COUNCIL MEETING – JUNE 24, 2013

A regular meeting of the City Council was held on Monday, June 24, 2013, at 7:00 p.m., and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The following were present: Councilmembers Clark, Denner, Robson, Theokas, and Grano, and Mayor Heenan

Also present: Dale Krajniak, City Manager, Jane M. Blahut, Finance Director/Clerk, and Dennis J. Levasseur, City Attorney, and Dave Hiller, Director of Public Safety

Excused Absence: Councilmember Arora

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
May 13, 22, 29 and June 14, 2013


Motion by Councilmember Grano, supported by Mayor Heenan, to approve the minutes of the May 13, May 22, May 29, and June 14, 2013 meetings as presented.

AYES: Councilmembers Clark, Denner, Robson, Theokas, and Grano, and Mayor Heenan
NAYS: None
Excused Absence: Councilmember Arora

PRECINCT CONSOLIDATION

Mayor Heenan presented to Council for consideration consolidating precincts for the upcoming November General Election.

City Clerk stated the election is unopposed and that consolidation of precincts will reduce the number of election precinct workers required. Precincts one and two are at Trombley School, and would become precinct one, four and seven are at Pierce Middle School, and would become precinct two. Precinct three is at City Hall and would remain precinct three. Five and six are at Defer Elementary and would become precinct four for the November 5, 2013 General Election only.

Motion by Councilmember Denner, supported by Mayor Heenan, to consolidate the precincts as described by the City Clerk for the November 5, 2013, General Election.

AYES: Councilmembers Clark, Denner, Robson, Theokas, and Grano, and Mayor Heenan
NAYS: None
Excused Absence: Councilmember Arora

D.W.S.D. SEWER CONTRACT RENEWAL

Mayor Heenan presented to Council for consideration the renewal of the D.W.S.D. sewer contract with the City of Detroit.
City Manager stated the contract covers sanitary sewer flow from Grosse Pointe Park into the City of Detroit. This contract allows the same capacity to be pumped to Detroit. With automatic renewal of ten years each, unless addressed notice is provided proposed agreement in a uniform agreement which has been accepted by most communities throughout their service area. The term of the contract is thirty years.

Motion by Councilmember Clark, supported by Councilmember Denner, to enter into the D.W.S.D. Sewer Contract with the City of Detroit for a term of thirty years upon review by the City Attorney.

AYES: Councilmembers Clark, Denner, Robson, Theokas, and Grano, and Mayor Heenan
NAYS: None
Excused Absence: Councilmember Arora

PUBLIC SAFETY CONSOLIDATION GRANT

Mayor Heenan presented to Council for consideration the EVIP Grant awarded by the State of Michigan for the purpose of reimbursement of expenses required to implement consolidation of Public Safety services between communities.

City Manager stated a workshop was held with the Grosse Pointe Park City Council and Grosse Pointe City Council at the Lavins Fitness Center on June 14, 2013, for a presentation by the ICMA consultant, Tom Wiczorek regarding the consolidation of the two Public Safety Departments.

City Manager stated that the study recommended reducing staff levels and indicated that Grosse Pointe Park and Grosse Pointe City Public Safety Departments are overstaffed based on the national levels and greater efficiencies can be achieved by consolidating. The EVIP Grant does not require consolidation.

The resolution reads as follows:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the State of Michigan Department of Treasury has given preliminary notice of its intent to award an Economic Vitality Incentive Program grant in the amount of up to $209,000 toward reimbursement of expenditures required to implement consolidation of the City of Grosse Pointe and City of Grosse Pointe Park’s Public Safety Departments, and

WHEREAS, the State of Michigan requires each municipality’s governing body to approve a resolution authorizing participation in the proposed project prior to finalizing the award of grants from the State of Michigan’s EVIP program, and
WHEREAS, the State of Michigan requires a resolution and copies of the minutes from the date of the meeting at which the resolution was approved to be provided within 60 days of the preliminary notice of award;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City of Grosse Pointe Park Mayor and City Council hereby authorize participation in the Grosse Pointe Public Safety Department Consolidation implementation project and on behalf of the City of Grosse Pointe Park authorize City Manager Dale Krajniak and City Clerk Jane Blahut to provide this resolution and minutes indicating its approval to the State of Michigan, and to submit and execute documents requested by the State of Michigan relating to the EVIP grant requirements, subject to approval by the City Attorney.

Motion by Councilmember Clark, supported by Councilmember Denner, to accept the EVIP Grant by the State of Michigan.

AYES: Councilmembers Clark, Denner, Robson, Theokas, and Grano, and Mayor Heenan
NAYS: None
Excused Absence: Councilmember Arora

BUDGET AMENDMENT RESOLUTION

Mayor Heenan presented to Council for consideration a budget amendment for the fiscal year 2012/13 as presented.

SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 8.2 of the City Charter of the City of Grosse Pointe Park the City Manager has submitted to Council a budget for estimated revenues and appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013, and

WHEREAS, additional costs not included within the original 2012/13 appropriations have arisen.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the following funds budgets be amended as follows:

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Motion by Councilmember Clark, supported by Councilmember Grano, to approve the budget amendments for fiscal year 2012/13 as presented.

AYES: Councilmembers Clark, Denner, Robson, Theokas, and Grano, and Mayor Heenan
NAYS: None
Excused Absence: Councilmember Arora

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE SESSION

Mayor Heenan requested that an Executive Committee Closed Door Session be held immediately following the regular meeting to consider negotiations regarding the acquisition of real estate.

Motion by Councilmember Denner, supported by Councilmember Clark, then Executive Committee Session is held immediately following the regular meeting to consider negotiations regarding acquisition of real estate.

AYES: Councilmembers Clark, Denner, Robson, Theokas, and Grano, and Mayor Heenan
NAYS: None
Excused Absence: Councilmember Arora

CITIZEN COMMENT

CONSOLIDATION REPORT:
Resident of Grayton expressed concern with the Public Safety Consolidation Report did not take into account the neighboring communities.

Director of Public Safety Hiller stated the report is an analytical statistical report only and actually reflected the response times and patrol staff levels were well above the recommended national average, however, the savings represented in the report were based on the staffing when the study first began.

Councilmember Grano stated that while the recommended report is not satisfactory for Grosse Pointe Park, he stated the City should continue to take a leadership role in exploring ways to be more efficient while preserving the same excellent level of service.

ORDINANCE REVIEW:
Resident of Wayburn stated she attended the Ordinance Review Committee and inquired when feedback from the meeting would be available.
City Attorney Levasseur stated he will have recommended ordinances for Council to consider within the next several weeks.

ROAD SURVEY:
Councilmember Grano inquired as to the status of the road survey that was to be provided.

City Manager stated the survey will be completed shortly.

Mayor Heenan stated the roads in Grosse Pointe Park need major construction and/or repair. He recommended the Council consider placing a millage on the November ballot to allow the residents to decide. He suggested $1.85 for a limited term of five years. These funds would provide the necessary funding for the road repair within our Community.

The meeting recessed to Closed Door Session.

The meeting reconvened to Open Door Session.

FAIRFAX MARKET

City Manager recommended the acquisition of Fairfax Market on Beaconsfield, south of Jefferson in the amount not to exceed $260,000 which would be paid over a seven year period. This would include the structure and parking lot North of Fairfax Street on the West side of Beaconsfield Road.

Motion by Councilmember Theokas, supported by Councilmember Clark, to approve of the acquisition of Fairfax Market on Beaconsfield, south of Jefferson for an amount not to exceed $260,000 for the structure and parking lot across the street with payments over a seven year period.

AYES: Councilmembers Clark, Denner, Robson, Theokas, and Grano, and Mayor Heenan
NAYS: None
Excused Absence: Councilmember Arora

ALTER ROAD PROPERTIES

City Manager presented to Council for consideration the acquisition of 1614 Alter Road, in the City of Detroit, in the amount of $5,000, 1622 Alter Road, in the City of Detroit, in the amount of $5,000 and 1630 Alter Road, in the City of Detroit, in the amount of $10,000.

Motion by Councilmember Denner, supported by Councilmember Clark to approve of the acquisition of 1614 Alter Road for $5,000, 1622 Alter Road for $5,000 and 1630 Alter Road for $10,000.

AYES: Councilmembers Clark, Denner, Robson, Theokas, and Grano, and Mayor Heenan
NAYS: None
Excused Absence: Councilmember Arora

COMCAST PARKING LOT
City Manager presented to Council for consideration the possible sale of the parking lot located next to the Comcast building on 15001 Charlevoix. The lot is in disrepair and the neighboring business owner has offered $20,000 and has agreed to repair the lot.

Motion by Councilmember Robson, supported by Councilmember Grano, to sell the parking lot next to the Comcast building to the Excalibur Park owner in the amount of $20,000. The agreement includes unrestricted day time parking would be available to any future owner of the Comcast building which adjoins the lot. Also said lot must be repaired within six months of the closing.

AYES: Councilmembers Clark, Denner, Robson, Theokas, and Grano, and Mayor Heenan
NAYS: None
Excused Absence: Councilmember Arora

Motion by Councilmember Clark, supported by Councilmember Robson, to amend the resolution regarding the resolution to sell the parking lot immediately above, to require that the sale include the terms that are acceptable to the proposed owner of the Comcast building prior to the sale of the parking lot to the owner of Excalibur Park.

AYES: Councilmembers Clark, Denner, Robson, Theokas, and Grano, and Mayor Heenan
NAYS: None
Excused Absence: Councilmember Arora

With no further business, the meeting adjourned.