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CITY OF YPSILANTI
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS - ONE SOUTH HURON ST.
YPSILANTI, MI 48197
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2013
7:00 P.M.

I. CALL TO ORDER –

The meeting was called to order at 7:20 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL –

Council Member Jefferson	Present	Council Member Robb	Present
Council Member Moeller (7:18)	Present	Council Member Vogt	Present
Council Member Murdock	Present	Mayor Schreiber	Present
Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson	Present		

III. INVOCATION –

The Mayor asked all to stand for a moment of silence.

IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE –

"I pledge allegiance to the flag, of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

V. INTRODUCTIONS –

Mayor Schreiber introduced Interim Police Chief Tony DeGiusti, Fiscal Services Director Marilou Uy, Assistant to the City Manager Ericka Savage, Valerie Bieberich, City Planner Teresa Gillotti, Washtenaw County Commissioner Roland Sizemore, Washtenaw County Parks and Recreation Director Bob Tetens and students from Eastern Michigan University.

VI. APPROVAL OF AGENDA –

Council Member Murdock recommended the following changes:

Remove from agenda: Resolution Nos. 2013-226 and 2013-227

Remove from Consent Agenda to Motions/Resolutions/Discussions: Resolution No. 2013-214

With no objections, on a voice vote, the agenda was approved as amended.

VII. PRESENTATIONS –

1. Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting - Edward Sell, Michigan Government Finance Officers Association, Representative from City of Monroe.

   Mr. Sell stated that it was an honor to present the award to the City of Ypsilanti for the fifth year. He went on to explain the background of the GFOA. Fiscal Services Director

Marilou Uy thanked Edward Sell for the GFOA award. She also thanked the Mayor, City Council, City Manager, and Sallea Tisch for their continued support.

Mayor Schreiber encouraged the EMU Students present to review the city's financial statistics and to take note of how the city's tax base has changed the fiscal structure over the past 10 years.

2. <u>Ypsilanti Police Department Update – Interim Police Chief Tony DeGiusti</u>

Interim Police Chief DeGiusti gave an update on the progress in the recent homicide near the LeForge Rd. area. He stated that the City of Ypsilanti Police Department, EMU campus patrol, Ypsilanti Township and the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Department have formed a partnership with a zero tolerance level for crime. He said the objective is to restore a sense of safety to the students on campus. He stated that a strong presence will be around Huron River and Clark Roads. He said that the focus of YPD is working on creating a partnership with the apartment's management. He reported that YPD is currently collecting data to come up with a sustainable plan for the future. He noted that Officer Thompson is on patrol in the area along with another Officer and one Deputy.

He stated that LeForge is a border street for jurisdictions so all officers from YPD and EMU will become deputized by the Sheriff to patrol and enforce in that area. He stated that a substation will also be created within the University Green Apartments.

Mr. DeGiusti gave a list of safety mechanisms that are being promoted along with working with neighborhood watch groups. Mr. DeGiusti gave a brief overview of the previous forums held on October 22, 2013 and October 23, 2013 and stated that Mr. Reed's murder case is still being investigated diligently. He listed the number of warrants and suspects that have been investigated said YPD will continue to follow up on every lead until the case is solved.

Mr. DeGiusti reported that two police officers were hired last week; Brandon Harrison and Timothy Anderson. He said that they are two outstanding candidates and will be an asset to the Ypsilanti Police Department.

Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson questioned how the assignment of the YPD officers will be covered as far it relates to regular time versus overtime.

Mr. DeGiusti answered that Officer Thompson was pulled off of his shift to patrol and his shift is being covered by overtime.

Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson stated that she understands that this is a sensitive matter, however overtime is killing the City right now. She said she was informed that the Washtenaw County Sheriff's department offered two deputies and a detective to help out with the investigation but was refused.

Mr. DeGiusti answered that information was not true.

Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson stated that if Washtenaw County is willing to cover some of the time and the City would not have to pay the overtime, which is the way to go. She stated that between YPD, EMU, and the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Dept., this can be covered with regular officer time. She said she needs an answer as to why any officers have to put on overtime if Washtenaw County has offered help, and it has been declined by both EMU and YPD. She went on to ask are we really working together or not.

Mr. DeGiusti answered that he has never been offered a Detective from Washtenaw County other than the officers that were assigned to the patrol. In regards to the overtime question, he stated that the department has analyzed options and it is actually cheaper to have a full-time officer.

Council Member Moeller questioned the source of Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson's information and stated that if she is not willing to give her sources then it is just a rumor or hearsay. She said that Chief DeGiusti knows what he is doing in this unexpected situation and overtime is used in the case of an emergency. She commended Mr. DeGiusti on how he presented the City at the forums. She also stated that she was not comfortable with Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson's comments in an open meeting that may not be true.

Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson answered that Officer DeGiusti says that the services were not offered but other sources say differently. She then stated that she was not at liberty to give her sources.

City Manager Ralph Lange stated that he has actively been trying to set up a meeting with the County Sheriffs and EMU and he knows that there are many rumors; however the goal is to go directly to the source to sort fact from fiction.

Council Member Vogt thanked everyone for how this situation has been handled and he really appreciated their efforts. He also applauded the efforts of the City of Ypsilanti staff, as he sees this as the biggest push for collaboration. He questioned where the next area of collaboration would be for the future.

Mr. DeGiusti answered that he and Mr. Lange are continuing to move forward.

Council Member Jefferson said that the information that was received from the sources seems to be valid and suggested that YPD take a look at resources when offered and stop not wanting to share resources across jurisdictions because criminals do not care about jurisdictions. He stated that if services are being offered then they should be used.

Mayor Schreiber asked Mr. DeGiusti to explain how the deputizing works.

Mr. DeGiusti stated that due to border areas it is important that they are able to work together. He said deputizing allows police officers to work county-wide.

Mayor Schreiber commented on the overtime and stated that the DeMarius Reed situation was a crisis. He told Interim Police Chief DeGiusti that he takes his hat off to him for doing a great job.

Council Member Murdock agreed with all the comments of congratulations to the Chief and stated that overtime will continue to be a problem until the vacancies are filled.

