

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
City Commission  
OF THE  
CITY OF GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN  
Regular Session, Tuesday, June 4, 2024**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Commission was called to order by Mayor Bliss at 2:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

**Present:** Mayor Bliss, Second Ward Commissioner Knight, First Ward Commissioner O'Connor, Third Ward Commissioner Perdue, First Ward Commissioner Robbins, Second Ward Commissioner Ysasi, Third Ward Commissioner Goei

**Absent:** None.

The roll was called by the City Clerk.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

On the motion of Com. O'Connor, supported by Com. Knight, the reading of the minutes of the regular session of May 21, 2024 was waived and said minutes were accepted as presented. Carried.

**PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

**93583 Result: Received and Filed**

Communication received from Bruce Tinker, Grand Rapids Civic Theatre Executive Director, expressing concerns for adjusting parking rates.

**93584 Result: Received and Filed**

Communication received from The Arts and Cultural Collective Grand Rapids outlining priorities and hopes for moving forward with the arts and culture economic impact study.

**93585 Result: Referred to Committee on Appointments.**

Communication received from Jesse Bernal regarding their resignation from the Community Relations Commission.

**93586 Result: Referred to Committee on Appointments.**

Communication received from Andy Johnston regarding their resignation from the Vital Streets Oversight Commission.

**93587 Result: Received and Filed**

Communication received from Mark Baker, Soft Lights Foundation President, regarding the FDA decision not to regulate LED products.

**93588 Result: Received and Filed**

Communication received from Marsha Plafkin regarding a Federal Trade Commission complaint.

**93589 Result: Received and Filed**

Communications (47) received expressing support for dropping the charges against the four protestors arrested on May 15, 2024 in downtown Grand Rapids.

**REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS****93590 Result: Received and Filed**

Report of Bond Sale – \$72,770,000 Series 2024 Capital Improvement Bonds for Scribner & Amphitheater.

**93591 Result: Received and Filed**

The City Clerk submitted copies of the General Retirement System Annual Actuarial Valuation for the year ending December 31, 2023.

**93592 Result: Received and Filed**

Comptroller's Warrant Report for the period of May 08, 2024 through May 21, 2024 in the amount of \$17,626,870.89 and Monthly Travel & Fund Reports.

**93593 Result: Received and Filed**

Treasurer's Report for Period of May 7, 2024, through May 21, 2024.

**CONSENT AGENDA****A. CONSENT AGENDA APPROVAL****93594 Result: Approved**

**Mover: O'Connor. Supporter: Robbins.**

**Yeas: Bliss, Knight, O'Connor, Perdue, Robbins, Ysasi, Goei**

Adoption of the following items under the consent agenda.

**B. COMMITTEE ON APPOINTMENTS****93595 Result: Approved**

**Mover: O'Connor. Supporter: Robbins.**

RESOLVED that Mayor Bliss' appointment of Michael Cary to the Housing Appeals Board for the remainder of a three-year term ending January 4, 2027, be confirmed.

**93596 Result: Approved****Mover: O'Connor. Supporter: Robbins.**

RESOLVED that Mayor Bliss' appointment of Zachary Verhulst to the Westside Corridor Improvement Authority for the remainder of a four-year term ending December 31, 2027, be confirmed.

**C. FISCAL COMMITTEE****93597 Result: Approved****Mover: O'Connor. Supporter: Robbins.**

WHEREAS, Hope for Single Moms, has applied to the Bureau of State Lottery for a Bingo/Raffle License and, as part of the required licensing procedure, has requested recognition as a local civic organization from the City Commission pursuant to MCLA 432.103a(i)(ii); therefore

RESOLVED that the City Commission hereby finds that, to the best of its knowledge, Hope for Single Moms exists as a non-profit local civic organization which conducts a major portion of its activities within the City of Grand Rapids and, therefore, hereby officially recognizes Hope for Single Moms as a local civic organization pursuant to MCLA 432.103a(i)(ii).

**93598 Result: Approved****Mover: O'Connor. Supporter: Robbins.**

WHEREAS:

1. Grand Valley State University ("GVSU") has made voluntary payments since 2014 for its residential property in Belknap Lookout Neighborhood ("GVSU's Belknap Property"); and
2. The Neighbors of Belknap Lookout ("NOBL") is the recognized neighborhood association for the Belknap Lookout Neighborhood (the "Neighborhood"); and
3. On February 9, 2016, the Grand Rapids City Commission adopted a resolution (Proceeding No. 85392) approving an Initial Memorandum of Understanding (IMOU) between GVSU and the City. The IMOU set forth the relationship between GVSU and the City and included a provision regarding a voluntary payment by GVSU for property it owns in the NOBL neighborhood; and
4. The amount of the voluntary payment by GVSU for 2022 is \$13,532.08; and
5. The IMOU states "The City will use the portion of the PILOT [the voluntary payment made by GVSU for its Belknap property] it distributes to itself for improvements in the Belknap Lookout Neighborhood"; therefore

RESOLVED:

1. That the City Commission authorizes the payment of \$13,532.08 to NOBL according to the IMOU dated February 9, 2016, for the projects approved by the NOBL/GVSU/City Work Group; and
2. That the Comptroller is hereby authorized and directed to issue payments consistent with this resolution.

**93599 Result: Approved****Mover: O'Connor. Supporter: Robbins.**

## WHEREAS:

1. The Office of the Kent County Drain Commissioner has advised the City of Grand Rapids that, pursuant to Chapter 20 of the Michigan Drain Code, maintenance was needed at the Knapp's Corner drain; and
2. The invoices from the Office of the Kent County Drain Commissioner for fiscal year 2024 were over the initial authorization of \$400,000 for the above maintenance; therefore

## RESOLVED:

1. That additional expenditures for the City's share of costs for the Project be authorized in an amount "not-to-exceed" \$153,993.16; and
2. Payments of invoices associated with this project shall be charged to Code No. 1010-533-3000-8010.

**93600 Result: Approved****Mover: O'Connor. Supporter: Robbins.**

## WHEREAS:

1. The City of Grand Rapids conducted a participatory budgeting process as part of its ARPA-funded recovery efforts; and
2. Funded projects are intended to show specific impacts relative to COVID-19 pandemic impacts; and
3. The Johnson Center for Philanthropy is well-positioned to support program measurement activities in the Grand Rapids community; therefore

## RESOLVED:

1. That the City will contract with The Johnson Center for Philanthropy in an amount "not-to-exceed" \$75,000 for the purposes of program measurement; and
2. That the term of the contract shall extend from contract execution through December 31, 2026; and

3. That upon approval as to form by the City Attorney, the Mayor is authorized to execute said contract and related documents, necessary modifications, or extensions of time; and
4. Following execution of the contract, the Comptroller is hereby authorized and directed to issue payments consistent with this resolution.

**93601 Result: Approved**

**Mover: O'Connor. Supporter: Robbins.**

WHEREAS:

1. The City established a Participatory Budgeting process, allocating \$400,000 to projects in the Second Ward; and
2. Second Ward residents voted to fund a community-based mental health and wellness initiative; and
3. Second Ward residents dedicated \$350,000 to execute said project; therefore

RESOLVED:

1. That the City will contract with Arbor Circle as fiduciary for said project in the amount "not-to-exceed" \$350,000; and
2. That the term of the contract shall extend from contract execution through December 31, 2026; and
3. That upon approval as to form by the City Attorney, the Mayor is authorized to execute said contract and related documents, necessary modifications, or extensions of time; and
4. Following execution of the contract, the Comptroller is hereby authorized and directed to issue payments consistent with this resolution.

**93602 Result: Approved**

**Mover: O'Connor. Supporter: Robbins.**

WHEREAS:

1. On April 11, 2023 (Proceeding No. 92478), the City Commission approved a contract with Highstreet IT Solutions, LLC for training, implementation, integrations, and extended cloud services in an amount "not-to-exceed" six million dollars (\$6,000,000) over five years; and
2. During implementation, Highstreet IT Solutions, LLC and the City of Grand Rapids agreed to add scope to the project to accommodate certain business needs and processes which were unforeseen during the original contract formulation; therefore

## RESOLVED:

1. That the City Commission authorizes an agreement with Highstreet IT Solutions, LLC providing training, implementation, integrations, and extended cloud services for an enterprise reporting planning system for the City of Grand Rapids for a three-year term with two one-year renewal options in an amount "not-to-exceed" amount of two million four hundred thousand dollars (\$2,400,000); and
2. That the Mayor is authorized to execute said Agreements upon approval as to form by the City Attorney; and
3. That the Comptroller is hereby authorized and directed to pay invoices consistent with this resolution.

