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CITY OF YPSILANTI
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS – ONE SOUTH HURON ST.
YPSILANTI, MI 48197
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2014
7:00 p.m.

I. CALL TO ORDER –

The meeting was called to order at 7:07 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL –

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

Council Member Vogt, supported by Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson, to excuse the absences. On a voice vote, the motion carried.

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 City Clerk Intern Semaj Ray, City Attorney John Barr, Assistant City Attorney Jesse O'Jack, Assistant to the City Manager Ericka Savage, Public Services Director Stan Kirton, Downtown Development Authority Director Tim Colbeck, and Downtown Development Authority Chair Amanda Edmonds.

VI. AGENDA APPROVAL –

Council Member Murdock asked to move Resolution No. 2014-055 to be the first resolution. On a voice vote, the motion carried.

VII. PRESENTATIONS –

None

VIII. PUBLIC HEARING

Resolution approving issuance of a new Redevelopment Liquor License to Bona Sera Restaurant, located at 200 W. Michigan Ave., Ypsilanti, MI 48197.

A. Resolution No. 2014-049, determination.

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI:

WHEREAS, Bona Sera Café has applied to the City of Ypsilanti requesting a new Redevelopment Liquor License to be located at 200 W. Michigan Ave., Ypsilanti, MI 48197 in accordance with MCL 436.1531(A)(1)(b); and

WHEREAS, the proposed location of the license is within the Downtown Redevelopment Liquor License Area created by Resolution 2008-143 of the Ypsilanti City Council on July 15, 2008; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing to consider the request was duly noticed and held on February 18, 2014;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the request of Bona Sera Cafe for a Redevelopment Liquor License to be located at 200 W. Michigan Ave., Ypsilanti, MI 48197 be approved.

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

Downtown Development Authority (DDA) Director Tim Colbeck stated the redevelopment liquor license was created by the Liquor Control Commission (LCC) to generate economic development activity in the communities that have been approved. The liquor license is more of an economical purchase than a standard liquor license. The redevelopment liquor license has a set price of $25,000, acting as a Class C liquor license, and is only connected to the property that it is approved for. It can be transferred within a three year period, but not to another location, and if the applicant is rewarded can be in operation with the liquor license. It cannot be sold. The requirements for the license are $75,000 of improvements within five years, minimum number of hours of operation (at least five days a week and ten hours of week), and a minimum capacity. All of the requirements were met by Bona Sera under their initial review. The redevelopment liquor license creates economic investment through permanent investment into a physical address and also creates economic development through a viable business that has more employee opportunities.

B. Open public hearing.

1. DDA Chair Amanda Edmonds, 320 Garland, stated the Downtown Development Authority strongly supports the redevelopment license for Bona Sera.
2. Barbara Marcothe, 200 W. Michigan Ave, an owner of Bona Sera thanked the DDA for all the work they have done. She stated their base started as an underground fundraising group doing benefit dinners for various charities raising over $20,000.

C. Resolution No. 2014-050, close public hearing.

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI:

THAT the public hearing to consider a new Redevelopment Liquor License for Bona Sera Café to be located at 200 W. Michigan Avenue, Ypsilanti, MI 48197 be officially closed.

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

Council Member Murdock stated this would be a positive change for the city by making a difference in the business and downtown. He also mentioned that the City Council and DDA had the foresight to create a district for these licenses.

Mayor Schreiber stated he supported the resolution because Bona Sera is good addition to downtown.

On a roll call, the vote to approve Resolution No. 2014-050 was as follows:

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

VOTE:

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

IX. <u>AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION</u> –

1. Todd Wilber, 714 Dwight, supported the installation of speed humps on his street.
2. Lori Stark, 125 E. Forest, supported the speed humps and believed the speed testing should be redone because it was inappropriately done due to the location of the speed testing machine. She mentioned the speed humps would also deter traffic.
3. Jane Ratcliffe, 819 Durant, supported the speed humps and believed the speed tests were skewed because of the location of the device.
4. Alessandra White, 805 Dwight, mentioned she helped get signatures for the petition and believed majority of the residents in the neighborhood supports the speed humps.
5. Ted Mull, 704 Dwight, stated he supports the speed humps because they will slow down the traffic.
6. Mark Hergott, 111 Miles, lauded Police Chief DeGiusti's borderless policing, suggested speed humps on Martin Place and consolidation of services.

X. <u>REMARKS BY THE MAYOR</u> –

None

XI. <u>MINUTES</u> –

Resolution No. 2014-051, approving the minutes of February 4, 2014.

