

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

Regular Meeting Held January 4, 1971

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Collins.

Present: Coms. VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Stoppels, Swain, Hutchinson,
and Mayor Collins.

Absent: None

152. The minutes of the meeting held December 21, 1970 were approved as written.

153. Pursuant to public notice as required by ordinance a hearing was held regarding a proposed amendment to Section 5.60 of Chapter 39 Zoning of Title V of the Ordinance Code of the City of East Grand Rapids relating to the inclusion of motion picture theatres of not to exceed 300 seat capacity. Mr. Robert Johnson explained his plans for building a motion picture theatre in the Ramona Shopping Center directly west of the D & C Store and north of the Ansoerge Health Studio. The following people were heard relative to this proposal with objections primarily being centered upon the fear of aggravation of already congested parking conditions in the Ramona parking lot should a theatre be constructed: Mr. L. V. Eberhard, Mrs. Annette Vogelsang, Wayne Eberhard, Mr. Jack Baxter, Commissioner Swain. Mr. Jack Loeks was present and stated that a minimum parking ratio of two square feet for one square foot of floor area was not enough for a theatre and further stated that it would be more realistic to base the size of the parking area by requiring one parking space for each three theatre seats and that it would be advisable for the theatre to have an exclusive lot of its own. He based this information on his experience with theatres of similar size in other locations. Mr. John Rickerby stated that a theatre would be a very good addition to the community but that an independent study should be made of the parking in this area and to include in this study the effect a theatre in the Ramona Shopping Center would have in the day time as well as night. Commissioner Green reported that the Planning Commission recommended that the City Commission adopt the ordinance amendment. Mr. Child commented on the Planning Commission action.

153-A. Edison-VanAllsburg. That the proposed amendment to Section 5.60 of the East Grand Rapids Ordinance Code be referred to the Planning Commission for further study. A roll call vote was taken.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Stoppels, Swain, Hutchinson, Collins - 7

Nays: 0

The motion passed.

154. The Commission discussed at this time the effect that the odd year election bill (Act 239 Public Acts 1970) would have on East Grand Rapids and considered the option of not coming under this bill. The matter was referred to a Committee-of-the-Whole meeting for further consideration with definite action to be taken January 18th.

The City Clerk reported that should the City Commission elect not to come under Act 239, filing petitions for the February election for Commissioners and Mayor must be filed in his office no later than January 26, 1971 and that the City Primary election would be held February 15, 1971.

155. Departmental reports for the month of December were received from the City Assessor, Fire Department, and the Police Department. These reports were received and filed.

156. A letter was received from Albert Builders, Inc. requesting the improvement of Asbury and Whitfield south of Englewood. This letter was referred to the Engineering Department to include in their planning of the 1971 street improvement program.

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The Mayor asked to be excused at this time because his presence was requested at the funeral home due to the passing away of his sister. The Commissioners expressed their sympathy to the Mayor and his family.

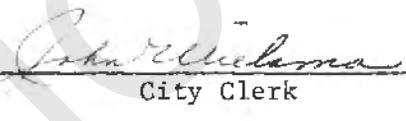
157. Edison-VanAllsburg. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$468,220.38, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$23,178.43, as approved by the Ways & Means Committee be allowed and the Controller draw an order on the Treasurer for their respective amounts.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Stoppels, Swain, Hutchinson - 6
Nays: 0

158. Commissioner Edison inquired whether children would be fined should they be caught fishing off the shore line at Lakeside Park during the hours that the park is closed. The City Manager assured him that they would not be fined inasmuch as the restrictions apply to use of the Park not to use of the lake.

159. Commissioner Swain requested that a letter of ^{commendation and} thanks be sent to the employees of the Fire Department who helped in rescuing those persons who fell through the ice a week ago last Saturday. The City Manager was directed to send an appropriate letter expressing commendation.

160. The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m., subject to the call of the Mayor, until January 18, 1971.



City Clerk

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

Regular Meeting Held January 18, 1971

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Collins.

Present: Coms. VanAllsburg, Green, Stoppels, Swain, and Mayor Collins.
Absent: Coms. Edison and Hutchinson.

161. The minutes of the meeting held January 4, 1971 were corrected by inserting "commendation and" before "thanks" in item 159. The minutes were then approved as corrected.

Commissioner Hutchinson arrived at this time.

162. Mayor Collins moved the adoption of the following resolution. Commissioner Green supported the motion:

WHEREAS Act 239 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1970 amends Act 116 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1954 so as to give cities the option of electing city officials either at a November election or as provided by the city charter; and

WHEREAS the East Grand Rapids City Charter provides for nomination of candidates for city offices at a Primary Election to be held the second Monday in February of each year and a General Municipal Election to be held on the first Monday in April of each year, and it is the judgment of this Commission that the procedure set forth in the Charter should not be changed at this time;

BE IT RESOLVED that the City of East Grand Rapids shall continue to hold its elections as required by charter.

This resolution is adopted pursuant to Sec. 6446(1) of said Act 239 of P.A. 1970 and a certified copy hereof shall be filed with the Secretary of State pursuant to Sec. 6446(4) of said Act.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Green, Stoppels, Swain, Hutchinson, Collins - 6
Nays: 0

163. Consideration of the bids for general liability insurance was delayed until the next meeting to permit the City Manager more time for study and preparation of recommendations.

164. Annual reports of the Fire Department and Police Department for the year 1970 were received and filed. Mayor Collins commended personnel in both departments for their excellent service to the public.

165. The City Manager reported on eight automobile bids received and recommended that the low bid of VanAndel & Flikkema in the amount of \$10,976.02 be accepted.

165-A. Swain-Stoppels. That the bid of VanAndel & Flikkema be accepted in accordance with the recommendation of the City Manager.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Green, Stoppels, Swain, Hutchinson, Collins - 6
Nays: 0

166. Mr. & Mrs. Tom Borisch were present and told the Commission that Mrs. Borisch was struck in the face with a piece of ice thrown through the car window by a youngster while she was driving down Wealthy Street near the Wealthy Elementary School and inquired as to liability should an accident

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have occurred. The matter was discussed by the Commission and by the Chief of Police with Mr. & Mrs. Borisch.

Commissioner Edison arrived at this time.

167. The City Manager reported that the Municipal Finance Commission has requested a resolution stating the City Commission's intention to include in the budget for the 1971-1972 fiscal year the payment of \$59,062.50 to pay rental due the East Grand Rapids Building Authority under the lease as amended.

167-A. The following resolution was offered by Commissioner Hutchinson and supported by Commissioner Stoppels:

WHEREAS the City of East Grand Rapids and the City of East Grand Rapids Building Authority did by instrument dated September 28, 1970, amend the lease between them dated November 6, 1967, and

WHEREAS said amendment to lease increases the annual rental to be paid by the City of East Grand Rapids to said City of East Grand Rapids Building Authority;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Commission of the City of East Grand Rapids adopt this resolution as a statement of its intention to include in the City's budget for 1971-1972 the payment of \$59,062.50 as rental to said Building Authority pursuant to the September 28, 1970, amendment to said lease dated November 6, 1967.

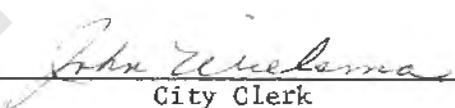
Yeas: VanAllsburg, Green, Stoppels, Swain, Edison, Hutchinson, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

168. Commissioner Swain informed the Commission that he attended the recent AGRAG meeting and reported that the Advisory Center for Teens submitted a report and will be soliciting funds for their organization.

169. Edison-VanAllsburg. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$1,051,023.25, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$19,655.91, as approved by the Ways & Means Committee be allowed and the Controller draw an order on the Treasurer for their respective amounts.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Green, Stoppels, Swain, Hutchinson, Edison, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

170. The meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m., subject to the call of the Mayor, until February 8, 1971.



City Clerk

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

Regular Meeting Held February 8, 1971

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Collins.

Present: Coms. VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Stoppels, Hutchinson, and Mayor Collins.

Absent: Com. Swain.

171. The minutes of the meeting held January 18, 1971 were approved as written.

172. The City Manager read a portion of the East Grand Rapids Planning Commission minutes recommending that the proposed Zoning Ordinance amendment to permit motion picture theatres in the C-1 District not be approved. A communication was received from Mr. Robert Johnson withdrawing his request dated December 2, 1970 to amend Section 5.60, C-1 District, of the City Ordinance.

This request was granted.

Commissioner Green stated that the Planning Commission meetings are open to the public and welcomes anyone who wishes to attend.

Mr. Wayne Eberhard remarked that he was present to express his concern relative to the proposed theatre in the Ramona Shopping Center and would oppose it in that location but that he is not opposed to location of a theatre elsewhere in the city.

173. The City Manager reported on the general liability insurance bids which were received from Michigan Mutual Liability Insurance Company in the amount of \$5,375.00, Employers Mutual Insurance Company \$6,850.00, and Sentry Insurance Company \$2,919.00 which was revised to \$4,189.00. He recommended that the low bid of Sentry Insurance Company be accepted.

173-A. Mayor Collins-Hutchinson. That the bids be rejected and new bids solicited and that a written 30 day binder be obtained from our present carrier.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Hutchinson, Collins - 5

Nays: 0

Com. Stoppels abstained.

174. The City Attorney reported on the status of the Burleson property law suit stating that briefs have been filed and a hearing set in the court of Judge Boucher at 2:00 p.m. on February 19, 1971.

175. Mayor Collins reported on a letter received from the City of Grand Rapids requesting that the City Commission appoint a representative to the Utility Advisory Board.

175-A. Mayor Collins-Green. That the City Manager be appointed to the Utility Advisory Board.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Stoppels, Hutchinson, Collins - 6

Nays: 0

176. The City Manager reported on a study made by the State Highway Department regarding the intersection of Robinson and Cascade Roads. It was their recommendation that stop bars be placed at the intersection. The City Manager did not feel that this was a satisfactory report particularly inasmuch as it did not include 1970 statistics and he recommended that the Commission request that the Highway Department give the matter further study and find a more satisfactory solution for this very dangerous intersection.

176-A. Green-Stoppels. That the City Manager notify the State Highway Department of the dissatisfaction of the City Commission with this report and

that a more up to date report to include 1970 statistics and a solution other than the stop bars is requested.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Stoppels, Hutchinson, Collins - 6
Nays: 0

177. Reports for the month of January, 1971, were received from the Fire Department, Police Department, and City Assessor. These reports were received and filed.

178. Edison-VanAllsburg. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$303,000.13, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$19,930.76, as approved by the Ways & Means Committee be allowed and the Controller draw an order on the Treasurer for their respective amounts.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Stoppels, Hutchinson, Collins - 6
Nays: 0

179. Commissioner Stoppels requested that Plymouth Road in front of Blodgett Hospital be patched.

180. Mr. Tunkel requested that a stop sign be placed on Wilshire at Lenox because of the hazardous condition of this intersection. This request was referred to the Traffic Commission.

181. Mrs. Vogelsang commended the Commission on their courteous response to her requests at a previous meeting and requested that something be done about Argentina between Breton and San Lucia because of the long stretch that does not have a stop sign which results in people traveling at a high rate of speed. She also expressed concern about the fire trucks using it as a thoroughfare.

This request was referred to the City Manager for further study.

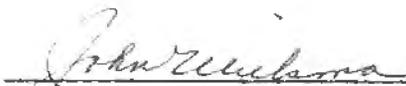
182. The City Manager reported on bids received for two snow blowers for the plaza area around the Municipal Complex and for clearing ice skating rinks. Two bids were received. He requested that the low bid of Keizer Equipment Company in the amount of \$2,856.00 be accepted.

182-A. Hutchinson-VanAllsburg. That the City Manager be authorized to issue a purchase order to Keizer Equipment Company in the amount of \$2,856.00 for the purchase of two snow blowers.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Stoppels, Hutchinson, Collins - 6
Nays: 0

183. Mrs. Marion Branston complimented the Service Department for the fine job they have been doing in clearing the snow and ice in the vicinity of the library and stated it is much appreciated especially when the library is used by so many persons of all ages.

184. The meeting was adjourned at 6:22 p.m., subject to the call of the Mayor, until February 22, 1971.



City Clerk

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

Regular Meeting Held February 22, 1971

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Collins.

Present: Coms. VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Stoppels, Swain, Hutchinson, and
Mayor Collins.

Absent: None

185. The minutes of the meeting held February 8, 1971 were approved as written.

186. The City Manager reported on bids received for the city's liability insurance. The bids were as follows: Sentry Insurance Company \$5,369.00, and Michigan Mutual Liability Insurance Company \$4,475.68. He recommended that the low bid be accepted.

186-A. Hutchinson-Green. That the Michigan Mutual Liability Insurance Company's bid in the amount of \$4,475.68 be accepted.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Hutchinson, Collins - 6

Nays: 0

Com. Stoppels abstained.

187. The City Attorney reported that the zoning variance case involving the Burleson Hospital and adjoining properties which was argued in the court of Judge Boucher on February 19, 1971 that no decision has been rendered by the Judge at this point.

188. The City Manager reported on further construction on the interior of the lower level of the library. Heating bids have been received and the Manager recommended that the low bid of Glendon A. Richards Company in the amount of \$1,694.00 be accepted.

188-A. Hutchinson-VanAllsburg. That the bid of Glendon A. Richards Heating Company in the amount of \$1,694.00 be accepted and that the City Manager be authorized to obtain bids for the ceiling and the lighting and electrical work.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Stoppels, Swain, Hutchinson, Collins - 7

Nays: 0

189. Communications were received from AGRAG on which the City Manager reported. One communication was in regard to establishment of an Area Wide Air Pollution Control program the anticipated cost to East Grand Rapids being \$1,478.00. The other four cities would share in the cost and Grand Rapids would pay \$15,376.00.

189-A. Hutchinson-Stoppels. That East Grand Rapids join in this program provided the other four cities participate and provided that the cost sharing plan be substantially the same as recommended in the communication received from the area city managers dated February 10, 1970.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Stoppels, Swain, Hutchinson, Collins - 7

Nays: 0

189-B. The second communication from AGRAG referred to standardizing the building permit fees to permit some degree of uniformity among the municipalities. This was received for information purposes and will be acted upon at a later date.

190. BOARD OF CANVASSERS' STATEMENT OF VOTES
CAST AT THE NON-PARTISAN PRIMARY MUNICIPAL ELECTION HELD
IN THE CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN, ON MONDAY,
THE FIFTEENTH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1971.

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The following is a true statement of the whole number of votes given and cast at the Non-Partisan Municipal Primary Election for the pur-

pose of electing candidates for City offices held in the City of East Grand Rapids, State of Michigan, and in the several wards and precincts of said City, on Monday the fifteenth day of February, A.D., 1971:

OFFICE OF MAYOR

The whole number of votes given for the said office of Mayor was two thousand nine hundred thirty-one (2,931); and they were given for the following persons: John J. Collins, one thousand five hundred fifty-seven (1,557); and Richard F. VanderVeen, one thousand three hundred seventy-four (1,374).

OFFICE OF COMMISSIONER - FIRST WARD

The whole number of votes given for the said office of Commissioner to the First Ward was seven hundred forty-one (741); and they were given for the following persons: John F. Swain, seven hundred thirty-one (731); and Robert H. Gillette, ten (10).

OFFICE OF COMMISSIONER - SECOND WARD

The whole number of votes given for the said office of Commissioner to the Second Ward was one thousand one hundred forty-eight (1,148); and they were given for the following persons: James S. Hale, four hundred sixty-two (462); and Robert J. Eleveld, six hundred eighty-six (686).

OFFICE OF COMMISSIONER - THIRD WARD

The whole number of votes given for the said office of Commissioner to the Third Ward was seven hundred thirty-eight (738); and they were given for Robert M. Stoppels.

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
 COUNTY OF KENT) ss.
 CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS)

We, the undersigned Board of Canvassers of the City of East Grand Rapids, Michigan, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct statement of the whole number of votes given and cast for each of the several candidates for election to the several City offices voted upon at the Non-Partisan Municipal Primary Election held in the City of East Grand Rapids, in said County and State and in the several wards and precincts thereof, on Monday, the fifteenth day of February, 1971.

We do hereby further certify, in pursuance of the provisions of the Charter and the laws of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, that John J. Collins received a majority of all votes cast at said Primary Election for candidates for the office of Mayor; and we do hereby determine that the said John J. Collins is elected to the office of Mayor for the term ending May 1, 1973.

We do hereby further certify, in pursuance of the provisions of said Charter and the laws of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, that John F. Swain received a majority of votes cast at said Primary Election for candidate for the office of Commissioner to the First Ward; and we do hereby determine that the said John F. Swain is elected to the office of Commissioner to the First Ward for the term ending May 1, 1973.

We do hereby further certify, in pursuance of the provisions of said Charter and the laws of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, that Robert J. Eleveld received a majority of all votes cast at said Primary Election for candidate for the office of Commissioner to the Second Ward; and we do hereby determine that the said Robert J. Eleveld is elected to the office of Commissioner to the Second Ward for the term ending May 1, 1973.

