



Approved

**CITY OF YPSILANTI  
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
ONE SOUTH HURON STREET, YPSILANTI, MI 48197  
MONDAY, AUGUST 4, 2008  
7:30 A.M.**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 7: 30 a.m.

**II. ROLL CALL**

Council Member Filipiak	Present	Council Member Robb	Present
Council Member Gawlas	Absent	Mayor Pro-Tem Swanson	Absent
Council Member Nickels	Present	Mayor Schreiber	Present
Council Member Richardson	Present		

Council Member Richardson moved, supported by Council Member to excuse the absences.

The motion carried.

**III. READING OF THE CALL - City Clerk**

**IV. INVOCATION**

Mayor Schreiber asked all to stand for a moment of silence.

**V. 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."

**VI. INTRODUCTIONS**

City Planner Richard Murphy and Assistant City Attorney Karl Barr were present.

**VII. PRESENTATION**

None.

**VIII. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**

None.

**IX. REMARKS BY THE MAYOR**

None.

**X. RESOLUTIONS / MOTIONS ETC.**

- A. Resolution No. 2008-167, approving possible purchase of the property at 130 S. Grove Street.

**RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI:**

WHEREAS, Katherine McClary, Washtenaw County Treasurer, has notified the City of Ypsilanti that property located at 130 S. Grove Street has reverted to the County for non-payment of taxes and;

WHEREAS, the County has offered this property to the City of Ypsilanti to purchase in the amount of the unpaid taxes, which is \$4857.78 or it will be publicly auctioned on August 12, 2008 and;

WHEREAS, City staff believes that acquisition of this property would be strategically beneficial for the City, as it would enable several options including the proposed Border-to-Border non motorized trail or additional private development and;

WHEREAS, this cost may be paid from excess revenues over expenses from the 2007-2008 fiscal year or an appropriation from fund balance;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that City Council considers purchasing the property located at 130 S. Grove Street in the amount of \$4857.78 because the benefits of City ownership are considered more valuable than foregoing the amount of tax revenue.

OFFERED BY: Council Member Nickels  
SUPPORTED BY: Council Member Robb

Council Member Robb moved, supported by Council Member Filipiak that the resolution be amended as follows:

**4<sup>th</sup> paragraph:**

WHEREAS, this cost may be paid from ~~excess revenues over expenses~~ **Account 101-101-864-00 City Council Conferences and Workshops** from the 2007-2008 fiscal year or an appropriation from fund balance;

VOTE:

Yes: 5      No: 0      Absent: 2 (Gawlas, Swanson)      Vote: Carried

The amendment was approved.

The vote to approve the resolution as amended was as follows:

Yes: 5      No: 0      Absent: 2 (Gawlas, Swanson)      Vote: Carried

The resolution as approved reads as follows:

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**XI. ADJOURNMENT**

A. Resolution No. 2008-168, adjourning the meeting.

**RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI:**

That the Special City Council Meeting be adjourned, on call, by the Mayor or two (2) members of Council.

OFFERED BY: Council Member Nickels  
SUPPORTED BY: Council Member Robb

The meeting was adjourned at 7:39 a.m.