

COUNCIL MEETING – MAY 7, 2018

7:00 P.M.

A regular meeting of the City of Grosse Pointe Park was held on Monday, May 7, 2018, and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

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

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

MINUTES – APRIL 9, 2018

Mayor Denner presented to Council for consideration the minutes of April 9, 2018 meeting for approval.

Motion by Councilmember Robson, supported by Councilmember Clark, to approve the minutes of April 9, 2018 as presented.

AYES: Councilmembers Clark, Read, Chouinard, Robson, Detwiler, and Grano, and Mayor Denner

NAYS: None

MINUTES – BUDGET WORKSHOP – MAY 2, 2018

Mayor Denner presented to Council for consideration the minutes of the Budget Workshop held on Wednesday, May 2, 2018 for approval.

Motion by Councilmember Detwiler, supported by Councilmember Chouinard, to approve the minutes of the Budget Workshop held on May 2, 2018 as presented.

AYES: Councilmembers Clark, Read, Chouinard, Robson, Detwiler, and Grano, and Mayor Denner

NAYS: None

ARBOR DAY POSTER CONTEST

Mayor Denner and Pat Deck, representing the Beautification Commission, presented the winner and runners up for the annual Arbor Week Poster Contest.

Pat Deck stated all of the students did a beautiful and very creative job on their posters. The winner, Will Bishop, was presented with a resolution and a \$75.00 award. The runners up, Brooklyn Marchetti, Ella Andrews, and Oscar Kotlarz were also presented with a resolution, coffee mug, and pin.

The Council thanked the students for their participation in the contest.

ROCKET FIBER

Mayor Denner presented to Council for consideration the presentation by Gary Niehaus, Grosse Pointe Superintendent of Schools, and Lucas Ottinger of Rocket Fiber.

Mr. Niehaus stated there are eight entities included in this proposal, Grosse Pointe Park, Grosse Pointe City, Grosse Pointe Farms, Grosse Pointe Shores, Grosse Pointe Woods, Harper Woods, and Grosse Pointe Public Schools, and Grosse Pointe Public Library.

Lucas Ottinger, representing Rocket Fiber noted there is an interest in creating a fiber optic network. Rocket Fiber is a Detroit based fiber optic company and the infrastructure would be 100% fiber. The optic ring will be owned by all eight entities and the Board will consist of a member of each entity.

Mr. Ottinger stated the proposal includes 10Gbps (Gigabit per second) service.

City Manager inquired when the construction will begin if approved by the Committee.

Mr. Ottinger stated it will take approximately 45 days to obtain permits for the DTE poles and approximately a year for construction and from that point internet can be offered to businesses and residents.

Councilmember Detwiler stated fiber optics will benefit the community and all the residents who wish to utilize it.

Councilmember Robson inquired why the proposed cost for Grosse Pointe Park is significantly less than the other entities.

City Manager stated Grosse Pointe Park limited the drops within the community and Grosse Pointe Park is closer to the ring infrastructure. If we decide to get more laterals, we can do so at a later time.

Mayor Denner stated he has attended several meetings to get acquainted with the fiber and noted it would be beneficial for our community and participants in the consortium for both businesses and residents.

Mr. Niehaus stated the costs are spread over two budget years which is helpful to all eight entities.

Motion by Mayor Denner, supported by Councilmember Clark, to commit to the Fiber Optic contingent upon all eight entities participating and subject to review by legal counsel.

AYES: Councilmembers Clark, Read, Chouinard, Robson, Detwiler, and Grano, and Mayor Denner

NAYS: None

14950 JEFFERSON – VARIANCE

Mayor Denner presented to Council for consideration, acting as the Zoning Board of Appeals, a Variance to allow a B-1 Local Business to operate in the OS-1 Office Service District. The OS-1 Office Service Districts are designated to accommodate uses such as offices, bank and personal services which can

serve as transitional areas between major thoroughfares and residential districts. The B-1 Local Business Districts, as herein established, are designed to meet the day-to-day convenience shopping and service needs of persons residing in adjacent residential areas. The business proposed, a child care center at 19450 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park.

Amy Conti, petitioner, stated the new occupancy would require a portion of the site to be converted into an outdoor playground. This is required by State of MI, LARA. The property would provide nine on-site parking and five parking on the street, in the event of an emergency. Customers/Parents would require temporary parking, as they are only dropping off and picking up at different times of the day. She stated her goal is to have 100 children from ages 6 weeks to 6 years.

