

**CITY OF EAST LANSING  
CITY COUNCIL  
WORK SESSION MINUTES  
April 10, 2012**

Present: Beard, Loomis, Power, Triplett, Goddeeris  
Absent: None

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Goddeeris. The meeting was held in Courtroom #2 of the 54-B District Court, 101 Linden Street, East Lansing.

**Item 1** **Communication from Audience**

None

**Item 2** **Approval of the Minutes**

It was moved by Triplett and seconded by Power to approve the minutes of the March 27, 2012 Special Meeting.

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**Item 3** **Granicus Presentation**

Alan McCarrick, Information Systems Administrator, introduced Jack Melnicoff of Granicus, Inc., a company which offers solutions to provide public information through the internet.

Melnicoff presented information on live-streaming meetings, archived information and retrieval, and information availability on internet communication devices.

Council discussed transparency, public policy issues, advantages and concerns, paperless agenda packets, and a streaming web presence for City of East Lansing.

George Lahanas, City Manager, said he will work with Alan McCarrick, the City Attorney's office, and Granicus to develop next steps for Council discussion.

**Item 4** **Revised One-Lane Road Closures for Lansing Marathon**

Ami Van Antwerp, Communications Coordinator, briefed Council on a revised request from the Lansing Marathon for additional one-lane road closures on Sunday, April 22, 2012, which includes marathon responsibility for payment of \$5,810 in overtime costs and a one-lane closure on the following roads:

- Michigan Avenue between the western boundary of the City to Harrison Road from 8:10 a.m. to 9:15 a.m. or the last runner/walker passes through

- Harrison Road between Michigan Avenue and Kalamazoo Street from 8:10 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. or the last runner/walker passes through
- Kalamazoo Street from Harrison Road to the bridge from 8:210 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. or the last runner/walker passes through
- Mount Hope Road between I-496 and Farm Lane from 8:20 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- Forest Road between Harrison Avenue and College Road from 8:20 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. or the last runner/walker passes through

It was moved by Power and seconded by Beard to approve revised request for one-lane road closures for Lansing Marathon.

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**Item 5** **Climate Sustainability Plan**

David Smith, Environmental Specialist, updated Council and answered questions on draft Climate Sustainability Plan: Meeting our Climate Action and Green Community Goals.

Council complimented all who worked on the plan and discussed next steps to accomplish goals within strategic objectives and budget priorities.

Goddeeris said the Climate Sustainability Plan will be on the Business agenda for approval when Commission on the Environment members are able to attend Council meeting.

**Item 6** **Grant of Sidewalk Easement**

Todd Sneathen, Director of Public Works and Environmental Services, briefed Council and answered questions on grant of sidewalk easement between S & K Real Estate, LLC and the City of East Lansing for work to be done during 2013 construction season.

It was moved by Beard and seconded by Power to approve Grant of Sidewalk Easement between S & K Real Estate, LLC and the City of East Lansing for property at 1601 West Lake Lansing Road.

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**Item 7** **Ann Street Infrastructure Improvements**

Todd Sneathen, Director of Public Works and Environmental Services, briefed Council and answered questions on recommendation to utilize services of Wolverine Engineers & Surveyors, Inc. of Mason for 2012 infrastructure improvements for the Ann Street redevelopment area.

Council discussed costs, staffing, and historical knowledge of City projects.

Goddeeris said item will be on Council agenda next week.

**Item 8****Entertainment Ordinance Modifications**

Marie McKenna, City Clerk/Assistant City Manager, and Tom Yeadon, City Attorney, briefed Council and answered questions on revision to Article V, Amusement and Entertainments, in the City Code. McKenna said revisions address equity and provide a mechanism for review.

Goddeeris requested Yeadon to prepare ordinance for introduction and public hearing.

- o 8:30 p.m. Samantha Scharg, Panhellenic Council, Vice President of External Relations, expressed regret that Council members were unable to attend Panhellenic event and presented refreshment treats.

**Item 9****Right-of-Way for Moe's Southwest Grill**

Item removed from agenda.

**Item 10****Application for Special License from MLCC**

Marie McKenna, City Clerk, and Kristin Shelley, East Lansing Public Library (ELPL) Director, briefed Council and answered questions on a Certified Resolution from City Council authorizing application for Special License from Michigan Liquor Control Commission for one-time license from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on April 13, 2012, for ELPL fundraising event.

It was moved by Triplett and seconded by Power to approve a Certified Resolution from City Council Authorizing the Application for Special License as included in add-on to April 10, 2012 Council agenda packet.

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**Item 11****Charles Street ROW Request**

Lori Mullins, Community and Economic Development Administrator, and Alison Gass, Curator of Contemporary Art, Broad Art Museum, Michigan State University, briefed Council and answered questions on a right-of-way request for The Land Grant: Art, Agriculture, Sustainability event scheduled for April 20 and 21. Gass said The Land Grant event and Taste of East Lansing event, also scheduled for April 21, are working together to cross-promote their events.

It was moved by Loomis and seconded by Beard to approve right-of-way request for space along Charles Street adjacent to the former Barnes & Noble space at 333 E. Grand River Avenue for The Land Grant: Art, Agriculture, Sustainability event and authorize use of the space for food vending.

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**Item 12****Council Member Reports**

Councilmember Power:

- Reminded citizens that East Lansing Public Library fundraising event will be held April 13, 2012.

Councilmember Loomis:

- No Report

Councilmember Beard:

- Requested update on Dino Cascardo lawsuit. Tom Yeadon, City Attorney, briefed Council and answered questions on current status of suit.

Mayor Pro Tem Triplett:

- No Report

Mayor Goddeeris:

- Said she and Mayor Pro Tem Triplett met with Judge Boyd to discuss court consolidation issues. She said she will email document updates to Council members.
- Reported on recent LEAP (Lansing Economic Area Partnership) meeting.

**Item 13****City Manager's Report**

City Manager George Lahanas:

- No Report

**Item 14****Adjournment**

It was moved by Beard and seconded by Triplett to adjourn.

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There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:58 p.m.

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Diane Goddeeris  
Mayor

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Nancy O. Wagner  
Administrative Secretary