



MINUTES

REGULAR COUNCIL Meeting

7:00 PM - Tuesday, June 7, 2022
Council Chambers

The REGULAR COUNCIL of the City of Ypsilanti was called to order on Tuesday, June 7, 2022, at 7:00 PM, in the Council Chambers, with the following members present:

PRESENT: Council Member Jennifer Symanns (6:17 PM), Council Member Steven Wilcoxon, Mayor Pro-Tem Nicole Brown, Mayor Lois Richardson, Council Member Annie Somerville, and Council Member Brian Jones-Chance

ABSENT: None

1 CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM

2 ROLL CALL

Mayor Pro-Tem Nicole Brown moved, seconded by Council Member Annie Somerville to excuse Council Member Jennifer Symanns and Mr. Brian Jones-Chance. On a voice vote, the motion carried.

3 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.

4 AGENDA APPROVAL

Council Member Steve Wilcoxon moved, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Nicole Brown to approve the agenda as submitted. On a voice vote, the motion carried.

5 PUBLIC COMMENT (3 MINUTES)

17 members from the public spoke.

6 PRESENTATIONS

- a) Presentation on Harriet Street being Designated as "Black Lives Matter Boulevard". Lee Tooson, Community Member (10 to 15 min)
- b) Violence's Intervention Plan - Violence Prevention Team
- c) Presentation regarding the strategy implementation for Parks and Recreation.

7 ORDINANCES FIRST READING

- a) Ordinance 1394, an ordinance to amend Chapter 122, an ordinance entitled "Planned Unit Development: Site Condominium for Housing Development at 220 N Park St."
1. Resolution No. 2022-131, determination
 2. Public Hearing **5 members from the public spoke**
 3. Resolution No. 2022-132, closing the public hearing

Council Member Steven Wilcoxon moved, seconded by Council Member Brian Jones-Chance, to approve Resolution No. 2022-131

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI:

WHEREAS, the City has an interest in protecting the health, safety, and welfare of the community; and

WHEREAS, the City has a Master Plan that reflects the policy goals of the City, including the guiding value that "anyone, no matter what age or income, can find a place to call home in Ypsilanti;" and

WHEREAS, the applicant, Renovare Ypsilanti Homes, intends to provide public benefits in this development; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission recommends the City Council approve the Site Condominium Planned Unit Development; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Ypsilanti City Council adopt the ordinance entitled "220 Park Street Project Site Condominium Planned Unit Development" and approve the associated Planned Unit Development Agreement on First Reading.

RESULT:	CARRIED.
MOVER:	Council Member Steven Wilcoxon
SECONDER:	Council Member Brian Jones-Chance
AYES:	Jennifer Symanns, Steven Wilcoxon, Nicole Brown, Lois Richardson, Annie Somerville, and Brian Jones-Chance

Council Member Steven Wilcoxon moved, seconded by Council Member Brian Jones-Chance, to approve Resolution No. 2022-132. On a voice vote, the motion carried.

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI:

That the public hearing to consider an ordinance titled "220 Park Street Project Site Condominium Planned Unit Development" be officially closed.

8 PUBLIC HEARING

- a) 220 N Park Community Benefits Agreement with Renovare Development.
1. Presentation
 2. Public Hearing **2 members from the public spoke**
 3. Resolution No. 2022-133, closing the public hearing

Council Member Brian Jones-Chance moved, seconded by Council Member Jennifer Symanns, to approve Resolution No. 2022-133. On a voice vote, the motion carried.

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI:

That the public hearing to consider the Community Benefits Agreement for the proposed 220 N Park Development be officially closed.

RESULT:	CARRIED.
MOVER:	Council Member Brian Jones-Chance
SECONDER:	Council Member Jennifer Symanns
AYES:	Jennifer Symanns, Steven Wilcoxon, Nicole Brown, Lois Richardson, Annie Somerville, and Brian Jones-Chance

Council Member Annie Somerville moved, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Nicole Brown, to hold a vote on support of the requirements as currently listed

RESULT:	DEFEATED.
MOVER:	Council Member Annie Somerville
SECONDER:	Mayor Pro-Tem Nicole Brown
AYES:	Nicole Brown and Annie Somerville
NAYS:	Jennifer Symanns, Lois Richardson, and Brian Jones-Chance
ABSTAINED:	Steven Wilcoxon

Council Member Annie Somerville moved, seconded by Council Member Steve Wilcoxon to extend the meeting to 12AM. On a voice vote, the motion carried.