Mr. DeGiusti stated that they are working to get the right people for the job.

City Manager Ralph Lange stated that filling the vacancies is critical for long term stability.

Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson congratulated the Interim Chief on his presentation at the forums and said she was proud of the work that he did; however she just wanted to know about the overtime.

3. Redevelopment Ready Re-Certification – Jennifer Rigterink, MEDC Director, Ready Communities Re-Certification ***(Presentation on file in Clerk's Office)***

VIII. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION –

1. Steven Darty greeted City Council and introduced himself.

2. Desmond Miller, EMU Student Body President, thanked Ypsilanti Interim Police Chief DeGiusti for answering questions during the recent forum and commented that he was well received among the students on campus. Mr. Miller asked for a change within the City of Ypsilanti's policies regarding multiple unit apartment complex security. He said that landlords should be held to higher standards and requested that Council pass an ordinance for rental property security mandates. He suggested that the City partner with EMU to install cameras downtown, Depot Town, LeForge, Huron River, and Clark Road. He ended by asking that everyone stand together and take a positive step in the right direction for the community.

3. Steve Gray, 1939 Roosevelt, thanked everyone for their public service. He said that he supports the Border to Border Trail resolution, and said that he and his family use it a least three times a week. He added that his son rides his bike to school by way of the trail and the trail is a great use of public space as it pulls people into the city.

4. Cheryl Weber, College Heights resident and member of the Non-Motorized Committee, spoke in support of the hawk light crossing at Michigan Avenue and encouraged education to support success of crossing. She took a moment to remember Deborah and Jerome Strong and said they represented what was good and right in Ypsilanti. She said that Jerome Strong would be very proud of the progress the City was making.

5. Dave Heikkenen, business owner at 133 W. Michigan Avenue, objected to Family Dollar. He applauded the city for its response to Mr. Reed's death but said he found the lack of responsibility shown by citizens as very disturbing and frustrating. He questioned how residents could hear six shots, walk around a body and not call 911. He asked that the City and EMU press upon the citizens to step up and do the right thing. He said he also wants to see the Downtown back in the YDDA and asked Council to postpone nominations until a Downtown representative is considered.

6. Mark Hergott, 111 Myles, stated that the fact that YPD officers were not deputized with the County is shocking. He said that the development with Family Dollar and the new hawk lighting is great and should bring people in; however he said the City should focus on why people are leaving or not coming to the City of Ypsilanti.

7. Tommie Frye, 1355 Lathers, Ypsilanti Twp., encouraged City Council to come see the progress that has been made at the Parkridge Center. He said that a lot of good things are happening and invited everyone to come and check it out.

IX. REMARKS BY THE MAYOR -

Mayor Schreiber appreciated the comments from Mr. Miller of EMU and said he hopes to form a committee in the future to address the security issues within the City.

He also thanked Mrs. Webber for her comments and stated that City Council has prepared a resolution of appreciation in honor of Deborah Strong who recently passed away.

Regarding the comments of Mr. Heikkenen, Mayor Schreiber stated that a nominee from the downtown area is on the agenda tonight.

Mayor Schreiber thanked Mr. Frye for his comments and mentioned the purchase of the property on Harriet as it relates to the Parkridge Center.

X. MINUTES –

Resolution No. 2013-210, approving the minutes of October 15, 2013.

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI:

That the Minutes of October 15, 2013 be approved.

OFFERED BY: Council Member Moeller
SUPPORTED BY: Council Member Vogt

On a voice vote the motion carried and the minutes were approved as submitted.

XI. CONSENT AGENDA - Resolution No. 2013-211

1. Resolution No. 2013-212, confirming redevelopment communities' recertification priorities.

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI:

WHEREAS, the Michigan Suburbs Alliance (MSA) originally launched the Redevelopment Ready Communities (RRC) program in southeast Michigan in 2003 to educate and improve existing processes for redevelopment in established communities in SE Michigan; now the Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC) is building upon the foundation MSA created and is expanding the program to be statewide; and,

WHEREAS, the mission of the MEDC is to market Michigan and provide the tools and environment to drive job creation and investment; and,

WHEREAS, the City MEDC is committed to assisting communities in maintaining and attracting development and redevelopment, which will improve the economic vitality , eliminate blighting influences, and develop underutilized properties, and,

WHEREAS, the City MEDC promotes community planning and public participation as one of the foundations of redevelopment, and,

WHEREAS, the RRC program was created to identify best practices for redevelopment and create a system for communities who adopt those practices; it is the first of its kind in the country; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Ypsilanti has been selected to participate in the RRC program; and,

WHEREAS, communities must develop and meet various standards and requirements to become certified under this project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Ypsilanti City Council has reviewed these standards and requirements and has elected to participate in the program that will improve the economic development process that will allow the steps for redevelopment to become more efficient, cost effective, decrease the approval timeframe and decrease risk for all participating stakeholder and citizens; and

FURTHER, that the City of Ypsilanti commits to the participation in the program and the initial adopting and implementation of the standards.

2. Resolution No. 2013-213, approving appointments to Boards and Commissions.

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI:

THAT, the following individuals be appointed to the City of Ypsilanti Boards and Commissions as indicated below:

NAME	BOARD	TERM EXPIRATION
Clarence Hollifield 361 Worden Ypsilanti, MI 48197	**Ypsilanti Housing Commission**	12/31/2014
Valerie Bieberich 318 Washtenaw Ave. Ypsilanti, MI 48197	**Ypsilanti Housing Commission**	12/31/2018

~~3. Resolution No. 2013-214, approving Mutual Aid Box Alarm System (MABAS) Inter-local Agreement.~~
~~(Insert Resolution)~~

4. Resolution No. 2013-215, approving amendment to LDFA agreement.

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI:

That Amendment Number One to Agreement Between the City of Ann Arbor and the City of Ypsilanti Creating a Local Development Finance Authority pursuant to PA 281 of 1986 (as amended) is approved and the Mayor and City Clerk are authorized to sign the amendment to change Article 1 (d) of the agreement to read:

