



**CITY OF OAK PARK, MICHIGAN
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF THE
39th OAK PARK CITY COUNCIL
December 20, 2021
7:00 PM**

MINUTES

Mayor Pro Tem Edgar called the virtual meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Oak Park City Hall, 14000 Oak Park Boulevard, Oak Park, MI 48237. (248) 691-7544.

PRESENT: Mayor ProTem Edgar (Oak Park, Oakland County), Council Member Burns (Oak Park, Oakland County), Council Member Whitehead (Oak Park, Oakland County)

ABSENT: Mayor McClellan, Council Member Radner

OTHERS

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

**CM-12-406-21 (AGENDA ITEM #3) ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AS AMENDED
– APPROVED**

Motion by Burns, seconded by Whitehead, CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, to approve the agenda with the following change:

- Omit Item #14D - Request to approve a Neighborhood Enterprise Zone Policy

Voice vote:	Yes:	Burns, Edgar, Whitehead
	No:	None
	Absent:	McClellan, Radner

MOTION DECLARED ADOPTED

CONSENT AGENDA:

CM-12-407-21 (AGENDA ITEM #4A-C) CONSENT AGENDA - APPROVED

Motion by Burns, seconded by Whitehead, CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of the following items:

- A. Regular City Council Meeting Minutes of December 6, 2021 **CM-12-408-21**
- B. Traffic Safety Board Minutes of October 20, 2021 **(Removed from the consent agenda by Council Member Whitehead)**
- C. Licenses New and Renewals submitted for December 20, 2021 **CM-12-409-21**

**MERCHANT’S LICENSES – December 20, 2021
(Subject to All Departmental Approvals)**

<u>NEW MERCHANT</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>FEE</u>	<u>BUSINESS TYPE</u>
None			
<u>RENEWALS (2022)</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>FEE</u>	<u>BUSINESS TYPE</u>
VAHALLA KRAV MAGA	26039 COOLIDGE	\$150.00	FITNESS CENTER
DIAMOND NAILS	21700 GREENFIELD # 118	\$150.00	NAIL SALON
M. BESHARA	10020 CAPITAL	\$150.00	PRINTING COMPANY
BUILDING TECHNOLOGY ASSOCIATES	21850 GREENFIELD	\$150.00	ROOF CONSULTANT
CURT'S SERVICE	14611 ELEVEN MILE	\$150.00	AUTO REPAIR
PAIRS FOOD STORE	9000 NINE MILE	\$150.00	GROCERY
TAI FAI RESTAURANT	8505 NINE MILE	\$150.00	RESTAURANT
G & J WHOLESALE	21700 GREENFIELD # 310	\$150.00	WHOLESALE JEWELRY
MODERN NAILS	13720 NINE MILE	\$150.00	NAIL SALON
SUNUGAL HAIR BRAIDING	22131 COOLIDGE	\$150.00	HAIR SALON
CAR STOP AUTOMOTIVE	21006 COOLIDGE	\$150.00	AUTO REPAIR
HAYNES ENTERPRISE	21171 MEYERS	\$150.00	TRUCKING COMPANY
GREENFIELD PLAZA ASSOCIATES	21700 GREENFIELD # 202	\$150.00	SHOPPING AND OFFICE BUILDING
D/A CENTRAL	13155 CLOVERDALE	\$150.00	SECURITY SYSTEMS
METRO FRAME	26045 COOLIDGE	\$150.00	FRAME SHOP
TOBACCO IMPORT USA	21060 COOLIDGE	\$150.00	HOOKAH ACCESSORIES
LAWFORD FABRICATING CO	21650 WYOMING CT	\$150.00	PROTOTYPE TOOLING
LARA STOP & SHOP	26700 GREENFIELD	\$150.00	GAS STATION
HUNGRY HOWIE'S PIZZA	24691 COOLIDGE	\$150.00	PIZZERIA
LITTLE BEAR'S LEARNING	13391 NINE MILE	\$150.00	DAYCARE
GOBIND L. GARG M.D. P.L.L.C	13801 NINE MILE	\$150.00	INTERNAL MEDICINE
FAMILY DOLLAR	13471 TEN MILE	\$150.00	RETAIL
JEWISH SENIOR LIFE SERVICES	15000 TEN MILE	\$150.00	SENIOR SERVICES
ARTISTRY OF HAIR	25661 COOLIDGE	\$150.00	HAIR SALON
ALASKA FRESH FISH AND CHICKEN	13701 NINE MILE	\$150.00	RESTAURANT
DIAMOND'S FOREVER	21700 GREENFIELD # 350	\$150.00	JEWELRY STORE
GOLD & SILVER CORP	21700 GREENFIELD # 320	\$150.00	JEWELRY STORE
KABOB CONEY ISLAND	21700 GREENFIELD # 120	\$150.00	RESTAURANT
STUDIO NOVA	22153 COOLIDGE	\$150.00	MEN'S CLOTHING AND SHOES
MOTOR WORKS LTD	13350 NORTHEND	\$150.00	AUTO REPAIR FACILITY
MARO JEWELERS	21700 GREENFIELD # 365	\$150.00	JEWELRY STORE
BLING BLING GG	26122 GREENFIELD	\$150.00	
SPECTRUM JEWELERS	21700 GREENFIELD # 355	\$150.00	JEWELRY STORE
WOODWAY CORPORATION	12981 CAPITAL	\$150.00	GENERAL CONTRACTOR
TO GO CAFÉ	21700 GREENFIELD # 132	\$150.00	GROCERY STORE
MR. BIGGS	22151 COOLIDGE	\$150.00	RETAIL
WURTH BAER SUPPLY CO	13390 CLOVERDALE	\$150.00	WAREHOUSE DISTRIBUTOR
VGAGE	13250 NORTHEND # 13320	\$150.00	INDUSTRIAL
VIP HOME HELP CARE LLC	21700 GREENFIELD # 225	\$150.00	HOME HELP CARE
LIFE SKILLS RESIDENTIAL LLC	25640 LINCOLN TER	\$150.00	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES
OAK PARK RX	24651 COOLIDGE # 24661	\$150.00	PHARMACY
REMARKABLE REHAB	21675 COOLIDGE # 1B	\$150.00	PHYSICAL THERAPY
VIP WEAR	22124 COOLIDGE	\$150.00	CLOTHING STORE
HOOKAH 101	15401 NINE MILE	\$150.00	SMOKE SHOP
PENELOPES HOUSE CLEANING	25900 GREENFIELD # 255	\$150.00	CLEANING
SMOKERZ DEPOT 6 LLC	25222 GREENFIELD	\$150.00	RETAIL
FAMILY DOLLAR	23105 COOLIDGE	\$150.00	RETAIL VARIETY
PINK GARLIC INDIAN CUISINE	26661 COOLIDGE	\$150.00	INDIAN FOOD

