



**CITY OF YPSILANTI
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS - ONE SOUTH HURON ST.
YPSILANTI, MI 48197
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2018
7:00 p.m.**

I. CALL TO ORDER –

The meeting was called to order at 7:11 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL –

Council Member Bashert	Present	Council Member Robb	Present
Mayor Pro-Tem Brown	Present	Council Member Vogt	Present
Council Member Murdock	Present	Mayor Edmonds	Present
Council Member Richardson	Present		

III. INVOCATION –

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

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 –

Council Member Bashert, seconded by Council Member Vogt to approve the agenda.

Council Member Richardson recommended the Council not spend more than fifteen minutes on the discussion item #6 under Resolutions/Motions/Discussions.

Council Member moved to remove Resolution No. 2018-235, approving agreement with Orchard, Hiltz & McCliment, Inc. for design engineering services for W. Cross St. between Wallace St. and city limits, from Section XI, Consent Agenda, and place it as item #2 under Section X, Resolutions/Motions/Discussions.

On a voice vote, the motion carried, and the agenda was approved as amended.

VI. INTRODUCTIONS

Mayor Edmonds introduced the following individuals; City Manager Darwin McClary, City Clerk Frances McMullan, City Attorney John Barr, Assistant City Attorney Dan DuChene, Director of Economic Development Joe Meyers, DPS Director Stan Kirton, OHM Engineer Kent Early, YCUA Executive Director Jeff Castro, County Commissioner Ricky Jefferson, and many members of various boards and commissions.

Mayor Edmonds recognized the 17th Anniversary of the September 11th attack, and noted this country changed in many ways on that day. While that was a monumental change in this country, there are attacks on people throughout the world each day. She encouraged reflection and thought about how to bring about positive change in this community and abroad.

Mayor Edmonds stated she received a flu shot and encouraged the public to do the same.

VII. PRESENTATIONS –

1. Resolution No. 2018-228, dedicating Riverside Park Universal Play Structure to Liz Dahl MacGregor.

Council Member Bashert introduced Ken MacGregor, the husband of the late Liz Dahl MacGregor.

Whereas, Ypsilanti has stated values of Pride, Diversity and Heritage that are displayed proudly in our city symbol; and

Whereas, In support of our value of Diversity, the city is installing a Universal Play Structure in Riverside Park so that it is accessible to all youth including those experiencing disability; and Whereas, Liz Dahl MacGregor was among those who initiated the play structure installation and was heavily involved in its planning, and

Whereas, Liz Dahl-Macgregor was a highly-involved community builder who lived her values; and Whereas, An incomplete list of community efforts Liz Dahl MacGregor was involved in includes Play Riverside, Cooperative Orchard of Ypsilanti, Michigan Flower Growers Coop, Michigan Poverty Law Center, Ypsilanti Food Cooperative Board of Directors and president, Ypsilanti Bike Coop, and Hour Exchange Ypsi, as well as serving as a city Planning Commissioner and City Council candidate, to name just a few; and

Whereas, Liz Dahl MacGregor led by example, modeling active positive participation in all aspects of community; and

Whereas, Liz Dahl MacGregor passed away suddenly on June 9, 2018 and is sorely missed by her husband, children, friends, family, and the larger Ypsilanti community.

Therefore Be It Resolved, Consistent with our city value of Heritage that the Universal Play Structure will be named the Liz Dahl Macgregor Play Structure in honor of her contribution to our community; and

Be it Further Resolved that a plaque be placed at the play structure to celebrate her contribution and the naming of the structure in her honor and it shall state the following:

Liz Dahl MacGregor b. January 24, 1975; d. June 9, 2018.

She was a committed community activist, friend to many, and a loving mother and wife. In honor of her lifelong commitment to the city and our community at large, we dedicate this play structure to her memory. May she be an example to us all.

OFFERED BY: Council Member Bashert
SECONDED BY: Mayor Pro-Tem Brown

Ken MacGregor stated his wife was an amazing human being, and incredibly active in the community. More than that she was a person with an incredible sense of fun, ready to play, be silly, and do crazy stuff at a moment's notice. He said it is very fitting to name a playground for her, and thanked Council from the bottom of his heart.

Mayor Edmonds stated she had the privilege to speak about, and issue a proclamation regarding Ms. MacGregor at her memorial at the end of June. This dedication will be a way to remember Ms. MacGregor and all she had done for this city. She asked when the playground will be installed. Economic Development Director Joe Meyers responded by mid-October.

On a roll call, the vote to approve Resolution No. 2018-228 was as follows:

Mayor Pro-Tem Brown	Yes	Council Member Robb	Yes
Council Member Murdock	Yes	Mayor Edmonds	Yes
Council Member Richardson	Yes	Council Member Vogt	Yes
Council Member Bashert	Yes		

VOTE:

YES: 7 NO: 0 ABSENT: 0 VOTE: Carried

VIII. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION –

1. Dave Heikkinen, 133 W. Michigan Ave., reflected on the just past resolution, and this city is the people. He commented on the poor work done on the South Huron parking lot. He understands the bid was to repair, reseal, and re-stripe the lot. The completed project resulted in a partial repair, no reseal, and re-stripe. He does not understand why the lot was not resealed, and the new parking spaces are in front of signs that state "No Parking at Any Time". The handicapped signage and directional arrows are also a disaster. The lot still has numerous potholes in some of the higher traffic areas. He does not understand how the city paid \$50,000 for the work that was completed.
2. Bob Krzewinski, 706 Dwight, commented the reconstruction of W. Cross will need to abide by the Complete Streets Ordinance. He believes the current plan is good but could go further, by adding traffic calming mechanisms at W. Cross and Mansfield. He would like to see the bike lanes extended to Mansfield, or as far west as possible. He is looking forward for this to go to the Planning Commission.
3. Alice Elliott, 505 Monroe, stated she is concerned the Community Benefits Ordinance (CBO). She said the community should have input regarding housing and the cost of that housing. She would like to see housing be affordable for this community, and the proposed rents for the 220 N Park development be decreased. She is against the Huron St. gas station sealing beer and wine, and the expansion of the medical marijuana facility on Huron.
4. Brett Zeuner, 318 Oak, supported the passage of the CBO and the progress that it has made on incorporating community feedback. He feels it would empower community members, strengthen inclusion, and use resources in the most sustainable manner. For those that feel a CBO would stifle development fail to realize the lack of community support is one of the four most barriers to sustainable development. He urged Council to approve the ordinance, and review to ensure the ordinance is being effective.
5. Desirae Simmons, 407 Charles, stated she is excited about the possible passage regarding the CBO, and the benefits it would bring. She is nervous of what could happen if the city continues to do nothing. She is also excited Council is going to discuss the Equity Ordinance recently approved by the county. She added there are still many unanswered questions regarding recycling.
6. Finn Bell, 1123 Pearl St., thanked Council and the Mayor for honoring Liz Dahl MacGregor, as she was an inspiration to many people. Thanked the community members and Council Members that championed the development of the Community Benefits Ordinance. She wants to be certain the ad hoc committee has enough time to go through the process with the developer and a community driven process for who is representing the community.
7. Amber Fellows, Ward 3, supported the passage of the community benefits ordinance. During the first reading of the CBO there was concern about not enough people attending the kick off meeting. There has been a consistence presence at the meetings to create the CBO. There is no question that a development that would trigger a CBA would create a great deal of interest. She feels those involved will try to engage as many people as possible.
8. Catherine MacCormack, Ypsilanti Township, expressed her support for the approval of the CBO.
9. Mike Auerbach, Ward 3, encourage Council to approve the CBO. It is impossible to know if the ordinance would be flawless, but overall it will create more dialog between the community and developers. The CBO will facilitate greater communication and transparency from government. It is important to include the

