



**MINUTES**  
**Committee on Public Service**  
**Tuesday, October 1, 2019 @ 4:00 p.m.**  
**City Hall, Conference Room, 10<sup>th</sup> Floor**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Council Member Peter Spadafore, Chair  
Council Member Kathie Dunbar, Vice Chair  
Council Member Jeremy Garza, Member

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Sherrie Boak, Council Office Manager  
Sean Hammond  
Andy Kilpatrick, Public Service Director  
Lisa Hagen, Assistant City Attorney/Council Research Assistant  
Greg Venker, Assistant City Attorney - arrived at 4:09 p.m.

**Public Comments**

No public comments at this time.

**Minutes**

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER GARZA TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM SEPTEMBER 3, 2019 AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

**Discussion**

RESOLUTION – Appointment; Sean Hammond; Park Board-4<sup>th</sup> Ward Member; Term to Expire June 30, 2020

Mr. Hammond introduced himself and acknowledged he currently sits on the Saginaw Corridor Authority, but referenced his application, which listed the Park Board as his first choice, if a vacancy became available. He then proceeded with a brief history of his experience and what roles he has taken on with the Corridor Authority. Council Member Spadafore asked if he was choosing to continue his appointment on the Saginaw Corridor Authority, and stated that they will not meet again until October, then not again until March, 2020 and at that time his term would have expired, so he intends to resign from that Board after their October meeting.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER DUNBAR TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF SEAN HAMMOND TO THE PARK BOARD. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

RESOLUTION – Support Resolution to the State of Michigan for a Significant Investment into the Transportation Infrastructure

Council Member Spadafore recapped the last meeting where the Council was encouraged to provide a brief resolution to the State on funding for the State infrastructure.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER DUNBAR TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION SUPPORTING ENCOURAGEMENT ON STATE INFRASTRUCTURE. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

DISCUSSION – Traffic Calming Update from Public Service

Council Member Spadafore mentioned the discussions at the past meetings, and asked for an update from Mr. Kilpatrick. Mr. Kilpatrick confirmed he was aware of the streets where people expressed concern on speeding, but they are not sure if they are actually interested in “traffic calming” mechanisms. Currently a number of those streets have traffic volume and speed surveys, will look at the areas that have gone through traffic calming and find out where things were addressed and not addressed. He did present a map of what they have done so far, and stated he would forward that to Committee. His office will evaluate the study that has been done on traffic calming, parking regulations and priorities which might come back in a budget amendment. Mr. Kilpatrick was asked to provide examples of traffic calming options. Those included were speed humps, which are most cost effective; curb extensions, bump outs, and median islands. Another unique alternative he added was alternate parking within block to block. Council Member Garza asked what the cost of a speed bump would be and what determines if one is needed, and was told it would be roughly \$5,000 and the process includes a determination of at least 500 vehicles/day and 85<sup>th</sup> percentile of 35 mph. These are installed only on straight sections not on curves, nor steep hills over 5% grade. They can also not go on primary or secondary fire routes or major streets. Council Member Garza asked for a study on Deveonshire and Alpha, and was told there was one done, but Mr. Kilpatrick was not sure when it was presented back to the neighborhood for their input on the plan. If the neighborhood approves of a plan, then it goes before the Traffic Board and Public Service Board for final approval. Council Member Spadafore asked if Council could see in the 2020/2021 budget funds for areas, particularly one area a year, which could roughly cost \$100,000. Mr. Kilpatrick confirmed it could depend on the Administration’s plan. Council Member Garza asked for speed bump on Ellendale, and Mr. Kilpatrick stated they would have to look at the speed data first.

Council Member Spadafore asked about the status of the bike traffic calming that was discussed and confirmed at an earlier Committee meeting, with its initial location of Saginaw. Mr. Kilpatrick acknowledged the discussion and the supply in stock, but stated he would have to check on the status with MDOT since it is their road.

OTHER

Council Member Spadafore asked for an update from Mr. Kilpatrick on “wheel-free zones” signage in the downtown area. Mr. Kilpatrick stated he would follow up on the status.

Council Member Spadafore discussed changing the rental license requirements so that the landlord have to provide trash service as part of the licensing process. The OCA will continue to research and work on an ordinance amendment to address that.

Council Member Garza recapped calls he had been getting about the change to trash carts instead of bags. Mr. Kilpatrick asked for Council to find out who at the City is telling the residents it was Council and the Mayor that made the decision because he had spoken to staff about providing the correct information. The request for the change came directly from the

CART group. He concluded the explanation by stating there will be a “soft roll out” bi-weekly mid December.

DISCUSSION – Capital Area Disability Network AARP Age-Friendly Parks Report

Mr. Kilpatrick relayed information from the Parks Director that to address each item in the report would be costly, but they could look at age friendly changes. Council Member Dunbar asked if they have looked into grants, but Mr. Kilpatrick was not able to provide information on that. Council Member Spadafore stated he would speak to Mr. Kaschinske about the long-term ADA compliance items.

**ADJOURN**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:38 p.m.

Submitted by Sherrie Boak,

Recording Secretary

Lansing City Council

Approved: November 5, 2019