

**Official Proceedings  
Pontiac City Council  
184<sup>th</sup> Session of the Tenth Council**

**Call to order**

A Study Session Meeting of the City Council of Pontiac, Michigan was called to order electronically on Tuesday, August 11, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. by Council President Kermit Williams.

**Roll Call**

Members Present: Carter, Miller, Pietila, Shramski, Waterman and Williams.

Mayor Waterman was present.

Clerk announced a quorum.

**Authorization to Excuse Councilmembers**

**Excuse Councilperson Shramski & Taylor-Burks for personal reasons.** Moved by Councilperson Waterman and second by Councilperson Pietila. Councilperson Waterman withdrew her motion and Councilperson Pietila withdrew her second.

20-365 **Excuse Councilperson Taylor-Burks for personal reasons.** Moved by Councilperson Waterman and second by Councilperson Pietila.

Ayes: Pietila, Shramski, Waterman, Williams, Carter and Miller

No: None

**Motion Carried**

**Amendments to the Agenda**

20-366 **Motion to add on Court Presentation.** Moved by Councilperson Miller and second by Councilperson Carter.

Ayes: Shramski, Waterman, Williams, Carter, Miller and Pietila

No: None

**Motion Carried**

20-367 **Motion to add on Census Report.** Moved by Councilperson Shramski and second by Councilperson Miller.

Ayes: Waterman, Williams, Carter, Miller, Pietila, and Shramski

No: None

**Motion Carried**

20-368 **Motion to add on Cleaning Resolution.** Moved by Councilperson Shramski and second by Councilperson Carter.

Ayes: Waterman, Williams, Carter, Miller, Pietila and Shramski

No: None

**Motion Carried**

20-369 **Motion to add on Census Resolution.** Moved by Councilperson Shramski and second by Councilperson Carter.

Ayes: Williams, Carter, Miller, Pietila, Shramski and Waterman

No: None

**Motion Carried**

20-370 **Motion to withdraw Census Report from the agenda.** Moved by Councilperson Carter and second by Councilperson Shramski.

Ayes: Miller, Pietila, Shramski, Waterman, Williams, and Carter

No: None

**Motion Carried**

**Approval of the Amended Agenda**

20-371 **Motion to approve the amended agenda.** Moved by Councilperson Pietila and second by Councilperson Miller.

Ayes: Pietila, Shramski, Waterman, Williams, Carter and Miller

No: None

**Motion Carried**

**Presentation**

50<sup>th</sup> District Court Chief Judge Walker and Lynette Ward, Court Administrator discuss the emergency repair that needs to be made to the carpet at the courthouse.

**Approval of the Minutes**

20-372 **Approval formal meeting minutes for August 6, 2020.** Moved by Councilperson Shramski and second by Councilperson Pietila.

Ayes: Shramski, Waterman, Williams, Carter, Miller and Pietila

No: None

**Motion Carried**

**Public Comment**

Two (2) individuals submitted a public comment read by the City Clerk

**Suspend the Rules**

20-373 **Motion to suspend the rules to vote.** Moved by Councilperson Waterman and second by Councilperson Miller.

Ayes: Waterman, Williams, Carter, Miller, Pietila and Shramski

No: None

**Motion Carried**

**Resolutions**

**City Clerk**

20-374      **Resolution to authorize the Interim City Clerk to publish a notice in a newspaper of general circulation at least one week before consideration of the proposed budget amendment to increase account 101-255-702.000 Salaries & Wages from \$15,000 to \$30,000. This increase is due to allocating the majority of the Special Assistant to the Clerk work hours to the Medical Marihuana application review process. The Special Assistant to the Clerk salary will not change.** Moved by Councilperson Waterman and second by Councilperson Pietila