1. Governing Board; Terms and Appointment.
(d) Except as provided in this Section 1 for the initial appointments to the Board, members of the Board appointed under Section 1(a), (b) and (c), <u>except the City of Ann Arbor Council member</u>, shall serve terms of four (4) years. <u>The City of Ann Arbor Council member shall be appointed to a 4-year term subject to annual confirmation consistent with the process for appointment of Council members to authorities, boards and commissions, which appointment shall cease if he/she ceases to be a member of the City of Ann Arbor Council.</u> Upon expiration of a member's term, the member appointed under Section 1(a) (b) and (c) shall continue serving as a member of the Authority Board until

resignation or the appointment of their successor, except that no member, except the City of Ann Arbor Council member, shall continue serving more than ninety (90) days after expiration of his or her term. The City of Ann Arbor Council member shall serve at the pleasure of the City of Ann Arbor Council and shall be appointed or removed consistent with the process for appointment of Council members to authorities, boards and commissions. ~~No member shall serve more than one complete four (4) year term.~~

5. Resolution No. 2013-216, approving contract agreement with State of Michigan Department of Natural Resources for the development of the Ypsilanti River's Edge linear park and trail.

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI:

WHEREAS, The City of Ypsilanti, Michigan does hereby accept the terms of the Agreement as received from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, and that the City of Ypsilanti does hereby specifically agreement but not by way of limitation as follows:

To appropriate all funds necessary to complete the project during the project period and to provide $300,000) dollars to match the grant authorized by the DEPARTMENT.

To maintain satisfactory financial accounts, documents, and records to make them available to the DEPARTMENT for auditing at reasonable times.

To construct the project and provide such funds, services, and materials as may be necessary to satisfy the terms of said Agreement.

To regulate the use of the facility constructed and reserved under this Agreement to assure the use thereof by the public on equal and reasonable terms.

To comply with any and all terms of said Agreement including all terms not specifically set forth in the foregoing portions of this Resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Ypsilanti City Council approves the attached contract with State of Michigan Department of Natural Resources for the development of the Ypsilanti River's Edge Linear Park and Trail.

6. Resolution No. 2013-217, authorizing the City Treasurer to levy and assess on the December 2013 tax roll special assessments for unpaid bills. ***(Tax Roll on file in Clerk's Office)***

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI:

Whereas, that, the City Treasurer be authorized to levy and assess on the December 2013 tax roll the attached listing of unpaid bills totaling <u>$314,554.82</u>

Now therefore be it resolved that the Ypsilanti City Council approve these special assessments.

7. Resolution No. 2013-218, approving purchase of property located at 220 N. Park Street (Boys and Girls Club).

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI that:

Whereas the city owns property at 220 North Park Street, Ypsilanti Michigan and desires to sell the property, and

Whereas the State of Michigan owns a strip of land between 220 North Park Street and the adjacent railroad, and is willing to sell the land to the city for $1, and

Whereas staff recommends the purchase of said strip of land, and

Whereas city council finds the purchase in the best interest of the city,

NOW THEREFORE, City Council approves the purchase and authorizes the City Manager to complete the transaction and sign any and all necessary documents and expend all necessary funds.

8. Resolution No. 2013-228, approving Worker's Compensation contract.

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI:

WHEREAS, City Administration of the City of Ypsilanti did obtain quotes for Workers' Compensation Insurance, and

WHEREAS, City Council of the City of Ypsilanti deems it to be in the best interest of the City to obtain Midwest Employers Casualty Company, and

RESOLVED, that the Human Resources Department of the City of Ypsilanti will prepare all First Report of Injury Claim Forms and monitor all Workers' Compensation injuries through Midwest Employers Casualty Company instead of Accident Fund.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Ypsilanti City Council authorizes the Human Resources Department to retain Midwest Employers Casualty Company for the calendar year of November 1, 2013 through October 31, 2014.

OFFERED BY: Council Member Vogt
SUPPORTED BY: Council Member Moeller

On a voice vote the motion carried and the Consent Agenda was adopted.

XII. RESOLUTIONS/MOTIONS/DISCUSSIONS –

1. Resolution No. 2013-219, in honor of Deborah Strong.

WHEREAS, the City of Ypsilanti wishes to acknowledge and pay tribute to exceptional individuals that contribute to our community and quality of life; and

WHEREAS, Deborah Strong held bachelors and masters degrees in special education from Eastern Michigan University and was a post-graduate fellow at the Institute for Education Leadership (IEL) in Washington, D.C; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Deborah Strong, was appointed to the Ypsilanti Housing Commission Board of Directors in 1993; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Strong served with distinction for twenty years on the YHC board, spearheading efforts to provide measurable goals and best practices for YHC staff, mentoring other less experienced board members, and, most of all, always putting the needs of the YHC families and children first; and

WHEREAS, Deborah Strong was dedicated to helping disadvantaged families throughout the state of Michigan, serving as Executive Director of the State of Michigan Children's Trust Fund for over nine years and receiving the 2007 Michigan Association of School Administrators' Champion for Children award; and

WHEREAS, in 2001 Ms. Strong testified at the Subcommittee on Select Education for the U. S. House of Representatives, was Teen Advisor for the Ypsilanti Jack and Jill, worked with the Infant Mental Health Association of Michigan, served on the Board of the Student Advocacy Center of Michigan, and served on the MSU Families and Children Together (FACT) Advisory Committee; and

WHEREAS, Deborah Strong died in her Ypsilanti home on October 27, 2013, with her loving family by her side.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Ypsilanti City Council sends our deepest sympathies to the family of Deborah Strong. We are grateful for Deborah Strong's decades of service to children and families in Ypsilanti and throughout the state of Michigan. She will be missed, but her passion and conviction will serve as a role model for others.

OFFERED BY: Council Member Murdock
SUPPORTED BY: Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson

Council Member Murdock stated that the resolution says it all. He said that he has known the family for a long time and that Mrs. Strong has always advocated for progress in the city. He also said that Mrs. Strong advocated for children's issues and her efforts will be missed in the community and state.