<u>RENEWALS (2021)</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>FEE</u>	<u>BUSINESS TYPE</u>
PAIRS FOOD STORE	9000 NINE MILE	\$150.00	GROCERY
ALLWELL PHYSICAL THERPAY	21700 GREENFIELD # 257	\$150.00	PHYSICAL THERAPY
LITTLE BEAR'S LEARNING	13391 NINE MILE	\$150.00	DAYCARE
DREAMS OF GOLD JEWELRY	24760 GREENFIELD	\$150.00	JEWELRY SALES
FRENCH KIDZ LLC	24721 COOLIDGE	\$150.00	KIDS CLOTHING STORE
FAMILY DOLLAR	23105 COOLIDGE	\$150.00	RETAIL VARIETY

**PAWN BROKER RENEWAL
DECEMBER 20, 2021** (Subject to All Departmental Approvals)

<u>MERCHANT</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>FEES</u>
PAY BENNY, INC. 21380 GREENFIELD \$400.00 *Surety Bond Approval	21380 Greenfield	\$400.00

**MASSAGE FACILITY
RENEWAL DECEMBER 20, 2021** (Subject to All Departmental Approvals)

<u>MERCHANT</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>FEES</u>
GREAT HANDS MASSAGE	8230 West Nine Mile	\$125.00

Voice Vote:	Yes:	Burns, Edgar, Whitehead
	No:	None
	Absent:	McClellan, Radner

MOTION DECLARED ADOPTED

**CM-12-410-21 (AGENDA ITEM #4B) Removed from the Consent Agenda. TRAFFIC
SAFETY BOARD MINUTES OF OCTOBER 20, 2021 - APPROVED**

Motion by Burns, seconded by Whitehead, CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, to receive and file the Traffic Safety Board minutes of October 20, 2021.

Roll Call Vote:	Yes:	Burns, Edgar, Whitehead
	No:	None
	Absent:	McClellan, Radner

MOTION DECLARED ADOPTED

RECOGNITION OF VISITING ELECTED OFFICIALS: None

SPECIAL RECOGNITION/PRESENTATIONS: None

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

**(AGENDA ITEM #7A) Public Hearing to receive public comments on the allocation of the
2022 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds**

Mayor Pro Tem Edgar opened the public hearing to receive public comments for the allocation of the 2022 Community Development Block Grant Funds at 7:07 p.m. There were no members of the public who wished to speak and there were no written comments received to enter into the record. The public hearing was closed at 7:08 p.m.

