



ACTION MINUTES

CITY OF YPSILANTI
COUNCIL MEETING ACTION MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 1 S. HURON
YPSILANTI, MI 48197
TUESDAY, APRIL 5, 2016
6:00 P.M.

I. CALL TO ORDER –

The meeting was called to order at 6:06 p.m

II. ROLL CALL –

Council Member Anne Brown	Present	Council Member Robb	Present
Council Member Nicole Brown	Present	Council Member Vogt	Absent
Council Member Murdock	Present (6:07)	Mayor Edmonds	Present
Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson	Present		

(6 – Present, 1 Absent)

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 amended

Changes:

Add: A third Audience Participation after Section VI, Work Session.

Add: Resolution No. 2016-077, waiving FOIA Fees, to Section XV, Resolutions/Motions/Discussions.

VI. WORK SESSION – 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

- Economic Development Update – Beth Ernat, Director of Economic Development

VII. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION – (Added)

VIII. INTRODUCTIONS –

IX. PRESENTATIONS –

X. PUBLIC HEARING –

Public hearing on a resolution to grant a permanent, non-exclusive easement over a portion of the southeast corner of city owned property (parcel ID 11-11-37-101-007) to Adams Outdoor Advertising Limited Partnership for the purpose of constructing and operating an electronic outdoor advertising structure and access to the said structure.

- A. Resolution No. 2016-047, determination
OFFERED BY: Council Member N. Brown; SECONDED BY: Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson
Approved as Amended: Yes – 6; No – 0; Absent – 1 (Vogt)
- B. Open public hearing
- C. Resolution No. 2016-048, close public hearing
OFFERED BY: Council Member N. Brown; SECONDED BY: Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson
Approved: Yes – 6; No – 0; Absent – 1 (Vogt)

XI. ORDINANCES – FIRST READING –

Ordinance No. 1262 (940-0)

- 1. An ordinance to provide for the issuance and sale of water supply and sewage disposal system revenue refunding bonds.
 - A. Resolution No. 2016-049, determination
OFFERED BY: Council Member N. Brown; SECONDED BY: Council Member A. Brown
Approved: Yes – 6; No – 0; Absent – 1 (Vogt)
 - B. Open public hearing
 - C. Resolution No. 2016-050, close public hearing
OFFERED BY: Council Member N. Brown SECONDED BY: Council Member A. Brown
Approved: Yes – 6; No – 0; Absent – 1 (Vogt)

Ordinance No. 1263

- 2. An ordinance to amend the Ypsilanti City Code, Chapter 10, "Amusements and Entertainments" to remove those provisions relating to licensing.
 - A. Resolution No. 2016-051, determination
OFFERED BY: Council Member N. Brown; SECONDED BY: Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson
Approved: Yes – 6; No – 0; Absent – 1 (Vogt)
 - B. Open public hearing
 - C. Resolution No. 2016-052, close public hearing
OFFERED BY: Council Member N. Brown; SECONDED BY: Council Member A. Brown
Approved: Yes – 6; No – 0; Absent – 1 (Vogt)

Ordinance No. 1264

3. An ordinance to amend Ypsilanti City Code, Chapter 14 "Animals" to remove those provisions which are no longer enforced due to the lack of a city Animal Control Officer.
 - A. Resolution No. 2016-053, determination
OFFERED BY: Council Member Robb; SECONDED BY: Council Member N. Brown
Approved: Yes – 6; No – 0; Absent – 1 (Vogt)
 - B. Open public hearing
 - C. Resolution No. 2016-054, close public hearing
OFFERED BY: Council Member Robb; SECONDED BY: Council Member N. Brown
Approved: Yes – 6; No – 0; Absent – 1 (Vogt)

