COUNCIL MEETING – MAY 11, 2020
7:00 P.M.

An electronic meeting through Zoom was held due to Governor Whitmer’s Stay Home Stay Safe Executive Order 2020-77 and to minimize the spread of COVID-19.

The meeting was called to order and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The following were electronically present: Councilmembers Grano, Relan, Read, Hodges, Robson, and Fluitt, and Mayor Denner.

Also, electronically present: Nick Sizeland, City Manager, Jane M. Blahut, Finance Director/Clerk, Jake Howlett, City Attorney, and Leah Smith, Assistant to the City Manager, and Stephen Poloni, Director of Public Safety.

MANAGER’S REPORT

City Manager Sizeland presented a brief overview of the status of issues since the last meeting.

- COVID-19 update including a timetable of events
- City reopening
- City Master Plan
- Building Department
- COVID-19 testing for employees, all employees tested negative
- Safe routes to School
- Mask donation
- Marina update
- Recycling update
- Census update
- Rocket Fiber update
- DTE update

MINUTES – APRIL 13, 2020

Mayor Denner presented to Council for consideration the minutes of April 13, 2020, for approval.

Motion by Councilmember Fluitt, supported by Councilmember Robson, to approve the minutes of April 13, 2020, as presented.

AYES: Councilmembers Grano, Relan, Read, Hodges, Robson, and Fluitt, and Mayor Denner

NAYS: None

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Mayor Denner presented Jenny Boettcher from the Chamber of Commerce to present a brief overview of what is being undertaken to assist business owners and residents of the Grosse Pointe communities.
Jenny Boettcher from the Chamber of Commerce stated that our local businesses continue to be challenged financially and mentally more than ever before, the Chamber is staying on top of Local, State and Federal grant and loan resources while also providing professional and educational webinars and toolkits. These resources are being communicated through the Chamber’s website, E-blasts, social media posts, print and phone calls.

Many of the resources acquired are from the MI Chamber, U.S. Chamber, MI. Gov website, Wayne County Economic Development, SBA, DTE Foundation, Community Foundation for SE MI, National Retail Federation, and other various resources.

We are also using our communication platforms to promote:

- Restaurant offering Curbside pickup & Delivery (Chamber’s website, ads in the GP News, social media posts & E-blast).
- Retails offering curbside pickup & delivery
- Market Delivery and Pick up offers.
- Gift card give-a-ways through social media contest.
- Scavenger hunts
- Salons & Spas: promotions so people can start scheduling their appointments.
- Nurseries (gardening centers) as they begin to open up
- Reopening resources (masks, shields, socially distance signage, measures, etc.)
- Wide variety of interactive stories and posts promoting our communities’ spirit – acts of kindness sidewalk chalk art, window decorations, etc.

The Chamber is offering Zoom Meeting assistance to the Village and Hill Association and Avenue in the Woods so they can stay in touch and hold their monthly meetings.

Networking/Events/Programs

Due to the uncertainty of the coronavirus and social distancing, the Chamber postponed:

1. Mayor’s Prayer Breakfast scheduled for Thursday, May 7th - will be rescheduled.

2. GP Restaurant Week – will be rescheduled as a Virtual GP Restaurant Week (TBD).

3. Legacy on the Lake – Postponed to 2021 but are still going to have a fundraising campaign in which proceeds will go towards helping small businesses.

4. The Chamber’s networking events have been virtually moved to a Zoom platform as well as Learn at Lunches which are offered at no charge. The Chamber is encouraging participants to get a carry out lunch from a local restaurants.

Upcoming Webinars: Microsoft Modern Office by Proactive Technology May 27th @ 1:00pm. – 2:30
#1 Website 101 on June 3rd. #2 Building Your Online Presence on June 10th. Presented by Wright Outcomes.

The Chamber’s Ambassador committee meetings (member outreach program) is conducted through Zoom as well. The ambassadors are given a list of members to check in on (well-check). If there is pending feedback and a member needs help in any way, someone from the chamber staff will follow-up with the business.

