAD from Melrose Drive to Conlon Drive,  
YORK DRIVE from Berwyck Road to Arundel Road, and  
MELROSE DRIVE from Berwyck Road to Norfolk Road,

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the statement of preliminary proceedings with respect to this proposed improvement having been filed with the City Clerk, a public hearing be held before the City Commission at the City Hall on Monday, May 19, 1975, at 7:30 p.m., relative to necessity of the proposed improvement and that the Clerk cause notice of this hearing to be published and mailed as required by Ordinance Section 1.303(b) at least ten days prior to the date of such hearing.

Yeas: Cooper, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels, Baxter - 6  
Nays: 0

244-B. Remien-Cooper. That it is the intention of this Commission to require assessments to be prepaid prior to the letting of the contract for these improvements.

Yeas: Cooper, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels, Baxter - 6  
Nays: 0

245. The following resolution relative to vacation of portions of Arundel Road, York Drive, and Melrose Drive was moved by Mayor Baxter and supported by Commissioner Stoppels:

RESOLVED by this Commission that it deems it advisable to vacate, abolish and discontinue all that part of Arundel Road, York Drive, and Melrose Drive, in the City of East Grand Rapids, Kent County, Michigan described as:

Commencing at a point on the North line of Lot 85 and 40' Southwesterly of the most Northerly corner thereof, Paris Road Uplands as platted, thence Southwesterly along the Northerly line of said Lot 85, 106.5 feet to the point of compound curvature, thence Northwesterly to a point on the Southeasterly line of Lot 8, said plat, at a point 109.5 feet Southwesterly from the most Easterly corner thereof, thence Northeasterly along the Southeasterly line of Lot 8 and 9 said plat 168.8 feet, thence Southeasterly to point of beginning

also

Commencing at the Northeast corner of Lot 83 Paris Road Uplands, according to the recorded plat thereof being point of beginning thence Westerly along the Northerly line of Lots 83 and 84 said plat 154.75 feet to point of compound curvature, thence Northerly to a point on the Southerly line of Lot 31 said plat at a point 124.2 feet Southwesterly of the Southeast corner thereof, thence Northeasterly 124.20 feet to the Southeast corner Lot 31, thence Southeasterly to the point of beginning.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Commission meet on the 19th day of May, 1975, 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 portions of ARUNDEL ROAD, YORK DRIVE, and MELROSE DRIVE described as aforesaid should not be vacated, abolished and discontinued, and it is

ORDERED that the City Clerk give written 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 portions of ARUNDEL ROAD, YORK DRIVE, AND MELROSE 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 the Grand Rapids Press, a newspaper of general circulation in the City of East Grand Rapids.

Yeas: Cooper, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels, Baxter - 6

Nays: 0

246. The City Manager reported on a request from the Joint City-School Recreational Facilities Committee relative to shared costs of recreational projects.

246-A. Remien-Pierce. That the City contribute \$10,092.00 which equalizes the amounts expended by the School and the City for projects that have already been completed, and that this amount be transferred from Contingencies to the Parks Capital Expenditures account.

Yeas: Cooper, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels, Baxter - 6

Nays: 0

246-B. Robberson-Stoppels. That the City Manager be directed to include \$7,000.00 in the 1975-76 budget for the purpose of completing the Manhattan Field project, subject to the receiving of the \$14,000.00 State Grant and that the Joint City-School Recreational Facilities Committee be requested to seriously consider tennis courts at Manhattan as future plans are developed.

Yeas: Cooper, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels, Baxter - 6

Nays: 0

246-C. Robberson-Pierce. That the City Manager be directed to include in the 1975-76 budget a sum to equal 50% of the cost up to a maximum of \$12,500.00 for the construction of tennis courts at Lakeside School.

Yeas: Cooper, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels, Baxter - 6

Nays: 0

247. A report from the Board of Review indicating that the 1975 State Equalized valuation of all property in East Grand Rapids amounted to \$67,861,850.00 was received and filed.

248. A letter from the Board of Public Works of the County of Kent regarding increasing costs of the County solid waste disposal projects was received and filed.

249. Stoppels-Pierce. That the following ordinance be enacted:

AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL SECTIONS 1.241  
TO 1.263 INCLUSIVE, BEING CHAPTER 8, TITLE I  
OF THE CODE OF THE MUNICIPAL COURT OF THE  
CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS.

The City of East Grand Rapids Ordains:

Section 1. The Municipal Court of the City of East Grand Rapids having ceased to exist on December 31, 1968 pursuant to Michigan Public Act 154 of 1968, Chapter 8 of the City Code, being Sections 1.241 to 1.263 inclusive, of the City Code as heretofore enacted is repealed.

Section 2. This repealing ordinance shall be effective forthwith and shall be published pursuant to the requirements of the City Charter not later than April 17, 1975.

Yeas: Cooper, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels, Baxter - 6  
Nays: 0

250. The City Manager reported on the opportunity of the City to acquire two parcels of tax reverted land located at the northwest corner of Reeds Lake Blvd. and Manhattan Road, the cost of which to acquire would be \$500.00, and on Gladstone near Lake Drive, the cost of which would be \$400.00.

250-A.

BY COMMISSIONERS COOPER-STOPPELS:

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:

Griffith's Lake Park Add., E 200 ft. of Lot 5 exc. N 457 ft. and Wurzburg's Add., E 110 ft. of Lot 14, and

WHEREAS, the City of East Grand Rapids desires to acquire said lands for purposes of parks.

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: Cooper, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels, Baxter - 6  
Nays: 0

250-B. Cooper-Stoppels. That the above resolution be adopted in order to acquire these two parcels from the State and that the amount of \$900.00 be allocated from Contingencies for this purpose.

Yeas: Cooper, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels, Baxter - 6  
Nays: 0

251. The City Manager requested authorization to issue a purchase order in the amount of \$1,133.56 for the reconditioning of three sewer lift motors.

251-A. Stoppels-Mayor Baxter. That the expenditure requested by the City Manager be approved.

Yeas: Cooper, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels, Baxter - 6  
Nays: 0

252. The financial reports for the General Fund and Water Fund for an 8-month period ended February 28, 1975, were received and filed.

253. Departmental reports for the month of March from the Fire Department Police Department, and City Assessor were received and filed.

254. Cooper-Mayor Baxter. That the voucher in the amount of \$100.00 to the Kent Optimist Club for a full page ad in their Kent Optimist Club's 1975 Handicapped Olympics brochure be approved.

Yeas: Cooper, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels, Baxter - 6  
Nays: 0

255. Cooper-Pierce. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$547,268.71, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$77,452.88, 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: Cooper, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels, Baxter - 6  
Nays: 0

256. Commissioner Robberson reported on activities that have been taking place on the Special Newsletter Committee and stated that action has been deferred on their committee until they receive further information from individuals interested in creating a weekly newspaper in East Grand Rapids.

257. It was the consensus of the Commission that they would like to prepare some informational document informing the residents of East Grand Rapids about the 1975-76 proposed budget and the hearing which will be held June 30, 1975 on this budget.

258. There were ten residents in attendance at this meeting.

259. The meeting was adjourned at 9:37 p.m., subject to the call of the Mayor, until April 21, 1975.

  
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City Clerk

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

Regular Meeting Held April 21, 1975

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Baxter.

Present: Coms. Clary, Cooper, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels, and Mayor  
Baxter.

Absent: None.

260. The minutes of the meeting held April 7, 1975 were approved as written.

261. A letter was received from Lake Drive Baptist Church requesting permission to use the outlawn between the sidewalk and the curb on Crowell by their church for angle parking. There were several residents present objecting to this request, primarily because of the traffic hazard this would create and the effect that it may have on the value of their homes.

261-A. Cooper-Pierce. That the request of the Lake Drive Baptist Church be denied.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels, Baxter - 7  
Nays: 0

262. A request from Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Nicholson of 2900 Pioneer Club Road to vacate a 4 ft. unimproved walkway between Pioneer Club Road and Reeds Lake which is located on their property, was discussed.

262-A.

BY COMMISSIONERS CLARY-ROBBERSON:

RESOLVED, by this Commission that it deems it advisable to vacate the walk 4' in width platted as part of McLee's Subdivision of Lot 4 of London's Lake Addition in the City of East Grand Rapids, Kent County, Michigan and described as

Commencing at the Northwest corner of Lot 15 of McLee Subdivision of Lot 4 of London's Lake Addition thence Southwesterly along the Westerly line of Lots 15, 12, 11, 8, 7, 4, and 3 to the Southwest corner of Lot 3 thence Northwesterly along the Northeasterly line of Lot 1 to the Northwest corner Lot 1, thence Southwesterly to the Southwest corner Lot 1, thence N.  $24^{\circ} 16'$  W. 4.8 feet thence N.  $30^{\circ} 3'$  E 68.9 feet to the Southwest corner Lot 2, thence Southeasterly to the Southeast corner Lot 2, thence Northeasterly along the Easterly line of Lots 2, 5, 6, 9, 10, 13, and 14 to the Northeast corner of Lot 14 thence S.  $42^{\circ} 08'$  E. 4.8 feet to beginning.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Commission meet on the 2nd day of June, 1975, 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 described walk should not be vacated, 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 said walk by any person interested therein and desiring to be heard by publishing notice of such meeting with a copy of this resolution not less than two weeks before said meeting in the Grand Rapids Press, a newspaper of general circulation in the City of East Grand Rapids.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels, Baxter - 7  
Nays: 0

263. Mr. Mike Cary was present to give the Commission an update on the progress of the development of the nature trails in Hodenpyl Woods, and requested assistance from the City, both financial and manpower, to complete the projects as proposed. He also, at the conclusion of the meeting, gave a slide presentation of the area.

263-A. Stoppels-Pierce. That an amount not to exceed \$1,000.00 be appropriated from Contingencies to complete the proposed improvements to the Hodenpyl Nature Trail and that the City Manager be directed to work out arrangements with Mr. Cary to see what needs to be done to make this area functional.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels, Baxter - 7  
Nays: 0

264.

BY COMMISSIONERS STOPPELS-ROBBERSON:

WHEREAS, certain areas of the City of East Grand Rapids are subject to periodic flooding (and/or mudslides) from Reeds Lake and Fisk Lake, causing serious damages to properties within these areas; and

WHEREAS, relief is available in the form of Federally subsidized flood insurance as authorized by the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of this City Commission to require the recognition and evaluation of flood (and/or mudslide) hazards in all official actions relating to land use in the flood plain (and/or mudslide) areas having special flood (and/or mudslide) hazards; and

WHEREAS, this body has the legal authority to adopt land use and control measures to reduce flood losses pursuant to Public Act 279 of 1909, as amended, (MCLA 117.3 (k)) and 117.4-i (3); Section 1 of Public Act 207 of 1921, as amended, (MCLA 125.581) and Chapter 2, Section 1 of the City Charter.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this City Commission hereby:

1. Assures the Federal Insurance Administration that it will enact as necessary, and maintain in force for those areas having flood or mudslide hazards, adequate land use and control measures with effective enforcement provisions consistent with the Criteria set forth in Section 1910 of the National Flood Insurance Program Regulations; and

2. Vests the City Engineer with the responsibility, authority and means to:

- (a) Delineate or assist the Administrator, at his request, in delineating the limits of the areas having special flood (and/or mudslide) hazards on available local maps of sufficient scale to identify the location of building sites.

- (b) Provide such information as the Administrator may request concerning present uses and occupancy of the flood plain (and/or mudslide area).

- (c) Cooperate with Federal, State, and local agencies and private firms which undertake to study, survey, map, and identify flood plain (or mudslide) areas, and cooperate with neighboring communities with respect to management of adjoining flood plain (and/or mudslide) areas in order to prevent aggravation of existing hazards.

(d) Submit on the anniversary date of the community's initial eligibility an annual report to the Administrator on the progress made during the past year within the community in the development and implementation of flood plain (and/or mudslide) management measures.

3. Appoints the City Engineer to maintain for public inspection and to furnish upon request a record of elevations (in relation to mean sea level) of the lowest floor (including basement) of all new or substantially improved structures located in the special flood hazard areas. If the lowest floor is below grade on one or more sides, the elevation of the floor immediately above must also be recorded.

4. Agrees to take such other official action as may be reasonably necessary to carry out the objectives of the program.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels, Baxter - 7

Nays: 0

265.

BY COMMISSIONERS STOPPELS-ROBBERSON:

WHEREAS, the City of East Grand Rapids has adopted and is enforcing the Basic Building Code as promulgated and published by the Building Officials and Code Administrators International, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, Section 104.2 of the City Building Code and Section 113.1 of the aforesaid prohibits any person, firm or corporation from erecting, constructing, enlarging, altering, repairing, improving, moving or demolishing any building or structure without first obtaining a separate building permit for each building or structure from the Building Inspector, and

WHEREAS, the Building Inspector must examine all plans and specifications for the proposed construction when application is made to him for a building permit.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Commission of the City of East Grand Rapids as follows:

1. That the Building Inspector shall review all building permit applications for new construction or substantial improvements to determine whether proposed building sites will be reasonably safe from flooding. If a proposed building site is in a location that has a flood hazard, any proposed new construction or substantial improvement (including prefabricated and mobile homes) must (i) be designed (or modified) and anchored to prevent flotation, collapse, or lateral movement of the structure, (ii) use construction materials and utility equipment that are resistant to flood damage, and (iii) use construction methods and practices that will minimize flood damage; and

2. That the Building Inspector shall review subdivision proposals and other proposed new developments to assure that (i) all such proposals are consistent with the need to minimize flood damage, (ii) all public utilities and facilities, such as sewer, gas, electrical, and water systems are located, elevated, and constructed to minimize or eliminate flood damage, and (iii) adequate drainage is provided so as to reduce exposure to flood hazards; and

3. That the Building Inspector shall require new or replacement water supply systems and/or sanitary sewage systems to be designed to minimize or eliminate infiltration of flood waters into the systems and discharges from the systems into flood waters, and require on-site waste disposal systems to be located so as to avoid impairment of them or contamination from them during flooding.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels, Baxter - 7

Nays: 0

264. Financial reports for the General Fund and Water Fund for a 9-month period ended March 31, 1975, were received and filed.

265. A letter was received from Mrs. Fred Tholen thanking the Commission for the flowers which were sent at the time of the death of her mother.

266. The City Manager reported on bids for the dry cleaning of Police and Fire uniforms. He recommended that the contract for dry cleaning be awarded to the low bidder, Top Hat Cleaners.

266-A. Remien-Cooper. That the recommendation of the City Manager be concurred in.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels, Baxter - 7  
Nays: 0

267. The Commission discussed appropriate ways in which the City can identify Lakeside Park which was named after John A. Collins.

267-A. Pierce-Clary. That a bronze plate with an appropriate inscription be installed on a rock conveniently located in the park.

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: Clary, Pierce, Baxter - 3  
Nays: Cooper, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 4

The motion failed.

268. Pierce-Cooper. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$180,140.05, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$38,281.18, 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: Clary, Cooper, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels, Baxter - 7  
Nays: 0

269. Commissioner Clary thanked the members of the Commission and staff for the cards and letters and other tokens of thoughtfulness which he received during his recent illness.

270. Commissioner Clary discussed a parking problem which is occurring on Rosewood. This matter was referred to the Traffic Commission for their study and recommendation.

271. There were 15 residents in attendance at this meeting.

272. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, until May 5, 1975.

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City Clerk

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

Regular Meeting Held May 5, 1975

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Baxter.

Present: Coms. Clary, Cooper, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels, and  
Mayor Baxter.

Absent: None.

273. The minutes of the meeting held April 21, 1975, were approved as written.

274. Mayor Baxter expressed appreciation for the opportunity he has had to serve the community as its Mayor for the past two years and said that he has enjoyed working with the Commissioners and staff.

Mayor Baxter then directed the Clerk to administer the oath of office to the new Mayor, Robert M. Stoppels and Third Ward Commissioner, William B. Murphy. Having been duly sworn into office, Mayor Stoppels then chaired the meeting and Commissioner Murphy was seated on the Commission.

275. Pursuant to public notice, a hearing was held on the request of William T. Lincer, 2549 Hampshire Blvd. SE, for a zoning variance to permit construction of a bathhouse on the west yard  $2\frac{1}{2}$  ft. from the lot line and  $8\frac{1}{2}$  ft. from his residence. Mr. Lincer was present to discuss his need for this accessory building. There were no objections raised.

275-A. Robberson-Remien. That the Commission, acting as the Board of Zoning Appeals, grant the request of Mr. Lincer for a variance to permit construction of a bathhouse as requested.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

276. The City Manager submitted a proposed Lease Agreement between the City of East Grand Rapids and the East Grand Rapids School Board relative to the Manhattan property.

276-A. Clary-Robberson. That the Mayor and Clerk be empowered to execute this Lease with the understanding that the legal description will include access to this property from Manhattan Road upon the existing driveway.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

277. The City Attorney submitted a letter relative to the right of the Commission to require that a petitioner pay full cost of improvement in advance. This letter was received for information.

278. The City Manager informed the Commission that the Michigan Municipal League will hold its annual meeting at Mackinac Island on September 4 - 6, 1975, and requested those interested in attending this meeting to contact the City Clerk this week.

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

280. Mayor Stoppels read a letter which he had received from Mrs. David Amberg complimenting the City Commission on the fine job done by the City in completing the Community Room on the lower level of the Library.

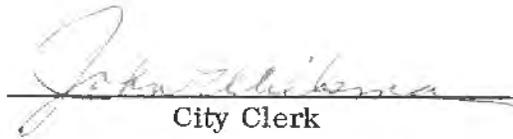
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281. Pierce-Cooper. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$494,272.73, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$38,071.51, as approved by the Ways & Means Committee be allowed and the Controller be authorized to draw an order on the Treasurer for their respective amounts.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

282. There were approximately 15 people in attendance at this meeting.

283. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, until May 19, 1975.

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

Regular Meeting Held May 19, 1975

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

Present: Coms. Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, and Mayor Stoppels.  
Absent: Com. Clary.

284. The minutes of the meeting held May 5, 1975, were approved as written.

285. Pursuant to public notice, a hearing was then held on the improvements of Kingswood Avenue. Mr. Harold Albert and Mr. J. Brock Albert discussed the need for this improvement and recommended construction of the street end without a cul-de-sac at the south end.

285-A.

BY MAYOR STOPPELS-REMIEN:

RESOLVED that the improvement consisting of grading, proper base, asphalt wearing surface, combination curb and gutter, concrete drive approaches, concrete sidewalks, 12" storm drain, catch basins, and other necessary appurtenances and underground work on

KINGSWOOD AVENUE from Cascade Road to Fernwood Drive

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the plans and specifications for said improvement as prepared by the City Engineer are approved, that the estimated cost thereof is \$40,501, that \$14,398 of said cost shall be paid by the City-at-large for sewer repair and temporary cul-de-sac and \$26,103 by special assessment payable in one installment to be paid within 30 days of confirmation of the assessment roll.

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

Lots 43 thru 48,  
Lot 50 and East 30 feet of Lot 49,  
Lot 51,  
Lots 53 thru 56,  
Lot 57 and Lot 58 except East 25 feet Lot 57,  
Robinson Road Plat, City of EastGrand Rapids of Paris Road Uplands,

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

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

285-B. Pierce-Cooper. That this hearing be postponed for 60 days to allow the Commission an opportunity to review the 1975-76 budget priorities and to study the uses of the City-owned property to the south of this improvement.

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: Cooper, Murphy, Pierce - 3  
Nays: Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 3

The motion to postpone failed for lack of a majority vote.

285-C. Robberson-Cooper. That the resolution be amended by changing the third paragraph to read as follows:

"BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the plans and specifications for said improvement as prepared by the City Engineer are approved, that the estimated cost thereof is \$36,103, that \$10,000 of said cost shall be paid by the City-at-large for sewer repair and \$26,103 by special assessment payable in one installment to be paid within 30 days of confirmation of the assessment roll."

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

The motion to amend carried.

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

Yeas: Cooper, Murphy, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 5  
Nays: Pierce- 1

The motion carried and the resolution as amended was adopted.

286. Pursuant to public notices, hearings were then held on the improvement of Melrose, York, and Arundel, and on the vacation of part of Melrose. There were several residents in attendance at this hearing, many of them who expressed the desire to keep this area residential as it is presently zoned. Mr. Molhoek, representing Breton Village's interests, requested that these streets not be improved under the plan under consideration. He again discussed the use of part of the property for a parking area for Breton Village.

286-A.  
BY COMMISSIONERS ROBBERSON-COOPER:

RESOLVED that the improvement consisting of SANITARY SEWER including the necessary laterals and underground work on

ARUNDEL ROAD from Melrose Drive to Conlon Drive, and  
MELROSE DRIVE from Berwyck Road to Norfolk Road

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the plans and specifications for said improvement as prepared by the City Engineer are approved, that the estimated cost thereof is \$38,280, that none of said cost shall be paid by the City-at-large and \$38,280 by special assessment payable in one installment to be paid within 30 days of confirmation of the assessment roll.

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

Lots 10 thru 14,  
Lots 29 thru 31,  
Lot 55,  
Lots 67 thru 85,  
of Paris Road Uplands, City of East Grand Rapids

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

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this approval by this Commission is subject to the developer depositing with the City sufficient funds to pay the cost of engineering and improvements of these streets, with costs assessable to other owners to be repaid to the developer at such times as the owners of lots not owned by the developer should pay the charges attributable to such other lots, pursuant to an agreement therefor approved by this Commission.