We do hereby further certify, in pursuance of the provisions of said Charter and the laws of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, that Robert M. Stoppels received all votes cast at said Primary Election for candidate for the office of Commissioner to the Third Ward; and we do

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hereby determine that the said Robert M. Stoppels is elected to the office of Commissioner to the Third Ward for the term ending May 1, 1973.

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 (Signed) Douglas W. Hillman
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 (Signed) Sallie G. Birnie
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 (Signed) George B. Skiff
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 (Signed) David M. Amberg

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
COUNTY OF KENT) ss.

On this 17th day of February, 1971, A.D., personally appeared before me, a Notary Public in and for said County of Kent, the above named Sallie G. Birnie, David M. Amberg, George B. Skiff, and Douglas W. Hillman, who constitute the Board of Canvassers for the City of East Grand Rapids in said County and State, and made oath that the foregoing statement of votes cast at the Primary Election held in said City on Monday, the 15th day of February, 1971, by them subscribed, and together with the foregoing Certificates of said Board, is a true and correct statement of the votes cast at said Primary Election and of the certificates therein, and I herewith attest the same as being such true and correct statement.

(Signed) John Wielsma
Notary Public, Kent County, Michigan

My Commission expires July 19, 1971.

This report was received and filed.

191. Stoppels-Swain. That the City Commission authorize the transmittal of the 1971 Assessment Roll as prepared to the Board of Review for the purpose of reviewing and hearing appeals of the taxpayers.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Stoppels, Swain, Hutchinson, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

192. The general fund financial report for the seventh month period ended January 31, 1971 was received and filed.

193. Collins-Hutchinson. That the regular meetings of the City Commission for the months of March and April be held at 7:15 p.m.

193-A. Edison-Stoppels. That the above motion be amended to change the time from 7:15 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

The vote on the amendment was as follows:

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Stoppels, Swain, Hutchinson, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

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

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Stoppels, Swain, Hutchinson, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

194. Edison-VanAllsburg. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$20,419.69, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$19,978.79, as approved by the Ways & Means Committee be allowed and the Controller draw an order on the Treasurer for their respective amounts.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Stoppels, Swain, Hutchinson, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

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195. The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m., subject to the call of the Mayor, until March 8, 1971, at 7:30 p.m.

196. ~~People in attendance at this meeting were as follows:--Two members of the Press, Planning Commission Secretary, Sentry Insurance Company representative, City Attorney, three department heads, Mr. Bill Bennett.~~

196. There was one citizen in attendance at this meeting.



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

Regular Meeting Held March 8, 1971

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Collins.

Present: Coms. VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Stoppels, Swain, Hutchinson, and
Mayor Collins.

Absent: None

197. The minutes of the meeting held February 22, 1971 were corrected by rephrasing Item #196 to read as follows: "There was one citizen in attendance at this meeting." The minutes were then approved as corrected.

198.

BY COMMISSIONERS EDISON-GREEN:

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

CONLON 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, excepting public highways and alleys, benefiting from said improvement, according to foot frontage. And be it further

RESOLVED that a special assessment district for said improvement is hereby established consisting of the lots, parts of lots and parcels of land abutting upon either side of Conlon Drive between Berwyck Road and Norfolk Road, and that this Commission deems and declares that all real estate within said proposed district will be benefited by said improvement; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Director of Public Service prepare an estimate of the cost thereof, together with specifications, plats and diagrams of the work and of the locality to be improved, and a plat of the lots contained in said special assessment district.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Stoppels, Hutchinson, Collins - 6

Nays: 0

Com. Swain abstained.

199.

BY COMMISSIONERS EDISON-GREEN:

WHEREAS, the City Commission has declared the improvement consisting of grading, proper base, asphalt wearing surface, combination curb and gutter, concrete drive approaches, concrete sidewalks, and other necessary appurtenances and underground work on

CONLON DRIVE from Berwyck Road to Norfolk Road

is a necessary public improvement; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED that Monday, March 22, 1971 at 7:30 p.m. be the fixed time and the Commission Room in East Grand Rapids, Michigan be the place at which all persons interested, or who are liable to be assessed therefor, may appear before the City Commission and be heard in regard to such improvement; and

RESOLVED, that the City Clerk be and is hereby instructed to give proper notice by publication in the Grand Rapids Press for the contemplated improvement, the district to be assessed and of the filing of estimates, specifications and diagrams thereof with the Clerk for public examination, and of the time and place the Commission will meet to hear and consider any objections thereto; and further, that notice of hearing on this contemplated improvement be mailed each property owner in the special

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assessment district as shown by the last assessment roll of the City, these notices to be mailed at least 10 days prior to the hearing.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Stoppels, Hutchinson, Collins - 6
Nays: 0
Com. Swain abstained.

200.

BY COMMISSIONERS EDISON-GREEN:

RESOLVED, that the improvement consisting of a watermain in

CONLON DRIVE from Berwyck Road to Norfolk Road

including the necessary services, hydrants, valves, and other necessary appurtenances and underground work, 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, excepting public highways and alleys, benefiting from said improvement. And be it further

RESOLVED, that a special assessment district for said improvement is hereby established consisting of the lots, parts of lots and parcels of land described as: Lots 66, 97, 98, 99 Paris Roads Uplands; and 93, 94, 95 and 96 Albert Realtors Hampshire Replat, and that this Commission deems and declares that all real estate within said proposed district will be benefited by said improvement; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Director of Public Service prepare an estimate of the cost thereof, together with specifications, plats and diagrams of the work and of the locality to be improved, and a plat of the lots contained in said special assessment district.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Stoppels, Hutchinson, Collins - 6
Nays: 0
Com. Swain abstained.

201.

BY COMMISSIONERS EDISON-GREEN:

WHEREAS, the City Commission has declared the improvement consisting of a watermain in

CONLON DRIVE from Berwyck Road to Norfolk Road

including the necessary services, hydrants, valves, and other necessary appurtenances and underground work, is a necessary public improvement; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the City Commission does estimate the cost of such improvement at the sum of \$9,044.00; and directs that the specifications, plats, diagrams and estimate of the cost be filed in the office of the City Clerk for public examination; and

RESOLVED, that Monday, March 22, 1971 at 7:30 p.m. be the fixed time and the Commission Room in East Grand Rapids, Michigan be the place at which all persons interested, or who are liable to be assessed therefor, may appear before the City Commission and be heard in regard to such improvement; and

RESOLVED, that the City Clerk be and is hereby instructed to give proper notice by publication in the Grand Rapids Press for the contemplated improvement, the district to be assessed and of the filing of estimates, specifications and diagrams thereof with the Clerk for public examination, and of the time and place the Commission will meet to hear and consider any objections thereto; and further, that notice of hearing on this contemplated improvement be mailed each property owner in the special assessment district as shown by the last assessment roll of the City, these notices to be mailed at least 10 days prior to the hearing.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Stoppels, Hutchinson, Collins - 6
Nays: 0
Com. Swain abstained.

202.

BY COMMISSIONERS EDISON-GREEN:

RESOLVED, that the improvement consisting of a sanitary sewer in
CONLON DRIVE from Berwyck Road to Norfolk Road

including the necessary laterals and underground work, 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, excepting public highways and alleys, benefiting from said improvement. And be it further

RESOLVED, that a special assessment district for said improvement is hereby established consisting of the lots, parts of lots and parcels of land described as: Lots 66, 97, 98, 99 Paris Roads Uplands; and 93, 94, 95, and 96 Albert Realtors Hampshire Replat, and that this Commission deems and declares that all real estate within said proposed district will be benefited by said improvement, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Director of Public Service prepare an estimate of the cost thereof, together with specifications, plats and diagrams of the work and of the locality to be improved, and a plat of the lots contained in said special assessment district.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Stoppels, Hutchinson, Collins - 6
Nays: 0
Com. Swain abstained.

203.

BY COMMISSIONERS EDISON-GREEN:

WHEREAS, the City Commission has declared the improvement consisting of a sanitary sewer in

CONLON DRIVE from Berwyck Road to Norfolk Road

including the necessary laterals and underground work, is a necessary public improvement; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the City Commission does estimate the cost of such improvement at the sum of \$11,165.00; and directs that the specifications, plats, diagrams and estimate of the cost be filed in the office of the City Clerk for public examination; and

RESOLVED, that Monday, March 22, 1971 at 7:30 p.m. be the fixed time and the Commission Room in East Grand Rapids, Michigan be the place at which all persons interested, or who are liable to be assessed therefor, may appear before the City Commission and be heard in regard to such improvement; and

RESOLVED, that the City Clerk be and is hereby instructed to give proper notice by publication in the Grand Rapids Press for the contemplated improvement, the district to be assessed and of the filing of estimates, specifications and diagrams thereof with the Clerk for public examination, and of the time and place the Commission will meet to hear and consider any objections thereto; and further, that notice of hearing on this contemplated improvement be mailed each property owner in the special assessment district as shown by the last assessment roll of the City, these notices to be mailed at least 10 days prior to the hearing.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Stoppels, Hutchinson, Collins - 6
Nays: 0
Com. Swain abstained.

204.

BY COMMISSIONERS EDISON-GREEN:

RESOLVED, that the improvement consisting of grading, proper base, asphalt concrete wearing surface, local storm drain, and other necessary appurtenances and underground work on

ROSEWOOD ALLEY from Rosewood to the South Line of Lot 79 Wurzburg's Addition extended east

is a necessary public improvement, and that the cost and expense of such improvement, shall be paid by special assessment levied upon the lands and premises, excepting public highways and alleys, benefiting from said improvement, according to foot frontage. And be it further

RESOLVED, that a special assessment district for said improvement is hereby established consisting of the lots, parts of lots and parcels of land abutting upon either side of Rosewood Alley to the South Line of Lot 79 Wurzburg's Addition extended east, and that this Commission deems and declares that all real estate within said proposed district will be benefited by said improvement, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Director of Public Service prepare an estimate of the cost thereof, together with specifications, plats and diagrams of the work and of the locality to be improved, and a plat of the lots contained in said special assessment district.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Stoppels, Hutchinson, Collins - 6
Nays: 0
Com. Swain abstained.

205.

BY COMMISSIONERS EDISON-GREEN:

WHEREAS, the City Commission has declared the improvement consisting of grading, proper base, asphalt concrete wearing surface, local storm drain, and other necessary appurtenances and underground work on

ROSEWOOD ALLEY from Rosewood to the South Line of Lot 79 Wurzburg's Addition extended east

is a necessary public improvement; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the City Commission does estimate the cost of such improvement at the sum of \$11,709.00; and directs that the specifications, plats, diagrams and estimate of the cost be filed in the office of the City Clerk for public examination; and

RESOLVED, that Monday, March 22, 1971 at 7:30 p.m. be the fixed time and the Commission Room in East Grand Rapids, Michigan be the place at which all persons interested, or who are liable to be assessed therefor, may appear before the City Commission and be heard in regard to such improvement; and

RESOLVED, that the City Clerk be and is hereby instructed to give proper notice by publication in the Grand Rapids Press for the contemplated improvement, the district to be assessed and of the filing of estimates, specifications and diagrams thereof with the Clerk for public examination, and of the time and place the Commission will meet to hear and consider any objections thereto; and further, that notice of hearing on this contemplated improvement be mailed each property owner in the special assessment district as shown by the last assessment roll of the City, these notices to be mailed at least 10 days prior to the hearing.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Stoppels, Hutchinson, Collins - 6
Nays: 0
Com. Swain abstained.

206.

BY COMMISSIONERS EDISON-GREEN:

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

WOODCLIFF DRIVE from Hall Street to Lake Drive

is a necessary public improvement, and that the cost and expense of such improvement, except that portion to be paid from the general funds of the City, shall be paid by special assessment levied upon the lands and premises, excepting public highways and alleys, benefiting from said improvement, according to foot frontage. And be it further

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RESOLVED, that a special assessment district for said improvement is hereby established consisting of the lots, parts of lots and parcels of land abutting upon either side of Woodcliff Drive between Hall Street and Lake Drive, and that this Commission deems and declares that all real estate within said proposed district will be benefited by said improvement; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Director of Public Service prepare an estimate of the cost thereof, together with specifications, plats and diagrams of the work and of the locality to be improved, and a plat of the lots contained in said special assessment district.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Stoppels, Hutchinson, Collins - 6
Nays: 0
Com. Swain abstained.

207.

BY COMMISSIONERS EDISON-GREEN:

WHEREAS, the City Commission has declared the improvement consisting of grading, proper base, asphalt wearing surface, combination curb and gutter, concrete drive approaches, concrete sidewalks, local storm drain, and other necessary appurtenances and underground work on

WOODCLIFF DRIVE from Hall Street to Lake Drive

is a necessary public improvement; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the City Commission does estimate the cost of such improvement at the sum of \$25,408.00; and directs that the specifications, plats, diagrams and estimate of the cost be filed in the office of the City Clerk for public examination; and

RESOLVED, that Monday, March 22, 1971 at 7:30 p.m. be the fixed time and the Commission Room in East Grand Rapids, Michigan be the place at which all persons interested, or who are liable to be assessed therefor, may appear before the City Commission and be heard in regard to such improvement; and

RESOLVED, that the City Clerk be and is hereby instructed to give proper notice by publication in the Grand Rapids Press for the contemplated improvement, the district to be assessed and of the filing of estimates, specifications and diagrams thereof with the Clerk for public examination, and of the time and place the Commission will meet to hear and consider any objections thereto; and further, that notice of hearing on this contemplated improvement be mailed each property owner in the special assessment district as shown by the last assessment roll of the City, these notices to be mailed at least 10 days prior to the hearing.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Stoppels, Hutchinson, Collins - 6
Nays: 0
Com. Swain abstained.

208. Mr. J. Brock Albert requested that Asbury and Whitfield be improved and also requested that Woodlawn be improved. Mr. McMann informed Mr. Albert of the status of the negotiations for obtaining the necessary right of way for sewer and water through the City of Grand Rapids. At present the Grand Rapids Engineer advises that his office has tentatively determined the proper route for the right of way and when the route has been finally determined Mr. McMann will contact the property owners again for easements.

Mr. Albert was advised that the reason Woodlawn was not included in the 1971 improvements was that only 2/5 of the street lies in East Grand Rapids and, therefore, it would not be feasible to improve Woodlawn without the cooperation of the City of Grand Rapids.

209. The resurfacing of Lake Drive and the reconstruction of the Lakeside bridge were discussed. The City Manager advised the total cost of these improvements would be \$94,427.00 of which the majority of this amount will be paid from the major street fund and the balance from the city at large.

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210. The City Manager reported on bids which were received for the installation of the ceiling and electrical work in the lower level of the library building. He recommended that the ceiling contract be awarded to R. J. Damstra Associates, Inc., which was the low bidder, in the amount of \$3,795.00; and the electrical contract be awarded to Strain Electric Company, which was the low bidder, in the amount of \$4,033.00.

210-A. Hutchinson-VanAllsburg. That the low bids be accepted and the contracts awarded to R. J. Damstra Associates, Inc., and Strain Electric Company.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Stoppels, Swain, Hutchinson, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

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

212. The City Manager notified the City Commission of a meeting of the Association of the Area Governments to be held on March 17 at 7:30 p.m. in the Wyoming City Hall. On the agenda will be the Grand River Watershed Council and the County taking over 44th Street. He requested that all commissioners who can make it be present at this meeting.

213. Commissioner Stoppels expressed his concern relative to what he believes to be a public misunderstanding of the Community Renewal Program and emphasized the fact that the East Grand Rapids Community Renewal Program was not the sole work of John Paul Jones but was considered and formulated by the Planning Commission with Mr. Jones serving only as a consultant.

214. Commissioner VanAllsburg asked for a report on the study relative to a stop light at the San Jose - Lake Drive intersection. The City Manager reported that a study had been made, that the volume of traffic at that intersection does not warrant a traffic light, and that a further study is being made to how it may be possible to reduce the visual obstruction at this intersection.

215. Commissioner Edison reported that he had received offers from six citizens to help serve in the planning functions of the city. Mayor Collins informed him that a joint meeting with the Planning Commission will be planned in the near future and that an advisory committee will be appointed.

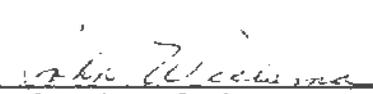
216. Edison-VanAllsburg. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$892,209.38, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$19,199.51, as approved by the Ways & Means Committee be allowed and the Controller draw an order on the Treasurer for their respective amounts.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Stoppels, Swain, Hutchinson, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

217. Commissioner Green informed those present that the next meeting of the Planning Commission will be held at 4:00 p.m. on March 16, 1971 in the Conference Room and invited anyone who wished to attend to come to this meeting. They hope to complete the writing of the Zoning Ordinance at that time.

218. Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m., subject to the call of the Mayor, until March 22, 1971 at 7:30 p.m.

219. There were 11 citizens in attendance at this meeting.



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

Regular Meeting Held March 22, 1971

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Collins.

Present: Coms. VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Stoppels, Swain, Hutchinson, and Mayor Collins.

