

PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY COMMISSION  
CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS

**Regular Meeting Held January 18, 2022**

Mayor Favale called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the City Commission Chambers at the East Grand Rapids Community Center and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Commissioners Arendshorst, Hamrick, Schulz, Schwartz, Wessely and Mayor Favale

Absent: Commissioner Pachla

Also Present: City Manager Charles; Deputy City Manager LaFave; City Attorney Huff; Parks & Recreation Director Melville; Finance Director Seath; Public Safety Director Herald; Zoning Administrator Gianotti; City Clerk Brower

2022-08. The agenda was approved as published.

2022-09. No public comment was received.

2022-10. City Manager Charles noted the staff was working to put together capital and budget requests for the upcoming year and would be presenting these to the commission in April and May.

2022-11. Chief Herald presented a certificate of recognition to crossing guard Susan Maccardini for her quick thinking and calm assistance when reporting a house fire in November and then assisting with traffic control while the Public Safety Department fought the fire.

2022-12. Final Reading of an ordinance to amend Sections 5.103 and 5.104 of Chapter 50 of Title V of the City Code pertaining to procedures for the Zoning Board of Appeals

City Attorney Huff noted the proposed amendments clarified several points and standards that would be used by the Zoning Board of Appeals in their deliberations.

2022-012-A. Arendshorst-Hamrick. That an ordinance to amend Sections 5.103 and 5.104 of Chapter 50 of Title V of the City Code pertaining to procedures for the Zoning Board of Appeals be adopted as attached in Exhibit "A."

Yeas: Arendshorst, Hamrick, Schulz, Schwartz, Wessely and Favale – 6

Nays: -0-

2022-13. Schwartz-Schulz. To approve the consent agenda as follows:

2022-013-A. Minutes of the regular City Commission meeting held January 3, 2022.

2022-013-B. Payroll disbursements of \$403,073.90; county and school disbursements of \$1,137,864.02, and total remaining disbursements of \$195,630.60.

2022-013-C. Preliminary minutes of the Planning Commission meeting held November 9, 2021.

2022-013-D. Preliminary minutes of the Parks & Recreation Commission meeting held December 13, 2021.

Yeas: Arendshorst, Hamrick, Schulz, Schwartz, Wessely and Favale – 6

Nays: -0-

2022-14. City Manager Charles reviewed the agenda for the January 29 strategic planning session and went over some of the materials prepared by staff to be read before the session. Mr. Charles presented an update on several of the major goals and objectives being implemented this year and outlined a new financial forecast for the General Fund showing projections of revenue, expenses and fund balance for the next five years. The commission discussed the fund balance policy, deferred capital projects, current facility needs and the historical impacts of Proposal A and the Headlee Amendment on the city's millage rate.

The meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m., subject to the call of the Mayor until February 7, 2022.

---

Karen K. Brower, City Clerk

Attachments: A – Ordinance amendment to Sections 5.103, 5.104

Attachments listed above are available for inspection at the office of the City Clerk.