Mayor Schreiber stated that he served with Mrs. Strong for 11 years on the Ypsilanti Housing Commission (YHC) and that she was the most experienced member on the Commission. He said she served as a mentor and was very organized and competent in guiding the Commission through the process and search for a new Executive Director.

On a voice vote the motion carried.

2. Resolution No. 2013-220, approving an ordinance to rezone .83 acres of Water Street

Redevelopment Area to PUD for rezoning of Family Dollar. (Ordinance No. 1199) ***(Second Reading)***

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI:

That an ordinance entitled, "FAMILY DOLLAR PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT" be approved on Second and Final Reading.

OFFERED BY: Council Member Robb
SUPPORTED BY: Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson

Planner Director Teresa Gillotti gave reviewed the staff report and gave a brief overview.

<u>SUMMARY BACKGROUND:</u>

The details of the Planned Unit Development normally detailed in a PUD agreement. This circumstance is different to previous PUDs that council has approved such as Hamilton Crossing or Peninsular Place. In this case, the City owns the property, and has many details related to the development in the existing purchase agreement. Due to that, this document is less detailed than a normal PUD agreement, but the Purchase agreement is included as an appendix.

The main element of this agreement is related to the monument sign discussion that was brought up by City Council during their Oct. 16 meeting. At that time, council approved the first reading of the Family Dollar PUD rezoning with the removal of the monument sign from the site plan.

Core Resources, on behalf of Family Dollar, contacted staff and suggested that they would remove the monument sign to achieve the City Council's desire of a more urban form, with the condition that if the City ever erected a monument sign, or allowed others to do so on the Water Street redevelopment area, then Family Dollar would be entitled to put up a monument sign as previously depicted. Language reflecting this request (as well as if a multiple party monument sign) has been included in the attached development agreement.

Council Member Murdock asked if the site plan would be included in the agreement.

Ms. Gillotti answered yes.

On a roll call, the vote to approve Resolution No. 2013-220 was as follows:

Council Member Moeller	No	Council Member Vogt	No
Council Member Murdock	Yes	Mayor Schreiber	Yes
Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson	Yes	Council Member Jefferson	Yes
Council Member Robb	Yes		

VOTE:

Yes: 5 No: 2 (Moeller; Vogt) Absent: 0 Vote: Carried

3. Resolution No. 2013-221, approving Family Dollar Planned Unit Development (PUD) Agreement.

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI:

WHEREAS, the City of Ypsilanti approved the Planned Unit Development rezoning for the Family Dollar parcel of the Water Street Redevelopment Area; and

WHEREAS, the attached development agreement has been drafted by the City Attorney and reviewed by the developer's attorney and ensures that the use of the property will conform to the approved Planned unit Development and that the site will be developed and maintained in accordance with the approved PUD plan and more substantial purchase agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Ypsilanti City Council approves the attached Planned Unit development agreement and,

FURTHER, that the Mayor and City Clerk are authorized to sign the agreement to approval by the City Attorney.

OFFERED BY: Council Member Robb
SUPPORTED BY: Council Member Jefferson

On a roll call, the vote to approve Resolution No. 2013-221 was as follows:

Council Member Murdock	Yes	Mayor Schreiber	Yes
Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson	Yes	Council Member Jefferson	Yes
Council Member Robb	Yes	Council Member Moeller	No
Council Member Vogt	No		

VOTE:

Yes: 5	No: 2 (Vogt; Moeller)	Absent: 0	Vote: Carried

4. Resolution No. 2013-222, approving 2nd Extension for Family Dollar Purchase Agreement.

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI:

WHEREAS, The Ypsilanti City Council approved a Purchase Agreement for the sale of .85 acres of the Water Street Redevelopment Area to NINETY NINE 90, LLC for the development of a Family Dollar Store on May 7, 2013

WHEREAS, said agreement has been executed by both parties; and,

WHEREAS, NINETY NINE 90, LLC has requested a 2nd amendment to both invoke two 30-day extension periods, as well as add two additional 30 day extension periods to the purchase agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Ypsilanti City Council approve the attached 2nd Amendment to the Purchase Agreement with NINETY NINE 90, LLC to sell and develop .85 acres of the Water Street Redevelopment Area as presented in the agreement and attachments; and

FURTHER, that the Mayor and City Clerk are authorized to sign the Purchase Agreement subject to attorney approval.

OFFERED BY: Council Member Robb
SUPPORTED BY: Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson

On a roll call, the vote to approve Resolution No. 2013-222 was as follows

Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson	Yes	Council Member Jefferson	Yes
Council Member Robb	Yes	Council Member Moeller	No
Council Member Vogt	No	Council Member Murdock	Yes
Mayor Schreiber	Yes		

VOTE:

Yes: 5 No: 2 (Vogt; Moeller) Absent: 0 Vote: Carried

5. Resolution No. 2013-223, approving Border to Border Trail Michigan Avenue bridge easement acquisition.

IT IS RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI that:

Whereas it is a priority of the City of Ypsilanti to continue the Border to Border Trail across the Huron River, and

Whereas the city has worked with the County of Washtenaw and grant funds are available, and

Whereas a certain easement is required to construct a bridge across the Huron River to Michigan Avenue for the trail, and

Whereas staff has negotiated a purchase agreement with Huron Fischer Leasing Company to acquire the easement for $40,000 and Washtenaw County has agreed to share $31,500 of the cost,

NOW THEREFORE, the Mayor and City clerk are authorized to sign the attached purchase agreement for $40,000 and the City Manager and the City Attorney are authorized to complete the purchase and the City Manager is authorized to sign any and all documents necessary to close and complete the transaction and further authorized to pay the necessary cost of title insurance and recording costs and any other closing costs incurred.

OFFERED BY: Council Member Jefferson
SUPPORTED BY: Council Member Vogt

Planning Director Teresa Gillotti stated that previously Council approved the easements with a possible closing date of August 2013. She said that details had to be worked out with MDOT confirming some cost estimates for the bridge; however because they were finishing up another project it caused the original closing date to be missed. She said that the reason for the slight increase was due to asking Fischer for an extension; however a signed agreement has been executed and they are hoping to close by November 15, 2013.