Absent: None

220. The minutes of the meeting held March 8, 1971 were approved as written.

221. Pursuant to published notice a hearing was then held on the proposed improvement of Rosewood Alley from Rosewood to the south line of Lot 79 Wurzburg's Addition extended east. Mr. John Zellar of 420 Rosewood stated that he did not receive a notice relative to this improvement. Mr. F. Roland Allaben of 1662 Wealthy St., S.E. explained that the intent of the original petition which was circulated sometime ago among the residents bordering Rosewood alley was that the city would pay the cost of this improvement. There were several who objected to this improvement if assessed to the property owners.

221-A. Mayor Collins-Hutchinson. That the full improvement of the Rosewood alley not be accomplished at this time but that the Engineering Department be instructed to study the possibility of improving the alley with something less than the requirement of the fully improved street and make a recommendation to the City Commission on this basis.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Stoppels, Swain, Hutchinson, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

222. Pursuant to published notice a hearing was then held on the proposed improvement of Woodcliff Drive from Hall Street to Lake Drive. Mr. R. Lyle Monique of 1301 Woodcliff Drive, was concerned about the trees hoping they would remain. He also questioned the size of the driveway approaches and asked that his approach be made wider. He was informed that the City Engineer will contact the residents on this improvement to work out something that would be agreeable to the residents.

222-A. Hutchinson-Stoppels. That the City Manager be authorized to advertise for bids on this improvement.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Stoppels, Swain, Hutchinson, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

223. Pursuant to published notice, the hearing was then held on the proposed improvement of Conlon Drive from Berwyck Road to Norfolk Road. A letter was received from J. Brock Albert requesting that the Commission consider amending the plan for this improvement so as to place a cul de sac at the South end of that part of Conlon Drive included in the proposed improvement just North of its intersection with Norfolk Road. No one appeared in opposition to the proposed improvement.

223-A. Hutchinson-VanAllsburg. WHEREAS the improvement of Conlon Drive from Berwyck Road to Norfolk Road has been declared a necessary public improvement by resolution adopted March 8, 1971; and whereas a public hearing thereon was properly noticed and held on March 22, 1971, and no one appeared in opposition to the proposed improvement; and whereas a request has been received that the Commission consider changing the plan of the improvement so as to place a cul de sac at the South end of that part of Conlon Drive included in the proposed improvement just North of its intersection with Norfolk Road;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. That the City Engineer be authorized to advertise for bids on this improvement in accordance with the plans as originally prepared.

2. That the Director of Public Service prepare amendments to the plans, diagrams and estimates of cost of said improvement showing the aforesaid cul de sac as an alternate, and that said plans, diagrams and estimates of cost be filed in the office of the City Clerk for public examination and that notice be given to all persons owning property abutting the proposed improvement as shown by the city tax rolls that said amendments to the plans, diagrams and estimates of cost are on file in the office of the City Clerk for public examination and that on Monday, April 12, 1971, at 7:30 p.m. an adjourned hearing will be held in the Commission Room in the City Hall in East Grand Rapids, Michigan, at which all persons interested or who are liable to be assessed therefor may appear before the City Commission and be heard in regard to such improvement and in regard to the proposed amendment to the plans, diagrams and estimates of cost.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Stoppels, Swain, Hutchinson, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

224. Pursuant to published notice a hearing was then held on the proposed watermain in Conlon Drive from Berwyck Road to Norfolk Road. There were no objections to this improvement.

224-A. Hutchinson-VanAllsburg. That the City Manager be authorized to advertise for bids on this improvement.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Stoppels, Swain, Hutchinson, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

225. Pursuant to published notice a hearing was then held on the proposed sanitary sewer in Conlon Drive from Berwyck Road to Norfolk Road. There were no objections to this improvement.

225-A. Hutchinson-VanAllsburg. That the City Manager be authorized to advertise for bids on this improvement.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Stoppels, Swain, Hutchinson, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

226. Pursuant to public notice a hearing was then held upon the request of Mr. R. H. Winkels for permission to construct an addition to the rear of his home located at 918 Orchard Street, S.E. to be constructed within 4 feet of his detached garage. Mr. Winkels was present to explain his plans. There were no objections from the residents living within that area.

226-A. Stoppels-VanAllsburg. That the Commission, acting as the Board of Zoning Appeals, grant this variance subject to the condition that the garage be properly fire-proofed as required for attached garages.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Stoppels, Swain, Hutchinson, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

227. Notification was received from the Michigan Municipal League stating that an annual regional meeting for all municipal officials from Region V will be held on Thursday, April 22, 1971 in the City of Greenville. They urged all to attend this meeting. This letter was received and filed.

228. Mrs. Gordon Carr presented the Commission with a letter and petition requesting improved traffic control on Breton Road. The petition was received and filed and the Mayor stated that this matter would be discussed at a future meeting. Mrs. Carr requested that those who signed the petition be notified of the future meeting. Mr. Carter Bacon was also present and expressed his concern about the traffic problems of East Grand Rapids.

229. The City Manager reported on the request from the Kent County library that the city's share of the 1971 Support Formula payment of \$10,832.62 be approved. There was discussion relative to this request and the matter was deferred until a future meeting.

230. The City Manager reported on the elm tree spraying bid which was received from Bichler & Sons in the amount of \$4.50 per tree. There was discussion as to the results from spraying the elm trees.

230-A. Edison-Swain. That we hold the award of the spraying contract until we have an objective recommendation justifying expenditure and that the City Manager write Mr. Lovitt of the Department of Agriculture requesting an opinion relative to the value of spraying elm trees.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Stoppels, Swain, Hutchinson, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

231. Inasmuch as the week of April 5 is spring vacation for the East Grand Rapids school system it was recommended that our regular meeting be changed from this date to the following week, April 12, and that the second meeting in April be held April 26. This change was so ordered.

232. Mayor Collins-Swain. That Mr. J. Robert Green be re-appointed to the GRETS Policy Committee.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Stoppels, Swain, Hutchinson, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

233. Edison-VanAllsburg. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$742,237.17, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$19,933.48, as approved by the Ways & Means Committee, be allowed and the Controller draw an order on the Treasurer for their respective amounts.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Stoppels, Swain, Hutchinson, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

234. Hutchinson-Mayor Collins. Resolved, that the East Grand Rapids Commission commend the Governor for his forthright and courageous action in proposing to the Legislature that the Michigan drug offense laws, and particularly the penalties for use and possession of marijuana, be revised and modernized, and

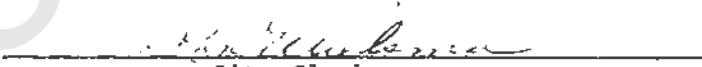
Be It Further Resolved, that this Commission urges that the Legislature carefully consider the Governor's proposals, and that the Legislature take action to revise and modernize the drug offense laws, and

Be It Further Resolved, that copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Governor and to the members of the Legislature from this area.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Stoppels, Hutchinson, Collins - 6
Nays: 0
Com. Swain abstained.

235. The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m., subject to the call of the Mayor, until April 12, 1971 at 7:30 p.m.

236. There were 44 citizens in attendance at this meeting.



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

Regular Meeting Held April 12, 1971

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Collins.

Present: Coms. VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Stoppels, Swain, Hutchinson,
and Mayor Collins.

Absent: None

237. The minutes of the meeting held March 22, 1971 were approved as written.

238. Pursuant to published notice, a hearing was then held on the proposed improvement of Conlon from Berwyck to Norfolk as revised to include a cul se sac. Letters were received from Mr. J. Brock Albert and Mrs. Walter P. Rymsza requesting that the payment of this improvement be made in 10 annual installments. There was no one present objecting to this improvement.

238-A. Mayor Collins-Green. That this improvement be declared to be a public necessity and that the City Manager be authorized to advertise for bids on this improvement, to include the cul de sac as shown in the revised plans.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Stoppels, Swain, Hutchinson, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

238-B. The Mayor advised Mr. Albert that it will be necessary for the developers to pay their share of the improvement cost in advance pursuant to long established city policy.

239. Hutchinson-Stoppels. That the plat of Wege Estates be given final approval.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Stoppels, Swain, Hutchinson, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

240. The Traffic Commission report recommending the removal of two trees at the intersection of San Jose and Lake Drive to improve the sight distance at this intersection was read. Mr. Kindel expressed concern relative to the dangerous condition at this intersection and supported the recommendation for the removal of these two trees. Mrs. Carr, Mrs. Swain, and Mrs. Meadowcroft expressed concern about removing the trees fearing that this would set a precedent for future problem intersections.

240-A. Hutchinson-VanAllsburg. That the City Manager be authorized to carry out the recommendation of the Traffic Commission by having the two trees on Lake Drive at San Jose removed.

Commissioner Swain expressed his concern about a similar condition existing at the Rosewood and Wealthy intersection and stated that when cars are parked near this intersection the condition is even worse.

The motion was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Stoppels, Hutchinson, Collins - 6
Nays: Swain - 1

241. Mayor Collins called attention to the fact that since 1962 3200 new trees have been planted in East Grand Rapids by the City.

242. The City Manager reported on bids for the purchase of one 3/4 ton pickup and one two-ton truck with dump body. He recommended that the low bids of International Harvester of \$4,900.00 for the two-ton truck, and \$2,543.00 for the 3/4 ton pickup be accepted.

242-A. Stoppels-Edison. That the recommendation of the City Manager be concurred in and that the trucks be purchased from International Harvester and that the City Manager be authorized to issue a purchase order for these trucks.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Stoppels, Swain, Hutchinson, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

243. The petition which was received at the last commission meeting from residents on Breton Road relative to the traffic problems on Breton Road was discussed. Several persons commented on this problem and expressed their concern. At the request of Commissioner Swain this matter was referred to the Traffic Commission for their study and recommendations.

244. The City Manager reported on bids which were received for the television inspection of the sanitary sewers and recommended the low bid of Sewer Specialists, Inc. in the amount of \$1,960.80 be accepted and that the cost be billed to Grand Rapids Township.

244-A. Hutchinson-Green. That the recommendation of the City Manager be concurred in and that the contract be let to Sewer Specialists, Inc. in the amount of \$1,960.80.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Stoppels, Swain, Hutchinson, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

245. A communication from the Board of Review relative to the valuation which was set for the 1971 tax roll was received and filed.

246. Reports for the month of March from the Fire Department, Police Department, and City Assessor were received and filed.

247. The City Manager reported on a communication he received from Assistant Director, Plant Industry Division, Department of Agriculture relative to the effect of spraying of elm trees. It was the recommendation of the City Manager that the large elm trees located on our main streets be sprayed.

247-A. Mayor Collins-Hutchinson. That the City spray all the elm trees located on City property this year.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Green, Stoppels, Swain, Hutchinson, Collins - 6
Nays: Edison - 1

248. The City Manager recommended that the Rosewood alley improvement be dropped from the 1971 improvement program and that the Service Department grade and repair this alley on a maintenance basis. Commissioners Stoppels and Hutchinson expressed interest that residents clearly understand the difference between maintenance and assessable improvements and that the performance of this maintenance work does not obligate the City for future improvements. The City Manager was directed to send a letter to property owners explaining the project.

249. Commissioner Swain expressed his opinion that the City should immediately embark upon a program of strict code enforcement in order to upgrade housing standards.

249-A. Swain-Hutchinson. That the City Manager be directed to proceed with a more vigorous program of housing code enforcement.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Green, Edison, Stoppels, Swain, Hutchinson, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

250. Commissioner Green reported that there would be a meeting of the Planning Commission at 4:00 p.m., April 13, 1971, in the City Commission room and that all interested citizens are invited to attend.

251. Edison-VanAllsburg. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$243,177.00, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$19,733.08, as approved by the Ways & Means

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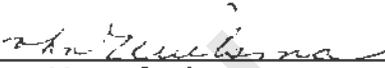
Committee be allowed and the Controller draw an order on the Treasurer for their respective amounts.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Green, Edison, Stoppels, Swain, Hutchinson, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

252. Commissioner VanAllsburg reported that she had attended a meeting regarding Kentfield Project and was impressed with the dedication of the people involved in this project. She also stated that a home has been purchased on Lyon Street for the purpose of establishing a "half-way house" for juveniles.

253. The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m., subject to the call of the Mayor, until April 26, 1971 at 7:30 p.m.

254. There were 16 citizens in attendance at this meeting.



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

Regular Meeting Held April 26, 1971

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Collins.

Present: Coms. VanAllsburg, Swain, Stoppels, Hutchinson, and Mayor Collins.
Absent: Coms. Edison and Green.

255. Mayor Collins noted that this would be the last public meeting at which Commissioner Hutchinson would be serving as City Commissioner, and asked that as Commission President Mr. Hutchinson chair this meeting. Commissioner Hutchinson then presided at the meeting.

256. The minutes of the meeting held April 12, 1971 were approved as written.

257. This being the time and place set for opening bids for the purchase of \$150,000 Civic Center Revenue Bonds, Series II, of the City of East Grand Rapids Building Authority, the following bids were received:

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Maturity</u>	<u>Interest Rate</u>	<u>Premium</u>
Old Kent Bank	11/1/72 - 11/7/75	3.50%	None
	11/1/76 - 11/1/78	4.00%	
	11/1/79 - 11/1/80	4.25%	
	11/1/81 - 11/1/83	4.75%	
	11/1/84 - 11/1/85	5.00%	
	11/1/86 - 11/1/90	5.25%	
	11/1/91	5.00%	
Kenower, MacArthur & Co.	11/1/72 - 11/1/84	6.00%	None
	11/1/85	6.10%	
	11/1/86	6.20%	
	11/1/87	6.30%	
	11/1/88 - 11/1/89	6.40%	
	11/1/90 - 11/1/91	6.50%	
Bay Port State Bank	11/1/72 - 11/1/73	7%	None
	11/1/74 - 11/1/82	6%	
	11/1/83 - 11/1/86	5%	
	11/1/87 - 11/1/88	5 3/4%	
	11/1/89 - 11/1/91	6%	

257-A. Mayor Collins-VanAllsburg. That the Commission of the Building Authority be requested to accept the bid of Old Kent Bank & Trust Company.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Swain, Stoppels, Hutchinson, Collins - 5
Nays: 0

258. The following preamble and resolution were offered by Mayor Collins and supported by Commissioner Stoppels:

WHEREAS, April 26, 1971, at 7:30 o'clock p.m., Eastern Standard Time, has been set as the date and time for opening bids for the purchase of \$55,000.00 - 1970 Special Assessment Bonds, Series II, of the City of East Grand Rapids, County of Kent, Michigan;

AND WHEREAS, said bids have been publicly opened and read;

AND WHEREAS, the following bids have been received:

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Maturity</u>	<u>Interest Rate</u>	<u>Premium</u>
Old Kent Bank	8/1/71 - 8/1/79	3.75%	None
Kenower, MacArthur & Co.	8/1/71 - 8/1/78	4.75%	5.50
	8/1/79	5.00%	
Bay Port State Bank	8/1/71 - 8/1/73	7.00%	None
	8/1/74	6.00%	
	8/1/75 - 8/1/76	5.00%	
	8/1/77	5.25%	
	8/1/78 - 8/1/79	4.90%	

AND WHEREAS, the bid of Old Kent Bank has been determined to produce the lowest interest cost to the City;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The bid of Old Kent Bank, as above stated, be and the same is hereby accepted.

2. Checks of unsuccessful bidders be returned to each bidder's representative or by registered mail.

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

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Swain, Stoppels, Hutchinson, Collins - 5
Nays: 0

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

259. The City Manager reported on bids received on the 1971 street improvement projects. The bids were as follows:

Improvement of Woodcliff - Hall to Lake Drive

Smith Bros. Excavating Co.	\$ 35,774.50
Dykema Excavators, Inc.	36,275.40

Improvement of Conlon - Berwyck to Norfolk

Smith Bros. Excavating Co.	12,943.65
Dykema Excavators, Inc.	13,346.55

Watermain on Conlon - Berwyck to Norfolk

Smith Bros. Excavating Co.	4,340.00
Dykema Excavators, Inc.	4,528.50

Sanitary Sewer on Conlon - Berwyck to Norfolk

Smith Bros. Excavating Co.	8,295.00
Dykema Excavators, Inc.	9,944.00

The City Manager recommended that the low bids of Smith Bros. Excavating Company be accepted for all projects.

259-A. Mayor Collins-Stoppels. That the Commission accept the lowest and best bids of Smith Bros. Excavating Company for the above listed improvement projects.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Swain, Stoppels, Hutchinson, Collins - 5
Nays: 0

260. A request was received from Albert Builders, Inc. to vacate Conlon Drive as per cul de sac plan previously submitted.

260-A.

BY COMMISSIONERS STOPPELS-SWAIN:

RESOLVED, by this Commission that it deems it advisable to vacate, abolish and discontinue all that part of Conlon Drive in the City of East Grand Rapids, Kent County, Michigan lying south of a line between a point on the west line of Conlon Drive 44 feet N. of the S.E. corner Lot 98 Paris Road Uplands Sec. 3 - T. 6 N., R. 11 W. to a point on the east line of Conlon Drive 80 feet north of the S.W. corner of Lot 96 Albert Realtors Hampshire Replat, Sec. 3, T. 6 N., R. 11 W. City of East Grand Rapids, Kent County, Michigan and reserving full width of street for public utilities, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Commission meet on the 24th day of May, 1971, 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 Conlon Drive described as aforesaid should not be vacated, abolished and discontinued; and further,

IT IS ORDERED that the City Clerk give notice of the time and place when and where the Commission of said City, will meet to hear and consider objections to the vacating, abolishing and discontinuing of said portion of Conlon Drive above described by any persons interested therein and desiring to be heard by publishing notice thereof 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: VanAllsburg, Swain, Stoppels, Hutchinson, Collins - 5
Nays: 0

261. The report of the City Attorney that the Circuit Court has upheld the grant of variance relative to the Burleson Hospital property was read.

