



**CITY OF PLYMOUTH
MEETING MINUTES**

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CITY OF PLYMOUTH
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
MONDAY, JANUARY 18, 2016, 7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER:

PRESENT: Mayor Daniel Dwyer, Mayor Pro-Tem Oliver Wolcott; Commissioners
Mike Wright, Colleen Pobur, Daniel Dalton, Suzanne Deal, Joseph Valenti

ABSENT: None

CITIZEN COMMENTS: None

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

3. Commissioner Daniel Dalton requested that agenda #4c and #4h be removed and placed under "New Business". A motion was made by Commissioner Colleen Pobur and seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Oliver Wolcott for approval of the Agenda for Monday, January 18, 2016, as amended.

MOTION PASSED

ENACTMENT OF THE CONSENT AGENDA:

- 4a. Approval of December 7, 2015 City Commission Reg. Mtg. Minutes (amended)
- 4b. Approval of December 21, 2015 City Commission Regular Meeting Minutes
- 4c. Approval of January 4, 2016 City Commission Regular Meeting Minutes
- 4d. Approval of December, 2015 Bills
- 4e. Special Event: City Youth Soccer & T-Ball Program 2016 3/14/16 -10/31/16
- 4f. Special Event: Relay for Life 6/11/16
- 4g. Special Event: YMCA Father's Day Run 6/19/16
- 4h. Special Event: Alpha Contessa Strongwoman 10/15/16

A motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Oliver Wolcott and seconded by Commissioner Colleen Pobur for approval of the Consent Agenda for Monday, January 18, 2016.

MOTION PASSED

COMMISSION COMMENTS: None

OLD BUSINESS:

6a. City Goals for 2016 -
RES. #2016-01

WHEREAS, In order to more effectively operate the City of Plymouth the City Commission of the City determines goals for the City Boards & Commissions as well as the City Administration; and

WHEREAS, The City Commission has had two opportunities to discuss the potential Goals for the City.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City Commission of the City of Plymouth does hereby adopt the following goals for 2016:

CITY OF PLYMOUTH 2016 GOALS

Resolve Last Issues Regarding Dissolution of Plymouth Community Fire Department Agreement (Primarily Pension Issues)

Mayor Dwyer, Mayor Pro-tem Wolcott, Commissioner Dalton, Commissioner Pobur, Commissioner Deal,

Commissioner Valenti, Commissioner Mike Wright 7 votes

Developing a succession plan for the city's key employees, especially considering the long tenures of many of our senior staff.

Mayor Pro-tem Wolcott, Commissioner Dalton, Commissioner Pobur, Commissioner Deal, Commissioner Valenti 5 votes

Work Collaboratively with Plymouth Arts & Recreation Complex (PARC) organization, the Plymouth Canton School Board, and the greater Plymouth Community to continue the repurposing of Central Middle School into a high quality Arts & Recreation Complex.

Mayor Dwyer, Mayor Pro-tem Wolcott, Commissioner Dalton, Commissioner Pobur, Commissioner Valenti, Commissioner Wright 6 votes

Develop funding plan for future capital improvements

Mayor Pro-tem Wolcott, Commissioner Dalton, Commissioner Pobur, Commissioner Wright 4 votes

A thorough examination and updating of our code of ordinances. The aim would be to eliminate antiquated or unnecessary language and to bring the ordinances in line with our overall vision.

Mayor Dwyer, Commissioner Pobur, Commissioner Deal

Work collaboratively with the DDA, community leaders, and other organization to plan for Plymouth's 150th Birthday in 2017. This includes obtaining funding for new Kellogg Park Foundation and Kellogg Park upgrades.

Mayor Dwyer, Mayor Pro-tem Wolcott, Commissioner Valenti, Commissioner Wright 4 votes

Public Art – create a public arts commission in collaboration with the Planning Commission, the PARC, the DDA and the Chamber of Commerce with the purpose of including public art in public projects and codify the plan in the Master Plan.

Mayor Dwyer, Commissioner Dalton, Commissioner Deal 3 votes

Continue to work collaboratively with the DDA, Planning Commission and Historic District Commission to develop the Saxton's property for parking in the short and medium-term, with an eye toward developing the site in the long-term.

Commissioner Valenti, Commissioner Wright 2 votes

Work Collaboratively with DDA, and Old Village on opportunities to engage and integrate the neighborhoods and businesses of Old Village into our many festivals and activities downtown throughout the year.

Commissioner Deal 1 vote

A motion was made by Commissioner Pobur and seconded by Commissioner Dalton for approval of the resolution.

MOTION PASSED

NEW BUSINESS:

7a. Traffic Control Order –

RES. #2016-02

WHEREAS, The City of Plymouth operates many public streets and parking areas and as such the Michigan uniform Traffic Code requires that the City Commission adopt Traffic Control Orders in order to maintain the safe and orderly flow of Traffic and parking in the City; and

WHEREAS, The City Street Administrator did issue Temporary Traffic Control Order 15-1 on October 30, 2015 related to parking in the Old Village area of the City; and

WHEREAS, prior to the issuance of 15-1 the order was reviewed by the Old Village Association and received positive comments.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City Commission of the City of Plymouth does hereby adopt City Traffic Control Order 15-1 as indicated here:

Pursuant to the authority provided by Section 28.11.53 of the Uniform Traffic Code of the City of Plymouth, the following traffic regulatory signs are directed to be installed.

