# OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF
# THE CITY COUNCIL
# CITY OF LANSING
# APRIL 10, 2017

City Council Chambers
Lansing, Michigan

The City Council of the City of Lansing met in regular session and was called to order at 7:33 p.m. by President Spitzley

PRESENT: Council Members Dunbar, Houghton, Hussain, Spitzley, Washington, Wood, Yorko

ABSENT: Council Member Brown Clarke

Vice President Wood asked people to remember Ann Kron, who recently passed away, during the moment of Meditation. The Council observed a moment of Meditation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by President Spitzley

## APPROVAL OF PRINTED COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

By Vice President Wood

To approve the printed Council Proceedings of March 27 and April 3, 2017

Motion Carried

## CONSIDERATION OF LATE ITEMS

By Vice President Wood

To suspend City Council Rule #9 to allow for Consideration of Late Items

Motion Carried

The following items were added to the agenda:

1. Introduction of Ordinanced and Setting a Public Hearing for Comcast new Video Service Franchise Agreement

2. Setting a Public Hearing for the Fiscal Year 2017/2018 Budget

## SPECIAL CEREMONIES

1. Tribute; in recognition of National Crime Victim Rights Week

Vice President Carol Wood shared a few words about victim rights.

Ingham County Prosecutor Carol Siemon spoke about victim rights.

Shawn Ham spoke about the death of her brother.

John Edmen shared his story.

Rina Risper talked about National Crime Victim Rights Week.

**RESOLUTION #2017-067**
BY COUNCIL MEMBERS BROWN CLARKE, DUNBAR, HOUGHTON, HUSSAIN, SPITZLEY, WASHINGTON, WOOD, AND YORKO
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING

WHEREAS, every April, the Office of Victims of Crime (OVC) helps lead communities throughout the country in their annual observances of National Crime Victims' Rights Week (NCVRW) by promoting victims' rights and remembering crime victims and those who advocate on their behalf. This year's NCVRW will be held April 2nd-8th. This year's theme -Strength. Resilience. Justice. Reflects a vision for the future in which all victims are strengthened by the response they receive, organizations are resilient in response to challenges, and communities are able to seek collective justice and healing.

WHEREAS, Americans are the victims of more than 20 million crimes each year, affecting individuals, families, and communities; and

WHEREAS, the importance to provide victims with knowledge of their rights and available services further strengthens their ability to recover by restoring a sense of self-empowerment; and

WHEREAS, victims who feel understood and supported are more likely to disclose their victimization, seek services and participate in the justice process. A multidisciplinary response, involving collaboration among victim service professionals, criminal justice officials, legal professional, medical and mental health providers, and community leaders is essential to reach and serve all victims—especially those who are marginalized, have disabilities, or live in remote locations; and

WHEREAS, strengthening the multidisciplinary response—bring diverse skills, perspectives, and understandings together in the service of victims—also serves to build the resilience of those responders, by strengthening the confidence in their roles, abilities, and sense of contribution; and

WHEREAS, National Crime Victims' Rights Week honors and celebrates the achievements of the past thirty years in securing rights, protections, and services for victims. The bipartisan Victims of Crime Act (VOCA), passed by Congress in 1984, created a national fund to ease victims' suffering; and

WHEREAS, the Victims of Crime Act has supported efforts for victims of once-hidden crimes such as domestic and sexual violence. Outreach is increasingly focused on previously underserved victim populations, including victims of color, religious and ethnic minorities, LGBTQ victims, and immigrant populations to name a few. Efforts are being made to ensure that all victims, regardless of their background or the crime committed against them, receive the support they deserve.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Lansing City Council appreciates the unwavering commitment and tireless dedication to victims of crime throughout the Nation and especially in the Lansing community. If victims are to trust that the system will work for them, we must meet them where they are—physically, culturally, and emotionally. By serving victims, building trust, and restoring hope, the field can more effectively help victims as they rebuild their lives. While crime victims have legally protected rights, many different groups face significant barriers not only in accessing the resources they need and deserve, but also in reaching out and we must help bridge that gap. We must engage the entire community, and maximize and leverage existing resources to better serve all victims of crime and provide the necessary support through their journey of today and tomorrow.

By Vice President Wood

Motion Carried

## COMMENTS BY COUNCIL MEMBERS AND THE CITY CLERK

Vice President Wood shared information about the Potter Park Clean Up coordinated by Comcast.

Council Member Yorko recognized the hundreds of MSU students who were completing community service projects and Council Member Houghton for her organizing efforts.

Council Member Houghton provided additional details on MSU Day of Service that brought hundreds to the City to complete service projects and the upcoming Scotts Woods Neighborhood Meeting.

Council Member Washington shared details about the upcoming Urbandale Farm Work Party.

Council Member Hussain shared details about the Southwest constituent contact meeting, and details on the volunteer projects that occurred on Saturday in the Third Ward.

Council President Spitzley recognized family members of Rudy and Dorothy Wilson for their accomplishments and that they will be starting the process tonight to name Westside Park in their honor.

Council Member Yorko shared some of her experience of working with Rudy Wilson at NorthWest Initiative.

## SPEAKER REGISTRATION FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON LEGISLATIVE MATTERS

City Clerk Swope announced that the public comment registration form(s) for those intending to address Council on legislative matters will be collected and that only those persons who have fully completed the form(s) will be permitted to speak.

## MAYOR’S COMMENTS

Acting Executive Assistant to Mayor Bernero, Joe McDonald, spoke about Lansing Lugnuts Opening Day, the Capital City Film Festival, and announced the completion of the Life O’Riley Park demolition. Mr. McDonald also mentioned the Mobile Food Pantry, the Spring Break Feeding Program, and noted the economic incentives scheduled for passage.

## PUBLIC COMMENT ON LEGISLATIVE MATTERS

Legislative Matters included the following public hearings:

1. In consideration of An Ordinance of the City of Lansing, Michigan to amend Chapter 1026, Special Assessments, Section 1026.06, Assessment Procedure, to eliminate the requirement that notice be published in a daily newspaper of the City

2. In consideration of the Annual Consolidated Strategy and Plan Submission and Action Plan Proposed Budget for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Fund Resources for Fiscal Year 2018

Council Member Dunbar gave an overview of the public hearing on an Ordinance of the City of Lansing, Michigan to amend Chapter 1026, Special Assessments, Section 1026.06, Assessment Procedure, to eliminate the requirement that notice be published in a daily newspaper of the City.

Vice President Wood gave an overview of the public hearing on Annual Consolidated Strategy and Plan Submission and Action Plan Proposed Budget for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Fund Resources for Fiscal Year 2018.

- Public Comment on Legislative Matters:

Jason Kildia spoke in support of the decertification of vacated street segment.

