

Council Proceedings  
City of Westland  
Meeting No. 14  
July 17, 2023

The Westland City Council held a regular meeting July 17, 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, Cable Director Craig Welkenbach, Cable Producer Craig Hebert, City Attorney James Fausone, Community Development Director Joanne Campbell, DEI Intern Evan McCarthy, Finance Director Steve Smith, Fire Chief Darrell Stamper, Planning Director Mohamed Ayoub, Police Chief Kyle Dawley, and City Clerk Richard LeBlanc.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman James Godbout.

City Clerk Richard LeBlanc announced temporary changes involving the August 2023 City Primary Election that has seven (7) precincts moving to different locations due to construction activity at two (2) host location sites.

2023-07-114 Motion by Herzberg, supported by Hornbuckle

RESOLVED that Council grants approval of the Consent Calendar as follows:

- Approval of Bid for Professional Services related to the Planning Departments Master Plan Update to McKenna, amount not to exceed \$78,500, and subject to Council authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to sign a contract approved by the City Attorney and executed by the vendor.
- Approval to acquire one (1) property (34031 Arrowhead), for the minimum bid price unpaid taxes, for the specified uses, and transfer property to the Liberator Development Group (CHDO) for redevelopment and affordable homeownership, through the Community Development Program to help stabilization neighborhoods, and, authorizes the Director of Housing and Community Development to sign the purchase agreement and closing documents for this property on behalf of the City.  
Unanimously carried.

2023-07-115 Motion by Herzberg, supported by Sampey

RESOLVED that Council grants approval of the voucher list as follows: Checklist Activity: \$4,322,663.33.

Unanimously carried.

City Council President James Hart passed the gavel to Pro Tem Andrea Rutkowski.

2023-07-116 Motion by Sampey, supported by Herzberg

RESOLVED that Council grants approval of minutes of regular meeting held July 5, 2023.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Godbout, Herzberg, Hornbuckle, McDermott,  
Rutkowski, Sampey

Nays: None

Abstain: Hart (Hart was absent/excused)

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Pro Tem Andrea Rutkowski passed the gavel to City Council President James Hart.

2023-07-117 Motion by Rutkowski, supported by Godbout  
WHEREAS Mayor Michael Londeau has re-appointed David Rappaport to the Westland Planning Commission for a three (3) year term, effective upon Council confirmation and expire August 5, 2028.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Council confirms the re-appointment of David Rappaport to the Westland Planning Commission for a three (3) year term, effective upon Council confirmation and expire August 5, 2028.

Unanimously carried.

2023-07-118 Motion by Herzberg, supported by Godbout  
RESOLVED that Council concurs with Planning Commission and recommends approval of Site Plan for Proposed Industrial Building, 38272 Abruzzi Drive, east side of Abruzzi Road, contingent upon Departmental requirements and recommendations. PD #1627C  
Unanimously carried.

2023-07-119 Motion by Godbout, supported by McDermott  
RESOLVED that Council grants approval to offer Microbusiness License to Ray Industries for a Microbusiness located at 39127 Ford Road.  
Unanimously carried.

2023-07-120 Motion by Rutkowski, supported by Hornbuckle  
RESOLVED that the meeting be adjourned.  
Unanimously carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:34 PM.

James Hart  
Council President

Richard LeBlanc  
City Clerk