

COUNCIL MEETING – JUNE 12, 2017
MINUTES

A regular meeting of the City of Grosse Pointe Park City Council was held on Monday, June 12, 2017, and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The following were present: Councilmembers Clark, Arora, Chouinard, Robson, and Detwiler, and Mayor Denner

Also present: Dale Krajniak, City Manager, Jane M. Blahut, Finance Director/Clerk and Dennis J. Levasseur, City Attorney

Excused Absence: Councilmember Grano

MINUTES – MAY 8, 2017

Mayor Denner presented to Council for consideration the minutes of the May 8, 2017 for approval, as presented.

Motion by Councilmember Arora, supported by Councilmember Detwiler, to approve the minutes of May 8, 2017, as presented.

AYES: Councilmembers Clark, Arora, Chouinard, Robson, and Detwiler, and Mayor Denner

NAYS: None

Excused Absence: Councilmember Grano

C.D.B.G. FUNDING

Mayor Denner presented to Council for consideration the CDBG funding. The project was bid jointly with Grosse Pointe and Grosse Pointe Farms.

City Manager stated the funding will be used for sidewalk ramp replacement and upgrades on Mack Avenue at Beaconsfield, Nottingham and Somerset.

The bids received are as follows:

Merlo Construction Co.	\$	201,603.60
Fiore Enterprises, L.L.C.	\$	201,903.25
Century Cement Company	\$	242,874.00
Audia Construction	\$	284,392.00

The bid was awarded to the low bidder, Merlo Construction, in the amount of \$201,603.60 for the sidewalk ramp replacement bid jointly with Grosse Pointe City and Grosse Pointe Farms.

Motion by Councilmember Chouinard, supported by Councilmember Robson, to award the bid to Merlo Construction for sidewalk ramp replacement on Mack Avenue at Beaconsfield, Nottingham, and Somerset.

AYES: Councilmembers Clark, Arora, Chouinard, Robson, and Detwiler, and Mayor Denner

NAYS: None

Excused Absence: Councilmember Grano

DETROIT AREA ON AGING

Mayor Denner presented to Councilmember for consideration the annual report for the Detroit Area Agency on Aging.

City Manager stated all the Grosse Pointe communities and Highland Park participate in this program. There are no direct dollars received for this program.

Grosse Pointe Park Council is asked to accept the report and acknowledge receipt of such report.

Motion by Councilmember Clark, supported by Councilmember Arora, to acknowledge receipt of the annual report for the Detroit Area on Aging.

AYES: Councilmembers Clark, Arora, Chouinard, Robson, and Detwiler, and Mayor Denner

NAYS: None

Excused Absence: Councilmember Grano

COMMITTEE REPORTS

RECREATION:

Councilmember Arora stated the Recreation Committee meeting was held on May 10, 2017 and reported the following:

- Pools are now open
- Baby pool has a heater
- Registration is available online
- Gym floor has been refinished
- Pier has been repaired and ½ of the fencing will be constructed this summer
- Aquatic services have been acquired and the marina is weed free
- Patterson Park floating dock is under consideration
- Splash pad construction has been completed
- Bocci court is 90% completed, this was an Eagle Scout project
- After 6 on Kercheval is 6-24, 7-22, & 8-26

Mayor Denner thanked Councilmember Arora for her report.

BEAUTIFICATION:

Councilmember Chouinard reported on the Beautification Commission:

- The commission held their annual pot luck dinner at the ice skating rink and it was a big success
- Former commissioner Robert Ramsey passed away
- The annual perennial exchange was a big success
- Forester Brian Colter reported to the commission that the trees on Mack are scheduled for planting
- The commission members are currently reviewing homes to be considered for beautification awards

FINANCE REPORT – MAY, 2017

Councilmember for Finance Detwiler presented to Mayor and Council for consideration the invoices exceeding \$5,000 for the month of May 2017 for approval.

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Payment</u>
Fire Equipment Assoc. Inc.	Thermal imaging camera/accessories	\$ 5,058
Green for Life	Recycling collections – April	11,298
Green for Life	Refuse collection – April	33,783
Bodman, PLC	Retainer & Pros. Attorney fee	10,000
Great Lakes Water Authority	Water service for February	210,242
Stantec Consulting	Asset Mgmt. Planning SRF loan	23,255
Grosse Pointe Clinton Refuse	Refuse – March	7,224

Motion by Councilmember Robson, supported by Councilmember Clark, to approve the invoices exceeding \$5,000 for the month of May, 2017, as presented in accordance with Section 2.249 of the Charter.

AYES: Councilmembers Clark, Arora, Chouinard, Robson, and Detwiler, and Mayor Denner

NAYS: None

Excused absence: Councilmember Grano

CLOSED DOOR – CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS

Mayor Denner requested a closed door session be held immediately following the regular meeting pursuant to contract negotiations.

Motion by Mayor Denner, supported by Councilmember Clark a closed door session be held immediately following the regular meeting pursuant to contract negotiations.

AYES: Councilmembers Clark, Arora, Chouinard, Robson, and Detwiler, and Mayor Denner

NAYS: None

Excused Absence: Councilmember Grano

NEW/OLD BUSINESS

Councilmember Arora stated the Fox Creek Park is holding their grand opening on July 29th.

PAVING UPDATE:

City Manager stated first phase paving South of Jefferson is complete. Currently undertaking curb and sidewalk replacement inventory South of Jefferson.

Paving will be undertaken North of Jefferson shortly.

City Manager also stated major repairs on Vernor road were completed.

DDOT:

Resident stated the DDOT buses are still occasionally using Hampton and she urged the Council to continue to remind DDOT to avoid its use.

LIBRARY:

Resident Klacza stated the new Director of the Library board has started and he urged the Mayor to reach out to the new director.

With no further business, the meeting recessed to closed door session.

The meeting reconvened and with no further business, the meeting adjourned.