

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NOVI
MONDAY, MAY 18, 2015 AT 7:00 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – NOVI CIVIC CENTER – 45175 TEN MILE ROAD**

Mayor Gatt called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL: Mayor Gatt, Mayor Pro Tem Staudt, Council Members Casey, Markham, Mutch, Poupard, Wrobel

ALSO PRESENT: Peter Auger, City Manager
Victor Cardenas, Assistant City Manager
Thomas Schultz, City Attorney

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

CM 15-05-66 Moved by Poupard, seconded by Casey; CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY:

To approve the Agenda as presented.

Roll call vote on CM 15-05-66 **Yeas: Staudt, Casey, Markham, Mutch,
Poupard, Wrobel, Gatt**
Nays: None

PUBLIC HEARING – None

PRESENTATIONS:

1. Introduction of delegates from Council of Local Authority for International Relations (CLAIR) with Japan Local Government Center

City Manager Auger spoke about the delegates. He said they are here to learn about our local government. This week they will go to the local schools, Providence Park Hospital, and go to a Tiger game. A delegate spoke on behalf of the delegation. She extended their sincere appreciation for the hospitality. They were not familiar with local governments in the United States and this is a wonderful opportunity for them. She thanked everyone.

2. Proclamation in recognition of National Public Works Week, May 17 - 23, 2015 – Rob Hayes, Director of Public Services.

Mayor Gatt presented the proclamation to Rob Hayes, Director of Public Services. Mr. Hayes thanked everyone on behalf of the dedicated professionals who work for the Department of Public Service. It will be displayed prominently at the entrance of the building.

REPORTS:

1. MANAGER/STAFF – Workers Compensation Loss Control Achievement Award – Tia Gronlund-Fox, Human Resources Director

Tia Gronlund-Fox shared that the City of Novi was one of two municipalities in the State to receive an award that recognized the City's efforts to maintain a safe work place for employees. City staff will continue its efforts through training to eliminate worker's compensation costs and keep the employee's safe.

2. ATTORNEY – None

AUDIENCE COMMENT – None

CONSENT AGENDA REMOVALS AND APPROVALS:

CM 15-05-67 Moved by Casey, seconded by Wrobel; CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY:

To approve the Consent Agenda as amended to remove item K and added to Consent Agenda Removals for Council Action.

- A. Approve Minutes of:
 1. May 11, 2015 – Regular meeting
- B. Approval to award an amendment to the engineering services agreement with URS Corporation for construction engineering services for the 2015 Chip Seal Program in the amount of \$23,856.
- C. Approval to award an amendment to the engineering services agreement with Spalding DeDecker Associates for construction engineering services for the Beck Road Mid-Block Pedestrian Crossing (north of Cheltenham) and Beck Road Repaving project (Sunnybrook to White Pines Drive) project in the amount of \$38,619.
- D. Approval of a Street Light Purchase Agreement with Detroit Edison Company for the installation and ongoing operation costs of street lights at the proposed mid-block pedestrian crossing of Beck Road north of Cheltenham Drive in the amount of \$4,899 for installation and \$624 annually for operating costs.
- E. Approval of a request from Pinnacle-Novı 12, LLC for a variance from Section 11-194(a)(8) of the Design and Construction Standards, which requires paved eyebrows at the 90-degree bends in the proposed road, to allow the applicant to maintain a 28-foot wide road in those locations as part of the Andelina Ridge Phase 3 project (located south of 12 Mile Road and east of Napier Road).
- F. Acceptance of a pathway easement as a donation from Nanry Family Limited Partnership along the north side of Grand River Ave west of Seeley Road for construction of the 2015 Pathway Program project (parcel 22-24-100-055).

- G. Acceptance of a two pathway easements as a donation from Novi Ten, LLC, along the north side of Ten Mile Road east of Novi Road for construction of the 2015 Pathway Program project (parcel 22-23-376-013 and parcel 22-23-376-014).
- H. Approval to award an amendment to the engineering services agreement for the 14 Mile Water Main project with Spalding DeDecker Associates for design engineering services for the 14 Mile Pathway Construction project in the amount of \$17,605, and approval of an additional appropriation in the amount of \$17,605 for this budget line item.
- I. Acceptance of a pathway easement as a donation from Novi Town Center Investors, LLC, along the south side of 11 Mile Road, west of Town Center Drive for construction of the 11 Mile Road Pathway (parcel 22-23-126-014).
- J. Approval of recommendations from the Interview Committee for Appointments to Youth Council and Youth Boards & Commissions Representatives.
- K. Approval to award professional services contract to Clearzoning, Inc. for three planning area studies to be undertaken in advance of the Master Plan for Land Use Review and Update funding for this fiscal year, in the amount of \$29,000, and to concurrently amend the budget in the amount of \$29,000. **REMOVED AND NO ACTION TAKEN**
- L. Approval of Claims and Accounts – Warrant No. 940

Roll call vote on CM 15-05-67

**Yeas: Casey, Markham, Mutch, Poupard,
Wrobel, Gatt, Staudt**
Nays: None

MATTERS FOR COUNCIL ACTION:

- 1. Approval of Resolution for 2015 Millage Rates

CM 15-05-68 Moved by Wrobel, seconded by Staudt; CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY:

To approve the Resolution for 2015 Millage Rates.

Roll call vote on CM 15-05-68

**Yeas: Mutch, Poupard, Wrobel, Gatt, Staudt,
Casey, Markham**
Nays: None

- 2. Approval of Resolution for Fiscal-Year 2015-2016 Budget and Acknowledging the Multi-Year Budget, including Projections of Fiscal Years 2016-2017 and 2017-2018.

