



# MINUTES

## REGULAR COUNCIL Meeting

7:00 PM - Tuesday, April 2, 2019  
Council Chambers

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The REGULAR COUNCIL of the City of Ypsilanti was called to order on Tuesday, April 2, 2019, at 7:00 PM, in the Council Chambers, with the following members present:

**PRESENT:** Beth Bashert, Council Member Jennifer Symanns, Council Member Steven Wilcoxon, Council Member Nicole Brown, Council Member Lois Richardson, and Council Member Anthony Morgan

**ABSENT:** Council Member Pete Murdock

### I CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

### II INVOCATION

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

### III PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

A "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."

### IV AGENDA APPROVAL

A Mayor Bashert requested a motion to approve the agenda

***Nicole Brown moved to approve the agenda Lois Richardson seconded the motion.***

**Lois Richardson moved to remove the two interviews from Section VII, Presentations. Steven Wilcoxon seconded the motion.**

**CARRIED. 5 to 1.**

<b>Steven Wilcoxon</b>	<b>For</b>
<b>Lois Richardson</b>	<b>For</b>
<b>Beth Bashert</b>	<b>Against</b>
<b>Jennifer Symanns</b>	<b>For</b>
<b>Nicole Brown</b>	<b>For</b>
<b>Anthony Morgan</b>	<b>For</b>

**Steven Wilcoxon moved to remove Resolution No. 2019-069, approving the appointment of Frances McMullan as City Manager and Contract of Employment. Jennifer Symanns seconded the motion.**

**FAILED. 2 to 4.**

<b>Beth Bashert</b>	<b>Against</b>
<b>Jennifer Symanns</b>	<b>For</b>
<b>Steven Wilcoxon</b>	<b>For</b>
<b>Nicole Brown</b>	<b>Against</b>
<b>Lois Richardson</b>	<b>Against</b>
<b>Anthony Morgan</b>	<b>Against</b>

**Jennifer Symanns moved to add a discussion prior to Resolution No. 2019-069 regarding the hiring process for the City Manager and City Clerk. Steven Wilcoxon seconded the motion.**

**CARRIED. 4 to 2.**

<b>Beth Bashert</b>	<b>For</b>
<b>Jennifer Symanns</b>	<b>For</b>
<b>Steven Wilcoxon</b>	<b>For</b>
<b>Nicole Brown</b>	<b>For</b>
<b>Lois Richardson</b>	<b>Against</b>
<b>Anthony Morgan</b>	<b>Against</b>

## **V INTRODUCTIONS**

Mayor Bashert introduced the following individuals; Interim City Manager Frances McMullan, Economic Development Director Joe Meyers, City Planner Bonnie Wessler, Community Development Manager/DDA Director Christopher Jacobs, Police Chief Tony DeGiusti, Interim Fire Chief Ken Hobbs, Eastern Michigan University Vicki Reaume and Walter Kraft, State Representative Ronnie Peterson, and Washtenaw County Commissioner Ricky Jefferson.

## **VI PRESENTATIONS**

- A** Eastern Michigan University Update of university news and activities - Vicki Reaume & Walter Kraft

EMU Vice President and Secretary of the Board of Regents Vicki Reaume and Vice President Division of Communications Walter Kraft provided a presentations regarding the Eastern Michigan University.

Mayor Bashert asked if the shift in funding is a result of the state, or shifting in expenses. Mr. Kraft responded shift in funding from the state.

Council Member Morgan asked for clarification on how the Rec Center is fully funded by the students. Mr. Kraft responded students agreed to pay a fee on their tuition bills. Mr. Morgan asked if all 18,000 decided to make that contribution. Kraft responded students had the opportunity to opt out if they did not want to participate. Mr. Morgan asked over how many years are students asked to contribute. Mr. Kraft responded until the building is completed. Mr. Morgan asked if the students who choose to buy in get any equity out of the facility. Mr. Kraft responded they will not receive equity, but will be able to use the facility. Mr. Morgan asked if the students who helped fund the building will have to pay to use it. Mr. Kraft responded no. Ms. Reaume added students will just need to show their student identification card.