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: Cooper, Pierce, Remien, Robberson - 4  
Nays: Murphy, Stoppels - 2

The motion carried.

286-B.

BY COMMISSIONERS ROBBERSON-COOPER:

RESOLVED that the improvement consisting of WATERMAIN, including the necessary services, and underground work on

ARUNDEL ROAD from York Drive to Conlon Drive, and  
MELROSE DRIVE from Arundel Road to Berwyck Road

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the plans and specifications for said improvement as prepared by the City Engineer are approved, that the estimated cost thereof is \$24,200, that none of said cost shall be paid by the City-at-large and \$24,200 by special assessment payable in one installment to be paid within 30 days of confirmation of the assessment roll.

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

Lots 10 thru 14,  
Lots 29 thru 31,  
Lot 55,  
Lots 67 thru 85  
of Paris Road Uplands, City of East Grand Rapids

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

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this approval by this Commission is subject to the developer depositing with the City sufficient funds to pay the cost of engineering and improvements of these streets, with costs assessable to other owners to be repaid to the developer at such times as the owners of lots not owned by the developer should pay the charges attributable to such other lots, pursuant to an agreement therefor approved by this Commission.

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: Cooper, Pierce, Remien, Robberson - 4

Nays: Murphy, Stoppels - 2

The motion carried.

286-C.

BY COMMISSIONERS ROBBERSON-COOPER:

RESOLVED that the improvement consisting of grading, proper base, asphalt wearing surface, combination curb and gutter, concrete drive approaches, concrete sidewalks, 12" storm drain, catch basins, and other necessary appurtenances and underground work on

ARUNDEL ROAD from Melrose Drive to Conlon Drive, and  
MELROSE DRIVE from Berwyck Road to Arundel Road

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the plans and specifications for said improvement as prepared by the City Engineer are approved, that the estimated cost thereof is \$89,377, that none of said cost shall be paid by the City-at-large and \$89,377 by special assessment payable in one installment to be paid within 30 days of confirmation of the assessment roll.

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

Lots 8 thru 14,  
Lots 28 thru 31,  
Lot 55,  
Lots 66 thru 85,  
Lot 99  
of Paris Road Uplands, City of East Grand Rapids

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

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this approval by this Commission is subject to the developer depositing with the City sufficient funds to pay the cost of engineering and improvements of these streets, with costs assessable to other owners to be repaid to the developer at such times as the owners of lots not owned by the developer should pay the charges attributable to such other lots, pursuant to an agreement therefor approved by this Commission.

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: Cooper, Pierce, Remien, Robberson - 4

Nays: Murphy, Stoppels - 2

The motion carried.

286-D.

BY COMMISSIONERS ROBBERTSON-COOPER:

WHEREAS, a majority of the owners of land and premises abutting on

MELROSE DRIVE from Berwyck Road to Norfolk Road, and  
YORK DRIVE from Berwyck Road to Arundel Road, and  
ARUNDEL ROAD from Melrose Drive to Conlon Drive

located in the City of East Grand Rapids, Michigan, have petitioned for the vacation of the following described portion of street;

Commencing at a point on the North line of Lot 85 and 40' Southwesterly of the most Northerly corner thereof, Paris Road Uplands as platted, thence Southwesterly along the Northerly line of said Lot 85, 106.5 feet to the point of compound curvature, thence Northwesterly to a point on the Southeasterly line of Lot 8, said plat, at a point 109.5 feet Southwesterly from the most Easterly corner thereof, thence Northeasterly along the Southeasterly line of Lot 8 and 9 said plat 168.8 feet, thence Southeasterly to point of beginning "(being a portion of Melrose Drive)"

also

Commencing at the Northeast corner of Lot 83 Paris Road Uplands, according to the recorded plat thereof being point of beginning thence Westerly along the Northerly line of Lots 83 and 84 said plat 154.75 feet to point of compound curvature, thence Northerly to a point on the Southerly line of Lot 31 said plat at a point 124.2 feet Southwesterly of the Southeast corner thereof, thence Northeasterly 124.20 feet to the Southeast corner Lot 31, thence Southeasterly to the point of beginning, "(being a part of York Drive and Arundel Road)".

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

WHEREAS, this Commission at a regular meeting of said Commission held in said City on the 19th day of May, 1975, has held a public hearing and has determined that it is advisable to vacate that part of Melrose Drive as previously described, but that it is not advisable to vacate any part of York Drive or Arundel Road; and

WHEREAS, no objections were presented to the vacation of said part of Melrose Drive,

NOW THEREFORE, Be It Resolved, by the Commission of the City of East Grand Rapids, Michigan, that it deems it advisable, and that it is advisable that the portion of Melrose Drive lying between Arundel Road and Norfolk Road described as:

Commencing at a point on the North line of Lot 85 and 40' Southwesterly of the most Northerly corner thereof, Paris Road Uplands as platted, thence Southwesterly along the Northerly line of said Lot 85, 106.5 feet to the point of compound curvature, thence Northwesterly to a point on the Southeasterly line of Lot 8, said plat, at a point 109.5 feet Southwesterly from the most Easterly corner thereof, thence Northeasterly along the Southeasterly line of Lot 8 and 9 said plat 168.8 feet, thence Southeasterly to point of beginning

and that it be vacated, closed, discontinued and abolished except that the City reserve an easement over the full width of above vacated parcels for public utilities and that in the opinion of this Commission the vacating, closing, discontinuing and abolishing of said portion of Melrose Drive above described is a necessary public improvement and a necessary public convenience, the City, however, reserving said easements over the full width of said street for the purpose

of constructing, maintaining, and servicing public utilities therein; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk of this City be and he is hereby directed to prepare and forward to the Auditor General of the State of Michigan a certified copy of this resolution, together with his certificates giving the name of the Plats or Additions affected by this resolution.

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: Cooper, Pierce, Remien, Robberson - 4

Nays: Murphy, Stoppels - 2

The motion carried.

287. The following ordinance was moved by Commissioner Cooper and supported by Commissioner Pierce:

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  
2.40 OF CHAPTER 17 OF TITLE II OF SAID CODE.

The City of East Grand Rapids ordains:

Section 1. The Code of the City of East Grand Rapids is amended by adding thereto a new Section 2.40 as follows:

2.40. Cross connections with the public water supply system, i. e., a connection or arrangement of piping or appurtenances through which water of questionable quality, wastes or other contaminants can enter the public water supply system, shall be subject to the following requirements and shall be made and continued only in conformance with the provisions of this section, viz.:

(a) The City of East Grand Rapids adopts by reference the Water Supply Cross Connection Rules of the Michigan Department of Public Health being R 325.431 to R 325.440 of the Michigan Administrative Code.

(b) It shall be the duty of the East Grand Rapids City Engineer to cause inspections to be made of all properties served by the public water supply where cross connections with the public water supply is deemed possible. The frequency of inspections and reinspections based on potential health hazards involved shall be as established by the City of East Grand Rapids and as approved by the Michigan Department of Public Health.

(c) The representative of the City of East Grand Rapids shall have the right to enter at any reasonable time any property served by a connection to the public water supply system of the city for the purpose of inspecting the piping system or systems thereof for cross connections. On request the owner, lessees or occupants of any property so served shall furnish to the inspection agency any pertinent information regarding the piping system or systems on such property. The refusal of such information or refusal of access, when requested, shall be deemed evidence of the presence of cross connections.

(d) The City Engineer is hereby authorized and directed to discontinue water service after reasonable notice to any property wherein any connection in violation of this ordinance exists, and to take such other precautionary measures deemed necessary to eliminate any danger of contamination of the public water supply system. Water service to such property shall not be restored until the cross connection(s) has been eliminated in compliance with the provisions of this ordinance.

(e) The potable water supply made available on the properties served by the public water supply shall be protected from possible contamination as specified by this ordinance and by the state and city plumbing code. Any water outlet which could be used for potable or domestic purposes and which is not supplied by the potable system must be labeled in a conspicuous manner as:

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F O R   D R I N K I N G

(f) This ordinance does not supercede the state plumbing code and the city plumbing ordinance but is supplementary to them.

(g) Any person or customer found guilty of violating any of the provisions of this ordinance, or any written order of the City Engineer in pursuance thereof, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be punished as provided in Section 1.13 of the East Grand Rapids City Code. Each day upon which a violation of the provisions of this act shall occur shall be deemed a separate and additional violation for the purpose of this ordinance.

Section 2. This ordinance shall be effective on May 19, 1975.

Section 3. The City Clerk shall cause this ordinance to be published in full within 10 days after it is enacted.

Yeas: Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

288. The City Manager discussed a proposed ordinance to amend Sections 8.1 and 8.2 of Chapter 79 of Title VIII of the Code of the City of East Grand Rapids relative to the State Construction Code Act.

288-A. Pierce-Cooper. That the following ordinance be adopted:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTIONS  
8.1 and 8.2 OF CHAPTER 79 OF  
TITLE VII OF THE CODE OF THE  
CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS

WHEREAS the State Construction Code Act (Act 230 of 1972) provides for promulgation of a state construction code and further provides as an alternative that a municipality may utilize its own nationally recognized model building code; and

WHEREAS the City of East Grand Rapids has successfully used for many years the Basic Building Code commonly known as BOCA; and

WHEREAS the BOCA code has been amended by a 1973 Accumulated Amendment which the City of East Grand Rapids wishes to recognize and to adopt as part of its code; and

WHEREAS the City of East Grand Rapids desires to continue to use the BOCA code and to administer and enforce said code,

NOW, THEREFORE, the City of East Grand Rapids adopts the following ordinance amendment, viz. :-

THE CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS ORDAINS:

Section 1. Sections 8.1 and 8.2 of Chapter 79 of Title VIII of the East Grand Rapids City Code is amended to read as follows:

"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, 1970 Edition as amended by Accumulative Supplement 1973, (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 printed copies of the Basic Building Code 1970 and the Accumulative Supplement 1973, herein adopted, are available for public use and inspection at the office of the City Clerk."

Section 2. Section 8.3 of the Code of the City of East Grand Rapids is hereby reenacted as part of this ordinance.

Section 3. Section 8.4 of said Code setting forth changes in said Basic Building Code are hereby reenacted as part of this ordinance except for Subsections 117.1, 117.2 and 117.21 thereof which Subsections are hereby repealed.

Section 4. This ordinance shall be published not later than ten (10) days after its enactment pursuant to Chapter VIII, Section 5(1) of the City Charter, and shall be effective forthwith.

Yeas: Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

289. Remien-Robberson. 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  
85-PLUMBING CODE OF TITLE VIII OF SAID CODE  
AND BY REPEALING SUBSECTION 117.1, 117.2  
and 117.21 of SECTION 8.4 OF CHAPTER 79 OF  
SAID CODE.

THE CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS ORDAINS:

Section 1. The Code of the City of East Grand Rapids is amended by adding a new Chapter 85 of the Title VIII of said Code as follows:

CHAPTER 85. PLUMBING CODE

8.401. Title. This Ordinance shall be known and may be cited as the East Grand Rapids Plumbing Code.

8.402. Adoption of Plumbing Code by Reference. Pursuant to the provisions of Section 3K of Act 279 of the Public Acts of the State of Michigan, as amended, the BOCA Basic Plumbing Code, 1970 Edition, together with the Accumulative Supplement dated 1973, except sections P-1205.2, P-1500.0 through P-1511.4 and P-1700.0 through P-1705.2 thereof, as promulgated by the Building Officials and Code Administrators

International, Incorporated, is hereby adopted by reference by the City of East Grand Rapids, as modified in this Ordinance, for the purpose of regulating the design and installation of plumbing systems, drainage systems, and water services.

"8.403. Changes in Code. The following sections and subsections in the Plumbing Code are hereby amended or deleted as set forth in additional sections and subsections there added as indicated. Subsequent section numbers used in this Chapter shall refer to like numbered sections of the BOCA Plumbing Code."

Section P-100.2 of the Code is amended to read as follows:

"Title. This part shall be known as the East Grand Rapids Plumbing Code and is hereinafter referred to as the Plumbing Code or this code."

Section P-113.0 of the Code is amended to read as follows:

"Fees. An inspection fee of One and One-half (\$1.50) Dollars per unit shall be charged for each inspection of each single plumbing unit or fixture. The minimum fee shall be Five (\$5.00) Dollars. All fees shall be paid at the time any permit is issued. Fees for special processes, re-inspections or inspections of special installations shall be charged at the rate of Seven and One-half (\$7.50) Dollars per hour or fraction thereof. A charge of Five (\$5.00) Dollars shall be made for each outside sewer and water inspection, whether the same be a street opening, a sanitary sewer, a storm sewer or a water service. A service fee of Five (\$5.00) Dollars shall be added for any special requested service inspection. If any job or installation covered by this Chapter is commenced before a permit is obtained from the Plumbing Inspector as provided for herein, an amount equivalent to Two Hundred (200%) percent of the fee set forth herein shall be paid before a permit is issued."

Section P-117.0 of the Code is amended to read as follows:

"Violations. Any person who violates the provisions of this Chapter or the rules and regulations which may be adopted hereunder or shall operate a water system valve located within the public right-of-way or easement or shall enclose, cover up or put into operation work regulated by this Code before it has been inspected and approved, may have his license and permit revoked and shall, upon conviction, be subject to a fine of not more than Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars and/or imprisonment for not more than Ninety (90) days. Any person who has commenced work other than during an emergency as herein provided without securing a permit to do so, shall upon conviction thereof be subject to a fine of not more than One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars and/or imprisonment for not more than Ninety (90) days."

Section P-201.1 of the Code is amended to read as follows:

"Definition of Terms - Administrative Authority. With reference to permits and inspections to be made by the Department (City of Grand Rapids), Administrative Authority shall mean the Assistant Director of the Department of Community Improvement and Inspection Services or the Chief Plumbing Inspector under his direction, except that approval of materials and/or equipment shall be by the State Administrative Authority. With reference to permits and inspections to be made by the Director of Public Works (City of East Grand Rapids), Administrative Authority shall mean the Director of Public Works of the City of East Grand Rapids or a designated representative under his direction except that approval of materials and/or equipment shall be by the State Administrative Authority."

Section P-201.2 of the Code is added as follows:

"Additional Definitions. (1) 'Authorized Master Plumber' means a person who has been licensed as a plumber by the State of Michigan and has registered his license with the Department. (2) 'Licensed Water Service

and Drainage System Contractor' means a person so licensed by the City of Grand Rapids. (3) 'Drainage System Permit' means a permit for a drainage system exclusive of the building drain. (4) 'Water Service Permit' means a permit for installing a water service pipe. (5) 'Plumbing Permit' means a permit for plumbing as defined herein. (6) 'Homeowner' means the owner of a single-family residence in which he resides."

Section P-308.2 of the Code is amended to read as follows:

"Public Systems Available. A public water supply and/or public sewer system shall be deemed available to premises used for human occupancy if such premises are within two hundred (200) feet measured along a street, alley, easement or public easement of the public water supply or the sewer system, and a connection conforming with the standards set forth in this Code may be made thereto."

Section P-308.3 of the Code is added as follows:

"Independent Building Sewer and Water Service. Every building shall have an independent, owner-maintained building sewer and water service connected to the curb cock."

Section P-308.4 of the Code is added as follows:

"Easements for Water Service and/or Drainage Systems. It shall be unlawful to install a water service pipe or drainage system from any building or premises across any adjacent property or premises, even though at the time of the proposed installation, the adjacent properties are under common ownership, unless a right-of-way or easement is submitted to the Department and City Engineer's Office for approval and recorded with the Kent County Register of Deeds Office.

Any plumbing permits hereafter issued without such record of easement for installation as indicated in the previous paragraph shall be null and void, and installations made without such record of easement shall be removed in case of inability on the part of the person desiring right-of-way to secure any easement or right-of-way within thirty (30) days after notice of violation."

Section P-309.3 of the Code is added as follows:

"Industrial-Commercial Chemical Waste Information. When plans of plumbing installations that involve industrial or commercial type wastes are submitted for approval, complete process information shall accompany the plans. The information shall include without limitation the following:

- (a) Description of process yielding the waste.
- (b) Composition and concentration of chemical mixtures in the process.
- (c) Composition of wastes and concentration of constituents.
- (d) Quantities of wastes to be treated and rates of discharge to treatment equipment.
- (e) Capacity of largest process tank or tanks that will be simultaneously discharged.
- (f) Water demands of the industrial waste producing process.
- (g) Description of waste treatment equipment to be used, including capacities, methods of treatment, quality of effluent, nature and disposition of products resulting from treatment.

Such information shall be accompanied by the recommendations of the Environmental Protection Director as provided in Chapter 27 of the Code."

Section P-313.3 of the Code is amended to read as follows:

"Freezing. Water service piping and sewers shall be installed below recorded frost penetration but not less below grade than five feet (5'0") for water piping. Plumbing piping in exterior building walls shall be adequately protected against freezing by insulation or heat or both."

Section P-405.12 of the Code is amended to read as follows:

"Water Service Pipe. Water service pipe on private property shall be made of copper pipe or copper tube. Copper tube, when used underground, shall have a weight not less than copper water tube type L. When used underground in corrosive soil or fill, the piping material or protective coating or covering shall be as approved by the State Plumbing Board. Water service in public property shall be in accordance with standards of the Water Department."

Section P-601.8 of the Code is added as follows:

"Minimum Size of Building Sewer. No part of the building sewer, including required cleanouts, shall be less than four inches (4") in diameter."

Section P-701.2 of the Code is amended to read as follows:

"Air Gap or Air Break Required. All direct waste piping shall discharge into the building drainage system through an air gap or air break, as set forth in Section P-701.1 of this Code."

Section P-701.16 of the Code is amended to read as follows:

"Swimming Pools. No pipes carrying waste water from swimming or wading pools, including pool drainage, backwash from filters and water from floor drains which serve walks around pools, may be connected with the sanitary sewer system."

Section P-802.0 of the Code is amended to read as follows:

"Storm Water Drainage to Sewer Prohibited. Storm water and/or subsoil drains shall not be drained into sewers intended for sewage only."

Section P-805.1 of the Code is added as follows:

"Subsoil Drains. In new installations, subsoil drains shall be connected to a storm sewer when available. If a storm sewer is not available, the administrative authority shall determine how to dispose of the water.

In the case of one and two family dwellings, when approved by the administrative authority and the discharge does not constitute a nuisance to neighbors and/or the public, it may be discharged on flat areas of lawn on the premises."

Section P-807.3 of the Code is amended to read as follows:

"Combining Storm with Sanitary Drainage. The sanitary and storm drainage systems of a building shall be entirely separate."

Section P-1001.9 of the Code is added as follows:

"Recesses for Trap Connection. A recess provided for connection of the underground trap such as one serving a bath tub in slab-type construction shall have sides and bottom of corrosion resistant, insect and vermin-proof construction."

Section P-1205.41 of the Code is added as follows:

"Urinals, Stall-Type, Water-Tight Pans Required. Urinals, of stall-type shall be constructed so as to have a water-tight pan of lead or other approved materials by the State Plumbing Board installed beneath them. The drain for the urinal shall be made with a drainable clamping ring assembly to the water-tight pan."

Section P-1602.1 of the Code is amended to read as follows:

"Size of Water Service. The water service pipe shall be of sufficient size to furnish water to the building in the quantities and at the pressures required elsewhere in this Code. It shall in no case be less than one inch (1") nominal diameter. One method for sizing the water service pipe is described in Appendix 'A'."

Section P-1605.10 of the Code is amended to read as follows:

"Used Water Return Prohibited. Water used for cooling of equipment or other processes shall not be returned to the potable water system. The water shall be discharged into a drainage system through an air gap or may be used for non-potable purposes as provided in Chapter 27 of this Code."

Section 1605.114 of the Code is amended to read as follows:

"Approval of Devices. Before any device for the prevention of back-flow or backsiphonage is installed, it shall have first been certified by a recognized testing laboratory acceptable to the Administrative Authority. Devices installed in a building potable water supply distribution system for protection against backflow shall be maintained in good working condition by the person or persons responsible for the maintenance of the system.

In order to insure proper operation of the device, the person responsible for maintenance shall periodically, but in no case less than annually, test the device or have a qualified person test the device and submit a report to the Water Department."

Section 1606.21 of the Code is amended to read as follows:

"Pressure Relief Valves. The valves shall have a relief rating adequate to meet the pressure conditions in the equipment served. They shall be installed in the cold water supply line to the heating equipment served except where scale formation from hard water may be encountered, in which case they may be installed in the hot water supply line from the heating equipment served. There shall be no shutoff valve between the pressure relief valve and the tank. The pressure relief valve shall be set to open at not less than 25 p. s. i. above the street main pressure or not less than 25 p. s. i. above the setting of any house water pressure regulating valve. The setting shall not exceed the tank working pressure. The minimum size of both the inlet and discharge connections shall be 3/4-inch pipe size except that relief valve protecting water heating systems with input of not more than 15,000 BTU per hour may have inlet and discharge connections of 1/2-inch pipe size."