Mayor Collins recommended that consideration thereof be referred to the Committee-of-the-Whole.

262. The Mayor commented on a letter which was received from the American Legion requesting the City Commissioners to join in a request for the release of Viet Nam prisoners, and he encouraged those commissioners who were interested in endorsing the letter to sign it after the meeting.

263. The City Manager recommended that the Commission approve the 1971 Library Support Formula in the amount of \$10,832.62.

263-A. Mayor Collins-VanAllsburg. That the proposed 1971 Library Support Formula be approved.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Swain, Stoppels, Hutchinson, Collins - 5
Nays: 0

264. The City Manager requested authorization to install modifications to the Municipal Complex air conditioning system at an estimated cost of \$7,150.00 as submitted by the Air Conditioning Maintenance Company.

264-A. Stoppels-VanAllsburg. That the City Manager be authorized to proceed with the modifications to the air conditioning system as recommended.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Swain, Stoppels, Hutchinson, Collins - 5
Nays: 0

265. The City Manager requested authorization to transmit East Grand Rapids' share of the ACT support in accordance with the AGRAG formula in the amount of \$975.00.

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265-A. Mayor Collins-Swain. That the City Manager be authorized to pay \$975.00 to ACT for the City's share of the support formula.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Swain, Stoppels, Hutchinson, Collins - 5
Nays: 0

266. A letter was received from Breton Village Shopping Center, Inc. requesting that they be permitted to pay their share of the Conlon Improvement on a 10 annual installment plan.

266-A. Mayor Collins-Stoppels. That the request of Breton Village Shopping Center, Inc. be denied.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Swain, Stoppels, Hutchinson, Collins - 5
Nays: 0

267. Mayor Collins stated his appreciation and high regard for the service of Commissioner Hutchinson as a member for eight years on the East Grand Rapids City Commission and acknowledged the valuable contribution of Commissioner Hutchinson to the work of the City Commission. He requested Commissioner Hutchinson to be present at the next Commission meeting for award ceremonies.

Commissioner Hutchinson thanked the Mayor for his kind comments and accepted the invitation to be present at the next Commission meeting.

268. Commissioner VanAllsburg commented briefly on the Manager's recent letter to citizens concerning the use of plastic bags for yard rakings.

269. Commissioner Swain asked the Manager to explain over-expenditures in the Mains & Hydrants maintenance account in the Water Fund. The Manager then discussed this account.

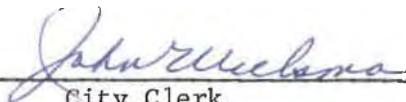
270. Commissioner Stoppels asked the cooperation of the news media in informing citizens of the harmful effects on the environment and especially on Reeds Lake of chemical fertilizers. He also asked the Manager to report on progress on the completion of the pistol range and the Community-Teen Center.

271. VanAllsburg-Mayor Collins. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$23,325.98, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$18,755.96, as approved by the Ways & Means Committee be allowed and the Controller draw an order on the Treasurer for their respective amounts.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Swain, Stoppels, Hutchinson, Collins - 5
Nays: 0

272. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m., subject to the call of the Mayor, until May 10, 1971 at 7:30 p.m.

273. There were 5 citizens in attendance at this meeting.



City Clerk

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

Regular Meeting Held May 10, 1971

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Collins.

274. Mayor Collins presented retiring Commissioner Hutchinson with a key to the city and a civic service award plaque and thanked him for the many years of faithful service he has rendered to our community.

275. The City Clerk at this time swore in Commissioner Eleveld.

Present: Coms. VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, and
Mayor Collins.

Absent: None

276. The minutes of the meeting held April 26, 1971 were approved as written.

277. Pursuant to published notice a hearing was held on the assessment roll for the improvement of Woodcliff Drive from Hall Street to Lake Drive. There were no objections presented.

277-A. Edison-Swain. That the bid of Smith Bros. Excavating Company, being the lowest and best bid submitted, be accepted and contract awarded according to the terms submitted.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

277-B.

BY COMMISSIONERS EDISON-SWAIN:

WHEREAS, the City Commission and Board of Assessors, after due notice met to hear objections to and appeals from the assessment roll to defray the cost of improvement consisting of widening, with proper base, asphalt concrete wearing surface, combination curb and gutter, concrete drive approaches, concrete sidewalk approaches and other necessary appurtenances and underground work on

WOODCLIFF DRIVE from Hall Street to Lake Drive

and due consideration being given to objections presented; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the said special assessment roll, known as the Woodcliff Drive Asphalt Paving District No. 1 Special Assessment Roll, in amount of \$39,026.87 (including \$14,674.65 to be paid from the general fund of the City), be and the same is hereby ratified and confirmed, and the assessments shall be collected directly therefrom; that the City Clerk be and is hereby directed to deliver a certified copy of said special assessment roll to the City Treasurer, and to attach his warrant commanding the said Treasurer to collect from each person whose name appears on said roll the amount set opposite his or her name therein, and to collect the first installment during the current year and one installment annually thereafter until the whole is collected, with interest on all deferred installments at the rate of six per cent (6%) per annum, and deposit all sums so collected to the credit of the Woodcliff Drive Asphalt Paving District No. 1 Fund as soon as collected, and that said Treasurer make return of the paid and unpaid assessments upon each of said installments on such roll to the City Clerk, together with his doings therein, within sixty (60) days after each installment is due and payable and that he make return of said roll and of said warrant and of his doings thereon to the City Clerk within sixty (60) days after the last of said installments is due and payable.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

278. Letters were received from Mr. Lee Albert and Mr. A. S. Leavitt protesting single installment payment for utilities and improvement of Conlon. These letters were received and filed.

279. The Attorney's fee in connection with the Burlison variance case in circuit court was discussed.

279-A. Mayor Collins-Green. That the fee in the amount of \$3,596.25 be paid.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

280. A communication was received from the City of Grand Rapids relative to their having amended the ordinance code of their city to regulate the sale of phosphate compounds and detergents in the City of Grand Rapids. This ordinance was discussed and the City Manager was directed to make an investigation in this regard and report back to the Commission.

281. The City Manager reported to the Commission with regard to his recommendations as to a new agreement with employees on working conditions and terms of employment. He recommended that a 5% increase for all employees be approved, effective July 5, 1971.

281-A. Mayor Collins-Stoppels. That this Commission approve the Employee Agreement as submitted subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form and that the Agreement include a 5% increase.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

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282. Reports for the month^AApril were received from the Fire Department, Police Department, and the City Assessor. They were discussed and filed.

283. Commissioner Stoppels commented that he had received a call from a citizen regarding composting of leaves and that he was referred to an article in the New York Times which discussed the experience of Scarsdale, New York. The City Manager stated that he was aware of Scarsdale, New York's system of composting leaves and that it is a costly operation. The Manager will submit information to the citizens of East Grand Rapids with regard to how to compost their own leaves on an individual basis.

284. Mayor Collins stated that he was unable to participate in the Mayor Exchange Day this year because of a schedule conflict on that day.

285. Commissioner Eleveld requested that the school be contacted relative to putting up the canvas back drops on the tennis courts at Junior High. The City Manager was directed to contact the school.

286. Edison-VanAllsburg. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$255,451.75, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$24,503.19, as approved by the Ways & Means Committee be allowed and the Controller draw an order on the Treasurer for their respective amounts.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

287. Commissioner Edison commented on the roughness of the baseball diamonds which are located on school property and was concerned that there was a safety problem involved. The City Manager was directed to contact the Recreation Department relative to this problem.

288. The City Manager reported that he had received a proposal from Ernst & Ernst for doing the annual audit and recommended that they be employed to perform annual audit of all funds for the fiscal year July 1, 1970 to June 30, 1971 for a fee of \$4,750.00.

288-A. Stoppels-Swain. That the recommendation of the City Manager be concurred in.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

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289. The City Manager reported that the East Grand Rapids High School has been conducting an archery class and that it was brought to his attention that under the ordinance a permit is required for this activity. The City Attorney recommended that the following ordinance amendment be adopted to exclude the requirement for a permit when it involved Board of Education supervised programs.

289-A. The following ordinance was introduced by Mayor Collins and supported by Commissioner Edison:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 9.62(4)
OF CHAPTER 90 OF TITLE IX OF THE CODE
OF THE CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS

The City of East Grand Rapids ordains:

Section 1. That Section 9.62(4) of the City Code be amended to read as follows:

"9.62 Acts Prohibited. No person shall: * * *
(4) Discharge any firearm, air rifle, air pistol or bow and arrow in the City, except when lawfully acting in the defense of persons or property or the enforcement of law or at a duly established range, the operation of which has been approved by the Commission; Provided that this section shall not apply to archery classes conducted under the supervision of the East Grand Rapids Board of Education as part of the school curriculum."

Section 2. That this ordinance amendment be given immediate effect this 10th day of May, 1971, as an emergency ordinance.

Section 3. That this ordinance amendment be published within 10 days in a paper of general circulation within the City of East Grand Rapids.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

290. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m., subject to the call of the Mayor, until May 24, 1971, at 7:30 p.m.

291. There were 5 citizens in attendance at this meeting.



City Clerk

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

Regular Meeting Held May 24, 1971

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Collins.

Present: Coms. Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, and Mayor Collins.
Absent: Com. VanAllsburg.

292. The minutes of the meeting held May 10, 1971 were approved as written.

293. Pursuant to published notice the Mayor announced that this was the time and place set for a hearing on the vacation of Conlon Drive from Norfolk to approximately 100 feet north and asked for comments from anyone interested in the proposed vacation. A letter from Mr. J. Brock Albert requesting postponement of this vacation and improvement until next year was received and filed.

Mr. Dale Visser as representative of the Breton Village Corp. also requested a postponement but said that they might well be back sooner than a year to request the improvement of this street. Other representatives of the Breton Village Corp. present were Messrs. Donald VandenBrink and Norris Brookens.

The City Manager inquired of Mr. J. Brock Albert, who was also present, whether he objected to the vacation of Conlon. Mr. Albert replied that he did object at this time. It was pointed out that the Commission has before it bids on construction of the improvement of Conlon as well as an assessment roll and that to delay the project a year would render the work to date unuseable.

293-A. Mayor Collins-Edison. That because of the uncertainty as to whether the Conlon improvement will be completed this year the hearing on the vacation of Conlon Drive from Norfolk to approximately 100 feet north be adjourned to June 7, 1971.

Yeas: Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 6
Nays: 0

294. Pursuant to published notice a hearing was held on the assessment roll of Conlon Street improvement.

294-A. Mayor Collins-Edison. That this hearing be adjourned to June 7, 1971.

Yeas: Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 6
Nays: 0

295. Pursuant to published notice a hearing on the assessment roll of Conlon Watermain was held.

295-A. Mayor Collins-Edison. That this hearing be adjourned to June 7, 1971.

Yeas: Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 6
Nays: 0

296. Pursuant to published notice a hearing was held on the assessment roll of Conlon Sanitary Sewer.

296-A. Mayor Collins-Edison. That this hearing be adjourned to June 7, 1971.

Yeas: Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 6
Nays: 0

297. A resolution from the East Grand Rapids High School P.T.S.A. Board regarding usage of the lower level of the library building by high school students was discussed.

297-A. Edison-Stoppels. That this matter be placed on the agenda for June 7, 1971 and that the City Manager be directed to so advise Mrs. Miller, Recording Secretary, High School P.T.S.A.

Yeas: Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 6
Nays: 0

298. The following resolution was moved by Commissioner Stoppels and supported by Commissioner Green:

That the request from Remes Drug Stores, Inc. for transfer stock interest in a 1971 SDD-SDM licensed business by transferring 2,500 shares of stock from Ely Remes, existing Stockholder, to Norton Remes, a new Stockholder, located at 2130-32-2136 Wealthy Street, S.E., East Grand Rapids, Michigan, be considered for approval.

It is the consensus of this legislative body that the application be recommended for issuance.

Yeas: Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 6
Nays: 0

299. A request was received from Mr. Douglas Hillman to construct a ten foot fence surrounding a proposed tennis court on his property located at 251 Plymouth Road, S.E. infringing upon the required side yard (north) to the extent of 12'. Mr. Hillman was present to discuss his plan. His neighbor to the west was present and stated that he had no objection.

299-A. Eleveld-Stoppels. That the request of Mr. Douglas Hillman be granted.

Yeas: Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 6
Nays: 0

300. The minutes of the Traffic Commission meeting held May 17, 1971 were received and filed.

301. Financial reports of the General Fund and Water Fund for the month of April were received and filed.

302. The City Clerk reported that he had received a request from Mr. Thomas Winquist, representing stated clients, to rezone the area located on Reeds Lake Blvd. and Lakeside Drive from A-1, A-2, and A-3 to B-1.

302-A. Mayor Collins-Stoppels. That the request of Mr. Winquist be received and referred to the Committee-of-the-Whole and that this be discussed at the next Committee-of-the-Whole meeting.

Yeas: Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 6
Nays: 0

303. The City Manager reported that he had contacted Mr. Peter Wege and Mrs. Shirley Meadowcroft relative to the proposed ordinance regulating phosphates in detergents and that he has received a substantial amount of information and will make a report at a future meeting.

304. The City Manager reported that the Michigan Municipal League will hold its annual conferences on Mackinaw Island on September 2 - 4 incl. and asked that the Mayor and Commissioners inform him as to whether they are planning to attend before the end of this week so that he can make reservations for them.

305. Edison-Green. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$107,782.67, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$19,363.44, as approved by the Ways & Means Committee be allowed and the Controller draw an order on the Treasurer for their respective amounts.

Yeas: Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 6
Nays: 0

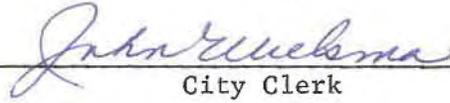
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306. Commissioner Edison questioned the value of spraying elm trees at a cost of \$2,322.00 as opposed to using the same amount to plant new trees.

307. Commissioner Stoppels commented that the removal of the two trees at the intersection of San Jose Drive has certainly been an improvement and mentioned that the one oak tree remaining to the east of San Jose on Lake Drive is in very poor condition and suggested that it be removed.

308. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m., subject to the call of the Mayor, until June 7, 1971 at 7:30 p.m.

309. There were 12 citizens in attendance at this meeting.


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

Regular Meeting Held June 7, 1971

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Collins.

Present: Coms. VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, and
Mayor Collins.

Absent: None

310. The minutes of the meeting held May 24, 1971 were approved as written.

311. The Manager presented to the Commission a proposed agreement between East Grand Rapids and the City of Grand Rapids relative to the improvement of Lake Drive between the City limits and the East Beltline Avenue by Grand Rapids and the installation of improvements from the City limits to a point approximately 950 feet west of the City limits by the City of East Grand Rapids.

Following a discussion of this matter, it was moved by Commissioner Stoppels, supported by Commissioner Swain, that the agreement be approved and that the Mayor be authorized to execute the agreement on behalf of the City.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

312. The hearing relative to the vacation of Conlon Drive from Norfolk Road to approximately 100 ft. north which was adjourned from the prior meeting to this date was taken up at this time.

Representatives from Breton Village stated that they had no objections. Mr. J. Brock Albert and Mr. Alfred Leavitt were present and discussed the matter and following discussion they voiced no objection to the vacation.

312-A.

BY COMMISSIONERS STOPPELS-SWAIN:

WHEREAS, a majority of the owners of land and premises abutting on that portion of Conlon Drive lying between Norfolk Road to approximately 100 ft. north, located in the City of East Grand Rapids, Michigan, have petitioned for the vacation of the above described portion of said street; and

WHEREAS, this Commission did at a regular meeting of said Commission held in said City on the 26th day of April, 1971, declare by resolution that it deemed it advisable to vacate said portion of Conlon Drive as hereinbefore described, and that it deemed such vacating of said portion of Conlon Drive necessary for the public convenience and a necessary public improvement, and designated Monday, June 7, 1971 as the time and the Commission Room in said City as the place when and where the Commission will meet to hear and consider objections to vacating said portion of Conlon Drive above described, 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 said portion of Conlon Drive 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 that portion of Conlon Drive lying between Norfolk Road and approximately 100 ft. north, located in the City of East Grand Rapids, Michigan, be vacated, closed, discontinued and abolished; and that in the opinion of this Commission the vacating, closing, discontinuing and abolishing of said portion of Conlon Drive above described is a necessary public convenience and a necessary public improvement; the City, however, reserving right-of-way to full width of said portion of street for public utilities, and further reserving easement for a 5-foot pedestrian walk.

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 certificate giving the name of

the Plats or Additions effected by this resolution.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

313.

