



**MINUTES
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
40TH CITY COUNCIL
OAK PARK, MICHIGAN
DECEMBER 2, 2024
6:00 PM**

1. CALL TO ORDER

The special meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Mayor McClellan in the Executive Conference Room of City Hall located at 14000 Oak Park Boulevard, Oak Park, MI 48237. (248) 691-7544.

2. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mayor McClellan, Council Member Edgar, Council Member Radner, Council Member Whitehead

ABSENT: None

Excused: Mayor Pro Tem Carolyn Burns (Illness)

OTHERS

PRESENT: City Manager Tungate, City Clerk Norris, City Attorney Krause

3. SPECIAL BUSINESS

A. Discuss 4th of July events

Communications Director Toth summarized the results of the survey that was conducted to gauge the desire of Oak Park residents to have 4th of July festivities despite construction activities that are planned in the area for this summer. The survey clearly indicated the majority of the public wants some form of the parade and traditional events they are custom too. City Manager Tungate and Recreation Director Stasiak presented a plan that would keep the parade route the same, only shortening it slightly, so it would end at Shepherd Park near Oak Park Blvd. and Church Streets. Other activities would take place on the city campus in the Community Center and the area to its west. There was a consensus from the council that this was an acceptable plan.

B. Discuss policy and procedures for the naming of public property

City Manager Tungate presented information, including sample policy and procedures from other communities for the naming of public property. He indicated there are potential funding opportunities that may exist for the Event Hub and Community Center projects, and a policy might help guide these efforts. There was consensus among council members to have the city manager and city attorney proceed with drafting a policy for them to consider, although there was some concern about allowing corporations to have their names connected to city facilities in any manner.

4. CALL TO THE AUDIENCE

There were no members of the audience who wished to speak.

5. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor McClellan adjourned the special meeting at 6:50 p.m.

T. Edwin Norris, City Clerk