Section P-1606.22 of the Code is amended to read as follows:

"Temperature Relief Valves. Temperature relief valves shall be of adequate relief rating, expressed in BTU/HR, for the equipment served. They shall be installed so that the temperature sensing element is immersed in the hottest water within the top six inches (6") of tank. The valve shall be set to open when the stored water temperature is two hundred ten (210) degrees Fahrenheit or less. The minimum size of both the inlet and discharge connections shall be 3/4-inch pipe size except that relief valves protecting water heating systems with input of not more than 15,000 BTU per hour may have inlet and discharge connections of 1/2-inch pipe size."

Section P-1606-23 of the Code is amended to read as follows:

"Combination Pressure-Temperature Relief Valves, Combination pressure-temperature relief valves shall comply with the applicable requirements for individual pressure and individual temperature relief valves and shall be installed so that the temperature sensing element is immersed in the hottest water within the top six (6) inches of the tank. The minimum size of both the inlet and discharge connections shall be 3/4-inch pipe size except that relief valves protecting water heating systems with input of not more than 15,000 BTU per hour may have inlet and discharge connections of 1/2-inch pipe size."

8.404. Code on File. Complete printed copies of the Plumbing Code herein adopted are available for public use and inspection at the office of the City Clerk.

8.405. Permits - Application for Permits. Plumbing permits for all plumbing work to be performed inside of exterior building walls shall be issued only to authorized master plumbers or single-family occupant homeowners on forms provided by the Department of Community Improvement and Inspection Services of the City of Grand Rapids, herein referred to as the "Department". Plumbing permits for all plumbing work to be performed outside of exterior building walls shall be issued only to authorized master plumbers or single-family occupant homeowners on forms provided by the Director of Public Works of the City of East Grand Rapids.

In order to prevent undue delay, the Department shall recognize temporary licenses issued by the City until November 1, 1975, to contractors having at least five years' experience in this type of work.

8.406. Contract with the City for Plumbing Inspection Services.

Pursuant to contract with the City of Grand Rapids the Office of Community Improvement and Inspection Services of the City of Grand Rapids is designated as the Office of Community Improvement and Inspection Services of the City of East Grand Rapids for the purpose of obtaining permits under this Ordinance for all plumbing work to be performed inside of exterior building walls and the Plumbing Inspector of the City of Grand Rapids is designated as the Plumbing Inspector of the City of East Grand Rapids for that purpose and shall make such inspections and certify such permits and inspections as may be required by this Ordinance. The Inspector of the Department of Public Works of the City of East Grand Rapids shall make such inspections and certify such permits and inspections as may be required by this Ordinance for all plumbing work to be performed outside of exterior building walls under this Ordinance.

8.407. Separability. Sections of this Ordinance and Code shall be deemed separable and should any Section, clause or provision of this Ordinance be declared by the Courts to be invalid, the same shall not affect the validity of the Ordinance as a whole or any part thereof other than the part so declared to be invalid.

Section 2. The Code of the City of East Grand Rapids is amended by repealing Subsection 117.1, 117.2 and 117.21 of Section 8.4 of Chapter 79 of Title VIII of said Code.

Section 3. This Ordinance is declared to be an emergency ordinance and shall have immediate effect. Notice of the adoption of the Ordinance shall be given by publication of the following notice pursuant to the provisions of Chapter VIII, Section 5(2) of the City Charter.

#### NOTICE

This will give public notice that on May 19, 1975, at a regular meeting of the City Commission of the City of East Grand Rapids, said City of East Grand Rapids adopted an ordinance, effective immediately, adding Chapter 85 of Title VIII of the Code of the City of East Grand Rapids. Said

Ordinance adopts a new plumbing code for the City, which new code is the BOCA Basic Plumbing Code, 1970 Edition, together with Accumulative Supplement dated 1973, except Sections P-1205.2, P-1500.0 through P-1511.4 and P-1700.0 thereof, except for such changes in said Code as are set forth in said Ordinance.

Copies of said Ordinance of the City of East Grand Rapids and of said BOCA Basic Plumbing Code are on file with the City Clerk of the City of East Grand Rapids at his office at 750 Lakeside Drive, SE, East Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Yeas: Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

290. A request for a fireworks permit to be issued to Fred H. Tholen and Charles C. Harrett was received.

290-A. Robberson-Murphy. That a fireworks permit be issued to Fred H. Tholen and Charles C. Harrett as requested and in accordance with information contained in the application.

Yeas: Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

291. A communication was received from the Planning Commission relative to recommending the purchase of the Navin property on Lakeside Drive. This recommendation was received for information and referred to a Committee-of-the-Whole session.

292. The General Revenue Sharing Planned Use Report for federal revenue sharing monies to be received by the City during our 1975-76 fiscal year was reviewed.

292-A. Cooper-Pierce. That this Commission authorize the allocation of the federal revenue sharing funds for our 1975-76 fiscal year for the following capital expenditures:

City's share of Manhattan Field	\$7,000
City's share of Lakeside tennis courts	12,500
Parking area and landscaping (Remington Park)	19,150
Manhattan Road	20,625

Yeas: Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

293. The City Controller requested authorization to issue a check to Warner, Norcross & Judd in the amount of \$1,935, which represents legal fees rendered in connection with the Belmont-Plymouth -Lakeside-Breton Corridor matters. He stated that monies had been donated by private individuals for this purpose.

293-A. Cooper-Pierce. That the City Controller be authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$1,935 for this purpose, "(and that the Controller be requested to submit a full accounting of this fund when closed)".

Yeas: Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

294. A letter was received from Mrs. L. Charles Rowley regarding her recent experiences in purchasing a home that had various structural problems. The City Clerk was directed to write Mrs. Rowley and acknowledge receipt of her letter by the Commission.

295. The Parks & Recreation Commission agenda for its May 20th meeting and the minutes of its April 15th meeting, were received and filed.

296. Cooper-Pierce. That it is the policy of this Commission that use of the East Grand Rapids tennis courts not be limited to East Grand Rapids residents only.

Yeas: Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

297. Financial reports of the General and Water Funds for a 10-month period ended April 30, 1975, were received and filed.

298. Commissioner Cooper recommended that the City Manager write Mr. Knol inviting him to the next Commission meeting to discuss the action of the City Commission taken relative to the request of the Lakeside Baptist Church to place angle parking on Crosswell.

299. Pierce-Cooper. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$109,286.67, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$38,746.12, 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: Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

300. Commissioner Robberson brought to the attention of the Commission that he was concerned about a sign that John Rose has at the rear of his home indicating sailboat hardware for sale and questioned whether this is not a non-conforming use. The City Manager was directed to check into this matter.

301. Mayor Stoppels requested that the Commissioners inform him of any appointments that they would like to suggest on the various committees of the Commission.

302. There were 21 residents in attendance at this meeting.

303. The meeting was adjourned at 10:05 p.m., subject to the call of the Mayor, until June 2, 1975.

  
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City Clerk

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

Regular Meeting Held June 2, 1975

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

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

Absent: Coms. Cooper and Pierce.

304. The minutes of the meeting held May 19, 1975, were corrected by inserting the following quotes at the conclusion of the legal descriptions in Item 286-D: "being a portion of Melrose Drive" and "being part of York Drive and Arundel Road"; and by adding the following to Item 293-A: "and that the Controller be requested to submit a full accounting of this fund when closed".

304-A. Robberson-Stoppels. That the minutes of May 19, 1975 be approved as corrected.

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

Nays: 0

305. Pursuant to public notice, a hearing was held on the request of Thomas P. Nicholson, 2900 Pioneer Club Road, for the purpose of permitting vacation of a public walkway located on his property in McLee's Subdivision. Mr. Nicholson was present to explain his request and to answer questions of the Commissioners.

305-A.

BY COMMISSIONERS MURPHY-ROBBERSON:

WHEREAS, this Commission did, at a regular meeting of said Commission held in said City on the 21st day of April, 1975, declare by resolution that it deemed it advisable to vacate portions of McLee's Subdivision comprising a walk 4 ft. in width as described in said resolution, and in this resolution and that it deemed such vacating of said portions of McLee's Subdivision necessary for the public convenience and a necessary public improvement, and designated Monday, June 2, 1975 at 7:30 p.m. as the time and the Commission Room in the City Hall of said City as the place when and where the Commission will meet to hear and consider objections to the vacating of said portion of the plat due and legal notice of which said meeting was given as required by law; and

WHEREAS, this Commission sat in session to hear and consider all objections to vacating the said walkway in McLee's Subdivision hereinbefore described, and no objections being presented;

NOW, THEREFORE, Be It Resolved by the Commission of the City of East Grand Rapids, Michigan, that it deems it advisable, and that it is advisable that said walkway in McLee's Subdivision described below be vacated, closed, discontinued and abolished, and the portion of said plat constituting the walk so vacated is described as follows:

A walkway 4 feet in width described as follows:

That part of McLee's Subdivision of Lot 4 of London's Lake Addition in the City of East Grand Rapids, Kent County, Michigan and described as

Commencing at the Northwest corner of Lot 15 of McLee's Subdivision of Lot 4 of London's Lake Addition thence Southwesterly along the Westerly line of Lots 15, 12, 11, 8, 7, 4, and 3 to the Southwest corner of Lot 3 thence Northwesterly along the Northeasterly line of Lot 1 to the Northwest corner Lot 1, thence Southwesterly to the Southwest corner Lot 1, thence N.  $24^{\circ}$  16' W. 4.8 feet, thence N.  $30^{\circ}$  3' E. 68.9 feet to the Southwest corner Lot 2, thence Southeasterly

to the Southeast corner Lot 2, thence Northeasterly along the Easterly line of Lots 2, 5, 6, 9, 10, 13, and 14 to the Northeast corner of Lot 14 thence S.  $42^{\circ} 08'$  E. 4.8 feet to beginning.

FURTHER RESOLVED that in the opinion of this Commission the vacating of said portions of McLee's Subdivision is a necessary public improvement and a necessary public convenience.

FURTHER RESOLVED that this Commission grant the request of Mr. Nicholson to vacate the described portion of McLee's Subdivision.

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

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

306. At the request of Mayor Stoppels the City Manager explained the action of the Commission relative to a Lake Drive Baptist Church request for angle parking on Croswell. There were several members of Lake Drive Baptist Church present, including Mr. Gerard J. Knol, who was the spokesman for the group. After having fully discussed this matter, no further action was taken.

307. The City Clerk submitted a resolution of intent to issue special assessment bonds covering costs of the 1974 improvements to Asbury and Whitfield.

307-A. The following preamble and resolution were offered by Commissioner Robberson and supported by Commissioner Murphy:

WHEREAS, the City Commission of the City of East Grand Rapids intends to adopt resolutions authorizing the issuance and sale of Special Assessment Bonds of the City, in the principal amount of not to exceed in total One Hundred Thousand (\$100,000.00) Dollars, for the purpose of defraying the special assessment districts' share of the cost in connection with certain street, water and sewer improvements in the City;

AND WHEREAS, a Notice of Intent to Issue Bonds must be published at least forty-five (45) days before the issuance of the same in order to comply with the requirements of Section 5(g) of Act 279, Public Acts of Michigan, 1909, as amended;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to publish a Notice of Intent to issue Bonds in The GrandRapids Press, a newspaper of general circulation in the City of East Grand Rapids, Michigan.
2. Said notice of intent so published shall be in substantially the following form:

NOTICE TO ELECTORS AND TAXPAYERS OF THE CITY  
OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS OF INTENT TO ISSUE BONDS  
SECONDARILY SECURED BY THE CITY'S TAXING POWER  
AND RIGHT OF REFERENDUM RELATING THERETO

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the City Commission of the City of East Grand Rapids intends to adopt resolutions authorizing the issuance and sale of Special Assessment Bonds of the City, in the principal amount not to exceed in total One Hundred Thousand (\$100,000.00) Dollars, for the purpose of defraying the special assessment districts' share of the cost in connection with certain street, water and sewer improvements in the City:

Said bonds will mature in not to exceed ten (10) annual installments and will bear interest at a rate of interest of not to exceed eight per cent (8%) per annum payable on the unpaid principal balance from time to time remaining outstanding on said bonds.

SOURCE OF PAYMENT OF SPECIAL  
ASSESSMENT BONDS

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THE PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST OF SAID SPECIAL ASSESSMENT BONDS shall be payable primarily from collections of an equal amount of special assessments and the bonds shall also pledge the full faith and credit of the City of East Grand Rapids.

In case of the insufficiency of said special assessments, the principal and interest on said bonds shall be payable from the general funds of the City or, if necessary, from ad valorem taxes levied upon all taxable property in the City, without limitation as to rate or amount.

RIGHT OF REFERENDUM

THE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT BONDS will be issued without vote of the electors unless a petition signed by not less than 10% of the registered electors of the City is filed with the City Commission within forty-five (45) days after publication of this Notice by filing same at the office of the City Clerk. If such a petition is filed, the bonds may not be issued unless approved by a majority vote of the electors of the City voting on the question of their issuance.

THIS NOTICE is given pursuant to the requirements of Section 5(g) of Act 279, Public Acts of Michigan, 1909, as amended.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION concerning the proposed bonds, and the right of referendum with respect thereto, may be obtained upon request at the offices of the City Clerk.

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City Clerk

3. The City Commission does hereby determine that the foregoing form of Notice of Intent to Issue Bonds and the manner of publication directed is adequate notice to the electors and taxpayers of the City of East Grand Rapids and is well calculated to inform them of the intention of the City to issue the bonds, the security for the bonds, and the right of referendum of electors with respect thereto, and that the provision of forty-five (45) days within which to file a referendum petition is necessary and adequate to assure that the electors of the City may exercise their legal rights of referendum with respect to the bonds as provided by Section 5(g) of Act 279, Public Acts of Michigan, 1909, as amended.

4. All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this resolution be and the same hereby are rescinded.

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

Nays: 0

The resolution was declared adopted.

308. The City Clerk submitted a list of delinquent special assessments, sidewalk bills, and water bills, and requested the City Commission to authorize the spreading of these bills on the 1975 City tax roll.

308-A. Remien-Robberson. That the delinquent bills, as reported by the Controller, be reassessed on the 1975 City tax roll as follows:

SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT ON 1975 TAX ROLL

<u>SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS</u>	<u>Am't of</u> <u>Install</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>10%</u> <u>Penalty</u>	<u>Total</u>
(5th install)				
<u>1970 Edgewood, Ridgewood &amp; Maplewood</u>				
18-03-258-014	\$ 83.37	\$ 35.01	\$ 11.84	\$ 130.22
18-03-259-006	109.02	45.79	15.48	170.29
18-03-259-002	83.37	35.01	11.84	130.22
18-03-259-010	125.05	52.52	17.76	195.33
18-03-260-009	<u>96.46</u>	<u>40.52</u>	<u>13.70</u>	<u>150.68</u>
TOTAL 1970 Sp. Assess.	497.27	208.85	70.62	776.74
<u>1969 Sherwood Impr. - 6th Installment</u>				
18-03-258-004	<u>87.90</u>	<u>31.64</u>	<u>11.95</u>	<u>131.49</u>
TOTAL 1969 Sp. Assess.	87.90	31.64	11.95	131.49
<u>1968 Audobon Impr. - 7th Installment</u>				
18-04-277-018	46.64	14.00	6.06	66.70
18-04-277-023	46.64	14.00	6.06	66.70
<u>1968 Lakeside Improvement - 7th Install</u>				
14-33-478-005	41.73	12.52	5.43	59.68
14-33-480-016	37.94	11.39	4.93	54.26
14-33-480-013	<u>37.94</u>	<u>11.39</u>	<u>4.93</u>	<u>54.26</u>
TOTAL - 1968 Sp. Assess.	210.89	63.30	27.41	301.60
<u>1967 Woodlawn Impr. - 8th Installment</u>				
18-03-256-003	178.92	42.95	22.19	244.06
<u>1967 Fisk Improvement - 8th Installment</u>				
14-33-354-001	<u>92.22</u>	<u>22.13</u>	<u>11.44</u>	<u>125.79</u>
TOTAL 1967 Sp. Assess.	271.14	65.08	33.63	369.85
<u>1966 Anderson Impr. - 9th Installment</u>				
18-04-204-008	49.51	8.91	5.84	64.26
18-04-202-001	54.55	9.82	6.44	70.81
<u>1966 North Shore Storm Drain - 9th Installment</u>				
14-27-378-007	62.64	11.28	7.39	81.31
14-27-378-008	21.55	3.88	2.54	27.97
14-27-454-006	<u>24.22</u>	<u>4.36</u>	<u>2.86</u>	<u>31.44</u>
TOTAL - 1966 Sp. Assess.	212.47	38.25	25.07	275.79
<u>1965 Lake Grove Improvement - 10th Install.</u>				
14-34-356-022	36.61	4.40	4.10	45.11
<u>1965 Woodcliff Improvement - 10th Install.</u>				
18-03-260-009	<u>60.17</u>	<u>7.22</u>	<u>6.74</u>	<u>74.13</u>
TOTAL 1965 Sp. Assess.	96.78	11.62	10.84	119.24

	<u>Am't. of</u> <u>Install.</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>10%</u> <u>Penalty</u>	<u>Total</u>
TOTAL 1970 SPECIAL ASSESSMENT	\$ 497.27	\$ 208.85	\$ 70.62	\$ 776.74
TOTAL 1969 SPECIAL ASSESSMENT	87.90	31.64	11.95	131.49
TOTAL 1968 SPECIAL ASSESSMENT	210.89	63.30	27.41	301.60
TOTAL 1967 SPECIAL ASSESSMENT	271.14	65.08	33.63	369.85
TOTAL 1966 SPECIAL ASSESSMENT	212.47	38.25	25.07	275.79
TOTAL 1965 SPECIAL ASSESSMENT	96.78	11.62	10.84	119.24
	<u>1,376.45</u>	<u>418.74</u>	<u>179.52</u>	<u>1,974.71</u>

DELINQUENT WEED CUTTING

18-03-227-016	<u>42.80</u>		<u>4.28</u>	<u>47.08</u>
Total Weed Cutting	42.80		4.28	47.08

DELINQUENT SIDEWALK BILLS ON 1975 TAX ROLL

14-27-377-013	42.53		4.25	46.78
14-27-378-007	79.74		7.97	87.71
14-28-352-014	43.97		4.40	48.37
14-28-352-032	71.53		7.15	78.68
14-28-352-018	99.41		9.94	109.35
14-28-353-021	76.92		7.69	84.61
14-33-103-033	69.56		6.96	76.52
14-33-106-009	45.09		4.51	49.60
14-33-206-010	34.40		3.44	37.84
14-33-253-026	85.14		8.51	93.65
14-33-302-001	269.75		26.98	296.73
14-33-357-013	35.02		3.50	38.52
14-33-401-023	40.71		4.07	44.78
14-33-429-001	35.02		3.50	38.52
14-33-479-002	111.19		11.12	122.31
14-34-356-031	42.81		4.28	47.09
18-03-127-006	46.83		4.68	51.51
18-03-206-012	83.16		8.32	91.48
18-04-226-004	<u>49.34</u>		<u>4.93</u>	<u>54.27</u>
	1,362.12		136.20	1,498.32

DELINQUENT WATER BILLS

## Ledger A

14-33-102-017 (Bond) 429 Rosewood	\$73.53		\$7.36	\$80.89
14-33-103-005 (Kasper) 414 Rosewood	58.86		5.89	64.75
14-33-151-002 (Samra) 1608 Sherman	124.20		12.42	136.62
14-33-151-006 (Gunn) 627 Gladstone	55.20		5.52	60.72
14-33-203-027 (Bsharah) 2053 Wealthy	69.60		6.96	76.56
14-33-309-017 (VanNoord) 901 Plymouth	<u>57.80</u>		<u>5.78</u>	<u>63.58</u>

## Total Ledger A

439.19	43.93	483.12
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## Ledger B

14-33-478-005 (Elenbaas) 1058 Lakeside	36.93		3.69	40.62
14-34-356-031 (Kondracki) 1109 Eastwood	27.30		2.73	30.03
14-34-476-012 (Cook ) 3061 Woodcliff	96.75		9.68	106.43
18-03-258-014 (Zwald) 1545 Ridgewood	74.19		7.42	81.61
18-04-434-020 (White) 1861 Breton	<u>76.50</u>		<u>7.65</u>	<u>84.15</u>

## Total Ledger B

311.67	31.17	342.84
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	<u>Am't of Bill</u>	<u>10% Penalty</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>DELINQUENT WATER BILLS</u>			
Ledger C			
18-03-12 8-013 (Vogt) 2559 Elmwood	<u>\$68.13</u>	<u>\$6.81</u>	<u>\$74.94</u>
Total Ledger C	\$68.13	\$6.81	\$74.94
GRAND TOTAL LEDGER A, B, C	\$ 818.99	\$ 81.91	\$ 900.90

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

309. A draft copy of the "Comment" was submitted for the approval of the City Commission. Mrs. Sarah Charnley stated that the Traffic Commission had requested an additional item to be placed in the Comment. Upon review of the Comment, the City Commission directed the Administrative Aide to proceed with the publication of this Comment and to review it with Commissioner Cooper to permit his changes to be incorporated in the publication.

310. Mayor Stoppels recommended that Mrs. Sarah Charnley be appointed to GRETS Citizen Transportation Committee.

310-A. Robberson-Clary. That this Commission concur in the appointment of Mrs. Sarah Charnley to GRETS Citizen Transportation Committee.

