

AGENDA

Committee on City Operations AGENDA FOR OCTOBER 20, 2021 AT 3:30 PM



Lansing City Hall, City Council Conference Room
124 W. Michigan Avenue, 10th Floor

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Council Member Dunbar, Chairperson
Council Member Spadafore, Vice Chairperson
Council Member Hussain, Member

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Roll Call**
- 3. Minutes**
 - A. October 6, 2021
- 4. Public Comment on Agenda Items (Up to 3 Minutes)**
- 5. Discussion/Action:**
 - B. RESOLUTION - Noise Special Permit; MDOT request to allow for I-496 Freeway reconstruction on weekdays from 8 PM to 7 AM and any time on weekends or holidays for the period January 24, 2022, through December 1, 2022 and for the period March 1, 2023 through November 15, 2023
- 6. Other**
- 7. Adjourn**

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MINUTES
Committee on City Operations
Wednesday, October 6, 2021 @ 3:30 p.m.
City Hall 9th Floor City Clerk Conference Room

CALL TO ORDER

Council Member Dunbar called the meeting to order at 3:31 p.m.

PRESENT

Council Member Dunbar, Chairperson
Council Member Spadafore, Vice Chairperson
Council Member Hussain, Member

OTHERS PRESENT

Renee Richmond, Council Administrative Asst.
Eric Brewer, Internal Auditor
Lisa Hagen, OCA
Heather Sumner, OCA
Scott Sanford, Code Compliance
Cordelia Black

MINUTES

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER SPADAFORE TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM SEPTEMBER 15, 2021, AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public were present.

DISCUSSION/ACTION:

RESOLUTION – Appointment; Cordelia Black as an At Large member of the Human Relations and Community Services Advisory Board for a term to expire June 30, 2022

Ms. Black stated she has been a Lansing resident all her life and loves the City of Lansing. She is currently an employee with the Lansing School District. Ms. Black continued that she feels she is already servicing the city and that the HRCS Board is directly in alignment with her values and morals. She indicated she has worked with the youth for 33 years and in doing that she is involved with the families and residents, pouring heart and energy, and felt this was an ideal opportunity. Council Member Dunbar asked Ms. Black what challenges she would like to address, and she responded that she believes in building rapport and strengthening relationships with residents which helps in assessing what is needed and assisting them in figuring out what they need for their goals. Council Member Dunbar then asked what Ms. Black believes her role would be on the HRCS Board. Ms. Black indicated to support the city and residents and advocating for families. Council Member Hussain asked if Ms. Black has attended a HRCS Board meeting and she responded no. Council Member Hussain concluded that one of the many roles is making recommendations for grant money and asking good questions and he believes she will be a good fit.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER SPADAFORE TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF CORDELIA BLACK AS AN AT LARGE MEMBER OF THE HUMAN RELATIONS AND COMMUNITY SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2022. MOTION CARRIED 3-0

RESOLUTION – Claim Appeal; Claim #1821, Sunset Realty LLC for \$1592 in trash fees at 705 Princeton Avenue

The Claimant was not present, Ms. Richmond informed the Committee that Mr. Ochodnicki, attorney for the Claimant was unable to attend the 9/15 meeting and stated he could on 10/06. Ms. Richmond stated she left voicemails on 9/28 & 9/29 and sent emails on 9/27, 9/29 and 9/30 to confirm the 10/6 appointment. Ms. Richmond received an email on 10/5 that Mr. Ochodnicki could not attend. Council Member Dunbar said the Committee would proceed. Mr. Sanford confirmed the violation on 8/06/2020, the Premise Officer arrived on 8/13/2020 the compliance due date and the violation was still present. The owner was aware of the violation and requested a safety inspection on 8/14/2020. The tenant was also aware and asked for a one-week extension which was granted. When the contractor arrived on 9/02/2020 the violation was still present. Mr. Sanford also stated that the inspector left comments and read them to the Committee that there was so much trash that they did not know where to begin and their office recommends denial of the claim. Council Member Hussain asked Mr. Sanford how they determine if outdoor furniture needs to be removed. Mr. Sanford said it can be difficult but if chairs are broken or a grill is missing a wheel it is deemed broken.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER SPADAFORE TO DENY THE CLAIM APPEAL #1821 FOR 705 PRINCETON AVENUE, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1592 IN TRASH FEES. MOTION CARRIED 2-0

OTHER

ADJOURNED

Adjourned at 3:43 p.m.