**93603 Result: Approved****Mover: O'Connor. Supporter: Robbins.**

## WHEREAS:

1. The City Commission, after due and legal notice to all interested parties, has duly met as a Board of Review for the purpose of reviewing Uptown Business Improvement District Special Assessment Roll Number 8786 prepared by the City Assessor; and
2. Uptown Business Improvement District Special Assessment Roll Number 8786 has been open to review before the City Assessor for the length of time required by Chapter 10 of the Ordinance Code of the City of Grand Rapids, the Charter of the City of Grand Rapids, and the laws of the State; and
3. The City Commission, acting as such Board of Review, has given opportunity to all persons interested in and affected by said Uptown Business Improvement District Special Assessment Roll Number 8786 to appear before said Board of Review, has carefully considered any objections and appeals made thereto; and
4. The City Commission is of the opinion that Uptown Business Improvement District Special Assessment Roll Number 8786, is in all respects fair, just and equitable; therefore

## RESOLVED:

1. The City Commission, sitting as a Board of Review, is satisfied with Uptown Business Improvement District Special Assessment Roll Number 8786, is of the opinion that said Uptown Business Improvement District Special Assessment Roll Number 8786 results in the assessments being levied in accordance with the benefits to be derived by such public improvements,

and has caused and does hereby cause such determination to be entered upon its minutes; and

2. Uptown Business Improvement District Special Assessment Roll Number 8786, as prepared by the City Assessor and as reviewed by the City Commission, acting as a Board of Review, is hereby ratified and confirmed; and
3. Uptown Business Improvement District Special Assessment Roll Number 8786, with a certified copy of this resolution attached to it, shall be delivered by the City Clerk to the City Treasurer, with the warrant signed by the Mayor, commanding the City Treasurer to collect all special assessments and fees, interest and penalties thereon in a manner required by Chapter 10 of the City Ordinance Code; and
4. Said Uptown Business Improvement District Special Assessment Roll Number 8786 shall be billed on July 1, 2024, with the 2024 summer real property tax statements. The statements shall be due on July 31, 2024. In the event that any assessment shall not be paid by the due date, the assessment shall remain a lien upon said property and penalties shall thereafter be charged and added to said past due assessment as prescribed by state law. The entire assessment may be paid on or before July 31, 2024, without penalty.

**93604 Result: Approved**

**Mover: O'Connor. Supporter: Robbins.**

RESOLVED:

1. That a grant from The Wege Foundation in the amount of \$399,500 for the Office of Sustainability to hire two full-time staff is hereby accepted; and
2. That no matching funds are required for this funding; and
3. That upon approval as to form by the City Attorney, the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute the grant agreement on behalf of the City.

**93605 Result: Approved**

**Mover: O'Connor. Supporter: Robbins.**

RESOLVED:

1. That the City Commission authorizes contracts with 3Degrees and Sol Systems for a total amount not to exceed \$250,000 to purchase renewable energy credits for the City; and
2. That the period of performance for each contract is for 2024 and 2025; and

3. That upon approval as to form by the City Attorney, the Mayor is authorized to execute said agreements, related documents and necessary modifications, and extensions of time; and
4. Following the execution of the agreement, the Comptroller is hereby authorized and directed to issue payments consistent with this resolution.

**93606 Result: Approved**

**Mover: O'Connor. Supporter: Robbins.**

WHEREAS, the City of Grand Rapids (the "City") has determined to undertake capital improvements consisting of: (A) the design, purchase, acquisition, construction, and installation of certain capital improvements and property at the Griff's Ice House at Belknap Park, and the purchase of property, including, but not limited to, the replacement of the refrigeration system, ice rink concrete slab, in-slab refrigeration piping and new boards, furnishings, fixtures and equipment, and site improvements necessary and incidental thereto for the benefit of the City (collectively, the "Hockey Arena Project"); and (B) the design purchase, acquisition, construction, site remediation, demolition and installation of certain capital improvements to the Fire Training Campus, including, but not limited to, the construction of classrooms, indoor drill area, burn building, maintenance and testing areas, furnishings, fixtures and equipment, and site improvements necessary and incidental thereto for the benefit of the City (collectively the "Fire Training Campus Project" and together with the Hockey Arena Project, the "Project") and to finance all or a portion of the costs of the Project by the issuance of one or more series of capital improvement bonds (the "Bonds") pursuant to Act 34 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 2001, as amended, MCL 141.2101 *et seq.* ("Act 34"); and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to publish a notice of intent to issue bonds pursuant to Section 517 of Act 34; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to express its intent to reimburse itself from proceeds of the Bonds for costs related to the Project that are paid prior to issuance of the Bonds.

**RESOLVED:**

1. That the City shall undertake the Project and pay for all or a portion of the costs of the Project through the issuance of the Bonds in one or more series in a total amount "not-to-exceed" \$28,000,000.
2. That a notice of intent to issue bonds for the Bonds shall be published in accordance with Section 517 of Act 34.
3. That the City Clerk is authorized and directed to publish the notice of intent to issue bonds in *The Grand Rapids Press*, a newspaper of general

circulation in the City, which notice shall contain the information required by Act 34. Such notice shall not be less than one-quarter page in size in the newspaper.

4. That the City pursuant to Section 1.150-2 of the Treasury Regulations promulgated pursuant to the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, declares its intent to reimburse itself the costs of the Project and costs related thereto in an amount not to exceed \$28,000,000 through the issuance of the Bonds.
5. That a copy of this resolution shall be available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, City Hall, 300 Monroe Avenue, N.W., in the City.
6. That all resolutions or parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this resolution be, and the same are, rescinded.

**93607 Result: Approved**

**Mover: O'Connor. Supporter: Robbins.**

WHEREAS, the Fiscal Committee has considered the attached bids; therefore

RESOLVED that contracts be prepared between the City and the following vendors, and that the Mayor be authorized to sign the contracts on behalf of the City, as follows, in a form to be approved by the City Attorney:

**1. Past Perfect, Inc.**

Contract for comprehensive services to research, survey, prepare and submit a National Register of Historic Places district nomination for the Auburn Hills neighborhood for the Planning Department from Past Perfect, Inc. for the total "not-to-exceed" amount of \$60,000.00.

**2. Beaumont Capital Management**

One-year contract extension for continued full-time, discretionary management of the City's Retiree Health Care Trust Fund defined benefit plan assets from Beaumont Capital Management for the annual "not-to-exceed" amount of \$245,000.00.

**3. Fairfax Software**

Contract for furnishing and implementation of a comprehensive remittance imaging solution for the Income Tax and Treasurers departments from Fairfax Software (dba Fairfax Imaging) for the total "not-to-exceed" amount of \$382,650.00, as well as a one-year term contract with two, one-year renewal options from Fairfax Software for annual licensing, maintenance, and support of the installed solution for the annual "not-to-exceed" amount of \$35,913.00; the estimated three-year total amount is \$105,957.00.

**4. Universal Protection Service**

One-year term contract for a mobile security patrol pilot program to patrol 9 ramps and 12 parking lots, seven days per week with Universal Protection Service LP (dba Allied Universal) for the MobileGR Department for the annual “not-to-exceed” amount of \$150,000.00.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Purchasing Agent be authorized to proceed with awards to the following vendors:

**5. Pure Air Filtration**

Contract extension through a cooperative purchase through the Grand Valley Regional Biosolids Authority (GVRBA) for a one-year term through June 2025 for the purchase and delivery of activated carbon for the Environmental Services Department from Pure Air Filtration for an annual “not-to-exceed” amount of \$200,000.00.

**6. Pure Air Filtration**

Contract extension for a one-year term through June 2025 for the purchase and delivery of activated carbon and iron media for the Environmental Services Department from Pure Air Filtration for an annual “not-to-exceed” amount of \$35,000.00, to co-terminate with the GVRBA Contract in July 2025.

**7. Polydyne, Inc.**

Contract extension through a cooperative purchase through the Grand Valley Regional Biosolids Authority (GVRBA) for a one-year term through June 2025 for the purchase and delivery of bulk polymer for the Environmental Services Department from Pure Air Filtration for an annual “not-to-exceed” amount of \$975,000.00.

**D. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE****93608 Result: Approved**

**Mover: O'Connor. Supporter: Robbins.**

RESOLVED that the request to grant High Tech Special Effects a Fireworks Discharge Permit to be used in conjunction with the Foreigner Farewell Tour 2024 concert at the Van Andel Arena on June 11, 2024, is approved, pending an inspection by the Fire Department.

**93609 Result: Approved**

**Mover: O'Connor. Supporter: Robbins.**

RESOLVED that the request to grant Image SFX a Fireworks Discharge Permit to be used in conjunction with the A Day To Remember concert at the Van Andel Arena on June 15, 2024, is approved, pending an inspection by the Fire Department.