Mayor Bashert stated she heard the Live Ypsi Program is being ended by the county. Mr. Kraft responded they are still funding it from the university's standpoint.

Council Member Morgan stated there is an imbalance in the university's educational system and that of the local school system. He asked what the university's relationship is pulling the local educational system up as a whole. Mr. Kraft responded the university offers some after school programs, but there is certainly more that could be done. He offered the Office of Education Dean to share many of the things EMU is doing for the local schools. Also, he has discussed with State Rep. Peterson on how EMU can play a more active role to help facilitate a greater collaboration more in the region.

Council Member Brown appreciated the presentation, and is excited to see how the university and the city could turn around the perception that the two entities do not work collaboratively. She added there has been a lot of discussion regarding the city's first responders and mental health crisis. She asked if there is potential for the university's Social Work Program could collaborate a way to support those first responders. Mr. Kraft responded he will take that back to the university.

Council Member Symanns appreciated the presentation and hopes the university and the city can continue to strengthen their relationship. While she understands the universities budgetary issues, there is concern with the privatization in university functions. She asked if there are future plans to privatize other university functions. Mr. Kraft responded the university needs to invest in its campus in order to stay competitive.

Council Member Wilcoxon stated there is a lot of concern in the community regarding Ypsilanti being a small city and the university takes up a large portion of that land. Anytime there is a discussion about the university obtaining more land is troubling and removing it from the tax roll. There is also concern in the community regarding the privatization of university functions, private entities using state land have a distinct advantage over other business. He would like to hear more about ways that will translate back to the city as an opportunity. Mr. Kraft responded the university needs to grow, and the more students it can attract the better off the community as a whole will be. Mr. Wilcoxon asked if the public-private housing project would be on located on the current campus. Mr. Kraft responded in the affirmative. Mr. Wilcoxon stated he is looking forward to hearing how the College of Education is engaging the high school students in this community.

Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson stated her favorite president over the past years often would "say so goes the university so goes the city, and so goes the city so goes the university". During that time the city and EMU both worked together and experienced advancement of both entities. She has not seen that kind of collaboration since he left the university. There is a division that is growing, and something needs to be done to improve that relationship. She explained the public is upset that private companies are making tax free dollars on city property.

Mayor Bashert asked for an update on Lowell Street. Mr. Kraft responded the university is currently evaluating that property. Ms. Bashert stated anything that can be done to keep that property on the tax roll would be appreciated. Her experience with the the university is that it has responded positively almost every time she has had a conversation. She is intrigued by further outreaches and what they mean for the future.