Scott Gillespie spoke in support of Brownfield Plan #67.

Ahmadpour Mansour spoke against Claim Appeal, Claim #1366.

Jean Tafel Spoke against the denial of Claim #1342 Rivendell Corp, 731 W. Genessee Street.

Kathy Kuhn spoke against the denial of Claim #1342 Rivendell Corp, 731 W. Genessee Street.

Harold Leeman spoke in support of Brownfield Plan #67.

Mike McCurdy spoke against the denial of Claim #1342 Rivendell Corp, 731 W. Genessee Street.

## LEGISLATIVE MATTERS

### REFERRAL OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. In consideration of An Ordinance of the City of Lansing, Michigan to amend Chapter 1026, Special Assessments, Section 1026.06, Assessment Procedure, to eliminate the requirement that notice be published in a daily newspaper of the City

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SERVICES

2. In consideration of the Annual Consolidated Strategy and Plan Submission and Action Plan Proposed Budget for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Fund Resources for Fiscal Year 2018

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

## CONSENT AGENDA

By Vice President Wood

To approve items 1b, 1c, 1d, 1e, 1f, 1g on the Consent Agenda.

Motion Carried

**RESOLUTION #2017-068**

BY COUNCIL MEMBERS BROWN CLARKE, DUNBAR, HOUGHTON, HUSSAIN, SPITZLEY, WASHINGTON, WOOD, AND YORKO
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING

WHEREAS, Kelli A. Ellsworth Etchison, a resident of Lansing, received her Associate Degree from Lansing Community College and her Bachelor of Business Administration Degree from Northwood University. Kelli married Robin Etchison and they have three children and four grandchildren who are the love and joy of her life; and

WHEREAS, in her professional life, Kelli is a thirty year veteran of the credit union industry and an award winning marketer. Ms. Ellsworth Etchison is the Senior Vice President of marketing at LAFCU Credit Union, where she manages all marketing efforts, public relations, internship program and member education initiatives particularly focusing on youth financial education; and

WHEREAS, Kelli is active in her community where she volunteers as a board member for the YMCA of Metropolitan Lansing, works on the Lansing Community College Foundation Board of Directors, Greater Lansing Area Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday Commission, the Mayor's Drug Free Youth Committee, the Rotary Club, and staffing the LAFCU booth at community events; and

WHEREAS, Kelli A. Ellsworth Etchison has won numerous awards including the C. Colton Carr Exemplary Volunteer of the Year Service Award by the YMCA of Metropolitan Lansing and the Dora Maxwell Social Responsibility Award. The Michigan Credit Union League named her Credit Union Youth Advocate of the Year, and she is a recipient of the NAACP Community Service Award, the International Athena Award and the LAFCU Community Service Award.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council, hereby expresses its appreciation to Kelli A. Ellsworth Etchison for her contributions to Lansing communities through her hard work and dedication. Congratulations on being chosen as the recipient of the "Sojourner Truth" Award from the Greater Lansing Area Club of the National Association of Business and Professional Women's Clubs, Inc. We wish you continued success!

Adopted as part of the Consent Agenda

**RESOLUTION #2017-069**

BY COUNCIL MEMBERS BROWN CLARKE, DUNBAR, HOUGHTON, HUSSAIN, SPTIZLEY, WASHINGTON, WOOD, AND YORKO
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING

WHEREAS, Judge Donald L. Allen, Jr., as a 1983 graduate of Wayne State University Law School, has spent most of his professional career as an Assistant Attorney General in the Michigan Department of Attorney General. Judge Allen Jr. served at the Department of Attorney General from February 1988 through September 2005. In September 2005 he was appointed Deputy Legal Counsel to Governor Jennifer Granholm. On June 5, 2006 Judge Allen was appointed by Governor Jennifer Granholm to serve as Director of the Office of Drug Control Policy. Judge Allen served in that position until his appointment to the 55th District Court Bench; and

WHEREAS, Judge Donald L. Allen Jr. was appointed Judge of the 55th District Court by Governor Jennifer Granholm on December 22, 2008. In 2010 Judge Allen Jr. was elected to the bench and re-elected in 2016, with a term that will expire December 31, 2022. Judge Allen was appointed Chief Judge of the court by the Michigan Supreme Court on January 1, 2016; and

WHEREAS, Judge Donald L. Allen Jr. has been recognized by the Lansing Black Lawyer's Association, Central Michigan Heritage Enterprise, Turning Point, Community Mental Health Authority, and Michigan Public Health. In addition Judge Allen Jr. has received numerous awards including Outstanding Barrister Award, Citizen of the Year Award, Kevin D. Bibbs Citizenship Award, Distinguished Service Award, and the Jean Chabut Health Policy Champion; and

WHEREAS, Judge Donald L. Allen Jr. has provided community service to many businesses and organizations. Judge Allen Jr. has worked with the Okemos Ingham County Families Against Narcotics to combat opiate epidemic through family support services. With the Mason Prescription Drug Task Force he worked to promote public awareness regarding the problem of prescription drug abuse. He a worked with the Mason Promise Scholarship where he worked to develop plans to provide scholarship opportunities for fifth graders in Mason Public Schools to attend college.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council hereby wishes to express its appreciation to the Honorable Judge Donald L. Allen Jr. for his many contributions to Lansing communities through his dedication and initiative. Congratulations on being chosen as the recipient of the "Frederick Douglass" Award from the Greater Lansing Area Club of the National Association of Business and Professional Women's Clubs, Inc. We wish you continued success!

Adopted as part of the Consent Agenda

**RESOLUTION #2017-070**

BY COUNCIL MEMBERS BROWN CLARKE, DUNBAR, HOUGHTON, HUSSAIN, SPITZLEY, WASHINGTON, WOOD, AND YORKO
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING

WHEREAS, Todd Jeffrey ("T.J.") Duckett attended Michigan State University studying in communications and played college football during that time. Mr. Duckett was drafted by the Atlanta Falcons in the 2002 NFL Draft 18th overall , and then went on to play for the Washington Redskins, Detroit Lions, and Seattle Seahawks. Mr. Duckett is currently the CEO of Duckett Enterprises, Founder of New World Flood and Co-Founder of The Black Success Network.; and

WHEREAS, Todd Duckett began Duckett Enterprises in 2011 with the mission to build businesses that would have a true and positive impact on the community, focusing on "giving back". In addition to establishing The Black Success Network in 2011 and New World Flood in 2012, Mr. Duckett went on to establish other organizations such as The Printing King and District Eleven Collection; and

WHEREAS, Todd Duckett is known as a dynamic speaker when he presents to thousands of kids and adults annually through the New World Flood organization. New World Flood sponsors events that provide food and resources to families in Lansing, Kalamazoo, and Flint. The organization also sponsors fundraising events to support domestic and global community efforts, breast cancer research, the Battle Field Brawl, The Jacquelyn Barham Challenge, and the Make A Difference Foundation-Tanzania; and

WHEREAS, Todd Jeffrey (T.J.) Duckett is a dedicated father, entrepreneur, philanthropist, and motivational speaker. Todd is building a living legacy that will continue to provide opportunities for education and volunteerism for children and adults.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council, hereby wishes to express its appreciation to Todd Jeffrey Duckett for his many contributions to Lansing communities. Congratulations on being chosen as the recipient of the "Community Service" Award from the Greater Lansing Area Club of the National Association of Business and Professional Women's Clubs, Inc. We wish you continued success!