CM-12-413-21 (AGENDA ITEM #7B) RESOLUTION APPROVING THE RECOMMENDED ALLOCATIONS OF THE 2022 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) FUNDS AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR PRO TEM TO SIGN THE APPLICATION AND SUB RECIPIENT AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY - APPROVED

Motion by Burns, seconded by Whitehead, CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, to approve the following resolution approving the recommended allocations of the 2022 Community Development Block Grant Funds and to authorize the Mayor Pro Tem to sign the application and sub recipient agreement on behalf of the City:

**RESOLUTION APPROVING THE 2022
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT APPLICATION**

WHEREAS, Oakland County is preparing an Annual Action Plan to meet application requirements for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program, and other Community Planning and Development (CPD) programs; and

WHEREAS, Oakland County has requested CDBG eligible projects from participating communities for inclusion in the Action Plan; and

WHEREAS, the City of Oak Park is a participating local unit of government in the Oakland County Community Development Block Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, the City Of Oak Park has duly advertised and conducted a public hearing on December 20, 2021 for the purposes of receiving comments regarding the proposed use of Program Year 2022 Community Development Block Grant funds in the approximate amount of \$128,952.00; and

WHEREAS, the public hearing conformed to the guidelines of the Oakland County Community Development Division; and

WHEREAS, The City of Oak Park found that the following projects meet the federal objectives of the CDBG program and are prioritized by the community as high priority need:

Account Number	Project Name	Amount
172170-730310	Code Enforcement	\$98,952.00
172160-732170	Public Service/Yard Services	\$30,000.00

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Oak Park CDBG application is hereby authorized to be submitted to Oakland County for inclusion in Oakland County's Annual Action Plan to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, and that the Mayor Pro Tem is hereby authorized to execute all documents, agreements, or contracts which result from this application to Oakland County.

Roll Call Vote:	Yes:	Burns, Edgar, Whitehead
	No:	None
	Absent:	McClellan, Radner

MOTION DECLARED ADOPTED

(AGENDA ITEM #7A) Public Hearing to receive public comment on the request by Gao Corporation (Ganrong Chen) D/B/A Crazy Crab Seafood Restaurant, 13351 W. 10 Mile, for the issuance of a Class C Liquor License.

Mayor Pro Tem Edgar opened the public hearing at 7:10 p.m. There were no comments from the public and the public hearing closed at 7:11 p.m.

CM-12-414-21 (AGENDA ITEM #7D) RESOLUTIONS APPROVING ISSUANCE OF A CLASS C LIQUOR LICENSE TO GAO CORPORATION (GANRONG CHEN) D/B/A MAD CRAB SEAFOOD RESTAURANT, 13351 W. 10 MILE - APPROVED

Motion by Burns, seconded by Whitehead, CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, to approve the following resolutions approving issuance of a Class C Liquor License to Gao Corporation (Ganrong Chen) D/B/A Mad Crab Seafood Restaurant, 13351 W. 10 Mile Road:

**A RESOLUTION OF THE OAK PARK, MICHIGAN CITY COUNCIL
APPROVING THE REQUEST OF CRAZY CRAB GAO CORPORATION
(GANRONG CHEN) D/B/A MAD CRAB SEAFOOD RESTAURANT FOR
A CLASS C LIQUOR LICENSE**

WHEREAS, pursuant to state law and the Code of Ordinances, City of Oak Park, Michigan it is unlawful for any person to sell, or possess for sale, any alcoholic beverage unless licensed to do so and all licenses required are in full force and effect; and

WHEREAS, Crazy Crab Gao Corporation (hereinafter referred to as Mad Crab Seafood Restaurant) located at 13351 W. 10 Mile has applied for a Class C Liquor License from both the Michigan Liquor Control Commission and the City of Oak Park.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Crazy Crab Seafood Restaurant application for a Class C Liquor License is hereby approved subject to the following conditions:

1. The Michigan Liquor Control Commission issuing a Class C Liquor License to Crazy Crab GAO Corporation/Mad Crab Seafood Restaurant at 13351 W. 10 Mile, Oak Park, Michigan 48237.
2. Upon issuance of the Class C Liquor License by the Michigan Liquor Control Commission, Crazy Crab Seafood Restaurant shall provide the City Clerk's Office with copies of the License along with a Certificate of Liquor Insurance for the subject business.
3. Mad Crab Seafood Restaurant executes a Contract for a Class C Liquor License with the City of Oak Park, Michigan.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that subject to the conditions described in the immediately preceding paragraph and all departmental authorizations, upon approval of a Class C Liquor License by the Michigan