Council Member Robb asked if the reason why they missed the closing date was solely due to MDOT.

Mr. Lange answered yes.

Council Member Vogt stated that he has supported the Border to Border trail from the beginning and said that it is a wonderful project. He thanked Teresa Gilotti for passing on the hawk information. He said he feels that the hawk street crossing was a wonderful way to go and said that he will support the resolution.

Mr. Lange said there was a huge amount of work done on this project and thanked Attorney Barr for his work in trying to get this easement within such a short time frame.

Council Member Murdock stated that he is having a hard time supporting the resolution. He said when this was first proposed it was a bridge that was under Michigan Avenue and originally the easement was going to be donated then a price was set at $30k and now it is $40k. He said the mid-block crossing would have made this unnecessary and would have stayed true to the Border to Border Trail without having to come up with another $100k or $200k for hawk street crossing.

Ms. Gillotti clarified the costs from $40k to $50k and said that hawk street crossing qualifies for federal funding through MDOT. She said that the City would have been responsible for the mid-block crossing.

Mayor Schreiber stated that he will support the resolution.

Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson questioned the total amount for the entire project.

Ms. Gillotti replied the City's portion is $8,500 for the easement. She said Washtenaw County Parks and Recreation had committed to the $31,500 but currently there is no budget for the mid-block project. She said she is in the process of getting requests for funding out to organizations such as the Wolf Pack and other funding sources.

Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson asked what the total cost would be.

Ms. Gillotti replied that the total amount the City would be responsible for is about $60k.

City Manager Ralph Lange said that the City has some organizations that are willing to get behind the hawk project but a plan must be put into action.

On a roll call, the vote to approve Resolution No. 2013-223 was as follows:

Council Member Robb	No	Council Member Murdock	No
Council Member Vogt	Yes	Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson	Yes
Mayor Schreiber	Yes	Council Member Moeller	Yes
Council Member Jefferson	Yes		

VOTE:

Yes: 5 No: 2 (Robb; Murdock) Absent: 2 Vote: Carried

6. Resolution No. 2013-224, approving donation of 761 Harriett Street property to Parkridge.

RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT GIFT OF 761 HARRIET STREET

IT IS RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI that the offer

of Tommy Frye to gift the title of 716 Harriet Street to the city is accepted and the City Clerk is directed to accept the deed on behalf of the city and record the deed in the office of the Washtenaw County Register of Deeds.

The city administration is directed to take all steps necessary to change the property on the tax rolls to exempt property under city ownership.

OFFERED BY: Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson
SUPPORTED BY: Council Member Jefferson

Teresa Gillotti gave the background and stated that 761 Harriet was purchased by SOAR Incorp. for support of Parkridge Community Center.

City Council accepted, as a friendly amendment, a motion to change the name from Tommy Frye to SOAR Incorp.

Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson added a friendly amendment stating that 761 Harriet is designated for the future use of Parkridge Community Center.

Council accepted Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson's addition as a friendly amendment.

Teresa Gillotti stated that the intent of purchaser was to accommodate a potential expansion of Parkridge, and the purchase was to secure the property.

Mr. Tommy Frye, speaking on behalf of himself and Mr. Barfield, stated that they have purchased the house and would like to purchase the house next door also for Parkridge. He stated that he is trying to buy up property that will enhance Parkridge and he would like the City to support it.

Council Member Vogt commended Tommy Frye and Associates for their efforts to assist the community, and said he would support the resolution.

Council Member Robb recalled that the last time the gift of a house was given it blew up in the City's face. He asked what are the City's obligations and responsibilities once accepted.

Teresa Gillotti answered it will be the responsibility of the City to tear down the property and the maintenance.

Council Member Robb mentioned that the last time the gift was given it was on a non-profit basis, and asked if there were any tax deductions or other strings attached?

Teresa Gillotti said she could not answer that question.

Council Member Robb questioned if the issue is closed once approved or can a deduction be requested in the future.

Attorney John Barr stated that the IRS will make that determination. He said currently the way the deal is set up there is no request letter.

Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson stated that Mr. Frye and Mr. Barfield have put in countless hours in this project and Council has no idea how much work has been put into the Parkridge Community Center.

Mr. Lange thanked everyone involved and said that the City would have ended up with the property in the long run so the donation process made it a much easier process.

Council Member Jefferson said that he is glad to see children and seniors still enjoying Parkridge and commended Mr. Frye for all of his hard work,

On a roll call, the vote to approve Resolution No. 2013-224 was as follows:

Council Member Vogt	Yes	Council Member Murdock	Yes
Mayor Schreiber	Yes	Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson	Yes
Council Member Jefferson	Yes	Council Member Robb	Yes
Council Member Moeller	Yes		

VOTE:

Yes: 7 No: 0 Absent: 0 Vote: Carried

The resolution as adopted reads as follows:

RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT GIFT OF 761 HARRIET STREET

IT IS RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI that the offer of S.O.A.R. Incorp. to gift the title of 716 Harriet Street to the city is accepted and will be donated for the Parkridge Community Center. The City Clerk is directed to accept the deed on behalf of the city and record the deed in the office of the Washtenaw County Register of Deeds.

The city administration is directed to take all steps necessary to change the property on the tax rolls to exempt property under city ownership.