Adopted as part of the Consent Agenda

**RESOLUTION #2017-071**

BY COUNCIL MEMBERS BROWN CLARKE, DUNBAR, HOUGHTON, HUSSAIN, SPITZLEY, WASHINGTON, WOOD, AND YORKO
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING

WHEREAS, A.Gregory Eaton is a lifelong resident of Lansing and attributes all aspects of his success to his parents, Abbey and Lela Eaton. Gregory is known for his integrity and sincerity, and has an amazing way of working with people and earning their trust; and

WHEREAS, for over fifty (50) years A. Gregory Eaton has successfully represented various interests before the Michigan Legislature. Mr. Eaton was the State's first black lobbyist, the first black owner and partner of a lobbying firm and was instrumental in creating the influential Black Legislative Caucus; and

WHEREAS, A. Gregory Eaton felt Lansing's black community longed for a place to gather and call their own, so he opened The Mustang Bar, founded Gregory's Restaurant and Bar in 1972 and most recently Gregory's Ice and Smoke. Adding to his many roles in the community, Gregory is Co-Founder and President of Metro Cars, Inc and Metro Cab of Grand Rapids, along with being counsel to Karoub Associates;

and

WHEREAS, A. Gregory Eaton is a lifetime member of the NAACP, Michigan Black Caucus, M.S.U. President's Club, Country Club of Lansing, Masons, Shriners, Ele's Place, Lansing Black Lawyers Association, United Negro College Fund, M.S.U.B. A. Commemorates, and Special Olympics just to name a few.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council, hereby, wishes to express its appreciation to A. Gregory Eaton for his many contributions to the Lansing community through his persistent strive for the greater good. Congratulations on being chosen as the recipient of the "Business Excellence" Award from the Greater Lansing Area Club of the National Association of Business and Professional Women's Clubs, Inc. We wish you continued success!

Adopted as part of the Consent Agenda

**RESOLUTION #2017-072**

BY COUNCIL MEMBERS BROWN CLARKE, DUNBAR, HOUGHTON, HUSSAIN, SPITZLEY, WASHINGTON, WOOD, AND YORKO
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING

WHEREAS, Davona LaToya Ford, currently a DeWitt High School Junior is a member of the DeWitt High School track team, where she is a five (5)-time 1st place winner in the 100 yard dash. When not in class, Davona excels in ballet, modern jazz, jazz, hip hop, contemporary, and liturgical dance in which she has won four (4) 1st place trophy's in solo dance; and

WHEREAS, Davona LaToya Ford is an active member of Friendship House of Prayer Baptist Church, where she participates in the Youth Praise Team, Usher Board, Liturgical Praise/Worship Dance, Crisis Counselor for Teens, and Youth Christian Leadership Certification; and

WHEREAS, Davona LaToya Ford is active within the community through her service in the ministry, breast cancer awareness walks, and tutoring in math. Davona has taken on the role of Vice President of the Youth National Association of Negro Business and Professional Women's Club of Greater Lansing. Her capacity in the Vice President role allows her to lead the efforts in building her community through leadership, entrepreneurship, technology and service; and

WHEREAS, Davona LaToya Ford shows tremendous character and strength by balancing ministry service, academics, sports, community service, family commitments, teen life, building friendships, and a job at Michigan State University.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council, hereby wishes to express its appreciation to Davona LaToya Ford for many contributions to Lansing communities through her inspirational efforts. Congratulations on being the chosen as the recipient of the "Youth on the Move" Award from the Greater Lansing Area Club of the National Association of Business and Professional Women's Clubs, Inc. We wish you continued success!

Adopted as part of the Consent Agenda

**RESOLUTION #2017-073**

BY COUNCIL MEMBERS BROWN CLARKE, DUNBAR, HOUGHTON, HUSSAIN, SPITZLEY, WASHINGTON, WOOD, AND YORKO
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING

WHEREAS, Harmonie Smith is a Holt High School senior where she has set and maintained her goal to graduate with her fellow classmates of 2017 holding a 3.0 GPA. Harmonie Smith is active in her school activities serving as a Peer Assistance Leaders, involved in the Links Program and the Rotary Club. Harmonie Smith received her varsity letter for Track and Field during her sophomore year of high school, and upon graduating from Holt High School Harmonie hopes to attend a historically black college or university to study biology; and

WHEREAS, Harmonie Smith is a member of Agape Christian Church which she has attended most of her life. At the Agape Christian Church Harmonie is part of the Praise and Worship Team, along with the Usher Board. While in 7th grade at Holt Schools, Harmonie committed to Les Meres et Debutantes and will debut in 2017; and

WHEREAS, Harmonie Smith has participated in numerous volunteer activities including Mayor's Holiday Christmas Party, Annual Crop Walk, Martin Luther King Luncheon hostess, Big Brother's Big Sister's Holiday Party hostess, MSU football concessions, and Flint Water Crisis responder. She has also volunteered with the March of Dimes, Peace and Prosperity Youth Action Movement, Girls on the Move, and the Greater Lansing Area Youth Club.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council, hereby, wishes to express its appreciation to Harmonie Smith for many contributions to Lansing communities through her inspirational efforts. Congratulations on being chosen as the recipient of the "Youth on the Move" Award from the Greater Lansing Area Club of the National Association of Business and Professional Women's Clubs, Inc. We wish you continued success!