Mayor Denner stated the request is two-fold. The first request to the variance is to permit the business itself and the second is the parking issue. Twenty one spaces are required and the proposal falls short of more than half.

Councilmember Chouinard stated the parking spaces in the lot are intended for a playground, where do you intend for the additional cars to park.

Petitioner stated Barrington is a wider road and parking could be utilized on both sides of the street.

Councilmember Read inquired what the adult to child ratio is and how many employees will you be required to have.

Petitioner stated she will have approximately 16-17 employees and they would have to seek parking in the neighboring community.

Resident of Lakepointe stated that area is congested with traffic and even more so with the SMART buses. He noted if traffic is increased it also becomes a safety hazard for the children who walk to school. He stated he is not in favor of the Council approving this variance.

Councilmember Clark stated with the congested traffic and the significant shortfall in parking, he would not vote favorably for this variance.

Councilmember Read stated she has a concern with the traffic flow and the safety issue it would impose.

Motion by Councilmember Clark, supported by Councilmember Chouinard, to deny the variance request at 14950 Jefferson to allow a B-1 Local Business to operate in the OS-1 Office Service District and to include a refund to the petitioner for the application fee.

AYES: Clark, Read, Chouinard, Robson, and Detwiler, and Mayor Denner

NAYS: Councilmember Grano

The variance was denied.

15308 KERCHEVAL

Mayor Denner presented to Council for consideration a recommendation to the LLC for Recolte Meads, a winery tasting business located at 15308 Kercheval.

Councilmember Grano inquired if parking is an issue.

City Manager stated the hours of operation are going to be in the evening and the existing off street lot would be shared with the remaining general offices.

Motion by Mayor Denner, supported by Councilmember Robson, to approve and support the Mead Tasting Room to serve honey flavored wine.

AYES: Councilmembers Clark, Read, Chouinard, Robson, Detwiler, and Grano, and Mayor Denner

NAYS: None

BUDGET AMENDMENT RESOLUTION

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FISCAL YEAR 2018

GENERAL FUND

	Original <u>2017-18</u>	Revised <u>2017-18</u>	Increase (Decrease)
<u>Expenditures</u>			
Public Safety Salaries	\$3,250,000	\$3,460,000	\$210,000
Legal/Police matters	-0-	10,000	10,000
Retirement – City Share	<u>1,670,000</u>	<u>1,835,000</u>	<u>165,000</u>
	\$4,920,000	\$5,305,000	\$ 385,000

LOCAL STREET

Revenues

Transfer In – Roads	<u>\$ 855,000</u>	<u>\$1,007,530</u>	<u>\$152,530</u>
	\$ 855,000	\$1,007,530	\$152,530

Expenditures

Local Street Imp.	<u>\$ 855,000</u>	<u>\$ 998,000</u>	<u>\$143,000</u>
	\$ 855,000	\$ 998,000	\$143,000

BUILDING

Expenditures

Salaries – Full Time	\$100,000	\$ 50,000	\$ (50,000)
Build Safe Inspections	95,000	142,000	47,000
Inspection-Sale,rentals	-0-	12,500	12,500
Vehicle	<u>25,000</u>	<u>30,100</u>	<u>6,100</u>
	\$220,000	\$ 234,600	\$ 14,600

C.D.B.G.

Revenues

CDBG Entitlement	<u>\$ 54,975</u>	<u>\$ 97,353.87</u>	<u>\$42,378.87</u>
	\$ 54,975	\$ 97,353.87	\$42,378.87

Expenditures

Tran-Sr 94-12-TA-05H	<u>\$54,975</u>	<u>\$100,547.38</u>	<u>\$45,572.38</u>
	\$54,975	\$100,547.38	\$45,572.38

ROADS

Expenditures

T/O Local Street	<u>\$855,261</u>	<u>\$1,007,530</u>	<u>\$152,269</u>
	\$855,261	\$1,007,530	\$152,269

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT

Expenditures

Park & Rec, Lounge	\$10,000	\$22,100	\$12,100
Computers IT	10,000	12,000	2,000
Equipment Comp.	16,000	20,000	4,000
B.S.A. Software	14,000	17,000	3,000
Pumper Truck	-0-	70,000	70,000
Boiler Replacement	-0-	20,200	20,200
Storage Facility	<u>-0-</u>	<u>114,000</u>	<u>114,000</u>
	\$50,000	\$275,300	\$225,300

Motion by Councilmember Grano, supported by Councilmember Clark, to approve the 2017-18 Budget Amendment as presented.