9 CONSENT AGENDA

- a) Resolution No. 2022-134, approving the Consent Agenda.

Council Member Brian Jones-Chance moved, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Nicole Brown, to approve Resolution No. 2022-134

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI:

That the following items be approved:

- 1. Resolution No. 2022-135, approving the minutes of May 24, 2022.**
- 2. Resolution No. 2022-136, approving Special Assessments for the 2022 Summer Tax Bills.**

RESULT:	CARRIED.
MOVER:	Council Member Brian Jones-Chance
SECONDER:	Mayor Pro-Tem Nicole Brown
AYES:	Jennifer Symanns, Steven Wilcoxon, Nicole Brown, Lois Richardson, Annie Somerville, and Brian Jones-Chance

- b) Resolution No. 2022-135, approving the minutes of May 24, 2022.

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI:

THAT the minutes of May 24, 2022 be approved.

- c) Resolution No. 2022-136, approving Special Assessments for the 2022 Summer Tax Bills.

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI:

That, the City Treasurer be authorized to levy and assess on the July 2022 tax roll the attached listing of unpaid bills totaling \$205,270.55.

10 RESOLUTIONS/MOTIONS/DISCUSSIONS

- a) Resolution No. 2022-137, approving the fee waiver/sponsorship for the Parkridge Summer Festival and Joe Dulin Community Day.

Council Member Annie Somerville moved, seconded by Council Member Steven Wilcoxon, to approve Resolution No. 2022-137

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI:

Whereas, the City of Ypsilanti adopted a Special Events Policy, and pursuant to the policy, the City may co-sponsor an event if it is of general interest to the public and advances the City's public image; and

Whereas, this year the Parkridge Summer Festival and Joe Dulin Community Day will take place Saturday, August 27th in Parkridge Park; and

Whereas, the Parkridge Summer Festival and Joe Dulin Community Day event organizer is requesting that the City be a co-sponsor of the 2022 event; and

WHEREAS, City Council agrees that becoming a co-sponsor of the 2022 Parkridge Summer Festival and Joe Dulin Community Day would be in the general interest of the public and advance the City's public image;

Now therefore be it resolved that the Ypsilanti City Council approves the request to be a sponsor of the 2022 Parkridge Summer Festival and Joe Dulin Community Day by waiving fees in the amount of \$585.

RESULT:	CARRIED.
MOVER:	Council Member Annie Somerville
SECONDER:	Council Member Steven Wilcoxon
AYES:	Jennifer Symanns, Steven Wilcoxon, Nicole Brown, Lois Richardson, Annie Somerville, and Brian Jones-Chance

- b) Resolution No. 2022-138, approving appointments to boards and commissions.

Mayor Pro-Tem Nicole Brown moved, seconded by Council Member Annie Somerville, to approve Resolution No. 2022-138

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI:

THAT, the following residents be appointed to the City of Ypsilanti Boards and Commissions as indicated below:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>BOARD</u>	<u>EXPIRATION</u>
<u>Jen Eastridge</u> <u>1144 Roosevelt</u> <u>Ypsilanti, MI 48197</u>	<u>DDA</u>	<u>7/1/2025</u>
<u>Amanda Smith</u> <u>(New Appointment)</u> <u>523 Fairview Cir</u> <u>Ypsilanti, MI 48197</u>	<u>Planning</u>	<u>5/1/2025</u>
<u>Brit Doulos</u> <u>(New Appointment)</u> <u>515 Maus Ave</u> <u>Ypsilanti, MI 48198</u>	<u>HRC</u>	<u>7/1/2025</u>
<u>Kimmie Wolfe</u> <u>808 Young St</u> <u>Ypsilanti, Mi 48198</u>	<u>Arts</u>	<u>2/1/2025</u>