**B** ~~Interview of Frances McMullan for the Position of City Manager (Removed)~~

**C** ~~Interview of Andrew Hellenga for the Position of City Clerk (Removed)~~

## VII PUBLIC COMMENT (3 MINUTES)

1. Reza Rajabi, 110 N Summit, stated while filing a police report he asked for the department's phone number and was laughed at by an officer. As a tax payer he should not be insulted by city employees.
2. Amber Fellows, Ward 3, expressed support for the appointment of Frances McMullan as City Manager. Although she does not see an issue with having a process, she believes this appointment will begin to reestablish public trust.
3. Kim Jones, City Employee, stated her support for the appointment of Frances McMullan to City Manager and Andrew Hellenga to City Clerk. She does not see an issue in performing a search.
4. Desirae Simmons, Ward 3, supported the appointment of Frances McMullan and Andrew Hellenga to City Manager and City Clerk. She was pleased Council pushed the conversation with EMU. She wants Council to keep housing on their mind, and to not always pursue growth. She would have an eye kept on the Regional Recycling Authority, and ensure it does not result in the loss of jobs.
5. Brian Geringer, Ward 1, supported the appointment of Frances McMullan as City Manager. He stated a search is not necessary, and supports African American women in positions of power. He expressed that Interim Fire Chief Hobbs needs to be appointed Chief and support for Andrew Hellenga to be made City Clerk. He thanked Council for pressing the EMU representatives, and that growth is not always the best for a community. He added there is seven years until the Penn Dam becomes dangerous, and Council should take its time on the decision for removal.
6. Brian Foley, 425 Ainsworth Cir, supported the appointment of Frances McMullan as City Manager, Andrew Hellenga as City Clerk, Ken Hobbs as the Fire Chief, and Brad Holman as the DPS Director. He has worked with all four employees on a professional level, and they are the right people for those positions.
7. Beverly James, 968 Monroe, stated she is proud of the young people in this community. She added her support for EMU, however, they should not have been given an hour for a presentation. That time should be reserved for the citizens of this community.
8. Sam Jones-Darling, 210 Brown Hall, expressed his support for Frances McMullan's appointment to City Manager and Andrew Hellenga's appointment to City Clerk. He suggested Council reach out to the EMU Board of Regents.
9. Lee Tooson, 107 Middle, supported the appointment of Frances McMullan, Ken Hobbs, Brad Holman, and Andrew Hellenga. Council needs to move forward and begin to heal. He added he is against Frances McMullan becoming City Manager. Frances is qualified for the position, and Council Chambers is not a place to become a power broker.
10. Ricky Jefferson, 113 Devonshire, Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners, stated Council should listen to Beverly James, she has been in his community for a long time. He supported Frances McMullan's appointment to City Manager. He explained Ms. McMullan stays neutral in

politics. Council needs a strong person to gather egos, a person who preservers, and has guts.

11. Madeline Baier, 330 Chidester #406, quoted Mark Twain, "better to keep your mouth shut and appear stupid than to open it and remove all doubt".
12. William Simmons supported the appointment of France McMullan, and what has already been said. He also expressed his support for Council.
13. Valerie Brown Tooson, 107 Middle, stated her support for Frances McMullan and Ken Hobbs.
14. Tracy McMullan stated he knows his wife well, and she is more than capable to perform the duties of City Manager.

## **VIII CONSENT AGENDA - RESOLUTION NO. 2019-066**

- A** Resolution No. 2019-067, approving the minutes of March 18, and March 19, 2019.
  
- B** Resolution No. 2019-068, approving Ordinance No. 1335, Firearms Sales and Commercial Recreational Use. (Second reading)

***Steven Wilcoxon moved to approve Resolution No. 2019-066, Consent Agenda Nicole Brown seconded the motion.***

***CARRIED. 6 to 0.***

<b><i>Steven Wilcoxon</i></b>	<b><i>For</i></b>
<b><i>Nicole Brown</i></b>	<b><i>For</i></b>
<b><i>Beth Bashert</i></b>	<b><i>For</i></b>
<b><i>Jennifer Symanns</i></b>	<b><i>For</i></b>
<b><i>Lois Richardson</i></b>	<b><i>For</i></b>
<b><i>Anthony Morgan</i></b>	<b><i>For</i></b>

## **IX RESOLUTIONS/MOTIONS/DISCUSSIONS**

- A** Discussion of the hiring process for both the City Manager and City Clerk.

Council Member Symanns stated she is willing to forgo the process of posting these positions. She only wants to ensure that Council is on the same page and that the public has the time to meet the candidates.

Council Member Brown objected that the Mayor added interviews to the agenda without input of Council. However she does not take issue with holding

a meet and greet for the candidates, but it is ridiculous to not move forward with the appointments.

Council Member Wilcoxon stated it has been an interesting couple of weeks. he explained there has been talk about process when it has been clear since the beginning Council has already had the employees it wanted. He thought setting a process was worthwhile even with knowing the outcome. He has had to explain to constituents that were concerned why these positions are not going to be posted. He explained to that person Council is not required to do that.