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

311. A Memorandum of Agreement between the City and the Police Association was discussed. Commissioner Clary requested clarification of terminology in various sections of this memorandum and the City Manager was directed to incorporate these clarifications in the Agreement.

311-A. Robberson-Remien. That the Memorandum of Agreement with the Police Association, as clarified, be approved and that the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to execute this agreement on behalf of the City.

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

Commissioner Cooper arrived at this time.

312. The Memorandum of Agreement between the City and the Fire Association was discussed. Commissioner Clary requested that the clarification of terminology as outlined previously be included in this Agreement as well.

312-A. Cooper-Clary. That this Commission ratify the Memorandum of Agreement with the Fire Association and that the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to execute this Agreement.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Murphy, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

313. A letter from County Commissioner Ehlers submitting suggested changes in the Solid Waste Disposal contract was deferred to a Committee-of-the-Whole session.

314. The City Engineer reported on the progress of the footing drain disconnection program.

There were four residents in attendance at this meeting who had received this letter and expressed their concerns relative to the cost of correcting their footing drain problem. It was indicated that the City Engineering office would assist them in every way possible.

315. The City Manager requested that the Mutual Aid Agreement among the nine cities within the Grand Rapids area be renewed.

315-A. Cooper-Clary. That the City of East Grand Rapids continue to participate in the Mutual Aid Agreement and that the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign this Agreement.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Murphy, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

316. The City Manager requested authorization to enter into a contract with Norman Maney & Sons for the purpose of cutting weeds in Reeds Lake. The cost of this contract would not exceed a maximum of \$2,000.

317. The City Manager reported on the condition of Albert Drive and requested that the Commission proceed with the necessary improvement resolutions.

317-A.

BY COMMISSIONERS ROBBERSON-MURPHY:

RESOLVED that this Commission desires to consider the proposed improvement consisting of proper asphalt base, asphalt wearing surface, combination curb and gutter repair and other necessary work on

ALBERT DRIVE from Conlon Avenue to Andover Road

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

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Murphy, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

317-B.

BY COMMISSIONERS ROBBERSON-MURPHY:

RESOLVED that the statement of preliminary proceedings with respect to this proposed improvement having been filed with the City Clerk, a public hearing be held before the City Commission at the City Hall on Monday, July 7, 1975, at 7:30 p.m. relative to necessity of the proposed improvement consisting of proper asphalt base, asphalt wearing surface, combination curb and gutter repair and other necessary work on

ALBERT DRIVE from Conlon Avenue to Andover Road

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

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Murphy, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

318. The minutes of the Traffic Commission meeting held May 27, 1975, were received and filed.

319. Reports for the month of May for the Fire Department and Assessor-Building Inspector were received and filed.

320. Commissioner Clary reported that he had talked with School Board members relative to their intent to pay part of the cost of the tennis courts at Manhattan. He stated that the School Board will be discussing this at their meeting on June 2.

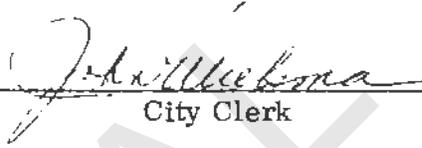
321. Robberson-Murphy. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$242,795.33, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$38,038.66, as approved by the Ways & Means Committee be allowed and the Controller be authorized to draw an order on the Treasurer for their respective amounts.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Murphy, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

322. Mr. Peter Sears presented the Commission with a painting by Norman Rockwell entitled "The New American LaFrance Is Here" and requested that this be donated to the Fire Department. The Mayor accepted the donation with appreciation.

323. There were 20 residents in attendance at this meeting.

324. The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m., subject to the call of the Mayor, until June 16, 1975.

  
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City Clerk

UNOFFICIAL  
Reference Only

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

Regular Meeting Held June 16, 1975

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

Present: Coms. Clary, Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, and Mayor Stoppels.  
Absent: Com. Robberson.

325. The minutes of the meeting held June 2, 1975, were approved as written.

326. Mr. Ronald Dunwell of 449 Edgemere SE, expressed concern relative to the use of the storm sewer system for disposal of toxic waste materials which then drain to our lakes. He submitted a written statement suggesting ways of preventing this practice. This matter was referred to staff for study and recommendation and an article will be placed in the next issue of Comment informing citizens of possible damage to our lakes through the use of catch basins for waste disposal.

327. Mrs. Barbara Hoag was present and requested information as to the progress of the Hodenpyl Woods Nature Trail. The City Manager stated that he will call a meeting with Mrs. Hoag, Mr. Ruwitch, Mr. Rhodes and himself, to review what has transpired in this area as well as the Manhattan nature trail area.

328. The City Manager reported that he had filed with the City Clerk the proposed assessment roll relative to the Kingswood Avenue improvement from Cascade Road to Fernwood Drive.

328-A. Cooper-Remien. That the following resolution be adopted:

RESOLVED that the special assessment roll for the improvements consisting of grading, proper base, asphalt wearing surface, combination curb and gutter, concrete drive approaches, necessary concrete sidewalks, and other necessary appurtenances and underground work on

KINGSWOOD AVENUE from Cascade Road to Fernwood Drive

is directed to be filed in the office of the City Clerk for public examination and that the City Commission meet at the City Hall on Monday, July 7, 1975, at 7:30 p.m. for the purpose of reviewing such roll at which time and place all persons interested or who are liable to be assessed for such improvement may appear and be heard in regard to such improvement and assessment roll; and

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

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

329.

BY COMMISSIONERS PIERCE-COOPER:

WHEREAS, special assessment rolls hereinafter described for the construction of public improvements in the City of East Grand Rapids have been prepared, reviewed and confirmed;

AND WHEREAS, the City Commission deems it necessary to borrow money and issue special assessment bonds in anticipation of the collection of a like amount of the uncollected installments on said rolls;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The estimated period of usefulness of said improvements is not less than fifteen (15) years.

2. Special assessment bonds be issued in the amount of Ninety-two Thousand (\$92,000.00) Dollars in anticipation of the collection of the unpaid special assessments on the hereinafter described special assessment rolls; said issue of bonds to be divided among the several special assessment districts as follows:

Oxford Road and Tenway Drive Asphalt Paving District No. 1	\$30,310.00
Asbury Road Asphalt Paving District No. 1	13,990.00
Asbury Road and Whitfield Road Sanitary Sewer District No. 1	19,300.00
Whitfield Road Asphalt Paving District No. 1	15,600.00
Asbury Road and Whitfield Road Water Main District No. 1	12,800.00

In addition to the special assessments, as aforesaid, the full faith, credit and resources of the City of East Grand Rapids shall be pledged for the prompt payment of the principal and interest on said bonds as the same shall become due. Said bonds shall consist of two (2) bonds of the denomination of \$1,000.00 each, and eighteen (18) bonds of the denomination of \$5,000.00 each, numbered consecutively in direct order of maturity from 1 upwards, dated September 1, 1975, and payable serially without option of prior redemption as follows:

\$ 7,000.00 August 1, 1976;  
\$10,000.00 August 1st of each year from  
1977 to 1983, inclusive;  
\$15,000.00 August 1, 1984.

Said bonds shall bear interest at a rate or rates not exceeding six and one-half per cent (6-1/2%) per annum, payable on August 1, 1975, and semi-annually thereafter on the first day of February and August of each year. Both principal and interest shall be payable at a bank or trust company qualified to act as paying agent to be designated by the purchaser of the bonds.

3. Said bonds shall be signed in the name of the City by the Mayor and countersigned by the City Clerk and shall bear the City seal, and the interest coupons annexed thereto shall bear the facsimile signatures of the Mayor and City Clerk, and said bonds, when executed, shall be delivered to the Treasurer and be delivered by him to the purchaser thereof upon payment of the purchase price therefor in accordance with the bid therefor, when accepted.

4. There shall be established and maintained a separate fund for each of said special assessment districts to be designated "Special Assessment District No. \_\_\_\_\_ Construction Fund," into which there shall be placed the respective district's proportion of the proceeds of sale of the bonds, except accrued interest and premium, if any. From such fund there shall be paid the cost of the improvement in the proper district. The moneys in said several funds may be kept in one bank account, but no money shall be drawn therefrom for the benefit of any district unless there is sufficient balance therefor in the fund of such district.

5. There shall be established and maintained a fund to be designated "1975 Special Assessment Bond Debt Retirement Fund." Into said fund there shall be placed the accrued interest and premium, if any, received at the time of delivery of said bonds. In addition, there shall be paid into said fund that part of the collection of principal and interest on the special assessment rolls in anticipation of the collection of which the bonds authorized by the provisions of this resolution have

been issued; Provided, However, that the amount to be paid by each such district shall not exceed the amount of bonds allocated to such district and the interest thereon. If at any time said fund is insufficient to pay the principal of and interest on said bonds, as the same become due, the City shall advance from its general funds a sufficient amount to pay said principal and interest. Moreover, the City shall levy annually, without limitation as to rate or amount, as part of its general ad valorem tax such sums as may be necessary to retire when due the said principal and interest on said bonds should the collection of special assessments pledged for such purpose prove insufficient.

6. Said bonds and the attached coupons shall be in substantially the following form:

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

STATE OF MICHIGAN

COUNTY OF KENT

CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS

1975 SPECIAL ASSESSMENT BOND

No. \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_,000.00

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS that the CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS, County of Kent, State of Michigan, acknowledges itself to owe and for value received hereby promises to pay to the bearer hereof the sum of

\_\_\_\_\_ THOUSAND DOLLARS

lawful money of the United States of America, on the first day of August, A. D., 19 \_\_\_\_\_, with interest thereon from the date hereof until paid at the rate of \_\_\_\_\_ per cent ( % ) per annum, payable on August 1, 1976, and semi-annually thereafter on the first day of February and August of each year, upon presentation and surrender of the annexed interest coupons as they severally become due. Both principal of and interest on this bond are payable at \_\_\_\_\_, and for the prompt payment of this bond, both principal and interest, the full faith and credit of the City of East Grand Rapids are hereby irrevocably pledged.

This bond is one of a series of twenty (20) bonds of even date and like tenor, except as to denomination, rate of interest and date of maturity, aggregating the principal sum of \$92,000.00, issued in anticipation of the collection of the special assessments in the following special assessment districts: Oxford Road and Tenway Drive Asphalt Paving District No. 1, Asbury Road Asphalt Paving District No. 1, Asbury Road and Whitfield Road Sanitary Sewer District No. 1, Whitfield Road Asphalt Paving District No. 1, and Asbury Road and Whitfield Road Water Main District No. 1 and is issued in accordance with a resolution of the City Commission of the City of East Grand Rapids duly adopted \_\_\_\_\_, 1975.

Bonds of this issue are not subject to prior redemption.

This bond is payable out of the uncollected special assessments to be collected on the above special assessment rolls; Provided, However, that the liability of each Special Assessment District shall be limited in the manner provided in the bond authorizing resolution, or in the case of the insufficiency of said special assessments, out of the general funds of the City of East Grand Rapids, and it is hereby certified and recited that all acts, conditions and things required

by law precedent to and in the issuance of this bond and the series of bonds of which this is one have been done, exist and have happened in regular and due time and form as required by law, and that the total indebtedness of said City, including this bond, does not exceed any constitutional, statutory or charter debt limitation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS, County of Kent, State of Michigan, by its City Commission, has caused this bond to be signed in the name of said City by its Mayor and to be countersigned by its City Clerk and the corporate seal to be hereunto affixed, and has caused the annexed interest coupons to be executed with the facsimile signatures of its Mayor and City Clerk all as of the first day of September, A. D., 1975.

CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

(SEAL)

Countersigned:

\_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk

(Form of Coupon)

No. \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

On the first day of \_\_\_\_\_, A.D., 19\_\_\_\_ the CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS, County of Kent, State of Michigan, will pay to the bearer hereof the sum shown hereon, lawful money of the United States of America, at

\_\_\_\_\_ being the semi-annual interest due that date on its 1975 Special Assessment Improvement Bond, dated September 1, 1975, No. \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

\_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk

7. The City Clerk shall make application to the Municipal Finance Commission for an order granting permission for the issuance of said bonds and approval of the form of notice of sale, and upon receipt of such approval, the City Clerk shall cause notice of sale of said bonds to be published in the Michigan Investor of Detroit, Michigan, and in The Grand Rapids Press, a newspaper circulated in the City of East Grand Rapids, at least seven (7) full days before the date fixed for sale of the bonds.

8. The notice of sale shall be in substantially the following form:

OFFICIAL NOTICE OF SALE

\$92,000.00

CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS  
COUNTY OF KENT, STATE OF MICHIGAN

1975 SPECIAL ASSESSMENT BONDS

SEALED BIDS for the purchase of the above bonds will be received by the undersigned at the City Offices located at 750 Lakeside Dr., S.E., East Grand Rapids, Michigan 49506, on \_\_\_\_\_, the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1975, until \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock \_\_\_\_\_ .m., Eastern \_\_\_\_\_ Time, at which time and place said bids will be publicly opened and read.

BOND DETAILS: Said bonds will be coupon bonds of the denomination of \$1,000.00 and \$5,000.00 each, dated September 1, 1975, numbered in direct order of maturity from 1 upwards and will bear interest from their date payable on August 1, 1976, and semi-annually thereafter.

Said bonds will mature on the 1st day of August, as follows:

\$ 7,000.00 - 1976;  
\$ 10,000.00 - 1977 to 1983, inclusive;  
\$ 15,000.00 - 1984.

Bonds of this issue are not subject to prior redemption.

INTEREST RATE AND BIDDING DETAILS: The bonds will bear interest at a rate or rates not exceeding 6-1/2% per annum, to be fixed by the bids therefor, expressed in multiples of 1/8 or 1/20 of 1%, or both. The interest on any one bond shall be at one rate only, all bonds maturing in any one year must carry the same interest rate and each coupon period shall be represented by one interest coupon. None of said bonds shall bear interest at a rate per annum which is less than 50% of the rate borne by any other bond. No proposal for the purchase of less than all of the bonds or at a price less than 100% of their par value will be considered.

PAYING AGENT: Both principal and interest shall be payable at a bank or trust company located in Michigan qualified to act as paying agent under State or United States law, to be designated by the original purchaser of the bonds, who may also designate a co-paying agent, which may be located outside of Michigan, qualified to act as paying agent under the law of the State in which located or of the United States, both of which shall be subject to approval of the undersigned.

PURPOSE AND SECURITY: The bonds are issued in anticipation of the collection of special assessments for street, water and sewer improvements in certain special assessment districts in said City, as set forth in the bond authorizing resolution. The special assessments and interest thereon are sufficient to pay the principal and interest on the bonds as when due. The liability of each special assessment district is limited as set forth in the bond authorizing resolution. The bonds will pledge the full faith and credit of the City as additional security for payment of the principal and interest thereon.

GOOD FAITH: A certified or cashier's check in the amount of \$1,840.00, drawn upon an incorporated bank or trust company and payable to the order of the Treasurer of the City must accompany each bid as a guaranty of good faith on the part of the bidder, to be forfeited as liquidated damages if such bid be accepted and the bidder fails to take up and pay for the bonds. No interest shall be allowed on the good faith checks and checks of the unsuccessful bidders will be promptly returned to each bidder's representative or by registered mail. The good faith check of the successful bidder will be immediately cashed and payment for the balance of the purchase price of the bonds shall be made at the closing.

AWARD OF BONDS: The Bonds will be awarded to the bidder whose bid produces the lowest interest cost computed by determining, at the rate or rates specified in the bid, the total dollar value of all interest on the bonds from \_\_\_\_\_, 1975, to their maturity and deducting therefrom any premium.

LEGAL OPINION: Bids shall be conditioned upon the unqualified approving opinion of Miller, Canfield, Paddock and Stone, attorneys of Detroit, Michigan, a copy of which opinion will be printed on the reverse side of each bond, and the original of which will be furnished without expense to the purchaser of the bonds at the delivery thereof.

DELIVERY OF BONDS: The City will furnish bonds for execution at its expense. Bonds will be delivered without expense to the purchaser at a place to be agreed upon. The usual closing documents, including a certificate that no litigation is pending affecting the issuance of the bonds, will be delivered at the time of the delivery of the bonds. If the bonds are not tendered for delivery by twelve o'clock noon, Eastern \_\_\_\_\_ Time, on the 45th day following the date of sale, or the first business day thereafter if said 45th day is not a business day, the successful bidder may on that day, or any time thereafter until delivery of the bonds, withdraw his proposal by serving notice of cancellation, in writing, on the undersigned in which event the City shall promptly return the good faith deposit. Accrued interest to the date of delivery of the bonds shall be paid by the purchaser at the time of delivery.

THE RIGHT RESERVED TO REJECT ANY OR ALL BIDS.

ENVELOPES containing the bids should be plainly marked "Proposal for Special Assessment Bonds."

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City Clerk

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_  
STATE OF MICHIGAN  
MUNICIPAL FINANCE COMMISSION

9. All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this resolution be and the same hereby are rescinded.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

330. A letter was received from Dr. & Mrs. R. Jack Chase commending the Commission for new regulations requiring bagging of grass clippings. This letter was received and filed.

331. The City Manager reported on the progress of the Phase II application for development of the Manhattan property and the acquisition grant to obtain land adjacent to the site.

332. The City Clerk reported that he had received a statement from Warner, Norcross & Judd in the amount of \$427.59 which represents the final statement for legal services rendered by their firm in connection with the Belmont-Plymouth-Lakeside-Breton Corridor matter.

332-A. Cooper-Remien. That the statement in the amount of \$427.59 as submitted by Warner, Norcross & Judd be approved and the Treasurer be authorized to issue a voucher for this amount.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

333. A report for the month of May from the Police Department was received and filed.

334. Financial reports for an 11-month period ended May 31, 1975, were received and filed.

335. The City Manager distributed a proposed Memorandum of Agreement between the City and the Service Department covering the 1975-76 fiscal year.

335-A. Remien-Clary. That this Commission approve the Memorandum of Agreement with the Service Department and that the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign this Agreement.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

336. Mayor Stoppels reminded the Commission that a joint meeting with the City Commission and Planning Commission is scheduled for 4:00 p.m. on June 30th, and that at 7:30 p.m. on June 30th, a public hearing will be held on the 1975-76 General Fund Budget.

337. Cooper-Pierce. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$124,180.73, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$38,596.40, 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, Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

338. There were five residents in attendance at this meeting.

339. The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m., subject to the call of the Mayor, until June 30, 1975.

  
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City Clerk

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

Special Meeting Held June 30, 1975

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

Present: Coms. Clary, Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, and Mayor Stoppels.  
Absent: None.

340. Pursuant to published notice, a hearing was held by the City Commission relative to the proposed budget for the fiscal year 1975-76. There were seven residents in attendance at this meeting with whom the Commission discussed various items of the budget.

340-A. Remien-Clary. RESOLVED that the following budget be adopted as the annual budget for the City of East Grand Rapids for the year July 1, 1975 to June 30, 1976:

ANTICIPATED REVENUES:

City Taxes	\$ 1,388,800.00
Licenses & Permits	2,500.00
Fines & Fees	20,000.00
Distribution from Other Agencies	394,400.00
From Use of Money & Property	30,000.00
Charges for Current Service	212,300.00
From Fund Balance	<u>80,750.00</u>
Total Anticipated Revenues	\$2,128,750.00

EXPENSE APPROPRIATIONS:

General Government	\$ 267,050.00
Public Safety	637,750.00
Public Service	618,450.00
Contributions & Aid	185,450.00
Other Operating Expenses	<u>212,150.00</u>
Sub-Total Operating	\$1,920,850.00
Capital Expenditures	<u>207,900.00</u>
Total Expense Appropriations	\$2,128,750.00

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 amounts and the amounts estimated to be necessary for such purposes is hereby declared to be the sum of \$1,384,300.00 and the tax per \$1,000 valuation is hereby determined to be \$20.40. It is also the intent of this Commission to levy a sewage charge of 30¢ per 1,000 gallons of water consumed during the winter quarter and that this charge will appear on the water bill of the consumer.

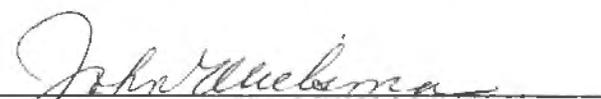
A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 5  
Nays: Murphy, Pierce - 2

The resolution was declared adopted.

341. Cooper-Remien. That this meeting be adjourned.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Remien, Murphy, Pierce, Robberson, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

  
City Clerk

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

Special Meeting Held June 30, 1975

Pursuant to posted notice, the meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels at 8:30 p.m. immediately following the budget hearing.

Present: Coms. Clary, Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Robberson and Mayor Stoppels.  
Absent: None.

342. The minutes of the meeting held June 16, 1975 were approved as written.

343. The City Manager reported on bids which were received for the City's Workmen's Compensation Insurance needs and stated that the City Clerk recommended that the insurance package be awarded to the Netherlands Insurance Company bid by Crosby & Henry. After much discussion it was moved by Commissioner Pierce and supported by Commissioner Cooper that the insurance contract be awarded to the Netherlands Insurance Company.

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: Cooper, Murphy, Pierce - 3

Nays: Clary, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 4

The motion failed.