community recommended ad hoc members to make the process meaningful for residents. If three people are not recommended Council would simply make those appointments.

10. Bill Teepen 718 Lowell St., stated his support for the CBO. He stated his landlord provides everything electronically and asked how the passage of Ordinance 1320 would effect that.
11. Anthony Morgan, 210 N. River, stated he is completing a survey, and the first question is what the best thing about Ypsilanti is. The majority of people replied diversity and the creativity in the community. The second question was what the number one issue is in Ypsilanti, and the response was crime and the second was gentrification. Housing was also a concern voiced through the survey as well as providing attractions in the city. The survey also produced information that Ypsilanti is known for its division, and how fast things can change.
12. Sue Melke, 330 Chidester #409, asked what other formats the tenant's information packet would be available.
13. Craig Krats, Ann Arbor, stated if the CBO is approved he believes Ypsilanti will be a leader in the region for meaningful inclusion and processes. He is hopeful Ann Arbor will learn from Ypsilanti.
14. Anne Brown, 2120 Collegewood, spoke in favor of the passage of the CBO. It is a new generation policy and will serve the community well, and there needs to be a demand that developments will provide jobs for citizens.
15. Ricky Jefferson, County Commissioner, stated his support of the CBO's passage. He hopes this process will create jobs and training for the citizens of this city. He was disappointed to find the medical marijuana facility on Huron is increasing in size.
16. Kyle Hunter, 430 Adams, supported the approval of the CBO.

IX. REMARKS BY THE MAYOR –

- Mayor Edmonds does not believe the expansion of the medical marijuana facility came before Council. Mr. Meyers responded adding medical marijuana facilities to the General Corridor was approved by Council. Ms. Edmonds replied it was a more broad approval. Mr. Meyers responded it was fairly specific in the Request for Legislation that two facilities would be allowed to expand, but the site plan for the expansion did not come to Council. Ms. Edmonds asked when that would have been before Council. Mr. Meyers believes it was in March.
- Mayor Edmonds asked DPS Director Stan Kirton to respond to the comments made regarding the South Huron Lot. DPS Director Stan Kirton responded he did not have much to do with that project. City Manager McClary stated the improvements made were not meant to be a comprehensive repair to the parking lot. The project was actually initiated through discussion with his office and Mr. Heikkinen regarding number of parking spots. The project was initiated to provide for the restriping to increase parking in that lot. The determination was made that prior to restriping the lot should be repaired to the extent the city could afford. Council Member Richardson stated she remembers more than striping being approved and asked for the resolution to verify what was approved. Mr. McClary replied he drafted the resolution and staff did try and include as much repair as possible within the budget amount. Ms. Richardson asked to see the approved resolution. Mayor Pro-Tem Brown stated the signage in the parking lot is something that can be easily fixed. Mr. McClary replied the signage needs to be reconfigured, and will be completed expeditiously.
- Mayor Edmonds asked when the liquor license for the gas station will be on an agenda. Mr. Meyers replied it will go before the Planning Commission on September 19th. Staff is still working on the review and will be able to provide to Council once completed. The special use permit will not go before Council but the liquor license will.
- Mayor Edmonds thanked all that spoke during Audience Participation.

X. PUBLIC HEARING –

1. Resolution No. 2018-230, approving appointments to boards and commissions.

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI:

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

<u>NAME</u>	<u>BOARD</u>	<u>EXPIRATION</u>
Jesse Miller (replacing Gillian Ream Gainsley) 93 Oakwood Ypsilanti, MI 48197	AAATA	May 1, 2023
Cherisa Allen 450 Burton Court Ypsilanti, MI 48197	Ethics	February 2023

2. Resolution No. 2018-230a, approving non-resident appointment to boards and commissions.

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI:

THAT, the following individual (non-resident) be appointed to the City of Ypsilanti Boards and Commissions as indicated below:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>BOARD</u>	<u>EXPIRATION</u>
Katherine Greenwald (EMU Seat – Non-Resident) 1150 W Clark Rd Ypsilanti, MI 48198	Sustainability	May 1, 2022

3. Resolution No. 2018-231, approving Ordinance No. 1320 to amend Chapter 58, Article IV, Division 1 of the Ypsilanti City Code of Ordinance to require that landlords share certain information with their tenants upon occupancy. ***(Second Reading)***

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI:

That Ordinance No. 1320 to amend Chapter 58, Article IV, Division 1 of the Ypsilanti City Code of Ordinance to require that landlords share certain information with their tenants upon occupancy be approved on Second and Final Reading.

4. Resolution No. 2018-232, approving Ordinance No. 1322, an ordinance to amend Chapter 106, Article V, Section 106-454(b) of the Code of Ordinances, City of Ypsilanti to adjust water service rates. ***(Second Reading)***

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI:

THAT Ordinance No. 1322, an ordinance to amend Chapter 106, Article V, Section 106-454(b) of the Code of Ordinances, City of Ypsilanti to adjust water service rates be approved on Second and Final Reading.

5. Resolution No. 2018-233, approving Ordinance No. 1323, an ordinance to amend Chapter 106, Article V, Section 106-454(a) of the Code of Ordinances, City of Ypsilanti, to adjust sewage disposal rates. ***(Second Reading)***

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI:

THAT Ordinance No. 1323, an ordinance to amend Chapter 106, Article V, Section 106-454(a) of the Code of Ordinances, City of Ypsilanti, to adjust sewage disposal rates be approved on Second and Final Reading.