BY COMMISSIONERS STOPPELS-SWAIN:

WHEREAS, the City Commission and Board of Assessors, after due notice, met to hear objections to and appeals from the assessment roll to defray the cost of improvement, to include a cul de sac, consisting of proper base, asphalt concrete wearing surface on

CONLON DRIVE from Berwyck Road to Norfolk Road

including the necessary curbs, gutters, sidewalks, and underground work, and no objections being presented, now therefore, it is

RESOLVED, that the said special assessment roll, known as the Conlon Drive Asphalt Paving District No. 1 Special Assessment Roll, in amount of \$14,972.60 be and the same is hereby ratified and confirmed, and the assessments shall be collected directly therefrom; that the City Clerk be and is hereby directed to deliver a certified copy of said special assessment roll to the City Treasurer, and to attach his warrant commanding the said Treasurer to collect from each person whose name appears on said roll the amount set opposite his or her name therein, and to collect the first installment on July 1, 1971 and one installment annually thereafter until the whole is collected, with interest on all deferred installments at the rate of six per cent (6%) per annum, and deposit all sums so collected to the credit of the Conlon Drive Asphalt Paving District No. 1 Fund as soon as collected, and that said Treasurer make return of the paid and unpaid assessments upon each of said installments on such roll to the City Clerk, together with his doings therein, within sixty days after each installment is due and payable, and that he make return of said roll and of said warrant and of his doings thereon to the City Clerk within sixty (60) days after the last of said installments is due and payable.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

314.

BY COMMISSIONERS STOPPELS-SWAIN:

WHEREAS, the City Commission and Board of Assessors, after due notice, met to hear objections to and appeals from the assessment roll to defray the expense of installation of watermain in

CONLON DRIVE from Berwyck Road to Norfolk Road

including the necessary services and underground work, and no objections being presented to said assessment roll, therefore be it

RESOLVED that the said special assessment roll in amount of \$8,158.24, be and the same is hereby ratified and confirmed and the assessments shall be collected directly therefrom; that the City Clerk be and he is hereby directed to deliver a certified copy of said roll to the City Treasurer and to attach his warrant commanding the Treasurer to collect from each of the persons assessed in said roll the amount set opposite his or her name therein, with interest on all sums not paid within 20 days after date of confirmation of said assessment roll at the rate of six per cent (6%) per annum and deposit all sums so collected to the credit of the Conlon Drive Water Main District No. 1 Fund as soon as collected, and that said Treasurer make return of said roll and of said warrant and of his doings thereon to the City Clerk within 30 days after date of confirmation of said roll; and be it further

RESOLVED, that when and as said assessment roll has been returned to the City Clerk showing all assessments paid in full, or when and as moneys equal to the total assessments have been deposited with the City Treasurer with authority to use the same in paying the estimated cost of said improvement, that said public improvement be made and the work be done by the City of East Grand Rapids under the direction of

the Public Service Director, in accordance with the detailed estimates, plans and specifications heretofore filed and approved by the City Commission, and that the entire cost thereof be paid out of the Conlon Drive Water Main District No. 1 Fund.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

315.

BY COMMISSIONERS STOPPELS-SWAIN:

WHEREAS, the City Commission and Board of Assessors, after due notice, met to hear objections to and appeals from the assessment roll to defray the expense of construction of sanitary sewer in

CONLON DRIVE from Berwyck Road to Norfolk Road

including the necessary laterals and underground work, and no objections being presented to said assessment roll, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the said special assessment roll in amount of \$9,626.64, be and the same is hereby ratified and confirmed and the assessments shall be collected directly therefrom; that the City Clerk be and he is hereby directed to deliver a certified copy of said roll to the City Treasurer and to attach his warrant commanding the Treasurer to collect from each of the persons assessed in said roll the amount set opposite his or her name therein, with interest on all sums not paid within 20 days after date of confirmation of said assessment roll at the rate of six per cent (6%) per annum, and deposit all sums so collected to the credit of the Conlon Drive Sanitary Sewer District No. 1 Fund as soon as collected, and that said Treasurer make return of said roll and of said warrant and of his doings thereon to the City Clerk within 30 days after date of confirmation of said roll; and be it further

RESOLVED, that when and as said assessment roll has been returned to the City Clerk showing all assessments paid in full, or when and as moneys equal to the total assessments have been deposited with the City Treasurer with authority to use the same in paying the estimated cost of said improvement, that said public improvement be made and the work be done by the City of East Grand Rapids under the direction of the Public Service Director, in accordance with the detailed estimates, plans and specifications heretofore filed and approved by the City Commission, and that the entire cost thereof be paid out of the Conlon Drive Sanitary Sewer No. 1 Fund.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

316. Eleveld-Edison. That the contract for the improvement of Conlon Drive from Berwyck Road to Norfolk Road be awarded to Smith Bros. Excavating Company who was the low bidder on the project and that the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to execute and deliver a contract for this improvement at such time as the following named petitioners have deposited with the City the full amount of their assessments for the project, viz: Albert Builders, Inc., Al Leavitt Co., Breton Village Shopping Center, Inc., Jill A. Cogan, Lee Albert, and Nancy Leavitt.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

317. Green-VanAllsburg. That the Mayor and Commission be authorized to sign the Employee Wage and Fringe Benefit Agreement.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Swain, Green, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

Commissioner Stoppels left at this time because of another engagement.

318. An application was received from the Yacht Club and the City of East Grand Rapids for permission to display fireworks on the 4th of July.

318-A. VanAllsburg-Edison. That permission be granted to Grand Rapids Yacht Club and the City of East Grand Rapids for a fireworks display on the 4th of July.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Swain, Green, Eleveld, Collins - 6
Nays: 0

319. Reports for the month of May were received from the Fire Department, Police Department, and the City Assessor. They were received and filed.

320. The following ordinance was introduced by Commissioner Eleveld and supported by Commissioner Edison:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 8.63 OF CHAPTER 81--SWIMMING POOLS OF TITLE VIII OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS BY ADDING A SUBSECTION NUMBERED 8.63.1 THERETO

The City of East Grand Rapids ordains as follows:

Section 1. Title VIII, Chapter 81, Section 8.63 of the Code of the City of East Grand Rapids is amended by adding thereto the following:

"8.63.1 Requirement for Fencing during Construction.

The application for a permit shall include a statement as to fencing to be maintained during the period of the construction of the pool. If the fence or enclosure required by Section 8.71 is not to be completed prior to the beginning of the excavation for the pool a temporary fence not less than 48 inches in height and equally substantial as standard type snow fencing shall be constructed before any excavation is commenced so as to completely enclose the excavation and to prevent within reason any person from gaining access beneath or through said fence when the excavation or pool under construction is unguarded or unattended. In the event that the yard where the pool is being constructed is completely fenced, with gates, the requirement for such temporary fencing shall be waived provided a written request to waive said requirement signed by the contractor and by the resident of the premises is filed with the Building Inspector at the time the application for permit is made. In the event that any excavation is commenced without the provisions of this section being complied with, the Building Inspector shall be empowered to forthwith order all excavation or other construction to be terminated and to take any other action which is necessary to protect the public interest, including the filling in of any excavation and the cost of all such work shall be a charge against the person holding the permit for the construction of said pool".

"8.63.2 Penalty for Violation. Every person convicted of a violation of this section of the code shall be punished pursuant to Section 1.13 of this code by fine of not more than \$100.00 and costs of prosecution or by imprisonment of not more than 90 days, or by both such fine and imprisonment. Every act of violation and every day upon which any such violation shall continue shall constitute a separate offense.

Section 2. Immediate Effect. This ordinance is determined to be an emergency ordinance necessary for the safety of the public and shall become effective immediately this 7th day of June, 1971.

Section 3. Publication. This ordinance shall be published within ten days after its enactment pursuant to Section 5 of Chapter VIII of the Charter of the City of East Grand Rapids.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Swain, Green, Eleveld, Collins - 6
Nays: 0

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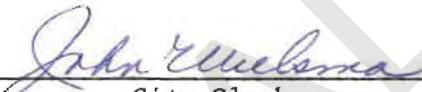
321. Edison-VanAllsburg. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$25,883.78, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$19,866.45, as approved by the Ways & Means Committee be allowed and the Controller draw an order on the Treasurer for their respective amounts.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Swain, Green, Eleveld, Collins - 6
Nays: 0

322. Commissioner VanAllsburg informed the Commission that there will be three band concerts this summer in the Lakeside Park - the first to be held on July 4th at 8:00 p.m., the second July 27th, and the third August 24th.

323. The meeting was adjourned at 8:32 p.m., subject to the call of the Mayor, until June 21, 1971 at 7:30 p.m.

324. There were six citizens in attendance at this meeting.



City Clerk

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Reference Only

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

Regular Meeting Held June 21, 1971

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Collins.

Present: Coms. VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, and Mayor Collins.

Absent: None

325. The minutes of the meeting held June 7, 1971 were approved as written.

326. The City Manager reported receipt of a request from John R. Casterton, 2736 Elmwood Drive, for a fireworks permit and recommended that the City Commission approve the issuance of the permit as requested.

326-A. VanAllsburg-Green. That Mr. Casterton be issued a fireworks permit as requested.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

327. A letter was received from the Almanac Publishing Company offering to renew the publication contract for the year beginning July 1, 1971 at the same rate as in previous years, \$2.00 per column inch. Commissioner Swain questioned the circulation coverage to East Grand Rapids residents and was informed that the Almanac press run for East Grand Rapids is in excess of 3,500 copies.

327-A. Edison-VanAllsburg. That the Almanac Publishing Company be awarded the publication contract at \$2.00 per column inch for the 12 month period beginning July 1, 1971.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

328. The City Manager requested authority to advertise for bids on the reconstruction of the Lakeside bridge and for the reconstruction of the intersection of Reeds Lake Blvd. and Robinson Road in accordance with plans prepared by the City Engineer.

328-A. That the City Manager be authorized to advertise for bids as requested.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

329. The City Manager gave a verbal report concerning his investigation regarding the merits of the proposed ordinance regulating phosphate content of household detergents. Commissioner Eleveld moved to table further consideration of this matter until July 12th, supported by Commissioner Edison.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Eleveld, Collins - 6
Nays: Stoppels - 1

330. Commissioner Green reported on the request of Mr. Peter Lamberts, Chairman of the Kent-Ottawa Regional Planning Commission for financial participation by the City of East Grand Rapids in the program of that agency. Commissioner Green reported that the program as reported in Mr. Lambert's letter of June 9th is one which is required by various federal agencies as a pre-requisite to the awarding of future grants to units of government within the region.

330-A
 BY COMMISSIONERS GREEN-ELEVELD:

WHEREAS, the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development desires and requires an areawide planning organization to be responsible for long-range planning for the Grand Rapids urban and urbanizing area on a continuous basis, and

WHEREAS, the Kent-Ottawa Regional Planning Commission has been legally organized to fulfill these areawide planning requirements; and

WHEREAS, it is to the mutual advantage of the Kent and Ottawa County public agencies and the various political subdivisions therein to cooperate and join their efforts to the end that coordinated, comprehensive, and continuing planning can be accomplished by a combined undertaking,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of East Grand Rapids does hereby pledge its support and agrees to participate in the planning activities of the Kent-Ottawa Regional Planning Commission by contributing to the Kent-Ottawa Regional Planning Commission budget in accordance with their request of \$880.00.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 7
 Nays: 0

331. The City Manager requested authority to issue a purchase order to Katerberg Lawn Sprinkling Company, the low bidder of three, in the amount of \$1,530.00 for the installation of an underground sprinkler system for the lawn and planting area in the vicinity of the Sherman Street cul de sac.

331-A. VanAllsburg-Eleveld. That the City Manager be authorized to issue the purchase order as requested and further that he be directed to sell the 12 shares of General Motors stock originally contributed by Mrs. Wilcox for the cost of installation of the planting area.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 7
 Nays: 0

332. Commissioner Swain asked if anyone within the administrative staff had attended the Aquinas Recycling Conference this morning. The City Manager replied that he had not been able to attend but that he understood the proceedings were to be published.

333. Commissioner VanAllsburg asked that the Almanac print a short notice asking citizens to store bags of yard debris for placement at the curb immediately prior to the announced collection date.

334. Commissioner VanAllsburg stated that she felt that food vendors operating at the annual Art Festival should be licensed. Mayor Collins directed the City Manager to contact the Art Association and ask for a meeting to discuss this and other matters of concern prior to next year's festival.

335. Edison-VanAllsburg. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$263,538.90, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$20,086.23, as approved by the Ways & Means Committee be allowed and the Controller draw an order on the Treasurer for their respective amounts.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 7
 Nays: 0

336. Commissioner Green questioned the City Manager relative to the progress of the teen center and asked that lawn contractors be contacted in an attempt to obtain their cooperation in not utilizing noisy lawn maintenance equipment prior to 8 a.m.

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337. Mayor Collins reminded the City Commission of the special meeting on June 28th for the exclusive purpose of a public hearing on the budget.

338. The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m., subject to the call of the Mayor, until July 12, 1971.



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UNOFFICIAL
Reference Only

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

Special Meeting Held June 28, 1971

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Collins.

Present: Coms. VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Stoppels, Eleveld, and
Mayor Collins.

Absent: Com. Swain.

339. Pursuant to the published notice of public hearing relative to the proposed budget for the fiscal year 1971-72, the City Commission held a hearing on said proposed budget. There were three interested citizens present and there was an open discussion on several items of the budget.

340. Edison-Green. Resolved that the following budget be adopted as the annual budget for the City of East Grand Rapids for the year July 1, 1971 to June 30, 1972:

ANTICIPATED REVENUES:

City Taxes	\$1,090,700.00
Licenses & Permits	2,700.00
Fines & Fees	8,000.00
Distributions from State	214,700.00
From Use of Money & Property	20,000.00
Charges for Current Services	<u>70,000.00</u>
Total Anticipated Revenues	1,406,100.00

EXPENSE APPROPRIATIONS:

General Government	\$192,400.00
Public Safety	419,500.00
Public Service	478,800.00
Contributions & Aid	113,400.00
Other Operating Expenses	164,000.00
Capital Expenditures	<u>38,000.00</u>
Total Expense Approp.	1,406,100.00

And that there be levied a tax upon all property subject to taxation by the municipal government by the City of East Grand Rapids sufficient, with other resources, to pay the estimated expense of the City government for the ensuing fiscal year, the maintenance of all sinking funds and interest on all municipal debts, the total of which said amounts and the amounts estimated to be necessary for such purposes is hereby declared to be the sum of \$1,073,200.00 and the tax per \$1,000 valuation is hereby determined to be \$18.30.

A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Eleveld, Stoppels, Collins - 6
Nays: 0

The resolution was declared adopted.

341. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, until July 12, 1971.

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City Clerk

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

Special Meeting Held June 28, 1971

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Collins.

Present: Coms. VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Stoppels, Eleveld, and
Mayor Collins.

Absent: Com. Swain.

342. The City Manager reported on bids for gasoline and recommended that the low bid of Gulf Oil Company in the amount of 11.66¢ per gallon be accepted for a 13-month period from July 1, 1971 to July 31, 1972.

342-A. Eleveld-Stoppels. That the recommendation of the City Manager be concurred in.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 6
Nays: 0

343. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, until July 12, 1971.



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

Regular Meeting Held July 12, 1971

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Collins.

Present: Coms. VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, and
Mayor Collins.

Absent: None

1. The minutes of the meetings held June 21 and June 28, 1971 were approved as written.

2. Several letters were received opposing the proposal to make Plymouth Avenue a 4-lane road from Kalamazoo Avenue to Plainfield Avenue. There were several citizens present, all objecting to this proposal, including: Mr. Joe Neath, representing Mr. John Blodgett; Emil Rissi; Waldo Stoddard; Don Peelen, representing Aquinas College; Sam Massie; Carolyn Hancock, a member of the Preservation Society.

Commissioner Eleveld recommended that the citizens present send letters to their legislators expressing their objection to the extension of Plymouth Road and also requesting that the East Beltline be widened to handle more of the traffic.

2-A. Mayor Collins-VanAllsburg. That the East Grand Rapids City Commission go on record as being opposed to the proposed widening and extension of Plymouth Road.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

3. A communication was received from the West Michigan Environmental Action Council stating that it favors the proposed detergent phosphorous content limitation ordinance.

3-A. Eleveld-Green. That the proposed resolution as adopted by the City of Grand Rapids be removed from the table.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

3-B. Eleveld-VanAllsburg. That the City Attorney prepare a draft of a proposed detergent phosphorous limitation ordinance for submission and introduction at the next commission meeting.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

4. The City Clerk submitted a schedule of delinquent special assessment bills in the amount of \$3,047.34, plus interest and penalties; delinquent water bills in the amount of \$372.90 plus penalties; delinquent weed cutting bill in the amount of \$13.38 plus penalties; delinquent special construction sidewalk repair bill in the amount of \$67.47 plus penalties; delinquent sidewalk repair bills in the amount of \$1,070.09 plus penalties, and recommended that the same be re-assessed on the 1971 City Tax Roll.

4-A. Mayor Collins-Stoppels. That the Board of Assessors be instructed to assess the same on the 1971 City Tax Roll.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

5. The City Manager reported on bids received for Workmen's Compensation Insurance and recommended renewal of Workmen's Compensation Insurance with Sentry Insurance Company under the "Metro A Plan" thus affording a merit dividend for loss ratios experienced during the past three years.