343-A. Robberson-Murphy. That the insurance contract be awarded to Sentry Insurance Company with the understanding that Plan A will be the designated plan for the City, and that it is understood the net premium based on the experience modification rate of .68 will be \$18,155.00.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 7

Nays: 0

344. A proposed Transportation Agreement was briefly reviewed and referred to a Committee-of-the-Whole meeting for further study.

345. A letter was received from the Grand Rapids Transit Authority informing the Commission that they will begin operation of special service for handicapped and senior citizens about July 14, 1975. He further stated that the service plan for handicapped and senior citizens will be available to East Grand Rapids residents and that the Grand Rapids Transit Authority would be happy to appear before the City Commission or any other public group to describe the program.

346. A request was received from Mr. John Krause to permit the location of a house trailer at 2239 Wilshire to be occupied by him for two or three weeks until fire damage reconstruction of his home can be completed.

346-A. Cooper-Robberson. That the request of Mr. Krause be granted.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 7

Nays: 0

347. A request for a fireworks display to be located at 2563 Hampshire was received from Michael J. Fishman.

347-A. Robberson-Pierce. That the request for a fireworks display permit be granted.

Yeas: Murphy, Pierce, Robberson, Stoppels - 4

Nays: Clary, Cooper - 2

Commissioner Remien abstained.

348. The City Manager reported the receipt of deeds from the State for two parcels of property, one located in Griffiths Lake Park Addition and the other located in Wurzburg's Addition.

348-A. Robberson-Clary. That the deeds for the following described property in the City of East Grand Rapids be accepted:

Griffiths Lake Park Addition. The East 200 ft. of Lot 5 except the North 457 ft.

Wurzburg's Addition. East 110 ft. of Lot 14,

and that these deeds be recorded at the County Abstract Department.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 7

Nays: 0

349. The Mayor reported that a letter was received from Mr. Britton Gordon indicating his request to resign from the Planning Commission due to his inability to attend the Planning Commission meetings. He also recommended that the City Commission include in its budget an amount to support the retention of outside professionals to augment the experience and judgment that citizen members of the Planning Commission can be expected to bring to their work. This letter was received for information.

350. Commissioner Robberson brought to the attention of the Commission that there are two lots, one located in the vicinity of 1640 Oxford, and the other in the vicinity of 1701 Asbury, which are overgrown with weeds and requested notices be sent to the owners to have these weeds cut.

351. The Mayor reminded the Commission of the special events which will be taking place on the 4th of July relative to the band concert which will begin at 8:15 p.m., an intermission at 9:00 p.m. at which time the Lakeside Park will officially be named "John A. Collins Park", and at dusk fireworks will be displayed which have been co-sponsored by the City of East Grand Rapids and the Grand Rapids Yacht Club. He encouraged all those who will be in town that evening to attend these special festivities.

352. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, until July 7, 1975.

  
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City Clerk

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

Regular Meeting Held July 7, 1975

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

Present: Coms. Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, and Mayor Stoppels.  
Absent: Coms. Clary and Robberson.

1. The minutes of the meeting held June 30, 1975 for a hearing on the 1975-76 budget were approved as written. The minutes of the special meeting held June 30, 1975 immediately following the budget hearing were corrected as follows: (a) the first sentence was changed to read: "Pursuant to posted notice, the meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels at 8:30 p.m. immediately following the budget hearing". (b) Item 343-A was corrected by changing the experience modification rate to .68 and the amount to \$18,155. (c) Item 347-A - the yea votes should read: Murphy, Pierce, Robberson, and Stoppels. The nay votes should read: Clary and Cooper. These minutes were then approved as corrected.

2. Pursuant to public notice, a hearing was then held on the assessment roll of Kingswood Avenue - Cascade Road to Fernwood. There were no objections raised.

2-A.

BY COMMISSIONERS REMIEN-PIERCE:

RESOLVED that a public hearing having been duly held on the special assessment roll for the improvement consisting of grading, proper base, asphalt wearing surface, combination curb and gutter, concrete drive approaches, necessary concrete sidewalks, and other necessary appurtenances and underground work on

KINGSWOOD AVENUE from Cascade Road to Fernwood Drive

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

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Stoppels - 5  
Nays: 0

The motion carried.

2-B. Remien-Pierce. That the contract for the construction of Kingswood be awarded to the low bidder, C. M. Whitely Contractors, in the amount of \$21,824.15.

Yeas: Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Stoppels - 5  
Nays: 0

3. Pursuant to public notice, a hearing was then held on the necessity of improving Albert Drive from Conlon Avenue to Andover Road. There were residents who questioned the method of assessing the various residential properties to cover the cost of this improvement.

(Commissioner Clary arrived at this time.)

3-A.

BY COMMISSIONERS REMIEN-PIERCE:

RESOLVED that the improvement consisting of proper asphalt base, asphalt wearing surface, combination curb and gutter repair and other necessary work on

ALBERT DRIVE from Conlon Avenue to Andover Road

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the plans and specifications for said improvement as prepared by the City Engineer are approved, that the estimated cost thereof is \$16,795.00, that \$10,551.00 of said cost shall be paid by the City-at-large and \$5,244.00 by special assessment payable in 10 annual installments with interest at the rate of 7% per annum on installments not paid within 30 days of confirmation of the assessment roll.

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

Lots 656 and 657  
 Lots 672 thru 683  
 Lots 684 thru 699  
 Paris Park #3

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

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

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Stoppels - 6  
 Nays: 0

The motion carried.

The Commission recessed as a Commission and reconvened as a Board of Zoning Appeals at this time.

4. Pursuant to public notice, a hearing was held upon the request of Mr. & Mrs. David H. Sawyer, 940 Orchard SE, for a zoning variance to permit the extension of the existing porch located on the south side of their residence to 1½ ft. from the south lot line and 8 ft. from the east lot line. Mr. Sawyer was present to discuss his request. A letter was received from Mr. Stuart Long requesting that the zoning variance of Mr. Sawyer be denied. There were no other objections raised.

4-A. Remien-Murphy. That this Commission, acting as the Board of Zoning Appeals, grant the request of Mr. & Mrs. Sawyer to permit the extension of their porch, as requested.

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Stoppels - 6  
 Nays: 0

The motion carried.

5. Pursuant to public notice, a hearing was then held upon the request of Mr. John F. Gilmore for the purpose of obtaining a zoning variance for the purpose of constructing 80 units of multi-family housing and related improvements on the property located at either side of Reeds Lake Blvd. between Lakeside Drive and Reeds Lake. Mr. John Logie discussed the need for this variance and Mr. Harry Weiss and Mr. Paul Hansen, architects for Mr. Gilmore, outlined the architectural design of the proposed buildings and drawings of the positioning of these buildings on the land in question.

The following exhibits were entered:

1. Mr. Gilmore's zoning variance application.
2. The agreement between Mr. Gilmore and the City of East Grand Rapids dated November 25, 1974.
3. A copy of the ballot used in the Advisory Vote Election held December 16, 1974.
4. Certified copy of the statement of votes that were cast in the Special Municipal Election held on the 16th day of December, 1974.
5. Architectural drawings consisting of 13 sheets.
- 6 and 7. Artistic renderings of the site.
8. Affidavit of Mr. Hansen.
9. Affidavit of Mr. Gilmore.
10. Model of the proposed project.

Proceedings of this hearing were taped and are available in the City Clerk's office.

5-A. Pierce-Remien. That this hearing be closed and that the City Attorney be directed to prepare a draft of the findings of fact for consideration by this Board of Zoning Appeals at the July 21, 1975 meeting.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

6. The following resolution was moved by Commissioner Remien and supported by Commissioner Cooper:

WHEREAS the City of East Grand Rapids pursuant to the authorization contained in Chapter XV of the City Charter maintains a sewage disposal system and whereas the Charter provides that the City Commission may by resolution establish a uniform schedule of rates for the use of said sewage disposal system, sewers, and drains, and may make such provisions for the payment thereof as may be deemed expedient, and

WHEREAS said Charter further provides that unpaid charges for such service shall be a lien upon the property so using said system;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

Section 1 - Sewage Disposal Service Rates. The rates to be charged for sewage disposal service furnished by the system maintained by the City of East Grand Rapids shall be charged to all premises within the City having any connection with the system. The rates herein established shall be based upon the water metered as having been consumed at said premises for the winter quarter preceding the quarter for which the charge is rendered. Winter quarter is defined as the three-month period ending on the last day of either January, February or March.

The rates and charges for sewage disposal service for each calendar quarter (3 months) shall be 30 cents for each 1,000 gallons of water consumed during the preceding winter quarter.

Charges shall be billed quarterly commencing August 1, 1975.

Section 2 - Collection. The City Controller is hereby authorized to enforce the payment of charges for sewage disposal service to any premises and an action of assumpsit may be instituted by the City against the customer. Under the provisions of Chapter XV of the Charter of the City of East Grand Rapids unpaid charges for sewage disposal service shall be a lien against the property so using such service. The charges for such service are hereby recognized to constitute such lien and the City Controller shall annually on May 1 certify all unpaid charges for such service furnished to any premises which as of the 30th day of April preceding have remained unpaid for a period of six months to the City Assessor who shall place the same on the next tax roll of the City. Such charges so assessed shall be collected in the same manner as general city taxes.

Section 3 - Effective Date. The rates for sewage disposal service established by this resolution shall be effective forthwith and shall be charged to the users concurrently with the charges made to such users for water service pursuant to Chapter XIX of the East Grand Rapids City Code.

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Remien, Stoppels - 4  
Nays: Murphy, Pierce - 2

The motion carried.

7. A statement was received from Law, Weathers, Richardson & Dutcher for services in regard to the building lawsuit.

7-A. Cooper-Pierce. That the statement as submitted by Law, Weathers, Richardson & Dutcher in the amount of \$6,330.22 be approved for payment and that this amount be transferred from contin gency to the City Attorney's expense account.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

8. A request from the Michigan Grand River Watershed Council to designate the month of October as Stream Appreciation Month was received.

8-A.

BY COMMISSIONERS REMIEN-COOPER:

WHEREAS, preservation and proper utilization of the water resources is vitally important for the health, safety, and welfare of our rural and urban areas, and

WHEREAS, it is important for the people in the Grand River Basin to participate in a concerted effort to protect and enhance the quality of our streams and rivers for present and future generations, and

WHEREAS, public understanding, concern, and endorsement of water management programs is the key to the preservation and proper utilization of our water resources, and

WHEREAS, Michigan Grand River Watershed Council, a regional governmental entity of the Grand River Basin, is sponsoring Stream Appreciation Month during October, 1975 to encourage the public throughout the basin to develop greater interest in their streams and rivers;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Commission of the City of East Grand Rapids hereby designates the Month of October, 1975 as Stream Appreciation Month and encourages local organizations to develop special programs such as; stream clean-up, photographic contests, fishing contest, boating and canoeing excursions, park clean-up and dedication programs, dramatic event based on historical development of community around the waterways, sponsoring essay

contest on a theme like "The River and Our Town" that will activate citizen concern in the preservation and proper utilization of the water resources.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

9. A letter was received from Old Kent Bank & Trust Company requesting that the City of East Grand Rapids utilize their bank as depository.

9-A. Clary-Pierce. That Old Kent Bank & Trust Company be named as the depository for the accounts of the City.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

10. A proposed contract for publishing in the Grand Rapids Press was received. Also a letter from Cadence, a newly forming newspaper for East Grand Rapids, was received requesting that it be considered for such publication.

10-A. Clary-Murphy. That the City Clerk be authorized to execute the agreement with the Grand Rapids Press subject to the changing of the wording as follows: "This contract rate to be used for the publishing of such Commission proceedings and legal notices of the City of East Grand Rapids as the City shall submit for publication." Should the Cadence begin publishing their newspaper the latter part of August that authorization is hereby given to publish the City Commission proceedings in this newspaper.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

11. The award of the annual tire contract was deferred for the next Commission meeting.

12. The City Manager reported on the gasoline bids that were solicited and stated that there were no bids received. Our present supplier is Texaco and he recommended that the City continue its contract with this supplier for the next fiscal year.

12-A. Clary-Pierce. That the recommendation of the City Manager be concurred in.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

13. The Mayor submitted the following list of appointments:

PRESIDENT OF COMMISSION & VICE-CHAIRMAN BOARD OF APPEALS	Watson Pierce
CITY MANAGER	Frederic H. Tholen, Jr.
CITY CLERK, CONTROLLER, TREASURER	John Wielsma
CITY ATTORNEY	Robert W. Richardson
ASSESSOR-BUILDING INSPECTOR	Donald Ford
ASSISTANT ASSESSORS	Sydney D. Shank
	Norman H. Reuss
CHIEF OF POLICE	Farrell Babcock
FIRE CHIEF	John F. Terpstra
HEALTH OFFICER	D. S. MacIntyre, M.D.
HARBOR MASTER	Charles Harrett
ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR	John DeBoer
FORRESTER	Henry Koopman

WAYS & MEANS COMMITTEE

J. R. Clary, Chm.  
W. Murphy  
T. Robberson

FIRE & POLICE

William Murphy, Chm.  
W. B. Pierce  
J. R. Clary

STREETS, SIDEWALKS, TREES

H. C. Remien  
T. C. Robberson  
J. R. Clary

RECREATION & PARKS

R. P. Cooper, Chm.  
J. R. Clary  
T. C. Robberson

UTILITIES COMMITTEE

T. C. Robberson, Chm.  
R. P. Cooper  
William Cooper

ORDINANCE COMMITTEE

J. F. Clary, Chm.  
W. B. Pierce  
H. C. Remien

LIBRARY COMMISSION

Robin Ripmaster (Mrs. John)  
Myrtle Starr (Mrs. John)  
Mrs. Frederic J. Renaud  
William Murphy  
Mrs. Reuben Turner  
Harold Shaprio  
Donald Pengelly  
Deanne Carr (Mrs. Gordon)  
Charlotte Elliott (Mrs. George)

BOARD OF REVIEW

Donald Ford, Chm.  
Sydney D. Shank  
Norman H. Reuss  
T. C. Robberson  
William Murphy

PLANNING COMMISSION

	<u>Term Expires</u>
William Henry	7/1/78
William S. Bennett	7/1/77
William Thrall	7/1/77
Marcia Clapp	7/1/77
Richard D. Murphy	7/1/78
Herbert Remien	7/1/78
Peter M. Sears	7/1/76
Valerie Nelson (Mrs. Willis)	7/1/76
John R. E. Ruhl	7/1/76
Board of Education	
Rudyard Abbott	ex-officio
The Mayor	"
The Manager	"

TRAFFIC COMMISSION

J. Robert Green  
Sally Charnley (Mrs. M. M.)  
John H. Busch  
Harold Child  
Police Chief  
The Manager  
Watson Pierce

Term ExpiresEAST BELTLINE BD. OF DIRECTORS

Ingvar W. Samuelson (Business)	7/1/78
Jack Steketee (Citizen)	7/1/77
F. H. Tholen (Gov't)	7/1/76

ELECTION COMMISSION

John Wielsma  
Donald Ford  
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  
George B. Skiff

Term ExpiresRECREATION COMMISSION

Jack Clary	7/1/76
Nancy Harper (Mrs. James H.)	7/1/78
T. Robberson	
3 Board of Education Appointees	
Gene Miller	7/1/76
Jane Goodspeed	7/1/77
Pat Edison	7/1/78
Colin Cranham	7/1/76 C.A.L.

BI-CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE

Chris VanAllsburg

AGRAG REPRESENTATIVES

Mayor Stoppels  
Jack Clary

GRETS POLICY COMMITTEE

Mayor Stoppels

GRETS TECHNICAL COMMITTEE

F. H. Tholen

GRETS CITIZENS ADVISORY

Sally Charnley (Mrs. M. M.)

HOUSING BOARD OF APPEALS

William F. Thrall  
 Barbara Eggerding (Mrs. J.L.)  
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 Building Inspector

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 Jack Clary  
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 Wallson G. Knack

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 621 Lakeside Dr. SE

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 1033 Pinecrest Ave. SE

Grace Noorman  
 2912 Beechwood Dr. SE

Corinne A. Hill  
 3121 Northshire Dr. SE

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Emmy Lou Sterling, Chm.  
 627 Rosewood Dr. SE

Betsy M. Tinkham  
 640 Cambridge Blvd. SE

Marguerite Donahue  
 1427 Edgewood Ave. SE

COMMUNITY ACTION PROGRAM

Robert P. Cooper

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Thomas C. Robberson

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL ON THE AGING

Rev. F. VanderStoep

NATURAL HISTORY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Mike Cary  
 Barbara Hoag (Mrs. Jerry D.)  
 William Rhodes  
 Ellen VandeVisse  
 George Woons  
 Mayor Stoppels  
 Robert Benda  
 Jay Moore  
 Susan Ruhl (Mrs. John R.)

Ward 1 - Precinct 2

Linda K. McCarthy, Chm.  
 1627 Breton Rd. SE

Elsa Martini  
 1001 Lake Grove Ave. SE

Marjorie L. Davis  
 2156 Robinson Rd. SE

Ward 2 - Precinct 2

Jean B. Krumm, Chm.  
 2041 Tenway Dr. SE

Joyce H. Robinson  
 1430 Rosalind Rd. SE

Roberta L. Scripsema  
 1742 Breton Rd. SE

Ward 3 - Precinct 2

Rena M. Veldkamp, Chm.  
 1417 Edgewood Ave. SE

Irene E. Allen  
 638 Gladstone Dr. SE

Margaret J. Douglas  
 2300 Hall St. SE

Ward 3 - Precinct 3

Dorothy L. French, Chm.  
 1144 Pinecrest Ave. SE

Martha J. Dunning  
 1138 Pinecrest Ave. SE

Liselotte Schroeter  
 1025 Lakeside Dr. SE

13-A. Pierce-Clary. That the recommended appointments be approved as submitted by the Mayor.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

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

15. Cooper-Pierce. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$638,068.29, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$82,048.85, 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, Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

16. Commissioner Clary requested that the unimproved portion of Reeds Lake Blvd. east of Manhattan be graded.

17. The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 p.m., subject to the call of the Mayor, until July 21, 1975.

  
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City Clerk

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

Regular Meeting Held July 21, 1975

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

Present: Coms. Clary, Cooper, Murphy, Remien, Robberson, and Mayor Stoppels.  
Absent: Com. Pierce.

18. The minutes of the meeting held July 7, 1975 were approved as written.

19. The Mayor presented Mr. Clifford McMann, Jr., City Engineer, with a watch in recognition of 25 years as an employee of the City.

20. The City Commission then convened as the Board of Zoning Appeals and considered proposed findings of fact relative to the zoning variance requested by John F. Gilmore. A draft prepared by the City Attorney was reviewed. Mr. John Logie and Mr. Gilmore were present and discussed these proposed findings of fact with the Commission. Mr. Logie and Mr. Gilmore objected to any requirement that Mr. Gilmore be required to furnish deeds to the lakefront property at this time and also to some of the requirements of the proposed conditions set forth in the City Attorney's draft. A resolution was received from the Planning Commission indicating its approval of the plans presented by Mr. Gilmore of the multi-family units located on the site between Reeds Lake Blvd. and Lakeside Drive SE. After much discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Cooper and supported by Commissioner Remien that the Board of Zoning Appeals adjourn its consideration of this variance matter until August 18, 1975.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Murphy, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

21. The City Engineer explained the proposed plans for reconstruction of Plymouth Road from Wealthy Street to Lake Drive, and the replacement of curbing on Plymouth from Robinson Road to Wealthy Street. There were several residents of Plymouth Road present to discuss this matter. The residents opposed the widening of Plymouth Road from Wealthy Street to Lake Drive to 40 feet. The following persons addressed themselves to this issue: Mrs. Janet Chobanian of 535 Plymouth, Mrs. Sefton of 355 Plymouth, Mrs. Elaine Mitchell of 443 Plymouth, Mr. & Mrs. Parks of 431 Plymouth, Mr. Thomas Munro of 455 Plymouth, and Mr. Whinery of 551 Plymouth. Mrs. Mitchell presented a petition to the City Commission opposing the proposed widening of Plymouth Road containing 25 signatures of residents on Plymouth Road. The Commission also received letters from Mr. N. D. Holt, and Mr. and Mrs. Sefton regarding this same issue. After much discussion it was moved by Commissioner Cooper and supported by Commissioner Murphy that this discussion be adjourned and that the City Commission meet with the residents at 6:45 p.m., July 28, 1975, at the home of Mr. & Mrs. Mitchell, 443 Plymouth Road SE, to review this matter.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Murphy, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

22. The City Manager reported on bids received on several street improvement projects.

22-A. Clary-Cooper. That the low bid of Biener Construction Co. in the amount of \$49,329.66 for the reconstruction of Manhattan be approved and that the contract be awarded to this bidder, the cost to be a City-at-large expense.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Murphy, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

23.

BY COMMISSIONERS COOPER-ROBBERSON:

RESOLVED that the special assessment roll for the improvement consisting of proper asphalt base, asphalt wearing surface, combination curb and gutter repair, and other necessary work on

ALBERT DRIVE from Conlon Avenue to Andover Road

is directed to be filed in the office of the City Clerk for public examination and that the City Commission meet at the City Hall on Monday, August 4, 1975, at 7:30 p.m. for the purpose of reviewing such roll at which time and place all persons interested or who are liable to be assessed for such improvement may appear and be heard in regard to such improvement and assessment roll; and

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

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Murphy, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

24. Cooper-Murphy. That this Commission accept the low bid of Michigan Colprovia in the amount of \$28,486.30 for the resurfacing of portions of Boston, Rosewood, Briarwood and Gladstone, and a contract awarded.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Murphy, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

25.

