



**MINUTES
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
40TH CITY COUNCIL
OAK PARK, MICHIGAN
NOVEMBER 3, 2025
7:00 PM**

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL

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

ABSENT: None

OTHERS

PRESENT: City Manager Tungate, Deputy City Manager DeCoster, City Attorney Krause

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Edgar, seconded by Crawford, CARRIED, to approve the agenda as presented:

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

5. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Crawford, seconded by Whitehead, CARRIED, to approve the consent agenda consisting of the following items:

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

- A. Regular Council Meeting Minutes for October 20, 2025
CM-11-351-2025
- B. Special City Council Meeting Minutes for October 20, 2025
CM-11-352-2025
- C. Payment of invoices from MDOT for 2025 Nine Mile Construction Project from Cloverlawn to Greenfield Road M-771 for the total amount of \$237,741.02
CM-11-353-2025

- D. Request to approve Payment Application No. 4 for the 2025 Block Pruning Project, to Limb Walkers Tree & Snow, LLC of Kenosha, WI in the amount of \$4,150.00.
CM-11-354-2025
- E. Request to hold a Public Hearing on November 17, 2025 for the allocation of Program Year 2026 CDBG Funds.
CM-11-355-2025
- F. 4th Quarter FY 2024-25 Investment Report
CM-11-356-2025
- G. Approval of Pay Application No. 3 for the Eleven Mile Road Alleys & Parking Lot Reconfiguration Project, M-694 in the amount of \$565,547.08.
CM-11-357-2025
- H. New and Renewal Licenses for November 3, 2025
CM-11-358-2025

6. RECOGNITION OF VISITING ELECTED OFFICIALS

There were no elected officials present who wished to speak.

7. CITY MANAGER

- A. Finance/Assessing
 - 1. Request to receive and approve exception recommendations regarding Special Assessment Districts
CM-11-359-2025

Motion by Julie Edgar, seconded by Solomon Radner, CARRIED, to receive and approve the following exception recommendations regarding Special Assessment Districts:

It is recommended that the unpaid invoice(s) belonging to the following parcel(s) be restored to the Special Assessment District No. 725 along with the original 10% penalty:

52-25-29-158-015	24061 Berkley
52-25-30-326-011	23751 Coyle
52-25-31-302-001	21590 Greenfield
52-25-32-201-012	10630 Troy
52-25-30-177-001	15061 Marlow
52-25-31-206-026	21841 Gardner
52-25-30-403-019	23230 Kenosha
52-25-29-376-016	23011 Webster
52-25-29-202-017	24521 Seneca
52-25-30-207-020	24311 Cloverlawn
52-25-30-330-004	14451 Elm
52-25-29-352-027	23251 Eastwood
52-25-31-226-016	22195 Westhampton

And the following parcel(s) be restored to the Special Assessment District No. 727 along with the original 10% penalty:

52-25-30-301-001 23741 Beverly

And the following parcel(s) be restored to the Special Assessment District No. 728 along with the original 10% penalty:

52-25-29-405-019	10750 Kenwood
52-25-32-229-030	10160 Albany
52-25-28-381-012	23131 Forest

And the following parcel(s) be restored to the Special Assessment District No. 729 along with the original 10% penalty:

52-25-19-205-001	14511 Labelle
52-25-19-205-003	14491 Labelle
52-25-19-104-022	26121 Harding
52-25-19-151-003	26230 Harding
52-25-30-328-026	14620 Rosemary
52-25-19-176-016	14831 Talbot
52-25-19-204-021	14200 Labelle
52-25-19-205-009	14411 Labelle
52-25-19-207-015	14510 Talbot
52-25-19-252-027	14290 Hart
52-25-19-229-013	13641 Kingston
52-25-19-131-019	14640 Talbot
52-25-19-205-011	14520 Borgman

And the following parcel(s) be removed from Special Assessment District No. 725 along with the original 10% penalty:

52-25-32-103-015	22041 Dante
52-25-30-378-029	23055 Sussex
52-25-30-376-012	23040 Radclift
52-25-29-229-011	24510 Pine Village
52-25-31-303-004	15425 Miller
52-25-30-204-019	24650 Cloverlawn
52-25-31-203-015	22110 Gardner
52-25-30-335-005	14431 Rosemary
52-25-31-207-026	21841 Cloverlawn
52-25-30-376-017	23151 Wildwood
52-25-30-201-027	24631 Kenosha
52-25-31-128-035	22131 Sussex
52-25-29-406-019	23410 Rensselaer

And the following parcel(s) be removed from Special Assessment District No. 728 along with the original 10% penalty:

52-25-30-101-041	24730 Greenfield
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And the following parcel(s) be removed from Special Assessment District No. 729 along with the original 10% penalty:

52-25-19-178-021	26081 Radclift
52-25-19-233-018	13770 Talbot
52-25-19-231-012	13641 Labelle
52-25-19-178-030	25991 Radclift Place
52-25-19-283-025	13650 Manhattan St.
52-25-19-284-006	14011 Manhattan

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

B. Municipal Services

1. 11 Mile Water Tower/Social District Mural Recommendation
 CM-11-360-2025

Motion by Whitehead, seconded by Edgar, CARRIED, to approve the 11 Mile Water Tower/Social District Mural proposal submitted by artist Desiree Kelly.

