



**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF
THE CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF LANSING
PROCEEDINGS OF APRIL 8, 2013**

City Council Chambers
Lansing, Michigan

The City Council of the City of Lansing met in regular session and was called to order at 7:07 p.m. by President Wood

PRESENT: Council Members Boles Robinson, Dunbar, Houghton, Jeffries, Quinney, Washington, Wood, Yorko

ABSENT: None

Council President Wood asked people to remember Sandy Allen, 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 Wood.

**COUNCIL MEMBERS' COMMENTS
AND CITY CLERK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Council Member Yorko announced the Greater Lansing Housing Coalition's H.E.R.O. classes, Project Green and White's painting blitz around Lewton Elementary, and Closing the Digital Gap's computer training courses.

Council Member Boles Robinson announced her Second Saturday meeting for residents of the Third Ward.

Council Member Houghton announced Cavanaugh Park Neighborhood Association and Old Everett Neighborhood Association meetings.

Council Member Yorko clarified her announcement about Closing the Digital Gap.

President Wood announced a neighborhood cleanup, Charetts for the Tricounty Regional Planning Commission, and the Sexual Assault and First Responders program.

City Clerk Swope announced the BWL Pennies for Power Dancing with the Stars event.

COMMUNITY EVENT ANNOUNCEMENTS

**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

Executive Assistant to Mayor Bernero, Randy Hannan, spoke about the Capital City Film Festival, the Crosstown Showdown, and the Lansing Marathon.

**PUBLIC COMMENT
ON LEGISLATIVE MATTERS**

- Public Comment on Legislative Matters:

Legislative Matters included the following public hearings:

1. In consideration of a Noise Waiver request submitted by Davis Construction, Inc. for the I-496 Rehabilitation Project

Council Member Houghton gave an overview of the public hearing.

Michael Mercer of Holt spoke about the tribute for Sandy Allen.

Kathi Raffone spoke about the tribute for Sandy Allen and the noise waiver.

Lacie Hill expressed concerns with the noise waiver.

REFERRAL OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. In consideration of a Noise Waiver request submitted by Davis Construction, Inc. for the I-496 Rehabilitation Project
REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON GENERAL SERVICES

LEGISLATIVE MATTERS

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION #2013-058

BY COUNCIL MEMBERS BOLES ROBINSON DUNBAR,
HOUGHTON, JEFFRIES, QUINNEY, WASHINGTON, WOOD, AND
YORKO
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING

WHEREAS, Sandy Allen was a lifelong resident of Lansing, having attended Eastern High School, Lansing Community College, and Michigan State University; and

WHEREAS, Sandy was the proud mother of her daughter Lisa Joseph of Lansing, son Scott (Pat) Whiting of Lansing, and daughter Stacey (Gregg) Stickels of Marietta, GA; and semi-officially adopted son Jack; and

WHEREAS, she was also a loving grandmother to Adam and Abbi Stickels, Sarah (Jeff) Crafard, Tom Whiting, and Rodney Whiting; great-grandchild, Olivia Crafard; and care deeply for her two sisters, Vicki Manzano Nunn and Melody Kruger; and

WHEREAS, Sandy worked as the legislative assistant to a Michigan State Senator Busley for 14 years; a Deputy Sheriff for Ingham County Sheriff's Department-Civil Division; and was an Executive Secretary at Michigan National Bank for another 14 years; and

WHEREAS, Sandy Allen was elected as Second Ward Councilmember in 1994 and served the City of Lansing for four term until 2010. She was known for being an active and community oriented councilmember: painting houses for Habitat for Humanity, participating in trash pick-ups in the 2nd Ward, planting flowers, performing for charitable fundraisers, as well as her tireless advocacy for youth,

creating "Youth in Government Day" program at City Hall for high school government students.

WHEREAS, Sandy was one of the driving forces for the establishment of a Southside Community Center and rallied twice during her years on Council to establish ad-hoc committees to move forward with the Center, which culminated in the opening of the Center on October 29, 2009.