6. Resolution No. 2018-234, approving Ordinance No. 1324, an ordinance to repeal Chapter 106, Article V, Section 106-499 of the City of Ypsilanti Code of Ordinances which provides for a restricted debt retirement and capital improvement fund surcharge on water service and sewage disposal bills, because said surcharge is now a part of and fully included in the readiness-to-serve and commodity rates established by the sewer rate ordinance at Chapter 106, Article V, Section 106-454(a) and established by the water rate ordinance at Chapter 106, Article V, Section 106-454(b), each rate ordinance being effective October 11, 2018. ***(Second Reading)***

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI:

THAT Ordinance No. 1324, an ordinance to repeal Chapter 106, Article V, Section 106-499 of the City of Ypsilanti Code of Ordinances which provides for a restricted debt retirement and capital improvement fund surcharge on water service and sewage disposal bills, because said surcharge is now a part of and fully included in the readiness-to-serve and commodity rates established by the sewer rate ordinance at Chapter 106, Article V, Section 106-454(a) and established by the water rate ordinance at Chapter 106, Article V, Section 106-454(b), each rate ordinance being effective October 11, 2018 be approved on Second and Final Reading.

- ~~7. Resolution No. 2018-235, approving agreement with Orchard, Hiltz & McCliment, Inc. for design engineering services for W. Cross St. between Wallace St. to city limits.~~
7. Resolution No. 2018-229A, appointing Anthony Bostic from the Department of Public Services as employee delegate, and Scott Cooper as alternate to the MERS Annual Meeting.

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI:

WHEREAS, the Municipal Employees' Retirement System of Michigan covers all full-time City employees excluding Fire and Police Pension system Members, and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Employees' Retirement System is holding its annual meeting October 4-5, 2018 in Grand Rapids, MI and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Employees' Retirement System allows an employee delegate be elected by secret ballot to attend the conference, and

WHEREAS, the employees have elected Anthony Bostic from Public Services as delegate and Scott Cooper as alternate,

THEREFORE, BE IT RERESOLVED, that Anthony Bostic be appointed as employee delegate and Scott Copper be appointed as alternate.

8. Resolution No. 2018-229B, approving the quote submitted by Al's Asphalt Co., Inc. for Improvements to Prospect and Maus Intersection.

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI:

WHEREAS, during the FY 2018-19 budget preparation process, the Ypsilanti City Council appropriated \$25,000 for youth mental health services; and

WHEREAS, the city has received sufficient applications for funding to provide youth mental health services for the community from the following organizations:

- Educate Youth, Ypsilanti, MI, in the requested amount of \$5,000
- Mentor2Yout, Ypsilanti, MI, in the requested amount of \$5,000
- The Corner Health Center, Ypsilanti, MI, in the requested amount of \$5,000; and

WHEREAS, the city council finds that the services being proposed by each of these organizations in their funding applications address pressing youth mental health services of our community; and

WHEREAS, the city council desires to award funding to these organizations to provide the youth mental health services outlined in their funding applications;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF YPSILANTI that the city council does hereby award \$5,000 to Educate Youth of Ypsilanti, Michigan, for its Academic Program providing, among other activities, programs to mitigate violence and drama affecting the mental health of young people in accordance with its funding application dated August 1, 2018, attached hereto; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the city council does hereby award \$5,000 to Mentor2Youth of Ypsilanti, Michigan, for its Emotional Empowerment Program to increase and build youth self-esteem, self-worth and self-worth and to provide a pathway to forging identity in accordance with its funding application dated August 7, 2018, attached hereto; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the city council does hereby award \$5,000 to The Corner Health Center of Ypsilanti, Michigan, for its youth training to develop theatre skills, increase health knowledge around many topics (including adolescent depression), strengthen peer education skills, and create and rehearse short plays in accordance with its funding application dated August 20, 2018, attached hereto.

OFFERED BY: Mayor Pro-Tem Brown
SECONDED BY: Council Member Vogt

Council Member Murdock asked if the memo Council received from the Attorney’s Office regarding appointing people to the Ethics Board that work at Parkridge. He asked if it was referencing anyone specific. Mayor Edmonds responded no. Mr. Murdock stated he believes one of the appointments is a relative of Council Member Bashert’s and it would be better if she abstained. Council Member Bashert stated one of the nominations is her son-in-law, not a family members. The appointment is to the AAATA, which is a different entity than the city. The City Attorney informed her it is not a conflict of interest.

On a roll call, the vote to approve Resolution No. 2018-229 was as follows:

Mayor Pro-Tem Brown	Yes	Council Member Robb	No
Council Member Murdock	Yes	Mayor Edmonds	Yes
Council Member Richardson	Yes	Council Member Vogt	Yes
Council Member Bashert	Yes		

VOTE:

YES: 6 NO: 1 (Robb) ABSENT: 0 VOTE: Carried

XII. RESOLUTIONS/MOTIONS/DISCUSSIONS –

1. Resolution No. 2018-236, approving Ordinance 1325 to amend Chapter 30 “Community Development” of the Ypsilanti City Code to add a new Article VII, entitled, “Community Benefits”. ***(Second Reading)***

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI:

That an ordinance entitled “An ordinance to amend Chapter 30 ‘Community Development’ of the Ypsilanti City Code to add a new Article VII, entitled ‘Community Benefits.’” be approved on Second and Final Reading.

OFFERED BY: Council Member Richardson
SECONDED BY: Mayor Pro-Tem Brown

Economic Development Director Joe Meyers provided an overview of a memo sent to Council regarding the capacity of staff to implement the CBO. He requested a part time member of his staff be brought up to fulltime in order to effectively implement this ordinance. This employee would provide noticing and maintain the city’s social media account.

Council Member Richardson stated this is a budget item and should not have been tied into the Community Benefits Ordinance. She explained the city does not have developers knocking down the door, and does not see how this would create much more work. She supports and commends the staff for the work they do, but this memorandum is out of place.

Council Member Bashert stated if there is Council support she would like to add it to a future agenda. This is a separate item then the CBO, although related, it should be discussed separate from the ordinance.

Council Member Murdock agreed with Council Member Richardson. He said Council is scheduled to the City Manager’s recommendations for restructuring of two City Departments, and that is the time this should be discussed. Mayor Edmonds agreed, and stated it needs to be examined what the city needs to do in order to effectively implement the ordinance.