**93610 Result: Approved****Mover: O'Connor. Supporter: Robbins.**

RESOLVED that the request to grant Arthur Rozzi Pyrotechnics a Fireworks Discharge Permit to be used in conjunction with the Grand Rapids Fireworks at the Gillette Bridge on Saturday, July 6, 2024, is approved, pending an inspection by the Fire Department.

**93611 Result: Approved****Mover: O'Connor. Supporter: Robbins.**

RESOLVED:

1. That a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is approved between the City and the Lower Grand River Organization of Watersheds; and
2. That the MOU is for a period of June 1, 2024, through May 31, 2027, with an additional three-year renewal option; and
3. That the Mayor is authorized to execute the MOU on behalf of the City in a form to be approved by the City Attorney.

**93612 Result: Approved****Mover: O'Connor. Supporter: Robbins.**

WHEREAS:

1. Construction of a new building consisting of up to 186 dwelling units with 622 sq. ft. of commercial retail space, along with the existing Sun Title office use and YMCA Greater Grand Rapids commercial kitchen use in the existing building, is proposed at 385 Leonard Street NE; and
2. A map amendment rezoning the properties from NOS (Neighborhood Office Service) Zone District to SD-PRD (Special Districts–Planned Redevelopment District) is proposed to facilitate the development; and
3. The Planning Commission considered the amendment at a public hearing held on May 9, 2024, and recommended approval of the request by a vote of 7-0; therefore

RESOLVED:

4. That in accordance with Title V, Section 10(b) [Compiler's Paragraph 60(b)] of the Charter of the City of Grand Rapids, that the attached Summary of the Ordinance be published in the official City Commission Proceedings and in a newspaper of general circulation in the City, in lieu of publishing the full text of the Ordinance; and

5. That the attached ordinance amending Map 13 of Chapter 61 of Title V of the Code of the City of Grand Rapids shall be considered for adoption by the City Commission at its meeting of July 16, 2024.

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND MAP 13 OF CHAPTER 61 OF TITLE V  
OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF GRAND RAPIDS, THE ZONING  
ORDINANCE**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2024 - \_\_\_\_**

**THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF GRAND RAPIDS DO ORDAIN:**

Section 1. That Map 13 of Chapter 61 of Title V of the City Code of Grand Rapids be amended to rezone 385 Leonard Street NE from the NOS (Neighborhood Office Service) Zone District to SD-PRD (Special Districts–Planned Redevelopment District) to facilitate construction of a five-story apartment building with up to 186 dwelling units and **622 sq. ft. of commercial retail space**.

The resulting boundary of the SD-PRD can be described as follows:

Parcel: 385 Leonard Street NE (41-14-18-383-004)  
Description: ALL OF BLK 16 LYING E OF LAFAYETTE AVE & VAC  
ALLEY IN SD BLK \* TANNER TAYLOR'S ADDITION

Section 2. As provided in Section 5.12.12.F. of the Zoning Ordinance, that the following provisions are an integral part of this Ordinance:

1. That the application and plans submitted by the applicant and signed, dated and stamped by the Planning Director, shall constitute the approved plans, except if plan elements do not meet ordinance requirements and/or as amended in this resolution.
2. That the use shall operate according to the application and per testimony as recorded in the Planning Commission minutes.
3. That a Land Use Development Services (LUDS) permit, building permit, and all other required permits be obtained from the City of Grand Rapids prior to construction, demolition, or operation.
4. That the proposed use will comply with all other applicable City ordinances and policies and all State laws.
5. That the new westerly building shall be governed by the rules and requirements for the TN-TBA Zone District for the purposes of signs and

uses in the ground floor commercial space, except that office and residential are permitted uses.

6. That the existing Sun Title office building shall be governed by the rules and requirements for the NOS Zone District for the purposes of signs and uses.
7. That the site shall maintain at least 25% greenspace and 26% tree canopy.
8. That the building elevations be modified to provide openings and/or architectural variation within the foundation wall screening the below grade parking deck and be subject to review and approval by the Planning Director.
9. That the landscape plan be modified to eliminate the proposed green screen and/or supplemented with additional plantings.
10. That the proposed landscaping adjacent to the building be modified to ensure mature vegetation at the time of planting.
11. That this approval shall take effect as required by the City Commission approval in accordance with Section 5.12.12.G. of the Zoning Ordinance.

**93613 Result: Approved**

**Mover: O'Connor. Supporter: Robbins.**

WHEREAS, a request has been received for the commemorative designation of the intersection of Henry Avenue and Logan Street as "Cliff's Corner"; therefore

**RESOLVED:**

1. That a public hearing for consideration of the commemorative designation of the intersection of Henry Avenue and Logan Street as "Cliff's Corner" be held on Tuesday, July 16, 2024, at 2:00 p.m. local time for the purpose of hearing any and all persons affected by and interested in such commemorative designation. The hearing will be scheduled at City Hall, 300 Monroe Avenue NW, Grand Rapids, MI 49503.

**93614 Result: Approved**

**Mover: O'Connor. Supporter: Robbins.**

**WHEREAS:**

1. The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT), through the Michigan Shared Streets and Spaces Grant Program (SSSG), provides state grant funds to assist communities in the provision of activities that enhance the intermodal transportation system and provide safe alternative transportation options; and

2. City staff identified the following project for possible grant funding under the aforesaid Michigan SSSG Program:

Leonard Street NE Pedestrian Hybrid Beacon Crossing  
(hereinafter referred to as the Project); therefore

RESOLVED:

1. That the City Commission hereby authorizes the City Manager, or designee, to file a SSSG grant application to request \$200,000 for the aforesaid Project with MDOT, and to provide any additional information as may be required with respect to the City of Grand Rapids' participation in this program; and
2. That if the aforesaid grant application is approved, the City Commission will make funds available to provide the local funding in the amount of approximately \$149,292. Final City Commission authorization for the precise local funding amount will be sought upon approval of the grant request; and
3. That if the aforesaid grant application is approved, the City of Grand Rapids commits to owning/operating the constructed facility funded by SSSG funds and funding/implementing a maintenance plan/program in perpetuity or causing operations and maintenance to occur.

**93615 Result: Approved**

**Mover: O'Connor. Supporter: Robbins.**

WHEREAS:

1. The City Commission previously approved the Brownfield Plan (the "Plan") of the City of Grand Rapids Brownfield Redevelopment Authority (the "Authority") December 22, 1998, pursuant to the Brownfield Redevelopment Financing Act, Act 381 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1996, as amended, MCL 125.2651 *et seq*; and
2. The Authority has pursuant to Act 381 approved and recommended an amendment of the Plan for the Benjamin Flats Redevelopment Project (the "Project") identified therein (the "Amendment"); and
3. Before considering approval of the Amendment the City Commission must hold a public hearing in accordance with Act 381; therefore

RESOLVED:

1. That a public hearing be held to consider the Amendment to the Plan of the Authority; and
2. That the public hearing be held on Tuesday, July 16, 2024, at 2:00 p.m., in the City Commission Chambers on the 9th Floor of the City Hall, 300 Monroe Avenue, N.W., in the City; and

3. That the City Clerk give or cause to be given public notice of the hearing in accordance with Act 381; and
4. That, in accordance with the provisions of Act 381, the City Clerk give or cause to be given notice of the public hearing to each of the taxing jurisdictions that levy taxes on property included in the Project subject to capture under Act 381; and
5. That a copy of the Amendment be held in the Economic Development Office of the City located on the 9th Floor of City Hall, 300 Monroe Avenue, N.W., in the City for public examination and inspection; and
6. That all resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict herewith shall be and the same are hereby rescinded.

**93616 Result: Approved**

**Mover: O'Connor. Supporter: Robbins.**

WHEREAS:

1. Between 1989 and 1993, via Warranty Deeds recorded at the Kent County Register of Deeds, properties commonly known as 1545 Broadway Avenue NW, 1127 Kalamazoo Avenue SE, 2144 Horton Avenue SE, 1128 Fisk Street SE, 808 Woolsey Drive SW and 2125 Francis Avenue SE (the "Properties") were conveyed to the City of Grand Rapids, A Municipal Corporation, acting through the Grand Rapids Housing Commission; and
2. In 1997, the Grand Rapids Housing Commission became a public body corporate able to own and convey property in its name without approval of the City of Grand Rapids; and
3. The Grand Rapids Housing Commission has owned the Properties and maintained the Properties since its acquisition and now wishes to clarify ownership in anticipation of eventual conveyance of the Properties to low-income household consistent with its mission; therefore

RESOLVED:

1. That issuance of one or more quit claim deeds for the properties commonly known as 1545 Broadway Avenue NW, 1127 Kalamazoo Avenue SE, 2144 Horton Avenue SE, 1128 Fisk Street SE, 808 Woolsey Drive SW and 2125 Francis Avenue SE from the City of Grand Rapids, a municipal corporation, to the Grand Rapids Housing Commission, a public body corporate, for the nominal consideration of one dollar (\$1.00) is approved; and
2. That the Mayor is authorized to execute the quit claim deeds on behalf of the City in a form to be approved by the City Attorney.