Council Member Syamnns stated she would like to have a dialog with the candidates on how Council can help the employees do their job.

Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson stated during the March 18th Special Meeting she asked the City Attorney to start the process of appointing Ms. McMullan City Manager. If Council knows what it wants to do it should move forward in this process. However, she is not opposed to holding a meet and greet for the candidates. She would like Council to move forward with Resolution No. 2019-069.

Council Member Brown stated she would like to schedule a Special Meeting that included a question and answer portion between Council and the employees, followed by a meet and greet with the public.

Council Member Morgan stated he is in favor of the appointment of Frances McMullan and Andrew Hellenga to the perspective positions. These employees have earned these appointments, and it is not Council simply giving them the jobs.

Mayor Bashert apologized to Council Member Brown for not returning her email regarding the scheduled interview. She supports the hiring of Ms. McMullan and Mr. Hellenga. She stated the words of Council hold weight, and she has felt the weight of her words.

- B** Resolution No. 2019-069, approving the appointment of Frances McMullan to City Manager and contract of employment.

Council Member Wilcoxon stated he has one issue with the contract. There has been a lot of attention paid to the previous City Manager not residing in the city. This contract does not include any of those stipulations. He recognizes Ms. McMullan lives in Ypsilanti Township, which is much closer than the previous City Manager. Ms. McMullan responded the contract does offer an allowance if the employee moves into the city, but there is no stipulation requiring it. She added she was not interested in receiving that stipend.

**Lois Richardson moved to approve Resolution No. 2019-069 Nicole Brown seconded the motion.**

**CARRIED. 6 to 0.**

<b>Beth Bashert</b>	<b>For</b>
<b>Jennifer Symanns</b>	<b>For</b>
<b>Steven Wilcoxon</b>	<b>For</b>
<b>Nicole Brown</b>	<b>For</b>
<b>Lois Richardson</b>	<b>For</b>
<b>Anthony Morgan</b>	<b>For</b>

**C** Resolution No. 2019-070, approving the Articles of Incorporation of the Washtenaw Regional Resource Management Authority

Mayor Bashert asked Council for a motion to appoint the city representative and alternate. Council Member Brown asked if the appointments are to be city staff. Council Member Wilcoxon responded the appointments can be anyone. Washtenaw County Public Works Manager Theo Eggermont interjected Council can appoint a designee at a later date.

Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson stated she is favor of the proposal, but she is concerned if this could result in the loss of jobs. She does not want to vote on this resolution until she knows employees will not lose their jobs. Mr. Eggermont replied in the future the Authority could seek contractors for collections, which would then be offered to members, but the Authority cannot force Ypsilanti to use those services. Mayor Bashert asked if the city has the autonomy to engage with the program as much, or as little as it sees fit. Mr. Eggermont responded in the affirmative.

Mayor Bashert asked if the city becomes a member of the Authority would any changes to the program come before Council. Ms. McMullan replied before any changes are made the program it would come before Council. She added it would be ideal for the city to develop what it would want its program to look like.

Mayor Bahert stated Ypsilanti is way behind in its recycling practices, but she shares the concerns regarding jobs.

DPS Foreman Chris Simmons stated he is required to get competitive quotes for services, and this authority is a tool to ensure prices stay low. This simply allows the city to gather information in a regional function.

Council Member Wilcoxon stated concerns were raised at the last Sustainability Commission meeting regarding the potential loss of jobs. He

stated the articles of incorporation are not necessarily a threat to current employees. However, there is concern the city would not do the right thing regarding those jobs. He thought it was a great revelation that there is concern the city would not do the right thing when the time came.

Council Member Morgan asked the top three reasons why the authority would not have sufficient funds to satisfy obligations. Mr. Eggermont responded he doesn't have a specific scenario, but if a project goes over budget due to unforeseen circumstances. Mr. Morgan stated it would be a gamble if the city's contribution would cover services rendered. Mr. Eggermont replied the gamble is minimal because any project that would extend past the \$5,000 would go back to Council for approval. Mr. Morgan asked if the authority is a form of privatization. Mr. Eggermont responded no. Mayor Bashert added it is a regional response.