5. Member survey: A survey was sent to the membership last week to better understand the needs of businesses and where they need to turn their focus.

To ensure the safety of our community and to help businesses navigate the new normal, we are creating a “Grosse Pointe is Open for Business Playbook”. This comprehensive guide will include many of the recommendations developed by the Governor’s Economic Recovery Task Force, along with guidelines from the CDC and other federal, state and local agencies. This resource will act as a living document, which we will update as the situation changes.

2020 Census

COVID-19 changed Chamber’s Census work so we pivoted our strategy using digital promotions, editorials & ads in the GP News and partnering with our community partners such as the Grosse Pointe Public School System, Grosse Pointe Public Library and The Helm who are sharing Census promotion on their websites, social media and emails. Due to the Pandemic, the door to door work has been postponed until sometime after June 1, 2020.

Below is the current progress of self-response for each city:

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**Local Resources**

Wayne County Small Business Relief Loan Fund

Health Choice Affordable Healthcare for Small Businesses and their Employees

Detroit Business Stabilization Fund

Michigan Small Business Relief Grant

Facebook Small Business Grant Program
Southeast Community Foundation Grant Program

**State Resources**

Michigan Resources for Employers and Workers

Treasury: Small Business Taxpayers Provided Tax Assistance

MEDC COVID-19 Resources

Michigan SBDC COVID-19 Resources

State of Michigan's Corona Virus Resources

Small Business Association of Michigan Corona Virus Resources

**Federal Resources**

The Small Business Administration's Guidance for Businesses and Employers to Plan and Respond to Coronavirus

U.S. Chamber Coronavirus Resources and Coronavirus Response Toolkit

U.S. State Department Travel Guidelines

Guidance for Preparing your workplace for COVID-19

CDC Guidance for Businesses and Employers

SBA to Provide Disaster Assistance Loans for Small Businesses Impacted by Coronavirus

The GP Chamber recently assisted Wayne County Economic Development Department with their small business relief grant program by helping score applications. Below are the number of businesses in each city that were awarded a grant ($2500-$5000). In Grosse Pointe Park they include the following: Breckels Massage, Cabbage Patch Saloon, Full Circle, Farm Field Table, Hot Yoga GP.

The Chamber is participating in Wayne County’s Workplace Reopening Group. We will provide details on the progress of this group as it becomes available.

**Webinars & Toolkits**

- Workshop Wednesdays
- Sweatpants and Laptops: Dealing with Remote Work and Legal Concerns
- What Employers Need to Know about Families First Coronavirus Response Act
- Unemployment Benefits
- Communication During a Pandemic
- Opening America Again
- Return to Work Safety Resources

PPP Webinar: the guidance and steps to take now to ensure loan forgiveness

Councilmember Relan inquired if guidelines for hospitals have been established.

Miss Boettcher stated they are meeting with Henry Ford Hospital to discuss guidelines.

Councilmember Read stated now may be a good time to offer discounts on memberships.

Councilmember Robson inquired if the Wayne County Grant Program is still available.

Miss Boettcher stated that program has been closed.

Mayor Denner stated as of last week there were still grants available for businesses.

Councilmember Hodges stated through the Cares act pay check protection is still available.

Mayor Denner congratulated the Chamber for taking a leadership role.

TIFA BOARD APPOINTMENT

Mayor Denner presented to Council for consideration the appointment of Marcia L. Fairrow to the TIFA Board for a two-year term.

Mayor Denner stated five of the current board members are up this fall and will be considered for reappointment with staggered terms. Anyone who submitted an application will be considered in October.

Motion by Mayor Denner, supported by Councilmember Robson, to appoint Marcia L. Fairrow to the TIFA Board for a two-year term.