CM 15-05-69 Moved by Staudt, seconded by Casey; CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY:

To approve the Resolution Resolution for Fiscal-Year 2015-2016 Budget and Acknowledging the Multi-Year Budget, including Projections of Fiscal Years 2016-2017 and 2017-2018.

**Roll call vote on CM 15-05-69 Yeas: Poupard, Wrobel, Gatt, Staudt, Casey, Markham, Mutch
Nays: None**

3. Approval of resolution to amend the City of Novi Policy and Rules Regarding Alcohol on Public Property to include wine sales and tasting at the Novi All Seasons Market (Novi Farmers Market).

CM 15-05-70 Moved by Wrobel, seconded by Poupard; CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY:

To approve the resolution to amend the City of Novi Policy and Rules Regarding Alcohol on Public Property to include wine sales and tasting at the Novi All Seasons Market (Novi Farmers Market).

**Roll call vote on CM 15-05-70 Yeas: Wrobel, Gatt, Staudt, Casey, Markham, Mutch, Poupard
Nays: None**

4. Approval to award a construction contract for the 2015 Chip Seal Program to Highway Maintenance & Construction, the low bidder, in the amount of \$162,935, subject to final review and approval of form of agreement by City Manager's office and the City Attorney.

CM 15-05-71 Moved by Casey, seconded by Mutch; CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY:

To approve an award of a construction contract for the 2015 Chip Seal Program to Highway Maintenance & Construction, the low bidder, in the amount of \$162,935, subject to final review and approval of form of agreement by City Manager's office and the City Attorney.

**Roll call vote on CM 15-05-71 Yeas: Mutch, Poupard, Wrobel, Gatt, Staudt, Casey, Markham
Nays: None**

5. Approval to award a construction contract for the Beck Road Mid-Block Pedestrian Crossing (north of Cheltenham) and Beck Road Repaving project

(Sunnybrook to White Pines Drive) to Florence Cement Company, the low bidder, in the amount of \$249,980, subject to final review and approval of form of agreement by City Manager's office and the City Attorney.

CM 15-05-72 Moved by Mutch, seconded by Wrobel; CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY:

To approve an award of a construction contract for the Beck Road Mid-Block Pedestrian Crossing (north of Cheltenham) and Beck Road Repaving project (Sunnybrook to White Pines Drive) to Florence Cement Company, the low bidder, in the amount of \$249,980, subject to final review and approval of form of agreement by City Manager's office and the City Attorney.

Roll call vote on CM 15-05-72

**Yeas: Staudt, Casey, Markham, Mutch,
Poupard, Wrobel, Gatt**

Nays: None

AUDIENCE COMMENT – None

COMMITTEE REPORTS – None

MAYOR AND COUNCIL ISSUES – None

1. Senior Citizen Playground – Member Wrobel suggested this idea because the population of seniors is growing. Council directed Administration to see if there was a desire from the Community to install a senior citizen playground and to evaluate cost and potential locations.

CONSENT AGENDA REMOVALS FOR COUNCIL ACTION: Consent Agenda items which have been removed for discussion and/or action.

K. Approval to award professional services contract to Clearzoning, Inc. for three planning area studies to be undertaken in advance of the Master Plan for Land Use Review and Update funding for this fiscal year, in the amount of \$29,000, and to concurrently amend the budget in the amount of \$29,000.

Mayor Pro Tem Staudt said this item is a series of three studies for three different areas that are being considered for potential zoning changes for a revised and updated Master Plan. He said he removed it because of the cost and the delay it causes the developers that are working on the three projects. He is comfortable with the recommendations from staff through the normal process. He thought these three situations are well developed projects that are advanced and it would be more appropriate for these projects to go forward. He suggests they withdraw the studies and encourage the developers to go forward to Council.

City Attorney Schultz said there was no motion necessary.

Mayor Gatt commented that he agreed with Mayor Pro Tem on the issue. He believed the staff was professional enough to make those recommendations to Council and make a decision. The developers have been waiting a long time to move forward and a study would only delay that.

Member Poupard asked City Manager why he selected the three areas for the studies.

City Manager Auger said the rationale was because of the density on the lots but he said they are already moving forward because the Master Plan Study was delayed. He said he will discuss it with the developers after learning about the direction Council would like to take.

Member Mutch agreed with Mayor Pro Tem Staudt but had different reasons. He thought the justification for a study would be based upon some significant change in the study areas and would warrant that approach. He didn't see anything that would justify taking that approach. He didn't see a need to specifically examine the three areas. He wouldn't want staff to automatically think he supports all of the projects, though. One of the projects at 8 Mile and Beck looks consistent with what the Master Plan already proposes. He continued that he is concerned about the other two projects because they are not consistent with the Master Plan. One of the projects shows addition of commercial development along 12 Mile Road and he was not interested in seeing commercial development there. He was concerned they were asking for a change in residential density. He thought the proposals should come forward for Council to look at them with the appropriate planning process. He will support not moving forward with the studies.

Member Markham agreed with Member Mutch and doesn't want these types of individual approaches to delay the Master Plan process overall. The Master Plan needs to be updated and redone and would hate to see these issues delay it even more.

Member Casey thanked City Manager and staff because the reaction is getting closer to a vision.

ADJOURNMENT – There being no further business to come before Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:19 P.M.

Cortney Hanson, Deputy City Clerk

Robert J. Gatt, Mayor

Transcribed by Jane Keller

Date approved: June 8, 2015