Adopted as part of the Consent Agenda

## RESOLUTIONS

**RESOLUTION #2017-074**

BY THE COMMITTEE ON DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING
RESOLUTION APPROVING BROWNFIELD PLAN #67
2200 BLOCK REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT

WHEREAS, the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority (the 'Authority') of the City of Lansing, pursuant to and in accordance with the provisions of the Brownfield Redevelopment Financing Act, Public Act, Public Act 381 of 1996, as amended, (the 'Act') has prepared a Brownfield Plan, submitted to Council and placed on file in the office of City Clerk, LBRA Brownfield Plan #67 2200 Block Redevelopment Project (the 'Plan'); and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held by the Lansing City Council on March 27, 2017 and at least 10 days before the public hearing the taxing jurisdictions were provided notice to be fully informed about the fiscal and economic implications of the proposed Plan and given a reasonable opportunity to express their views and recommendations regarding the Plan in accordance with Section 13 (10) and 14(1) of the Act; and

WHEREAS, the Lansing City Council, before and during its public hearing on March 27, 2017 reviewed testimony and evidence regarding the Plan, and found that:

1. the Plan provides for the reimbursement of costs attributable to eligible activities to the developer and the Authority,

2. the Project includes, in addition to the eligible activities identified in the Plan, the redevelopment of the property,

3. the Project may result in new private investment of approximately $7,000,000,

4. the Plan provides for the capture of property tax increment revenues due to the private investment on the site, and devotes them to repaying the Authority for its costs associated with eligible activities it performs, and to repaying the developer for their costs associated with eligible actives they perform, in accordance with the Plan,

WHEREAS, the Authority Board of Directors, at its meeting on January 13, 2017, unanimously recommended approval of the Plan, for this Project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council, after having duly considered the Plan, finds it is in compliance with the provisions of the Act and further finds:

- The Plan constitutes a public purpose under the Act;
- The Plan meets all of the requirements for a Brownfield Plan set forth in Section 13 of the Act;
- The proposed method of financing the costs of the eligible activities, as described in the Plan, is feasible and the Authority has the ability to arrange the financing;
- The costs of the eligible activities proposed in the Plan are reasonable and necessary to carry out the purposes of the Act; and
- The amount of the captured taxable value estimated to result from the adoption of the Plan is reasonable.

IT IS FINALLY RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council hereby approves the LBRA Brownfield Plan #67 2200 Block Redevelopment Project'.

By Council Member Houghton

Motion Carried, with Council Member Yorko voting "nay"

**RESOLUTION #2017-075**
BY THE COMMITTEE ON DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING
RESOLUTION APPROVING BROWNFIELD PLAN #20a-rev1
LORANN OILS, INC. REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT – AMENDMENT #1

WHEREAS, the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority (the 'Authority') of the City of Lansing, pursuant to and in accordance with the provisions of the Brownfield Redevelopment Financing Act, Public Act, Public Act 381 of 1996, as amended, (the 'Act') has prepared a Brownfield Plan, submitted to Council and placed on file in the office of City Clerk, LBRA Brownfield Plan #20a-rev1 – LorAnn Oils, Inc. Redevelopment Project – Amendment #1 (the 'Plan'); and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held by the Lansing City Council on March 27, 2017 and at least 10 days before the public hearing the taxing jurisdictions were provided notice to be fully informed about the fiscal and economic implications of the proposed Plan and given a reasonable opportunity to express their views and recommendations regarding the Plan in accordance with Section 13 (10) and 14(1) of the Act; and

WHEREAS, the Lansing City Council, before and during its public hearing on the March 27, 2017, reviewed testimony and evidence regarding the Plan, and found that:

1. the Plan provides for the reimbursement of costs attributable to eligible activities to the developer and the Authority,
2. the Project includes, in addition to the eligible activities identified in the Plan, the redevelopment of the property,
3. the Project may result in new private investment of approximately $1,542,200,
4. the Plan provides for the capture of property tax increment revenues due to the private investment on the site, and devotes them to repaying the Authority for its costs associated with eligible activities it performs, and to repaying the developer for their costs associated with eligible actives they perform, in accordance with the Plan,

WHEREAS, the Authority Board of Directors, at its meeting on February 3, 2017, unanimously recommended approval of the Plan, for this Project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council, after having duly considered the Plan, finds it is in compliance with the provisions of the Act and further finds:

- The Plan constitutes a public purpose under the Act;
- The Plan meets all of the requirements for a Brownfield Plan set forth in Section 13 of the Act;
- The proposed method of financing the costs of the eligible activities, as described in the Plan, is feasible and the Authority has the ability to arrange the financing;
- The costs of the eligible activities proposed in the Plan are reasonable and necessary to carry out the purposes of the Act; and
- The amount of the captured taxable value estimated to result from the adoption of the Plan is reasonable.

IT IS FINALLY RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council hereby approves the LBRA 'Brownfield Plan #20a-rev1 – LorAnn Oils, Inc. Redevelopment Project – Amendment #1'.

By Council Member Houghton

Motion Carried

**RESOLUTION #2017-076**
BY THE COMMITTEE ON DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Resolution to Establish an Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Act District
At 629 West Hillsdale Street

WHEREAS, the owner of property located at 629 West Hillsdale Street in the City of Lansing, Michigan (the "Property") has requested in writing that the City of Lansing establish an Obsolete Property Rehabilitation District (the "District") as enabled by Public Act 146 of 2000, the Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Act (the "Act"), and

WHEREAS, DED Development, LLC, hereinafter called the "Developer", has executed a Purchase Agreement to acquire the property, and

WHEREAS, the Developer is the legal owner of greater than fifty percent (50%) of all taxable value of the property located within the proposed District, and

WHEREAS, the Developer has, in writing, requested the District for the Property and for the City of Lansing to take all necessary steps and actions to establish the District on their behalf, and

WHEREAS, the property in question and the proposed boundary of the District is legally described as:

LOT 1 CAPITOL COMMONS URBAN RENEWAL PLAT NO 1, Ingham County, Michigan -- Parcel Number: 33-01-01-16-360-002

WHEREAS, the Act requires that before establishing the District the Lansing City Council shall give written notice by certified mail to the owners of all real property within the proposed District and shall hold a public hearing in order to provide an opportunity for owners, residents or other taxpayers of the City of Lansing to appear and be heard regarding the establishment of the District and that such notice was given and said public hearing was held on March 27, 2017;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the following property are hereby approved and established as an Obsolete Property Rehabilitation District as provided by Public Act 146 of 2000 legally described as:

LOT 1 CAPITOL COMMONS URBAN RENEWAL PLAT NO 1, Ingham County, Michigan -- Parcel Number: 33-01-01-16-360-002, and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that this resolution shall not be construed as the City Council's approval of any future application for an Obsolete Properties Rehabilitation Exemption Certificate for the Developer or any other applicant.