Ordinance No. 1265

4. An ordinance to amend Ypsilanti City Code, Chapter 1 "General Provisions", Section 1-14, "Enforcement Authority for Code" to remove the inclusion of an Animal Control Officer.
 - A. Resolution No. 2016-055, determination
OFFERED BY: Council Member Robb; SECONDED BY: Council Member N. Brown
Approved: Yes – 6; No – 0; Absent – 1 (Vogt)
 - B. Open public hearing
 - C. Resolution No. 2016-056, close public hearing
OFFERED BY: Council Member Robb; SECONDED BY: Council Member N. Brown
Approved: Yes – 6; No – 0; Absent – 1 (Vogt)

Ordinance No. 1266

5. An ordinance to amend Ypsilanti City Code, Chapter 70, "Municipal Civil Infractions", Article I, "In General", Section 70-2, "Authorized City Official" to remove the inclusion of an Animal Control Officer.
 - A. Resolution No. 2016-057, determination
OFFERED BY: Council Member Robb; SECONDED BY: Council Member N. Brown
Approved: Yes – 6; No – 0; Absent – 1 (Vogt)
 - B. Open public hearing
 - C. Resolution No. 2016-058, close public hearing
OFFERED BY: Council Member Robb; SECONDED BY: Council Member N. Brown
Approved: Yes – 6; No – 0; Absent – 1 (Vogt)

Ordinance No. 1267

6. An ordinance to amend Ypsilanti City Code, Chapter 22 "Businesses" to remove those provisions relating to licensing.
 - A. Resolution No. 2016-059, determination
OFFERED BY: Council Member Murdock; SECONDED BY: Council Member A. Brown
FAILED: Yes – 3; No – 3 (Robb, Murdock, N. Brown); Absent – 1 (Vogt)
 - B. Open public hearing
 - C. Resolution No. 2016-060, close public hearing
OFFERED BY: Council Member Murdock; SECONDED BY: Council Member A. Brown
Approved: Yes – 6; No – 0; Absent – 1 (Vogt)

Ordinance No. 1268

7. An ordinance to amend Ypsilanti City Code, Chapter 38, "Emergency Services", Article II, "Alarm Systems", Section 38-40, "False Alarms Charges" to simplify language in light of the fee schedule adopted by City Council.
 - A. Resolution No. 2016-061, determination
OFFERED BY: Council Member Murdock; SECONDED BY: Council Member N. Brown
Approved: Yes – 6; No – 0; Absent – 1 (Vogt)
 - B. Open public hearing
 - C. Resolution No. 2016-062, close public hearing
OFFERED BY: Council Member Murdock; SECONDED BY: Council Member N. Brown
Approved: Yes – 6; No – 0; Absent – 1 (Vogt)

Ordinance No. 1269

8. An ordinance to amend Ypsilanti City Code, Chapter 86, "Solid Waste", Article II, "Collection and Disposal", Division 1 "Generally", Sections 86-33 and 86-34 to correct references and make language consistent with other provisions in the code.
 - A. Resolution No. 2016-063, determination
OFFERED BY: Council Member Murdock; SECONDED BY: Council Member A. Brown
Approved: Yes – 6; No – 0; Absent – 1 (Vogt)
 - B. Open public hearing
 - C. Resolution No. 2016-064, close public hearing
OFFERED BY: Council Member Murdock; SECONDED BY: Council Member A. Brown
Approved: Yes – 6; No – 0; Absent – 1 (Vogt)

XII. ORDINANCE – SECOND READING –

Ordinance No. 1261

1. Resolution No. 2016-055, approving amendment to Chapter 122, Article VII, Division 6 of the Ypsilanti City Code to add "Solar Farm" as a Special Us in the P, Park District; allow "Alternative Energy" to remain as an accessory use; and add standard setbacks for buildings in the Park district.
OFFERED BY: Council Member A. Brown; SECONDED BY: Council Member N. Brown
Approved: Yes – 6; No – 0; Absent – 1 (Vogt)