AYES: Councilmembers Grano, Relan, Read, Hodges, Robson, and Fluitt, and Mayor Denner

NAYS: None

TIFA AMENDED DEVELOPMENT PLAN

PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Denner summarized the timeline of the requirements for the TIFA Amended Development Plan. He noted at the December 9th Council meeting, Council voted to approve moving DPW to the proposed Mack Avenue site between Wayburn and Maryland contingent on several conditions. One of the conditions related to funding, and that it be within that authorized by the TIFA Board, plus any donor support, and not exceed $4 million dollars. Notice was sent to all homeowners located within the TIFA district in the 20 day requirement prior to this evening’s Public Hearing. The TIFA Board has approved the Amended Development Plan. Notices were sent by certified mail to the governing bodies of the taxing jurisdictions and proper notice was published in the Detroit News twice.
Mayor Denner opened the Public Hearing.

City Manager Sizeland read aloud the public comment. He noted the TIFA Director, TIFA Attorney, and TIFA Chairman are on the phone for clarification is necessary.

City Manager Sizeland read 11 written public comments: 9 residents were in support of the TIFA Amended Development Plan, 2 residents were opposed to the TIFA Amended Development Plan. Additionally, 3 residents made verbal comments: all three comments were opposed to the TIFA Amended Development Plan.

Mayor Denner closed the Public Hearing. He noted the process going forward would be to adopt the Amended Development Plan at a future meeting.

Motion by Mayor Denner, supported by Councilmember Grano to defer action on discussion and adoption of the plan until the regularly scheduled meeting scheduled for June 8th, 2020.

Councilmember Read stated time is not of the essence in this situation. She stated she is not against moving the DPW building or the proposed Art Center. She stated she will not vote for a new plan that is not in compliance and a plan that does not fully address the district and is not based on the master plan.

Councilmember Grano stated there is a motion on the floor and there is a point of order.

Councilmember Fluitt stated she is in agreement with Councilmember Read, the DDA and TIFA are not in compliance with State law. Discussions should be exhausted this evening.

Councilmember Robson stated it is a wise motion allowing more time for public engagement.

Councilmember Hodges stated she agrees with voting at a later date and recommended exhausting discussions this evening so everyone has time to consider all the discussions discussed.

Amended Motion No. 1
Motion by Councilmember Hodges to amend the motion made to reflect continued discussion this evening and defer the vote until June 8th.

Motion fails due to lack of support.

Original Motion
Motion by Mayor Denner, supported by Councilmember Grano to defer action on discussion and adoption of the plan until the regularly scheduled meeting for June 8th.

AYES: Councilmembers Grano, Hodges, Robson, and Mayor Denner

NAYS: Councilmembers Relan, Read, and Fluitt

The motion carries, discussion and action will be taken at the June 8th meeting.

2020-21 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Denner opened the 2020-21 fiscal year Budget Public Hearing. He noted a thorough review was undertaken at the budget workshop held earlier in the month.
Councilmember Hodges, who serves as Councilmember for Finance expressed her gratitude to the staff team for providing a balanced budget. She indicated the 6/30/19 audit was a thorough audit with no recommendations. The City’s AA- rating is the highest rating given Headlee restrictions and currently there is a healthy 20% fund balance in the General Fund.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were three residents who called in and made public comments opposing the 2020-21 budget. Additionally, the City Manager read two written comments also opposing the 2020-21 budget.

Public input was closed

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE PARK
RESOLUTION NO. 1

RESOLVED, that in accordance with P.A. 5 of 1982, requiring the governing body to establish the millage rate required to balance the 2020-21 fiscal year budget and in accordance with Section 8.4 of the City of Grosse Pointe Park Charter, it is hereby determined that the millage rate for general operating purposes for the fiscal year 2020-21 be $17.1831 or $17.1831 per $1,000 of Taxable Value (10.9093 general operating; 1.6150 rubbish disposal; 0.0771 communication fees; 0.9350 bond issue; 1.0000 roads; 2.6467 public safety).

Motion by Mayor Denner, supported by Council Relan, to approve Budget Resolution No. 1 that establishes tax rates as presented.

AYES: Councilmembers Grano, Relan, Read, Hodges, Robson, and Fluitt, and Mayor Denner

NAYS: None

SPECIAL ASSESSMENT ROLL
RESOLUTION NO. 2

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 20.12 of the City of Grosse Pointe Park City Code whereby when any expense shall have been incurred by the City in respect to any single premise and subsequently such expense remain unpaid, and

WHEREAS, such premises have been advised that such unpaid bills will be placed as a lien against such property, plus fifteen percent (15%) service charge if not paid by a certain date.