By Council Member Houghton

Motion Carried

**RESOLUTION #2017-077**
BY THE COMMITTEE ON DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Resolution to Approve an Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Act Certificate
At 629 West Hillsdale Street

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Michigan Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Act, being Public Act 146 of 2000 (PA 146 of 2000), DED Development, LLC has filed an application for an Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Exemption Certificate (OPRA Certificate) with the Lansing City Clerk, for a proposed obsolete facility at 629 West Hillsdale Street, Lansing, Michigan (Obsolete Property); and

WHEREAS, DED Development, LLC (the Developer) owns the proposed Obsolete Property; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Obsolete Property is located within an Obsolete Property Rehabilitation District legally established by resolution adopted April 10, 2017, after a public hearing was held on March 27, 2017, as provided by section 3 of PA 146 of 2000; and

WHEREAS, the taxable value of the property proposed to be exempt plus the aggregate taxable value of property already exempt under Public Act 146 of 2000 and under Public Act 198 of 1974 (IFT's) does not exceed 5% of the total taxable value of the City of Lansing; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on March 27, 2017 in order to provide an opportunity for the applicant, the City Assessor, a representative of the affected taxing units, the residents, and other taxpayers of the City of Lansing general public appear and be heard regarding the approval of the OPRA Certificate; and

WHEREAS, DED Development, LLC has been certified in writing by the City of Lansing Treasurer to be not delinquent in any taxes related to the facility; and

WHEREAS, the application is for 7 years and under no circumstances or criteria will an extension of the exemption be considered; and

WHEREAS, the application is for obsolete property as defined in section 2(h) of Public Act 146 of 2000; and

WHEREAS, the applicant DED Development, LLC has provided answers to all required questions under the application instructions to the City of Lansing; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lansing requires that rehabilitation of the facility shall be completed by December 31, 2018; and

WHEREAS, the commencement of the rehabilitation of the facility did not occur before the establishment of the Obsolete Property Rehabilitation District; and

WHEREAS, the application relates to a rehabilitation program that when completed constitutes a rehabilitated facility within the meaning of Public Act 146 of 2000 and that is situated within an Obsolete Property Rehabilitation District established in the City of Lansing eligible under Public Act 146 of 2000 to establish such a district; and

WHEREAS, completion of the rehabilitated facility is calculated to, and will at the time of issuance of the certificate, have the reasonable likelihood to, increase commercial activity, create employment, revitalize an urban area, and increase the number of residents in the community in which the facility is situated; and

WHEREAS, the rehabilitation includes improvements aggregating 10% or more of the true cash value of the property at commencement of the rehabilitation as provided by section 2(l) of Public Act 146 of 2000.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council hereby grants an Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Exemption for the real property, excluding land, located in an Obsolete Property Rehabilitation District at 629 West Hillsdale Street legally described as LOT 1 CAPITOL COMMONS URBAN RENEWAL PLAT NO 1, Ingham County, Michigan -- Parcel Number: 33-01-01-16-360-002.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the City Clerk shall cause the Application for Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Certificate to be completed, including the "Clerk Certification" and shall file the completed application, together with a certified copy of this resolution with the State Tax Commission.

By Council Member Houghton

Motion Carried

**RESOLUTION #2017-078**
BY THE COMMITTEE ON DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Act-11-2016, 637 E. Michigan Ave. (former Clara's restaurant), PPN 33-01-01-16-277-403

Vacate N. East Street Easements

By Council Member Houghton

Motion Carried

Note: Resolution 2017-078 was reconsidered, amended, and readopted later in this meeting. See below for full text.

**RESOLUTION #2017-079**
BY THE COMMITTEE ON DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Resolution to Establish an Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Act District
1101 and 1103 South Washington Street

WHEREAS, the owner of property located at 1101 and 1103 South Washington Street in the City of Lansing, Michigan (the "Property") has requested in writing that the City of Lansing establish an Obsolete Property Rehabilitation District (the "District") as enabled by Public Act 146 of 2000, the Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Act (the "Act"), and

WHEREAS, Best Case SenaREO, LLC, hereinafter called the

"Developer", has executed a Purchase Agreement to acquire the property, and

WHEREAS, the Developer is the legal owner of greater than fifty percent (50%) of all taxable value of the property located within the proposed District, and

WHEREAS, the Developer has, in writing, requested the District for the Property and for the City of Lansing to take all necessary steps and actions to establish the District on their behalf, and

WHEREAS, the property in question and the proposed boundary of the District is legally described as:

W 80 FT LOT 40 SPARROWS SUB OF BLOCK 200, Ingham County, Michigan -- Parcel Number: 33-01-01-21-257-002

WHEREAS, the Act requires that before establishing the District the Lansing City Council shall give written notice by certified mail to the owners of all real property within the proposed District and shall hold a public hearing in order to provide an opportunity for owners, residents or other taxpayers of the City of Lansing to appear and be heard regarding the establishment of the District and that such notice was given and said public hearing was held on March 27, 2017;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the following property are hereby approved and established as an Obsolete Property Rehabilitation District as provided by Public Act 146 of 2000 legally described as:

W 80 FT LOT 40 SPARROWS SUB OF BLOCK 200, Ingham County, Michigan -- Parcel Number: 33-01-01-21-257-002, and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that this resolution shall not be construed as the City Council's approval of any future application for an Obsolete Properties Rehabilitation Exemption Certificate for the Developer or any other applicant.

By Council Member Houghton

Motion Carried

**RESOLUTION #2017-078**

BY THE COMMITTEE ON DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Act-11-2016, 637 E. Michigan Ave. (former Clara's restaurant), PPN 33-01-01-16-277-403

Vacate N. East Street Easements

WHEREAS, Jason Kildea, of 637 E. Michigan, LLC, 330 Marshall St., Ste. 100, Lansing, MI, requests that the City vacate utility easements remaining in the vacated N. East Street right-of-way (ROW) at the site of the former Clara's restaurant; and

WHEREAS, on September 11, 1978 the Lansing City Council vacated the west 22.65 feet of the N. East Street ROW bordering the east side of the former Clara's property, reserving easements for utilities; and

WHEREAS, on October 8, 1990, the east 18.6 feet of the N. East Street ROW adjacent to Clara's were vacated, along with and the entire 41.25 foot width north to Shiawassee Street (approx. 1200 feet), reserving easements; and

WHEREAS, the Public Service Department has determined the easement is no longer needed for public utilities purposes; and

WHEREAS, at its meeting on December 6, 2016, the Planning Board reviewed the location, character, and extent of the proposal in accordance with is Act 33 Review procedures, and found that the reservation of easements is unnecessary; and

WHEREAS, on December 6, 2016, the Planning Board voted unanimously (4-0), to recommend the vacation of the easements reserved in the 1978 and 1990 resolutions located within the N. East Street ROW and now attached to the former Clara's property at 637 E. Michigan Avenue; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Development and Planning has reviewed the report and recommendation of the Planning Board, and concurs therewith;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lansing City Council hereby approves Act-11-2016, and vacates the public utilities easement reserved in 1990 over and under the property described as:

> A parcel of land in the Northeast ¼ of Section 16, Town 4 North, Range 2 West, City of Lansing, Ingham County, Michigan, being described as:
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> Commencing at the East ¼ of said Section 16; thence North 00 degrees 02 minutes 00 seconds East along the East line of said Section 16, a distance of 107.75 to the Point of Beginning of this description; thence North 89 degrees 55 minutes 05 seconds West a distance of 18.95 feet; thence North 00 degrees 32 minutes 08 seconds East 542.59 feet; thence South 89 degrees 58 minutes 00 seconds East perpendicular to the East line of said Section 16, a distance of 14.20 feet to a point on the East line of said Section 16; thence South 00 degrees 02 minutes 00 seconds West along the East line of said Section 16, a distance of 542.58 feet to the Point of Beginning.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Mayor, on behalf of the City, is hereby authorized to sign and execute all documents to complete this transaction, subject to prior approval as to content and form by the City Attorney.

