



**CITY OF OAK PARK, MICHIGAN
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF THE
39th OAK PARK CITY COUNCIL
October 16, 2023
7:00 PM**

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor McClellan in the Council Chambers of City Hall located at 14000 Oak Park Boulevard, Oak Park, MI 48237. (248) 691-7544.

PRESENT: Mayor McClellan, Mayor Pro Tem Edgar, Council Member Burns, Council Member Radner, Council Member Whitehead

ABSENT: None

OTHERS

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

**CM-10-339-23 (AGENDA ITEM #4) ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED
– APPROVED**

Motion by Burns, seconded by Whitehead, CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, to approve the agenda as presented.

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

MOTION DECLARED ADOPTED

CONSENT AGENDA:

CM-10-340-23 (AGENDA ITEM #5A-D) CONSENT AGENDA - APPROVED

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

- A. Regular City Council Meeting Minutes for October 2, 2023 **(Removed from the Consent Agenda by Mayor Pro Tem Edgar)**
- B. Request to schedule a public hearing for November 6, 2023 to receive public comment on the allocation of the 2024 Community Development Block Grant Funds **CM-10-341-23**
- C. Request to approve payment application No. 1 for the 2023-24 Miscellaneous Concrete Project to Mattioli Cement Company, of Fenton, Michigan, for the total amount of \$199,677.48 **CM-10-342-23**
- D. Licenses new and renewals submitted for October 16, 2023 **CM-10-343-23**

**MERCHANT'S LICENSES – October 16, 2023
(Subject to All Departmental Approvals)**

<u>NEW MERCHANT</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>FEE</u>	<u>BUSINESS TYPE</u>
NORTHEND WHOLESALE LLC	13261 CLOVERDALE B	\$150.00	APPLIANCE WHOLESALE
SAVVY SLIDERS	21330 GREENFIELD	\$150.00	RESTAURANT
CENTER MOUNT JEWELERS	21700 GREENFIELD # 351	\$150.00	JEWELER
ROCCO'S PIZZA	10100 W NINE MILE RD	\$150.00	RESTAURANT

<u>RENEWALS (2023/2024)</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>FEE</u>	
INSURANCE GIANT	24681 COOLIDGE HWY	\$225.00	INSURANCE AGENCY
PINK GARLIC INDIAN CUISINE	26661 COOLIDGE HWY	\$150.00	RESTAURANT
BUTTER	13631 W ELEVEN MILE	\$150.00	OFFICE
LA MARRA	24700 GREENFIELD RD	\$150.00	RESTAURANT
PIK-NIK BASKET	8511 W NINE MILE RD	\$150.00	RESTAURANT
FRESH BAKED PRINTS	8670 W NINE MILE RD	\$225.00	PRINTING COMPANY
K&F INTERNATIONAL MARKET	13911 NINE MILE RD	\$150.00	MEAT MARKET

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

MOTION DECLARED ADOPTED

**CM-10-344-23 (AGENDA ITEM #5A) Regular City Council Meeting Minutes for
October 2, 2023 (Removed from the Consent Agenda by Mayor Pro Tem
Edgar)**

Motion by Edgar, seconded by Radner, CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, to approve the October 2, 2023 Council Minutes by adding the following statement from Mayor Pro Tem Edgar that was omitted:

Mayor McClellan also read the following statement from Mayor Pro Tem Edgar who was not present:

“My understanding is that this tax abatement will not amount to many thousands of dollars and that it will enable Bollinger to begin work on building out its property on 11 Mile Road. Nonetheless, I am opposed on principle to giving tax breaks to corporations. In a free market economy, corporations such as Bollinger will either sink or swim depending on whether the public buys its product. I want to see the company succeed here in Oak Park, but the city will lose out on important tax revenues if we subsidize Bollinger's growth. We can't very well go to residents for a tax increase in November while we grant a tax break to a for-profit entity.”

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

MOTION DECLARED ADOPTED

RECOGNITION OF VISITING ELECTED OFFICIALS: None

SPECIAL RECOGNITION/PRESENTATIONS:

(AGENDA ITEM #7A) Proclamation declaring October as Michigan Library Appreciation Month.

Mayor McClellan presented a proclamation declaring October as Michigan Library Appreciation Month in Oak Park to Library Director Schaaf.

(AGENDA ITEM #7B) Strategic Plan – Quarterly Report.

Deputy City Manager VanVleck presented the 3rd quarter strategic plan report.

PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

SPECIAL LICENSES: None

ACCOUNTING REPORTS:

**CM-10-345-23 (AGENDA ITEM #11A) APPROVAL FOR PAYMENT OF INVOICES
SUBMITTED BY GARAN, LUCOW, MILLER, P.C. FOR LEGAL
SERVICES IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$14,587.83 - APPROVED**

Motion by Whitehead, seconded by Burns, CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, to approve payment of invoice #615584 by Garan, Lucow, Miller P.C., for legal services rendered through September 30, 2023 in the total amount of \$14,587.83.

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

MOTION DECLARED ADOPTED

BIDS: None

ORDINANCES: None

CITY ATTORNEY: No Report

CITY MANAGER:

City Clerk

**CM-10-346-23 (AGENDA ITEM #15A) REQUEST TO APPROVE A LICENSE
AGREEMENT WITH OAKLAND COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY
ELECTION COMMISSIONERS FOR THE USE OF THE OAK PARK
COMMUNITY CENTER FOR EARLY VOTING SITE 1 AND TO
AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN THE AGREEMENT
ON BEHALF OF THE CITY - APPROVED**

Motion by Burns, seconded by Radner, CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, to approve a license agreement with Oakland County Board of County Election Commissioners for the use of the

Oak Park Community Center for Early Voting Site 1 and to authorize the City Manager to sign the agreement on behalf of the city.

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

MOTION DECLARED ADOPTED

CALL TO THE AUDIENCE:

Ken Sherman, 23840 Jerome, discussed the ballot proposals and tax abatement issue.

Gwendlyn Waters, 10131 Burton, spoke against Proposal 23-1 that is on the November ballot.

Pea Gee Gerald, invited everyone to participate in a Domestic Violence Community Forum to be held at the Southfield Pavilion, 26000 Evergreen Rd., Southfield on November 8, 2023 at 5:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor McClellan adjourned the meeting at 7:47 p.m.

T. Edwin Norris, City Clerk

Marian McClellan, Mayor