BY COMMISSIONERS COOPER-ROBBERSON:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 1.151  
OF CHAPTER 5 OF TITLE I OF THE CODE  
OF THE CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS

The City of East Grand Rapids ordains:

Sec. 1. That Sec. 1.151 of the East Grand Rapids City Code is amended to read as follows:

"1.151. Library Commission Continued. The Library Commission of the City of East Grand Rapids, heretofore established is continued and shall have the powers and duties herein conferred.

Members: The Library Commission shall be composed of nine members, all of whom shall be residents of the City of East Grand Rapids. Members shall be appointed by the Mayor with the approval of the City Commission, and shall serve for a term of one year, commencing with the first meeting of the City Commission after July first in each year."

Sec. 2. That this ordinance amendment be effective on July 31, 1975.

Sec. 3. That this ordinance amendment be published in full within 10 days after passage.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Murphy, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

26. The City Manager reported on bids received for the City's tire supply for the 1975-76 fiscal year. Bids received were from McGraw Tire Company and General Tire Company.

26-A. Clary-Robberson. That the General Tire Company be given the contract for the City's tire requirements for 1975-76.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Murphy, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

27. A letter was received from the Grand River Watershed Council requesting the City's participation in this Council.

27-A. Remien-Cooper. That the City of East Grand Rapids participate in the Michigan Grand River Watershed Council, the cost of which is \$628.25.

Yeas: Cooper, Murphy, Remien, Robberson - 4  
Nays: Clary, Stoppels - 2

28. Mayor Stoppels-Remien. That Commissioner Clary be designated as delegate and Commissioner Pierce as alternate to represent the City of East Grand Rapids at the annual business meeting of the Michigan Municipal League.

Yeas: Cooper, Murphy, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 5  
Nays: 0  
Commissioner Clary abstained.

29. Murphy-Robberson. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$199,484.33, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$46,351.58, 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, Cooper, Murphy, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

30. There were 29 residents in attendance at this meeting.

31. The meeting was adjourned at 10:55 p. m., subject to the call of the Mayor, until August 4, 1975.

  
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City Clerk

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

Regular Meeting Held August 4, 1975

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

Present: Coms. Clary, Cooper, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, and Mayor Stoppels.  
Absent: Com. Murphy.

32. The minutes of the meeting held July 21, 1975 were approved as written.

33. Pursuant to notice to residents on Plymouth Road, and a meeting with residents who reside in the 200 - 600 blocks of Plymouth, the proposed reconstruction of Plymouth Road from Lake Drive to Wealthy, and curbing from Robinson Road to Wealthy, was discussed. Several suggestions were offered such as: leaving the street as it is; conducting a traffic study; establish a cul-de-sac at middle of the block; abandoning parking on Plymouth between Wealthy and Lake Drive; re-timing of the traffic lights located at Lake Drive and Plymouth and Wealthy Street and Plymouth; wait a year for observation of the traffic pattern as it relates to the reconstruction of Blodgett Hospital. Commissioner Clary inquired if the residents on Plymouth would approve that part of Plymouth between Wealthy and Lake Drive being widened to 34 feet, which is the same width as Plymouth north of Wealthy, with the additional four feet being taken from the east side of Plymouth and with parking eliminated on Plymouth lying between Wealthy and Lake Drive.

An advisory vote was taken among those persons present. The result was 14 in favor of Commissioner Clary's inquiry; nine were against.

33-A. Robberson-Pierce. That the improvement of Plymouth Road from Lake Drive to Wealthy be delayed for one year and that the Public Service Department be directed to patch this area as needed; and that parking be eliminated from this portion of Plymouth.

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: Pierce - 1

Nays: Clary, Cooper, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 5

The motion failed.

33-B. Clary-Remien. That Plymouth Road from Wealthy to Lake Drive be widened to 34 feet, that parking be eliminated on this portion, that the additional four feet be taken from the east side of the street, that curbing on Plymouth from Wealthy to Robinson be included in this project, and that the contract for this improvement be awarded to C. M. Whitely in the amount of \$89,007.10.

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 5

Nays: Pierce - 1

The motion carried.

34. Pursuant to public notice, a hearing was then held upon the zoning variance request of Mr. Robert H. Wood to enclose the porch located on the north side of his residence at 925 Plymouth Road. There were no objections raised. Mr. & Mrs. Wood were present to discuss their request.

34-A. Clary-Robberson. That this Commission, acting as the Board of Zoning Appeals, grant the request of Mr. & Mrs. Wood to permit the enclosure of their porch with this improvement not to extend closer than three feet from the north property line.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

35. Pursuant to public notice, a hearing was then held on the assessment roll for the improvement of Albert Drive from Conlon Avenue to Andover Road.

35-A.

BY COMMISSIONERS REMIEN-ROBBERSON:

RESOLVED that a public hearing having been duly held on the special assessment roll for the improvement consisting of proper asphalt base, asphalt wearing surface, combination curb and gutter repair, and other necessary work on

ALBERT DRIVE from Conlon Avenue to Andover Road

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

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

35-B. Cooper-Robberson. That the contract for the improvement of Albert Drive from Conlon to Andover be awarded to the low bidder, Biener Construction Company, in the amount of \$14,843.34.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

36. A proposed agreement to participate in the Grand Rapids Transit Authority was discussed. Mr. Carl Edmundson was present to review this agreement with the City Commission.

36-A. Clary-Remien. That this Commission accepts the concept of urban cooperation in the Grand Rapids Transit Authority. No action was taken on the proposed agreement.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

37. The City Manager requested authorization to contract with Stroz Services, Inc. for the purpose of doing a feasibility study for lake aeration at a cost of \$1,180.00.

37-A. Clary-Remien. That this Commission approve the request of the City Manager and that the amount of \$1,180.00 be allocated from contingencies for this purpose.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

38. The City Manager requested authorization to issue purchase orders to the following vendors:

Miller Equipment Company - \$1,289.00 for utility spreader.

Robert Granstra - \$1,057.50 for fire uniforms.

Bob McCaleb - \$1,913.00 for fire hose couplings.

38-A. Remien-Robberson. That the above purchase orders be authorized.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

39. The City Controller requested authorization to transfer 25% of major street funds received from the State to the Local Street Fund for the calendar year 1975.

39-A.

BY COMMISSIONERS COOPER-REMIEN:

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 calendar year of 1975 from the State of Michigan for Major Street purposes.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

40. Clary-Robberson. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$1,456,932.56, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$47,288.76, 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, Cooper, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

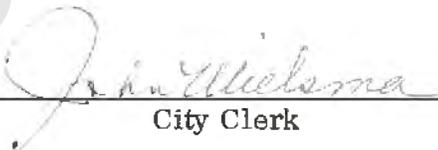
41. Commissioner Robberson reported that a letter had been received from the Greater Grand Rapids Chamber of Commerce thanking the City of East Grand Rapids for its financial support in their Economic Development Program.

42. Commissioner Cooper requested that a progress report be prepared relative to the improvement of the nature trail in Hodenpyl Woods and suggested that the Natural History Development Committee meet to evaluate this report.

43. Commissioner Pierce suggested that the Commissioners consider ways in which East Grand Rapids can participate in the Bi-Centennial celebration and that a Committee-of-the-Whole meeting be held to review these ideas.

44. There were 38 people in attendance at this meeting.

45. The meeting was adjourned at 10:20 p.m., subject to the call of the Mayor, until August 18, 1975.

  
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City Clerk

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

Regular Meeting Held August 18, 1975

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

Present: Coms. Clary, Robberson, Pierce, Remien, and Mayor Stoppels.

Absent: Coms. Cooper and Murphy.

46. The minutes of the meeting held August 4, 1975 were approved as written.

47. Pursuant to public notice, a hearing was then held upon the request of the Gaslight Village Merchants Association to erect a structure holding the cupola from the old East Grand Rapids City Hall at a point 37 ft. from the center of Wealthy Street instead of the required 58 ft. setback.

47-A. Remien-Pierce. That the request for the variance by the Gaslight Village Merchants Association to construct the cupola structure 37 ft. from the center of Wealthy Street be granted.

Yeas: Clary, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 5

Nays: 0

47-B. Robberson-Remien. That the City Attorney draft a lease agreement leasing the cupola to the Gaslight Village Merchants Association at no cost until such time as the cupola ceases to be part of said structure at which time it would be returned to the City. The City Manager was authorized to execute said lease on behalf of the City.

Yeas: Clary, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 5

Nays: 0

48. The City Manager reported on bids received for surfacing and curbing of parking and drive area at the Public Service Building and resurfacing of drive at the Public Safety Building.

48-A. Pierce-Remien. That the contract be awarded to the low bidder, Grand Rapids Asphalt Paving Company for surfacing and curbing at the Public Service Building and resurfacing at the Public Safety Building in the amount of \$17,296.50.

Yeas: Clary, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 5

Nays: 0

49. The City Manager reported on bids received for the televising and cleaning of sanitary sewers on various streets.

49-A. Remien-Pierce. That the contract be awarded to the low bidder, Ken Roberts, in the amount of \$11,027.32.

Yeas: Clary, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 5

Nays: 0

50. Clary-Robberson. That the following resolution relative to parking on Plymouth Road between Lake Drive and Wealthy Street be adopted:

WHEREAS Plymouth Road between Lake Drive and Wealthy is now surfaced to a width of 30 feet; and

WHEREAS the City Commission has made a determination to reconstruct said street at a width of 34 feet with the 4 feet of additional surface all to be taken from the east side of the street so that there will be no narrowing of the present parkway on the west side of the street; and

WHEREAS in making this determination the City Commission rejected a recommendation by the staff that the street be widened to 40 feet and in rejecting said recommendation and making the determination to reconstruct the street at 34 feet the City Commission has determined that parking should be eliminated on both sides of Plymouth Road between Lake Drive and Wealthy and this Commission wishes to make it a matter of public record that it has made this determination;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that this City Commission hereby states as a matter of public record that the determination to widen Plymouth Road from Lake Drive to Wealthy was accompanied by a determination by this Commission that parking should be eliminated on both sides of said street.

FURTHER RESOLVED that while this Commission recognizes that its determination cannot be binding upon future Commissions it adopts this resolution so that this determination be made a matter of public record for the guidance of future Commissions.

Yeas: Clary, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 5  
Nays: 0

51. The City Manager advised the Commission that Mr. Gilmore has requested more time to complete necessary details relative to his project before the variance request is given further consideration.

51-A. Pierce-Remien. That action on the zoning variance request of Mr. John Gilmore be tabled and when it becomes removed from the table that all residents within 300 ft. of the project be renotified of the hearing.

Yeas: Clary, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 5  
Nays: 0

52. The departmental reports for the month of July from the Police and Fire Departments were received and filed.

53. The City Manager reported on a letter he had received from Mr. Hickey, 503 Briarwood SE, relative to surfacing of the alley adjacent to his property. Mr. Hickey is willing to pay the full cost of surfacing the alley if the City will be willing to bill him for the cost over a two-year period.

53-A. Clary-Robberson. That the City Manager be authorized to enter into an agreement with Mr. Hickey for the payment of the cost of surfacing the alley over a two-year period and that this project be added to the Briarwood resurfacing project currently in progress.

Yeas: Clary, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 5  
Nays: 0

54. Mr. Edward Vorenkamp, a resident of the City, spoke to the Commission relative to the aeration of Reeds Lake. He requested that before the City approves such a project more study be made as to the effects of the uniform water temperature caused by an aeration system.

55. Robberson-Clary. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$176,667.95, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$46,629.96, 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, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 5  
Nays: 0

56. There were ten residents in attendance at the meeting.

57. The meeting was adjourned at 9:08 p.m., subject to the call of the Mayor, until September 8, 1975.

  
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City Clerk

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

Regular Meeting Held September 8, 1975

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

Present: Coms. Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Robberson and Mayor Stoppels.

Absent: Coms. Clary and Cooper.

58. The minutes of the meeting held August 18, 1975 were approved as written.

59. In accordance with the requirements of the Community Development Grant, a hearing was held on the Code Enforcement Program for the City of East Grand Rapids. Mr. F. R. Allaben of 1662 Wealthy Street, and Mrs. William A. Stevenson of 435 Briarwood SE, discussed with the Commission their concerns regarding the need for better maintenance of some of the homes in their area. They also requested that the City make a more diligent effort in maintaining the Rosewood alley, which is in very poor condition at this time. Mrs. Stevenson stated that she would be submitting a letter to the City pointing out the other defects in their area. After a full discussion, the hearing was closed.

60. The City Attorney submitted an opinion regarding the method of assessing for storm drains. After a brief discussion this opinion was filed for informational purposes.

61. The City Attorney submitted a proposed ordinance amendment regarding Section 5.163 of Chapter 39 of Title V - Zoning and Planning Membership Requirements Regarding Board of Appeals.

61-A. Remien-Murphy. That the proposed ordinance be introduced and filed with the Clerk and that the Clerk publish a notice of hearing on this proposed ordinance to be held on October 6.

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 5.163  
OF CHAPTER 39 OF TITLE V - ZONING AND  
PLANNING -- OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF  
EAST GRAND RAPIDS

THE CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS ORDAINS:

Sec. 1. That Section 5.163, subsection (2) of the Code of the City of East Grand Rapids is amended to read as follows:

5.163(2) It shall take the concurring vote of five members to reverse an order or decision of the Building Inspector, Planning Commission, or any other official to whom authority is granted by this Chapter to decide on any matter upon which it is required to pass by this Chapter or to grant a variance from the provisions hereof. In the event that any members of the Board are absent from a meeting at which the concurring vote of five members is not obtained and if the affirmative vote of such absent members would have resulted in a concurring vote of five members, the matter shall be continued on the agenda of the Board for consideration and decision at the next subsequent meeting when all members of the Board are present.

Sec. 2. The provisions of Section 5.163(1), (3), and (4) are ratified as presently set forth in said Code.

Sec. 3. This ordinance amendment shall be published in full within ten (10) days after its adoption and shall be effective on \_\_\_\_\_, 1975.

Yeas: Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 5

Nays: 0

62. The City Attorney submitted a proposed ordinance amendment regarding Section 9.409 of Chapter 95 of Title IX and 9.403(8) of Chapter 95 of Title IX entitled "Noise Pollution".

62-A. Robberson-Pierce. That the proposed ordinance be introduced and filed with the Clerk and that this proposed ordinance be considered on September 22.

Yeas: Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 5  
Nays: 0

63. The City Manager requested authorization to purchase a noise meter at a cost of \$842.00.

63-A. Remien-Pierce. That the City Manager's request be approved and that the amount of \$842.00 be transferred from the Contingency Fund to the Police Capital Account for this purpose.

Yeas: Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 5  
Nays: 0

64. The City Manager reported that the East Grand Rapids Public Schools have indicated that they are willing to participate in sharing the cost of paving the parking lot by the Junior High School and that the City's share would be \$3,338.00.

64-A. Remien-Pierce. That this Commission agree to participate with the East Grand Rapids Public Schools on a 50-50 basis for the paving of the lot located southeast of the Public Safety Building and that the contract be awarded to the low bidder, Grand Rapids Asphalt Paving Company, in the amount of \$6,676.00.

Yeas: Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 5  
Nays: 0

65. The City Manager reported that Mr. Hickey of 503 Briarwood SE, who at the last meeting requested surfacing of the alley adjacent to his property, asked that his request be withdrawn.

66. The audit report for the 1974/75 fiscal year of the various funds of the City, was received for information.

67. The City Manager reported on bids which were received for the purchase of an air compressor for the Public Service Department and recommended that the low bid of Sullair of Michigan Corp. in the amount of \$6,538.00 be accepted.

67-A. Remien-Robberson. That the City Manager be authorized to issue a purchase order to the Sullair of Michigan Corp. in the amount of \$6,538.00 for the purchase of the air compressor.

Yeas: Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 5  
Nays: 0

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

69. The City Manager reported that the sanitary sewer in Manhattan Road is in very bad condition as indicated by a recent televised study of the sewer, and recommended that it be repaired as part of the improvement of Manhattan Road. Inasmuch as time did not permit further advertisement for bids, the Engineering Department has requested a quotation from the present contractor, Biener Construction Company, which submitted an amount of \$11,600.00. The City Engineer also checked this quotation and found it to be reasonable.

69-A. Remien-Robberson. That the City Manager execute a change order to the contract awarded to Biener Construction Company for the resurfacing work on Manhattan Road, which change order will provide for the repair of the sanitary sewer under said road

at a cost of \$11,600.00.

Yeas: Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 5  
Nays: 0

70. The City Attorney submitted a proposed amendment to the Unemployment Compensation Act entitled as follows:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 1.403  
OF CHAPTER 10 OF TITLE I OF THE CODE  
OF THE CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS

70-A. Pierce-Murphy. That the proposed ordinance amendment be introduced at this meeting and filed with the Clerk and that it be considered at the September 22nd meeting.

Yeas: Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 5  
Nays: 0

71. The City Manager reported that he has received a quotation from Kappes Landscapes Company in the amount of \$2,360.00 for plantings in the area of the Public Service Department building, and that upon checking with other landscaping companies, this quote appears to be reasonable.

71-A. Remien-Pierce. That the City proceed with the plantings at the Public Service Department and that the contract be awarded to Kappes Landscapes Company in the amount of \$2,360.00.

Yeas: Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 5  
Nays: 0

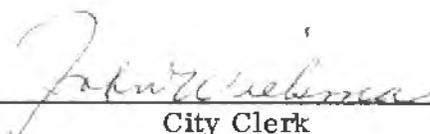
72. Commissioner Pierce reported that he has received a letter from a citizen asking what restrictions the City has regarding garage sales, also operating a business out of a person's home. The City Attorney reported that the Zoning Ordinance prohibits commercial activities in residential zones, and that the City's policy for garage sales has been that a one-day private garage sale is not considered a commercial venture, but that if these sales occur on a frequent basis at one address they would then constitute violation of the Zoning Ordinance. As to operating a business from the home, the Attorney advised that if a resident does nothing but have a desk at home, makes telephone calls, and receives first class mail at his home, this is within the classification of a permitted use but that when the activity goes beyond this, as where customers and clients regularly come to the residence or where deliveries are made to or from the residence, the use becomes a violation of the Zoning Ordinance.

73. Murphy-Robberson. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$117,600.33, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$42,716.07, as approved by the Ways & Means Committee be allowed and the Controller be authorized to draw an order upon the Treasurer for their respective amounts.

Yeas: Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 5  
Nays: 0

74. There were eleven residents in attendance at this meeting.

75. The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 p.m., subject to the call of the Mayor, until September 22, 1975.

  
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City Clerk

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

Regular Meeting Held September 22, 1975

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

Present: Coms. Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, and Mayor Stoppels.  
Absent: Com. Clary.

76. The minutes of the meeting held September 8, 1975 were approved as written.

77. In accordance with the requirements of the Community Development Grant, a second hearing was held on the Code Enforcement Program for the City of East Grand Rapids. Mr. F. R. Allaben, Mrs. William A. Stevenson, Mr. Robert Hicks and Mr. Richard Hillary expressed their interest in this program. After a full discussion, the hearing was closed.

78. Mrs. Chris VanAllsburg, Chairperson of the Bi-Centennial Committee, was present to discuss a proposed Bi-Centennial project which would involve the construction of a "Village Green" along the south side of the Ramona Shopping Center parking lot. Included in the project would be the placement of the Old City Hall Cupola. She requested that the City contribute to the cost of landscaping this area. The City Attorney was requested to advise the Commission whether the City could contribute financial support toward this project. The matter was referred to a later meeting.

79. It was moved by Commissioner Pierce and supported by Commissioner Remien 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: Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

80. It was moved by Commissioner Remien and supported by Commissioner Robberson that the following ordinance amendment be adopted:

WHEREAS the City of East Grand Rapids on December 23, 1974, did enact an ordinance pursuant to Act 104 of the Public Acts of the State of Michigan of 1974 establishing an unemployment compensation system, and

WHEREAS the State of Michigan by Act 110 of the Public Acts of 1975 has amended said Act 104 of the Public Acts of 1974 in certain respects which require amendment of the East Grand Rapids ordinance,

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing, the City Commission of the City of East Grand Rapids does adopt the following amendatory ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 1.403  
OF CHAPTER 10 OF TITLE I OF THE CODE  
OF THE CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS

THE CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Section 1.403(a) of Chapter 10 of Title I of the Code of the City of East Grand Rapids, being part of the Ordinance to Establish an Unemployment Compensation System in the City of East Grand Rapids, is amended to read as follows:

"1.403(a) The weekly benefit rate and amount of the weekly benefit payment shall be determined in accordance with all of the relevant provisions as set forth in Section 27 of the Michigan Employment Security Act and as set forth in the MESA Weekly Benefit Rate Table in effect at the time an employee is laid off. The provisions of the weekly benefit rate schedule and of Section 27 of the Michigan Employment Security Act incorporated in this ordinance shall be effective for all purposes under this ordinance on the same date as under the Michigan Employment Security Act."