By Council Member Houghton to reconsider the vote by which Resolution 2017-078, Act-11-2016, was adopted

Motion Carried

By Council Member Houghton adopt a substitute resolutiont

Motion Carried

The question being the motion to place an affirmative roll on the Resolution (as substituted)

Motion Carried

**RESOLUTION #2017-080**

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

WHEREAS, Rivendell Corporation sought to eliminate a special assessment of $4,200.00 for trash and debris removal fees, and all associated penalties and interest, on the property tax bill for 731 W. Genesee Street (Tax ID #33-01-01-17-232-201); and
WHEREAS, upon filing a claim to the Committee on General Services, the claim in the amount of $4,200.00 was denied on March 29, 2017.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council, hereby, denies the claim of Rivendell Corporation in the amount of $4,200.00 for trash and debris removal fees and all associated penalties and interest on the property tax bill for 731 W. Genesee Street (Tax ID #33-01-01-17-232-201).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Attorney shall take the appropriate steps to process this claim.

By Council Member Houghton

Motion Carried

**RESOLUTION #2017-081**
BY THE COMMITTEE ON GENERAL SERVICES
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING

WHEREAS, Mansour Ahmadpour sought to eliminate a special assessment of $743.00 for trash and debris removal fees, and all associated penalties and interest, on the property tax bill for 1034 Greenwood Avenue (Tax ID #33-01-01-08-226-111); and

WHEREAS, upon filing a claim to the Committee on General Services, the claim in the amount of $743.00 was denied on March 29, 2017.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council, hereby, denies the claim of Mansour Ahmadpour in the amount of $743.00 for trash and debris removal fees and all associated penalties and interest on the property tax bill for 1034 Greenwood Avenue (Tax ID #33-01-01-08-226-111).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Attorney shall take the appropriate steps to process this claim

By Council Member Houghton

Motion Carried

**RESOLUTION #2017-082**
BY THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SERVICES
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING

STREET DECERTIFICATION

WHEREAS, the Public Service Department updates the Public Street System in accordance with Public Act 51 of 1951, which requires that streets that are no longer public streets be decertified and removed from the Act 51 Street System; and

WHEREAS, the Public Service Department has identified street segments that were previously vacated in accordance with City Council approval; and

WHEREAS, these vacated street segments are no longer public streets, so they must be decertified and removed from the Act 51 Street System; and

WHEREAS, the street segments to be decertified are:

> Parker Street from Park View Street to the south dead end for a total decertification length of 111 feet;
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> Hapeman Street from Hyland Street to the south dead end for a total decertification length of 37 feet;
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> Creston Street from Thomas Street to the south dead end for a total decertification length of 148 feet;
>
> East Howe Avenue from 7th Avenue to the east dead end for a total decertification length of 185 feet; and
>
> Theodore Street from Jenison Avenue to the east dead end for a total decertification length of 116 feet.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council hereby authorizes the decertification of a total of 597 feet from the Act 51 Street System.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Act 51 Street System be updated to reflect these changes.

By Council Member Dunbar

Motion Carried

**RESOLUTION #2017-083**
BY THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SERVICE
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Lansing that a public hearing be set for Monday, May 15, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in City Council Chamber, Tenth Floor, Lansing City Hall, 124 West Michigan Avenue, Lansing, Michigan, for the purpose of approving or opposing the:

> Naming the sports complex at Risdale Park the “Willard K. Walker Stadium”

By Council Member Dunbar

Motion Carried

**RESOLUTION #2017-084**
BY THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SERVICE
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Lansing that a public hearing be set for Monday, May 15, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in City Council Chamber, Tenth Floor, Lansing City Hall, 124 West Michigan Avenue, Lansing, Michigan, for the purpose of approving or opposing the:

> Renaming Westside Park to “Rudolph and Dorothy Wilson Park”

By Council Member Dunbar

Motion Carried

**RESOLUTION #2017-085**
BY THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING

WHEREAS, the Mayor made the appointment of Beth Graham of 5808 Annapolis Drive in Lansing, MI, 48911, as a Second Ward Member of the Board of Water & Light Board of Commissioners for a term to expire June 30, 2018.

WHEREAS, the nominee has been vetted and meets the qualifications as required by the City Charter;

WHEREAS, the Committee of the Whole met on April 10, 2017 and took affirmative action;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council, hereby, confirms the appointment of Beth Graham of 5808 Annapolis Drive in Lansing, MI, 48911, as a Second Ward Member of the Board of Water & Light Board of Commissioners for a term to expire June 30, 2018.

By Vice President Wood

Motion Carried

**RESOLUTION #2017-086**
BY THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING

WHEREAS, the Mayor made the reappointment of Sandra Zerkle of 1216 Goodrich in Lansing, MI, 48910, as a Fourth Ward Member of the Board of Water & Light Board of Directors for a term to expire June 30, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the nominee has been vetted and meets the qualifications as required by the City Charter; and

WHEREAS, the Committee of the Whole has reviewed the appointment and took affirmative action;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council, hereby, confirms the reappointment of Sandra Zerkle of 1216 Goodrich in Lansing, MI, 48910, as a Fourth Ward Member of the Board of Water & Light Board of Directors for a term to expire June 30, 2020.

By Vice President Wood

Motion Carried

**RESOLUTION #2017-087**
BY THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING

WHEREAS, the Mayor made the reappointment of Tracy Thomas of 2727 Norwich in Lansing, MI, 48911, as an At-Large Member of the Board of Water & Light Board of Directors for a term to expire June 30, 2020.

WHEREAS, the nominee has been vetted and meets the qualifications as required by the City Charter;

WHEREAS, the Committee of the Whole has reviewed the appointment and took affirmative action;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council, hereby, confirms the reappointment of Tracy Thomas of 2727 Norwich in Lansing, MI, 48911, as an At-Large Member of the Board of Water & Light Board of Directors for a term to expire June 30, 2020.

By Vice President Wood

Motion Carried

**RESOLUTION #2017-088**
BY COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING

WHEREAS, Council President Spitzley recommends the Lansing City Council set the public hearing for the City of Lansing Fiscal Year 2017/2018 Budget for Monday, April 24, 2017.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Lansing City Council hereby approves the recommendation of the public hearing be set for the City of Lansing Fiscal Year 2017/2018 Budget on Monday, April 24, 2017 at the regularly scheduled City Council meeting at 7:00 p.m.