7. Resolution No. 2013-214, approving Mutual Aid Box Alarm System (MABAS) Inter-local Agreement.

WHEREAS the City of Ypsilanti has the power, privilege and authority to maintain and operate a fire department providing fire protection, fire suppression, emergency medical services, technical rescue, hazardous incident response, and other emergency response services ("Fire Services"); and

WHEREAS, Fire Services can further be improved by cooperation between political subdivisions during times of public emergency, conflagration or disaster ("Incidents"); and

WHEREAS, the Michigan Constitution of 1963, Article 7, § 28, and the Urban Cooperation Act of 1967, Act No. 7 of the Public Acts of 1967, Ex. Sess., being MCL 124.501 et seq. (the "Act"), permit a political subdivision to exercise jointly with any other political subdivision any power, privilege or authority which such political subdivisions share in common and which each might exercise separately; and

WHEREAS, the City of Ypsilanti desires to enter into an inter-local agreement, pursuant to the Act, to further improve Fire Services; and

WHEREAS, the Mutual Aid Box Alarm System (MABAS), is a mechanism that may be used for deploying personnel and equipment in a multi-jurisdictional or multi-agency emergency mutual aid response; and

WHEREAS, as a result of entering into an inter-local agreement to further improve Fire Services, the Parties are creating the Washtenaw MABAS Division; and

WHEREAS, Washtenaw MABAS Division has the authority to execute this agreement pursuant to resolution of its governing body; and

WHEREAS, the City of Ypsilanti desires to commit personnel and equipment to another Party if deemed reasonable upon the request of another Party; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Ypsilanti finds it is the best interest of its citizens, from a safety and fiscal standpoint, to enter into the Inter-local Agreement - MABAS Division, and agrees to appoint one member to the MABAS Executive Board.

OFFERED BY: Council Member Murdock
SUPPORTED BY: Council Member Robb

Mr. Lange introduced Captain Madison and explained that he is standing in for Fire Chief Anthouard. He said that if any questions need to be answered he would be the best person to answer them.

Council Member Murdock commented that the City has been operating under the MABAS agreement for several years.

Captain Madison stated that they have been working under a similar agreement but this is on a larger scale. He said that this agreement is formalizing the plan and making it a bigger agreement; not just Washtenaw County but possibly Livingston or a more regional aspect.

Council Member Murdock stated that the MABAS concept is basically authorized by the State of Michigan.

Captain Madison answered yes. He explained that the State breaks up the counties participating into regions. He said that the City of Ypsilanti would have to provide similar resources with a set number of apparatus, for example three people and a fire engine. He said if there was a large scale disaster with multiple casualties they would go through the divisions that have to respond within a certain amount of time. He said with this agreement resources are used from multiple areas.

Council Member Murdock asked if the city needed an inter-local agreement or is this resolution enough. He said that the one he saw was a cookie cutter one from the MABAS website.

Mr. Lange said that an inter-local agreement may be needed and if so it will be created to make sure it's approved to form by our City Attorney.

Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson pointed out that in the resolution the inter-local agreement is mentioned and it states that the parties will be creating the Washtenaw MABAS Division, so there will be several divisions.

Mr. Lange stated that no one can plan for a disaster, however this agreement is a way to extend our resources.

On a roll call, the vote to approve Resolution No. 2013-214 was as follows:

Mayor Schreiber	Yes	Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson	Yes
Council Member Jefferson	Yes	Council Member Robb	Yes
Council Member Moeller	Yes	Council Member Vogt	Yes
Council Member Murdock	Yes		

VOTE:

Yes: 7 No: 0 Absent: 0 Vote: Carried

8. Resolution No. 2013-225, approving rejection of right of first approval to purchase the property at 303 N. Huron (Towner House).

IT IS RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI that:

WHEREAS the City of Ypsilanti holds a Right of First Refusal to purchase the Towner House property at 302 North Huron Street, Tax ID # 11-11-40-410-005, and

WHERAS the city has received notice of the intent of the Towner House Foundation to purchase the Towner House property, and

WHEREAS the City of Ypsilanti has no desire or interest to purchase the Towner House property and is satisfied with the purchase of the property by the Towner House Foundation;

NOW THEREFORE, the City of Ypsilanti rejects the Right of First Refusal and gives up any rights thereunder and has no objection to the sale of the property to the Towner House Foundation.

OFFERED BY: Council Member Vogt
SUPPORTED BY: Council Member Moeller

Attorney John Barr gave the background on the Towner House Property.

Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson stated that it is interesting how things come full circle. She remembered that this same item was on the agenda at her first City Council meeting.

Council Member Robb stated that at the request of Ms. Savage he would like to add the following amendment:

Be it Resolved That the City of Ypsilanti revises the fee schedule to include AHB prosecution costs from $75 to $200 and add a $75 fee for AHB cost.

Mr. Barr stated that adding the amendment was not necessary and that Council could address this with a single motion.

On a roll call, the vote to approve Resolution No. 2013-225 was as follows:

Council Member Jefferson	Yes	Council Member Robb	Yes
Council Member Moeller	Yes	Council Member Vogt	Yes
Council Member Murdock	Yes	Mayor Schreiber	Yes
Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson	Yes		

VOTE:

Yes: 7 No: Absent: Vote: Carried

9. ~~Resolution No. 2013-226, approving Special Events policy.~~ **(REMOVED)**
   ~~(Insert Resolution)~~

~~OFFERED BY:~~
~~SUPPORTED BY:~~

10. ~~Resolution No. 2013-227, amending fee schedule~~. **(REMOVED)**

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI:

THAT the proposed AHB fees be adopted and included in the fee schedule.

OFFERED BY: Council Member Vogt
SUPPORTED BY: Council Member Jefferson

Teresa Gillotti stated that she would like Council to adopt the AHB fees. She said she believes that the prosecution fess were removed from the agenda based on the special events fees being included but requested that Council vote on this portion only in order to allow the AHB to collect their portion. She said as it currently stands AHB would not be able to collect.

Ericka Savage clarified that the fee schedule resolution was revising the AHB fees only and nothing else.

On a roll call, the vote to approve the motion to adopt the AHB fees only was as follows:

Council Member Moeller	Yes	Council Member Vogt	Yes
Council Member Murdock	Yes	Mayor Schreiber	Yes
Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson	Yes	Council Member Jefferson	Yes
Council Member Robb	No		

VOTE:

Yes: 6 No: 1 (Robb) Absent: 0 Vote: Carried

11. Resolution No. 2013-230, reconsidering Resolution No. 2013-125B appointing Caryn Charter to the Local Development Finance Authority (LDFA). *(Added)*

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI:

THAT the rules be suspended and Resolution No. 2013-125B appointing Caryn Charter to the Local Development Finance Authority (LDFA) be reconsidered.