5-A. Eleveld-Swain. That this Commission authorize the renewal of the Workmen's Compensation Insurance with Sentry Insurance Company in accordance with the recommendation of the City Manager.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Eleveld, Collins - 6
Nays: 0
Commissioner Stoppels abstained.

Commissioner Stoppels asked to leave at this time because of another appointment.

6. The City Manager reported on bids which were received for the purchase of both truck and automobile tires for the year beginning July 1, 1971 and recommended that Ronda Tire Company be awarded the contract as low bidder.

6-A. Green-Edison. That the recommendation of the City Manager be concurred in and that Ronda Tire Company be awarded the contract.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Eleveld, Collins - 6
Nays: 0

7. The City Clerk reported that the bank depository must be designated for the year ending June 30, 1972.

7-A. Mayor Collins-Green. That Old Kent Bank be designated as the principal depository and that Union Bank & Trust Company be designated as depository for special construction funds.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Eleveld, Collins - 6
Nays: 0

8. Mayor Collins recommended that the following persons be appointed to fill the following positions:

	<u>Term Expires</u>
PRESIDENT OF COMMISSION & VICE-CHAIRMAN OF BOARD OF APPEALS	J. Robert Green
CITY MANAGER	Frederick 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
DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SAFETY	Farrell Babcock
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
FORESTER	Henry Koopman
<u>WAYS & MEANS COMMITTEE</u>	<u>PLANNING COMMISSION</u>
J. S. Edison, Chm.	Stuart Long, Chm. 7/1/73
D. VanAllsburg	Mary M. Meade 7/1/73
J. R. Green	R. J. Eleveld 7/1/72
<u>FIRE & POLICE COMMITTEE</u>	Harold L. Child 7/1/73
R. M. Stoppels, Chm.	Allen I. Hunting 7/1/74
J. S. Edison	Richard D. Murphy 7/1/72
J. R. Green	Carson O. Donley 7/1/72
<u>STREETS & SIDEWALKS & TREES</u>	Gretchen Minnhaar 7/1/74
J. R. Green, Chm.	Britton L. Gordon 7/1/74
R. M. Stoppels	Paul Seibold, Bd. of Ed. ex-officio
R. J. Eleveld	The Mayor "
<u>RECREATION & PARKS</u>	The Manager "
D. VanAllsburg, Chm.	<u>TRAFFIC COMMISSION</u>
J. F. Swain	Samuel S. Corl, Chm.
R. J. Eleveld	Lewis M. Lockley
<u>UTILITIES COMMITTEE</u>	Edward D. Wells
R. J. Eleveld, Chm.	James Kehoe
D. VanAllsburg	Police Chief
J. F. Swain	City Manager
	The Mayor

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ORDINANCE COMMITTEE

J. F. Swain, Chm.
J. S. Edison
R. J. Eleveld

ELECTION COMMISSION

John Wielsma
Donald Ford
R. W. Richardson

HOUSING BOARD OF APPEALS

J. Hampton Hault
Watson O. Page
R. A. Reid
Health Officer
Building Inspector
Richard M. Mosier

BOARD OF REVIEW

Donald Ford, Chm.
Sydney D. Shank
Norman H. Reuss
John F. Swain
Robert J. Eleveld

Ward 1 - Precinct 1

Emily H. Yeakey, Chm.
1508 Rosalind Rd., S.E.

Sally Wolf
621 Lakeside Drive, S.E.

Mary P. Barnes
948 Bellclaire Ave., S.E.

Ward 1 - Precinct 2

Viola McCarthy, Chm.
1047 Lake Grove Ave., S.E.

Reva Deutsch
1121 Keneberry Way, S.E.

Elsa Martini
1001 Lake Grove Ave., S.E.

Ward 2 - Precinct 1

Marie N. VanDis, Chm.
2541 Beechwood Dr., S.E.

Myrtle B. Starr
1033 Pinecrest Ave., S.E.

Lila M. Bulsok
2644 Richards Dr., S.E.

Ward 2 - Precinct 2

Jean B. Krumm, Chm.
2041 Tenway Dr., S.E.

Roberta L. Scripsema
1742 Breton Rd., S.E.

Marian D. VanOstenberg
2624 Richards Dr., S.E.

LIBRARY COMMISSION Term Expires

J. Gardiner Taliaferro, Chm.
Louise Carpenter (Mrs. L.C.)
Estelle Leven (Mrs. Paul)
Paul E. Flanagan
Robert M. Stoppels
John W. Shockley
Jane Edison (Mrs. R.M.)

RECREATION COMMISSION

John F. Swain 7/1/74
Donald G. Hassberger 7/1/72
Kenneth S. Case 7/1/73
Board of Education Appointments
Gene Miller 7/1/73
Mrs. David VerMeulen 7/1/74
Carroll Streeter 7/1/72
William T. Zinser at-large 7/1/73

BOARD OF CANVASSERS

David M. Amberg
Sally G. Birnie
Douglas W. Hillman
George B. Skiff

Ward 3 - Precinct 1

Margaret H. Reusser, Chm.
932 Lakeside Dr., S.E.

Louise K. Carr
1624 Sherman St., S.E.

Marguerite E. Robinson
1115 Keneberry Way, S.E.

Ward 3 - Precinct 2

Nellie C. Mead, Chm.
334 Briarwood Ave., S.E.

Evadne L. Dakin
1552 Woodlawn Ave., S.E.

Irene E. Allen
638 Gladstone Ave., S.E.

Ward 3 - Precinct 3

June E. Burkhardt, Chm.
1145 Lakeside Dr., S.E.

Georgia R. Neil
1038 San Jose Dr., S.E.

Julia E. Donovan
1125 Pinecrest Ave, S.E.

8-A. Edison-Swain. That the foregoing appointments recommended by Mayor Collins be approved.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Eleveld, Collins - 6
Nays: 0

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9. Mayor Collins distributed to the commissioners a list of those persons he recommends be appointed to the City Commission Advisory Committee. He stated that a letter will be in the mail this week inviting each individual to become a member of the Committee and setting the first meeting date during the month of July.

10. Monthly reports of the activities of the Fire Department, Police Department, and Building Inspector-Assessor for the month of June 1971 were received and filed.

11. The City Manager requested authorization to issue a purchase order to the Motorola Equipment Company in the amount of \$4,275.00 for the purchase of radio equipment for the Police Department, Fire Department, and Public Service Department. This is an item that was budgeted for the 1971-72 year.

11-A. Edison-Eleveld. That the City Manager's request be granted and a purchase order issued to the Motorola Equipment Company in the amount of \$4,275.00.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Eleveld, Collins - 6
Nays: 0

12. The City Manager requested that the Commission appoint two people to attend the annual Michigan Municipal League business meeting.

12-A. Green-Swain. That the Mayor be appointed as delegate and the City Manager as alternate to represent the City of East Grand Rapids at the Michigan Municipal League Annual Business Meeting.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Eleveld, Collins - 6
Nays: 0

13. Commissioner Swain expressed concern about the condition of Reeds Lake and stated that he would like very much to have the storm drain presently running into Reeds Lake re-directed to help prevent the Lake from deteriorating.

14. Edison-VanAllsburg. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$250,322.40, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$23,481.39, 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.

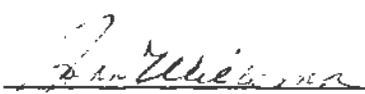
Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Eleveld, Collins - 6
Nays: 0

15. Commissioner Eleveld asked if the East Grand Rapids City Commission is on record as being opposed to the extension, by the Michigan Legislature, of the statute requiring compulsory arbitration of labor disputes in the public service. He was advised that we are so on record.

16. Commissioner Edison asked that the City Manager extend to the Smith Bros. Company its thanks for the fine job it did on the Woodcliff improvement project.

17. There were 58 citizens in attendance at this meeting.

18. The meeting was adjourned at 9:13 p.m., subject to the call of the Mayor, until July 26, 1971.



City Clerk

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

Regular Meeting Held July 26, 1971

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Collins.

Present: Coms. VanAllsburg Edison, Green, Stoppels, Eleveld, and Mayor Collins.

Absent: Com. Swain.

19. The minutes of the meeting held July 12, 1971 were approved as written.

20. Mayor Collins commended Wallace F. Sherwood and James B. Freeman for their excellent and deeply appreciated services as volunteer firemen and presented each of them a key to the city as an indication of the City's appreciation and esteem.

21. Pursuant to public notice a hearing was held by the Commission, acting as the Board of Zoning Appeals, on the request of Frederick S. Gillett for a zoning variance to extend his garage located at 1911 Wealthy Street, S.E. to a point within five feet of the east property lines. There were no objections.

21-A. Eleveld-VanAllsburg. That this Commission, acting as the Board of Zoning Appeals, finds that an unnecessary hardship exists in that the garage on this property as built conformed with car sizes and needs at that time, but that changing conditions, not foreseen, have rendered the original construction inadequate for present day needs. Therefore the Board of Zoning Appeals grants the request of Mr. Gillett for a zoning variance.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 6

Nays: 0

22. Pursuant to public notice a hearing was held by the Commission, acting as the Board of Zoning Appeals, on the request of Robert C. Hornick for a zoning variance to construct a new garage located at 1420 Woodlawn, S.E., which would replace an existing garage and would be constructed to a point five feet from the north property line. There were no recorded objections.

22-A. Stoppels-Eleveld. That the Commission, acting as the Board of Zoning Appeals, finds that an unnecessary hardship exists in that the garage on this property as built conformed with car sizes and needs at that time, but that changing conditions, not foreseen, have rendered the original construction inadequate for present day needs. Therefore the Board of Zoning Appeals grants the request of Mr. Hornick for a zoning variance.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 6

Nays: 0

Commissioner Swain arrived at this time.

23. The Commission reviewed a feasibility study made by Beltz Engineering Laboratories with the recommendation of the Recreation Commission that the City Commission take such steps as are necessary to proceed with the program recommended in the study. Mr. Eugene Miller, vice-chairman of the Recreation Commission was present and spoke in support of the recommendation.

23-A. Eleveld-VanAllsburg. That the City Manager be directed to negotiate with the East Grand Rapids School Board to determine availability of the Manhattan School site for this purpose and to report back to the Commission.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 7

Nays: 0

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24. The City Manager reported on bids received for two trucks and recommended that the low bids of Jack Keller Ford, Inc., in the amounts of \$9,336.03 for the four-ton truck and \$2,675.00 for the 3/4 ton pickup be accepted.

24-A. Swain-Edison. That the recommendation of the City Manager be concurred in and a purchase order issued to Jack Keller Ford, Inc., in the amount of \$12,011.03.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

25. The City Manager reported that Steelcase, Inc., has recently donated a substantial amount of furniture for use in the Community Teen Center.

The Mayor expressed the appreciation of the City for this very helpful donation and directed the City Manager to write a letter of appreciation to Steelcase, Inc. on behalf of the citizens of East Grand Rapids.

26. The City Manager requested authorization to issue a purchase order to Sidwell Studios, Inc. in the amount of \$1,163.00 for a new aerial mosaic to be placed in the City Commission room.

26-A. Green-Stoppels. That the request of the City Manager be approved.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

27. It was moved by Commissioner Edison and supported by Commissioner Eleveld that the following entitled ordinance be introduced for consideration at the next meeting of the Commission:

"AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS BY ADDING A NEW CHAPTER 49 TO TITLE VI REGULATING THE SALE OF PHOSPHATE COMPOUNDS AND DETERGENTS IN THE CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS, AND PROVIDING FOR THE LABELING OF DETERGENTS TO SHOW THE PHOSPHATE CONTENT THEREOF."

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

28. Mr. Herb Boshoven, representing Old Kent Bank and Trust Company, thanked the Commission for naming the bank as depository of the City's general account funds for this fiscal year.

29. The City Manager requested authorization to issue a purchase order to Haviland Products, Inc. in the amount of \$1,320.00 for the purchase of Hydrothol - 47 to be used for treating algae in Reeds Lake.

29-A. Stoppels-Eleveld. That the issuance of such purchase order be approved.

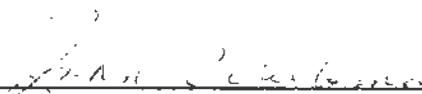
Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

30. Edison-VanAllsburg. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$212,971.62, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$25,183.49, as approved by the Ways & Means Committee be allowed and the controller be authorized to draw an order on the Treasurer for their respective amounts.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

31. There were 13 citizens in attendance at this meeting.

32. The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m., subject to the call of the Mayor, until August 9, 1971.



City Clerk

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

Regular Meeting Held August 9, 1971

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

Present: Coms. VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, and Eleveld.
Absent: Mayor Collins.

33. Swain-Eleveld. That the minutes of the meeting held July 26, 1971 be approved as written.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld - 6
Nays: 0

34. The City Manager reported on bids which were received for the reconstruction of Reeds Lake Blvd. from Robinson Road south, and recommended that the bid of Grand Rapids Asphalt Company in the amount of \$8,782.50 be accepted.

34-A. Stoppels-Eleveld. That the contract for this improvement be awarded to Grand Rapids Asphalt Company.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld - 6
Nays: 0

35. A report was received from the Chief of Police relative to conditions at Lakeside Park. The report was received and filed.

36. Swain-Eleveld. That the following ordinance be adopted:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS BY ADDING A NEW CHAPTER 49 TO TITLE VI REGULATING THE SALE OF PHOSPHATE COMPOUNDS AND DETERGENTS IN THE CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS, AND PROVIDING FOR THE LABELING OF DETERGENTS TO SHOW THE PHOSPHATE CONTENT THEREOF.

THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS DO ORDAIN:

Section 1. That Title VI of the Code of the City of East Grand Rapids be amended by adding the following Chapter 49:

"6.61. Certain Detergents Prohibited for Sale.

It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to sell, offer or expose for sale, give or furnish any synthetic detergent or detergent containing more than eight and seven-tenths per cent (8.7%) of phosphorous by weight, expressed as elemental phosphorous, within the City of East Grand Rapids from and after ninety (90) days from the date this Ordinance shall become effective. It shall also be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to sell, offer or expose for sale, give or furnish any synthetic detergent or detergent which requires a recommended use level of said synthetic detergent or detergent which contains more than seven grams (7 gms.) of phosphorous by weight as expressed as elemental phosphorous, within the City of East Grand Rapids from and after ninety (90) days from the date this Ordinance shall become effective. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section 6.61, a synthetic detergent or detergents manufactured for the use in machine dishwashers, dairy equipment, beverage equipment, food processing equipment, and industrial cleaning equipment shall be subject to the limitation herein set forth.

"6.62. Definition

"(1) 'Expressed as phosphorous' means a concentration of phosphorous by weight expressed as elemental phosphorous in any synthetic detergent or detergent as determined by the current applicable method prescribed by the American Society for Testing and Materials (A.S.T.M., Method D-820).

"(2) 'Synthetic detergent' or 'detergent' means any cleaning compound which is available for household use, laundry use, other personal uses, or industrial use, which is composed of organic and inorganic compounds, including soaps, water softeners, surface active agents, builders, fillers, dyes, enzymes and fabric softeners, whether in the form of crystals, powders, flakes, bars, liquids, sprays, or any other form.

"(3) 'Polyphosphate builder' or 'phosphorous' means a water softening and soil suspending agent made from condensed phosphates, including pyrophosphates, triphosphates, tripolyphosphates, metaphosphates, and glassy phosphates, used as a detergent ingredient, but shall not include 'polyphosphate builders' or 'phosphorous' which is essential for medical, scientific or special engineering use under such conditions and regulations as may be prescribed after hearing by the City Manager of the City of East Grand Rapids or his designee.

"(4) 'Recommended use level' means the amount of synthetic detergent or detergent which the manufacturers thereof recommend for use per wash load, at which level said synthetic detergent or detergent will effectively perform its intended function.

"(5) 'Machine dishwasher' means equipment manufactured for the purpose of cleaning dishes, glassware and other utensils involved in food preparation, consumption or use, using a combination of water agitation and high temperatures.

"(6) 'Dairy equipment', 'beverage equipment' and 'food processing equipment' mean the equipment used in the production of milk and dairy products, foods and beverages, including the processing, preparation or packaging thereof for consumption.

"(7) 'Industrial cleaning equipment' means the machinery and other tools used in cleaning processes during the course of industrial manufacturing, production and assembly, and machinery and other tools used during the course of washing cars and trucks in auto washes.

"6.63. Labeling. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to sell, offer or expose for sale, give or furnish any synthetic detergent or detergent whether in the form of crystals, powder, flakes, bars, liquids, sprays or any other form, in the City of East Grand Rapids, from and after ninety (90) days from the date this Ordinance shall become effective unless the container, wrapper, or other packaging thereof shall be clearly labeled with respect to its polyphosphate builder or phosphorous ingredient content clearly and legibly set forth thereon in terms of percentage of phosphorous by weight, expressed as elemental phosphorous, per container, wrapper or packaging thereof, as well as grams of phosphorous, expressed as elemental phosphorous, per recommended use level.

