

**CITY OF GRAND RAPIDS
CITY COMMISSION**

TUESDAY, APRIL 23, 2024

7:00 PM

City Hall, 300 Monroe Ave NW, 9th Floor, City Commission Chambers

Welcome to the Grand Rapids City Commission Meeting. This session is the final process in the consideration of the items listed on the following agenda. All of these agenda items have been thoroughly reviewed and discussed in the various Standing Committees of the City Commission which meet on Tuesday morning. To view supporting documents for agenda items, please visit: www.grandrapidsmi.gov/commission.

Persons who need reasonable accommodation to participate, are asked to contact the City Clerk's Office at 616-456-3010 or cityclerk@grcity.us.

Expected Meeting Procedures

1. Depending on the meeting there can be multiple opportunities for public comment.
 - The First is limited to items on the Commission's agenda that are slated to be voted on
 - The Second is for specially scheduled required public hearings
 - The Third is for any issue you would like to bring to the attention of the Commission
2. You may only speak once on each issue.
3. All comments are to be limited to 3 minutes.
4. City Commission meetings are to be a safe place for everyone involved, as such:
 - No clapping, cheering, or holding up of signs
 - Please refrain from swearing, name calling and/or making derogatory comments directed toward a person's race, religion, nation of origin, etc.
5. Do not request or expect comment from the Commission.
6. Please turn OFF cellular phones.

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. MOMENT OF SILENCE

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

IV. ROLL CALL

- V. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS** – Prior to consideration of the official business, citizens may speak to subjects on today's agenda which are slated to be voted on. The items to be addressed during this time are located in the highlighted section headings. (Please limit comments to 3 minutes.)

VI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Minutes of 04/09/2024 2:00 PM

- VII. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS** – Communications addressed to the City Commission are distributed to all members and are acknowledged for information, or are referred to a committee or staff for follow up.

1. Communication received from Douglas Booth regarding their resignation from the Housing Appeals Board
2. Communication received from Karl expressing support for outdoor street seating.
3. Communication received from Lucas Leverett, West Grand Neighborhood Organization Vice President, regarding constituent push-back.
4. Communications received regarding the proposed zoning ordinance.
5. Communication received from Amanda Noble, Chair of Association of Local Government Auditors, expressing support for the City Comptroller's budget proposal to add a second internal auditor

- VIII. REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS** – The City Manager, City Attorney, City Clerk, City Treasurer, and City Comptroller may submit reports or information directly to the City Commission for consideration.

1. Vicinity Energy Rate Increase – Information Only
2. Comptroller's Warrant Report for the period of March 27, 2024 through April 09, 2024 in the amount of \$65,387,698.93
3. Treasurer's Report for Period of March 27, 2024, through April 9, 2024

IX. CONSENT AGENDA AND REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

A. CONSENT AGENDA APPROVAL

- B. COMMITTEE ON APPOINTMENTS** The Committee considers and makes recommendations on appointments to the City's various boards and commissions.

1. Resolution recognizing the Grand Rapids School System's appointment of Jordoun Eatman to the SmartZone Local Development Finance Authority

C. FISCAL COMMITTEE The Committee considers and makes recommendations on matters referring to bids, claims, and other financial matters of the City.

1. Resolution authorizing execution of an Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Grand Rapids and the West Michigan Regional Medical Consortium for the Federal FY2023 DHS Grant Program
2. Resolution rescinding City Commission Resolution 93294 and authorizing the Mayor to sign a 2-year contract with Bloomberg L.P. to procure Bloomberg software at a cost "not to exceed" \$60,000
3. Resolution approving an increase of \$102,233 for Improvements to Sullivan Field for a total not-to-exceed \$1,302,233.
4. Resolution Authorizing a Contract for an amount of \$25,000 with Kent County for the West Michigan Welcome Plan Collaborative
5. Resolution accepting a grant award of \$130,000.00 from the Domestic Violence Action Network (DVAN) for hiring a Domestic Violence Case Manager
6. Resolution authorizing the City Treasurer to establish an account with Stripe, Inc. as a credit card merchant processor to support departmental software applications
7. Bid List Resolution for April 23, 2024

D. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE The Committee considers and makes recommendations on matters concerning public service, public improvements, streets, traffic and public buildings.

1. Resolution approving a Fireworks Discharge Permit for Pyrotek Special Effects, Inc. for Indoor Special Effects at GLC Live at 20 Monroe in Connection with Sum 41 - Tour of the Setting Sun Performance on April 26, 2024
2. Resolution approving a Fireworks Discharge Permit for Pyrotecnico Fireworks Inc. in connection with SpartanNash's event on Tuesday, July 23, 2024
3. Resolution Accepting a Utility Easement and authorizing payment in the amount of \$3,230 for Reconstruction of Stevens Street from Steele Avenue to Randolph Avenue

4. Resolution approving an agreement with MDOT for the Improvements in Knapp Street from Truxton Drive to East City Limits and authorizing \$2,335,450 for the local share of project costs
5. Resolution scheduling a public hearing on May 7, 2024, to consider a Brownfield Plan Amendment for the Seymour Condominiums Project at 2550 Eastern Avenue SE
6. Resolution accepting an Easement and authorizing payments for Construction of Grand River Edges Trail East – Leonard Street to Ann Street in an amount not to exceed \$ 102,648.00
7. Resolution approving a Notice of Utility Easement and accepting a Release of Easement for Construction of City Facilities at 1500 Scribner Avenue NW for no consideration
8. Resolution approving an Encroachment Agreement in Summer Avenue, Allen Street, Blumrich Street and Mount Vernon Avenue Alley (Public Soccer Stadium)

E. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE The Committee considers all matters that are desired to be deliberated in committee by the full City Commission. Most ordinances and licensing matters are brought before this committee.