AYES: Councilmembers Clark, Read, Chouinard, Robson, Detwiler, and Grano, and Mayor Denner

NAY: None

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE PARK RESOLUTION NO. 1

RESOLVED, that in accordance with P.A. 5 of 1982, requiring the governing body to establish the millage rate required to balance the 2018-19 fiscal year budget and in accordance with Section 8.4 of the City of Grosse Pointe Park Charter, it is hereby determined that the millage rate for general operating purposes for the fiscal year 2018-19 be \$18.4268 or \$18.4268 per \$1,000 of Taxable Value (11.2089 general operating; 1.6594 rubbish disposal; .0850 communication fees; 1.0040 bond issue; 1.7500 roads; 2.7195 public safety).

Motion by Mayor Denner, supported by Councilmember Detwiler, to approve Budget Resolution No. 1 that establishes tax rates as presented.

AYES: Councilmembers Clark, Read, Chouinard, Robson, Detwiler, and Grano, and Mayor Denner

NAYS: None

SPECIAL ASSESSMENT ROLL RESOLUTION NO. 2

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 20.12 of the City of Grosse Pointe Park City Code whereby when any expense shall have been incurred by the City in respect to any single premise and subsequently such expense remain unpaid, and

WHEREAS, such premises have been advised that such unpaid bills will be placed as a lien against such property, plus fifteen percent (15%) service charge if not paid by a certain date.

BE IT RESOLVED, that a Special Assessment Roll for delinquent bills for water and miscellaneous items be placed upon the property described in the Exhibits as presented, copies of which are on file in the City Clerk's office and are a part of these minutes, in the respective amounts set forth opposite said properties in said Exhibits, including a service charge of fifteen percent (15%) for placing the bills for water and miscellaneous items on the Special Assessment Roll, and that Special Assessment shall be due and payable at the time 2018 City taxes are next due and payable with respect to such property.

Motion by Mayor Denner, supported by Councilmember Read to approve Special Assessment Roll Resolution No. 2 as presented.

AYES: Councilmembers Clark, Read, Chouinard, Robson, Detwiler, and Grano, and Mayor Denner

NAYS: None

**CITY OF GROSSE POINTE PARK
RESOLUTION NO. 3**

RESOLVED, that having published proper notices and held a public hearing for the budgets of the following funds for the fiscal year 2018-19, such budgets are hereby adopted in the amounts set forth and purpose intended along with increases in related revenue sources:

**GENERAL FUNDS
Estimated Revenue**

Property Taxes	\$6,293,440
Licenses	9,505
State Shared Revenues	1,079,000
Charges for Services	704,701
Fines & Forfeits	461,570
Interest & Rents	270,000
Other Revenue	4,342,974
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Total Estimated Revenues	<u>\$ 13,161,190</u>

Appropriations

City Council	\$ 47,417
Judicial	334,369
City Manager	173,177
Public Service	297,515
Elections	116,802
Financial Administration	299,191

City Clerk	186,886
Public Safety	7,033,806
Justice Training Fund	6,829
Public Works	672,443
Tree Maintenance	234,986
Parks	595,029
Recreation	599,510
Fitness/Activity Center	662,504
Planning & Beautification	13,040
Transfer to Other Funds	1,887,515

Total Appropriations	<u>\$ 13,161,019</u>
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MAJOR STREET FUND

Total Estimated Revenues	\$ 712,795
Total Appropriations	711,969

LOCAL STREET FUND

Total Estimated Revenues & T/I	\$ 2,382,570
Total Appropriations	2,376,806

GARBAGE AND RUBBISH FUND

Total Estimated Revenues	\$ 1,178,656
Total Appropriations	1,178,656

BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Total Estimated Revenues	\$ 304,860
Total Appropriations	304,860

DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Total Estimated Revenues	\$	112,868
Total Appropriations		110,00