"(6.64). Filing Requirement. Each manufacturer, distributor or producer of any product regulated by this Ordinance

shall, from and after ninety (90) days from the date this Ordinance shall become effective, file with the City Manager a chemical analysis showing phosphorous or any chemical substitute therefor by specific percentage of content of each product sold within the City of East Grand Rapids, and shall file up-dated reports and analyses of changes in said products ten (10) days prior to introduction for sale within the East Grand Rapids market.

"6.65. This Ordinance shall not be enforced within the City of East Grand Rapids until at least two of the following five communities; Walker, Wyoming, Kentwood, Grand Rapids, and Grandville shall have adopted and made effective a similar Ordinance regulating the sale and labeling of phosphate compounds and detergents."

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld - 6
Nays: 0

37. The City Manager reported on the possibility of processing the assessment tax rolls and tax bills on a computer leased by the County of Kent. The cost to East Grand Rapids would be \$2,870.00 for the first year and \$1,845.00 for each year thereafter. He recommended that the City participate in this program due to savings effected over the currently utilized manual program.

37-A. Swain-Stoppels.

WHEREAS, the City of East Grand Rapids of the County of Kent has heretofore approved the establishment of a real estate index number system for listing real estate for the purposes of assessment and collection of taxes as provided for in Act 101, P.A. 1965, and

WHEREAS, it would be to the benefit and best interests of the City of East Grand Rapids to participate in the development of a computerized property tax administration system for attaining the purposes hereinbefore stated, and

WHEREAS, the estimated cost of development said system is \$114,000.00 in accordance with the attached schedule which is marked Exhibit "A" and made a part hereof,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of East Grand Rapids hereby appropriates the sum of \$2,870.00 for said purposes, said amount to be paid by June 30, 1972, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall not be effective until a similar Resolution has been adopted by the units of government listed in Exhibit "A" which constitutes three-fourths of the total parcels shown in Exhibit "A". (Exhibit "A" attached to Resolution is not reproduced in these minutes.)

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld - 6
Nays: 0

38. Reports for the month of July were received from the City Assessor, Fire Department, and Police Department. These reports were received and filed.

39. Edison-VanAllsburg. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$343,547.06, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$24,237.35, 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: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld - 6
Nays: 0

40. The City Manager reported on the Advisory Committee meeting which was held July 29, 1971 and stated that there were 31 persons present out of the 52

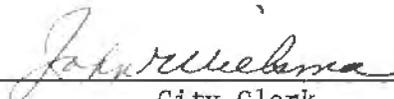
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appointed to this committee and that a Nominating Committee of 5 was selected to recommend candidates for the chairmanship and secretary of this committee. The next meeting will be held the second week of September.

41. Commissioner Stoppels expressed concern about a dead tree located south of the intersection of Lovett and Lake Drive and suggested that it be removed.

42. There was one citizen in attendance at this meeting.

43. The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m., subject to the call of the Mayor, until August 23, 1971.



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

Regular Meeting Held August 23, 1971

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Collins.

Present: Coms. VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, and Mayor Collins.

Absent: None

44. The minutes of the meeting held August 9, 1971 were approved as written.

45. Pursuant to public notice a hearing was held by the Commission, acting in its capacity as Board of Zoning Appeals, upon the request of Mrs. Charmian R. Ricketts for a variance to permit use of the premises at 700 Rosewood Avenue, S.E. as a two-family residence. There were several persons present who objected to this request; among them were Mr. Charles Frost, Mr. John A. Collins, Mr. Richard Lang, Mr. Elmer Schoen, Mr. John Minor, Mr. Peter Van Huisen, and Mrs. Cecilia Hoagland.

45-A. That the variance request of Mrs. Ricketts be denied.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

46. The City Manager reported on bids which were received for the removal of the Lakeside Bridge and construction of a culvert at that location and recommended that the low bid of Bartz Construction Company, in the amount of \$29,900.00, be accepted.

46-A. Stoppels-VanAllsburg. That the contract be awarded to Bartz Construction Company in the amount of \$29,900.00.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

47. The City Manager and Engineer reported on bids which were received by the City of Grand Rapids for the joint project of improving Lake Drive from 940 feet West of Woodshire to the East Beltline and recommended the acceptance of the low bid of \$255,814.96 of which the portion to be borne by the City of East Grand Rapids is estimated to be \$66,034.55.

47-A. Edison-Green. That the East Grand Rapids City Commission hereby concurs in the award of a contract for the joint project consisting of the improvement of the Lake Drive roadway from approximately 940 feet west of the East Grand Rapids east city limits to the East Beltline to DWD Contractors, Inc. with a total project cost based upon bid and estimated quantities of \$255,814.96 of which the portion to be borne by the City of East Grand Rapids is estimated to be \$66,034.55.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

48. The City Attorney submitted a report on the status of Plymouth Avenue and concluded with the opinion that before Plymouth Avenue could be taken over by the County or the State the consent of the City Commission would be required. The report was received and filed.

Mr. Jack Combs, representing Mr. John Blodgett, was present and reported that he had been in contact with the Highway Department and talked to a Mr. James Roach who said that at the next meeting of the GRETS the matter of Plymouth Road extension will be discussed.

49. Edison-VanAllsburg. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$591,000.52, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$23,423.20, 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.

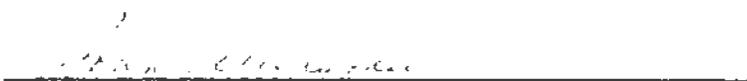
Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

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50. Commissioner Edison expressed enthusiasm over the progress that the Recreation Department has been making in its various programs and that according to the annual report ended June 30, 1971 of the Recreation Department activities, the swimming pool revenues exceeded the budget by approximately 50%.

51. There were 22 citizens in attendance at this meeting.

52. The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m., subject to the call of the Mayor, until September 13, 1971.



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

Regular Meeting Held September 13, 1971

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Collins.

Present: Coms. VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, and Mayor Collins.
Absent: Com. Eleveld

53. The minutes of the meeting held August 23, 1971 were approved as written.

54. The City Manager reported on bids which were received for reconstruction of concrete sidewalks and curbs and recommended that the contract be awarded to the low bidder, VanderGalien Cement Contractor, in the amount of \$4,415.76.

54-A. Stoppels-VanAllsburg. That the recommendation of the City Manager be concurred in.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Collins - 6
Nays: 0

Commissioner Eleveld arrived at this time.

55. Commissioner VanAllsburg moved and Commissioner Edison supported that the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign the following Agreement relative to Project Rehab:

A G R E E M E N T

THIS AGREEMENT Made this, 1st day of July, 1971, by and between THE CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS, a Michigan municipal corporation hereinafter referred to as the "CITY", and PROJECT REHAB, a Michigan non-profit corporation.

WHEREAS, the purposes of Project Rehab are to rehabilitate drug-dependent individuals by means of psychotherapy, counseling and medical treatment, to educate the community with regard to the problems caused by substance abuse, particularly addictive drugs, and to increase public awareness of ways to alleviate these problems; and

WHEREAS, Project Rehab desires to make such services available to residents of the Cities of East Grand Rapids, Grand Rapids, Wyoming, Kentwood, Walker, Grandville, and the County of Kent, and

WHEREAS, it has been requested that the Cities and the County participate in the financing of the programs of Project Rehab; and

WHEREAS, it is deemed in the public interest that the City of East Grand Rapids so participate.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is agreed between the parties hereto for the mutual promises contained herein and for the consideration provided for herein, as follows:

1. Project Rehab hereby agrees to undertake the operation of a program to rehabilitate drug-dependent individuals from the City by means of psychotherapy, counseling and medical treatment in order to help such persons remotivate themselves, regain more adaptive behavioral controls and free themselves from the degrading condition of drug-dependency. Further, Project Rehab agrees to undertake a program of education of residents of the

City with regard to problems caused by substance abuse, particularly addictive drugs, and to increase public awareness of ways to alleviate these problems.

2. In consideration of receiving such service, the City agrees to pay the sum of \$1,235.72.

3. It is understood that the cost to the City shall not exceed \$1,235.72.

In the event that Project Rehab shall cease to function or shall fail to meet its obligations hereunder, any unexpended portion of the moneys advanced hereunder shall be returned by Project Rehab to the City.

4. The term of this Agreement shall be from July 1, 1971 through June 30, 1972, it being understood that said Project has been operating on the basis set forth in this Agreement since prior to July 1, 1971.

5. Project Rehab shall submit periodic reports to the City of its activities and shall maintain sufficient financial records to account to the City, and shall account to the City when requested by it for expenditures of moneys advanced hereunder.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first above written.

THE CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS
a Michigan Municipal Corporation

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Eleveld, Swain, Stoppels, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

56. There were several residents present who expressed opposition to the proposed Plymouth Road extension. Among those who expressed verbal opposition was Mr. Joe Neath, representing several residents; Dr. Hruby, President of Aquinas College; and Mr. Peter Wege.

The State Highway Department had indicated that they would be sending a representative of their department to this commission meeting but no representative was present.

Mayor Collins reassured the public that every effort will be made by the East Grand Rapids City Commission to discourage the Highway Department from extending and widening Plymouth Road.

57. Departmental reports were received from the Fire Department, Police Department, and City Assessor, indicating the activities of these departments during the month of August. These reports were received and filed.

Commissioner Edison was granted permission to leave at this time.

58. Commissioner Stoppels requested that a couple of trash containers be located between the East Grand Rapids business district and the Wealthy School to help eliminate some of the litter in that area.

59. Green-VanAllsburg. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$220,262.64, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$20,420.78, 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: VanAllsburg, Green, Eleveld, Swain, Stoppels, Collins - 6
Nays: 0

60. The City Manager reported that work on the Lake Drive improvement project will not commence until March of 1972 because of some problems relative to Michigan Bell's underground work in that area.

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It was also reported that work on the Lakeside Drive improvement is tentatively to begin Monday, September 20th.

61. The City Manager requested direction relative to a request from Mr. Jordan Sheperd to relocate a garage now sitting to the rear of his business property located on Croswell. It was the opinion of the City Attorney that a zoning variance hearing must be held on this request.

62. Commissioner Swain asked several questions relative to the Recreation Department financial report and relative to correspondence with Representative Thomas Ford on Revenue Sharing proposals in the Legislature.

63. Commissioner Stoppels reported that he had received several complaints relative to littering by "Photo Reporter" distributors and asked the City Manager to contact them.

64. Commissioner VanAllsburg suggested that trash containers be placed at Grand Rapids Press distribution corners and expressed approval of the reconstruction work at the intersection of Reeds Lake Blvd. and Robinson Road.

65. There were 36 citizens in attendance at this meeting.

66. The meeting was adjourned at 8:57 p.m., subject to the call of the Mayor, until September 27, 1971.



City Clerk

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

Regular Meeting Held September 27, 1971

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Collins.

Present: Coms. VanAllsburg, Eleveld, Stoppels, Green, Swain, Edison, and
Mayor Collins.

Absent: None

67. The minutes of the meeting held September 13, 1971 were approved
as written.

68. The City Manager reported on bids which were received for the painting
of the elevated water tank and recommended that the low bid of Dave Cole Decorators,
Inc., in the amount of \$18,150.00 for cleaning and painting the tank, plus \$4.50
a square inch for welding of interior rail, plus \$275.00 for sterilizing the tank
upon completion of the painting be accepted.

68-A. VanAllsburg-Eleveld. That the low bid of Dave Cole Decorators, Inc.
as recommended by the City Manager be accepted and the contract awarded.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Eleveld, Stoppels, Green, Swain, Edison, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

69. Swain-Stoppels. That Mr. John Wielsma be designated as delegate and
Mr. Fred Tholen as alternate to represent the City in an official capacity at
the annual meeting of the Municipal Employees' Retirement System to be held in
Traverse City on Wednesday, October 6, 1971.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Eleveld, Stoppels, Green, Swain, Edison, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

70. The following ordinance was introduced by Commissioner Eleveld and
supported by Commissioner VanAllsburg for consideration at the next meeting of
the City Commission:

"AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 10.5 OF CHAPTER 105
OF TITLE X - TRAFFIC - OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF
EAST GRAND RAPIDS"

THE CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS ORDAINS:

Sec. 1. Section 10.5 of Chapter 105 of Title X - Traffic of
the East Grand Rapids Ordinance Code, wherein are additions to the
Uniform Traffic Code for Cities, Townships and Villages, is amended by
amending subsection 8.10(s) thereunder to read as follows:

"8.10(s). Parking of Vehicles. No motor vehicle shall be parked
on a public street in the City of East Grand Rapids between the
hours of 3:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m."

Sec. 2. This ordinance amendment shall be published pursuant to
Chapter VIII, Sec. 5, of the City Charter within ten (10) days after its
enactment and shall become effective _____, 1971.

71. The City Manager presented a proposed Radio Maintenance Contract
with the City of Grand Rapids and recommended that it be approved.

71-A. Stoppels-Swain. That the recommendation of the City Manager be
concurred in and that the Mayor be authorized to sign the Agreement.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Eleveld, Stoppels, Green, Swain, Edison, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

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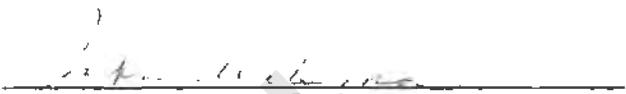
72. Edison-VanAllsburg. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$241,964.18, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$18,944.77, as approved by the Ways & Means Committee be allowed and the Controller be authorized to draw an order on the Treasurer for their respective amounts.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Eleveld, Stoppels, Green, Swain, Edison, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

73. The Mayor set October 18th for a Committee-of-the-Whole meeting.

74. There were two citizens in attendance at this meeting.

75. The meeting was adjourned at 8:09 p.m., subject to the call of the Mayor, until October 11, 1971.



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

Regular Meeting Held October 11, 1971

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Collins.

Present: Coms. VanAllsburg, Eleveld, Stoppels, Green, Swain, Edison, and
Mayor Collins.

Absent: None

76. The minutes of the meeting held September 27, 1971 were approved as written.

77. Pursuant to public notice a hearing was then held upon the request of Jordan Sheperd for a zoning variance to permit the relocation of the garage at the rear of 660 Crowell, S.E. to a position in the rear of 654 Crowell, S.E. Mr. Gilmore spoke in opposition to the request.

77-A. Eleveld-Swain. That the Commission, acting as the Board of Zoning Appeals, grant the request of Mr. Sheperd. After discussion of the motion Commissioner Edison moved, supported by Commissioner Green, that the above motion be tabled. The motion to table was passed by the following vote:

Yeas: Eleveld, Stoppels, Green, Swain, Edison - 5
Nays: VanAllsburg, Collins - 2

78. Pursuant to public notice a hearing was then held upon the request of Mr. & Mrs. John Batts to enclose an existing open porch on the east side of their house which porch comes within 6 feet of the property line.

The City Clerk read a letter from Mr. & Mrs. Samuel Metcalf objecting to the variance. He also read several communications from neighbors approving of this variance.

78-A. Edison-Stoppels. That the Commission, acting as the Board of Zoning Appeals, grant the variance as requested.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Eleveld, Stoppels, Green, Swain, Edison, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

Commissioner Edison asked to be excused from the meeting at this time.

79. Swain-Green. That the following ordinance be adopted:

"AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 10.5 OF CHAPTER
105 OF TITLE X - TRAFFIC - OF THE CODE OF THE
CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS"

THE CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS ORDAINS:

Sec. 1. Section 10.5 of Chapter 105 of Title X - Traffic of the East Grand Rapids Ordinance Code, wherein are additions to the Uniform Traffic Code for Cities, Townships, and Villages, is amended by amending subsection 8.10(s) thereunder to read as follows:

"8.10(s). Parking of Vehicles. No motor vehicle shall be parked on a public street in the City of East Grand Rapids between the hours of 3:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m.

Sec. 2. This ordinance amendment shall be published pursuant to Chapter VIII, Sec. 5 of the City Charter within ten (10) days after its enactment and shall become effective November 1, 1971."

A letter regarding this ordinance from Mrs. Alf G. Holm was read and the ordinance was discussed. Following discussion the motion to enact the ordinance was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Stoppels, Green, Swain, Eleveld, Collins - 6
Nays: 0

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80. The City Clerk submitted a report on bids which were received for the city fleet insurance and recommended that the low bid of Michigan Mutual Liability Company be accepted in the amount of \$2,554.76.

80-A. Eleveld-Green. That the recommendation of the City Clerk be concurred in and that the bid of Michigan Mutual Liability Company for our fleet insurance for the 12-month period beginning October 1, 1971 be accepted.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Stoppels, Green, Swain, Eleveld, Collins - 6
Nays: 0

81. The City Engineer submitted a report on bids which were received for the 1971 tree planting program and recommended that Chet's Nursery, which was the low bidder in the amount of \$1,595.00, be awarded the contract.

81-A. Green-VanAllsburg. That the recommendation of the City Engineer be concurred in and the contract be awarded to Chet's Nursery.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Stoppels, Green, Swain, Eleveld, Collins - 6
Nays: 0

82. Reports for the month of September from the Fire Department, Police Department, and the City Assessor, were received and filed.

Commissioner Stoppels asked to be excused from the meeting at this time because of another obligation.