Liquor Control Commission for Mad Crab Seafood Restaurant located at 13351 W. 10 Mile, Oak Park, Michigan 48237, the City Clerk is hereby authorized to issue a Class C Liquor License with an expiration date of April 30, 2023 to Mad Crab Seafood Restaurant; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall be effective upon its approval by the City Council.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT APPROVAL RESOLUTION

Roll Call Vote:	Yes:	Burns, Edgar, Whitehead
	No:	None
	Absent:	McClellan, Radner

MOTION DECLARED ADOPTED

COMMUNICATIONS: None

SPECIAL LICENSES: None

ACCOUNTING REPORTS:

CM-12-415-21 (AGENDA ITEM #10A) APPROVAL FOR PAYMENT OF INVOICES SUBMITTED BY GARAN, LUCOW, MILLER, P.C. FOR LEGAL SERVICES IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$12,083.34 - APPROVED

Motion by Burns, seconded by Whitehead, CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, to approve payment of invoice #577891 by Garan, Lucow, Miller P.C., for legal services rendered through November 30, 2021 in the total amount of \$12,083.34.

Roll Call Vote:	Yes:	Burns, Edgar, Whitehead
	No:	None
	Absent:	McClellan, Radner

MOTION DECLARED ADOPTED

CM-12-415A-21 (AGENDA ITEM #10B) PAYMENT OF AN INVOICE SUBMITTED BY THE LAW OFFICES OF SHIFMAN FOURNIER FOR LEGAL SERVICES IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$18,000.00 - APPROVED

Motion by Burns, Seconded by Whitehead, CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, to approve payment of invoice #15100 to Shifman Fournier for legal services from January 1, 2022 – March 31, 2022 in the total amount of \$18,000.00.

Roll Call Vote:	Yes:	Burns, Edgar, Whitehead
	No:	None
	Absent:	McClellan, Radner

MOTION DECLARED ADOPTED

BIDS: None

ORDINANCES: None

CITY ATTORNEY:

City Attorney Krause reported the State Legislature did not renew the ability for cities to conduct remote meetings beyond January 1, 2022 therefore all municipal public meetings in Oak Park will be held in person.

CITY MANAGER:

Administration

(AGENDA ITEM #14A) City Manager Tungate and Assistant City Manager VanVleck introduced Resident Services Coordinator Timothy Ciechorski.

Recreation/City Manager's Office

CM-12-416-21 (AGENDA ITEM #14B) REQUEST TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE CITY'S APPLICATION FOR THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF SOUTHEAST MICHIGAN RALPH C. WILSON JR. FUND GRANT FOR THE NINE MILE CONNECTOR PARK - APPROVED

Motion by Burns, seconded by Whitehead, CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, to approve the following resolution in support of the City's application for the Community Foundation of Southeast Michigan Ralph C. Wilson Jr. Fund Grant for the Nine Mile Connector Park:

STATE OF MICHIGAN
COUNTY OF OAKLAND
CITY OF OAK PARK

SUPPORT FOR THE CITY OF OAK PARK APPLICATION FOR THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF SOUTHEAST MICHIGAN RALPH C. WILSON LEGACY FUND GRANT FOR THE NINE MILE CONNECTOR PARK

WHEREAS, the Community Foundation of Southeast Michigan, through the Ralph C. Wilson Fund is providing grant funding to support projects within southeast Michigan that serve to increase the walkability and bikeability of local communities and/or increasing outdoor recreational activities within the region; and

WHEREAS, the City of Oak Park is planning the creation of the Nine Mile Connector Park located on Nine Mile Rd.; and

WHEREAS, the City of Oak Park's Master Plan lists "create new pocket parks with a sense of place" and "create more pathways and connectors" as objectives under the goal of "improve park facilities and recreational programming;" and

WHEREAS, the City of Oak Park's Strategic Plan lists "identify the best uses for City property to ensure equitable access to quality public spaces" as objectives under the goal of "deepen sense of place and community identity;" and

WHEREAS, the creation of the Pocket Park will contribute significantly to meeting these goals; and

WHEREAS, the grant request is for \$50,000; and

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Oak Park City Council supports the grant application for the Community Foundation of Southeast Michigan Ralph C. Wilson Legacy Fund Grant for the Nine Mile Connector Park.