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI:

That the Minutes of February 4, 2014 be approved.

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

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

XII. RESOLUTIONS/MOTIONS/DISCUSSIONS -

1. Resolution No. 2014-055, approving the incorporation of speed humps into the Prospect Road Reconstruction project. (**Moved)**

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI:

WHEREAS, the condition of Prospect Road has caused traffic to divert through the residential streets of Dwight, Hemphill and Stanley causing safety issues due to speeding and other driver behavior, and

WHEREAS, the severe winter of 2014 is going to further deteriorate Prospect Road increasing the traffic flow on these residential streets, and

WHEREAS, Prospect Road is scheduled for reconstruction and resurfacing in 2015 requiring a construction traffic plan and possible detours, and

WHEREAS, the residents have submitted a petition expressing their concerns about neighborhood safety due to the increased traffic and speeding, and

WHEREAS, the residents have requested measures be taken to abate the safety issues including the installation of speed humps.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, as part of the Prospect Road reconstruction project a temporary speed hump be installed in each block of Dwight, Hemphill and Stanley (six speed humps in total) in the Spring of 2014, and

FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, the cost of purchase and installation of these speed humps and any related signage is incorporated into the Prospect Road Reconstruction Project and if necessary be allocated from the Local Street Fund, and

FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, the speed bump issue on these streets be reviewed in the fall of 2016 to determine the necessity of maintaining them or alternative traffic calming measures to be approved.

OFFERED BY: Council Member Murdock

SUPPORTED BY: Council Member Robb

Council Member Murdock explained the resolution as way to improve safety and prevent speeding on Dwight, Hemphill, and Stanley streets and mentioned this was the best timing because it can be incorporated into the Prospect Road Reconstruction project to abate the hazards.

Council Member Vogt supported the resolution and believed that they will be beneficial in the future because they're temporary and can be moved where needed. He asked when the speed testing was done.

City Manager Ralph Lange responded that he didn't know but would find out.

Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson stated she does not oppose the speed humps but Frederick Street needs them as well due to speeding on the hill. Residents were told in the past that the speed humps could be installed at their expense. She mentioned other streets have problems as well with the volume of traffic and speeding.

Council Member Murdock agreed with Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson that their needs to be more of a permanent policy to solve the issue citywide and suggested maybe funds could be allocated annually for speed humps.

Council Member Jefferson mentioned speed humps deter traffic and that the input of the residents has a larger impact than the speed tests. The machines don't measure up to the dangers and safety of the residents. He affirmed his support for the resolution.

Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson suggested for the City to contact Ypsilanti Township to see the impact their speed humps have had on deterring traffic.

Council Member Murdock mentioned there are alternative ways of controlling traffic on residential streets.

Mayor Schreiber asked Mr. Lange if there was staff input on the resolution.

Mr. Lange responded that city officials have done research on Ypsilanti Township and found alternative ways of traffic control. He stated that this would be a good trial to see the affect it will have.

Mayor Schreiber stated he would oppose the resolution until a policy is put in place to tackle the issue citywide.

Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson stated it is an emergency measure to help relieve an acute problem for those residents affected. She affirmed her support for the resolution as a temporary measure to solve the problem.

On a roll call, the vote to approve Resolution No. 2014-055 was as follows:

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

VOTE:

Yes: 5 No: 1 (Schreiber) Absent: 1 (Moeller) Vote: Carried

2. Resolution No. 2014-052, granting approval to the Boy Scout Troop 290 to control the Rice Street Parking Lot during the 2014 Color Run.

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

WHEREAS, the City of Ypsilanti desires to support recreation, exercise and community groups within the city, and

WHEREAS, the 2014 Color Run will bring thousands of people to the city needing parking spaces, and

WHEREAS, Boy Scout Troop 290, chartered by Emmanuel Lutheran Church of Ypsilanti has been in existence in the city for over 40 years and has demonstrated experience in controlling and running parking lots during events within the city, increasing the orderly parking of autos, lessening confusion and reducing the need for city services, and

WHEREAS, Boy Scout Troop 290 has offered and requested permission to control the Rice Street Parking Lot during the 2014 Color Run.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that license is granted to Boy Scout Troop 290 to control the Rice Street Parking lot during the 2014 Color Run, with a regular license fee of $250 payable to the city.

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

Assistant to the City Manager Ericka Savage stated it was a request submitted to the City Manager's office by the Boy Scout Troop 290. There is no policy in place for city parking lots. The $250 was the price given in past practice.