Mayor Bashert stated many of the city's problems are regional. Combining resources creates a more valuable product.

***Steven Wilcoxon moved to approve Resolution No. 2019-070 Nicole Brown seconded the motion.***

***CARRIED. 6 to 0.***

<b><i>Beth Bashert</i></b>	<b><i>For</i></b>
<b><i>Jennifer Symanns</i></b>	<b><i>For</i></b>
<b><i>Steven Wilcoxon</i></b>	<b><i>For</i></b>
<b><i>Nicole Brown</i></b>	<b><i>For</i></b>
<b><i>Lois Richardson</i></b>	<b><i>For</i></b>
<b><i>Anthony Morgan</i></b>	<b><i>For</i></b>

- D** Resolution No. 2019-071, approving an amendment to 2017 Assistance to Firefighters Grant

Ms. McMullan stated the city's is short on a grant match, and approval of this resolution would allow the Fire Department to move forward.

Interim Fire Chief Hobbs stated when the resolution was originally proposed it did not take into effect the increase in personnel at the Fire Department as a result of the SAFER Grant. The equipment is going to be paid in May, and the account will be short without this approval. He added the department has also not received the SAFER allocation.

**Nicole Brown moved to approve Resolution No. 2019-071 Jennifer Symanns seconded the motion.**

**CARRIED. 6 to 0.**

<b>Beth Bashert</b>	<b>For</b>
<b>Jennifer Symanns</b>	<b>For</b>
<b>Steven Wilcoxen</b>	<b>For</b>
<b>Nicole Brown</b>	<b>For</b>
<b>Lois Richardson</b>	<b>For</b>
<b>Anthony Morgan</b>	<b>For</b>

- E** Resolution No. 2019-072, approving the Memorandum of Understanding between Growing Hope and the City of Ypsilanti regarding the Depot Town Farmers Market

Economic Development Director Joe Meyers provided an overview to why this has been submitted for approval.

Council Member Morgan asked if the MOU needs to be approved every year. Mr. Meyers responded in the affirmative.

Council Member Wilcoxen asked if there is a provision to allow Growing Hope the Freighthouse in the winter. Mr. Meyers responded no. Mr. Wilcoxen asked why. Mr. Meyers replied it is not what Growing Hope is requesting, and not included in the Freighthouse MOU.

Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson asked if the Freighthouse will be available for use other than during the Farmer's Market. Mr. Meyers replied the Freighthouse Plaza is available for use at anytime other than during the Farmer's Market. The actual Freighthouse is available for use under the MOU the city holds with the Friends of the Freighthouse.

Mayor Bashert stated this is a wonderful program Growing Hope provides the city, it helps many people have access to fresh healthy food. And provide assistance to some of the disadvantaged residents of the city.

**Jennifer Symanns moved to approve Resolution No. 2019-072 Nicole Brown seconded the motion.**

**CARRIED. 6 to 0.**

<b>Beth Bashert</b>	<b>For</b>
<b>Jennifer Symanns</b>	<b>For</b>

**Steven Wilcoxon** *For*  
**Nicole Brown** *For*  
**Lois Richardson** *For*  
**Anthony Morgan** *For*

**F** Resolution No. 2019-073, approving the Community and Economic Development Department to Submit the MDEQ Grant Application

Community Development Manager/DDA Director Christopher Jacobs provided an overview to why this has been submitted for approval.