Submitted by Renee Richmond,

Administrative Assistant, Lansing City Council

Approved by the Committee on _____

I-496 Project Noise Ordinance Waiver Request

The following message was prepared in anticipation of receiving approval for a waiver of the noise ordinance described below. If the waiver is not approved, then night and weekend work described will take place during normal working hours as allowed by the City of Lansing's noise ordinance.

Dear Resident or Business Owner:

The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) has requested a waiver of the City of Lansing's noise ordinance, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 654.11 of the Code of Ordinances, for a roadway rebuild and bridge repair project along I-496. This waiver is being sought in order to lessen the project's impact on motorists, residents and business owners.

Those affected by this project can express their concerns at a public hearing at 7:00 p.m., October 11, 2021 in the City Council Chambers on the Tenth Floor of Lansing City Hall, 124 W. Michigan Ave.

The requested noise ordinance waiver would allow certain construction work from 8 p.m. to 7 a.m. nightly and on weekends from:

- January 2022 to November 2022.
- March 2023 to September 2023.

The project area generally includes I-496, Martin Luther King Jr Boulevard, and St Joseph Street from Lansing Rd to the Grand River.

For more information on the I-496 project, call the MDOT Lansing Transportation Service Center at 517-335-3754. For updates, go to www.Michigan.gov/Drive or www.twitter.com/MDOT_LanJxn.

I-496 Rebuilding Project

Lansing

2022-2023

What Is Being Done?

The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) will invest approximately \$75 million to rebuild I-496 and perform preventive maintenance and repairs on 17 bridges between Lansing Road and the Grand River.

I-496 will be widened to improve operations by connecting the Lansing Road and M-99 ramps with an auxiliary lane. This project will include resurfacing and sidewalk ramp upgrades along the I-496 service drives between M-99 (Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard) and the Grand River, as those routes will be utilized as detours throughout the project.

Funding for this project is made possible by Gov. Gretchen Whitmer's Rebuilding Michigan program to rebuild the state highways and bridges that are critical to the state's economy and carry the most traffic. The investment strategy is aimed at fixes that result in longer useful lives and improve the condition of the state's infrastructure.

When Will This Be Done?

Work is scheduled to begin in 2022 and be finished in 2023.

How Will Traffic Be Affected?

In 2022, I-496 and associated ramps will be closed and detoured onto the service drives (Malcolm X and St. Joseph streets).

In 2023, at least one lane of I-496 will be open in each direction, with major work occurring between Lansing Road and M-99.

Since this is a design-build project, which means the contractor and their team designs the project and builds it, traffic impacts will be identified as the project goes through design. Ramp and bridge work is expected to impact surface streets as well. Announcements will be made in advance of these traffic impacts once design is completed, with updates throughout work.



For More Information

Call the MDOT Lansing Transportation Service Center at: 517-335-3754.

For updates, go to

<https://bit.ly/3v8brly> or www.twitter.com/MDOT_LanJxn.

BY THE COMMITTEE ON GENERAL SERVICES
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on Monday, October 11, 2021, in consideration of the request by the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT), the owner of the 496 reconstruction project, for issuance of a waiver of the noise ordinance on weekdays from 8:00 PM to 7:00 AM and any time on weekends or holidays for the period January 24, 2022, through December 1, 2022 and for the period March 1, 2023 through November 15, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the associated road and bridge improvements, including sewer upgrades, are necessary to support and serve the greater Lansing area residents and commuters that frequent the Lansing area; and

WHEREAS, to minimize the disruption to motorists, MDOT, the owner, is requesting a noise waiver to accommodate construction activities outside the allowable time frame as set forth in section 654.07 of the Code of Ordinances; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lansing Public Service Department recommends that the contractor be granted the requested noise waiver in order to:

- limit the amount of time local access for property owners is impacted;
- limit the amount of time that vehicular traffic will be detoured; and
- keep the project on-schedule; and

WHEREAS, no substantive written or verbal comments in opposition to this noise waiver were received from anyone within the project area at the public hearing or during the public comment period.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council grant a waiver of the noise ordinance, for construction noise along I-496 in the City of Lansing, on weekdays from 8:00 PM to 7:00 AM and any time on weekends or holidays for the period January 24, 2022, through December 1, 2022 and for the period March 1, 2023 through November 15, 2023.