**93617 Result: Approved****Mover: O'Connor. Supporter: Robbins.****WHEREAS:**

1. The City of Grand Rapids ("City") and the State Land Bank Authority (SLBA) entered into that certain Land Banking Agreement (the "Agreement") approved by the City Commission on October 8, 2019 (Proceeding 89277) and dated as of December 19, 2019; and
2. Pursuant to the Agreement, the City and SLBA work cooperatively to manage, maintain, and dispose of real property located in the City; and
3. On June 21, 2022 via proceeding 91815, the City Commission approved City Commission Policy 900-63 (the "Policy") which, among other things, sets forth the timelines, objectives, processes, and procedures for preparing property for sale, considering proposals for purchase, and facilitating disposition of property owned by the SLBA pursuant to the Agreement; and
4. An application has been submitted for the property listed below and has been reviewed according to the Policy; and
5. Staff review has determined that the application is consistent with the requirements of the Policy and the applicant listed below is eligible and qualified to obtain an option to purchase the property for which they have applied; therefore

**RESOLVED:**

1. That City authorizes the SLBA to enter into an option agreement with the following entity for the specific property listed below, which is subject to the Agreement, providing the prospective purchaser with a 12-month option period in which to finalize and evidence their ability to undertake the project defined in its application:

Property Address: 1301 Logan Street SE

Applicant: Spitzley Group, LLC  
Parcel Number: 41-14-31-204-017  
Purchase Price: \$5,000

;and

2. That upon submission of evidence satisfactory to the City that the applicant is prepared to undertake the project described in its application and exercise of the option agreement, the SLBA is authorized to convey the property to the applicant; and

3. That proceeds of the sale(s), less fees required to be paid to the SLBA, will be deposited in the Property Management Fund.

**93618 Result: Approved**

**Mover: O'Connor. Supporter: Robbins.**

WHEREAS:

1. On June 15, 2021 (Proceeding No. 90883), the City awarded contracts on an as-needed basis to Diversco Construction Company, Inc., Dykema Excavators, Inc., Lodestar Construction, Inc., Nagel Construction, Inc., and Wyoming Excavators, Inc. (hereinafter referred to as the "Contractors" for the following project:

Utility Improvements at Various Locations – Contract 2021  
(hereinafter referred to as the "Project"); and

2. The contract documents for the Project included provisions for the City, at its option, to extend each contract for an additional period of time contingent upon successful negotiations with the contractors; and
3. On June 21, 2022 (Proceeding No. 91807) the City extended contracts with Diversco, Dykema, Lodestar, Nagel and Wyoming to June 30, 2023; and
4. On July 11, 2023 (Proceeding No. 92719) the City Extended contracts with Diversco, Dykema, Lodestar, Nagel and Wyoming to June 30, 2024; and
5. The City now desires to extend the contracts with the Contractors to June 30, 2027 and each firm has agreed to said extension at no increase to its firm's prices for the period of this extension; and
6. The City desires to increase the amount of expenditures authorized for projects associated with the aforesaid contracts; therefore

RESOLVED:

1. That the extension of the contracts for the Project are hereby approved for an additional period of time to June 30, 2027 at no increase to unit prices.
2. That total expenditures for the Project are hereby increased in an amount of \$950,000 and will be charged to the appropriate budgets for which these services are required. Said amount of \$950,000 include costs for construction, engineering/inspection, consultant services, testing and administration.
3. That the City Engineer or his designee is hereby authorized to execute the necessary change orders for the extension of the aforesaid contracts as referenced herein.

4. That the City Comptroller is hereby authorized and directed to make payment, in amounts and to said payees, as the City Engineer or his designee requests in connection with the Project.

**93619 Result: Approved**

**Mover: O'Connor. Supporter: Robbins.**

WHEREAS, bids were received on May 7, 2024 for the following project:

Replacement of Lead Service Lines at Various Locations – Contract 2024-1  
(hereinafter referred to as the “Project”)

and SPS Pro Plumbing, LLC (SPS) submitted a bid of \$3,338,848 for which the engineer’s estimate is \$3,723,875; therefore

**RESOLVED:**

1. That the City of Grand Rapids tentatively awards the construction contract for the Project to SPS, contingent upon successful financial arrangements with the Michigan Finance Authority (MFA) through the State Revolving Fund Program.
2. That the bid of SPS be accepted and that, upon completion of financing with MFA and upon approval as to form by the City Attorney, the Mayor is authorized to execute a contract with SPS in the amount of \$3,338,848 for the Project on behalf of the City, which execution shall constitute the award of the contract.
3. All resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict herewith shall be, and the same are, rescinded.
4. That total expenditures for the Project be authorized in an amount “not-to-exceed” \$4,054,900 which includes the costs of the construction contract, construction phase services including inspection by Moore & Bruggink, Inc., administration, and contingencies. Said amount of \$4,054,900 to be charged to the applicable Water System Codes.
5. That the City Comptroller is hereby authorized and directed to make payment, in amounts and to said payees, as the City Engineer or his designee requests in connection with the Project.
6. That the City of Grand Rapids, pursuant to Section 1.150-2 of the Treasury Regulations promulgated pursuant to the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, declares its intent to reimburse itself the costs of the Project and other related costs in an amount “not-to-exceed” \$4,054,900 (Water System Fund) through the issuance of tax-exempt bonds.

7. That a copy of this resolution be available for inspection at the City Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, City Hall, 300 Monroe Avenue N.W., Grand Rapids, Michigan 49503.

**93620 Result: Approved**

**Mover: O'Connor. Supporter: Robbins.**

WHEREAS, bids were received on May 21, 2024 for the following project:

Replacement of Lead Service Lines at Various Locations – Contract 2024-2  
(hereinafter referred to as the "Project")

and Groundhawg Landscaping & Excavating, LLC (Groundhawg) submitted a bid of \$3,850,300 for which the engineer's estimate is \$3,617,925; therefore

RESOLVED:

1. That the City of Grand Rapids tentatively awards the construction contract for the Project to Groundhawg, contingent upon successful financial arrangements with the Michigan Finance Authority (MFA) through the State Revolving Fund Program.
2. That the bid of Groundhawg be accepted and that, upon completion of financing with MFA and upon approval as to form by the City Attorney, the Mayor is authorized to execute a contract with Groundhawg in the amount of \$3,850,300 for the Project on behalf of the City, which execution shall constitute the award of the contract.
3. All resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict herewith shall be, and the same are, rescinded.
4. That total expenditures for the Project be authorized in an amount "not-to-exceed" \$4,612,200 which includes the costs of the construction contract, construction phase services including inspection by Moore & Bruggink, Inc., administration, and contingencies. Said amount of \$4,612,200 to be charged to the applicable Water System Codes.
5. That the City Comptroller is hereby authorized and directed to make payment, in amounts and to said payees, as the City Engineer or his designee requests in connection with the Project.
6. That the City of Grand Rapids, pursuant to Section 1.150-2 of the Treasury Regulations promulgated pursuant to the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, declares its intent to reimburse itself the costs of the Project and other related costs in an amount "not-to-exceed" \$4,612,200 (Water System Fund) through the issuance of tax-exempt bonds.

7. That a copy of this resolution be available for inspection at the City Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, City Hall, 300 Monroe Avenue N.W., Grand Rapids, Michigan 49503.

**93621 Result: Approved**

**Mover: O'Connor. Supporter: Robbins.**

WHEREAS, bids were received on May 7, 2024 for the following project:

Improvements to the Water System at Various Locations  
(hereinafter referred to as the "Project")

and Diversco Construction Company, Inc. (Diversco) submitted a bid of \$1,475,624 for which the engineer's estimate, prepared by Fishbeck Thompson Carr and Huber, Inc. (Fishbeck), is \$1,147,765; therefore

RESOLVED:

1. That the bid of Diversco be accepted and that, upon approval as to form by the City Attorney, the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the contract documents for the Project on behalf of the City.
2. That total expenditures for the Project be authorized in an amount "not-to-exceed" \$1,997,000 which includes the costs of the construction contract, previously authorized design phase services by Fishbeck, construction phase services including inspection by Fishbeck, public information program, administration, and contingencies. Said amount of \$1,997,000 to be charged to the applicable Water System Fund codes.
3. That the City Comptroller is hereby authorized and directed to make payment, in amounts and to said payees, as the City Engineer or his designee requests in connection with the Project.