Section 2. Section 1.403(b) of Chapter 10 of Title I of the Code of the City of East Grand Rapids, being part of the Ordinance to Establish an Unemployment Compensation System in the City of East Grand Rapids, is amended to read as follows:

"1.403(b) The dependency class category of a laid off employee shall be determined as stipulated and provided by the Michigan Employment Security Act. A dependent shall be as defined by the Michigan Employment Security Act."

Section 3. In all other respects the ordinance adopted by the City of East Grand Rapids on December 23, 1974, is ratified and affirmed.

Section 4. This amendatory ordinance shall apply to weekly benefit rates for weeks of unemployment beginning on or after June 8, 1975.

Section 5. This ordinance shall be effective forthwith and shall be published in full not later than 10 days after it is adopted.

Yeas: Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

81. It was moved by Commissioner Robberson and supported by Commissioner Remien that the following ordinance amendment 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 9.409 OF CHAPTER 95 OF TITLE IX OF SAID CODE AND BY AMENDING SUBSECTION 9.403(8) OF CHAPTER 95 OF TITLE IX OF SAID CODE.

THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS DO ORDAIN:

Section 1. That Section 9.409 of the Code be added, reading as follows:

"9.409 Regulations:

"(1) The City Manager may establish regulations for the implementation or enforcement of Chapter 95 of

Title IX of the Code of the City of East Grand Rapids. Any regulation promulgated under this Section shall pertain only to the means, manner or method of implementation or enforcement of the Chapter and shall not change, alter or amend the requirements of the Chapter. The regulations promulgated hereunder, or amendments or changes thereof shall become effective upon review and approval by the City Commission.

- "(2) Violation of the regulations promulgated under this provision shall be punished as provided for in Section 1.13 of this Code.
- "(3) Copies of the Regulations promulgated under this Section shall be kept on file at the Office of the City Clerk and at the office of the Director. These regulations shall be available for public inspection and copying during normal business hours."

Section 2. That Subsection 9.403(8) of the City Code be amended to read as follows:

"9.403(8) (a) No person shall operate within the speed limits specified in this section either a motor vehicle or combination of vehicles of a type subject to registration at any time or under any condition as to exceed the following noise limit for the category of motor vehicle, measured at a distance of not less than 50 feet from the center line of travel, under ANSI Standards S1.1-1960 and S1.4-1961, and SAE Standard J-184 with meter set for fast response and the A-weighted scale

Type of Vehicle	Noise Limit in Rotation to Posted Speed Limit	
(1) Any motor vehicle with a manufacturer's GVW RATING OF 10,000 lbs. or more, and any combination of vehicles towed by such motor vehicle	35 MPH or less	Over 35 MPH
Before 1 July 1973	88 dB (A)	90 dB(A)
After 1 July 1973	86 dB (A)	90 dB(A)
(2) Any motorcycle		
Before 1 July 1978	82 dB (A)	86 dB(A)
After 1 July 1978	78 dB (A)	82 dB(A)
(3) Any other motor vehicle and any combination of motor vehicles towed by such vehicle		
Before 1 July 1978	78 dB (A)	82 dB(A)
After 1 July 1978	73 dB (A)	79 dB(A)

"This Section applies to the total noise from a vehicle or combination of vehicles and shall not be construed as limiting or precluding the enforcement of any other provisions of this code relating to motor vehicle mufflers for noise control."

"(8)(b) No person shall operate a motor vehicle or combination of vehicles, of a type subject to registration, at any time or under any condition when the noise limit herein established is exceeded under stationary test procedures as outlined for this section by the regulations as promulgated under Section 9.409.

TYPE OF VEHICLE	STATIONARY ENGINE SPEED	MICROPHONE DISTANCE FROM VEHICLE	NOISE LIMIT dB(A)
1) Any motor vehicle with a manufacturer's GVW rating of 10,000 lbs. or more, and any combination of vehicles towed by such motor vehicle	Maximum governor speed (not applicable to vehicles without governors). Ungoverned vehicles of this class shall be tested as provided for in Section 9.403(8)(a)	35 ft. from center line of vehicle	93
2) Any motorcycle	75 percent of motor speed at maximum developed horsepower	75 inches from near side of vehicle	
	Before 1 July 1978		99
	After 1 July 1978		95
3) Any other motor vehicle and any combination of motor vehicles towed by such vehicle	75 percent of motor speed at maximum developed horsepower	20 inches from end of tailpipe	
	Before 1 July 1978		94
	After 1 July 1978		90 "

Section 3. This ordinance shall be effective on October 2, 1975, and shall be published within 10 days after its enactment.

Yeas: Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 6  
 Nays: 0

Commissioner Clary arrived at this time.

82. The City Manager and Controller recommended that Ernst & Ernst be employed to perform a water rate study on our water fund. A proposal was received from Ernst & Ernst outlining their procedures.

82-A. Mayor Stoppels - Remien. That the City employ the firm of Ernst & Ernst to prepare a comprehensive study and submit recommendations regarding our water rate structure; the cost of which is not to exceed \$2,500.00.

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Remien, Stoppels - 4  
 Nays: Murphy, Pierce, Robberson - 3

The motion carried.

83. The City Manager reported on the request of the County Board of Public Works to amend the waste disposal contract for the purpose of including the debt service charge in the per-ton billing to participating units as set forth in Commissioner Ehler's letter of August 6, 1975.

83-A. Clary-Remien. That this Commission approves the concept set forth in Mr. Ehler's request.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Remien, Murphy, Pierce, Robberson, Stoppels - 7  
 Nays: 0

84. A letter was received from Project Rehab, Inc., requesting that the City continue its participation in the organization at a cost of \$2,125.00 for the period covering July 1, 1975 through June 30, 1976.

84-A. Robberson-Remien. That the Mayor be authorized to execute the agreement between the City of East Grand Rapids and Project Rehab with the City's participation to be in the amount of \$2,125.00.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Remien, Murphy, Pierce, Robberson, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

85. The City Manager reported on bids received for the purchase of two 3/4 ton and one 1/2 ton pickup trucks and recommended that the low bids be accepted.

85-A. Pierce-Remien. That the low bid of Courtesy Dodge for the purchase of two 3/4 ton pickups in the amount of \$6,474.30 be accepted and a purchase order be issued.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Remien, Murphy, Pierce, Robberson, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

85-B. Robberson-Pierce. That the low bid of Duthler Ford for the purchase of a 1/2 ton pickup in the amount of \$2,400.00 be accepted and a purchase order be issued.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Remien, Murphy, Pierce, Robberson, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

86. The Traffic Commission minutes of their meeting held September 9, 1975 were received and filed.

87. The financial report for the General fund covering a two-month period ended August 31, 1975 was received and filed.

88. The City Clerk reported that the Commission is to designate an official delegate and alternate to represent the City at the annual business meeting of the Municipal Employees' Retirement System to be held in Troy on October 9, 1975.

88-A. Robberson-Remien. That John Wielsma be designated as official delegate and Fred H. Tholen, official alternate, to represent East Grand Rapids at the MERS Annual Business Meeting.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Remien, Murphy, Pierce, Robberson, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

89. The City Manager distributed information regarding the transfer of the deeds relating to properties to be donated to the City by John Gilmore.

90. The City Manager presented a contract with Consumers Power Company for electrical service for the Public Service building.

90-A.

BY COMMISSIONERS PIERCE-CLARY:

WHEREAS, it is deemed advisable to enter into a contract in the form presented to this meeting with the Consumers Power Company of Jackson, Michigan for furnishing of electric service by the Consumers Power Company for the service building located at 2201 Reeds Lake Boulevard, SE, East Grand Rapids, Michigan;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Manager and City Clerk be hereby authorized to execute the contract with the Consumers Power Company as presented to this meeting to furnish electric service for the aforementioned service building for a period of one (1) year from the 14th day of August, 1975, and from month to month thereafter until terminated in accordance with the terms of the contract.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Remien, Murphy, Pierce, Robberson, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

91. Commissioner Cooper inquired about the status of the proposed affirmative action program. This item was referred to a Committee-of-the-Whole agenda.

92. Commissioner Pierce requested an update on the sewer study being conducted by the Engineering Department.

93. Murphy-Clary. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$360,831.07, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$41,294.69, 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, Cooper, Remien, Murphy, Pierce, Robberson, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

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

95. The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 p.m., subject to the call of the Mayor, until October 6, 1975.

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

Regular Meeting Held October 6, 1975

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

Present: Coms. Clary, Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Robberson and Mayor Stoppels.

Absent: None.

96. The minutes of the meeting held September 22, 1975, were approved as written.

97. Pursuant to public notice, a hearing was then held on the amendment to the Zoning Ordinance relative to voting on variances by Board of Zoning Appeals. No one appeared to support or oppose the proposed amendment.

97-A. Pierce-Remien. That the following ordinance be adopted:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 5.163  
OF CHAPTER 39 OF TITLE V -- ZONING AND  
PLANNING -- OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF  
EAST GRAND RAPIDS

THE CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS ORDAINS:

Sec. 1. That Section 5.163, subsection (2) of the Code of the City of East Grand Rapids is amended to read as follows:

5.163(2) It shall take the concurring vote of five members to reverse an order or decision of the Building Inspector, Planning Commission, or any other official to whom authority is granted by this Chapter to decide on any matter upon which it is required to pass by this Chapter or to grant a variance from the provisions hereof. In the event that any members of the Board are absent from a meeting at which the concurring vote of five members are not obtained and if the affirmative vote of such absent members would have resulted in a concurring vote of five members, the matter shall be continued on the agenda of the Board for consideration and decision at the next subsequent meeting when all members of the Board are present.

Sec. 2. The provisions of Section 5.163(1), (3), and (4) are ratified as presently set forth in said Code.

Sec. 3. This ordinance amendment shall be published in full within ten (10) days after its adoption and shall be effective on October 16, 1975.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

98. The Commission again considered the request from the Bi-Centennial Committee for a contribution to the Village Green project at the Ramona Shopping Center. The City Attorney submitted a letter regarding contributing City money for non-public use. After much discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Cooper and supported by Commissioner Murphy that this Commission consider the proposed Village Green as a Bi-Centennial project and encourage persons to contribute to the East Grand Rapids Merchants' Association, such contributions being sent to Old Kent Bank, East Grand Rapids Branch, to the attention of Mr. Robert Johnson, with a designation that this is for the Village Green project, and that this item be placed on the agenda of this Commission for its first meeting in November to review the participation of the community in this project.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

99. The City Manager reported that he had received an invoice from the Advisory Center for Teens for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1975, in the amount of \$1,147.50, which represents East Grand Rapids' share, as determined by AGRAG, of the support for this project.

99-A. Cooper-Remien. That this Commission provide financial support to the Advisory Center for Teens for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1975, in the amount of \$1,147.50.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

100. The City Manager reported that Blodgett Hospital had requested the placement of three signs in the public right-of-way in the area of their hospital.

100-A. Remien-Cooper. That this Commission grant the request of Blodgett Hospital to place three signs in the public right-of-way.

100-B. Cooper-Robberson. That the above motion be tabled.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

101. A letter and petition addressed to the Kent County Road Commission opposing the widening and/or straightening of Reeds Lake Blvd. SE, from the East Beltline to Hall Street, SE, was received. There were several residents present who expressed their objection to anything being done in this area which would have the potential of increasing traffic on Hall Street. Dr. & Mrs. A. D. Davies, 3131 Hall Street; Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Kearns, 3210 Hall Street; Mr. Murray J. Miller, 3121 Hall Street; Mr. Jack White, 3200 Hall Street; and several other residents expressed their opposition to this project. Mr. John Edison and Mr. Donald Schofield were present from the Kent County Road Commission to discuss the status of the plans as they presently exist. They stated that a survey has been completed and is ready to be reviewed by the County staff and that plans will be developed from the survey material. They assured those residents present that hearings would be held prior to any construction in this area. The City Commission agreed to send notices to the residents in the Hall Street area when it is notified by the County Road Commission of the dates and locations of such hearings.

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

103. A letter from the Department of Natural Resources regarding the proposed Clean-Flo aerators in Reeds Lake was received for information.

104. A letter from Mr. Fred Allaben thanking the Commission for the repairs and maintenance done on the Rosewood alley by our Service Department was received and filed.

105. A letter from Mr. John H. Logie to the City Attorney regarding the Gilmore property was received and filed.

106. The City Manager reported on bids which were received for the purchase of trash bags and recommended the acceptance of the low bid of the Adams Industries, Inc. in the amount of \$50.76 per thousand purchased in a lot of 30,000 bags.

106-A. Remien-Cooper. That the City Manager be authorized to issue a purchase order in the amount of \$1,522.80 to Adams Industries, Inc. for the purchase of trash bags.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

107. Murphy-Robberson. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$861,078.85, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$40,826.82, 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.

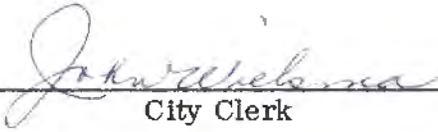
Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

108. The Mayor commended the High School students on the tremendous job they did in holding a Bi-Centennial parade and fair on Saturday, October 4, 1975.

109. Commissioner Cooper commended Mrs. Karen Davies on the fine job of organization she did in connection with the Hall Street-Reeds Lake Blvd. matter.

110. There were 24 residents in attendance at this meeting.

111. The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 p.m., subject to the call of the Mayor, until October 20, 1975.

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

Regular Meeting Held October 20, 1975

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

Present: Coms. Clary, Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Robberson and Mayor Stoppels.  
Absent: Com. Remien.

112. The minutes of the meeting held October 6, 1975 were approved as written.

113. A letter from Mrs. Karen Davies was received thanking the City Commission for letting the residents of Hall Street express their concerns at the October 6, 1975 meeting. This letter was received and filed.

114. The request from Blodgett Hospital for the placement of three signs on Sherman Street in the public right-of-way in the area of the hospital was discussed.

114-A. Murphy-Pierce. That the following resolution be adopted:

Traffic Directional Signs for Blodgett Hospital are approved, to be located within the Sherman Street right of way, as follows:

1. A sign 81 inches in width, 48 inches in height, with a ground clearance of 30 inches, to be located at the northeast corner of Plymouth and Sherman indicating by arrow the direction to the hospital emergency treatment facility, to the hospital proper, to the Professional Building, and to the Outpatient Facility.

2. A sign 28 inches in height, 56 inches in width, with a ground clearance of 30 inches, to be located in the parking garage entrance indicating that it is a staff entrance.

3. A sign 24 inches in height, 24 in width, with a ground clearance of 60 inches, to be located at the drive at the easterly end of the employee parking lot (near Laurel Street) carrying a legend facing exiting traffic indicating that they are exiting on to Sherman Street.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Robberson, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

115. A letter was received from the Grand Rapids Area Chamber of Commerce asking that the City of East Grand Rapids support their request for Port of Entry status for Kent County.

115-A. Murphy-Robberson. That the staff prepare a resolution supporting Port of Entry status for Kent County for consideration at the November 3rd meeting.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Robberson, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

116. The City Manager submitted a progress report on the Hodenpyl Woods project. Commissioner Clary questioned item #10 of the report and suggested that the sign designate the park as a city nature preserve, and should not include the words "county and state". The City Manager is to contact Mrs. Hoag relative to the wording for the sign.

117. The City Manager requested authorization to expend the amount of \$1,420.89 for construction of a waste transfer pad at the Public Service Building.

117-A. Clary-Pierce. That the expenditure of \$1,420.89 for the waste transfer pad be approved.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Pierce, Stoppels - 4

Nays: Murphy, Robberson - 2

118. The Traffic Commission minutes for the month of October were received. Commissioner Cooper asked questions relative to the procedure used to remove shrubbery and trees which obstruct traffic visibility at intersections. Commissioner Robberson requested that the sign on Reeds Lake Blvd. stating that bicycles must use the walk be changed and that the word "must" be deleted from the sign since there is no ordinance or regulation authorizing this directive.

118-A. Robberson. That the sign at the south end of Reeds Lake Blvd. be changed by deleting the word "must" from the sign.

The motion failed for lack of support.

118-B. Cooper-Pierce. That this matter be referred to the Traffic Commission for review and that staff furnish the Traffic Commission with provisions of the Bicycle Ordinance regulating bicycle routes.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Robberson, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

119. The City Manager submitted a copy of a letter he wrote to Senator VanderLaan and Representative Kok stating objection to the Political Reform Bill (Act 227, P.A. 1975). Commissioner Robberson questioned whether the content of the letter reflects the consensus of the City Commission. Commissioner Murphy requested that the Commission discuss this at a Committee-of-the-Whole meeting and decide on what action should be taken.

120. The City Manager submitted a progress report on the disconnection of footing drains from the sanitary sewers. Commissioner Cooper requested that the Mayor send a letter to Grand Rapids thanking them for the cooperation they have afforded us in making plumbing inspections.

121. Commissioner Murphy requested a report before the next meeting relative to the amount of private contributions for the Village Green project.

122. Murphy-Robberson. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$247,266.39, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$40,701.38, 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, Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Robberson, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

123. Commissioner Robberson commended the City staff on the good job they are doing on picking up leaves this year.

124. Commissioner Clary expressed the gratefulness of "North Shore" residents for the re-construction of Manhattan Road.

125. There were six residents in attendance at this meeting.

126. The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m., subject to the call of the Mayor, until November 3, 1975.

  
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City Clerk

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

Regular Meeting Held November 3, 1975

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

Present: Coms. Clary, Murphy, Pierce, Remien and Mayor Stoppels.

Absent: Coms. Cooper and Robberson.

127. The minutes of the meeting held October 20, 1975 were approved as written.

128. Mayor Stoppels presented a Civic Service Award plaque to Mr. Britton Gordon and thanked him for the many hours and expertise he has contributed to the City while serving on the Planning Commission from 1971 to 1975.

129. Representatives of the Grand Rapids Real Estate Board were invited to discuss a proposed Occupancy Ordinance for the City of East Grand Rapids. Mr. Sydney Shank stated that realtors have no objection to an Occupancy Ordinance but recommended that the housing regulations be used as required standards instead of the Building Code regulations and suggested that required repairs should not be the responsibility of the seller in every case, but that young persons wishing to purchase a home for less money by using "sweat-equity" be permitted to undertake such repairs. Mrs. Spicer pointed out the necessity for having adequate staff to perform this function so that closings would not be held up too long. She also stated that the Real Estate Board is working on an insurance plan whereby major parts of a home would be insured for one year. This would protect the buyer from the cost of any major repairs that may be required. She recommended that the City inspect not only as sales and rental changes occur, but also make spot checks throughout the city, particularly those that have been listed for some time but not sold. Mr. Tom Reges explained the work that the Real Estate Board was doing in cooperation with the City of Grand Rapids relative to a minimum housing ordinance. He distributed a pamphlet which was prepared by the City of Grand Rapids Planning Department and the Department of Neighborhood Improvement relative to minimum housing requirements. He was hopeful that East Grand Rapids would have a sufficient budgeted amount to cover the cost of implementing this program; that grants or loans for making repairs be made available for those in the lower income bracket; and that the possibility of allowing persons to take over some homes under the Homesteading Act be reviewed even though this may not be a big factor in East Grand Rapids. He also requested that the Occupancy Ordinance permit the assumption of the responsibility for repairs by the buyer in appropriate situations.

Commissioner Robberson arrived at this time.

Commissioner Murphy inquired from the representatives of the Grand Rapids Real Estate Board as to the possibility of using a system of voluntary compliance with the housing regulations and ordinances. Mr. Shank stated that within the last year he had requested five housing inspections by the Fire Department and that he appreciates this service. He stated that another concern of the Real Estate Board was that land contracts not be required to be registered and suggested that a memorandum of a land contract be required.

130. Mrs. Chris VanAllsburg, Chairman of the Bi-Centennial Committee, informed the Commission that she has received very positive reaction to the Village Green Project and as of this date has raised \$1,250 toward the \$2,800 goal that was previously set. It was her hope that this project could involve more citizen participation. Mrs. Julie Tasker stated that she has been working with the Junior High and Senior High young people and found that they are becoming very interested and enthusiastic about this project. She stated that she will continue to work with this group to seek ways and means for participation. Commissioner Clary stated that as a Commissioner he would continue to support the idea of the Village Green. The City Attorney was directed to discuss with the owner the possibility of securing an easement for use of the property by the public.

Commissioner Cooper arrived at this time.

130-A. Clary-Remien. That this matter be tabled.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

131. Pierce-Robberson. That the supplemental agreement amending the Waste Disposal Contract with the Kent County Board of Public Works be approved as submitted and that the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to execute this agreement.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

132. The City Manager submitted a proposed resolution supporting the Port of Entry Status of Kent County, Michigan.

132-A. Clary-Murphy. That the following resolution be adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Commission of the City of East Grand Rapids does hereby endorse and support the establishment of the County of Kent, Michigan as an official Port of Entry by the United States Treasury Department, Bureau of Customs.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

133. The City Engineer reported on bids which were received for the planting of trees throughout the city. It was suggested that the charge to the property owners for trees be reviewed for next year and that the owner be given an opportunity to choose from a wider variety of trees.

133-A. Clary-Remien. That the contract for the 1975 tree planting program be awarded to Chet's Nursery in the amount of \$5,958.50.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

134. Reports from the Building Inspector and Fire Department for the month of October were received and filed.

135. The minutes of the Special Traffic Commission meeting held October 28, 1975 were received and filed. Commissioner Robberson objected to the sign located on Reeds Lake Blvd. stating that bicycles must use the sidewalk.

