

PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY COMMISSION
CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS

Regular Meeting Held June 3, 2024

Mayor Favale called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the City Commission Chambers at the East Grand Rapids Community Center and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Commissioners Burdick, Groff-Blaszak, Hunter, Schwartz, Wessely and Mayor Favale.

Absent: None.

Also Present: City Manager Charles; Deputy City Manager La Fave; City Attorney Huff; Parks and Recreation Director Melville; Public Safety Captain Ric Buikema; City Clerk Parmenter.

2024-96. The agenda was approved as presented.

2024-97. Public comment: None.

2024-98. Mayor and City Commission comments, including committee liaison reports.

Commissioner Groff-Blaszak wished everyone a happy Pride Month and reminded everyone to watch for bicyclists and give them three feet of space when passing.

City Manager Charles reminded everyone about the After Dark Party this Thursday from 5:00p.m. until 11:00p.m. and about the community engagement sessions next Thursday, June 13th.

2024-99. Public Hearing on Proposed 2024-2025 Budget.

City Manager Charles reviewed the request.

Public Hearing opened at 6:05p.m.

There was no public present.

Public Hearing closed at 6:05p.m.

2024-100. Public Hearing to certify the attached lists of delinquent accounts receivable and authorize placement of these accounts on the July 1, 2024 tax roll.

Finance Director Seath reviewed the request.

Public Hearing opened at 6:06p.m.

There was no public present.

Public Hearing closed at 6:07p.m.

2024-0100-A. Hunter-Burdick. To certify the list of delinquent accounts receivable and authorize placement of these accounts on the July 1, 2024 tax roll.

Yeas: Burdick, Groff-Blaszak, Hunter, Schwartz, Wessely and Favale – 6
Nays: None.

2024-101. Consider appointing Interim Public Safety Director Ric Buikema as an authorized representative of the City of East Grand Rapids to the Kent County Emergency Medical Services Consortium.

City Manager Charles reviewed the request.

2024-0101-A. Groff-Blaszak-Schwartz. To appoint Interim Public Safety Director Ric Buikema as an authorized representative of the City of East Grand Rapids to the Kent County Emergency Medical Services Consortium.

Yeas: Burdick, Groff-Blaszak, Hunter, Schwartz, Wessely and Favale – 6
Nays: None.

2024-102. Consider approval of MERF replacement purchases for FY 24/25 via MiDeal and Sourcewell contracts in the amount of \$460,000 with an additional 15% contingency of the overall total with authorization to place orders.

Deputy City Manager La Fave reviewed the request.

Commissioner Wessely asked if the old vehicles were able to be traded in. Deputy City Manager La Fave said that they will be sold through an auction.

2024-0102-A. Wessely-Groff-Blaszak. To approve the MERF replacement purchases for FY 24/25 via MiDeal and Sourcewell contracts in the amount of \$460,000 with an additional 15% contingency of the overall total with authorization to place orders.

Yeas: Burdick, Groff-Blaszak, Hunter, Schwartz, Wessely and Favale – 6
Nays: None.

2024-103. Consider approval of the Fourth Amendment to the License Agreement between the City of East Grand Rapids and Chevron Environmental Management Company for required environmental monitoring.

Deputy City Manager La Fave reviewed the request.

Commissioner Wessely questioned if the dry cleaners at that site would affect the testing. Deputy City Manager La Fave stated that it could, but this current location does not do the actual dry cleaning on site.

2024-0103-A. Schwartz-Burdick. To approve the Fourth Amendment to the License Agreement between the City of East Grand Rapids and Chevron Environmental Management Company for required environmental monitoring.

Yeas: Burdick, Groff-Blaszak, Hunter, Schwartz, Wessely and Favale – 6
Nays: None.

2024-104. Consider approval of the contract amendment and resolution for the addition of the previously approved streetlight for the Elinor Lane development.

Deputy City Manager La Fave reviewed the request.

2024-0104-A. Burdick-Wessely. To approve the contract amendment and resolution for the addition of the previously approved streetlight for the Elinor Lane development.

Yeas: Burdick, Groff-Blaszak, Hunter, Schwartz, Wessely and Favale – 6
Nays: None.

2024-105. Hunter-Groff-Blaszak. To approve the consent agenda as follows:

2024-0105-A. Minutes of the regular meeting held May 20, 2024.

2024-0105-B. Disbursement of funds: payroll disbursements of \$282,300.06; county and school disbursements of \$0, and total remaining disbursements of \$347,899.29.

Yeas: Burdick, Groff-Blaszak, Hunter, Schwartz, Wessely and Favale – 6
Nays: None.

The meeting adjourned at 6:21p.m., subject to the call of the Mayor until June 17, 2024.

Lori A Parmenter, City Clerk