City Manager Darwin McClary stated Section 30-516 of the proposed ordinance referencing minority owned businesses does not address businesses owned by the LGBTQ Community. He asked if that was an oversight, and if so is it something Council would like to address. Council Member Richardson asked if that would be included in minority owned businesses. Mayor Edmonds replied she believes the City Manager is eluding to what is included in the definition of minority owned business. Council Member Murdock stated he believes the proposed ordinance does reference the Non-discrimination Ordinance, which lists many protected classes. Ms. Edmonds replied the NDO has protected classes.

Council Member Bashert moved, seconded by Council Member Vogt to add LGBTQ owned enterprises to Section 30-516 where it lists small business eligible criteria.

On a roll call, the vote to amend Resolution No. 2018-236 was as follows:

Mayor Pro-Tem Brown	Yes	Council Member Robb	Yes
Council Member Murdock	Yes	Mayor Edmonds	Yes
Council Member Richardson	Yes	Council Member Vogt	Yes
Council Member Bashert	Yes		

VOTE:

YES: 7 NO: 0 ABSENT: 0 VOTE: Carried

Mayor Edmonds stated staff is recommending that the Neighborhood Enterprise Zone (NEZ) be exempt from this ordinance. Council Member Murdock stated he has issue with it not being listed as a CBO program. Mr. Meyers explained the NEZ is not meant to enrich a developer, its purpose is to get a homeowner into the city. Mr. Murdock asked if the tax differential is based on a statewide average. Mr. Meyers responded in the affirmative. Ms. Edmonds stated the intent of the CBO is not make an individual homeowner go through the process. Assistant City Attorney Dan DuChene recommended altering the definition of what is public support under Section 30-501.

Council Member Bashert moved, seconded by Council Member Vogt to add the following to Section 30-501 "the public support would not include Neighborhood Enterprise Zone projects".

Council Member Robb stated this is hypocrisy. He explained the purpose of a brownfield is not to enrich developers it is to clean contaminated land. The purpose of OPRAs is not to enrich developers, they fill a gap of an unfeasible project feasible. To exempt NEZ projects for the same reasons is absolutely hypocrisy. Either they all should be exempt or they should all be included. Mayor Edmonds asked if Council Member Robb's intent is to make a person who purchases a parcel to build a home trigger a CBA. Mr. Robb responded in the affirmative.

On a roll call, the vote to amend Resolution No. 2018-236 was as follows:

Mayor Pro-Tem Brown	Yes	Council Member Robb	No
Council Member Murdock	Yes	Mayor Edmonds	Yes
Council Member Richardson	Yes	Council Member Vogt	Yes
Council Member Bashert	Yes		

VOTE:

YES: 6 NO: 1 (Robb) ABSENT: 0 VOTE: Carried

Mayor Edmonds asked how a CBO would affect the city selling AAATA land to build a transit center. Mr. Meyers replied it would initiate a CBA, however he is not certain the implications.

Council Member Bashert stated the research she has completed seem to state two things that make a CBO successful; one is strong community engagement and the other is oversight. She is not sure where oversight would occur at this level, what would happen once a project is approved. She asked how the city verifies the developer is providing the benefits agreed upon in the CBA process. Mr. McClary replied it would depend on the specific benefit that was negotiated. He explained it might include reporting by the developer, and it is not as difficult as it might seem. Ms. Bashert asked when the city would receive that information, she asked if the ad hoc committee would be responsible. Mayor Edmonds replied it would be the job of staff. Mr. McClary agreed, and said it would be the job of the administration. Ms. Bashert asked if it would need to be built into the negotiation. Mr. McClary responded in the affirmative.

Council Member Murdock stated this process is going to include a development agreement and a CBA, and as a part of the process there needs to be monitoring. This will ultimately fall to the city to monitor and if the benefit is not being provided the development

would lose its incentive. Council Member Vogt stated major projects might have a need to hire a developer, or contractor to assist staff. This should occur early in the process this will help to ensure the city is not missing something due to lack of expertise. The committee should include someone of that quality, or a person should be hired to assist the committee in negotiations.

Mayor Edmonds stated during Audience Participation a comment has made that Council has a concern not enough people will show up to a kick-off meeting. She said wants part of this committee to be recommended by the community, but she wants the most affected stakeholders to be represented. Council Member Murdock stated the Mayor protest too much, this committee will only contain three members from those recommended from that kick-off meeting. That would leave at least five slots left for appointment by the Mayor and Council. Council Member Richardson agreed with Council Member Murdock, and Council should trust the community in the process.

Council Member Bashert stated this is not a perfect ordinance but it is good enough to implement. This will not be used as often as some might think and will not fix every issue with development. The ordinance will initiate some exciting processes and she looks forward to it.

Council Member Richardson stated she brought this idea to Council nearly a year ago, after learning about it in a program regarding community development. She thanked Council for taking on this process and everyone in the community that assisted in its development.

Council Member Vogt stated he is not opposed to the idea of community benefits. However, he does maintain concerns regarding the process. The city is still in great financial risk and does not want to discourage development, and what he has heard in response to his concerns is circular reasoning. He cannot support this ordinance as is, and he would like to look at alternate processes. The city will not produce community benefits if developers do not come to the table.

Council Member Murdock stated this has been a very instructive process and thanked Council Member Richardson for bringing this to the attention of Council. He thanked community groups that were involved with the development of this ordinance, and educated Council and others about this process. He thinks this ordinance is a good product, but it is not perfect, and there will always be a need to make adjustments.

Council Member Murdock moved, seconded by Council Member Richardson to Call the Question.

On a roll call, the vote to Call the Question was as follows:

Mayor Pro-Tem Brown	Yes	Council Member Robb	No
Council Member Murdock	Yes	Mayor Edmonds	No
Council Member Richardson	Yes	Council Member Vogt	No
Council Member Bashert	Yes		

VOTE:

YES: 4 NO: 3 (Robb, Vogt, Edmonds) ABSENT: 0 VOTE: Carried

On a roll call, the vote to approve Resolution No. 2018-236 as amended was as follows:

Mayor Pro-Tem Brown	Yes	Council Member Robb	No
Council Member Murdock	Yes	Mayor Edmonds	Yes
Council Member Richardson	Yes	Council Member Vogt	No
Council Member Bashert	Yes		

VOTE:

YES: 5 NO: 2 (Vogt, Robb) ABSENT: 0 VOTE: Carried

Mayor Edmonds stated she is excited about moving forward with this ordinance. It will be important to examine how this affects the development process. She recommends Council review this ordinance prior to its sunset in three years.

