



MINUTES
Committee on Public Safety
Wednesday, November 14, 2018 @ 3:30 p.m.
City Council Conference Room, 10th Floor

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 3:3 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Council Member Carol Wood, Chair
Council Member Adam Hussain, Vice Chair
Council Member Jeremy Garza, Member

OTHERS PRESENT

Sherrie Boak, Council Staff
Andy Kilpatrick, Public Service Director
Lisa Hagen, Assistant City Attorney
Steve Swan, Building Official
Andrea Lopez, Cooley Law School
Charles Hickman, Cooley Law School
Elaine Womboldt
Kathy Miles
Mitch Whisler, Public Service Department - arrived at 3:49 p.m.
Charles Hickman,

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MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER GARZA TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM NOVEMBER 7, 2018. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

Public Comment

Mr. Hickman, President of the Student Bar Association with Cooley Law School, informed the Committee he understood he would receive word from Public Service Department on his request, but had not as of this meeting. Council Member Wood confirmed she spoke to Mr. Kilpatrick with contact information, and asked he speak to Mr. Hickman, along with Council staff. It was pointed out that LCC received discounts in the past, and Mr. Kilpatrick was asked to look into that and contact Mr. Hickman. Mr. Hickman stated he would reach out also to Mr. Kilpatrick.

DISCUSSION/ACTION

UPDATE FROM LAW – Pleasant Grove/Holmes Shopping Center

The Committee reviewed the most recent update of 11/7/2018. Council Member Garza referenced item 9, and asked if it was confirmed they were up and running with the SCRAM program. Council Member Wood stated she would follow up with LPD on that.

Council Member Wood read through the documents, noting item 2 was that the cameras were installed and paperwork submitted to the LPD. Regarding item 4, it was noted the owner confirmed some pot holes were filled, but indicated some not being fixed due to weather. For item 5 on illegal acts, she stated Officer Booth confirmed a letter was placed on file with the LPD, however a specific person was not listed in the no loitering letter. Officer Booth stated he would continue to follow up and Council staff was asked to reach out to Officer Booth for an update. Item 8 also spoke to trespassing and Officer Booth was to continue to follow up with the owners.

Regarding the Fire Marshall inspections and deadlines, it was confirmed via email from the Fire Marshall to Council staff during the meeting their compliance deadlines were 30 days from the date of his letter, and those letters were date November 5th, November 6th and November 7th.

Council Member Wood stated that under item 7, which was still pending, the owner stated they were going to speak to the company they bought the concrete barriers from and see if they could trade them in for bollards.

Council Member Wood noted for the record that the property owner is not a new owner, but has been under a land contract for two (2) decades and the land contract gives them rights to do things on the property in the past and now.

Mr. Swan stated he did not have an update.

Ms. Miles spoke in opposition to the concrete barriers and a continued concern that they sell cups of ice.

Ms. Womboldt spoke in opposition to the property maintenance that is currently being done.

UPDATE FROM LAW– Logan Square

Council Member Wood noted there currently is an online auction for the property.

Mr. Swan noted that they currently have permits to do any repairs and are currently working on those repairs.

UPDATE FROM LAW– 3801 Walton & Future Enforcement

Council Member Garza confirmed a meeting was set for November 13, 2018 however the owner did not attend and stated he never got a letter on the date. A new meeting was set for 11/26/2018 at 2:30 p.m. Ms. Hagen stated they would be calling Mr. Krueger on 11/21/2018 to confirm. Council Member Garza asked Ms. Hagen to invite Officer Arnold to the meeting, via the Chief.

RESOLUTION – Traffic Control Order #18-042; Townsend Between Allegan St. & Washtenaw Street.

Mr. Whisler provided details that they have spoken to the Senate and they agreed to pay roughly \$7 per space per day for 20 years, and with the approval of the resolution on this they would execute the agreement with the Senate. Council Member Wood outlined the request and why it was tabled at an earlier meeting. She noted that since that time the Committee has received letters from the Senate noting there are funds in an escrow account for what the Senate owes. There still is, however, a dispute with what the DTMB owe. On 11/7/2017 it was stated that instead of changing the area in this TCO to “No parking” the Senate would like to enter into an agreement to pay for those parking spaces.

The Committee agreed to change the "Be it Further Resolved" resolution to stated "City Council will review before the Administration will enter into said agreement." along with a the correction to the last paragraph from "18-014" to "18-042".

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER HUSSAIN TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION AS AMENDED FOR TRAFFIC CONTROL ORDER 18-042 FOR TOWNSEND STREET.
MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

Council Member Wood asked Law to actively pursue the matter, and Ms. Hagen confirmed she is actively speaking to other attorneys on the amount that is still owed.

Mr. Whisler informed the Committee that once the Resolution is passed, they will execute the agreement.

DISCUSSION – 2am – 5am Parking Enforcement

Council Member Wood informed Mr. Whisler that Council Staff and herself both reached out to Mr. Kilpatrick to speak to Mr. Hickman with Cooley on discounted student parking for Cooley Law School.

Council Member Wood then referenced an email Council received regarding trash carts left at the curb. She was informed that when a resident made a complaint to Ms. Welch in recycling Ms. Welch told her there were legal issues with the ordinance and they were not able to enforce. Council Member Wood asked Mr. Whisler and Ms. Hagen to inform the departments when ordinances are passed for enforcement, and if there are legal issues with it then Law needs to come back to Committee. She also asked that the ordinance enforcement be added to the Lansing Connect website. Mr. Whisler stated he would look into both those items.

Council Member Garza asked for an update on when Miller would be scheduled for repaving, and Mr. Whisler stated he would get those details to him.

Council Member Wood referenced a document she had which was a Madison, Wisconsin ordinance on overnight parking, and she would provide that to Law.

The Committee determined they will meet on December 5, 2018, December 12, 2018 and December 19, 2018 at the same time of 3:30 p.m. The sample ordinance Council Member Wood had she stated she would forward to Law for them to review for applicable. Will send to law and make sure they can look to see if only applicable to state law.

3801 Walton

Ms. Hagen confirmed that Law sent the letter on 10/9/2018, the owner called 10/17/2018 and scheduled it for 11/13/2018. The meeting has now been rescheduled for 11/26/2018.

Discussion on rental properties and potential of enforcement of owners of multi properties.

ADJOURN

Adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

Submitted by Sherrie Boak,

Recording Secretary

Lansing City Council

Approved as presented: December 5, 2018