

Council Proceedings
City of Westland
Meeting No. 9
May 1, 2023

The Westland City Council held a regular meeting May 1, 2023, in the City Council Chambers of Westland City Hall, 36300 Warren Road Westland, Michigan, 48185.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by City Council President James Hart with roll call showing as follows:

Present

James Godbout
Peter Herzberg
DeLano Hornbuckle
Michael McDermott
Andrea Rutkowski
Melissa Sampey
James Hart

Absent (excused)

Also present were Mayor Michael Londeau, Deputy Mayor Michael Reddy, Budget Director Dan Block, Cable Director Craig Welkenbach, Cable Producer Craig Hebert, City Attorney James Fausone, Community Development Director Joanne Campbell, DEI Director Paschal Eze, Finance Director Steve Smith, Fire Chief Darrell Stamper, IT Director Craig Brown, Police Chief Kyle Dawley, and Deputy City Clerk Shannon Inman.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman James Godbout.

Deanna Stachow and Laura Fritz announced monthly Compassionate City Initiative certificate awardees Michael Garcia, Drake Kalita, and Clara Szostek. Recipients received certificates from Mayor Michael Londeau, City Council President James Hart, and Deputy City Clerk Shannon Inman.

An announcement was made by Meriem Kadi regarding the Relay for Life event.

State Representative Kevin Coleman provided a legislative update.

State Representative Dylan Wegela provided a legislative update.

- 2023-05-76 Motion by Herzberg, supported by Hornbuckle
RESOLVED that Council grants approval of the Consent Calendar as follows:
- Approval minutes of regular meeting held April 17, 2023.
 - Approval of minutes of study session held April 17, 2023.
 - Approval of minutes of budget study session held April 15, 2023.
 - Approval of minutes of budget study session held April 22, 2023.
 - Request from Tim Sumpter/Big Sky Fireworks, to operate a seasonal temporary fireworks tent in the Hunter Retail Center parking lot, 6561 Wayne Road, from June 28, 2023, through July 4, 2023; hours of operation 10:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. daily.

- Approval of the Facilities Solutions Agreement with Cintas Corporation to retain existing services that includes DPS uniform rentals services and floor mat rental services for seven (7) buildings and to upgrade and enhance current Public Service uniforms.
- Approval of Prepared Resolution supporting participation in the United Way for Southeastern Michigan's 21 Day Equity Challenge.
- Adoption of Prepared Resolution recognizing John Glenn Rockets Football Boosters as a Local Non-Profit organization operating in the City of Westland, in order to obtain a Charitable Gaming License from the State of Michigan.
Unanimously carried.

2023-05-77 Motion by Sampey, supported by Herzberg
RESOLVED that Council grants approval of the voucher list as follows: Checklist Activity: \$4,419,491.47.
Unanimously carried.

A Public Hearing was held for the Proposed 2023-2024 Budget. Richard Graham, Edward Pruett, and Trishe Duckworth spoke regarding the proposed budget.

2023-05-78 Motion by Herzberg, supported by Sampey
To close the Public Hearing for the Proposed 2023-2024 Budget.
Roll Call Vote:
Ayes: Godbout, Herzberg, Hornbuckle, McDermott,
Rutkowski, Sampey, Hart
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None
Unanimously carried.

2023-05-79 Motion by Herzberg, supported by Sampey
WHEREAS, Mayor Michael P. Londeau has appointed Cheryl Newton to the Local Development Finance Authority (LDFA) for a four (4) year term, term to expire April 15, 2027.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Council has confirmed the appointment of Cheryl Newton to the Local Development Finance Authority (LDFA) for a four (4) year term, term to expire April 15, 2027.
Unanimously carried.

2023-05-80 Motion by Rutkowski, supported by McDermott
RESOLVED that Council grants approval of Community Development Block Grant Annual Action Plan Final Statement and recommended projects July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024.
Unanimously carried.

2023-05-81 Motion by Godbout, supported by Rutkowski
RESOLVED that Council grants adoption of Prepared Resolution
adopting the 2023-2024 CDBG and HOME Program budgets,
Administration is authorized to execute the necessary contracts to
implement the aforementioned programs with the Department of
Housing and Urban Development and funded public service entities.
Unanimously carried.

City Council President James Hart called for a Recess at 8:25 PM.

City Council President James Hart called for a return from Recess at 8:35 PM.

2023-05-82 Motion by McDermott, supported by Sampey
RESOLVED that the meeting be adjourned.
Unanimously carried.

The meeting adjourned at 9:41 PM.

James Hart
Council President

Shannon Inman
Deputy City Clerk