Council Member Murdock moved to adjourn.

Without support the motion fails.

2. Resolution No. 2018-235, approving agreement with Orchard, Hiltz & McCliment, Inc. for design engineering services for W. Cross St. between Wallace St. to city limits.

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI:

WHEREAS, the Transportation Committee has identified the segment of W. Cross Street from Wallace west to the City limits for priority rehabilitation; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to secure design engineering services to keep this project on schedule for the 2019-2020 construction year;

WHEREAS, Orchard, Hiltz and McCliment has provided an exemplary level of service to the City of Ypsilanti on similar improvement projects, and possesses a depth of experience with the infrastructure in the project area; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City Council approves the proposal for design engineering services with Orchard, Hiltz & McCliment, Inc., 34000 Plymouth Road, Livonia, MI at a lump sum cost of \$120,000; and

THAT, the cost for the design engineering for this project be expended from account # 202-7-9063-975-00 in the FY2018-2019 and FY2019-2020 Budgets; and

THAT the Mayor and City Clerk are authorized to sign this proposal, subject to review and approval by the City Attorney; and

THAT the City Manager is authorized to sign any change orders that may be needed to maintain the project's schedule, subject to review and approval by the City Attorney.

OFFERED BY: Mayor Pro-Tem Brown

SECONDED BY: Council Member Bashert

DPS Director Stan Kirton provided an overview to why this is being requested for approval.

Council Member Murdock stated when discuss previously it was decided the treatment would continue to Wallace. Mr. Kirton responded in the affirmative, and added traffic calming measures would be included in the project. Mr. Murdock asked why the project cannot continue past Mansfield. OHM Engineer Kent Early responded the project could continue past Mansfield. He explained this project, like all projects, came before the Planning Commission which set the end at Wallace. Mr. Murdock stated when the state allocated funds for roads the city was supposed to be provided an additional \$400,000 for this year, and an additional \$500,000 next year. His concern is the city has more money and is doing less, which is baffling. Additionally, the quality of the work is not very good, such as what was done on E. Cross. He asked where the city is failing with its oversight of projects. Mr. Kirton responded those projects were not a complete subgrade repair, along with extremely harsh winters.

Council Member Murdock moved, seconded by Council Member Bashert to amend the resolution by adding "be it further resolved the OHM prepare an agreement for design engineering to repave E. Cross from Prospect to Park for City Council action".

Mayor Edmonds stated the resolution is to accept a proposal and the amendment is to create another proposal. Council Member Murdock responded in the affirmative.

Mayor Edmonds asked if the repair of E. Cross is a priority considering other need road repairs. Mr. Kirton responded it is one of the worst streets in the city. Ms. Edmonds asked about Harriet and Hamilton where there are safety issues. Mr. Kirton responded that is an MDOT road.

Mr. Early asked if the repairs to E. Cross would be funded by local funds, because it is a significantly different process than using federal funds. Mayor Edmonds does not believe it is appropriate to add another proposal to this resolution. Council Member Murdock responded if the Mayor agrees to the proposal he can add it to the agenda. Ms. Edmonds supported adding a separate item to the agenda. Mr. Early interjected OHM would not need a resolution to prepare a proposal for E. Cross repairs. Mr. Murdock stated as long as it is being drafted. Council Member Vogt stated what other streets have a higher priority, Cornell is in much worse condition.

Council Member Murdock withdrew his motion.

On a roll call, the vote to approve Resolution No. 2018-235 was as follows:

Mayor Pro-Tem Brown	Yes	Council Member Robb	Yes
Council Member Murdock	Yes	Mayor Edmonds	Yes
Council Member Richardson	Yes	Council Member Vogt	Yes
Council Member Bashert	Yes		

VOTE:

YES: 7 NO: 0 ABSENT: 0 VOTE: Carried

3. Resolution No. 2018-237, approving recommendation to authorize a service agreement for Agenda Management and Video Streaming software solution.

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI:

WHEREAS, currently the agendas and packets for meetings of City Council, Boards, and Commissions are created, duplicated, and distributed manually by staff; and

WHEREAS, City Council approved an allocation of \$70,000 for improvement of technology in Council Chambers and for improvement of the City Council packet process; and

WHEREAS, staff has evaluated and reviewed three agenda meeting management solutions from vendors iCompass, CivicClerk, and Granicus; and

WHEREAS, while each of the systems evaluated provide for similar core functionality, the solution provided by iCompass would be in the best interest of the City of Ypsilanti based on overall functionality, flexibility, and cost; and

WHEREAS, iCompass is used by several communities in Michigan, such as the cities of Walker, Ferndale, Harrison, Holland, Woodhaven, and Tecumseh, as well as the townships of Huron, Chesterfield, Plainfield, Grattan, Algoma, and Cannon; and

WHEREAS, iCompass will enable staff to automate the internal process used to prepare, track, modify, approve/disapprove, and monitor the progress of individual agenda items for City Council, Boards, and Commissions; and

WHEREAS, iCompass will also provide enhanced public access to agendas, minutes, audio recordings, and live streaming through an on-line portal; and

WHEREAS, the City of Ypsilanti is interested in purchasing the iCompass Meeting Manager Pro solution for an annual cost of \$12,200, which includes a 6-month money-back guarantee.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Mayor and City Clerk are authorized to sign and execute an agreement on behalf of the City of Ypsilanti with iCompass for the system described herein, subject to review and approval of the City Attorney.

OFFERED BY: Council Member Vogt

SECONDED BY: Mayor Pro-Tem Brown

Mayor Edmonds asked if the technology will change how easily the packet is projected during meetings. City Clerk Frances McMullan responded in the affirmative. Ms. Edmonds asked when the packet is put online will it be easily searchable. Ms. McMullan responded in the affirmative.

Council Member Robb stated Council budget \$70,000 for improvements, and asked if there are still improvements to be made. Ms. McMullan believes the City Manager has other upgrades in mind. Mr. Robb stated the annual \$12,000 fee was not budgeted for the next fiscal year. Ms. McMullan responded in the affirmative. Mr. McClary added part of the \$70,000 will be used to purchase tablets for Council's use, once the city goes paperless. There will also be audio improvements, live streaming, and several other components.

Council Member Robb stated the city will need to purchase servers in order to have storage space. Mr. McClary replied the city will not need servers it would be stored by iCompass. Mr. Robb replied just for the agenda software. Ms. McMullan replied also for the audio and video. Mayor Edmonds replied it is a good deal.