BE IT RESOLVED, that a Special Assessment Roll for delinquent bills for water and miscellaneous items be placed upon the property described in the Exhibits as presented, copies of which are on file in the City Clerk’s office and are a part of these minutes, in the respective amounts set forth opposite said properties in said Exhibits, including a service charge of fifteen percent (15%) for placing the bills for water and miscellaneous items on the Special Assessment Roll, and that Special Assessment shall be due and payable at the time 2020 City taxes are next due and payable with respect to such property.
Motion by Mayor Denner, supported by Councilmember Robson, to approve the Special Assessment Roll, Resolution No. 2 as presented.

AYES: Councilmembers Grano, Relan, Read, Hodges, Robson, and Fluitt, and Mayor Denner

NAYS: None

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE PARK

RESOLUTION NO. 3

RESOLVED, that having published proper notices and held a public hearing for the budgets of the following funds for the fiscal year 2020-21, such budgets are hereby adopted in the amounts set forth and purpose intended along with increases in related revenue sources:

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Road Fund

Total Estimated Revenues $ 648,321
Total Appropriations & T/O 640,000

Bond Debt

Total Estimated Revenues $ 594,000
Total Appropriations 593,023

Capital Improvement Bonds Series 2019

Total Estimated Revenues $ 2,215,000
Total Appropriations 2,215,000

Capital Improvement Fund

Total Estimated Revenues $ 552,468
Total Appropriations 552,468

Water & Sewer Fund

Total Estimated Revenues $ 5,564,015
Total Appropriations 6,373,733

Marina Fund

Total Estimated Revenues $ 293,000
Total Appropriations 274,400

City Attorney Howlett stated a timing concern was raised relative to the approval of the DDA and TIFA budgets. He stated that per statute Council votes on the proposed budgets and then the budget is adopted by the DDA and TIFA boards.

City Manager Sizeland noted DDA Director Krajniak contributed his salary of $6,000 to the Business District. The Director and the Board discussed the proposed parking lot. He noted the Board approved the Business Support services to be increased from $6,000 to $10,000 and the parking lot be reduced from the current $120,000 to $45,000, reducing the overall requirement of fund reserves.

DDA and TIFA Attorney Levasseur phoned in stating the sequence of budgets is for the Council to approve before the DDA adopts a budget.

DDA/TIFA Attorney noted there were Special meetings held this afternoon to adopt the fiscal year 2020-21 budgets.

City Manager stated there were no recommended changes to the TIFA budget.
Motion by Mayor Denner, supported by Councilmember Robson, to approve Resolution No. 3, for estimated revenues and appropriations as presented.

Councilmember Fluitt stated she has a problem with the DDA and TIFA budget, noting TIFA is not helping out small businesses.

Amendment motion #1
Motion by Councilmember Fluitt, supported by Councilmember Read, to amend the motion on the table to remove the DDA and TIFA budgets in its entirety out of the budget.

City Attorney Howlett stated he has researched the issue of helping out business with resources generated from TIFA. While some direct use of funds is likely not permitted, we continue to explore ideas to comply with the law and provide help directly to business.

DDA/TIFA Attorney Levasseur stated the City of Royal Oak and Dearborn have not issued any funds to assist business owners and there were not any specifics or clarity relative to the program available. The law has to be followed.

Mayor Denner recommended the budget be adopted and amended at a later date.

Councilmember Relan stated the DDA and TIFA are not in compliance with State law and those budgets should be removed from the budget.

DDA/TIFA Attorney Levasseur stated he is working with the City Manager and DDA/TIFA Director to comply with statute. By the end of the week it will be updated on the website.

Councilmember Read stated there is a $3,500 expenditure for revamping of the putting green at the park and requested it be removed from the Capital Improvement Fund.

Amendment motion #2
Motion by Councilmember Read, supported by Councilmember Fluitt, to remove the $3,500 expenditure for the revamping of the putting green in the Capital Improvement Fund.