WHEREAS, in appreciation of Sandy Allen's lifetime of excellence and service to the community, as well as her advocacy for the creation of the Southside Community Center, the Lansing City Council renamed Community Room at the Alfreda Schmidt Southside Community Center after Sandy Allen on April 1, 2013; and

WHEREAS, Sandy was active in the Red Hat Society and was a past member of Kiwanis and Lansing Civitan organizations. Besides Sandy's passion for politics, she loved the theater and was involved in numerous local productions, including LCC's Celebrity Lip Sync, Lansing Civic Players' productions, and mystery dinner theaters, also serving on the board of directors for Riverwalk Theater. She loved knitting, donating most of her scarves and hats to charity; flower arranging, playing Scrabble, and a good breakfast at the Fleetwood Diner with family and friends.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, Sandy Allen exuded genuine compassion for those around her-her loved ones as well as strangers. Always believing that a single act of kindness was never wasted, she sought to help others in any way possible-a gentle word, an anonymous act of generosity, or an impassioned fight for justice. While the beauty of nature always awed Sandy, it was her inner beauty that touched us all. Sandy Allen has proven to be a pillar of the community, someone who epitomizes the values, professionalism, and compassion of a true leader. Sandy will be missed!

By Council Member Quinney

Motion Carried

RESOLUTION #2013-059

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

RESOLUTION TO SET PUBLIC HEARING FOR ACTION PLAN FY 2014

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Lansing that a public hearing be set for Monday, April 15, 2013 at 7 p.m. in City Council Chambers, Tenth Floor, Lansing City Hall, 124 West Michigan Avenue, Lansing, Michigan, for the purpose of receiving comments on the proposed CDBG consolidated strategy and plan submission to HUD for FY 2014.

By Council Member Jeffries

Motion Carried

REPORTS FROM COUNCIL COMMITTEES

ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION

Council Member Jeffries, Chair of the Committee on Development and Planning introduced:

An ordinance of the City of Lansing, Michigan, to repeal Section 1282.03 of the Lansing Codified Ordinances and replace it with a new Section 1282.03 permitting the grant of a Special Land Use on the condition that it will not result in a change to the site plan submitted in conjunction with application for the Special Land Use.

The Ordinance is referred to the Committee on Development and Planning.

RESOLUTION #2013-060

RESOLUTION SETTING PUBLIC HEARING

By Council Member Brian Jeffries

RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF LANSING, Lansing that a public hearing be set for Monday, April 29, 2013, 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 repeal Section 1282.03 of the Lansing Codified Ordinances and replace it with a new Section 1282.03 permitting the grant of a Special Land Use on the condition that it will not result in a change to the site plan submitted in conjunction with application for the Special Land Use.

Interested Persons are invited to attend this Public Hearing

By Council Member Jeffries

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 Boles Robinson that all items be considered as being read in full and that President Wood make the appropriate referrals

Motion Carried

• Reports from City Officers, Boards and Commissions:

a. Letters from the City Clerk re:

- i. Elected Officers Compensation Commission 2013 Salary Determination Letter and Elected Officials Summary of Fringe Benefits 2013

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

b. Letter(s) from the Mayor re:

- i. Amendment to Resolution 2011-364; Industrial Facilities Tax (IFT) Exemption Certificate, ELMET North America; correcting property address to 4103 Grand Oak Dr.

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING

- ii. Amendment to Resolution 2011-365; Exemption of New Personal Property, ELMET North America; correcting property address to 4103 Grand Oak Dr.

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING

- iii. Grant Acceptance; Transportation Enhancement Activities (TEA) Grant; Waverly Road Regional Recreational Network Connection Project

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

- iv. Grant Acceptance; Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund (MNRTF) Grant; Frances Park Trail Improvement

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

- v. SLU-1-2013; 4415 N. Grand River Avenue; Divine Destiny Outreach Ministries Church

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING

- Communications and Petitions, and Other City Related Matters:

- a. Affidavits of Disclosure submitted by:

- i. Mandi Brunner of the Lansing Police Department

REFERRED TO THE BOARD OF ETHICS AND TO THE LAW DEPARTMENT

- ii. Rob Backus of the Lansing Police Department

REFERRED TO THE BOARD OF ETHICS AND TO THE LAW DEPARTMENT

- b. Letter from Brian Breen of East Lansing regarding Groesbeck Golf Course

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

REMARKS BY COUNCIL MEMBERS

Council Member Yorko announced the ribbon cutting for public art at Sparrow Hospital St. Lawrence Campus.

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON CITY GOVERNMENT
RELATED MATTERS:**

Harold King spoke about various City matters.

Michael Mercer of Holt spoke about various City matters.

Deborah Mulcahey spoke about the Financial Health Team Report.

Kathi Raffone about various City matters.

Stan Shuck spoke about various City matters.

Russell Terry spoke about various City matters.

ADJOURNED TIME 8:07 P.M.

CHRIS SWOPE, CITY CLERK