**93622 Result: Approved**

**Mover: O'Connor. Supporter: Robbins.**

WHEREAS:

1. On December 12, 2023 (Proceeding No. 93140) the City approved a Professional Services Agreement for construction management services for the following project:

Construction of City Facilities at 1500 Scribner Avenue NW  
(hereinafter referred to as the "Project"); and

2. It is necessary to amend the aforementioned agreement to incorporate grant provisions; and

3. It is necessary to increase the scope of work and authorize additional expenditures for the aforementioned agreement in the amount of \$9,311,779; therefore

RESOLVED:

1. That the scope of work for the Professional Services Agreement with Clark Construction Company, Inc. (Clark) be increased at a cost of \$9,311,779 with total expenditures "not-to-exceed" \$81,174,809 which includes the costs of the amendment to the professional services agreement, construction phase services including inspection by Bergmann Associates, Architects, Engineers, Landscape Architects and Surveyor's, D.P.C. (Bergmann), contingencies, and prior authorizations. Said amount of \$81,174,809 to be charged to the applicable Capital Improvement Fund Codes.
2. That the City Engineer or his designee is hereby authorized to execute the necessary change order to the aforesaid contract with Clark.
3. That, upon approval as to form by the City Attorney, the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the amendment to the Professional Services Agreement.
4. That the City Comptroller is hereby authorized and directed to make payment, in amounts and to said payees, as the City Engineer or his designee requests in connection with the project.
5. That the City of Grand Rapids, pursuant to Section 1.150-2 of the Treasury Regulations promulgated pursuant to the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, declares its intent to reimburse itself the costs of the Project and other related costs in an amount "not-to-exceed" \$60,000,000 (Capital Improvement Fund) through the issuance of tax-exempt bonds.
6. That a copy of this resolution be available for inspection at the City Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, City Hall, 300 Monroe Avenue N.W., Grand Rapids, Michigan 49503.

**93623 Result: Approved**

**Mover: O'Connor. Supporter: Robbins.**

WHEREAS, it is necessary to approve a Cost-Sharing Agreement in the amount of \$1,674,500 to be paid by the developer in connection with the Reconstruction of Godfrey Avenue from Oxford Street to Chestnut Street and Chestnut Street from 1,300' West of Godfrey Avenue to Godfrey Avenue; therefore

RESOLVED:

1. That the aforesaid Cost-Sharing Agreement in an amount “not-to-exceed” \$1,674,500 between the City of Grand Rapids and Factory Yards Development, L.L.C. be approved and that, upon approval as to form by the City Attorney, the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute said Agreement on behalf of the City.

**93624 Result: Approved**

**Mover: O'Connor. Supporter: Robbins.**

**WHEREAS:**

It is necessary to enter into an agreement with the Michigan Department of Transportation in connection with the Project and to authorize expenditures in connection with the following project:

Reconstruction of Valley Avenue from Fulton Street to Bridge Street  
(MDOT Contract No. 24-5249)  
(hereinafter referred to as the “Project”); therefore

**RESOLVED:**

1. That the City enter into an agreement with the Michigan Department of Transportation for the Project for which a portion of the Project is anticipated to be funded by the Michigan Finance Authority (MFA) through the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Program and that, upon approval as to form by the City Attorney, the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized to execute the same on behalf of the City.
2. That expenditures for the local share of costs for the Project be authorized in an amount “not-to-exceed” \$2,824,504, which includes the costs of the construction contract, previously authorized design phase services by Moore & Bruggink, Inc. (M&B), construction phase services including inspection by M&B, traffic safety and street lighting force account work/public information program, administration, and contingencies. Said amount of \$2,824,504 to be charged to the applicable codes currently defined as follows: \$1,472,600 to the applicable Water System Fund codes, \$107,540 to the applicable Vital Streets Fund (Traffic Safety) code, \$12,745 to the applicable Capital Improvement Fund (Traffic Safety) code, and \$1,231,619 to the applicable Vital Streets Fund code.
3. That the City Comptroller is hereby authorized and directed to make payment, in amounts and to said payees, as the City Engineer or his designee requests in connection with the Project.
4. That the City of Grand Rapids, pursuant to Section 1.150-2 of the Treasury Regulations promulgated pursuant to the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, declares its intent to reimburse itself the costs of the Project

and other related costs in an amount “not-to-exceed” \$ 1,472,600 (Water System Fund) through the issuance of tax-exempt bonds.

5. That a copy of this resolution be available for inspection at the City Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, City Hall, 300 Monroe Avenue N.W., Grand Rapids, Michigan 49503.

**93625 Result: Approved**

**Mover: O'Connor. Supporter: Robbins.**

WHEREAS:

1. The City of Grand Rapids' approved Vital Streets Plan, a transportation master plan, calls for a network of streets and rights-of-way that are accessible, multimodal, and safe, including providing safe walking and biking facilities; and
2. The City of Grand Rapids' approved Bicycle Action Plan calls for a bicycle infrastructure network that is connected, safe, and comfortable; and
3. The U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration, under the Active Transportation Infrastructure Investment Program (ATIIP), provides grant funds to assist communities in the provision of safe and connected active transportation infrastructure, including bikeways, sidewalks, and bicycle and pedestrian trails; and
4. City staff has identified the following project for possible grant funding under the aforesaid Active Transportation Infrastructure Investment Program:

Separated bikeways continuing on Turner and Mt Vernon, on 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> St (south side of I-196), on Century Ave south of MLK, and on 6th St (Front to Broadway); standard bicycle lanes with curb line mods on Hall (Madison to Jefferson), on Madison (Adams to Hall), and on Lake (Carlton to Genesee); and others as identified.

(hereinafter referred to as the project); therefore

RESOLVED:

1. That the City Commission hereby authorizes the City Manager, or designee, to file a grant application for the aforesaid project with the U.S. Department of Transportation in connection with the ATIIP, and to provide any additional information as may be required with respect to the City of Grand Rapids' participation in this program; and
2. That if the aforesaid grant application is approved, the City Commission will make funds available to finance the project and provide the local cost share from a combination of funds including, but not limited to, the Capital Improvement Fund, Parking Services Fund, and Vital Streets Fund; and

3. That if the aforesaid grant application is approved, the City of Grand Rapids commits to owning/operating the constructed facility funded by ATIIP funds and implementing a maintenance plan or causing operations and maintenance to occur; and
4. That the City Commission encourages the favorable review of this application by the U.S. Department of Transportation.

#### **E. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

##### **93626 Result: Approved**

**Mover: O'Connor. Supporter: Robbins.**

RESOLVED, that the request from Sip Shine, LLC, for a new On-Premises Tasting Room license to be located at 401 Stocking Ave NW is approved.

##### **93627 Result: Approved**

**Mover: O'Connor. Supporter: Robbins.**

#### **WHEREAS:**

1. Increasing the availability of outdoor dining space will help downtown and neighborhood business districts to thrive; and
2. Public Act 124 of 2020, as amended, empowers the City Commission to designate Social Districts with Commons Areas where purchasers may consume alcoholic beverages sold by multiple qualified Michigan Liquor Control Commission licensees who obtain Social District Permits; and
3. The City Commission designated the East Hills Social District on October 4, 2022; and
4. Uptown Grand Rapids, Inc. and the East Hills Business Association request the commons area inclusion of a social zone seating area in the courtyard at 920 Cherry St SE; and
5. The City Commission has considered the potential impact of the proposed changes to the Social District on public health, safety, and welfare; therefore

#### **RESOLVED:**

1. That the East Hills Social District containing a Commons Area is designated within the limits shown on the attached map; and
2. That the Commons Area within the Social District shall be as noted on the attached map with the City Manager, or designee, authorized to make minor reasonable adjustments to the limits of the Commons Area required by

regulatory or operational requirements, or to safeguard the public health, safety, and welfare; and

3. That the Commons Area is contiguous to at least 2 qualified licensees; and
4. That signage shall be placed to define and clearly mark the limits of the Commons Area; and
5. That the management and maintenance plan for each Commons Area, including the hours of operation, shall be the same as for the corresponding permitted parklet or other outdoor seating area; and
6. That the Commons Area shall be maintained in a manner that protects the health and safety of the community; and
7. That the Social District shall exclude premises authorized by the Michigan Liquor Control Commission under a special license during the effective period of the special license; and
8. That any conflicting provision of prior City Commission proceedings is hereby rescinded.