Per DMS WO# 10568 (Caster, N. Mille to N. Holbrook:

Remove two (2) 2hr 8AM-8PM Parking signs from the North side of Caster & two 8AM-8PM parking signs from the South side of Caster, Existing sign poles to remain.

Install two (2) 2hr 9AM-6PM Except Sunday and Holidays parking signs on the North side of Caster & two (2) 2hr 9AM-6PM Except Sunday and Holidays parking signs on the

South side of Caster.

Parking restrictions other than those listed above exist and are unaffected by this TCO.

Per DMS WO# 10569 (N. Holbrook, Liberty to Spring):

Remove one (1) 2hr parking 8AM-8PM sign and pole from the West side of N. Holbrook near 659 N. Holbrook.

Remove one (1) 2 hr. 8AM-8PM parking sign from the West side of N. Holbrook near the parking lot exit for 696 N. Mill Pole to remain with Playground warning sign.

East side of N. Holbrook does not have parking permission/restriction signage installed at this location.

Parking restrictions other than those listed above exist and are unaffected by this TCO.

Per DMS WO# 10570 (N. Holbrook, Spring to Caster):

Remove two (2) 2hr 8AM-8PM parking signs and poles from the West side of N. Holbrook adjacent to K of C Park.

Remove one (1) 2hr 8AM-8PM parking sign and pole from the East side of N. Holbrook near 542 N. Holbrook.

Remove one (1) 2hr 8AM-8PM parking sign from the East side of N. Holbrook near 520 N. Holbrook Pole to remain with Playground warning sign.

No replacement parking permissions or restrictions signs to be installed at this time.

Parking restrictions other than those listed above exist and are unaffected by this TCO.

Per DMS WO# 10571 (N. Holbrook, Plymouth to Caster):

Remove four (4) 2hr 8AM-8PM parking signs from the West side of N. Holbrook between Plymouth Rd. and Caster, Existing sign poles to remain.

Install four (4) 2hr 9AM-6PM Except Sunday and Holidays parking sign on the West side of N. Holbrook between Plymouth and Caster.

Remove three (3) No Parking 8AM-5PM signs from the East side of N. Holbrook from Plymouth to Caster. Existing sign poles to remain.

Install three (3) No Parking This Side of Street signs on the East side of N. Holbrook from Plymouth to Caster.

Parking restrictions other than those listed above exist and are affected by this TCO.

Per DMS WO# 10573 (E. Union, N. Mill to N. Holbrook):

Remove one (1) 2Hr 8AM-6PM parking sign and pole from the North side of E. Union between N. Mill and N. Holbrook.

No replacement parking permission or restrictions signs to be installed at this time.

Parking restrictions other than those listed above exist and are unaffected by this TCO.

Per DMS WO# 10574 (Starkweather, N. Main to Liberty):

Remove one (1) No Parking 3AM-6AM sign and pole from the East side of Starkweather near 400 Starkweather.

Remove two (2) 15 MIN Parking signs from the East side of Starkweather near 578-584 Starkweather. Existing light poles to remain.

No replacement parking permissions or restrictions signs to be installed at this time.

Parking restrictions and permissions other than those listed above exist and are unaffected by this TCO.

Per DMA WO#10576 (W. Spring, Starkweather to N. Mill):

Remove one (1) Handicap Parking sign from the W. Spring side of the building at 620 Starkweather.

Install one (2) Handicap Parking Sign + Van Accessible plaque and pole on the North side of W. Spring at the first parking space East of Starkweather.

Install one (1) Handicap Parking sign and pole on the North side of W. Spring at the second parking space East of Starkweather.

Parking restrictions and permissions other than those listed above exist and are unaffected by this TCO.

Per DMS WO# 10578 (W. Liberty, Starkweather to N. Mill):

Remove one (2) Handicap Parking sign from the pedestrian railing on the South side of

W. Liberty near 195 W. Liberty.

Install one (1) Handicap Parking sign and pole on the South side of W. Liberty at the first parking space East of Starkweather.

Install one (1) Handicap Parking sign + Van Accessible plaque and pole on the South side of W. Liberty at the second parking space East of Starkweather.

Remove three (3) 2hr 12PM-6PM parking signs from the North side of W. Liberty between N. Mill and Starkweather from the three decorative street light poles.

Install three (3) 2 hr 9AM-6PM Except Sunday and Holidays parking signs on the North side of W. Liberty between N. Mill and Starkweather on the three decorative street light poles.

Remove three (3) 2hr 12PM-6PM parking signs from the South side of W. Liberty between N. Mill and Starkweather from the three decorative street light poles.