Mr. Maes, representing Boy Scout Troop 290, mentioned that $250 has been the price for renting the parking lot for each day.

Mr. Lange stated the lease of the parks with the Heritage Festival, somehow gave them authority over the parking lots when they shouldn't have. The city only has that authority.

Mr. Maes asked Council Member Murdock if the Heritage Festival Committee was given authority over the Depot Town area and the Heritage Festival asked Boy Scout Troop 290 to manage the parking lot for them.

Council Member Murdock stated it was in the Heritage Festival ordinance that they wanted to get City Council out of the business of deciding who gets the parking lot. It is the decision of the event holder who gets the parking lot.

Council Member Robb stated the date as June 21, 2011

Mr. Maes stated 10% of the net profits go to the organization that sponsors the troop.

Mr. Lange asked Mr. Maes who the $250 fee gets paid to.

Mr. Maes responded that the fee gets paid to the city and the funds get directed to Rutherford Pool. It is possible the Rice Street parking lot is unavailable during the Color Run because of the road closures.

Council Member Robb mentioned there was a policy approved in 2011 that keeps the city out of who controls the parking lots during specific events. The event holder controls the parking lots. The Huron Street parking lot has parking permits so people shouldn't be charged for parking.

Mr. Maes asked who the troop should contact to gain control of the parking lot for the Color Run.

Council Member Murdock stated the event can't decide whether or not they want control of the parking lot. The Visitor's Conventions Bureau (VCB) contracts with the Color Run so the troop may contact them if they want control of the parking lot.

Mr. Lange stated they should make an amendment to the policy so there's a clear understanding of who an entity should contact if they want control of the parking lot.

Mr. Maes asked if the Troop Committee should contact the VCB.

Mayor Schreiber responded that was true until a policy changed amended it.

Council Member Robb asked if applications can be submitted before the Special Events policy is approved.

Ms. Savage stated they can submit applications but it would be under the old format.

Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson stated the Boy Scout Troop usually gets permission when they ask City Council for control of the parking lot and asked City Attorney John Barr for legality on the policy.

Mr. Barr stated the Heritage Festival has an ordinance where they're granted control of the Rice Street parking lot but they have allowed the Boy Scout Troop to conduct it for them.

Mr. Lange stated that city staff and officials shouldn't decide who controls the parking lots but they don't want to prevent the Boy Scout Troop from fundraising at the parking lots.

On a roll call, the vote to approve Resolution No. 2014-052 was as follows:

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

VOTE:

Yes: 4 No: 2 (Murdock, Robb) Absent: 1 (Moeller) Vote: Carried

Mayor Schreiber stated he would like to reconsider his vote.

OFFERED BY: Mayor Schreiber
SUPPORTED BY: Council Member Murdock

On a roll call, the vote to reconsider Resolution No. 2014-052 was as follows:

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

VOTE:

Yes: 5 No: 1 (Richardson) Absent: 1 (Moeller) Vote: Carried

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

Mayor Schreiber stated he wanted to reconsider his vote because he wants to support the policy they currently have and he still supports Boy Scout Troop 290.

Council Member Murdock moved to table Resolution No. 2014-052 and second by Council Member Vogt.

On a roll call, the vote to table Resolution No. 2014-052 was as follows:

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

VOTE:

Yes: 4 No: 2 (Jefferson,Schreiber) Absent: 1 (Moeller) Vote: Carried

City Council clarified to Mr. Maes that the VCB can grant Boy Scout Troop 290 permission to control the Rice Street Parking Lot.

3. Resolution No. 2014-046, approving Special Events policy.

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI:

WHEREAS, The City of Ypsilanti desires to become more efficient and streamline the Special Events application process; and

WHEREAS, City staff has created a Special Events Policy to combine all of the City's current policies, applications and fees related to special events; and

WHEREAS, a Special Events Application has also been created that combines all of the current special events permit applications.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Ypsilanti hereby adopts a Special Events Policy that will govern the all requirements for special events, including, but not limited to the event details, classifications, required permits, insurance mandates, billing and estimate process.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Ypsilanti Special Events Policy supersedes any previously approved permit applications or policies.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that administrative changes to the Special Events policy may be incorporated by the City Manager, so long as the updated policy is filed with the City Clerk and posted on the city's website.

OFFERED BY: Council Member Richardson
SUPPORTED BY: Council Member Vogt

Ms. Savage explained the estimates were added and they have contacted the current events. A spreadsheet was added that includes all of the fees.

Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson asked if the recurring events would pay more because of the policy.

Ms. Savage stated that all the application packets were combined into one.

Mayor Schreiber stated the spreadsheet with the estimates and fees wasn't public until the day of the meeting.

Ms. Savage stated the events wouldn't see the fee schedule because it can be complicated to understand.

Mayor Schreiber mentioned to postpone the resolution so the fee schedule can be public for a couple more weeks.

Council Member Robb mentioned the fee schedule was already approved last year. He opposes the Special Events Policy.

On a roll call, the vote to approve Resolution No. 2014-046 was as follows:

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

VOTE:

Yes: 1 No: 5 Absent: 1 (Moeller) Vote: Failed

Ms. Savage asked for direction so it can possibly get approved next time.

Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson opposes the policy because there should be one fee for closing the street.

Ms. Savage stated the estimates are from last year and may change. If the events change the fees may change as well.

Council Member Vogt mentioned the individual fees were separated so the event could pick and choose what they want. The fees compensate the city for the costs. He supports the Special Events policy.

Council Member Robb mentioned that the street closure fee includes parking lot meter revenue.

Ms. Savage stated that was only for the recurring events and they created a monthly permit fee that will be a street closure fee.

Mr. Lange stated the recurring events fees were created to be more accommodating in a streamline way.

Ms. Savage stated the recurring events mostly have police bills and not DPS bills.

Mayor Schreiber stated he wants the public to read the article about the fees and see the spreadsheet in the packet on the website.

Council Member Murdock announced his intent to bring a motion to reconsider at the next regular meeting on March 4, 2014.

4. Resolution No. 2014-053, approving contract with Michigan Lighting Systems East for interior lighting upgrades to LED lighting in city facilities and parking lots.

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI:

WHEREAS, City Council has established a Energy Efficiency Revolving Fund to fund energy efficiency projects for city facilities; and

WHEREAS, bids were solicited for interior lighting upgrades to LED lighting in city facilities and parking lots; and

WHEREAS, three bids were received for the purchase of LED retro-fit kits and fixtures from Madison Electric, Ann Arbor, MI, Park Avenue Lighting, Inc., Ann Arbor, MI and Michigan Lighting Systems East, Troy MI; and

WHEREAS; Madison Electric submitted a bid in the amount of $51,890.00; Park Avenue Lighting, Inc. submitted a bid for the amount of $61,215.00 and Michigan Lighting Systems East submitted a bid in the amount of $48,445.00; and

WHEREAS; the bid submitted by Michigan Lighting Systems East, 1389 Wheaton Avenue, Suite 500, Troy, MI 48083, best meets the project specifications and is in the best interest of the City;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City Council awards the bid to Michigan Lighting Systems East for the amount of $48,445.00; and

FURTHER, that the the Mayor and City Clerk are authorized to sign this contract and any change orders, subject to approval by the City Attorney.

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

Public Services Director Stan Kirton explained the resolution as an LED lighting upgrade for the facilities.

Mr. Chris Simmons, Supervisor in Public Services Department, stated the energy savings will be $8000-$12,000 per year. The LEDs have a 7-10 year warranty so the light bulbs don't need to be changed as often. City will also save $8000 in relamping/labor costs per year. Total estimated savings is at least $16,000 per year and will pay for themselves within 3 years. They have been piloted. It takes about six weeks to get the lights.

Mr. Kirton stated the lighting strips are approximately $90 each and replacing the troffers are $200. The lights at the City Hall parking lot, Police Department, and Fire Department will be changed. The return on investment may possibly be within 5 years. There are DTE rebates approximately $11 per unit, totally about $4000. Project must be completed within 90 days after the rebates are submitted.

Council Member Murdock asked if there would be light reduction or motion sensors installed. He is supportive of the LED lighting.

Mr. Simmons stated there will be a pilot for the sensors (motion and occupancy) at City Hall, Police Department, and the Fire Department.

Mr. Kirton stated he will be attending a DTE Energy Efficiency Systems session.

Mr. Lange stated the DTE rebates will help with the return on investment.

On a roll call, the vote to approve Resolution No. 2014-053 was as follows:

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

VOTE:

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

5. Resolution No. 2014-054, approving renewal of Michigan Main Street Program contract.

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI that:

The Michigan Main Street Program Agreement Associate Level is approved for the city to continue as an associate member of the Michigan Main Street Program as administered by the Ypsilanti Downtown Development Authority.

The Mayor and City Clerk are authorized to sign the agreement, subject to the approval of the City Attorney.