**93628 Result: Approved**

**Mover: O'Connor. Supporter: Robbins.**

WHEREAS:

1. Article IV, Section 4 (m) of the Michigan Constitution establishes the right for all Michigan voters to vote early at an early voting site for nine days beginning the second Saturday before each federal election and ending on the Sunday prior to Election Day; and
2. Early voting must be available to every voter for at least eight hours per day during the mandatory nine-day period; and
3. Michigan Election Law, MCL 168.662(1) requires the approval of the location of early voting sites by the City Commission, similar to the process for establishing a polling place; and
4. The City Clerk will establish the exact dates and times that each site is available to voters; and
5. Michigan Election Law, MCL 169.765a amended allows absent voter counting boards to process and tabulate absentee ballots beginning the second Monday before an election; and
6. Michigan Election Law stipulates that no less than 60 days before an election the City Commission may establish, abolish or move a polling location, under certain circumstances. Michigan Election Law also stipulates that upon the approval of the City Commission by resolution, the clerk may specify

additional locations and hours that the clerk will be available to issue and receive absent voter ballots; and

7. Title III Section 8 of the City Charter states that at least twenty days prior to any election, the City Commission shall fix the compensation of the inspectors of election; therefore

RESOLVED:

1. That the City Commission approves the list of following polling locations as provided by the Clerk's Office:
  - a. Saints Peter and Paul School – 520 Myrtle NW
  - b. GRPS University – 1400 Fuller NE
  - c. Ottawa Hills High School – 2055 Rosewood SE; and
2. That the City Commission fixes the compensation for Election Inspectors at \$150/day for Early Voting/AVCB Chairperson and \$120/day for all other Election Inspectors during Early Voting/AVCB. The compensation for attending a training class is \$25; and
3. That the City Commission approves the list of polling locations for the Primary Election as provided by the Clerk's Office; and
4. That the City Commission approves the following additional times and locations for issuing and receiving of Absentee Ballots for the Primary Election:

Saturday before the Presidential Primary, 7:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.; and
5. That the City Commission fixes the compensation for Election Inspectors working in the precincts on Election Day at \$225/day for Precinct Chairperson, \$200/day for E-Pollbook Inspector, and \$175/day for all other Election Inspectors. The compensation for attending a training class is \$25.

**93629 Result: Approved**

**Mover: O'Connor. Supporter: Robbins.**

WHEREAS:

1. The City of Grand Rapids, pursuant to City Commission approval on December 6, 2022 (Proceeding No. 92189), entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Downtown Grand Rapids Inc. and Kendall College of Art and Design of Ferris State University (KCAD) for the establishment of ArtPrize 2.0; and
2. The parties to the ArtPrize 2.0 MOU now wish to memorialize a first amendment to the MOU in efforts to refine governance of ArtPrize 2.0; therefore

## RESOLVED:

1. That a first amendment to the memorandum of understanding (MOU) between Downtown Grand Rapids Inc., Kendall College of Art and Design of Ferris State University, and the City of Grand Rapids for establishment and governance of ArtPrize 2.0 is hereby approved; and
2. That the Mayor and City Clerk are authorized to execute the first amendment to the MOU upon approval by the City Manager as to content and by the City Attorney as to form.

**93630 Result: Approved****Mover: O'Connor. Supporter: Robbins.**

## WHEREAS:

1. JV Enterprise, LLC has filed a request with the City of Grand Rapids for the establishment of an Obsolete Property Rehabilitation District, pursuant to PA 146 of 2000, at 2037 Division Avenue S; and
2. Before acting upon said request, a public hearing was held on May 21, 2024, in accordance with Section 3(3) of PA 146 of 2000; therefore

## RESOLVED:

1. That based upon the facts and information submitted, the City Commission does hereby establish an Obsolete Property Rehabilitation District at 2037 Division Avenue South (PPN 41-17-12-228-079); and
2. That based upon the facts and information submitted, the City Commission does also hereby find and determine that the above-mentioned property is Obsolete Property as defined in Section 2(h) of PA 146 of 2000.

**93631 Result: Approved****Mover: O'Connor. Supporter: Robbins.**

WHEREAS, JV Enterprise, LLC has filed an application with the City of Grand Rapids for an Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Exemption Certificate under PA 146 of 2000; therefore

## RESOLVED:

1. That the local unit is a Qualified Local Governmental Unit; and
2. That the Obsolete Property Rehabilitation District was legally established by the City Commission on June 4, 2024, after a public hearing held on May 21, 2024, as provided by Section 3 of PA 146 of 2000; and
3. That the taxable value of the property proposed to be exempt plus the aggregate taxable value of property already exempt under PA 146 of 2000

and under PA 198 of 1974 (IFT's) does not exceed 5% of the total taxable value of the unit; and

4. That the application is being approved after a public hearing held on May 21, 2024, as provided by Section 4(2) of PA 146 of 2000; and
5. That the applicant is not delinquent in any taxes related to the facility and that the application is for Obsolete Property as defined in Section 2(h) of PA 146 of 2000; and
6. That all of the items required as attachments for the Application for an Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Exemption Certificate have been provided to the Qualified Local Governmental Unit by the applicant; and
7. That the commencement of the rehabilitation of the facility did not occur before the establishment of the Obsolete Property Rehabilitation District; and
8. That the application relates to a rehabilitation project that, when completed, constitutes a rehabilitated facility within the meaning of PA 146 of 2000 and that it is situated within an Obsolete Property Rehabilitation District established in a Qualified Local Governmental Unit eligible under PA 146 of 2000 to establish such a district; and
9. That upon completion of the rehabilitation facility it is calculated to, and will at the time of issuance of the certificate, have the reasonable likelihood to increase commercial activity, create employment and revitalize urban areas; and
10. That the rehabilitation includes improvements aggregating 10% or more of the true cash value of the property at commencement of the rehabilitation as provided by Section 2(I) of PA 146 of 2000; and
11. That the date of completion of the JV Enterprise, LLC facility located at 2037 Division Ave S, the subject of the Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Exemption Certificate, shall be December 31, 2025; and
12. That the cost of the real property improvement is estimated at \$240,000; and
13. That the State Equalized Value (SEV) of the real property, excluding land subject to the obsolete property for the tax year is \$100,500 and the taxable value is \$100,500; and
14. That the certificate for JV Enterprise, LLC is approved for a period of ten (10) years, pursuant to PA 146 of 2000, based on the increase in commercial activity, increased revenue due to the increased value of the SEV as currently projected, and the economic value to the community as stated in the hearings; and

15. That the term of the exemption will not be extended beyond the term approved by this resolution; and
16. That upon approval as to form by the City Attorney, the Mayor is authorized to sign the Memorandum of Understanding for JV Enterprise, LLC.

**93632 Result: Approved****Mover: O'Connor. Supporter: Robbins.****WHEREAS:**

1. The Grand Valley Regional Biosolids Authority (GVRBA) is an authority jointly formed by the City of Grand Rapids and City of Wyoming pursuant to Act 233 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1955, as amended.
2. The Articles of Incorporation of GVRBA require that its annual budgets and amendments thereto be approved by both Grand Rapids and Wyoming.
3. The City of Grand Rapids desires to approve the FY2025 budget which has been approved and recommended by the Grand Valley Regional Biosolids Authority Board of Directors.

**RESOLVED:**

1. That the GVRBA FY2025 budget in the total amount of \$12,493,825 and in the form presented is hereby approved.
2. That all resolutions and parts of resolutions in conflict herewith shall be, and the same are, rescinded.

**ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT****93633 Result: Approved****Mover: O'Connor. Supporter: Robbins.****Yeas: Bliss, Knight, O'Connor, Perdue, Robbins, Goei****WHEREAS:**

1. Seeding Justice was incorporated in July 2022 as a non-profit.
2. Seeding Justice and the City of Grand Rapids entered into a temporary agreement on April 29, 2024, for an amount "not-to-exceed" one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) pursuant to the City Manager's authorized purchasing authority.

**RESOLVED:**

1. That an agreement between the City of Grand Rapids, a municipal corporation, and Seeding Justice, a Domestic Nonprofit Corporation, in an amount "not-to-exceed" seven hundred eleven thousand three hundred and sixty-four dollars and eighteen cents (\$711,364.18) be approved.

2. That the period of performance is from June 4, 2024, through June 4, 2025; and
3. That upon approval as to form by the City Attorney, the Mayor is authorized to execute said agreement, related documents and necessary modifications, and extensions of time.

