



City Council Special Meeting

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Monday, July 12, 2021 at 6:00 PM
Remote Meeting via Zoom

In accordance with Emergency Orders issued by the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services, Oakland County, local officials, and State of Michigan legislation, which allows for electronic meetings of public bodies, notice is hereby given that the City of Lathrup's City Council will be meeting electronically using www.Zoom.us for videoconference and public access.

1. **Call to Order** by Mayor Garrett 6:08 p.m. (in accordance with PA 254 of 2020, the members should identify their physical location by stating the county, city, township, or village and state from which he or she is attending the meeting remotely).

2. **Roll Call**

Present: Mayor Mykale Garrett, Mayor Pro Tem Bruce Kantor

Council members: Ian Ferguson and Saleem Siddiqi

All City Council members were present from Lathrup Village, Michigan – Oakland County.

Present: City Administrator, Dr. Sheryl L. Mitchell Theriot, Assist. City Administrator /Treasurer, Pamela Bratschi, City Attorney, Scott Baker, Police Chief, Scott McKee, Director, Community and Economic Development/DDA, Susie Stec, and Government Services, Kelda London

Others Present: Scott Ringler – Giffels Webster

3. **Pledge of Allegiance**

4. **Approval of Agenda**

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Kantor, seconded by Council member Ferguson to approve the agenda.

Yes: Ferguson, Garrett, Kantor, Siddiqi

No: None

Motion carried.

5. **Public Comments for Items on the Agenda** (Speakers are limited to 3 minutes)

Mr. Gerald Griffin gave a number of suggestions regarding cannabis as it relates to parking and other city ordinances.

6. Action Requests - For Consideration / Approval

A. Appointment for Vacated City Council Seat

Mayor Garrett gave an overview and opened the issue for further discussion. Seven (7) applications were received before the deadline.

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Kantor seconded by Council member Ferguson to appoint Dawn Medley to fill the vacant city council seat, with the term ending Monday, November 8, 2021.

Yes: Ferguson, Garrett, Kantor, Siddiqi

No: None

Motion carried.

B. Swearing In – Council Member to Fill Vacated Seat

Dr. Sheryl Mitchell Theriot administrated the Oath of Office to Dawn Medley as the appointed Council member to fill the vacated seat with the term ending Monday, November 8, 2021.

C. Agreement for Election Services Between Oakland County and City of Lathrup Village

Dr. Sheryl Mitchell-Theriot explained the specifics of the agreement with Oakland County Election Services to count the absentee ballots of the next upcoming election.

A motion by Council member Ferguson and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem to adopt the Attached Resolution to Approve the Agreement for Electronic Services Between Oakland County and City of Lathrup Village, and authorize the Mayor and/or City Administrator to sign the Agreement and related documents.

Yes: Ferguson, Garrett, Kantor, Siddiqi

No: None

Motion carried.

D. Plante & Moran – Professional Services Agreement -Capital Assets and Pension/OPEB Liability

Dr. Sheryl Mitchell Theriot gave an overview of the services to be provided by Plante & Moran for audit services due to the staff shortage in the City Offices at this time. Additional assistance is requested from Plante Moran to assist with updating capital asset schedules, pension/OPEB liabilities, and journal entries.

Motion by Council member Siddiqi and seconded by Council member Ferguson to adopt the attached Professional Services Agreement with Plante & Moran, PLLC for additional services as outlined in the attached agreement, and authorize the City Administrator to sign on behalf of the City of Lathrup Village.

Yes: Ferguson, Garrett, Kantor, Siddiqi

No: None

Motion carried.

E. Discussion – Brick Pavers and Circular Drives in Right of Way

Dr. Sheryl Mitchell-Theriot explained the need to discuss the intent to replace the brick paver and circular drives in the right of way found throughout the community as it related to driveway approaches and parking pads in the right of way and their impact on construction replacement and stormwater management.

Scott Ringler, City Engineer, stated that the brick paver and stamped concrete are problematic in trying to find replacements that match the existing material, and that replacement is costly because it is such a specialty item.

Attorney Scott Baker suggest that if the residents have brick pavers/stamped concrete to be made aware that if there is damage due to repair by the city that the resident would be responsible for the cost of the repair. Attorney Baker will discuss this issue further with the City Planner.

F. Discussion - Update Cannabis / Marijuana

Dr. Sheryl Mitchell Theriot reminded Council that there is a Public Hearing on Tuesday July 20, 2021, at the regular Planning Commission meeting on the Cannabis Zoning Ordinance.

Attorney Scott Baker will be meeting with Planner Jill Bahm of Giffels Webster and Susie Stec to provide an update on zoning and general ordinance questions.

G. Discussion – Update Street and Capital Improvement Projects

Scott Ringler gave an extensive review on all of the current projects and progress

7. Public Comment

Mayor Garrett read a number of comments and questions into the record.

8. Mayor and Council Comments

Council gave update on upcoming activities.

Council member Ferguson addressed the inaccuracies regarding to the misinformation of how cannabis effects property values and clarified that there has been no decision made on the issue of cannabis.

9. Adjourn

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Kantor, seconded by Council member Siddiqi to adjourn this meeting.

Meeting adjourned at p.m. 7:55 P.M.