WHEREAS, the City of Pontiac approved the FY 2020-2021 budget on June 29, 2020; and  
WHEREAS, the adopted FY 2020-2021 General Fund (101) includes Medical Marihuana Applications Dept (255); and  
WHEREAS, the City of Pontiac received its first medical marihuana application on August 8, 2019; and  
WHEREAS, the 21 day application period for provisioning centers was January 6-27, 2020. The City received 103 provisioning center applications. As of August 6, 2020, the City has received a total of 111 medical marihuana applications including 5 grower, 2 processor and 1 secure transporter applications; and  
WHEREAS, the budget amendment to the Medical Marihuana Applications Dept (255) is necessary to allocate more of the Special Assistant to the Clerk work hours to the medical marihuana application review process;  
WHEREAS, the City Clerk is requesting that the salaries and wages account 101-255-702.000 in Dept (255) be increased from \$15,000 to \$30,000; and  
WHEREAS, section 5.106 of the Charter states “after adoption of the appropriations ordinance, and upon at least one week’s notice in a newspaper of general circulation in the City, the Council by a resolution of five members, may amend such ordinance to authorize the transfer of an unused balance appropriated for one purpose to another purpose, or to appropriate available revenues not previously appropriated.”; and  
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council hereby authorizes the Interim City Clerk to publish a notice in a newspaper of general circulation at least one week before consideration of the proposed budget amendment to increase account 101-255-702.000 salaries and wages from \$15,000 to \$30,000.

Ayes: Waterman, Williams, Carter, Miller, Pietila and Shramski

No: None

**Resolution Passed.**

**Suspend the Rules**

20-375      **Motion to Suspend the Rules to vote.** Moved by Councilperson Pietila and second by Councilperson Miller.

Ayes: Williams, Miller, Pietila, Shramski and Waterman

No: Carter

**Motion Carried**

**Resolutions**

**Economic Development**

20-376           **Resolution to approve the following contracts as recommended by the George W. Auch Company per their letter dated July 23, 2020: (1) Structural Repairs to DRV Contractors, LLC, in the amount of \$2,793,345.00; (2.) Concrete Foundation to CI Contracting in the amount of \$15,620.00; (3.) Masonry to Davenport Masonry in the amount of \$24,400.00; (4.) Architectural Renovations to Dencco Construction in the amount of \$108,300.00; (5.) Painting to Accurate in the amount of \$94,800.00; (6.) Fire Suppression to Professional Sprinkler in the amount of \$199,980.00; (7.) Plumbing to Tempco Mechanical in the amount of \$106,800.00; and (8.) Underpass Lighting to Ferndale Electric in the amount of \$487,800.00. Furthermore, that the Mayor be authorized to sign and execute these contracts on behalf of the City of Pontiac. Moved by Councilperson Pietila and second by Councilperson Miller.**

WHEREAS, The City of Pontiac is subject to the terms of a certain Settlement Agreement that require repair and maintenance work to be performed on the Phoenix Center, such work being outlined in the terms of the Agreement, including Exhibit 2; and

WHEREAS, The City of Pontiac approved and retained IDS to complete architectural and engineering services to identify and plan for all work required under the Settlement Agreement; and

WHEREAS, On May 1, 2020 a complete scope of work and pre-bid cost estimate was presented to the City for its consideration and direction, whereupon the City Council elected to allocate a partial amount of funding to support financing the required work in the amount of \$7,000,000.00; and

WHEREAS, The City of Pontiac's construction manager, architectural professionals and special counsel for economic development immediately re-structured the recommended work to support the limited funding allocation and presented a revised timeline and phased scope of work to the City Council that would maintain the required phasing of construction steps and utilize the funding support as allocated; and

WHEREAS, AUCH Construction prepared bid packages for the partial release of work in accord with the amount of supported funding, published those bids in strict accord with the purchasing rules of the City of Pontiac, opened and read the bids on July 21, 2020, presented the bids and the appropriate summary to the City Clerk on July 23, 2020; and

WHEREAS, AUCH has now recommended the award of contracts based upon the received bids that upon award would represent an estimated total cost to the City of Pontiac of \$6,624,060.00

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Pontiac does hereby accept the recommendation of the George W Auch Company dated July 23, 2020 and accept and award the following;

- A. Structural Repairs to DRV Contractors, LLC in the amount of \$2,793,345.00
- B. Concrete Foundation to CI contracting in the amount of \$15,620.00
- C. Masonr to Davenport Masonry in the amount of \$24,400.00
- D. Architectural Renovations to Dencco Construction in the amount of \$108,300.00
- E. Painting to Accurate in the amount of \$94,800.00
- F. Fire Suppression to Professional Sprinkler in the amount of \$199,980.00
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- H. Underpass Licensing to Ferndale Electric in the amount fo \$487,800.00

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Ayes: Pietila and Waterman  
No: Carter, Miller, Shramski and Williams  
**Resolution Failed.**

**Communications from the Mayor**

20-377 **Received item 5 William's International Development Agreement - Student Scholarships and item 6 Update: CARES Act.** Moved by Councilperson Waterman and second by Councilperson Miller.

