

PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY COMMISSION
CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS

Regular Meeting Held December 19, 2016

Mayor Seibold 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 Dills, Duncan, Hamrick, Skaggs, Zagel and Mayor Seibold

Absent: Commissioner Miller

Also Present: City Attorney Huff; City Manager Donovan; Assistant City Manager LaFave; Public Safety Director Herald; Finance Director Mushong; Parks & Recreation Director Bunn; Zoning Administrator Faasse; City Clerk Brower

2016-158. Peter Dimitriou, 2621 Inverness, gave a holiday update on climate changes, including the fact that reindeer are losing their habitat and a modified Christmas carol about caring for the environment.

2016-159. Mayor Seibold reported she had attended the annual employee appreciation luncheon last week and spoke with many employees about how much their work means to the citizens of East Grand Rapids.

2016-160. Zagel-Skaggs. Motion to add to the consent agenda a request to award a contract for in-car video systems for the Public Safety Department. A roll call vote was taken.

Yeas: Dills, Duncan, Hamrick, Skaggs, Zagel and Seibold – 6
Nays: -0-

2016-161. Mayor Seibold presented Commissioner Skaggs with a proclamation and a clock in appreciation of his five years of service as 1st Ward Commissioner and wished him well in his new role as Kent County Commissioner.

Commissioner Skaggs stated that he has thoroughly enjoyed his five years as commissioner and thanked each of the commissioners and staff that he has worked with during that time. He stated he was especially proud of being a part of the passing of the non-discrimination ordinance and the street and sidewalk millage proposal.

2016-162. Acceptance of the statement of preliminary proceedings for the Lake Drive Sidewalk Special Assessment District.

Assistant City Manager LaFave reviewed the preliminary information that has been compiled for the assessment district to add a sidewalk to the north side of Lake Drive near the East city limits.

2016- -A. Skaggs-Duncan. That the statement of preliminary proceedings for the Lake Drive Sidewalk Special Assessment District be approved as set forth in Exhibit “A” attached hereto.

Yeas: Dills, Duncan, Hamrick, Skaggs, Zagel and Seibold – 6
Nays: -0-

2016-163. Resolution setting a hearing of necessity for the Lake Drive Sidewalk Special Assessment District.

2016- -A. Duncan-Dills. That a resolution setting a hearing of necessity for the Lake Drive Sidewalk Special Assessment District for January 3, 2017 at 6 p.m. be adopted as set forth in Exhibit “B” attached hereto.

Yeas: Dills, Duncan, Hamrick, Skaggs, Zagel and Seibold – 6
Nays: -0-

2016-164. Introduction of an ordinance to amend Chapter 31 of Title III of the City Code pertaining to parks general regulations.

City Attorney Huff explained the ordinance amendments included adding definitions and special event permit language while prohibiting commercial activities and swimming at Collins Park. There are also new sections on media production on public property and formalizing the role of the Parks & Recreation Commission.

2016- -A. Dills-Hamrick. That an ordinance to amend Chapter 31 of Title III of the City Code pertaining to parks general regulations be introduced as set forth in Exhibit "C" attached hereto.

Yeas: Dills, Duncan, Hamrick, Skaggs, Zigel and Seibold – 6
Nays: -0-

2016-165. Introduction of an ordinance to amend Article I of Chapter 31 of Title III of the City Code pertaining to rules and regulations for public parks.

2016- -A. Zigel-Hamrick. That an ordinance to amend Article I of Chapter 31 of Title III of the City Code pertaining to rules and regulations for public parks be introduced as set forth in Exhibit "D" attached hereto.

Yeas: Dills, Duncan, Hamrick, Skaggs, Zigel and Seibold – 6
Nays: -0-

2016-166. Introduction of an ordinance to add Chapter 33 to Title III of the City Code pertaining to media production on public property.

2016- -A. Hamrick-Dills. That an ordinance to add Chapter 33 to Title III of the City Code pertaining to media production on public property be introduced as set forth in Exhibit "E" attached hereto.

Yeas: Dills, Duncan, Hamrick, Skaggs, Zigel and Seibold – 6
Nays: -0-

2016-167. Introduction of an ordinance to add Chapter 35 to Title III of the City Code pertaining to the Parks & Recreation Commission.

2016- -A. Skaggs-Zigel. That an ordinance to add Chapter 35 to Title III of the City Code pertaining to the Parks & Recreation Commission be introduced as set forth in Exhibit "F" attached hereto.

Yeas: Dills, Duncan, Hamrick, Skaggs, Zigel and Seibold – 6
Nays: -0-

2016-168. Zigel-Dills. To approve the consent agenda as follows:

2016- -A. To approve the minutes of the regular meeting held December 5, 2016.

2016- -B. Report of Finance Committee on disbursement of funds: payroll disbursements of ordinance to add Chapter 35 to Title III of the City Code pertaining to the Parks & Recreation Commission.

2016- -C. A three-year contract with Everlasting Blooms for the 2017, 2018 and 2019 for flowers for the streetscape areas in the total amount of \$34,190.00.

2016- -D. The reappointment of David Bilardello of 703 Bagley to a two-year term on the Interurban TYransit Partnership Board ending December 31, 2018.

2016- -E. A contract for a topographic study and a drainage study for Plymouth Road between Franklin and Lake Drive with Moore & Bruggink in the amount not-to-exceed \$7,250.00

2016- -F. The preliminary minutes of the Parks & Recreation Commission meeting held November 14, 2016.

- 2016- -G. The Public Safety Department's quarterly report for the period ending June 30, 2016.
- 2016- -H. The Public Safety Department's quarterly report for the period ending June 30, 2016.
- 2016- -I. The purchase of a digital in-car video system for the Public Safety Department from CDW-G of Chicago, Illinois in the amount of \$70,077.46.

Yeas: Dills, Duncan, Hamrick, Skaggs, Zagel and Seibold – 6
Nays: -0-

The meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m., subject to the call of the Mayor until January 3, 2017.

Karen K. Brower, City Clerk

- Attachments: A – Lake Drive Sidewalk Special Assessment District Statement of Preliminary Proceedings
B – Resolution setting hearing of necessity for Lake Drive Sidewalk Special Assessment District
C – Ordinance amendment to Chapter 31 of Title III
D – Ordinance amendment to Article I of Chapter 31 of Title III
E – Ordinance amendment to add Chapter 33
F – Ordinance amendment to add Chapter 35

Attachments listed above are available for inspection at the office of the City Clerk.