

# EAST LANSING CITY COUNCIL

## AGENDA

February 21, 2012  
7:30 PM

East Lansing City Council

Mayor Diane Goddeeris

Mayor Pro Tem Nathan Triplett

Councilmember Kevin E. Beard

Councilmember Victor W. Loomis, Jr.

Councilmember Donald Power



## **AGENDA EXPLANATION**

City Council meets to take action on legislative matters on the first and third Tuesdays of each month. It is at this time that they can vote on items that appear on their agenda. Meetings start at 7:30 p.m. unless otherwise scheduled, and are cablecast live over WELG, Channel 22, to the community.

## **COMMUNICATIONS**

After the formal opening of their agenda, City Council hears Communications from persons in the audience. This is an opportunity for citizens to speak to City Council about a topic that is not on City Council's agenda. It is also the time for citizens to reserve time to speak to an item that is on the agenda for that meeting. When that agenda item comes up the Mayor will invite persons who have reserved time to make their remarks. It is not necessary to reserve time to speak during a Public Hearing. All speakers are encouraged to be considerate of other persons waiting to address City Council and keep their remarks brief.

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

The purpose of a Public Hearing is to provide an opportunity for anyone who wishes to speak to City Council about that item. By the time a Public Hearing is held, extensive work has already taken place by one or more of the City's boards or commissions, City staff, City Councilmembers, as well as individuals or groups in the community.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

Consent Agenda items include routine business items that City Council can approve with a single vote. Any item included in the Consent Agenda must be voted on separately if requested by any member of the Council.

## **BUSINESS AGENDA**

Ordinances, Special Use Permits, and Plans of Development are placed on the City Council's business agenda in several ways. Most are sent forward by one of the City's boards or commissions. When the commission has completed its extensive research and review process and held a public hearing, the commissioners then vote to send a recommendation to City Council to either approve or deny the item.

The item is then placed on City Council's work agenda for their review and study, or it is placed on their business agenda for action.

Ordinances are generally first introduced at a City Council meeting with a detailed explanation by a City staff member. After introduction, a public hearing date is set by City Council of not less than two weeks from that date.

Special Use Permits and Plans of Development are also introduced at a City Council meeting with a detailed explanation by a City staff member. The formal public hearing for a Special Use Permit or Plan of Development is held at the commission level prior to placement on City Council's agenda. Council will hear comments from persons in the audience if they have reserved time for that agenda item.

After hearing comments at a Public Hearing or after completion of its consideration of an agenda item, City Council has several options: it may vote on the item at that time; it may vote to set a date on a future business agenda to take action; or it may vote to defer it for further study. All items introduced on City Council's agenda must come back before council for final action.

City Council may also request that an ordinance be prepared in response to a particular public or policy issue. In that case, the City Attorney or a City commission may be asked to prepare it. The sequence of legislative action remains the same with an introduction, public hearing and date for final action.

## **AGENDA**

**East Lansing City Council**

**Tuesday, February 21, 2012**

**City Council Chambers**

**7:30 p.m.**

### **OPENING**

1. Roll call
2. Approval of the agenda
3. Approval of the minutes from the February 4, 2012 budget retreat
  - Attachment A
4. Approval of the minutes from the February 7, 2012 regular meeting
  - Attachment B

### **SPECIAL PRESENTATION**

Where do we go from here? The future of ELPL

- Staff Resource: Lauren Douglass

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

5. Written communications received by Council
6. Communications from the audience
7. Communications from the Mayor and Councilmembers
8. During the meeting of the February 14, 2012 work session, Council took the following action:
  - Approved the minutes of the January 26, 2012 work session.

- Approved the minutes of the January 27, 2012 special meeting.
- Approved the minutes of the January 31, 2012 special work session.
- Approved Community Relations Coalition request for Lot 1 east end closure, use of amplified sound, and fee waiver from Saturday, April 21, 2012, at 2:00 a.m. to Sunday, April 22, 2012, at noon for “Taste of East Lansing” event.
- Introduced and set a public hearing for March 6, 2012, for the following four items:
  - An application from the Islamic Society of Greater Lansing for Site Plan and Special Use Permit approval for the property at 920 Harrison Avenue
  - An application from Wolf River Development Company, LLC for Site Plan and Special Use Permit approval for the property at 514 Michigan Avenue
  - An application from Apollo Investment, LLC for Special Use Permit approval for the property at 301 M.A.C. Avenue
  - An application from Capital City Vineyard Church for modified Site Plan and Special Use Permit for the property at 1635 Coolidge Road
- Deferred discussion until March 13, 2012, and deferred action until March 20, 2012, on Ordinance No. 1252; a City-initiated Ordinance to amend Article III – of Chapter 50 – Zoning, Section 50-31 and add a Division 5 – of the Code of the City of East Lansing, to provide standards of review for rezoning property and provisions for conditional rezoning.
- Appointed Chad Obenauf to the Commission on the Environment to a full term ending December 31, 2014.
- Appointed Jason Fleming to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission to a full term ending December 31, 2014.
- Appointed Mike Vasievich to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission to a full term ending December 31, 2014.
- Appointed Larry Cross to the Building Board of Appeals to a full term ending December 31, 2014.
- Appointed Robert “Tucker” Wilkinson to the Building Board of Appeals to a partial term ending December 31, 2013.