OFFERED BY: Council Member Murdock

SUPPORTED BY: Council Member Jefferson

On a roll call, the vote to approve Resolution No. 2013-230 was as follows:

Council Member Murdock	Yes	Mayor Schreiber	Yes
Mayor Pro-Tem	Yes	Council Member Jefferson	Yes
Council Member Robb	No	Council Member Moeller	Yes
Council Member Vogt	Yes		

VOTE:

Yes: 6 No: 1 (Robb) Absent: 0 Vote: Carried

Resolution No. 2013-125B, appointing Caryn charter to the Local Development Finance Authority (LDFA)

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI:

THAT, the following individuals be appointed to the City of Ypsilanti Boards and Commissions as indicated below:

NAME	**BOARD**	**TERM TO EXPIRE**
Caryn Charter (new appointment) 4760 Middlesex (home) Dearborn, MI 48126	SmartZone LDFA	6/30/2017

E.M.U. (business)
Office of Research Development
Starkweather Hall, 2nd floor
Ypsilanti, MI 48197

OFFERED BY: Council Member Murdock
SUPPORTED BY: Council Member Vogt

On a roll call, the vote to approve Resolution No. 2013-125B was as follows:

Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson	Yes	Council Member Jefferson	Yes
Council Member Robb	No	Council Member Moeller	Yes
Council Member Vogt	Yes	Council Member Murdock	Yes
Mayor Schreiber	Yes		

VOTE:

Yes: 6 No: 1 (Robb) Absent: 0 Vote: Carried

12. Resolution No. 2013-231, approving an ordinance to repeal Ordinance No. 1054 and Ordinance No. 965. ***(Public hearing will be conducted at Second Reading on December 3, 2013)*** – Ordinance No. 1201.

IT IS RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI that:

An ordinance to adopt an ordinance to repeal Ordinance No.1054 "An ordinance to amend the provisions of the city of Ypsilanti Fire and Police Retirement System, contained in Public Act 345 of 1937, as amended, to provide for post retirement pension improvements to retirees who have retired from the position of Fire Chief, and Ordinance No. 965, "An ordinance to amend the provisions of the City of Ypsilanti Fire and Police Retirement System, contained in Act 345 of 1937, as amended, to provide for outrageous Post Retirement Pension improvements to retirees who retired from the position of Police Chief, be approved on First Reading.

OFFERED BY: Council Member Robb
SUPPORTED BY: Council Member Vogt

Mayor Schreiber asked for an amendment to remove the word "outrageous" from the resolution.

Council Member Jefferson moved, supported by Council Member Vogt, to remove the word "outrageous".

On a roll call, the vote to amend the resolution to remove the word "outrageous" was as follows:

Council Member Robb	No	Council Member Murdock	Yes
Council Member Vogt	Yes	Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson	Yes
Mayor Schreiber	Yes	Council Member Moeller	Yes
Council Member Jefferson	Yes		

VOTE:

Yes: 6 No: 1 (Robb) Absent: 0 Vote: Carried

Council Member Robb questioned how the Police and Fire Chiefs have their own employment agreements and why Council had no knowledge of what was included in them. He also asked why Council is not approving those contracts.

Attorney Barr commented that the relationship of an employee to employer is a contract and the City Manager is in charge of the hiring and the firing of administrative staff. He said that the City Manager hires within the budgetary limits and signs the employee agreements.

Mr. Lange stated that he has had a discussion with Council Member Robb regarding this already. He said that he has worked with the City Attorney and has explained how he is trying to work with the benefits that previously were afforded but are not now. He said that he was hired to flatten the curve. He went on to explain many officers have retired and took their benefits and went on to other jobs.

Mr. Lange asked Council Member Robb what is it that he is trying to accomplish so that he could help.

Council Member Vogt asked for clarification on if the City Manager was for or against the change.

City Manager Lange answered yes he is in support of the change being requested.

Council Member Robb said that he doesn't disagree with City Manager Lange, however Council Members have two jobs; to hire and fire the City Manager and provide oversight. He said that Council provides oversight and checks and balances and the City Manager still has not answered his question. He stated that in the ordinance, at least they knew what was included in the benefits and as it stands now Council doesn't know what's in the employment agreements. He said that right now the oversight mechanism is gone and that is what he is concerned about. He stated that Council needs to know how the oversight is being handled.

Mayor Schreiber commented that he thought Council approved the employment agreement for the Police Chiefs in the past.

City Manager Lange commented that a specific classification of employees have individual agreements and each agreement is unique. He said that the benefit structure is also unique and they are not giving away benefits that the employee may not want or need. He said that he has worked with Labor Attorney Rick Fanning and he is trying to do what Council is commanding him to do. He said he is saving money and keeping up the quality of employees.

Mayor Schreiber asked if Council approved the Police Chief's contract in the past.

Attorney Barr answered that he did not believe so but said he could check the Charter.

Council Member Moeller asked if they were voting only on the pension plan and if it would change the pension for the new police chief.

Attorney Barr answered the Act 345 Pension plan is a State law and it sets up the multiplier for retirees and can be changed by collective bargaining. He said the ordinance being considered was passed to increase the multiplier for specific people, for example the Fire Chief.

Council Member Moeller asked if the City Manager has to use the multiplier.

Attorney Barr stated that the City Manager has nothing to do with the multiplier set forth in Act 345.

Council Member Moeller clarified that the issue is if the new Police Chief is getting a new contract and that the agreement might have something in it that the Council does not know about, including the multiplier or pension.

Attorney Barr stated that currently the multiplier for the Chief is three percent, unless Council votes on the pension to change it to what the State's multiplier is which is two percent. He said that the multiplier can only be changed by collective bargaining or by Council. He stated that not all Chiefs are entitled to the 345 pension.

Council Member Moeller asked what kind of Chief is not eligible for the 345 pension.

Mr. Ralph Lange answered anyone already retired is not eligible for the 345 pension plan.

Council Member Murdock stated that the ordinance requires the Police and Fire Chief be in the 345 Pension Plan and get a three percent multiplier and that is why he wants to remove it from the ordinance.

