



Resolution No. 2014-007  
January 7, 2014

IT IS RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI that the attached document entitled City Council Goals for 2014, is approved and the goals stated therein are adopted as the official goals of the Ypsilanti City Council for 2014.

OFFERED BY: Council Member Vogt

SUPPORTED BY: Council Member Moeller

YES: 5    NO: 0    ABSENT: 2 (Jefferson, Richardson)    VOTE: Carried

I do hereby certify that the above resolution is a true and correct copy of Resolution 2014-007 as passed by the Ypsilanti City Council, at their meeting held on January 7, 2014.

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Frances McMullan, City Clerk

CITY OF YPSILANTI  
City Council Goals For 2014

City Council goals are designed to act as a road map for Council and staff in moving the city forward. These goals are statements of the intent of the city to focus the efforts of Council and staff to improve the city and provide a quality city as shown in the city mission statement. Many of these goals are in process and ongoing. Some of the goals can be fully accomplished in 2014, some goals may take more time and change over time.

**I Fiscal Stability**

- Continue 5 year debt reduction and solvency plan
  - Manage city debt
- Balanced Budget
  - Maintain Quality Service
- Manage ongoing expenses
  - Reduce pension costs
  - Reduce pension millage
  - Limit health care expense to taxable value increase
  - Overhaul Motor Pool
    - Sell excess equipment
    - Recalculate rental fees and replacement
  - Continue street light conversion
  - Explore other energy efficiency
    - Use Energy Efficiency fund to convert lighting to LED
  - Balance solid waste fund
    - Review contract, service levels
  - Reduce overhead costs
    - Reduce Employee costs
    - Better Facility utilization
- Complete Capital Improvement Plan
- Complete Storm Water Management Plan

**II Economic Development**

- Water Street development
- Utilize river frontage
  - Water Street
  - Other development
- Public relations
  - Flying Squad of agencies

- Sell Ypsilanti
      - Civility of council, staff, police and fire, respect for all
      - Positive image, avoid disrespecting the city and staff
      - Promote good news and accomplishments
    - Develop "Buy and Invest Local" Policies
  - Zoning
    - Complete zoning ordinance
      - Employment and development zones
        - Water Street
        - Boys and Girls Club
        - Motor Wheel
        - Ford Motor Co
        - City Hall
        - Smith Furniture/Pate
        - Washington Street Lot
        - Abe's block
        - Pub 13
        - Depot
        - Freight House
        - Peninsular Paper Dam
      - Complete Development Ready Certification process
  - Freight House
    - Functional and Open
  - Thompson Building
    - Strategy for development
  - Depot
  - Alternative Transportation
    - Train and Rail
      - Support Commuter Train and Rail Station
      - Complete Depot DDA TIF plan
        - Commuter Trail, Lighting, Bridge, surface lots
    - Apply for grants - traffic calming, bike paths, ADA ramps
  - Continue support for Aerotropolis
  - Place making
    - Explore Food Trucks
  - Open and Welcoming to New, Innovative Business Ideas

### **III Public Safety**

- Fully Staff Police and Fire per budget
- Reinstate Community Policing
- Cooperative agreements with EMU, Sheriff and Townships
  - Sheriff deputize Ypsilanti and EMU Police Officer

- Extra Territorial Patrols
  - Mutual Aid Agreements
  - Cameras
- Vigorous Code Enforcement
- Work on "Broken Window" Theory - Clean and Pretty Community
  - Eliminate graffiti
  - Eliminate litter
  - Community Policing
  - Improve appearance of all city property
  - Encourage improvement of all private property

#### **IV Transportation**

- Support 5 year plan AAATA
  - Extended service
- Implement Non-Motorized Plan
- Apply for grants -traffic calming, bike paths, ADA ramps
- Reconstruct North Prospect
- Plan For Future Road Work
  - Asset management
  - Funding
- Commuter Train
  - Continue support
  - Depot
  - Freight house

#### **V Sustainability, Environment**

- Complete Street Light Conversion
- Complete Energy Efficiency projects
  - City Hallo
- Complete Solar Array Project Old City Dump
- Develop Peninsular Paper Dam for hydro-electric
- Support for 1,000 Solar Roof Campaign
- Implement Climate Action Plan
- Implement Non-motorized Plan

#### **VI Diversity**

- Maintain diverse community
- Maintain diverse workforce