



ACTION MINUTES

CITY OF YPSILANTI
COUNCIL MEETING ACTION MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 1 S. HURON
YPSILANTI, MI 48197
TUESDAY, MARCH 15, 2016
7:00 P.M.

I. CALL TO ORDER –

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL –

Council Member Anne Brown	Present	Council Member Robb	Absent
Council Member Nicole Brown	Present	Council Member Vogt	Present
Council Member Murdock	Absent	Mayor Edmonds	Present
Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson	Present		

III. INVOCATION –

IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE –

"I pledge allegiance to the flag, of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

V. AGENDA APPROVAL –

The agenda was approved as submitted

VI. INTRODUCTIONS –

VII. PRESENTATIONS –

Water Street Update – City Manager Ralph Lange

VIII. PUBLIC HEARING –

1. Approval of Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Exemption Certificate (OPRA) for Ypsilanti Property Alliance, LLC, parcel #11-11-40-484-002, known as 209 Pearl.
 - A. Resolution No. 2016-041, determination
Council Member A Brown moved; seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson.
Approved: Yes – 5; No – 0; Absent – 2 (Robb, Murdock)
 - B. Open public hearing
 - C. Resolution No. 2016-042, close public hearing.
Council Member A Brown moved; seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson.
Approved: Yes – 5; No – 0; Absent – 2 (Robb, Murdock)

IX. ORDINANCE – FIRST READING –

Ordinance No. 1261

1. Amendment to Chapter 122, Article VII, Division 6 of the Ypsilanti City Code to add "Solar Farm" as a Special Use in the P, Park District; allow "Alternative Energy" to remain as an accessory use; and add standard setbacks for buildings in the Park district.
 - A. Resolution No. 2016-034, determination
Council Member N Brown moved; seconded by Council Member Vogt.
Approved: Yes – 5; No – 0; Absent – 2 (Robb, Murdock)
 - B. Open public hearing
 - C. Resolution No. 2016-035, closing public hearing
Council Member N Brown moved; seconded by Council Member Vogt.
Approved: Yes – 5; No – 0; Absent – 2 (Robb, Murdock)

X. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION –

XI. REMARKS BY THE MAYOR –

XII. RESOLUTIONS/MOTIONS/DISCUSSIONS –

1. Resolution No. 2016-036, approving minutes of February 2 and February 16, 2016.
Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson moved; seconded by Council Member A Brown.
Approved: Yes – 5; No – 0; Absent – 2 (Robb, Murdock)
2. Resolution No. 2016-037, approving Shared Proceeds Agreement with Highland Cemetery Association of Ypsilanti.
Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson moved; seconded by Council Member A Brown.
Approved: Yes – 5; No – 0; Absent – 2 (Robb, Murdock)
3. Resolution No. 2016-038, approving budget amendments to include down payment on the 2016 Limited Tax General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2016.
Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson moved; seconded by Council Member N Brown.
Approved: Yes – 5; No – 0; Absent – 2 (Robb, Murdock)
4. Resolution No. 2016-039, approving two-year contract extension of audit services by Abraham & Gaffney, P.C.
Council Member Vogt moved; seconded Council Member N Brown.
Approved: Yes – 5; No – 0; Absent – 2 (Robb, Murdock)
5. Resolution No. 2016-040, approving two-year contract extension with Rehmann Robson for financial outsourcing services.
Council Member Vogt moved; seconded Council Member N Brown.
Approved: Yes – 5; No – 0; Absent – 2 (Robb, Murdock)
6. Resolution No. 2016-043, supporting the creation of the Amtrak rail stop in Ypsilanti.
Council Member Vogt moved; seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson.
Approved: Yes – 5; No – 0; Absent – 2 (Robb, Murdock)
7. Resolution No. 2016-044, approving contract with OHM for conceptual design engineering services to develop a rail platform and parking lot improvements.
Council Member A Brown moved; seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson.
Approved: Yes – 5; No – 0; Absent – 2 (Robb, Murdock)

8. Resolution No. 2016-045, approving Building Healthy Communities (BHC) grant and contract from the Michigan Recreation and Parks Association (MParks) for park enhancements and summer park programs.

Council Member A Brown moved; seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson. Approved: Yes – 5; No – 0; Absent – 2 (Robb, Murdock)

XI. LIASON REPORTS –

- A. SEMCOG Update
- B. Washtenaw Area Transportation Study
- C. Urban County
- D. Freight House
- E. Parks and Recreation
- F. Ypsilanti Downtown Development Authority
- G. Eastern Washtenaw Safety Alliance
- H. Police-Community Relations/Black Lives Matter Joint Task Force

XII. COUNCIL PROPOSED BUSINESS –

XIII. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR –

Nominations:

Planning Commission

Phil Hollifield (reappointment)

125 Hawkins

Ypsilanti, MI 48197

Term expiration – 5/1/2019

Matt Dunwoodie (new appointment)

201 Oakwood St.

Ypsilanti, MI 48197

Term expiration – 5/1/2019

Parks and Recreation Commission

Conan Malmer (new appointment)

913 Pleasant Dr.

Ypsilanti, MI 48197

Term expiration – 4/1/2019

Tentative Budget Meetings to be confirmed:

- Tuesday, May 10th
- Tuesday, May 17th
- Thursday, May 19th

**All meetings will be held at City Hall in the Council Chambers at 6:00 p.m.

XIV. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CITY MANAGER –

Parkridge Chess Tournament Update

XV. COMMUNICATIONS –

- Planning Commission Annual Report
- May 10th, 17th and 19th
- April 5th or 12th Work Session – Economic Development Update – 6:00-7:00 p.m.

XVI. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION –

XVII. REMARKS FROM THE MAYOR -

XVIII. CLOSED SESSION –

Closed Session to discuss collective bargaining. *OMA 15.268(c)*

**Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson moved; seconded by Council Member Vogt.
Approved: Yes – 5; No – 0; Absent – 2 (Robb, Murdock)**

XIX. ADJOURNMENT –

Resolution No. 2016-046, adjourning the Council meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 9:38 p.m.