Council Member Symanns stated she is a strong supporter of recycling, but what will the city need to give up in order to fund this truck. It is difficult to approve this funding without knowing where the funds are being diverted. Mayor Bashert asked if the budget year is 2020-2021. Mr. Jacobs responded in the affirmative. He added obviously there are trade offs when budgeting, but the DPS has identified the truck is a need. Ms. Symanns asked if the city could just get a standard truck without a cart tipper feature. Mr. Jacobs responded it would cost less, roughly \$70,000. Mr. Symanns stated if approved Council would still have an opportunity to make decisions what account this is funded. Mr. Jacobs stated it is better for Council to plan for this purchase now, and have the funding available in FY 2020-2021. Ms. Symanns asked if this is going to commit Council to this purchase if approved. Mr. Jacobs responded Council could choose not to allocate the grant match, but it looks bad to accept a grant and then chose not to accept it. Ms. Symanns asked City Manager McMullan for her input. Ms. McMullan responded at this point she does not have much information, but looking at the scenario it would be budgeted though the Motor Pool. It is better to make this decision now so staff can prepare.

Mr. Meyers stated DPS policy is that all new trucks will have the trash tipper.

Council Member Morgan asked if this truck could be used in conjunction with the just approved regional authority. Mr. Jacobs responded the authority provided a letter of recommendation for this grant. He added this would not change the collection process, and doesn't think one would have a bearing on the other.

Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson stated a concern of where the money is going to come from, and lately Council has voted to expend money at a high rate. She would like Council to slow down and allow this to move through the budget process. Mr. Jacobs responded this application is due May 1st. ms. Richardson asked why staff cannot apply for the grant next year if it comes out of that budget. Mr. Jacobs responded the deadline always falls on May 1st, and the amount of money changes from year to year.

Council Member Wilcoxon stated the point of doing this now is to plan for the next Fiscal Year. He added this would equate to roughly \$95,000 per year. he added DPS currently needs to replace a truck, and asked the timeline for that. Mr. Jacobs responded the need is imminent.

Council Member Morgan stated from staff's explanation a request has been made for this truck three times, and now the need is imminent. He would like begin to take care of things when they become necessary, and wants DPS to have what they need to complete their jobs.

***Anthony Morgan moved to approve Resolution No. 2019-073 Jennifer Symanns seconded the motion.***

***CARRIED. 6 to 0.***

<b><i>Beth Bashert</i></b>	<b><i>For</i></b>
<b><i>Jennifer Symanns</i></b>	<b><i>For</i></b>
<b><i>Steven Wilcoxon</i></b>	<b><i>For</i></b>
<b><i>Nicole Brown</i></b>	<b><i>For</i></b>
<b><i>Lois Richardson</i></b>	<b><i>For</i></b>
<b><i>Anthony Morgan</i></b>	<b><i>For</i></b>

## **X LIAISON REPORTS**

- A. SEMCOG Update - Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson stated the meeting will be held April 24th. She asked if Council has received the SEMCOG Update. Mayor Bashert responded in the affirmative. Ms. Richardson stated the City Manager forwarded an event that will be held April 10th.
- B. Washtenaw Area Transportation Study - Council Member Symanns stated the meeting was held March 20th regarding the 2045 Long Range Plan. In that plan it is estimated Washtenaw County will add 100,000 new residents and 40,000 jobs. That will create a huge demand on the roads in the county, which will create a greater need for rapid transit.
- C. Urban County - None
- D. Ypsilanti Downtown Development Authority - Joint meeting tomorrow, Wednesday, April 3, 2019
- E. Ypsilanti Youth Safety Collaboration - Council Member Morgan stated a meeting was held on March 21st, and there are many liaisons from various organizations. He will provide an invite to Council regarding the next meeting. Some of the core issues have been identified by the group.
- F. Friends of Rutherford Pool - Mayor Bashert stated she has been energized regarding solar power and is excited the Pool will have that feature.
- G. Housing Equity Leadership Team - None

## **XI COUNCIL PROPOSED BUSINESS**

City Council Meeting  
April 2, 2019

**A**     Richardson

- Since the winter has concluded the streets in the downtown need to be cleaned.