1. Resolution approving the request from Short Game Projects LLC dba Big Mini Putt Club for a new Class C Development District Liquor License to be located at 70 Ionia Ave SW, 100 (Unit 1).
2. Resolution establishing an Obsolete Property Rehabilitation District, pursuant to PA 146 of 2000, for MWS Ottawa, LLC at 975 Ottawa Avenue NW
3. Resolution approving a ten-year Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Exemption Certificate, pursuant PA 146 of 2000, for 130 Packard, LLC at 130 Packard Avenue SE
4. Resolution establishing an Obsolete Property Rehabilitation District, pursuant to PA 146 of 2000, for 130 Packard, LLC at 130 Packard Avenue SE
5. Resolution establishing an Obsolete Property Rehabilitation District, pursuant to PA 146 of 2000, for Pure 662, LLC at 662 Leonard Street NW
6. Resolution approving an eleven-year Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Exemption Certificate, pursuant to PA 146 of 2000, for Pure 662, LLC at 662 Leonard Street NW

X. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT

XI. ORDINANCES TO BE ADOPTED

1. Ordinance amending Section 1 of the Budget Ordinance 2023-15 for Fiscal Year 2024 (Amendment No. 10)
2. Consideration of Zoning Ordinance housing policy text amendments

XII. CITY COMMISSION RESOLUTIONS – Resolutions to be deliberated by the City Commission but which come directly to the City Commission rather than from one of the Standing Committees.

XIII. PUBLIC HEARINGS – Public hearings are scheduled to allow citizens to speak on subjects which will be before the City Commission for action at a future date. Speakers may address the Commission once on each hearing.

1. City Commission Public Hearing to hear appeals on Nuisance Special Assessment Roll 8784
2. Public Hearing to consider renaming Fairbanks Street from Bond Avenue (proposed to be vacated) to Ionia Avenue as “Corewell Drive”

XIV. PUBLIC COMMENTS – At the conclusion of the official business and public hearings, the agenda provides for public comment on any other matters citizens may wish to bring to the attention of the City Commission. (Please limit comments to 3 minutes.)

XV. COMMENTS BY COMMISSIONERS

DOCUMENTS FILED

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

**CITY COMMISSION
GLOSSARY OF TERMS**

TERM	DEFINITION
Adjournment	To close the meeting.
Adopt	To accept or approve; i.e., an ordinance, a resolution, a motion, etc.
Amend	To modify; i.e., an ordinance, a resolution, a motion, etc.
Call to Order	Formal opening of a meeting.
City Charter	Legal document establishing a municipality (city).
City Commission	Local form of government consisting of the Mayor and six Commissioners.
City Officers	Includes: Mayor, President of the City Commission, City Manager, City Attorney, City Treasurer, and City Clerk.
Consent Agenda	Matters listed as Consent Agenda items are considered to be routine or matters of unanimous consent by the City Commission. There will be no separate discussion of these matters, and they will be enacted by one motion.
Executive Session	A meeting in which the proceedings are of a confidential nature. Only members and invited guests may attend, and all are honor-bound to maintain confidentiality.
Motion	A proposal that the Commissioners take a specific action or stand on an item being presented to the City Commission.
Ordinance	A piece of legislation enacted by a municipal authority.
Postpone	A motion to postpone is made if the City Commission needs more time to make a decision. A postponement cannot go beyond the next session.
Quorum	Number of voting members who must be present in order that business can be legally transacted.
Recess	Short intermission within a meeting.
Recognize / Obtain the Floor	Acknowledgement by the presiding officer of the City Commission that a member has the right to address the assembly.
Rescind (Repeal)	Allows the City Commission to repeal an action previously taken; i.e., ordinances, etc.
Resolution	A decision by the City Commission to do or not to do something.
Robert's Rules of Order	A guide to fair and orderly meeting procedures.
Suspend the Rules	This motion is used when the City Commission wants to do something that violates its own rules. The motion does not apply to an organization's bylaws, local, state, or national law; or fundamental principles of parliamentary law. An appropriate suspension of the rules, used on occasion by the City Commission, would be a motion to change the agenda.
Table, Lay on the	This motion puts aside an item, and everything adhering to it, currently being presented to the City Commission. The item remains "on the table" until taken off.
Table, Take (Remove) from the	The motion to Take from the Table is used when the City Commission wants to continue considering a motion that was Laid on the Table earlier in the present session or in the previous session of the City Commission. When a motion is Taken from the Table, it has everything adhering to it exactly as it was when it was Laid on the Table.
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