MINUTES
Committee of the Whole
Monday, August 31, 2020 @ 5:00 p.m.
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CALL TO ORDER
Council President Spadafore called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m.

PRESENT- via audio/video
Councilmember Peter Spadafore
Councilmember Adam Hussain
Councilmember Carol Wood
Councilmember Patricia Spitzley
Councilmember Kathie Dunbar
Councilmember Brandon Betz
Councilmember Jeremy Garza- excused
Councilmember Brian T. Jackson

MEMBERS PRESENT- via audio/video
Sherrie Boak, Council Staff
Jim Smiertka, City Attorney
Lisa Hagen, Assistant City Attorney
Samantha Harkins, Deputy Mayor
Heather Sumner, Assistant City Attorney
Andy Kilpatrick, Director Public Service
Loretta Stanaway
Greg Venker, Assistant City Attorney

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MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER HUSSAIN TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM AUGUST 24, 2020 AS PRESENTED. ROLL CALL VOTE, MOTION CARRIED 7-0.

Public Comment
Ms. Stanaway spoke on the budget priorities and asked for a focus on police and fire. She spoke in opposition to the defunding but supported improvement and reform.

Discussion/Action:
DISCUSSION – FY2021/2022 Budget Priorities
Council President Spadafore mentioned in the past the document included goals and policies, in addition to priorities. Council Member Spadafore shared his screen which represented a streamline version pairing down to actual spending priorities and specific allocations. Council

Member Spitzley supported including funding amounts as part of the justification and policy suggestions. Council Member Wood asked Council President Spadafore asked who the Committee should work with on finding those funding amounts since there is currently no Council Internal Auditor; the Finance Director or Chief Strategy Officer. And it was also asked who all comments and recommended changes should be sent to finalize the draft. Council President Spadafore confirmed with Ms. Harkins that Council should utilize the Finance Director who then can determine if he needs assistance. He then determined the Office Manager should be the point person in the Council office. Until the figures are provided by Finance, the report can have place holders in its format. Council Member Jackson was in the meeting but having issues with the audio, and enter the meeting with a cell phone at this time. He then stated he concurred with Council Member Wood on earlier statements on obtaining the figures and asked if these will be individual documents or the full Council has a consensus. Council President Spadafore confirmed that each item included would have to be voted on by the full Council for inclusion. He then briefly spoke on the Internal Auditor vacancy and they have narrowed the pool and will begin the testing. Council Member Wood noted for the Council that to add a funding item to the budget priorities, there will need to be 6 votes in support, but that still does not mandate the Mayor to spend. She asked if a clause could be added to the document that would recommend the Administration report back in the Mayor's budget on which priority is put into the budget and where, if the Mayor chose not to include a priority in the budget a document that states why. Ms. Harkins acknowledged the request. Council President Spadafore asked the Committee to address the final document on 9/21/2020.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER SPITZLEY TO ACCEPT THE PRESENTED FORMAT AS THE DOCUMENT THE COMMITTEES WILL USE FOR THEIR REVIEW AND RECOMMENDAITONS. ROLL CALL VOTE, MOTION CARRIED 7-0.

<u>RESOLUTION – Set Public Hearing; Montgomery Drain District Public Improvement III; Assessment Roll</u>
Council President Spadafore stated to the Committee that when he spoke to Vice President Hussain at 4:30 p.m. Council had not received the roll yet, so action on this resolution was moved to the September 14, 2020 Committee and Council meeting.

<u>RESOLUTION – Public Act 425 Agreement Renewal; Delta Township, Android Industries</u>
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<u>RESOLUTION – Public Act 425 Agreement Renewal; Delta Township, Stir Lansing, LLC</u>
Ms. Harkins briefly summarized the negotiations with Delta Township which concluded with 60/40 split on taxes, and the administration fees at 50/50. There is not a significant increase to the City, but during negotiations the City did attempt to have the taxes 50/50 but after exchanging the figures it was agreed to stay at 60/40. Ms. Harkins then acknowledged that Delta Township has already reviewed and approved these renewals. Council President Spadafore asked if Council does not take action, the taxes would not be collected, and Ms. Harkins confirmed and added over the years since the Act 425 was agreed to the City has collected $500,000. Mr. Smiertka briefly outlined for newer Council Members that the Act 425 falls under the statue of 1983 to allow transactions for economic development and allowing for sharing of taxes, short of an annexation. Council Member Wood asked if the three (3) businesses own the land at which Mr. Smiertka was not sure. Council Member Wood noted that there have been situations in the past where the business was named in the agreement and when the business sells then the agreement has to come back for a name amendment, therefore a determination was made in the past not to include the business name in the agreement. Mr. Smiertka acknowledged the inquiry, and confirmed with these documents the property legal description is listed not the company. Council Member Wood then asked if

there are required annual meetings with Delta Township because of the 425 agreements, and Mr. Smiertka stated there has not been a request for them.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER HUSSAIN TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTIONS FOR THE PA 425 WITH DELTA TOWNSHIP; ANDROID INDUSTRIES, STIR LANSING, LLC. AND BRIDGEWATER INTERIORS. ROLL CALL VOTE, MOTION CARRIED 7-0.

Other
MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER HUSSAIN TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION AT 5:34 P.M. BASED ON:
[CLOSED SESSION]- via "Break-Out Session"

> To consider material exempt from discussion or disclosure by state statute, to wit: written communications and opinions from the City Attorney subject to the Attorney-Client Privilege

ROLL CALL VOTE, MOTION CARRIED 7-0.

RECONVENE at 6:00 p.m.

Adjourn
The meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.
Respectfully Submitted by,
Sherrie Boak, Recording Secretary
Lansing City Council
Approved by the Committee September 14, 2020