HUDSONVILLE CITY COMMISSION
City Commission Minutes

August 14, 2012

Mayor Van Doeselaar called a Work Session of the Hudsonville City Commission to order on Tuesday, August 14, 2012 at 6:00 PM.

Present: Mayor Van Doeselaar, Commissioners Brandsen, Leerar, O'Brien, Ten Harmsel, Unema, Zuiderveen, City Manager Waterman, City Attorney Wendt, Planning Director Strikwerda and City Clerk Wiersum.

8048. *DDA Development and Tax Increment Financing Plan.* Dan Strikwerda reviewed the changes made to the proposed DDA and Tax Increment Financing Plan. A paragraph entitled "Coordination With the City Commission" (page 6) was added regarding the need for the DDA to coordinate with the City Commission regarding projects and to improve communication between the City Commission and the DDA. After discussion, wording was changed to a sentence in the paragraph to state: "The DDA and City Commission shall meet jointly prior to making any expenditure that exceeds $100,000 or if considering a project which may require issuance of debt."

8049. *Elmwood Lake Bike Path Extension:* City Manager Waterman reported that he met with developer Bill Aukeman, Georgetown Township and Ottawa County regarding extending the bike path from where it exists now on Elmwood north to a road that comes off Port Sheldon. This would connect our Elmwood Lake path to Port Sheldon. The total project cost is $90,000. This cost would be split into thirds with Georgetown, Hudsonville and Aukeman each contributing $30,000. This is a unique opportunity to collaborate with Georgetown Township to have this bike path extended. The consensus of the Commission is to not expand the budget at this time, but to wait until the end of the budget year and then make a transfer to cover the $30,000.

8050. *RTI Water Tower Lease Agreement:* City Manager Waterman gave an update on the status of negotiations with Arlen Dykema regarding RTI's vertical tower on top of the city's south water tower. He has requested proof of liability insurance from Mr. Dykema as well as maintenance inspection reports. The City Manager is meeting with the county next week to determine what the needs of the county and the city are and will report back to the City Commission after that meeting takes place before a determination is made regarding our agreement with RTI.

8051. *Hudsonville Cultural Center:* The City Commission discussed the Hudsonville Cultural Center building and whether to demolish the building or attempt to sell

the building. City Manager suggested an option of demolishing the building and splitting the property to create one residential lot and the remaining space used for parking for the library. City Manager also reported that Love, Inc. is not interested in purchasing the building at this time. The City Manager will be getting a quote for demolition and a quote for paving the lot and will bring that information back to the City Commission before a decision is made regarding the building.

8052. Motion by Leerar, seconded by Zuiderveen, to adjourn the work session at 6:55 p.m. for the regular session.

All aye, motion carried.

Mayor Van Doeselaar called the Regular Session of the Hudsonville City Commission to order at 7:05 P.M., August 14, 2012. The Pledge of Allegiance was stated and Commissioner Unema gave the invocation.

Present: Mayor Van Doeselaar, Commissioners Brandsen, Leerar, O'Brien, Ten Harmsel, Unema, Zuiderveen, City Manager Waterman, City Attorney Wendt, City Finance Director Sal and City Clerk Wiersum.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

8053. Vern Helder introduced himself as a candidate for 58th District Court Judge.

8054. Motion by Brandsen, seconded by Ten Harmsel, to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of the following:

1. Minutes of City Commission work & regular session dated July 10, 2012.
3. Minutes of Downtown Development Authority dated July 10, 2012.
4. Minutes of July Board of Review dated July 17, 2012.

Yea 7, Nay 0, motion carried.

8055. Motion by Brandsen, seconded by Unema, to remove from the table the Downtown Development Authority Plan for consideration.

All aye, motion carried.

8056. Motion by Brandsen, seconded by Unema, to approve Ordinance No. 12-286 adopting the 2012-2041 Development and Tax Increment Financing Plan of the City of Hudsonville Downtown Development Authority.

Attorney Wendt explained that some language of the plan on page 6 under the section titled "Coordination with the City Commission" was amended at the City Commission work session prior to this meeting. The third sentence of that paragraph now reads, "The DDA and City Commission shall meet jointly prior to making any expenditure that exceeds $100,000 or if considering a project which may require issuance of debt."

Yea 5, Nay 2 (Leerar, Ten Harmsel), motion carried.

Public Safety

8057. Fire, Police and Emergency Services statistical reports for July received as information.

8058. Motion by Brandsen, seconded by Ten Harmsel, to approve the hiring of Bill Freas as a new Cadet in the Fire Department.

All Aye, motion carried.

Finance

8059. Finance Director's Financial Reports for June 2012 were given.

Approval of Bills

8060. Motion by Brandsen, seconded by O'Brien, to approve the payment of the bills in the amount of $724,521.10 and to confirm payment of bills paid between meetings and reviewed by the Finance Committee.

Yea 7, Nay 0, motion carried.

Administration

8061. Motion by Brandsen, seconded by O'Brien, to approve the proposal for legal advertising in the Grand Valley Advance for September 1, 2012 through August 31, 2013 at a cost of $5.50 per column unit.

Yea 7, Nay 0, motion carried.

8062. A presentation was given by Michelle Fare, Marketing Coordinator, on the City website update.

Motion by Brandsen, seconded by Leerar, to authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Deleware.net for the development of an updated website and associated website software license.

Yea 5, Nay 2 (O'Brien, Ten Harmsel), motion carried.

8063. Motion by Brandsen, seconded by Leerar, to authorize the expenditure of $30,000 for the extension of the Elmwood Lake Bike Path.

Bill Aukeman was present and stated that the bike path would connect the current Elmwood Lake Condominium community with another development on the north side of Rush Creek. The path would be on Hudsonville property, County property and on property maintained by Georgetown Township. They do have the approval of the Ottawa County Drain Commission to construct this path over the Lo-Com drain. The City of Hudsonville would be the owner of the path and be responsible for maintenance of the path. Georgetown Township has approved $30,000 for this project.

Yea 7, Nay 0, motion carried.

8064. Motion by Leerar, seconded by Zuiderveen, to appoint the Mayor as a voting representative and Commissioner John O'Brien as an alternate for the MML Annual Meeting.

All aye, motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

8065. Motion by Leerar, seconded by Ten Harmsel, to adjourn at 7:55 p.m.

All aye, motion carried.

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Jan Wiersum
Hudsonville City Clerk

Mayor Van Doeselaar