By Vice President Wood

Motion Carried

**RESOLUTION #2017-089**
BY THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING

WHEREAS, it is proposed that a claim be resolved by virtue of entering into a settlement agreement with claimant 20629040002009252001, in which, the City of Lansing would agree to pay Plaintiff the sum of Four Thousand Nine-Hundred Dollars ($4,900.00) in exchange for a complete redemption and release of the City from any past, present, and future liability regarding any alleged injuries/illnesses whatsoever;

WHEREAS, the proposed settlement is recommended by the Mayor, the Department of Human Resources Director, the City of Lansing's Fund Administrator, and the City Attorney;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council hereby approves the payment of Four Thousand Nine-Hundred Dollars ($4,900.00) pursuant to said proposed settlement agreement as a full and final settlement of said action.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the City Attorney is authorized to prepare and execute the requisite documents to complete settlement of the aforementioned lawsuit.

By Council Member Washington

Motion Carried

**RESOLUTION #2017-090**
BY THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING

WHEREAS, it is proposed that a claim be resolved by virtue of entering into a settlement agreement with claimant 20628760002019329, in which, the City of Lansing would agree to pay Plaintiff the sum of Ninety-One Thousand, Forty-Five Dollars and Fifty Cents($91,045.50) in exchange for a complete redemption and release of the City from any past, present, and future liability regarding any alleged injuries/illnesses whatsoever;

WHEREAS, the proposed settlement is recommended by the Mayor, the Department of Human Resources Director, the City of Lansing's Fund Administrator, and the City Attorney;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council hereby approves the payment of Ninety-One Thousand, Forty-Five Dollars and Fifty Cents ($91,045.50) pursuant to said proposed settlement agreement as a full and final settlement of said action.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the City Attorney is authorized to prepare and execute the requisite documents to complete settlement of the aforementioned lawsuit.

By Council Member Washington

Motion Carried

**RESOLUTION #2017-091**
BY THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING

WHEREAS, it is proposed that a claim be resolved by virtue of entering into a settlement agreement with claimant 20629040002012718001, in which, the City of Lansing would agree to pay Plaintiff the sum of Two Thousand, Five Hundred Dollars ($2,500.00) in exchange for a complete redemption and release of the City from any past, present, and future liability regarding any alleged injuries/illnesses whatsoever;

WHEREAS, the proposed settlement is recommended by the Mayor, the Department of Human Resources Director, the City of Lansing's Fund Administrator, and the City Attorney;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council hereby approves the payment of Two Thousand, Five Hundred Dollars ($2,500.00) pursuant to said proposed settlement agreement as a full and final settlement of said action.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the City Attorney is authorized to prepare and execute the requisite documents to complete settlement of the aforementioned lawsuit.

By Council Member Washington

Motion Carried

**RESOLUTION #2017-092**

BY THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING

WHEREAS, it is proposed that a claim be resolved by virtue of entering into a settlement agreement with claimant 20629040002009067001, in which, the City of Lansing would agree to pay Plaintiff the sum of Fifteen Thousand Thousand Nine-Hundred Dollars ($15,900.00) in exchange for a complete redemption and release of the City from any past, present, and future liability regarding any alleged injuries/illnesses whatsoever;

WHEREAS, the proposed settlement is recommended by the Mayor, the Department of Human Resources Director, the City of Lansing's Fund Administrator, and the City Attorney;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council hereby approves the payment of Fifteen Thousand Nine-Hundred Dollars ($15,900.00) pursuant to said proposed settlement agreement as a full and final settlement of said action.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the City Attorney is authorized to prepare and execute the requisite documents to complete settlement of the aforementioned lawsuit.

By Council Member Washington

Motion Carried

**RESOLUTION #2017-093**
BY THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING

WHEREAS, the City of Lansing wishes to apply to the Secretary of State for a grant to purchase a new voting system, which includes precinct tabulators, Absent Voter Counting Board (AVCB) tabulators, accessible voting devices for use by individuals with disabilities, and related Election Management System (EMS) software; and

WHEREAS, partial funding for the new voting system will be provided by the State, and will include a combination of Federal Help America Vote Act and State-appropriated funds; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lansing plans to begin implementation of the new voting system in 2017; and

WHEREAS, funds to cover the local portion of the costs have already been appropriated;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lansing City Clerk is authorized to sign this Grant Agreement on behalf of the City of Lansing.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council approves acceptance of the grant of a new voting system, which includes precinct tabulators, Absent Voter Counting Board (AVCB) tabulators, accessible voting devices for use by individuals with disabilities, and related Election Management System (EMS) software from the Secretary of State, and that the Administration is authorized to create appropriate accounts and to make the necessary operating transfers for the expenditure and control of the balance of the grant funds.

By Council Member Washington

Motion Carried

**RESOLUTION #2017-094**
BY THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING

WHEREAS, The City of Lansing will receive a contribution from the Lansing Board of Water & Light (BWL) for "LIFT-UP" (Local Interventions for Financial Empowerment Through Utility Payments); and

WHEREAS, the City of Lansing Office of Financial Empowerment submitted a proposal in November 2016 to offer financial counseling on-site at the Haco St location of BWL in exchange for a $20,000 corporate contribution;

WHEREAS, the BWL Contribution supports providing financial counseling and recommendations for payment plans for Lansing Board of Water & Light customers who have at least $300 in utility arrears; and tracking the payment performance of these customers as compared to a control group; and

WHEREAS, BWL has awarded $20,000.00 to the City of Lansing's Office of Financial Empowerment; and

WHEREAS, the award for $20,000.00 does not require a local match;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, The Lansing City Council approves acceptance of the BWL contribution in the amount of $20,000.00 for the period beginning April 15, 2017 and ending April 14, 2018 for the City of Lansing.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, the Administration is authorized to create appropriate accounts and to make the necessary operating transfers for the expenditure and control of the balance of the grant funds.

By Council Member Washington

Motion Carried

**RESOLUTION #2017-095**
BY THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING

WHEREAS, in accordance with the City Charter and Chapter 280 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Lansing, the Elected Officers Compensation Commission met to review the salaries and benefits of the Mayor, City Clerk and Councilmembers, and filed its determination with the City Clerk on March 17, 2017; and

WHEREAS, we would like to thank the members of the Elected Officers Compensation Commission for their thoughtful consideration, their time and effort.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council, hereby rejects the Elected Officers Compensation Commission compensation recommends for the elected officials and therefore the current compensation and benefits for all elected officials shall continue.