### **ORDINANCES**

**93634 Result: Approved**

**Mover: O'Connor. Supporter: Goei.**

**Yeas: Bliss, Knight, O'Connor, Perdue, Robbins, Ysasi, Goei**

#### **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 4.2 OF SALARY ORDINANCE 2022-33**

#### **ORDINANCE NO. 2024 – 24**

#### **THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF GRAND RAPIDS DO ORDAIN:**

Section 1. That Section 4.2 of Salary Ordinance 2022-33, be amended to read as follows:

“Section 4.2. Managerial and Supervisory Professional Group:

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| 101 | FMS Subject Matter Expert                     | 01SME |
| 102 | Financial Systems Analyst                     | 13    |
| 110 | Accounts Payable Manager                      | 15    |
| 114 | Payroll Supervisor                            | 12    |
| 115 | Financial Systems Administrator               | 17    |
| 117 | Deputy City Treasurer                         | 20    |
| 118 | Records Manager                               | 15    |
| 127 | Performance & Management Reporting Specialist | 14    |
| 141 | Partnerships and Development Coordinator      | 10    |
| 148 | Deputy City Clerk                             | 17    |
| 234 | Social Worker                                 | 14    |
| 329 | Special Events Supervisor                     | 13    |
| 336 | Parks Maintenance Supervisor                  | 11    |
| 337 | Materials Resource Planning Supervisor        | 10    |
| 338 | Utility Maintenance Supervisor                | 12    |
| 339 | Cemetery Supervisor                           | 11    |
| 341 | Parking Meter Operations Supervisor           | 14    |
| 342 | Parking Facility Supervisor                   | 14    |
| 344 | Parking Operations Superintendent             | 16    |
| 345 | Parking Services Shift Supervisor             | 10    |
| 346 | Inventory and Asset Manager                   | 15    |

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| 348 | Wastewater Operations and Maintenance Supervisor | 14 |
| 349 | Wastewater/Stormwater Maintenance Superintendent | 17 |
| 350 | Collection System Asset Supervisor               | 14 |
| 351 | Wastewater Plant Supervisor                      | 17 |
| 352 | Wastewater Technical Control Supervisor          | 14 |
| 353 | Utility Supervisor                               | 14 |
| 354 | Traffic System Engineer                          | 16 |
| 355 | Utilities Field Operations Supervisor            | 14 |
| 357 | Building Maintenance Supervisor I                | 9  |
| 358 | Building Maintenance Supervisor II               | 11 |
| 359 | Facilities Maintenance Superintendent            | 17 |
| 360 | Facilities Maintenance Supervisor                | 14 |
| 362 | Water Distribution Shift Supervisor              | 10 |
| 363 | Forester   | 13 |
| 364 | Forestry Supervisor                              | 13 |
| 365 | Signal & Lighting Supervisor                     | 14 |
| 367 | Signal & Lighting Superintendent                 | 17 |
| 368 | Utilities Field Operations Superintendent        | 17 |
| 370 | Streets & Sanitation Supervisor                  | 12 |
| 371 | Public Services Supervisor                       | 13 |
| 375 | Equipment Maintenance Supervisor                 | 14 |
| 376 | Equipment Maintenance Superintendent             | 17 |
| 381 | Public Services Manager                          | 18 |
| 453 | Fleet Equipment Manager                          | 12 |
| 496 | Stormwater Manager                               | 18 |
| 497 | Wastewater Plant Shift Supervisor                | 10 |
| 498 | Wastewater Lab Superintendent                    | 14 |
| 515 | Sign Shop Supervisor                             | 09 |
| 518 | Sign Supervisor                                  | 10 |
| 528 | Housing Inspections Administrator                | 16 |
| 529 | Code Compliance Administrator                    | 18 |
| 530 | Housing Inspections Supervisor                   | 13 |
| 532 | Code Compliance Supervisor                       | 14 |
| 533 | Development Center Administrator                 | 16 |
| 534 | Assistant Code Compliance Director               | 20 |
| 548 | Special Events Manager                           | 18 |
| 549 | Assistant Mobile GR Director                     | 20 |
| 551 | City Transportation Engineer                     | 18 |
| 552 | Transportation Planning Supervisor               | 13 |
| 556 | Debt and Authority Finance Officer               | 17 |
| 557 | Equal Opportunity Officer                        | 14 |
| 558 | Information Systems Coordinator                  | 15 |
| 559 | GIS Manager                                      | 18 |
| 560 | 311 Customer Service Manager                     | 18 |
| 561 | Assistant Information Technology Director        | 20 |

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| 562 | Network and Operations Administrator           | 18 |
| 565 | CRM Systems Administrator                      | 16 |
| 571 | Customer Service Community Liaison             | 11 |
| 591 | Financial Analyst III                          | 18 |
| 594 | Income Tax Compliance Supervisor               | 14 |
| 595 | Income Tax Operations Supervisor               | 14 |
| 598 | Financial Analyst II                           | 15 |
| 600 | Administrative Services Officer I              | 16 |
| 601 | Community Services Administrator               | 13 |
| 606 | Accountant II                                  | 12 |
| 607 | Financial Analyst                              | 12 |
| 609 | Income Tax Examination Supervisor              | 14 |
| 611 | Internal Auditor II                            | 16 |
| 614 | Information Technology Manager                 | 18 |
| 615 | Assistant City Assessor                        | 17 |
| 620 | Senior Buyer                                   | 15 |
| 621 | Administrative Analyst I – Accounting          | 11 |
| 626 | Administrative Services Officer II             | 18 |
| 631 | Deputy City Assessor                           | 18 |
| 633 | Utility Financial Officer                      | 18 |
| 635 | Contract Compliance Officer                    | 12 |
| 638 | Communications Manager                         | 18 |
| 639 | Customer Service Administrator                 | 16 |
| 640 | Housing Development Officer                    | 18 |
| 641 | Administrative Analyst II                      | 16 |
| 642 | Administrator – Office Children Youth Families | 16 |
| 646 | Senior Human Resources Analyst                 | 14 |
| 647 | Senior Electrical Engineer                     | 15 |
| 650 | Project Engineer                               | 15 |
| 651 | Senior Project Engineer                        | 17 |
| 653 | Building Inspections Supervisor                | 13 |
| 656 | Utilities System Manager                       | 20 |
| 660 | Wastewater Plant Superintendent                | 18 |
| 663 | Water Filtration Plant Superintendent          | 18 |
| 664 | Hydraulic Engineer                             | 17 |
| 666 | Building Inspections Administrator             | 16 |
| 672 | Facilities Project Engineer Coordinator        | 18 |
| 676 | Environmental Assessment Supervisor            | 17 |
| 677 | Athletic Supervisor                            | 10 |
| 687 | Golf Course Manager                            | 10 |
| 688 | Recreation Supervisor                          | 13 |
| 689 | Marketing and Program Specialist               | 10 |
| 701 | Recreation Program Technical Supervisor        | 07 |
| 705 | Planning Supervisor                            | 13 |

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| 712 | Recreation Center Supervisor             | 10  |
| 714 | Parks Superintendent                     | 18  |
| 715 | Recreation Superintendent                | 18  |
| 716 | Recreation Services Specialist           | 16  |
| 719 | Building Code Enforcement Supervisor     | 14  |
| 721 | Assistant Building Official              | 15  |
| 722 | Housing Rehab Supervisor                 | 14  |
| 723 | Community Development Officer            | 14  |
| 725 | Building Official                        | 18  |
| 728 | Assistant Community Development Director | 20  |
| 729 | Assistant Economic Development Director  | 20  |
| 732 | Business Advocate                        | 18  |
| 733 | Real Property Manager                    | 16  |
| 735 | Economic Development Coordinator II      | 17  |
| 738 | Minority Business Enterprise Advocate    | 18  |
| 740 | Telecommunications Administrator         | 17  |
| 824 | Emergency Management Specialist          | 11  |
| 840 | Forensic Services Manager                | 15  |
| 910 | Business Manager                         | 13  |
| 911 | Construction Inspection Supervisor       | 13  |
| 915 | Assistant Project Manager                | 15  |
| 916 | Engineering Design Services Supervisor   | 13  |
| 917 | Project Manager                          | 18" |

Section 2. That all Ordinances in conflict herewith are repealed.

**Result: Approved**

**Mover: O'Connor. Supporter: Goei.**

**Yeas: Bliss, Knight, O'Connor, Perdue, Robbins, Ysasi, Goei**

Motion to give ordinance immediate effect.