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

Mr. Colbeck stated the resolution was an annual agreement between the city, the DDA, and Michigan Main Street program. It will be at no cost to the city and the city has been an associate level member since 2008. It provides a variety of resources.

Council Member Murdock asked what was the status of the DDA moving to the next level.

Mr. Colbeck stated the associate level was best for the city now.

Council Member Murdock stated if there was a rethinking of the Michigan Main Street project agreement.

Mr. Colbeck stated there wasn't a firm decision on changing the agreement.

On a roll call, the vote to approve Resolution No. 2014-054 was as follows:

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

VOTE:

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

XIII. LIASON REPORTS –

A. SEMCOG Update

Mayor Pro-Tem Richardson stated they would be meeting next week.

B. Washtenaw Area Transportation Study

Council Member Murdock stated they would be meeting the next day to discuss the changes on the Prospect Road Construction project.

C. Washtenaw Metro Alliance
D. Urban County
E. Freight House

XIV. COUNCIL PROPOSED BUSINESS –

Richardson

- Ms. Richardson referenced to an email that she sent and would like to disregard due to have already receiving the information she needed.
- She also brought attention to Mr. George Wilson, 1044 Madison, and his decision to discontinue the maintenance of a lot next door to his property, which Mr. Wilson believes to be city property.
- Made suggestion of sending a get well card to City Council Member Moeller, who will be out sick until March.
- Referenced a sewer gate at Harriet and Adams where there was a significant backup where YCUA needs to be consulted to ensure completed cleanup. She believed the high traffic may have caused the backup. Sewer gate is located at 437 S. Adams Mr. Lange stated he would follow up.

Murdock

- Mr. Murdock inquired about applying for the fire convention safety grants. The application deadline is in upcoming March.

Mr. Lange stated that the city will be applying for the grants and inquired for the applications to be sent over.

- Mr. Murdock then mentioned the talk in Lansing about brutal road conditions and the high volume of street maintenance needed.
- Suggested that we keep track of our city budget and maintenance contracts.
- He also brought up the minimum wage ordinance he suggested and stated that Attorney John Barr is in the process of the draft.

Mr. Lange confirms that the wage ordinance draft is waiting to be published and will be brought to a council meeting soon.

Vogt

- Mr. Vogt referenced an article discussing legislature increase of revenue sharing on formulas and expressed his concern that we must be aware and prepared.

XV. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR –

- Stated nothing for this week.

XVI. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CITY MANAGER –

- Mr. Lange informed everyone of EMU interest about city policy as far as cameras. Must check with American Civil Liberties Union and Police Chief.
- Stated that apartment complexes will receive more cameras of the views in approach of the location.
- He also suggested to the council an idea of choosing locations and starting a pilot program for cameras in public places.

Council member Robb states that he is not sold on starting public policy suggested by Mr. Lange due to concerns of how it will be managed.

- Mr. Lange provides more vivid detail on how trial run for the camera public policy will work, explaining that it will only be confined to a high priority area.
- Council did not overall support the research into the city purchasing cameras for policing.
- Attended a YCUA project meeting with Fiscal Services Director Marilou Uy where they discussed the water plants need to be upgraded and the additional funding required wouldn't drive up their surcharge.
- Recommends the city extend their contract with Waste Management.
- Praised recently approved LED lights because they're cheaper, good quality, and energy efficient. Highly support them since it will be influential in city financial survival.
- Excused the city staff for not quick response due to many employees being sick.
- Stated two SAFER grant firefighters are working.
- Thanked City Council for City Manager evaluation and comments in newspaper.
- Invited by EMU to a contingency with staff and faculty for a German Exchange student program where the students would work full-time for free.
- Stated the streetlights are making progress and rebates are being secured (new and old).
- Mentioned police service consolidation is extremely functional and more convenient, saving time and effort.
- Believed that everyone is on the same page as far as fees for renting the parking lot.
- Mentioned the Special City Council meeting scheduled for next week.

XVII. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION –

1. Patrick Greve, resident from Wixon and Waste Management, hoped that City will retain their business and extend Waste Management contract.
2. Mark Hergott, 111 Miles, supported Waste Management and suggested the City consolidate services with Ypsilanti Township.
3. Amanda Edmonds, DDA chair, stated the DDA should be in the discussion for control of the parking lots. She also stated the results and seasonal report of the Farmer's Market.

XVIII. REMARKS FROM THE MAYOR –

XIX. ADJOURNMENT -

Resolution No. 2014-056, 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 9:45 p.m.