**B**     Wilcoxen

Resolution No. 2019-075, approving the appointment of Andrew Hellenga as City Clerk and authorize the City Attorney to begin contract negotiations.

***Steven Wilcoxen moved to approve Resolution No. 2019-075 Lois Richardson seconded the motion.***

***CARRIED. 6 to 0.***

<b><i>Beth Bashert</i></b>	<b><i>For</i></b>
<b><i>Jennifer Symanns</i></b>	<b><i>For</i></b>
<b><i>Steven Wilcoxen</i></b>	<b><i>For</i></b>
<b><i>Nicole Brown</i></b>	<b><i>For</i></b>
<b><i>Lois Richardson</i></b>	<b><i>For</i></b>
<b><i>Anthony Morgan</i></b>	<b><i>For</i></b>

**C**     Brown

- Discussed how the Special Meeting regarding Council/Manager and Clerk question and answer. Followed by a meet and greet with the public.
- She will be attending the Real Truth of Human Trafficking Jewish Federation Meeting regarding along with Council Member Symanns on Wednesday, April 10th. She encouraged all to attend.

**D**     Symanns

- Asked how the tipper cart will effect normal trash collections. Mr. Jacobs responded this would allow staff to create a pilot program. Mr. Meyers responded trash would be separate. Ms. Symanns asked for that to be considered when the city bids out for the solid wets contract.

**E**     Morgan

- Stated he received a communication from a resident who was happy to be able to speak to an actual city official. The resident asked if there was an ordinance regarding unleashed dogs. Chief DeGiusti replied the individual should call Animal Control.

**XII COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR**

- Ypsilanti received an award for the solar project at Parkridge and for trianing local people to perform the installation.
- She asked that Sam Jones-Darling's application to the HRC be rescinded because he is moving out of the city.
- She asked for a street cleaning schedule.

- She asked for an update regarding the Freighthouse MOU.

**Steven Wilcoxon moved to extend the meeting until 10:15 p.m. Nicole Brown seconded the motion.**

**CARRIED. 6 to 0.**

<b>Beth Bashert</b>	<b>For</b>
<b>Jennifer Symanns</b>	<b>For</b>
<b>Steven Wilcoxon</b>	<b>For</b>
<b>Nicole Brown</b>	<b>For</b>
<b>Lois Richardson</b>	<b>For</b>
<b>Anthony Morgan</b>	<b>For</b>

### **XIII COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CITY MANAGER**

- Asked for Council to review the Council Information letter
- Thanked Council for the appointment, and is excited to foster teamwork among staff.

### **XIV COMMUNICATIONS**

#### **A NOMINATIONS**

##### **HRC**

Sam Jones-Darling (Reappointment)  
210 Brown Hall  
Ypsilanti, MI 48197

### **XV PUBLIC COMMENT (3 MINUTES)**

1. Lee Tooson, 107 Middle, thanked Council for their decision to appoint Frances McMullan City Manager and Andrew Hellenga City Clerk. He stated it sends a message to the community that Council is responsive. He added he knows the right thing will be done considering Interim Chief Hobbs.
2. Valerie Tooson, 107 Middle, stated she is very happy with the outcome, and is here to assist Council in any way she can.
3. Interim Chief Hobbs applauded Council for the appointments.

### **XVI REMARKS FROM THE MAYOR**

None

## **XVII ADJOURNMENT**

**A** Resolution No. 2019-074, adjourning the City Council meeting.

***Anthony Morgan moved to adjourn the meeting Nicole Brown seconded the motion.***

***CARRIED. Meeting adjourned at 10:04 p.m. 6 to 0.***

<b><i>Nicole Brown</i></b>	<b><i>For</i></b>
<b><i>Anthony Morgan</i></b>	<b><i>For</i></b>
<b><i>Beth Bashert</i></b>	<b><i>For</i></b>
<b><i>Jennifer Symanns</i></b>	<b><i>For</i></b>
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