By Vice President Wood

Motion Carried

## ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION

Council Member Houghton introduced:

> An Ordinance of the City of Lansing Z-9-2016; Rezoning the properties 2122 N. MLK & Vacant properties to the North from "A" Residential, "DM-4" Residential, "CUP" Community Unit Plan, "E-1" Apartment Shop, "F" Commercial and "J" Parking Districts to "H" Light Industrial, "G-2" Wholesale and "F" Commercial Districts

The Ordinance was read by its title for a first time and referred to the Committee on Development and Planning

**RESOLUTION #2017-096**

BY THE COMMITTEE ON DEVELOPMENT & PLANNING
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Lansing that a public hearing be set for Monday, May 8, 2017, at 7 p.m. in City Council Chambers, Tenth Floor, Lansing City Hall, 124 West Michigan Avenue, Lansing, Michigan, for the purpose of approving and/or opposing the Ordinance for rezoning:

Z-9-2016: Parcel 33-01-01-05-476-062 - Rezoning from “DM-4” & “A” Residential, “CUP” Community Unit Plan, “F” Commercial & “J” Parking Districts to “F” Commercial, “G-2”Wholesale & “H” Light Industrial Districts

Parcel 33-01-01-05-476-071 - Rezoning from “E-1” Apartment Shop & “A” Residential Districts to “F” Commercial District

Parcel 33-01-01-05-476-122 - Rezoning from “DM-4” & “A” Residential District to “F” Commercial & “G-2”Wholesale District

with the condition that a 30 wide foot strip of land along the east property lines of parcels 33-01-01-05-476-062 & 33-01-01-05-476-122 will remain in a natural state (no structures, pavement or other improvements).

By Council Member Houghton

Motion Carried

Council Member Houghton introduced:

An Ordinance of the Amendments to Section 1240.03 for the purpose of defining Garden, Garden Structure, Gardening, and to amend the definition of Open Space

The Ordinance was read by its title for a first time and referred to the Committee on Development and Planning

**RESOLUTION #2017-097**
RESOLUTION SETTING PUBLIC HEARING
BY THE COMMITTEE ON DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING

RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF LANSING, that a public hearing be set for May 8, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 10th Floor Lansing City Hall, 124 W. Michigan Ave., Lansing, MI for the purpose of considering An Ordinance of the City of Lansing, Michigan to amend Chapter 1240 Title 6 of the Planning and Zoning Code, Part 12 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Lansing, Chapter 1240, Section 1240.03 for the purpose of defining a “Garden”, “Garden Structure”, “Gardening” and to amend the definition of “Open Space”

Interested Persons are invited to attend this Public Hearing

By Council Member Houghton

Motion Carried

Council Member Houghton introduced:

An Ordinance on Noise Waiver Chapter 654, Noise Ordinance, Section 654.11, Special Permits, to modify the notice requirement to twelve days in advance of the public hearing

The Ordinance was read by its title for a first time and referred to the Committee on Development and Planning

**RESOLUTION #2017-098**
RESOLUTION SETTING PUBLIC HEARING
BY THE COMMITTEE ON GENERAL SERVICES

RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF LANSING, that a public hearing be set for April 24, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 10th Floor Lansing City Hall, 124 W. Michigan Ave., Lansing, MI for the purpose of considering An Ordinance of the City of Lansing, Michigan to amend Chapter 654, Noise Ordinance, Section 654.11, Special Permits, to modify the notice requirement to twelve days in advance of the public hearing.

Interested Persons are invited to attend this Public Hearing

By Council Member Houghton

Motion Carried

Vice President Wood introduced:

An Ordinance of the City Of Lansing, Michigan, to amend Section 810.22 of the Lansing Codified Ordinances by entering into a new Video Service Franchise Agreement.

The Ordinance was read a first time by its title and referred to the Committee of the Whole

**RESOLUTION #2017-099**
RESOLUTION SETTING PUBLIC HEARING
BY THE VICE PRESIDENT WOOD

RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF LANSING, that a public hearing be set for Monday, April 24, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 10th Floor Lansing City Hall, 124 W. Michigan Ave., Lansing, MI for the purpose of considering an Ordinance of the City Of Lansing, Michigan, to amend Section 810.22 of the Lansing Codified Ordinances by entering into a new Video Service Franchise Agreement.

Interested Persons are invited to attend this Public Hearing

By Vice President Wood

Motion Carried

## SPEAKER REGISTRATION FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON CITY GOVERNMENT RELATED MATTERS

City Clerk Swope announced that the public comment registration form(s) for those intending to address Council on City government matters will be collected and that only those persons who have fully completed the form(s) will be permitted to speak.

## REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS, BOARDS, AND COMMISSIONS; COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS; AND OTHER CITY RELATED MATTERS

By Vice President Wood that all items be considered as being read in full and that President Spitzley make the appropriate referrals

Motion Carried

- Reports from City Officers, Boards and Commissions:

1. Letter(s) from the City Clerk re:
   a. Minutes of Boards, Commissions, and Authorities placed on file in the Clerk’s Office

PLACED ON FILE

2. Letter(s) from the Mayor re:
   a. Grant Acceptance; Parks Millage Public Access Grant, Funding 12 Projects Within the Trail System

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

   b. Public Improvement V; Assessment Roll B-095 for 2015 Sidewalk Repair

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SERVICES

   c Renaming Westside Park as “Rudolph and Dorothy Wilson Park” in Memoriam of Rudolph Valentino “Rudy” and Dorothy Jean “Dot” Wilson

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SERVICES

   d. Reappointment of 20 individuals to various Boards and Commissions

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Communications and Petitions, and Other City Related Matters:

1. Claim Appeal; Mark Preston for property located at 527 Pacific Ave.

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON GENERAL SERVICES

2. Claim Appeal; Tarik Abbawi for property located at 2413 S. Pennsylvania Ave.

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON GENERAL SERVICES

3. Notice from the Michigan Liquor Control Commission regarding:
   a. New SDM license, Sunday Sales Permit (AM), Gas Pumps for American Gas & Oil,Inc. at 4019 S. Martin L. King

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON GENERAL SERVICES

## MOTION OF EXCUSED ABSENCE

By Vice President Wood to excuse Council Member Brown Clarke from tonight’s proceedings.

Motion Carried

## PUBLIC COMMENT ON CITY GOVERNMENT RELATED MATTERS

Howard Spence of Delta Township spoke about various City matters.

Jose Mila of Livonia spoke about his opposition to the Sanctuary City status.

Bill Thick Jr. Marshall spoke about his opposition to the Sanctuary City status.

Cathy Mila of Livonia spoke about her opposition to the Sanctuary City status.

ADJOURNED TIME 9:54 P.M.

CHRIS SWOPE, CITY CLERK