Voice Vote:	Yes:	Burns, Edgar, Whitehead
	No:	None
	Absent:	McClellan, Radner

MOTION DECLARED ADOPTED

In the Strategic Plan City Council listed "identifying the best uses for City property to ensure access to quality public spaces," and "fostering social interaction and a sense of ownership at all of the City's public spaces" as top priorities. In addition, The City's Master Plan, as well as the Parks and Recreation Master Plan further prioritize the creation of new pocket parks and access to park space. The Community Foundation of Southeast Michigan, through the Ralph C. Wilson Jr. Fund, is offering grants up to \$50,000 for projects that serve to increase the walkability and bikeability of local communities and/or increase outdoor recreational activities within the region. We believe the Nine Mile Connector Park is a worthy candidate for this grant. The Connector Park is another important incremental piece of the Nine Mile Redesign project, which has transformed underutilized public land into vibrant public spaces, providing more equitable access to park space throughout the city.

The request is a grant of \$50,000 to assist the development of the Connector Park, specifically to fund an array of small-scale recreational amenities within the park.

CM-12-417-21 (AGENDA ITEM #14C) REQUEST TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE CITY'S APPLICATION FOR THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF SOUTHEAST MICHIGAN RALPH C. WILSON JR. FUND GRANT FOR THE REC ON THE ROAD MOBILE RECREATION PROGRAM - APPROVED

Motion by Burns, seconded by Whitehead, CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, to approve the following resolution in support of the City's application for the Community Foundation of Southeast Michigan Ralph C. Wilson Jr. Fund Grant for the Rec on the Road Mobile Recreation Program:

STATE OF MICHIGAN
COUNTY OF OAKLAND
CITY OF OAK PARK

SUPPORT FOR THE CITY OF OAK PARK APPLICATION FOR THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF SOUTHEAST MICHIGAN RALPH C. WILSON LEGACY FUND GRANT FOR THE REC ON THE ROAD MOBILE RECREATION PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Community Foundation of Southeast Michigan, through the Ralph C. Wilson Fund is providing grant funding to support projects within southeast Michigan that bring high-quality sports programs to youth; and

WHEREAS, the City of Oak Park is planning the creation of the Rec on the Road Mobile Program.; and

WHEREAS, the City of Oak Park's Parks and Recreation Master Plan lists "provide well-rounded recreational experiences and programs that reflect the needs of all residents equitably, improve the quality of life, celebrate diversity, and promote inclusion for all residents to enjoy" as an objective and;

WHEREAS, the City of Oak Park's Strategic Plan lists "provide programming that responds to the needs of all demographics of the community" and "foster social interaction and sense of ownership at all of the City's public spaces" as objectives under the goal of "deepen sense of place and community identity;" and

WHEREAS, the creation of the Rec on the Road Mobile Program will contribute significantly to meeting these goals; and

WHEREAS, the grant request is for \$25,000; and

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Oak Park City Council supports the grant application for the Community Foundation of Southeast Michigan Ralph C. Wilson Legacy Fund Grant for the Rec on the Road Mobile Recreation Program.

Voice Vote:	Yes:	Burns, Edgar, Whitehead
	No:	None
	Absent:	McClellan, Radner

MOTION DECLARED ADOPTED

In the Strategic Plan City Council identified "providing programming that responds to the needs of all demographics of the community," and "fostering social interaction and a sense of ownership at all of the City's public spaces" as top priorities. In addition, The Parks and Recreation Master Plan lists "providing well-rounded recreational experiences and programs that reflect the needs of all residents equitably, improve the quality of life, celebrate diversity, and promote inclusion for all residents to enjoy" as an objective. The Recreation Department has developed a mobile recreation program, called "Rec on the Road, to help the city work towards these objectives, as a way to ensure that all youth residents have access to quality and accessible programming, in all areas of the city.

The Community Foundation of Southeast Michigan, through the Ralph C. Wilson Jr. Fund, is offering grants up to \$25,000 to support projects within southeast Michigan that bring high-quality sports programs to youth. The Rec on the Road mobile program has been identified as a worthy program for this grant and we are requesting a grant of \$25,000 to assist the city in kicking off this program. Specifically, the grant is being requested to fund much of the startup costs, including equipment and programming costs, which will ensure the city can afford a robust program from the beginning.

Economic Development and Planning

(AGENDA ITEM #14D) Request to approve a Neighborhood Enterprise Zone Policy. (Removed from the Agenda)

CALL TO THE AUDIENCE:

Ken Sherman, 23840 Jerome St., asked about standing water on Oak Park Blvd. and requested the city contact the garbage collection vendor to eliminate emptied containers from being placed in a way that blocks the driveway.

Deidra Hill, Royal Oak, reported branches touching power lines and potholes along Meyers Road.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Pro Tem Edgar adjourned the meeting at 7:38 P.M.

T. Edwin Norris, City Clerk

Marian McClellan, Mayor