On a roll call, the vote to approve Resolution No. 2013-231 as amended was as follows:

Council Member Jefferson	Yes	Council Member Robb	Yes
Council Member Moeller	Yes	Council Member Vogt	Yes
Council Member Murdock	Yes	Mayor Schreiber	Yes
Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson	Yes		

VOTE:

Yes: 7 No: 0 Absent: 0 Vote: Carried

Resolution No. 2013-231 as adopted reads as follows:

IT IS RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI that:

An ordinance to adopt an ordinance to repeal Ordinance No.1054 "An ordinance to amend the provisions of the city of Ypsilanti Fire and Police Retirement System, contained in Public Act 345 of 1937, as amended, to provide for post retirement pension improvements to retirees who have retired from the position of Fire Chief, and Ordinance No. 965, "An ordinance to amend the provisions of the City of Ypsilanti Fire and Police Retirement System, contained in Act 345 of 1937, as amended, to provide for Post Retirement Pension improvements to retirees who retired from the position of Police Chief, be approved on First Reading.

XIII. LIASON REPORTS -

A. SEMCOG Update –Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson reported that the General assembly meeting was held recently but she was not able to attend.
B. Washtenaw Area Transportation Study – Council Member Murdock stated he received an email from the Director that dues are due.
C. Washtenaw Metro Alliance – No meeting this month. (Council Member Robb)
D. Urban County – None (Mayor Schreiber)
E. Freight House – None (Council Member Murdock)

XIV. COUNCIL PROPOSED BUSINESS –

Murdock

- Requested an update on the new dumping ordinance and fees.

  Attorney Barr stated he would have it at the next meeting.

- Inquired about progress on the energy efficiency project in city buildings.

  City Manager Lange replied the new lights were showed to Council recently. He stated that Stan Kirton is waiting until the first of the year to convert lights in order to get extra incentives.

- He stated he has a punch list for Cross Street and said he is waiting for the "stop for pedestrian crosswalk" sign.

- Referred to a recent article in the Free Press regarding plate scanners concern.

  Interim Police Chief Tony DeGiusti was he is currently working with a provider of the equipment and they've indicated that personal information will not be stored.

Robb

– Commented that Veteran's Day is Monday and according to the law fireworks can be set off.

- Reported that the lights are out on North Washington Street and asked if there is policy for tracking and determining how many lights in city are out? Stated he is concerned if a formal policy for reporting is needed instead of waiting for people to report that a light is out.

  City Manager Lange stated that Police and Fire who are out in the evening would report lights out to DTE.

  Council Moeller stated that the current policy is to go to website and report it. She said that is what people were told to do and they are doing it.

Moeller

- Reported that at the corner of Mansfield and Washtenaw there is a mess of junk. She said people are complaining of 4 ft. high weeds and the remains of a cut up telephone pole. She said it is at the northeast corner.

  City Manager Lange said he would report the issue to James Jackson in code enforcement.

Vogt

- Reported the same code enforcement concern as Council Member Moeller.

Jefferson

- Reported that at 301 S. Washington the stump was cut down, however the area is very soft and sinks in about ½ inch and is not seeded. He said there is no grass but weeds are growing there.

- Inquired about the medical marijuana dispensary license application for 539 S. Huron. He asked if site plan approval was granted and how this relates to the Planning Commission.

Richardson

- Reported that shrubs at Hamilton and Ferris are overgrown again.

- Commented that the Michigan Ave. road diet is creating a lot of traffic backups. She said it takes three or four lights to change before getting through it and it has increased going home time. She said people are turning on Second Ave. to avoid the light and are speeding. She said the diet isn't good for car traffic and there are really no bicycles.

- Thanked Mr. Barr and Ms. McMullan for attending the MML MBC-LEO fundraiser on Friday. She said it was a very delightful evening. She said Don Snyder, MEDC Representative, was present and spoke about the revival of midtown Detroit. She said he shared a lot of good ideas and concepts.

Council Member Jefferson added that the shrubs at Hamilton and Ferris that he reported previously were cut and cleaned but they are still overhanging and high. He said the location is just bad and obstructs the view heading east on Ferris.

XV. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR –

Ypsilanti Downtown Development Authority
Richard Smith (open)
1327 Elmwood Ct. Apt 6
Ypsilanti, 48197
Term Expires: 7/7/2016

Mayor Schreiber indicated that Mr. Smith is the owner of Ramos Fine Cuts Barber Shop.

XVI. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CITY MANAGER –

Mr. Lange reported on the following:

- LED lights
- 2 new police officers
- Freigt House – extending water a little farther
- Holiday lights will go up
- Preparing for goal setting meetings
- Comparison of 80/20; hard cap health care options coming soon
- Rutherford pool is moving along
- DPS operations that can save money are being explored
- Hiring fire fighters will help with overtime
- Limited English Proficiency ordinance coming next meeting
- City staff working with less although the need for service hasn't changed
- City employees are extremely dedicated
- Appreciated the MML Black Caucus event. He said he couldn't attend but Ericka Savage attended.

Mayor Schreiber reported he received an email from a neighbor stating that the new streetlights have been installed at a 90 degree curve and they are shining on the houses and not the road.

Mr. Lange stated that they are working to correct the issue.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION -

Mark Hergott, 111 Miles, clarified his comments on the Mr. Gwener issue and said he feels Council and the city will do their best. He said he wanted to remind people that Mr. Gwener was a person and deserves to be remembered also.

XVII. REMARKS FROM THE MAYOR –

Mayor Schreiber stated that he was on the Ypsilanti Housing Commission for 11 years and the issue with Mr. Gwinner was a family issue and obviously there are a lot of people not speaking. He said he has been told that the situation has gotten a lot better.

Council Member Jefferson commented on the Ypsilanti Housing Commission and on the recent murder.

XVIII. ADJOURNMENT –

A. Resolution No. 2013-229, adjourning the City Council Meeting.

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI:

That the City Council Meeting be adjourned, on call, by the Mayor or two (2) members of Council

OFFERED BY: Council Member Jefferson
SUPPORTED BY: Council Member Vogt

On a voice vote the motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 9:58 p.m.