

DATE: February 20, 2025

TO: City Council

FROM: Melissa R. Marsh, City Manager

SUBJECT: Agenda Comments - Regular Council Meeting of Monday, February 24, 2025

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The following are my comments on items appearing on the agenda of the Regular Council Meeting on Monday, February 24, 2025.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

**BOARD AND COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS - COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS**

Council liaisons to the City's boards and commissions have requested the appointment of the applicants from the provided list to their respective boards or commissions, with the term ending date as specified.

If Council concurs, the appropriate motion would be to approve the Council appointments to City boards and commissions with the term ending dates as specified.

**BOARD AND COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS - MAYOR'S APPOINTMENTS**

The Mayor has requested that the applicants on the provided list to their respective boards or commissions, with the specified term ending date.

If Council concurs, the appropriate motion would be to concur with the Mayor's recommendations and approve the appointments to City boards and commissions with the term ending dates as specified.

**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE PRESERVATION OF THE FEDERAL TAX EXEMPTION OF MUNICIPAL BONDS**

Elimination of the tax-exempt status of municipal bonds at the federal government level would have a devastating effect on local governments, including Madison Heights. Municipal bonds finance approximately three quarters of the public infrastructure in the United States. Council is asked to support a resolution to preserve the tax-exempt status of municipal bonds by supporting and ensuring the protection of the federal tax exemption of municipal bonds and to further distribute copies of the resolution to all members of the Michigan Congressional delegation.

## PLANNING COMMISSION ANNUAL REPORT

Per the Planning Commission Bylaws and Section 2-118 of the Madison Heights Code of Ordinances, the Planning Commission is required to make a written report to City Council highlighting the Commission's work over the course of the preceding year.

Staff recommends that Council receive and file the Planning Commission's 2024 Annual Report.

### **REPORTS:**

#### BOARD AND COMMISSION 2025 WORK PLANS

Work Plans for the 2025 calendar year have been submitted from the Arts Board, Crime Commission, Human Relations and Equity Commission, and Library Advisory Board.

It is recommended that City Council approve the plans that meet their expectations. If plans do not meet Council's expectations for 2025 activity it is recommended that those plans be sent back to the Board or Commission with directions for revision.

### **BID AWARDS/PURCHASES:**

#### 2025 WATERMAIN PIPE AND PARTS

In anticipation of the upcoming 2025 proposed water main replacement projects, DPS Staff and Purchasing prepared and posted Invitation to Bid (ITB) #MH-1073 "2025 Water Main Replacement Pipe and Parts" on the MITN online cooperative bidding system ([www.mitn.info](http://www.mitn.info)). On February 3, 2025, the City received three sealed bids for the above-referenced project by the 11:00 am deadline. The bids were opened and tabulated, and at the completion of the bid analysis, including verification of pricing, product bid, and unit pricing for all items, Core & Main submitted the lowest complete qualifying bid for a total estimated project amount of \$407,409.21.

Staff recommends that Council award the bid for the 2025 water main replacement pipe and parts to the lowest responsible bidder who bid on all items listed, Core & Main, of Shelby Township, Michigan, for the unit prices specified. This represents a total estimated project cost of \$407,409.21, and funds are budgeted and available for this purchase. Staff also requests that the Council motion include extending this bid to the upcoming proposed stand-alone water main projects at the unit prices identified, subject to FY 2025-26 Budget approval.

## **ORDINANCES:**

### **REZONING PRZN 24-02 (ORDINANCE 2202): 1357 W. 14 MILE ROAD- R-2 TO B-2- SECOND READING**

The applicant, Jim Tottingham, on behalf of the property owner, Debasish Mridha, requests to rezone one (1) parcel of land located at 1357 W. 14 Mile Road (TM# 44-25-02-101-056) from R-2, One-Family Residential district, to B-2, Community Business district. The subject parcel is approximately 2.3 acres in size and is improved with a 14,200 square foot building, previously occupied by a church, and an associated parking lot and accessory structure. The property is located on the south side of W. 14 Mile Road between Campbell Road and Stephenson Highway. The Planning Commission recommended approval of the rezoning at their January 21st, 2025 meeting.

Staff recommends that the City Council adopt Ordinance # 2202 (PRZN 24-02) ON second reading.