RESULT: CARRIED. MOVER: Mayor Pro-Tem Nicole Brown SECONDER: Council Member Annie Somerville AYES: Jennifer Symanns, Steven Wilcoxen, Nicole Brown, Lois Richardson, Annie Somerville, and Brian Jones-Chance
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- c) **Resolution No. 2022-139 approving appointment of Valory Brown to the Downtown Development Authority. (Postponed)**
- d) Resolution No. 2022-140, approving the Community Benefits Agreement with Lincoln Avenue Capital for the Development of 845 & 945 Clark.

Council Member Annie Somerville moved, seconded by Council Member Brian Jones-Chance, to call the question

RESULT: DEFEATED. MOVER: Council Member Annie Somerville SECONDER: Council Member Brian Jones-Chance AYES: Nicole Brown, Annie Somerville, and Brian Jones-Chance NAYS: Jennifer Symanns, Steven Wilcoxen, and Lois Richardson

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI:

Whereas, The City of Ypsilanti passed a community benefits ordinance in 2018 to allow the community to negotiate benefits when an incentive is requested; and

Whereas, an incentive was requested in November 2021 by Lincoln Avenue Capital; and

Whereas, the CBO Committee met five times over the past two months to negotiate a community benefits with the developer; and

Whereas, a public hearing was held on May 24, 2022 on the Community Benefits Agreement; and

Now therefore be it resolved that the City Council of the City of Ypsilanti approve Community Benefits Agreement and Emergency Services agreement for 845-945 Clark Rd with Clark Road Senior Limited Dividend Housing Association Limited Partnership and direct the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the agreements.

Council Member Steven Wilcoxon moved, seconded by Council Member Jennifer Symanns, to table this item until the next meeting

RESULT:	CARRIED.
MOVER:	Council Member Steven Wilcoxon
SECONDER:	Council Member Jennifer Symanns
AYES:	Jennifer Symanns, Steven Wilcoxon, Nicole Brown, and Lois Richardson
NAYS:	Annie Somerville and Brian Jones-Chance

Council Member Brian Jones-Chance moved, seconded by Council Member Jennifer Symanns, to hold public comment now and adjourn. On a voice vote the motion carried.

e) **Discussion on procedure to fill a vacancy in Ward 3. (added)**

Council Member Annie Somerville moved, seconded by Council Member Brian Jones-Chance, to approve the process provided with the special meeting July 7th

RESULT:	CARRIED.
MOVER:	Council Member Annie Somerville
SECONDER:	Council Member Brian Jones-Chance
AYES:	Jennifer Symanns, Steven Wilcoxon, Nicole Brown, Lois Richardson, Annie Somerville, and Brian Jones-Chance

1 member from the public spoke

11 BOARD AND COMMISSION - NOMINATIONS

12 BOARD AND COMMISSION – COMMUNICATIONS

13 BOARD AND COMMISSION - LIAISON REPORTS

1. Police Advisory Commission.
2. Human Relations Commission.
3. Arts Commission.
4. Parks and Recreation Commission.
5. Sustainability Commission.
6. Historic District Commission.
7. Planning Commission.
8. Zoning Board of Appeals

14 LIAISON REPORTS

1. SEMCOG Update
2. Washtenaw Area Transportation Study
3. Urban County
4. Ypsilanti Downtown Development Authority
5. Friends of Rutherford Pool

15 COUNCIL PROPOSED BUSINESS

16 COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

17 COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CITY MANAGER

18 COMMUNICATIONS

19 PUBLIC COMMENT (3 MINUTES)

20 REMARKS FROM THE MAYOR

21 ADJOURNMENT

- a) Resolution No. 2022-141, adjourning the City Council Meeting.

Mr. Brian Jones-Chance moved, seconded by Council Member Jennifer Symanns to adjourn the meeting at 11:47 PM

- b) Please click [here](#) to access the City Council Contact Form. This form can be used to submit any comments/concerns you might have about this agenda.