XIII. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION –

XIV. REMARKS BY THE MAYOR –

XV. CONSENT AGENDA -

Resolution No. 2016-066

1. Resolution No. 2016-067, approving minutes of March 15, 2016.
OFFERED BY: Council Member A. Brown; SECONDED BY: Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson
Approved: Yes – 6; No – 0; Absent – 1 (Vogt)
2. Resolution No. 2016-068, approving appointments to Boards and Commissions.
OFFERED BY: Council Member A. Brown; SECONDED BY: Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson
Approved: Yes – 6; No – 0; Absent – 1 (Vogt)
3. Resolution No. 2016-069, approving Fire Department purchase from Signature Ford of a 2016 Ford F250 4x4 with snow plow package.
OFFERED BY: Council Member A. Brown; SECONDED BY: Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson
Approved: Yes – 6; No – 0; Absent – 1 (Vogt)
4. Resolution No. 2016-070, recognizing the Ypsilanti Symphony Orchestra as a non-profit organization in the City of Ypsilanti.
OFFERED BY: Council Member A. Brown; SECONDED BY: Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson
Approved: Yes – 6; No – 0; Absent – 1 (Vogt)

XVI. RESOLUTIONS/MOTIONS/DISCUSSIONS –

1. Resolution No. 2016-071, authorizing staff to negotiate with Herman & Kittle for the purchase of approximately 3 acres of city-owned property commonly referred to as Water Street.
OFFERED BY: Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson; SECONDED BY: Council Member N. Brown
Approved: Yes – 5; No – 1 (Robb); Absent – 1 (Vogt)
2. Resolution No. 2016-072, supporting the Michigan Mid-Block Crossing Project.
OFFERED BY: Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson; SECONDED BY: Council Member N. Brown
Approved: Yes – 6; No – 0; Absent – 1 (Vogt)
3. Resolution No. 2016-076, approving revised MDOT contract for the 2015 Mid-Block Crossing at Washtenaw Ave. and Oakwood project. *(Added)*
OFFERED BY: Council Member N. Brown; SECONDED BY: Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson
Approved: Yes – 6; No – 0; Absent – 1 (Vogt)
4. Resolution No. 2016-073, approving Neighborhood Enterprise Zone (NEZ) policy.
OFFERED BY: Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson; SECONDED BY: Council Member A. Brown
Approved as Amended: Yes – 6; No – 0; Absent – 1 (Vogt)
5. Resolution No. 2016-074, supporting the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners placing a four year .5 mil ballot question before voters on August 2, 2016 for keeping existing roads, streets, paths, bridges and culverts repaired and safe.
OFFERED BY: Council Member N. Brown; SECONDED BY: Council Member A. Brown

Failed: Yes – 0; No – 6 (N Brown, A Brown, Robb, Murdock, Richardson, Edmonds); Absent – 1 (Vogt)

6. Resolution No. 2016-077, waiving FOIA Fees incurred by City Council Members.
(Added)
Failed due to lack of support

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

Briana Mason (reappointment)
1000 Huron St.
Ypsilanti, MI 48197
Term: 4/1/2016 - 5/1/2019

Smartzone LDFA

Vince Chmielewski (reappointment)
2348 Draper Ave.
Ypsilanti, MI 48197
Term: 4/1/2016 - 6/30/2019

Upcoming Budget Meetings:

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

**All meetings will be held at City Hall in the Council Chambers from 6:00 – 10:00 p.m.

XIV. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CITY MANAGER –

XV. COMMUNICATIONS –

May 3, 2016 - Special Election:

AV Ballots are now available daily from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. for pick-up
(for mail, please allow 2-3 days for U.S. mail delivery)

Last day to register for this election is April 4, 2016

Last day to receive AV ballot by mail – April 30, 2016

Last day to obtain an AV ballot in person – May 2, 2016 up to 4:00 p.m.

The Clerk's Office will be open on Saturday, April 30, 2016 from 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. for electors who wish to vote in person in the Clerk's Office.

****April 19, 2016 at 4:00 p.m. is the deadline for partisan and non-partisan nominating petitions.**

XVI. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION –

XVII. REMARKS FROM THE MAYOR -

XVIII. CLOSED SESSION –

Closed Session to discuss pending litigation - (*OMA 15.268(e)*)

XIX. ADJOURNMENT –

Resolution No. 2016-075, adjourning the Council meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 11:32 p.m. to closed session.