135-A. Robberson-Murphy. That the sign located at Robinson Road and Lakeside Drive be changed to read: "Bicycles please use bike path".

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: Cooper, Murphy, Robberson - 3  
Nays: Pierce, Remien, Stoppels - 3  
Abstained: Clary - 1

The motion failed.

Commissioner Remien left the meeting with permission from the Mayor at this time.

135-B. The question arose as to who has the authority to place traffic signs throughout the city. The City Attorney stated that the Traffic Engineer has the authority under the Uniform Traffic Code to place signs regulating vehicular traffic throughout the city. For bicycle signs, the City Commission must pass a resolution to make such signs enforceable. (Note: City Attorney's later opinion corrects this as applies to bicycles.)

136. The City Manager distributed copies of a proposed draft of a Garage Sale Ordinance to be reviewed by the City Commission and discussed at a future meeting.

137. The City Manager reported that the City Attorney had directed a letter to him relative to a problem that exists at the southwest corner of the intersection of Argentina and Breton, as to shrubbery within 20 feet of the corner that is higher than the 30 inch limitation established by the Zoning Ordinance for corner lots. A notice had been sent by the City to the homeowner requesting that they comply to the ordinance. The homeowner has obtained the services of an attorney for the purpose of contesting this notice.

137-A. Clary-Murphy. That the City Attorney be directed to review this case and use whatever means of reconciliation available.

137-B. Robberson-Cooper. That the above motion be tabled and the City Manager be directed to invite the propertyowner to the next regular meeting which will be held November 17, 1975.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Robberson, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

138. Commissioner Pierce reported two signs on Lake Drive improperly placed in the parkway and requested the Building Inspector to see that these signs are removed.

139. Commissioner Clary reported that he had received a request from a group of students to use the water reservoir plaza and the Community Center for their Junior-Senior class party. He suggested that we encourage citizen groups and children to utilize these facilities when they are available.

140. Clary-Robberson. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$1,013,503.85, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$40,946.22 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.

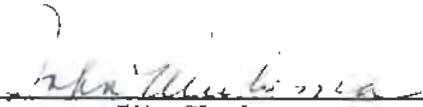
Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Robberson, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

141. Commissioner Murphy suggested that the report from A.C.T. be made available for those citizens interested in reviewing it. He was informed that there were copies available at the City Manager and City Clerk's offices.

142. Commissioner Murphy inquired about the cadet program and asked for a report as to what this program consists of. The City Manager stated that a report would be available at the next meeting.

143. There were 14 citizens in attendance at this meeting.

144. The meeting was adjourned at 10:40 p.m., subject to the call of the Mayor, until November 17, 1975.

  
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City Clerk

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

Regular Meeting Held November 17, 1975

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

Present: Coms. Clary, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Robberson and Mayor Stoppels.  
Absent: Com. Cooper.

145. The minutes of the meeting held November 3, 1975, were approved as written.

146. Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Nelis were present to discuss the question of the height of the shrubbery at 1009 Breton Road relative to the 30-inch limitation established by the Zoning Ordinance for corner lots. Attorney Rosemary Scott represented Mr. and Mrs. Nelis.

146-A. Clary-Robberson. That this matter be tabled and that the staff be directed to review this matter with the homeowners.

Yeas: Clary, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

147. A letter was received from the Women's Swim Group requesting that the Wealthy Pool remain open between November 18 through January 12 to permit them to continue their swim program. The group offered to pay an additional fee to cover the cost of the guard, if needed. Mrs. John Perry was present to discuss the concerns of her group and presented a petition to the Mayor. The Mayor asked her to appear at the Recreation Commission meeting on November 18.

148. A letter was received from Mr. Donald Pengelly requesting that a portion of Melrose Drive be vacated.

148-A. Remien-Robberson. That the Commission adopt the following resolution scheduling a hearing for December 15:

RESOLVED, That this Commission hold a public hearing to consider a proposal to vacate, abolish and discontinue all that part of MELROSE DRIVE, in the City of East Grand Rapids, Kent County, Michigan, described as

Commencing at a point on the East line of Breton Road 100.00 feet South of the Northwest corner of Lot 8, Paris Road Uplands, as platted, thence South on said East line of Breton Road extended to a point 61.95 feet North of the East Grand Rapids City Limits, thence Easterly parallel to and 60.00 feet Northerly of the South City Limits to the Westerly line of Lot 85 said plat, thence Northwesterly along said Westerly line to the point of compound curvature, said point being 146.5 feet Southwesterly of the most Northerly corner of said Lot 85, thence Northwesterly to a point on the Southeasterly line of Lot 8 said plat at a point 109.5 feet Southwesterly from the most Easterly corner thereof, thence Westerly 45.8 feet along the Southerly line of said Lot 8 to the point of beginning.

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Commission meet on the 15th day of December, 1975, 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 MELROSE DRIVE, described as aforesaid should not be vacated, abolished and discontinued, 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 MELROSE 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, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

149. Mrs. Katherine P. Whinery, 551 Plymouth Road SE, submitted a petition to the Commission opposing the placing of a proposed hospital sign at the northeast corner of Plymouth Road and Sherman Street. The City Engineer reported that the location of this sign has been changed from the parkway to the hospital property. Mr. Downer assured the residents that the appearance of all directional signs would be in keeping with the character of the neighborhood. The City Attorney informed the Commission that according to the Zoning Ordinance, Blodgett Medical Center must obtain a variance for the signs to be placed on its premises.

149-A. Clary-Murphy. That the City Manager be authorized to grant placement of temporary signs, as necessary.

Yeas: Clary, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 6  
Nays: 0

150. The City Manager submitted a report to the Commission regarding the purchase of a City owned telephone system, recommending the purchase of a Stromberg-Carlson PBX telephone system from Communications, Inc., at the low bid of \$33,607.00, said amount to be charged to the Contingency Fund and transferred from the Unappropriated Fund balance to the Contingency Fund for this purpose.

Commissioner Remien left the meeting at this time.

150-A. Clary-Pierce. That the City Manager be authorized to enter into a contract with Communications, Inc., in the amount of \$33,607.00, and that this amount be charged to the Contingency Fund and that authorization be given to transfer said amount from Unappropriated Fund balance to the Contingency Fund.

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

151. A proposed License Agreement, as prepared by the City Attorney, for the Village Green was discussed.

151-A. Robberson-Clary. That this License Agreement be received and held until such time as the City Commission deems it necessary to reconsider this matter.

Yeas: Clary, Murphy, Robberson, Stoppels - 4  
Nays: Pierce - 1

151-B. The possibility of tax deductibility for Village Green contributions was discussed. The City Attorney stated that, in his opinion, these contributions are not tax deductible unless they are paid to an organization that qualifies by IRS to be recipients of tax deductible funds. The Mayor stated that he would meet with the Bi-Centennial Chairman to review goals and objectives of this Committee.

152. The City Attorney submitted a proposed draft of a Garage Sale Ordinance. This matter was referred to a Committee-of-the-Whole for consideration after the first of the year.

153. The City Manager reported that bids were received for the repair of sanitary sewers in Wealthy Street from Lovett to Greenwood, Hall Street between Plymouth and Wilshire, and Beechwood Drive east of Lake Grove, and recommended that the contract be awarded to the low bidder, Leach Construction Company, in the amount of \$22,400.00, to be paid from the Contingency Fund.

153-A. Pierce-Murphy. That the contract for the sewer repair be awarded to Leach Construction Company in the amount of \$22,400.00 and that this amount be paid from the Contingency Fund.

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

154. The minutes of the Traffic Commission meeting held November 11, 1975, were received and filed.

155. The agenda for the Parks & Recreation Commission meeting to be held November 18, 1975, along with pertinent information, was received and filed.

156. The report for the month of October from the Police Department was received and filed.

157. The financial statement of the General Fund for a 4-month period ended October 31, 1975, was received and filed.

158. Robberson-Murphy. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$486,499.47, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$52,282.16, 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.

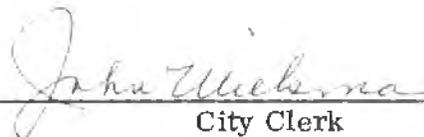
Yeas: Clary, Murphy, Pierce, Robberson, Stoppels - 5  
Nays: 0

159. Commissioner Pierce requested that consideration be given to the installation of a street light on Manhattan Road in front of Dr. Lukens' home.

160. The Mayor read a letter received from Mrs. Mitchell thanking the City and its Inspector for the fine job that has been done during Plymouth Road construction.

161. There were fourteen people in attendance at this meeting.

162. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, until December 1, 1975.

  
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City Clerk

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

Regular Meeting Held December 1, 1975

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

Present: Coms. Clary, Cooper, Remien, and Mayor Stoppels.

Absent: Coms. Murphy, Pierce, and Robberson.

163. The minutes of the meeting held November 17, 1975, were approved as written.

164. Pursuant to public notice, a hearing was held upon the request of Dr. J. T. Maher, 3132 Northshire, to permit construction at that address of an accessory building, which would be contrary to provisions in Section 5.83 of the Ordinance Code. Dr. Maher was present to discuss the problems he has in locating this accessory building in any other position on the property. Dr. David Amberg, representing Mr. Willis Nelson, owner of the vacant lot adjacent to the north of this property, was present to state the objections of Mr. Nelson to the construction of this building at the proposed location.

164-A. Clary-Cooper. That because there are not five commissioners present, this Commission, acting as the Board of Zoning Appeals, table this request.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Remien, Stoppels - 4

Nays: 0

165. The City Clerk submitted a memorandum to the Commissioners relative to the possibility of the School Millage proposal appearing on the ballot along with the East Grand Rapids City Primary Election to be held on February 16, 1976.

165-A. Remien-Cooper. That this Commission has no objection to the School's holding its School Millage Election on February 16, 1976, along with the City Primary Election.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Remien, Stoppels - 4

Nays: 0

166. The City Controller brought to the attention of the Commission that Item 69-A of the minutes of the East Grand Rapids City Commission held September 8th, should be amended to charge the cost of the sewer repair contract on Manhattan in the amount of \$11,600.00 to the Contingency Fund.

166-A. Remien-Clary. That the minutes of the September 8th Commission meeting be amended to provide that the cost of the sewer repair contract on Manhattan in the amount of \$11,600.00 be charged to the Contingency Fund.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Remien, Stoppels - 4

Nays: 0

167. The City Manager requested authorization to issue purchase orders in the amount of \$1,122.68 for equipment for testing of water in Reeds Lake and Fisk Lake.

Commissioners Robberson and Pierce arrived at this time.

167-A. Clary-Robberson. That the City Manager be authorized to issue purchase orders for the total amount of \$1,122.68 for testing equipment.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 6

Nays: 0

168. Pursuant to public notice, a hearing was then held upon the request of Blodgett Memorial Medical Center for a zoning variance to permit the erection of various directory signs throughout their premises. Mr. Downer and Mr. Stonehouse were present to discuss their needs relative to this matter. Dr. Robert Holm, 1935 Wealthy Street, stated that on the basis of the information furnished, he had no objection to the placement of the signs on Wealthy Street across from his residence.

168-A. Remien-Mayor Stoppels. That this Commission, acting as the Board of Zoning Appeals, grant the variances for the directional signs at Blodgett Hospital in accordance with its request, the location of one sign at the intersection of Plymouth and Wealthy with only fourteen feet back from the corner property lines.

168-B. Cooper. That this hearing be adjourned to provide an opportunity for more residents through East Grand Rapids to express their views on this matter.

The motion failed for lack of support.

A vote was then taken on the main motion and it was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas: Clary, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 5  
Nays: Cooper - 1

169. The City Manager transmitted a letter to the Commission regarding the Conservation and Rehabilitation Program. The consensus of the Commission was approval of the specified program guidelines and the City Manager was directed to continue with implementation of the program as outlined.

170. Dr. Holmes, 1935 Wealthy Street, inquired about the enforcement of the two-hour restriction as to parking on the north side of Wealthy Street between Plymouth and Laurel so that construction workers do not park in this area on an all day basis. This matter was referred to the City Manager for action.

171. Reports for the month of November from the Fire Department and Building Inspector were received and filed.

172. The Mayor asked for volunteers from the Commission to serve as a member on the School Millage Steering Committee and stated that he will be notifying Mr. Ruwitch when an appointment has been made.

173. A letter was received from the East Beltline Association relative to the need for the City Commission to make an appointment to the Board of Directors to fill a vacancy occurring as a result of the expiration of the term of Fred H. Tholen. The Mayor appointed Mr. Tholen to serve for a new term of three years beginning January 1, 1976.

174. The Mayor requested that the Commissioners submit recommendations to him for appointments to the Board of Canvassers made necessary because of the expiration of the term of Mr. David Amberg, and the death of Mr. George Skiff. The appointments to this Board will be made at a later date.

175. Commissioner Cooper inquired about the possibility of publishing the City's newsletter in the Cadence. Janet Bacon was requested to write a newsletter to be reviewed by the staff and City Commission. The staff will investigate the costs for publishing versus mailing this newsletter.

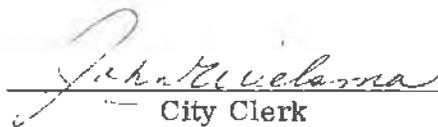
Commissioner Remien left the meeting at this time with permission from the Mayor.

176. Clary-Robberson. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$572,795.51, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$41,034.15, 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, Cooper, Pierce, Robberson, Stoppels - 5  
Nays: 0

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

178. The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m., subject to the call of the Mayor, until December 15, 1975.

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

Regular Meeting Held December 15, 1975

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stoppels.

Present: Coms. Clary, Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, and Mayor Stoppels.  
Absent: None.

179. The minutes of the meeting held December 1, 1975, were approved as written.

180. The adjourned hearing to permit construction of a garage within 27 feet of the front lot line at 3132 Northshire was cancelled upon the request of Dr. Maher, who withdrew his variance request.

181. Pursuant to published notice, a hearing was then held upon the vacation of a portion of Melrose.

181-A.

BY COMMISSIONERS PIERCE-REMIEN:

WHEREAS, a majority of the owners of land and premises abutting  
on

MELROSE DRIVE from Breton Road to Norfolk Road

located in the City of East Grand Rapids, Michigan, have petitioned for the vacation of the following described portion of street:

Commencing at a point on the East line of Breton Road 100.00 feet South of the Northwest corner of Lot 8, Paris Road Uplands, as platted, thence South on said East line of Breton Road extended to a point 61.95 feet North of the East Grand Rapids City Limits, thence Easterly parallel to and 60.00 feet Northerly of the South City Limits to the Westerly line of Lot 85 said plat, thence Northwesterly along said Westerly line to the point of compound curvature, said point being 146.5 feet Southwesterly to the most Northerly corner of said Lot 85, thence Northwesterly to a point on the Southeasterly line of Lot 8 said plat at a point 109.5 feet Southwesterly from the most Easterly corner thereof, thence Westerly 45.8 feet along the Southerly line of said Lot 8 to the point of beginning.

WHEREAS, this Commission at a regular meeting of said Commission held in said City on the 15th day of December, 1975, has held a public hearing and has determined that it is advisable to vacate that part of Melrose Drive as previously described, and

WHEREAS, no objections were presented to the vacation of said part of Melrose Drive,

NOW THEREFORE, Be It Resolved, by the Commission of the City of East Grand Rapids, Michigan, that it deems it advisable, and that it is advisable that the portion of Melrose Drive lying between Breton Road and Norfolk Road described as:

Commencing at a point on the East line of Breton Road 100.00 feet South of the Northwest corner of Lot 8, Paris Road Uplands, as platted, thence South on said East line of Breton Road extended to a point 61.95 feet North of the East Grand Rapids City Limits, thence Easterly parallel to and 60.00 feet Northerly of the South City Limits to the Westerly line of Lot 85 said plat, thence Northwesterly along said Westerly line to the point of compound curvature, said point being 146.5 feet Southwesterly of the most Northerly corner of said Lot 85, thence Northwesterly to a point on the Southeasterly line of Lot 8 said plat at a point 109.5 feet Southwesterly from the most

Easterly corner thereof, thence Westerly 45.8 feet along the Southerly line of said Lot 8 to the point of beginning,

and that it be vacated, discontinued and abolished except that the City reserve an easement over the full width of above vacated parcels for public utilities and that in the opinion of this Commission the vacating, closing, discontinuing and abolishing of said portion of Melrose Drive above described is a necessary public improvement and a necessary public convenience, the City, however, reserving said easements over the full width of said street for the purpose of constructing, maintaining, and servicing public utilities therein; and be it

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 Plats or plats affected by this resolution.

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

182. The City Manager reported on a problem that exists with a water bill at 2860 Bonnell Avenue, and stated that inasmuch as the homeowner inadvertently did not receive a water bill for this service he was not aware of the quantity of water he was using on his yard and, consequently, was not able to adjust his use to his own satisfaction as to cost benefit. He therefore recommended that the bill be adjusted and that the propertyowner be charged the full readiness-to-serve charge in the amount of \$225.50 and one-half of the gallonage charge, which would be \$290.42.

182-A. Remien-Robberson. That this Commission concur in the recommendation of the City Manager.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

183. A letter was received from the Rotary Club of Grand Rapids-East, requesting permission to locate an automobile on the ice on Reeds Lake, with chances to be sold as to when the car would fall through the ice. This would be a fund raising venture for the club. After much discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Pierce and supported by Commissioner Cooper that the request of the Rotary Club of Grand Rapids-East be referred to staff for further investigation and study.

Yeas: Cooper, Pierce - 2  
Nays: Clary, Murphy, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 5

184. The City Manager submitted a report prepared by Ernst & Ernst analyzing the adequacy of the current water rate structure. Also submitted were the recommendations of the Manager and Controller for a 10% increase in water rates. The Mayor directed that this matter be set for a hearing on January 5, 1976.

186. A resolution was received from the Parks & Recreation Director requesting authorization to submit a final application for the Manhattan Phase II project.

186-A.  
BY COMMISSIONERS CLARY-ROBBERSON:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Commission gives its support to continue with plans and specifications for Phase II of the Manhattan Project, which includes two nature trail loops, five observation areas, amphitheater, shelter house, winter sliding areas, and two tennis courts; and that the staff continue its efforts in filing the final application for a grant in the amount of \$25,000 which would cover 50% of the cost of the project.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

187. The City Clerk submitted quotations for nine chairs for the Commission Room. Representatives from Strauch Office Supply Company were present to discuss this matter with the Commission. It was decided that this matter be deferred to a later date.

188. Mr. Wallace Rickard, 1535 Woodcliff Drive, SE, inquired about the status of the Woodcliff Storm Sewer Project. The City Manager reported that a policy decision is under consideration by the Commission as to the method of financing this repair program.

189. Letters were received from Commissioner Vern Ehlers and Mayor Peter Lamberts requesting that East Grand Rapids support the re-appointment of Mr. Ehlers to the Board of Public Works.

189-A. Remien-Robberson. That this Commission unanimously supports the re-appointment of Mr. Vern Ehlers to the Board of Public Works of the County of Kent, and that a copy of this resolution be sent to the County Board of Commissioners.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 7

Nays: 0

190. A letter was received from Marilyn Lundquist, Chairperson of the East Grand Rapids Aquatic Club, expressing appreciation for the Swim Program.

191. A financial and progress report was received from the Grand Rapids Area Chamber of Commerce relative to the Metropolitan Area Economic Development Subcommittee. This material was received for information.

192. The City Manager reported on bids which were received for the purchase of three police cars and recommended that the low bid of Berger Chevrolet, in the net amount of \$7,404.07, be accepted.

192-A. Remien-Pierce. That this Commission concur in the City Manager's recommendation and that a purchase order be issued to Berger Chevrolet in the amount of \$7,404.07 for the purchase of three police cars.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 7

Nays: 0

193. A report from the Administrative Aide relative to a cost comparison of mailing and/or publishing the Comment was received for information.

194. The City Manager reported on the Planning Commission meeting which was held December 9th, and distributed the minutes of this meeting to the Commission.

195. The City Clerk submitted a tentative schedule of City Commission meetings for the next six months.

196. Financial reports of the General Fund and Water Fund for a 5-month period ended November 30, 1975, were received and filed.

197. The Police report for the month of November was received and filed.

198. Commissioner Clary reported on a quotation he had received for the construction of dugouts at the Remington ball field. Mr. Kett, Coach at East Grand Rapids High School, was present to express his interest in this project.

198-A. Clary-Remien. That an amount of \$1,100 be appropriated for this project from the Contingent Fund and that the East Grand Rapids Board of Education be requested to participate to the extent of 50% of this amount.

Yeas: Clary, Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 7

Nays: 0

199. Murphy-Robberson. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$1,015,102.24, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$52,177.32, 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, Cooper, Murphy, Pierce, Remien, Robberson, Stoppels - 7  
Nays: 0

200. Commissioner Murphy stated that he felt it was important that the neighbors in the rehabilitation program area be fully informed of the progress, not only by meetings but also by mailings.

201. The City Clerk reported that the Kent County Scheduling Committee has approved the East Grand Rapids Public School's request to hold their special millage election on February 16, 1976, along with the City Primary Election.

202. There were nine persons in attendance at this meeting.

203. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, until January 5, 1976.

  
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City Clerk