Install three (3) 2hr 9AM-6PM Except Sunday and Holidays parking signs on the South side of W Liberty between N. Mill and Starkweather on the three decorative street light poles.

Parking restrictions and permissions other than those listed above exist and are unaffected by this TCO.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the City Commission of the City of Plymouth does hereby direct the City Clerk to maintain a record of this and all Traffic Control Orders in accordance with the Michigan Uniform Traffic Control Code.

A motion was made by Commissioner Daniel Dalton and seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Oliver Wolcott for approval of the resolution.

MOTION PASSED

7b. Community Development Department Permit Fee Schedule -

RES. #2016-03

WHEREAS, The City Commission of the City of Plymouth has reviewed the proposed fee schedule amendments for closure permits; and

WHEREAS, The City of Plymouth Community Development Department is recommending the adoption of the closure permit fees at this time because residential construction is becoming a year round industry; and

WHEREAS, The adoption of the proposed fees and resulting closure permits will assist the Community Development Department in better tracking sidewalk closures and dumpsters in the Right-of-Way; and

WHEREAS, The intent is to improve the health, safety, and welfare of residents and visitors of the community.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the adopted fee for closure permits will go into effect on February 1, 2016.

After discussion among the City Commission, it was agreed that the fee schedule being offered for approval needs further review by the Community Development Department.

A motion was made by Commissioner Pobur and seconded by Commissioner Joseph Valenti to table this agenda item until the first meeting in February.

MOTION PASSED TO TABLE UNTIL THE FIRST MEETING IN FEBRUARY

7c. Resolution Regarding Public Act 269/SB571 –

RES. #2016-04

WHEREAS, Governor Snyder signed into law, with immediate effect Public Act 269 (Senate Bill 571) despite wide spread calls for a veto of this bill, including from members of his own party; and

WHEREAS, Both the Michigan Senate and the Michigan House of Representatives passed Senate Bill 571 late into the night of December 16, 2015, just prior to recessing for the year; and

WHEREAS, One of the last minute amendments made to Senate Bill 571, without the knowledge of the Michigan Municipal League or other local government organization, and approved without any public testimony or awareness, was the new language inserted into Section 57, subsection (3); and

WHEREAS, This new law prohibits a public body, or a person acting for a public body, from using public funds or resources for the purpose of communicating any information to the electorate regarding local ballot question that is to appear on the ballot, within 60 days of an election; and

WHEREAS, This law places an immediate gag order on entities with ballot questions on the March 8 ballot and every election thereafter; and

WHEREAS, Municipal elected and appointed officials have a civic and legal duty to the residents of their communities to fully inform them regarding the issues placed before them, upon which they may exercise their constitutional right to vote; and

WHEREAS, Existing laws already provided for an allowance for elected and appointed officials to express their views without fear of violating the act; and

WHEREAS, Because the new law bans only communication on local ballot issues, it creates inconsistent treatment of statewide ballot questions versus local initiatives; and

WHEREAS, There are substantial questions regarding the constitutionality and legality of the new law, including a possible ban on freedom of speech;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Commission of the City of Plymouth calls for an immediate repeal of the new language in Section 57, subsection (3) of PA 269 of 2016; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the City's state representatives in the Michigan House of Representatives and the Michigan Senate by the City Clerk.

A motion was made by Commissioner Colleen Pobur and seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Oliver Wolcott for approval of the resolution.

MOTION PASSED

7d. Approval of January 4, 2016 City Commission Regular Meeting Minutes –

Commissioner Daniel Dalton stated he requested to have these minutes added to New Business because of an error and asked to have them corrected by the City Clerk. He stated that in the top part of the minutes – Commissioner Wright was absent, not Joseph Valenti.

A motion was made by Commissioner Daniel Dalton and seconded by Commissioner Colleen Pobur for approval of the January 4, 2016 City Commission Meeting Minutes, as amended.

MOTION PASSED

7e. Special Event Request for Alpha Contessa Strongwoman, 10/15/2016 -

Commissioner Daniel Dalton expressed concerns with this request for this event because they are asking for permission to close down Penniman between Main and Union Streets. He stated that it would impact business at the Penn Theater and he has concerns with any closing of streets for special events. Commissioner Dalton stated he would move to approve the request for the event, but not close the street in the area of Penniman between Main and Union Streets.

Mayor Daniel Dwyer stated he appreciates the concerns and the Commission input but the time frame of the event is very short and there is nowhere else to relocate this event.

Commissioner Daniel Dalton withdrew his motion to relocate the event to another location, and also not close the street on Penniman between Main and Union Streets.

A motion was made by Commissioner Colleen Pobur and seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Oliver Wolcott for approval of the Special Event Request for Alpha Contessa Strongwoman, 10/15/2016.

MOTION PASSED

REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE:

8. None

ADJOURNMENT:

9. Hearing no further discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Colleen Pobur

and seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Oliver Wolcott for adjournment of the meeting at 8:05p.m.
MOTION PASSED