

CITY OF LOWELL
MICHIGAN
CITY COUNCIL
AGENDA

FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE LOWELL CITY COUNCIL
MONDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2011, 7:30 P.M.

AT
LOWELL CITY HALL
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
SECOND FLOOR
301 EAST MAIN STREET

1. CALL TO ORDER; PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, ROLL CALL
2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA
3. APPROVAL OF THE REGULAR MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 5, 2011 MEETING
4. APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE
5. CITIZENS' COMMENTS FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA
6. PENDING COUNCIL PROJECTS REPORT
7. ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
 - A. 139 S. BROADWAY STREET – KING MILLING COMPANY – VARIANCES RELATED TO NEW BUILDINGS
8. RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL AGREEMENT FOR LEGAL SERVICES WITH DICKINSON WRIGHT
9. 2010-2011 AUDIT PRESENTATION
10. STRIKING OF 2006 DELINQUENT TAXES
11. MONTHLY REPORTS
12. COUNCIL REPORTS AND COMMENTS
13. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT
14. APPOINTMENTS
15. ADJOURNMENT

NOTE: Any person who wishes to speak on an item included on the printed meeting agenda may do so. Speakers will be recognized by the Chair, at which time they will be required to state their name and will be allowed five (5) minutes maximum to address the Council. A speaker representing a subdivision association or group will be allowed ten (10) minutes to address the Council.



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MEMORANDUM

TO: City Council
FROM: Mark Howe, City Manager
RE: Council Agenda for Monday, December 19, 2011

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The report is attached for your review.

7. ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

You will need to suspend your council meeting and convene as the Zoning Board of Appeals.

- A. 139 S. BROADWAY STREET – KING MILLING COMPANY – VARIANCES RELATED TO NEW BUILDINGS

A number of variances have been requested from King Milling Company. A report from Williams and Works is included in your agenda packet.

8. RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL AGREEMENT FOR LEGAL SERVICES WITH DICKINSON WRIGHT

Richard A. Wendt of the Dickinson-Wright law firm has served as the City Attorney for the City of Lowell for a number of years. My experience during the past six months with Mr. Wendt has been very positive. He has a strong background in municipal law and keeps current with statutory and case law

implications. He is efficient and also carries a strong knowledge of the history of events within the city, which is of great value to a new city manager. I recommend that you adopt the resolution authorizing a one-year agreement with Dickinson-Wright and Mr. Wendt.

9. 2010-2011 AUDIT PRESENTATION

Stephen Blann of Rehman-Robson, our auditing firm, will present the Fiscal Year 2010-11 Audit.

10. STRIKING OF 2006 DELINQUENT TAXES

After five years, if we have exercised due diligence in attempting to collect personal property taxes we can request that they be stricken from the tax rolls. City Treasurer Sue Olin has presented a report requesting that \$154.78 in personal property taxes due in 2006 be stricken from the tax rolls.

11. MONTHLY REPORTS

The various monthly reports are included for your review.

12. COUNCIL REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Andrew Schrauben	Lowell Airport Board Parks and Recreation Commission Lowell Area Recreation Authority
Maryalene LaPonsie	Planning Commission Zoning Board of Appeals Lowell Area Fire and Emergency Services Authority
Jeff Altoft	Board of Review Downtown Development Authority
Sharon Ellison	Arbor Board LCTV Endowment Board
Jim Hodges	Lowell Light and Power Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors Look Memorial Fund
Commissions without Representatives:	Downtown Historic District Commission Construction Board of Appeals Building Authority Local Officers Compensation Commission

13. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

The City Manager's report is attached for your review.

14. APPOINTMENTS

The following boards or commissioners positions need appointment or reappointment.

	<u>Appointment or Reappointment</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
Airport Board		
Andrew Schrauben	Reappointment	01/01/2010
Jim Myaard	Reappointment	01/01/2012
Arbor Board		
Vacancy (Jim Hall resignation)	Appointment	06/30/2012
Sharon Ellison	Reappointment	01/01/2012
Building Authority		
Vacancy (Dave Pasquale retirement)	Appointment	01/01/2012
Downtown Development Authority		
Dean Lonick	Reappointment	01/01/2012
Shelley Catlin	Reappointment	01/01/2012
Downtown Historic District Commission		
Judy Straub	Reappointment	01/01/2012
Stephen Doyle	Reappointment	01/01/2012
LCTV Endowment Board		
Vacancy (Mark Lessens moved)	Appointment	12/31/2013
Dennis Kent	Reappointment	12/31/2011
Light and Power Board		
Vacancy (Jim Hall resigned)	Appointment	06/30/2013
Vacancy (Jim Valentine resigned)	Appointment	06/30/2013
Lowell Area Fire and Emergency Services Authority		
Vacancy (Elected City Official)	Appointment	01/01/2011
Lowell Area Recreation Authority		
Andrew Schrauben (City Council Rep)	Reappointment	11/15/2011
Perry Beachum	Reappointment	11/15/2011
Parks and Recreation Commission		
Susan Pomper	Reappointment	01/01/2012
Vacancy (Jim Hall resigned)	Appointment	01/01/2014
Vacancy (Don Green moved out of City)	Appointment	01/01/2012
Planning Commission		
Vacancy (Jim Hall resigned-elected to Council)	Appointment	06/30/2012
Vacancy (Don Green moved out of the City)	Appointment	06/30/2012
Vacancy (Maryalene LaPonsie was Council Rep)	Appointment	until term on Council ends

15. ADJOURNMENT