83. VanAllsburg-Green. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$154,671.89, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$19,604.16, 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: VanAllsburg, Green, Swain, Eleveld, Collins - 5
Nays: 0

84. Commissioner Eleveld invited the Commissioners to attend a meeting which is scheduled for Thursday evening, October 14th, to be held in the Community Center at 7:30 p.m. relative to improvement of the East Beltline.

85. Mayor Collins reminded the City Commission of a Committee-of-the-Whole meeting to be held at 5:45 p.m. next Monday and encouraged all the Commissioners to be there.

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86. Mayor Collins reported that the ~~Citizens~~ Advisory Committee has been meeting with enthusiasm and regularity and are well on their way in studying Unit I of the Community Renewal Program and they are doing an excellent job. On October 28th the first committee report session will be held as to the progress of each of the committees.

87. There were 13 citizens in attendance at this meeting.

88. The meeting was adjourned at 9:07 p.m., subject to the call of the Mayor, until October 25, 1971.



City Clerk

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

Regular Meeting Held October 25, 1971

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Collins.

Present: Coms. VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, and
Mayor Collins.

Absent: None

89. The minutes of the meeting held October 11, 1971 were corrected by striking the word "citizens" in Item 86 and inserting the words "City Commission". The minutes were then approved as corrected.

90. A letter was received from the City of Grand Rapids requesting the City of East Grand Rapids to participate in subsidizing the area transportation system. After much discussion it was moved by Commissioner Eleveld and supported by Commissioner Green that this issue be placed on the agenda at the next regular meeting of the City Commission and that prior to the next meeting the staff prepare an analysis of the cost allocation to East Grand Rapids.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

91. The City Manager reported on stump removal bids which were received and stated that the low bid of Brouwer Tree Company in the amount of \$544.00 was accepted and the contract awarded to them.

92. Financial reports of the General and Water Funds for the month of September were received and filed.

93. The City Manager reported that Dr. Tanner from the Department of Natural Resources will speak to the City Commission Advisory Committee at its next meeting to be held October 28th at 7:30 p.m. in the City Commission room and invited the Commissioners to attend.

94. Mr. Jordan Sheperd was present and requested that his zoning variance request that was tabled at the last meeting be removed from the table.

94-A. Eleveld-Edison. That the request of Jordan Sheperd to relocate his building located at the rear of 660 Croswell to the rear of 654 Croswell be removed from the table.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

94-B. After discussion by Mr. Sheperd and Mr. John Gilmore it was moved by Commissioner Edison and supported by Commissioner Green that Mr. Sheperd be granted permission to construct a new masonry building at the rear of 654 Croswell which will enclose 646 square feet of floor area on condition that the existing building at the rear of 660 Croswell be removed and that the outlawn in front of 660 Croswell be converted to angle parking at Mr. Sheperd's expense.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Eleveld, Collins - 6
Nays: Stoppels - 1

95. Edison-VanAllsburg. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$28,153.63, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$19,257.72, 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.

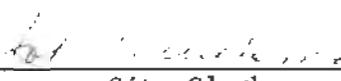
Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

96. Commissioner Eleveld asked for a status report on progress of the traffic study recently performed by the Automobile Club of Michigan and also the recommendations relative to the development of the Manhattan site. He was informed that neither of these are yet available but both are expected very soon.

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97. There were 4 citizens in attendance at this meeting.

98. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Mayor, until November 8, 1971.



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

Regular Meeting Held November 8, 1971

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Collins.

Present: Coms. VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, and
Mayor Collins.

Absent: None.

99. Mayor Collins presented Police Sergeant Henry A. Welmers with a watch in honor of his 25 years of service with the East Grand Rapids Police Department and commended him on the excellence with which he has served the City and the people of East Grand Rapids.

100. The minutes of the meeting held October 25, 1971 were approved as written.

101. The Commission discussed the request of the City of Grand Rapids for subsidizing the Grand Rapids Transit Authority so that bus service may be continued through the City of East Grand Rapids. The City Clerk reported that the government classes of the High School conducted an interview with approximately 1300 residents and that the results of these interviews were: 28 of these residents regularly utilize the bus system and 75% of them wish to have the bus service continued in the City.

Commissioners Eleveld and Swain gave reports on a meeting they attended of the Grand Rapids Transit Authority and the City of Grand Rapids.

Mayor Collins requested Commissioner Eleveld to write a letter to the Grand Rapids Transit Authority requesting clarification of information already received and any additional information that might be helpful in aiding the Commission to make a decision.

102. The Commission then discussed pending legislation which could continue the law providing for compulsory arbitration of disputes between cities and police and fire employees.

102-A. Eleveld-Swain. Resolved that this Commission strongly urges defeat of H.B. 5087 (Compulsory Arbitration Bill); that Act 312 of 1969 has failed to accomplish its purpose of preventing work stoppage or of otherwise helping resolve disputes; that direct negotiations between the parties involved should be relied upon and that 312 tends to discourage effective negotiations. Further resolved that the City Clerk be directed to send a telegram to the Honorable Thomas G. Ford this evening advising him of the Commission's opposition to H.B. 5087.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

103. Reports of the departmental activities of the Fire Department, Police Department and City Assessor for the month of October were received and filed.

104. Edison-VanAllsburg. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$172,457.59, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$25,761.07, 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: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

105. Commissioner Stoppels stated that public mention should be made thanking the fathers who helped make the Rocket Football program a success and who devoted many hours to this program.

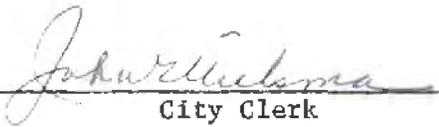
106. Mayor Collins-Green. That this Commission express its condolences to the family of Mr. Reed Waterman who passed away Monday, November 8, 1971 and that the East Grand Rapids' flag be flown at half mast until after his funeral in memory

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of Mr. Waterman who devoted much of his life in making East Grand Rapids a better place to live and whose character and example has been influential in shaping the lives of so many of the past and present residents of East Grand Rapids who were fortunate enough to have known him. Further resolved that the City Clerk send a true copy of this resolution to the family of Mr. Waterman.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

107. The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m., subject to the call of the Mayor, until November 22, 1971.



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

Regular Meeting Held November 22, 1971

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Collins.

Present: Coms. VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, and
Mayor Collins.

Absent: None.

108. The minutes of the meeting held November 8, 1971 were approved as written.

109. Mr. Ken Case, Chairman of the Recreation Commission, gave an oral report relative to a study the Recreation Commission has conducted relative to a Tennis Court - Ice Skating rink complex and recommended the project to the City Commission for its favorable consideration and determination of method of financing.

109-A. Edison-VanAllsburg. That the City Manager be directed to gather as much information as possible relative to the costs involved in developing this complex with the understanding that no City funds be expended at this time.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

110. A letter from Representative Thomas Ford regarding the Compulsory Arbitration Act #312 was received and filed.

111. The City Manager reported on a GRETS Technical Committee meeting held November 3, 1971 regarding the Urban Federal Aid System.

111-A. Eleveld-Green. That it is the policy of the East Grand Rapids City Commission that even should GRETS withdraw Plymouth Road from Hall Street south from the Urban Federal Aid System that this City Commission still would not approve of the Urban Federal Aid Transportation System.

111-B. Edison-Swain. That this motion be tabled.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Swain, Stoppels, Collins - 5
Nays: Green, Eleveld - 2

112. The City Manager reported on the effects of Phase II of the Wage-Price Plan in connection with the Fire and Police Contract and stated that according to the Plan not more than 5.5% increase could be granted to be effective November 15, 1971. This matter was tabled for a Committee-of-the-Whole meeting.

113. The Traffic Commission report relative to their meeting held November 16, 1971 was received and filed.

114. Edison-VanAllsburg. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$90,898.62, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$20,492.77, as approved by the Ways & Means Committee be allowed and the Controller be authorized to draw an order on the Treasurer for their respective amounts.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

115. The City Engineer and City Attorney reported that an easement agreement has been prepared and agreed to by the property owners providing a right of way for city utilities across the Smith & Sperry properties and recommended that the City Commission authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign this easement.

115-A. Swain-Stoppels. That the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign this easement agreement.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 7
Nays: 0

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116. Commissioner Eleveld requested that reported zoning violations involving use of single family residences in the vicinity of Aquinas College as rooming houses be placed on the agenda for discussion by the Committee-of-the-Whole.

117. There were no residents in attendance at this meeting.

118. The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 p.m., subject to the call of the Mayor, until December 6, 1971.



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

Regular Meeting Held December 6, 1971

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Collins.

Present: Coms. VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, and
Mayor Collins.

Absent: None

119. The minutes of the meeting held November 22, 1971 were approved as written.

120. Pursuant to public notice a hearing was held by the City Commission acting as the Zoning Board of Appeals upon the request of Michael Dodgson et al for a zoning variance to permit construction of a medical office building on property at 529-531 Greenwood, SE. The Mayor and City Attorney explained that the Circuit Court and the Court of Appeals have both affirmed the prior finding of this Board of Appeals that an unnecessary hardship exists as to the Burluson Hospital Property itself (but not as to adjoining properties) and that this finding of unnecessary hardship is not subject to review but that the plans for use of the premises are before the Board of Appeals for its consideration. Mr. Dodgson presented sketches of the plans and discussed them with the Board and with interested persons attending the hearing. Mr. Swain spoke in opposition to approving the variance.

120-A. Eleveld-Green. That the variance be approved as requested subject to the condition that the final structural and landscaping plans be reviewed and approved by our City staff and Planning Commission prior to the issuance of a building permit.

A roll call was taken.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 6

Nays: Swain - 1

121. Eleveld-Green. That proposed resolution Item 111-A "That it is the policy of East Grand Rapids City Commission that even should GRETS withdraw Plymouth Road from Hall Street south from the Urban Federal Aid System that this City Commission still would not approve of the Urban Federal Aid Transportation System" which was tabled by this Commission on November 22, 1971 be removed from the table.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 7

Nays: 0

121-A. Edison-VanAllsburg. That this resolution be amended to read "That this City Commission is opposed to the widening of Plymouth Road within the City limits". The Mayor ruled this motion to be out of order at this time.

121-B. Edison-VanAllsburg. That the proposed resolution be tabled.

A roll call was taken.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Swain - 3

Nays: Green, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 4

The motion failed.

121-C. A roll call was taken on the question of adopting the resolution. The resolution was adopted on the following vote:

Yeas: Green, Stoppels, Swain, Eleveld, Collins - 5

Nays: Edison - 1

Commissioner VanAllsburg abstained.

Commissioner Swain requested to be excused at this time.

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122. Stoppels-Eleveld. That the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS the provisions of the City Charter of the City of East Grand Rapids relative to Taxation, Special Purposes, as set forth in Chapter XIII of said Charter as originally adopted on June 14, 1927, are in some respects in conflict with the statutes of the State of Michigan and are unnecessarily lengthy, detailed and cumbersome; and

WHEREAS it is necessary that the charter provisions relating thereto be revised;

BE IT RESOLVED that pursuant to Michigan Compiled Laws of 1948, as amended, Sections 117.21 et seq., the City Commission of the City of East Grand Rapids proposes that Chapter XIII of the Charter of the City of East Grand Rapids be amended to read as follows:

TAXATION, SPECIAL PURPOSES

"Section 1. The Commission shall have power to determine that the whole or any part of the expense of any public improvement shall be defrayed by special assessments upon the property especially benefited and shall so declare by resolution. Such resolution shall state the estimated cost of the improvement, what proportion of the cost thereof shall be paid by special assessments, and what part, if any, shall be a general obligation of the City, the number of installments in which assessments may be paid, shall designate the districts of land and premises upon which special assessments shall be levied, and shall provide for separate hearing on necessity.

"Section 2. The Commission shall prescribe by general ordinance the complete special assessment procedure concerning plans and specifications, estimate of cost, notice and hearing, the making of the assessment roll and correction of errors, collection of special assessments, and any other matters concerning the making of improvements by the special assessment method."

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this proposed charter amendment be submitted to the electors of this City at the earliest municipal or general state election or special election which permits compliance with the requirements of Michigan Compiled Laws of 1948, as amended, Sections 117.21, 117.22 and 117.23.

FURTHER RESOLVED that this proposed charter amendment shall be transmitted to the Governor of the State of Michigan for his approval pursuant to Michigan Compiled Laws of 1948, as amended, Section 117.22, and that the statement of the purpose of the proposed charter amendment be submitted to the Attorney General for approval in accordance with Michigan Compiled Laws of 1948, as amended, Section 117.21.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the question and statement of purpose of such proposed charter amendment be designated on the ballot as follows:

"Shall Chapter XIII of the Charter of the City of East Grand Rapids be amended to eliminate from the Charter the detailed provisions as to procedures to be followed in levying and collecting special assessments and to provide that such procedures shall be prescribed by ordinance?"

Yes ()

No ()

FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk cause the proposed charter amendment, together with Chapter XIII of the Charter as it presently reads, to be published in their entirety in the GRAND RAPIDS PRESS before the proposed amendment is submitted to the electors.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 6
Nays: 0

123. A report from Project Rehab was received and filed.

124. The City Manager requested authorization to issue a purchase order to Bliss Eagle Signal Company in the amount of \$4,355.66 for budgeted improvements to signal systems at five East Grand Rapids intersections.

124-A. Edison-Stoppels. That pursuant to the request of the City Manager the above purchase order be issued.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 6
Nays: 0

125. Reports for the month of November from the Fire Department, Police Department, and the City Assessor were received and filed.

126. Financial reports for the General and Water Funds for a 4-month period ended October 31, 1971 were received and filed.

127. Edison-VanAllsburg. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$78,512.98, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$20,189.71, 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: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 6
Nays: 0

128. Commissioner VanAllsburg questioned Chief Babcock relative to requirements of the bicycle ordinance for headlamps. Headlights and reflectors are required on any bikes used between 1/2 hour after sunset to 1/2 hour before sunrise.

129. Eleveld-Edison. That this Commission compliment the City Manager on the award which was given to him by the International City Managers' Association for 15 years of continuous service in the position of East Grand Rapids City Manager, and to the City Clerk-Treasurer on his recent election as chairman of the Kent County Treasurers' Association.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Stoppels, Eleveld, Collins - 6
Nays: 0

130. Commissioner Eleveld requested that the City Manager report at the next meeting relative to the status of income tax receipts from the State of Michigan.

131. The City Manager reported on recent meetings to create the East Beltline Association and stated that the City Commission would soon receive a request to appoint three members of the Board of Directors of this Association.

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

133. The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 p.m., subject to the call of the Mayor, until December 20, 1971.

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

Regular Meeting Held December 20, 1971

The meeting was called to order by the President of the Commission, Mr. J. Robert Green.

Present: Coms. VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, and Eleveld.
Absent: Com. Stoppels, and Mayor Collins.

134. The minutes of the meeting held December 6, 1971 were approved as written.

135. The City Manager reported on petitions which were received for the improvement of Asbury and Whitfield and for the installation of water and sewer mains on these streets. Mr. J. Brock Albert was present to explain his interest in this project.

135-A. Eleveld-Swain. That this matter be tabled and referred to the Committee-of-the-Whole.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Eleveld - 5
Nays: 0

136. The City Manager reported on bids which were received for the purchase of three police cars and two regular cars and recommended that the low bid of Highland Plymouth be accepted in the amount of \$14,238.00.

136-A. Swain-VanAllsburg. That the low bid of Highland Plymouth in the amount of \$14,238.00 be accepted and a purchase order be issued to them.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Eleveld - 5
Nays: 0

137. The City Manager explained accounting procedures relative to the State Income Tax receipts recorded in the October financial report.

138. The City Manager reported on bids which were received for fire hose and requested that a purchase order be issued to the low bidder, Central Michigan Fire Equipment Company, in the amount of \$1,000.00.

138-A. Eleveld-VanAllsburg. That the Commission concur in the City Manager's request that he issue a purchase order in the stated amount.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Eleveld - 5
Nays: 0

139. The City Manager reported that the East Beltline Association would like to have the East Grand Rapids City Commission appoint three directors to their Association and that the City subscribe to the Association in the amount of \$100.00 for membership fee.

139-A. Eleveld-VanAllsburg. That the City Manager be authorized to pay the membership fee to the East Beltline Association and that the appointment of directors be made at the next City Commission meeting.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Eleveld - 5
Nays: 0

140. A notice was received from Grand Rapids Township for cancellation of the Woodcliff Sewer Agreement. This notice was received and filed.

141. VanAllsburg-Green. That expense vouchers in the amount of \$53,535.27, and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$21,498.17, 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: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Eleveld - 5
Nays: 0

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142. Eleveld-Edison. That the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign a Release Agreement for a portion of vacated Eastlawn Road which was vacated by the City of East Grand Rapids by resolution adopted February 19, 1962 and that this Release Agreement be recorded with the Kent County Register of Deeds.

Yeas: VanAllsburg, Edison, Green, Swain, Eleveld - 5
Nays: 0

143. The City Manager reported on a letter which was received from the City Manager of Grand Rapids relative to the Grand Rapids Transit Authority subsidy. This letter was referred to a Committee-of-the-Whole meeting.

144. Financial reports of the General and Water Funds for the month of November were received and filed.

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

146. The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m., subject to the call of the Mayor, until January 10, 1972.



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