TAX INCREMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY

Total Estimated Revenues	\$	802,143
Total Appropriations		766,110

DRUG LAW ENFORCEMENT FUND

Total Estimated Revenues	\$	9,317
Total Appropriations		9,317

BLOCK GRANT FUND

Total Estimated Revenues	\$	34,579
Total Appropriations		34,579

ROAD FUND

Total Estimated Revenues	\$	1,033,622
Total Appropriations & T/O		1,033,622

BOND DEBT

Total Estimated Revenues	\$	592,550
Total Appropriations		592,550

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND

Total Estimated Revenues	\$	887,515
Total Appropriations		887,515

WATER AND SEWER FUND

Total Estimated Revenues	\$	5,683,925
Total Appropriations		6,118,409

MARINA FUND

Total Estimated Revenues	\$	388,905
Total Appropriations		385,408

Motion by Mayor Denner, supported by Councilmember Detwiler to approve Budget Resolution NO. 3 for estimated revenues and appropriations as presented.

AYES: Councilmembers Clark, Read, Chouinard, Robson, Detwiler, and Grano, and Mayor Denner
NAYS: None

City Manager Krajniak stated approximately 75% of the local roads have been completed, however the language on the ballot approved in 2014 was allocated for local roads only to be undertaken. Most major roads and alleys have not been repaved and the recommendation of the Administration is to request extension of the millage at a lesser amount sufficient to complete all the roads and alleys within the community for a period of twelve to fifteen years.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Beautification Commission

Councilmember Read summarized the activities for the meetings that were held on April 12th and May 2nd.

Councilmember Read stated the primary activity at the April 12th meeting was the judging of the Arbor Week poster contest.

Councilmember Read stated the Commission established a procedure for posting its meeting agendas and minutes to the website and will soon be available.

The spring perennial plant exchange is scheduled for Saturday, May 19th from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at Windmill Pointe Park. This event is open to all, not just Grosse Pointe Park residents, so feel free to publicize it.

City Forrester has some literature addressing the Michigan Oak Wilt which is the latest invasive disease affecting our trees. The primary preventative measures are to limit pruning of oak trees to late fall and winter and to not move firewood.

The next meeting is scheduled for June 6th at the Lindell Lodge at Patterson Park. The preliminary agenda is distribution of beautification awards kits, group photo and summer picnic.

FINANCE REPORT

Vendor	Description	Payment
Bodman, PLC	Pros. Atty. & retainer fee	\$ 10,000
Build Safe Inspection Service	Building Inspector	13,683
Storage Battery Systems, LLC	Replacement batteries	8,066
Great Lakes Water Authority	Waste water for March	145,000
J & W Trees	City trees trimmed & removed	12,975
Serv-ice Refrigeration Inc.	New pump motor valves – ice rink	29,375
Cannon Equipment	Boss snow plow	6,249
Great Lakes Water Authority	Water usage Dec. & Feb	213,984

D.F. Best company	sanitary pumps, switch gear, Light fixtures,	62,752
Green for Life	Recycling for April	11,470
Green for Life	Rubbish for April	35,577

Councilmember Read inquired why the Great Lakes Water Authority invoice was for December and February.

Finance Director stated GLWA did not submit the December invoice until after the January invoice was submitted.

Motion by Councilmember Detwiler, supported by Mayor Denner, to approve the invoices as presented in accordance with Section 2.249 of the Charter.

AYES: Councilmembers Clark, Read, Chouinard, Robson, Detwiler, and Grano, and Mayor Denner

NAYS: None

CLOSED DOOR SESSION

Mayor Denner requested that a closed door session be held immediately following the regular meeting pursuant to labor contracts.

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

AYES: Councilmembers Clark, Read, Chouinard, Robson, Detwiler, and Grano, and Mayor Denner

NAYS: None

NEW/OLD BUSINESS

There was no new or old business brought up at the meeting.

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

The meeting reconvened to open door session

DISPATCH LABOR CONTRACT

City Manager stated the dispatch employees will receive a 2% raise per year over the next four years. He indicated the multiplier for the pension was reduced for the current employees from the current 2.25% to 2.0%, unfrozen, based on termination FAC.

Motion by Mayor Denner, supported by Councilmember Clark, to approve of the dispatch contract for a 2% raise per year over the term of the contract and the pension modifications as provided by labor attorney reducing the multiplier from the current 2.25% to 2.0% for the current employees.

AYES: Councilmembers Clark, Read, Chouinard, Robson, Detwiler, and Grano, and Mayor Denner

NAYS: None

With no further business, the meeting adjourned.