Council Member Bashert asked if staff reached out to other jurisdictions that use this software. Ms. McMullan responded in the affirmative, with positive responses. Ms. Bashert stated the \$12,000 is for the subscription, and asked if there will be other hardware that goes along with that. Ms. McMullan responded in the affirmative.

Mayor Edmonds asked if the cameras for live stream could be leased. Ms. McMullan responded no. Ms. Edmonds stated this seems very reasonable.

Council Member Robb asked if the Clerk Department has in writing that storage is included in the annual fee. Ms. McMullan responded in the affirmative. Mr. Robb asked for that to be forwarded to Council. Council Member Richardson asked for clarification that the unlimited storage is written in the agreement. Ms. McMullan responded in the affirmative. Mayor Edmonds asked if the agreement would be coming before Council. Ms. McMullan responded approval of this resolution would authorize the city to enter into an agreement with iCompass. Mr. Robb stated the Charter states Council approves all contracts and asked for that to be removed from the resolution.

Council Member Robb moved, seconded by Council Member Richardson for the agreement to be brought to Council for approval prior to execution.

Mayor Edmonds asked if that would change the timeline for implementation. Ms. McMullan responded no.

On a roll call, the vote to amend Resolution No. 2018-237 was as follows:

Mayor Pro-Tem Brown	Yes	Council Member Robb	Yes
Council Member Murdock	Yes	Mayor Edmonds	Yes
Council Member Richardson	Yes	Council Member Vogt	Yes
Council Member Bashert	Yes		

VOTE:

YES: 7 NO: 0 ABSENT: 0 VOTE: Carried

On a roll call, the vote to approve Resolution No. 2018-237 as amended was as follows:

Mayor Pro-Tem Brown	Yes	Council Member Robb	Yes
Council Member Murdock	Yes	Mayor Edmonds	Yes
Council Member Richardson	Yes	Council Member Vogt	Yes
Council Member Bashert	Yes		

VOTE:

YES: 7 NO: 0 ABSENT: 0 VOTE: Carried

4. Resolution No. 2018-238, approving the information that landlords are required to share with their tenants upon occupancy according to Ordinance No. 1320.

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI:

WHEREAS, Ordinance 1320 was adopted on second reading by City Council on September 11, 2018; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance amends Chapter 58, Article IV, Division 1 of the Code of Ordinances for the City of Ypsilanti to add a new Section 58-123 that requires, in part, that landlords share certain information with their tenants upon occupancy; and

WHEREAS, this newly adopted section of the Code of Ordinances further provides that City Council shall approve such information by resolution; and

WHEREAS, City Council wishes that the following documents, which are attached hereto, be approved as provided in Section 58-123 of the Code of Ordinances:

- **Michigan Legislature’s Practical Guide for Tenants & Landlords**
- **The City of Ypsilanti Landlord and Tenant Relations, and its attachments**
- **The City of Ypsilanti Anti-Discrimination Summary**
- **The City of Ypsilanti Voting Information, and its attachments**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the attached documents, as herein identified, be approved as information required to be distributed to tenants as provided for by Section 58-123 of the Code of Ordinances.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk’s Office is directed to make copies of this information available to the public, including landlords, tenants, and potential tenants, without charge.

OFFERED BY: Council Member Murdock
SECONDED BY: Council Member Bashert

Mayor Edmonds referenced the question made during audience participation regarding other formats this information would be available. Assistant City Attorney Dan DuChene responded that is the state’s language. Ms. Edmonds stated that might be a reference to this material being available in other languages or brail. Audience member Sue Melke asked how a person would know to ask the state for the other formats. Mr. DuChene responded he would follow up with the state to provide definitive answers to these questions.

Mayor Edmonds asked how tenants who sign leases electronically would be provided this information. She is weary about tenants being provided this information electronically because it would be too easy for this material to be overlooked. If the city allows for that how the ordinance would be modified to provide for electronic signatures. Mr. DuChene responded he would have his tenants sign a document indicating the information had been received. It is the privy of Council if they want to allow this to be provided electronically. Council Member Bashert understands larger leasing agencies are moving toward electronic signatures, but the trouble is if tenants only have this information on their phones it is unlikely they would register to vote. The ability to sign electronically would defeat on of the purposes of this ordinance. Mr. DuChene responded perhaps, but he did get the entirety of this packet from online. Ms. Bashert responded Council should remove as many hurdles as possible between tenants and voting. Ms. Edmonds responded one of the documents is rather long and would take a substantial amount of paper. Ms. Bashert replied her sole concern with this being provided electronically is voter registration. Ms. McMullan interjected it would be best for tenants to drop of voter registration so their identification could be verified, and they would be eligible for absentee ballots.

Council Member Murdock stated he did not see any information regarding the privacy ordinance. Mr. DuChene replied that is include in the document titled “City of Ypsilanti – Landlord and Tenant Relations”. City Attorney John Barr interjected that information would need to be included in the lease regardless.

On a roll call, the vote to approve Resolution No. 2018-238 was as follows:

Mayor Pro-Tem Brown	Yes	Council Member Robb	Yes
Council Member Murdock	Yes	Mayor Edmonds	Yes
Council Member Richardson	Yes	Council Member Vogt	Yes
Council Member Bashert	Yes		

VOTE:

YES: 7 NO: 0 ABSENT: 0 VOTE: Carried

Mr. DuChene stated this ordinance will not take effect for thirty days from adoption, and if Council would like to make any changes please let him know.

5. Resolution No. 2018-224A, approving revised intergovernmental agreement for recycling drop off services with Ypsilanti Charter Township.

Mr. McClary provided a basis for the discussion of the intergovernmental agreement with Ypsilanti Township for recycling drop off services. He asked Council to provide him authorization to engage in discussion with Recycle Ann Arbor for drop off services if negotiations are unsuccessful with the Township. The cost to the city for the use of Recycle Ann Arbor would be roughly \$21,000 a year, which is slightly less than what was estimated for the Township services.

Council Member Murdock stated the City Manager should absolutely engage in discussions with Recycle Ann Arbor. Mr. McClary stated it would be beneficial to work out something with the Township because it is closer to Ypsilanti by roughly two miles. Mr. Murdock replied depending on where a resident lives in the city the Ann Arbor facility is closer. Mr. McClary stated the Township's proposal is to limit the services to only multi-unit residents in the city, which he is actively trying to negotiate opening that to all residents. He appreciates the work the Township has put into this, but does not want to delay services to city residents any longer.