9. City Manager’s Report

- Lot splits applicability to site plan approvals

10. City Attorney’s Report

- The legal requirements for lot split based on the Michigan Land Division Act

## PUBLIC HEARINGS

11. Consideration of Ordinance No. 1272; an application from Caddis Development Group, LLC to rezone the property at 1525 West Lake Lansing Road from B-5, Community Retail Sales District, subject to a Conditional Rezoning Agreement, to B-4, Restricted Office Business District. On January 23, 2012 with five (5) members present, the Planning Commission voted unanimously to recommend Council approve the application
  - Attachment C
  - Staff Resource: Darcy Schmitt
  
12. Consideration of an application from Caddis Development Group, LLC for Site Plan and Special Use Permit approval for the property at 1525 West Lake Lansing Road. The proposed application would permit the construction of two medical office buildings and a banking facility with drive through lanes on the former Blue Cross Blue Shield office site. The majority of the property is zoned B-4, Restricted Office Business, with the remainder of the property proposed to be rezoned to B-4 under Ordinance 1272. On January 23, 2012 with five (5) members present, the Planning Commission voted unanimously to recommend Council approve the application
  - Attachment D
  - Staff Resource: Darcy Schmitt
  
13. Consideration of an application from Trilogy Health Services, LLC for Site Plan and Special Use Permit approval for the vacant property at the southeast corner of Coleman and Coolidge Roads. The proposed application would permit construction of nearly 81,000 square feet of senior living and long term health care facilities in two buildings. The property is proposed to be rezoned to RM-8, Planned Unit Development, in conjunction with Ordinance 1273. On January 23, 2012 with five (5) members present, the Planning Commission voted unanimously to recommend Council approve the application
  - Attachment E
  - Staff Resource: Darcy Schmitt

14. Consideration of Ordinance No. 1273; an application from Trilogy Health Services, LLC to rezone the vacant property at the southeast corner of Coleman and Coolidge Roads from DeWitt Township's A, Agricultural District to East Lansing's RM-8, Planned Unit Development District. On January 23, 2012 with five (5) members present, the Planning Commission voted unanimously to recommend Council approve the application

- Attachment F
- Staff Resource: Darcy Schmitt

15. Consideration an application from the Michigan Hot Dog Experiment, LLC for modified Special Use Permit approval for the property 309-317 M.A.C. Avenue. The application is a request to change the existing conditions for the What Up Dawg? restaurant to allow the dining room to remain open until 3:00 AM and to allow beer sales until 2:00 AM. The property is zoned B-3, City Center Commercial. On January 11, 2012 with six (6) members present, the Planning Commission voted unanimously to recommend Council approve the application

- Attachment G
- Staff Resource: Darcy Schmitt

16. Consideration of Brownfield Plan #16 for the Interstate Partners Project (former BCBSM/Health Central site)

- Attachment H
- Staff Resource: Tim Dempsey

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

17. Introduce and refer to Planning Commission, Ordinance No. 1276, a city-initiated ordinance to amend language of the RM-54 District to limit building height

- Attachment I

18. Approval of the 2012-2016 Park, Recreation, Open Space and Greenways Plan

- Attachment J

19. Approval of the changes to the Park and Recreation Advisory Commission meeting dates from the third Wednesday of any given month to the first Wednesday of any given month
  - Attachment K
20. Approval of the Housing Commission recommendation for a Conditional Class III rental license for up to 2 unrelated persons or a family at 2160 Regency. The owner is Robert Born and the legal agent is Renaissance Property Management represented by Kip Wilson
  - Attachment L
21. Approval of the street closures for the Lansing Marathon on Sunday, April 22, 2012
  - Attachment M
22. Approval of the submission of a grant application to the National Endowment of the Arts (NEA) in the amount of \$50,000 to support the Great Lakes Folk Festival in cooperation with the Michigan State University Museum
  - Attachment N

### **BUSINESS AGENDA**

23. Consideration of a lot split application from Trilogy Health Services, LLC for the vacant property at the southeast corner of Coleman and Coolidge Roads. The applicant is requesting lot split approval to create a new parcel for the proposed Trilogy Health Services facility. On January 11, 2012 with six (6) members present, the Planning Commission voted unanimously to recommend Council approve the application
  - Attachment O
  - Staff Resource: Darcy Schmitt

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