Amendment motion #3
Motion by Mayor Denner, supported by Councilmember Relan, to amend the proposed DDA budget revenues from $193,426 to $122,426 and the proposed expenditures from $191,000 to $120,000.

Councilmember Relan inquired why the DDA was paying for the site clearing of the DPW building for $45,000.

Mayor Denner stated the demolition has often been paid by the City, the DDA or TIFA to facilitate re-development.

Amendment motion #4
Motion by Councilmember Relan, supported by Councilmember Fluitt to remove the $45,000 expenditure for site clearing in the DDA budget.

Councilmember Grano stated it is a legal requirement to approve the budget by May 18th.
Councilmember Read stated she read the Memorandum of Understanding and did not find language relative to the City being responsible for site clearing of the DPW yard.

Councilmember Fluitt inquired who is responsible for site clearing of Verdonckt’s.

Mayor Denner stated the TIFA will pay for that, as it is customary to do site clearance when implementing a new project.

Councilmember Fluitt stated she would be interested in seeing the estimates for these items.

Mayor Denner stated bids will be provided by the construction company.

Councilmember Hodges stated that the Marina budget did not highlight the health and safety concerns and expenditures are a priority to avoid negligence of any sort.

Councilmember Relan inquired if there are long term plans for repairs at the Marina.

City Manager Sizeland stated he is working on a long-term plan to address the Marina needs.

Vote on Amendment motion #4 (Removal of $45,000 site clearing DDA)
AYES: Councilmembers Relan, Read, and Fluitt
NAYS: Councilmembers Grano, Hodges, and Robson, and Mayor Denner

The motion fails.

Vote on Amendment motion #3 (Amending DDA & TIFA budgets)
AYES: Councilmembers Grano, Relan, Read, Hodges, Robson, and Fluitt, and Mayor Denner
NAYS: None

The motion passes.

Vote on Amendment motion #2 (Removal of $3,500 for revamping putting greens)
AYES: Councilmembers Relan, Read, and Fluitt
NAYS: Councilmembers Grano, Hodges, and Robson, and Mayor Denner

The motion fails.

Vote on Amendment motion #1 (Removal of DDA & TIFA budgets)
AYES: Councilmembers Relan, Read, and Hodges, and Fluitt
NAYS: Councilmembers Grano, Robson, and Mayor Denner

The motion passes.

Original motion: (Adopting Resolution No. 3)
AYES: Councilmembers Grano, Relan, Read, Hodges, Robson, and Fluitt, and Mayor Denner
NAYS: None
PROPOSED C.D.B.G. 2020 FUNDING

Mayor Denner presented to Council for consideration the proposed allocation for the 2020 C.D.B.G. Funding.

Assistant to the City Manager Smith stated the City of Grosse Pointe Park has been allocated $20,000 in C.D.B.G. Funds. She recommended the following distribution:

- Senior Services (The Helm) $14,000
- Transportation Services (PAATS) 6,000

The C.D.B.G. Coordinators of Grosse Pointe, Grosse Pointe Farms, Grosse Pointe Park, Grosse Pointe Shores, and Grosse Pointe Woods met and are recommending submitting the same joint application submitted last year. The aforementioned communities would like to submit a request for $400,000 to renovate the basement at The Helm.

The Administration is recommending that the Council authorize Administration submittal of the City’s 2020 C.D.B.G. application and proceed with the joint application with the other Grosse Pointe Communities to Wayne County of inclusion in the Wayne County’s Annual Action Plan to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development by the May 29th, 2020 deadline.

Councilmember Grano inquired if a Public Hearing is required.

Assistant to the City Manager stated she researched whether a Public Hearing is required and does not think it is. Manager clarified due to new Wayne County guidelines it is not required for the $20,000 amount.

Motion by Mayor Denner, supported by Councilmember Hodges, that the C.D.B.G. 2020 funding be allocated as prescribed and if a Public Hearing is required, one will be scheduled.