Mayor Edmonds supported holding discussions with Recycle Ann Arbor, but encouraged negotiations with the Township. She sees this as an important step in building a relationship with the Township, especially around this issue.

Council Member Murdock stated the Ellsworth and Platt Rd. facility does have the benefit of accepting Styrofoam. That is a third of what the city drop-off center was used, and the Township only provides that for curbside services.

6. Resolution No. 2018-239, awarding youth mental health grants to Educate Youth, Mentor2Youth, and the Corner Health.

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI:

WHEREAS, during the FY 2018-19 budget preparation process, the Ypsilanti City Council appropriated \$25,000 for youth mental health services; and

WHEREAS, the city has received sufficient applications for funding to provide youth mental health services for the community from the following organizations:

- **Educate Youth, Ypsilanti, MI, in the requested amount of \$5,000**
- **Mentor2Youth, Ypsilanti, MI, in the requested amount of \$5,000**
- **The Corner Health Center, Ypsilanti, MI, in the requested amount of \$5,000; and**

WHEREAS, the city council finds that the services being proposed by each of these organizations in their funding applications address pressing youth mental health services of our community; and WHEREAS, the city council desires to award funding to these organizations to provide the youth mental health services outlined in their funding applications;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF YPSILANTI that the city council does hereby award \$5,000 to Educate Youth of Ypsilanti, Michigan, for its Academic Program providing, among other activities, programs to mitigate violence and drama affecting the mental health of young people in accordance with its funding application dated August 1, 2018, attached hereto; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the city council does hereby award \$5,000 to Mentor2Youth of Ypsilanti, Michigan, for its Emotional Empowerment Program to increase and build youth self-esteem, self-worth and self-worth and to provide a pathway to forging identity in accordance with its funding application dated August 7, 2018, attached hereto; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the city council does hereby award \$5,000 to The Corner Health Center of Ypsilanti, Michigan, for its youth training to develop theatre skills, increase health knowledge around many topics (including adolescent depression), strengthen peer education skills, and create and rehearse short plays in accordance with its funding application dated August 20, 2018, attached hereto.

OFFERED BY: Mayor Pro-Tem Brown
SECONDED BY: Council Member Bashert

Mayor Edmonds provided a background to the requests for the mini-grants. She stated she is not recommending funding for an application received by the Shelter Association because they did not address making their services more accessible to Ypsilanti youth. The programs that came in are broad in their support for young people, and not primarily focused on mental health issues.

Council Member Robb stated this has been a very murky and bazaar process. He asked who was the other Council Member associated with the process. Mayor Edmonds responded Mayor Pro-Tem Brown. Mr. Robb stated this process was created in a vacuum, and not transparent.

Council Member Bashert stated The Shelter Association is the primary service provider for the homeless community in the county. She feels the city missed an opportunity to bring attention and potential services to the youth of this city. Mayor Edmonds responded they Shelter Association is not proposing to bring services to the city. Ms. Bashert understood, but building a relationship between the city and that organization could be useful for the homeless community in Ypsilanti. She sees it as a missed opportunity, and explained Ypsilanti does not have a major homeless problem partly because the services are located in Ann Arbor, but it is not accurate to say the organization is not serving this city. She would like to see more specificity in how these organizations are going to spend on Ypsilanti youth. Ms. Edmonds responded the organizations submitted budgets, and explained the committee responded to the Shelter Organization that it would love to have them resubmit with more focus on how the organization is overcoming barriers to serve the people of this community.

Council Member Richardson stated there is a large homeless youth population in Ypsilanti. She suggested Council Member Bashert speak to the schools, she is amazed and shocked how many are in this city. She stated the city should keep its money here to help the people of this community.

Mayor Edmonds stated while speaking to a former principal of an Ypsilanti school she learned that a large portion of the student body were homeless.

Council Member Bashert stated there are many differences in what it means to be homeless, but believes the city is missing an opportunity. She would like to see the relationship between the city and the Shelter Association strengthened. Council Member Richardson replied she would like to see that relationship strengthened prior to allocating funds to the organization.

On a roll call, the vote to approve Resolution No. 2018-239 was as follows:

Mayor Pro-Tem Brown	Yes	Council Member Robb	No
Council Member Murdock	No	Mayor Edmonds	Yes
Council Member Richardson	Yes	Council Member Vogt	Yes
Council Member Bashert	Yes		

VOTE:

YES: 5 NO: 2 (Robb, Murdock) ABSENT: 0 VOTE: Carried

Mayor Pro-Tem Brown moved, seconded by Council Member Vogt to extend the meeting until 10:30 p.m.

On a voice vote, the motion carried and the meeting was extended until 10:30 p.m.

7. Discussion regarding the creation and adoption of a City of Ypsilanti Racial Equity Policy.

Council Member Richardson stated she would like the city to begin developing a Relations Equity Policy. The city has a Non-Discrimination Ordinance but racial equity is not the same as non-discrimination. The county has been working on a racial equity policy for a long time and suggested the city form a committee to address this issue.

Mayor Edmonds stated she is supportive of the city developing a policy. She appreciates the creating a committee to develop a policy, and asked what Council Member Richardson envisions beyond a Council committee in the direction of this policy, or the resources needed to develop the policy. Council Member Richardson believes those answers would flow from the committee.

Mayor Pro-Tem Brown supported the creation of a committee because there are many directions the city could take in the development of this policy. She chairs the Racial Equity Committee at her work and the committee met to decide what issues they would discuss and the direction the planned to take.

Council Member Bashert stated she is very supportive and agrees race equity is different than what is included in the NDO. She would like to see the city move forward with its development. She suggested using Government Alliance on Race and Equity (GARE), in order to use the same language as the county.

Mayor Edmonds asked if the next step would be to have the City Manager bring a resolution creating the committee to the next Council meeting. Council Member Richardson asked why Council cannot not motion to create the committee during tonight’s meeting. Ms. Edmonds responded Council could do that.

Council Member Richardson moved, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Brown to form a Council Committee to examine establishing and developing a racial equity policy for the City of Ypsilanti.

Mr. Barr asked how many members would be in the committee. Council Member Richardson responded three members. Mr. Barr asked if the Mayor would appoint the members. Ms. Richardson responded either the Mayor or volunteers. Mayor Edmonds stated three volunteers.

Mr. McClary asked if the goal was to examine social equity generally in the city. He asked because the Sustainability Commission’s charge is to prepare a sustainability plan which part is social equity. Mayor Edmonds responded that would be a great interface this group would review. Council Member Richardson agreed, but sees this committee as focused more on racial equity. She sees that as vital importance because of the current issues in this country.