**93635 Result: Approved**

**Mover: O'Connor. Supporter: Knight.**

**Yeas: Bliss, Knight, O'Connor, Perdue, Robbins, Ysasi, Goei**

#### AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 3.2 OF SALARY ORDINANCE 2022-40

#### ORDINANCE NO. 2024 – 25

#### THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF GRAND RAPIDS DO ORDAIN:

Section 1. That Section 3.2 of Salary Ordinance 2022-40, be amended to read as follows:

“Section 3.2. Executive Level Group

|      |   |     |
|------|---|-----|
| 132  | Wellness Coordinator                            | 12U |
| 134  | Assistant Employee Benefits Manager             | 15U |
| 135  | Employee Benefits Manager                       | 18U |
| 143  | Director of Oversight and Public Accountability | 22U |
| 206U | Deputy Fire Chief                               | 22U |
| 343  | Parking Systems Director                        | 21U |
| 372  | Public Services Director                        | 24U |
| 373  | Director of Public Works                        | 24U |
| 547  | Mobile GR Director                              | 23U |
| 553  | Mobile GR Manager                               | 21U |
| 554  | Communications Director                         | 22U |
| 570  | Customer Service Director                       | 23U |
| 572  | Senior Labor Relations Specialist               | 19U |
| 573  | Chief Sustainability Officer                    | 20U |
| 574  | Performance and Sustainability Officer          | 22U |
| 575  | Government and Legislative Affairs Officer      | 21U |
| 599  | Deputy Chief Financial Officer                  | 23U |
| 601U | Management Services Coordinator                 | 16U |
| 610  | Income Tax Administrator                        | 20U |
| 613  | Budget Director                                 | 20U |
| 616  | City Assessor                                   | 23U |
| 617  | Deputy City Manager                             | 29U |
| 618  | Director of Information Technology              | 24U |
| 623  | Assistant City Manager                          | 28U |
| 625  | City Purchasing Agent                           | 20U |
| 627  | Risk Manager                                    | 19U |
| 628  | Labor Relations Specialist                      | 17U |
| 629  | Assistant Human Resources Director              | 22U |
| 630  | Director of Human Resources                     | 24U |
| 634  | Labor Relations Manager                         | 21U |
| 643  | Chief Services Officer                          | 25U |
| 654  | Chief Financial Officer                         | 27U |
| 655  | Managing Director                               | 25U |
| 657  | Environmental Services Manager                  | 24U |
| 661  | Water System Manager                            | 24U |
| 662  | Utilities Director                              | 26U |
| 665  | Director of Facilities & Fleet Management       | 23U |
| 667  | Traffic Safety Director                         | 23U |
| 670  | City Engineer                                   | 26U |
| 675  | Facilities Management Director                  | 21U |
| 678  | Fiscal Services Manager                         | 20U |
| 679  | Executive Director – DDA                        | 21U |
| 683  | Assistant City Attorney I                       | 15U |
| 684  | Assistant City Attorney II                      | 19U |

|     |                                   |       |
|-----|-----------------------------------|-------|
| 685 | Assistant City Attorney III       | 22U   |
| 686 | Deputy City Attorney              | 26U   |
| 711 | Planning Director                 | 23U   |
| 713 | Director of Parks and Recreation  | 23U   |
| 720 | Neighborhood Improvement Director | 22U   |
| 724 | Community Development Director    | 23U   |
| 727 | Director of Legal Affairs         | 24U   |
| 730 | Economic Development Director     | 23U   |
| 739 | Director of Equity and Engagement | 22U   |
| 801 | Fire Chief                        | 27UF  |
| 816 | Deputy Police Chief               | 23UF  |
| 817 | Police Chief                      | 27UF" |

Section 2. That all Ordinances in conflict herewith are repealed.

**Result: Approved**

**Mover: O'Connor. Supporter: Robbins.**

**Yeas: Bliss, Knight, O'Connor, Perdue, Robbins, Ysasi, Goei**

Motion to give ordinance immediate effect.

**93636 Result: Approved**

**Mover: O'Connor. Supporter: Goei.**

**Yeas: Bliss, Knight, O'Connor, Perdue, Robbins, Ysasi, Goei**

#### **ORDINANCE NO. 2024 – 26**

#### **THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF GRAND RAPIDS DO ORDAIN:**

Section 1. That the following constitutes amended additions to the designated line items of Section 1 of Ordinance 2023-15, the Budget of the City of Grand Rapids for Fiscal Year 2024, as amended.

#### **General Operating Fund**

|                                    |                |
|------------------------------------|----------------|
| Previously Approved Resources      | 191,424,391.69 |
| Other                              | -              |
| From (To) Fund Balance             | 1,373,912.79   |
| Total Amended Resources            | 192,798,304.48 |
| Previously Approved Appropriations | 191,424,391.69 |
| Contingent                         | (935,080.21)   |
| Executive Office                   | 75,000.00      |
| Fire Department                    | 1,883,993.00   |
| Police Department                  | 350,000.00     |
| Total Amended Appropriations       | 192,798,304.48 |

#### **Other Grants Fund**

|                               |               |
|-------------------------------|---------------|
| Previously Approved Resources | 28,630,924.99 |
| Other                         | 1,500,000.00  |

|  |                |
|--|----------------|
| From (To) Fund Balance   | -              |
| Total Amended Resources  | 30,130,924.99  |
| Previously Approved Appropriations                               | 28,630,924.99  |
| Requested Changes  | 1,500,000.00   |
| Total Amended Appropriations                                     | 30,130,924.99  |
| <b>Police Grants Fund</b>  |                |
| Previously Approved Resources                                    | 2,190,661.30   |
| Other  | 191,384.22     |
| From (To) Fund Balance   | -              |
| Total Amended Resources  | 2,382,045.52   |
| Previously Approved Appropriations                               | 2,190,661.30   |
| Requested Changes  | 191,384.22     |
| Total Amended Appropriations                                     | 2,382,045.52   |
| <b>Capital Improvement Fund</b>                                  |                |
| Previously Approved Resources                                    | 109,925,058.55 |
| Other  | 9,500,000.00   |
| From (To) Fund Balance   | -              |
| Total Amended Resources  | 119,425,058.55 |
| Previously Approved Appropriations                               | 109,925,058.55 |
| Requested Changes  | 9,500,000.00   |
| Total Amended Appropriations                                     | 119,425,058.55 |
| <b>Capital Improvement Bonds Series 2024 Fund - Amphitheater</b> |                |
| Previously Approved Resources                                    | -              |
| Other  | 20,999,825.45  |
| From (To) Fund Balance   | -              |
| Total Amended Resources  | 20,999,825.45  |
| Previously Approved Appropriations                               | -              |
| Requested Changes  | 20,999,825.45  |
| Total Amended Appropriations                                     | 20,999,825.45  |
| <b>Capital Improvement Bonds Series 2024 Fund - Scribner</b>     |                |
| Previously Approved Resources                                    | -              |
| Other  | 61,999,432.50  |
| From (To) Fund Balance   | -              |
| Total Amended Resources  | 61,999,432.50  |
| Previously Approved Appropriations                               | -              |

|                              |                      |
|------------------------------|----------------------|
| Requested Changes            | 61,999,432.50        |
| Total Amended Appropriations | <u>61,999,432.50</u> |

**Result: Approved****Mover: Robbins. Supporter: Knight.****Yeas: Bliss, Knight, O'Connor, Perdue, Robbins, Ysasi, Goei**

Motion to give ordinance immediate effect.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS****93637 Result: Referred to Committee of the Whole**

Public hearing to consider a First Amendment to the Brownfield Plan Amendment for the Vandenberg Center Redevelopment Project located at 111 Lyon Street NW.

**93638 Result: Referred to Committee of the Whole**

Public hearing to consider the establishment of a Neighborhood Enterprise Zone for the Vandenberg Center project located at 111 Lyon Street NW.

**DOCUMENTS FILED****93639 Result: Received and filed.**

Kent County Probate Court Document submitted by Marsha Plafkin for the public record.

**93640 Result: Received and filed.**

Document filed by Love Supreme Craft Cannabis regarding Class A Microbusiness Licensing submitted for the public record.

**93641 Result: Received and filed.**

Professional Services Agreement between the City of Grand Rapids and Dr. Shaquille Anthony submitted for the public record.

**93642 Result: Received and filed.**

Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Grand Rapids, YWCA of West Central Michigan, and Safe Haven Ministries submitted for the public record.

**93643 Result: Received and filed.**

Calvin Church Facility Use Contract for Parks and Recreation Summer Day Camp submitted for the public record.

**93644 Result: Received and filed.**

Professional Services Agreement between the City of Grand Rapids and Elise Crafts, with Placecraft LLC, for professional public meeting facilitation services to support the DwUs program.

**93645 Result: Received and filed.**

Professional Services Agreement between the City of Grand Rapids and DNA Golf Instruction LLC submitted for the public record.

**93646 Result: Received and filed.**

The Wege Foundation Grant Agreement submitted for the public record.

**93647 Result: Received and filed.**

Grand Rapids Cable Access Center, Inc. Agreement submitted for the public record.

**93648 Result: Received and filed.**

Service Agreement between the City of Grand Rapids and Wilderness Inquiry submitted for the public record.

**93649 Result: Received and filed.**

Hourly Solar Support Proposal from Foresight Management submitted for the public record.

**93650 Result: Received and filed.**

REC Procurement Proposal from Foresight Management submitted for the public record.

**93651 Result: Received and filed.**

Neighborhood Match Fund Agreement among the City of Grand Rapids and Grand Valley State University Office of Sponsored Projects submitted for the public record.

**93652 Result: Received and filed.**

Neighborhood Match Fund Agreement among the City of Grand Rapids and Urban Core Collective submitted for the public record.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Commission Adjourned at 2:43 p.m.

JOEL H. HONDORP  
City Clerk