AYES: Councilmembers Grano, Relan, Read, Hodges, Robson, and Fluitt, and Mayor Denner

NAYS: None

TEMPORARY PRECINCT RELOCATION
PRECINCTS 5 & 6

Mayor Denner presented to Council for consideration a resolution authorizing the temporary relocation of precincts 5 and 6 located at Defer Elementary on Kercheval.

The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, the Grosse Pointe Public School System has requested the Grosse Pointe Park Mayor and Council to temporarily authorize the relocation of precincts 5 & 6 currently located at 15424 Kercheval, due to the upcoming construction within Defer Elementary School, and temporarily relocating to the Lavins Gymnasium located at 14920 Windmill Pointe Park on Windmill Pointe Drive; and
WHEREAS, all residents who are registered voters within Precincts 5 & 6 will receive written notification informing them of the temporary relocation; and

WHEREAS, public notice will be posted on the City website and all City buildings notifying residents of the upcoming temporary relocation of Precincts 5 & 6; and

WHEREAS, notice will be published in the Grosse Pointe News informing residents of the upcoming temporary relocation of Precincts 5 & 6; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, Mayor Denner and Members of Council authorize the temporary relocation of Precincts 5 & 6 currently located at Defer Elementary School to the Lavins Gymnasium at Windmill Pointe Park located at 14920 Windmill Pointe Drive.

Motion by Mayor Denner, supported by Councilmember Read, to adopt the resolution authorizing the temporary relocation of precincts 5 and 6 located at Defer Elementary School.

AYES: Councilmembers Grano, Relan, Read, Hodges, Robson, and Fluitt, and Mayor Denner

NAYS: None

FINANCE REPORT – APRIL, 2020

Councilmember for Finance Hodges presented to Mayor Denner and Council for consideration the invoices exceeding $5,000 for the month of April, 2020 as presented. All invoices are routine and are budgeted for.

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Motion by Councilmember Hodges, supported by Councilmember Read, to approve the invoices exceeding $5,000 for the month of April, 2020, in accordance with Section 2.249 of the Charter.

AYES: Councilmembers Grano, Relan, Read, Hodges, Robson, and Fluitt, and Mayor Denner

NAYS: None

NEW/OLD BUSINESS

Code of Conduct:
Councilmember Hodges stated there is currently a polarization on Council and the community. She stated she wants to lead in the most effective way. City Manager Sizeland is in the process of preparing
a Code of Conduct for the Council regarding ethics, rules and procedures and is hoping this document will be beneficial for the Council and employees as well. She stated she is interested in correcting any errors that have occurred and expresses full compliance be addressed on all issues. She also noted funding planning expertise would be beneficial to the City.

Art Center:
Councilmember Relan stated he has requested the Art Center be placed on the agenda for the past four months and has repeatedly asked that the information on the City website be removed.

Mayor Denner stated a clarification of his comments. He anticipates the Planning Commission will schedule a public session to review site and operating plans for the proposed Art Center this summer. He stated he should have replied, however, noted that Councilmember Relans questions were requested to be put in writing to be clarified and to date has not received those questions in writing.

Councilmember Robson stated it is important to have that information on the Art Center on the City website, it provides transparency.

Councilmember Fluitt stated the speculative information should be removed from the City website. The City Council has not approved this project and it is not providing transparency. Documents should be removed until the funding is in place.

Public Comment:
Councilmember Read stated there were emails sent to the City Manager and/or the Finance Director for inclusion on the Public Comment portion of the meeting.

City Manager stated the Public Comment rules were not followed; all comments were to be forwarded to Leah Smith for public comment.

Master Plan:
Councilmember Read inquired if proposals were received for the Master Plan.

City Manager stated he went through State MI Deal, it is a site for municipalities to acquire competitive pricing.

PUBLIC COMMENT

DPW:
One resident expressed opposition of the DPW building.
One resident expressed support of the DPW building.

Art Center:
Two residents expressed support for the Art Center.
Three residents expressed opposition for the Art Center.
Motion by Councilmember Read, supported by Councilmember Grano, to adjourn the meeting at 11:15 pm