Ayes: Miller, Pietila, Shramski, Waterman, Williams and Carter  
No: None

**Suspend the Rules**

20-378 **Motion to Suspend the Rules to vote on item 7 & 8.** Moved by Councilperson Pietila and second by Councilperson Shramski.

Ayes: Pietila, Shramski, Waterman, Williams, Carter and Miller  
No: None  
**Motion Carried.**

**Resolutions**

20-379 **Resolution for Census.** Moved by Councilperson Shramski and second by Councilperson Pietila.

WHEREAS, during the Council meeting on Thursday, August 6, 2020, the Mayor indicated that there will be a series of four (4) outdoor concerts every Friday for the month of August, promoting census registration with the first being held on Friday, August 7, 2020 in the parking lot of Pontiac City Hall; and, WHEREAS, the Council as well as the residents of the City of Pontiac need to be apprised as to the number of registrants, the monetary sources and the expenditures. NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Pontiac City Council requests that the Mayor provide a written weekly census update, to be submitted to the Interim Clerk and included in Council's Agenda. The first census report shall be included in the Tuesday, August 18, 2020 Council Agenda. All census reports are to include; the number of patrons that attended the event, the number of citizens that registered for the census during the event, the total amount of dollars expended for each census event, the amount of any and all overtime paid to City employees, and a breakdown of all funding sources including sponsors, reflecting the monetary allocation of each.

Ayes: Shramski, Waterman, Williams, Carter, Miller and Pietila  
No: None:  
**Resolution Passed.**

20-380 **Resolution for Cleaning.** Moved by Councilperson Shramski and second by Councilperson Carter.

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WHEREAS, during the Council meeting on Thursday, August 6, 2020, the Mayor indicated that there will be a series of four (4) outdoor concerts every Friday for the month of August, promoting census registration with the first being held on Friday, August 7, 2020 in the parking lot of Pontiac City Hall; and,

WHEREAS, it was discovered that the concert event on August 7, 2020 did not have portable restrooms and if needed, the patrons were directed to use the restroom facilities inside City Hall; and,

WHEREAS, in light of COVID-19, this was not and is not safe and increases the possible spread of the virus; and,

WHEREAS, on April 14, 2020, the Pontiac City Council was presented with an emergency resolution (an Agenda Ad-on) to engage RNA RM, Elite Cleaning Team LLC and Restoration 1, and to *Immediately Authorize the Mayor to Deep Clean and Sanitize All City Buildings at a Cost Not to Exceed \$15,000.00* and,

WHEREAS, Council passed the emergency motion overwhelmingly with six ayes and no nays; and,

WHEREAS, the resolution stressed, that in an effort to mitigate the spread of COVID-19, Mayor Waterman directed that all City facilities be deep cleaned, disinfected and sanitized; and,

WHEREAS, the following City owned facilities were to be professionally cleaned, disinfected and sanitized: 50<sup>th</sup> District Court, Ruth Peterson Senior Center, Bowens Senior Center, Pontiac Youth Recreation and Enrichment Center (PYREC) and City Hall offices; and,

WHEREAS, since the re-opening of City Hall on July 1, 2020, there has been an influx of traffic in all of the City buildings with the exception of the Pontiac Youth Recreation and Enrichment Center (PYREC); and,

WHEREAS, the Council chambers and the Council's conference room have been used by other groups, there was voting traffic in several City buildings and again, the restrooms in City Hall were available for public use during the concert last Friday.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Pontiac City Council in an attempt to reduce the spread of the COVID-19, authorizes the Mayor to contract with Restoration 1 in an amount not to exceed \$15,000.00 for the cleaning, sanitizing and disinfecting of City Hall, 50<sup>th</sup> District Court and Ruth Peterson Senior Center and Bowens Senior Center.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if future concerts or events are held at City Hall within the next three (3) weeks and or anytime during the pandemic, City Hall is to be closed to the public and portable restrooms are to be provided for public use.

Ayes: Waterman, Williams, Carter, Miller and Shramski

No: Pietila

**Resolution Passed.**

**Adjournment**

Council President Kermit Williams adjourned the meeting at 7:07 p.m.

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GARLAND S DOYLE  
INTERIM CITY CLERK