On a roll call, the vote to create a Racial Equity Policy was as follows:

Mayor Pro-Tem Brown	Yes	Council Member Robb	Yes
Council Member Murdock	Yes	Mayor Edmonds	Yes
Council Member Richardson	Yes	Council Member Vogt	Yes
Council Member Bashert	Yes		

VOTE:

YES: 7 NO: 0 ABSENT: 0 VOTE: Carried

Council Member Vogt moved, seconded by Council Member Bashert that the committee will consist of Mayor Pro-Tem Brown, Council Member Richardson, and Council Member Bashert.

On a roll call, the vote to create a Racial Equity Policy Committee was as follows:

Mayor Pro-Tem Brown	Yes	Council Member Robb	Yes
Council Member Murdock	Yes	Mayor Edmonds	Yes
Council Member Richardson	Yes	Council Member Vogt	Yes
Council Member Bashert	Yes		

VOTE:

YES: 7 NO: 0 ABSENT: 0 VOTE: Carried

XIII. LIAISON REPORTS –

- A. SEMCOG Update – The meeting is on September 28th
- B. Washtenaw Area Transportation Study - None
- C. Urban County – Mayor Edmonds stated the Ann Arbor Housing Commission provided an excellent report on Section Eight Voucher to be used for purchase of homes. There was also an update on the Weatherization and Ramp Program. The programs are managed by Aaron Kraft. Council Member Richardson asked if railings would be reinstated. Ms. Edmonds responded she is not certain.
- D. Ypsilanti Downtown Development Authority – Mayor Edmonds stated the MEDC awarded the DDA \$300,000 for its façade grant program.
- E. Ypsilanti Youth Safety Collaboration - None
- F. Friends of Rutherford Pool – Council Member Bashert stated the grant is going to move forward, the Friends of Rutherford Pool are submitting a report regarding the removal of the recycling center.
- G. Housing Equity Leadership Team - None

XIV. COUNCIL PROPOSED BUSINESS –

Richardson

- She used to check on the racial composition of staff when she first elected to Council. It was during affirmative action and she wanted to make certain the city was abiding by that law. She would like a report of the current racial balance of staff in relation to the city's demographics.

Robb

- The gas station at Prospect and Cross is opening prior to 6:00 a.m., which they are not allowed to do. The business shines a light in his neighbor's home and they are not happy about it.
- He appreciates the information regarding the Fire Department's impact on the budget, however, it was not the data he requested regarding the SAFER Grant. He wants to understand when the new firefighters would be hired and what impact would the hires have on the budget.

Bashert

- In a previous memo from the City Manager it referenced a county Materials Recovery Facility (MRF). It was mentioned there seemed to be low interested in that facility, and she would like more information regarding that. Mr. McClary responded a number of communities indicated their boards would probably not want to include the establishment of a MRF Facility. Those communities wanted to focus on the first two tiers of the program, which is public education on recycling and establishment of up to eighteen recycling drop off centers throughout the county. Ms. Bashert asked if that means the county is backing away from the idea. Mr. McClary responded he is not entirely sure, there is another meeting scheduled for Thursday, September 13th. Mayor Edmonds asked if the Ann Arbor MRF could be used. Mr. McClary responded that facility does not have the capacity to expand services. Ms. Bashert stated that will impact decisions Council makes about its recycling program long term. Mr. McClary responded it will impact the city program in terms of costs.
- She was frustrated by the response regarding the state of Penn Park. Saying that staff does not have the capacity to maintain the park and asking the Friends group to look into its maintenance could take time. Mr. McClary replied staff will look into its maintenance. The top of the dock at Penn Park is warping and it could be a safety issue.
- Asked that the Police Advisory Commission receive training in the Open Meetings Act and Freedom of Information Act. There might be some confusion that the commission has access to police reports and body camera recordings. There needs to be some clarification regarding those issues and asked the Attorney's Office to schedule some training.

Murdock

- Asked if the county was looking at collecting recycling differently for single stream. He explained single stream is a major contributor to contamination. Mr. McClary replied he has not heard the county discuss any potential changes, he pose that question when he meets with the county. Mr. Murdock stated there are issues the city needs to deal with quickly, and his understanding is DPS will need to replace a vehicle next year. The vehicle the city selects will depend on how it collects recycling. He explained there needs to be education on single stream and stated recycling is all thrown into the same bin. Mr. McClary responded the county is addressing that on its tier one program by training residents on recycling. Mr. Murdock interjected education needs to be a part of the city's program too. Mr. McClary replied the county program would apply to the city.
- The City Manager provided an Amtrak report and he can't decipher the timeframe that was provided. Mr. McClary the estimated completion of the field study is October. Staff will review the study and will put it in final form and will come before Council in November. The second stage is the environmental assessment and the alternatives analysis, which will investigate Leforge as a possible location. That will take roughly eight to ten months to complete.
- Responding to the Urban Forest Tree Grant, he mentioned there are many places to put trees in the city and asked why the city would not be able to implement the program. Mr. McClary is not certain the city cannot, but the city needs to be looking toward aggressively restarting the Urban Forestry Program.
- He was informed the bike share program that Ypsilanti Housing Commission and Eastern Michigan University were involved in has ceased. Mayor Edmonds responded the PILOT program was funded through

the state, but the company stopped making bikes. The company began to manufacture scooters and donated the bikes, however the application on the bikes is no longer functional. Other options are currently be investigated by the involved parties regarding the expansion of the program. Council Member Richardson added the bikes are going to be given to youths in public housing.

- The city has a creative group of residents and the creativity is used on their yards. Some residents are not pleased with what is being done and the city ordinance officer becomes involved. He does not understand how strict the city needs to be with those issues. Mr. McClary replied if the ordinance officer is taking action it is because there has been a violation. He said he will follow up with what needs to be done to address this issue, ultimately it is up to Council to what is allowable.

XV. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR –

XVI. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CITY MANAGER –

XVII. COMMUNICATIONS –

XX. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION –

1. Bill Teeppen 718 Lowell St., Thanked Council for approving the CBO.

XXI. REMARKS FROM THE MAYOR –

XXII. ADJOURNMENT –

Resolution No. 2018-240, adjourning the City Council meeting.

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI:

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

OFFERED BY: Mayor Pro-Tem Brown

SECONDED BY: Council Member Vogt

On a voice vote, the motion carried, and the meeting adjourned at 10:31 p.m.