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

At the September 18th Corridor Improvement Authority Board Meeting, board members were given proposals and materials with the purpose of reviewing and making a recommendation to the City Council regarding the public art proposals received for the 11 Mile Water Tower Social District Public Art Mural. In addition to the CIA Board members, the Oak Park Mural Review committee, comprised of the Mayor, Municipal Services Director Kim Marrone, and local artist Robert Mirek, were also given the murals for their review and recommendation. The RFP deadline was September 5, and we received a total of 20 proposals.

Three muralists quickly stood out in our selection process, each presenting a distinct vision perfectly suited for the Social District area: **Desiree Kelly:** Her proposal offered a vibrant, energetic portrayal of the Oak Park community. Her design skillfully meshes the city's character with the lively atmosphere of the Water Tower Social District. **Dustin Hunt (Muralmatics):** Dustin created a "Canvas Transformation" concept defined by bright, vibrant colors. His work successfully blends playful, dynamic imagery with the theme of community and social activities. **Wendy Popko:** Wendy's "Good Vibrations" design captures the electric energy of the District, with a rippling effect woven throughout the art, illustrating how one small positive change can organically uplift the entire community. After careful consideration and the use of a robust scoring rubric, the CIA Board and Mural Review Committee recommend the mural designed by Desiree Kelly.

The mural project will not begin until the Spring of 2026. Some minor modifications may have to be made to the mural based on the new changes evolving from the current Water Tower Tune Up construction project. There will be an internal review with the artist, CIA Board, Mural Committee, and the City of Oak Park executive committee before any work begins on the mural.

About the chosen artist: Desiree is an award-winning artist who spent time growing up in both Detroit and Oak Park. She attended Ferndale High School. She was introduced to oil painting while studying Graphic Design at Wayne State University. Raised on the eastside, she became inspired by the environment and developed a style of storytelling through portraits. She is known for her distinctive style of painting, which is mixture of "street art" & traditional oil technique.

In 2019, she was named by Crain's Detroit Business as a "Twenty in their 20's" honoree, which

highlights outstanding young leaders in business. Subsequently, she became the first Visual Artist (Painter) in history to be named to the list. Her work can be experienced and seen all over metro Detroit in permanent and temporary public collections like the Coleman A. Young Municipal Building, Kuzzo's Chicken & Waffles, Eastern Market & the historical Alger Theater in Detroit.

She has been commissioned by a number of private collections and public corporations, which include: The Ellen DeGeneres Show, Pandora (jewelry), Detroit Pistons, Meijer, Converse, Jack Daniels, Kroger (stores), City of Royal Oak(MI), Beaumont Health, Carhartt, FootLocker, PUMA, and more! Most recently, she completed the mural on the Oak Park Public Library.

2. Resolution for Continued Support of the Eleven Mile Road Alleys and Parking Lot Reconfiguration Project M-694
CM-11-361-2025

Motion by Edgar, seconded by Crawford, CARRIED, to adopt the Resolution for Continued Support of the Eleven Mile Road Alleys and Parking Lot Reconfiguration Project M-694.

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

The Eleven Mile Road Alleys and Parking Lot Reconfiguration project M-694 is now entering its last phase. The project's scope and budget have required adjustment due to external pressures like cost inflation and unforeseen construction challenges. Oakland County has requested a revised resolution in support of their funding for this project. This resolution requests the City Council to formally reaffirm its support for the revised project plan and authorize City staff to continue implementation and finalize this vital corridor improvement.

3. Request authorization to purchase streetscape furniture for the Eleven Mile Water Tower Social District for a total of \$87,490.94.
CM-11-362-2025

Motion by Whitehead, seconded by Radner, CARRIED, to authorize the purchase of streetscape furniture for the Eleven Mile Water Tower Social District for a total of \$87,490.94 and to use the Corridor Improvement Authority, Materials and Supply FY2024-25 rollover budget for this expenditure.

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

The Corridor Improvement Authority is requesting authorization to purchase the following streetscape amenities from the TIPS purchasing cooperative pre-bid. The streetscape amenities include benches, waste receptacles, and picnic tables to be placed in the social district.

8. CALL TO THE AUDIENCE

Ken Sherman, 23840 Jerome, expressed his concern about the naming rights conversation that took place during the special meeting prior to the regular council meeting and suggested that the ability to have a naming rights policy be brought to the voters.

9. CALL TO THE COUNCIL

10. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor McClellan adjourned the meeting at 7:35 PM.

T. Edwin Norris, City Clerk