

**Regular** Council Meeting of the City of Melvindale was held in the Council Chambers on Wednesday, January 21, 2015 at 7:30 pm.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor, Stacy L. Striz and roll call was taken:

PRESENT COUNCIL MEMBERS: Hess, Balderas, Marsee, Barnes, Cybulski.

**DEPARTMENT HEADS ALSO PRESENT:** Diana Zarazua, City Clerk; Richard S. Ortiz, City Administrator/Finance Director; Roger Kaly, (in absence of Lawrence J. Coogan), Interim Corporation Counsel; Chad Hayse, Police Chief; Joseph Murray, Fire Chief; Steven Densmore, Assistant Fire Chief; Rick Browning, DPW Director; Ardys Bennett, Chief Building Official.

Councilman, Carl Louvet was absent and was excused.

Karen Lowe, Treasurer was absent and was excused.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Striz.

**15-01-14:** Moved by Cybulski and supported by Hess to approve the **Regular** City Council Meeting Minutes dated January 7, 2015.

**Yeas:** Hess, Marsee, Cybulski

**Abstain:** Balderas, Barnes

*Mayor Striz also voted yes*

Motion passed

Audience Participation was offered.

**15-01-15:** Moved by Barnes and supported by Cybulski to close the Regular City Council Meeting.

Passed Unanimously

**15-01-16:** Moved by Barnes and supported by Marsee to open the public hearing regarding the Community Development Block Grant Program Year 2015 at 7:35 p.m. presented by Mark Kibby.

Passed Unanimously

Mayor Striz called 3 times for public comment.

**15-01-17:** Moved by Barnes and supported by Hess to close the public hearing regarding the Community Development Block Grant Program Year 2015 at 7:38 p.m. after having received no further comments written or oral.

Passed Unanimously

**15-01-18:** Moved by Marsee and supported by Cybulski to open the Regular Council Meeting.

Passed Unanimously

**15-01-19:** Moved by Balderas and supported by Hess to Motion to approve and adopt the following CDBG eligible activity objectives and allocations, pending actual funding availability and post the PY 2015 CDBG Final Statement of Objectives. as outlined, and commit;

<b>Senior Citizens Center Bond Repayment</b>	<b>\$92,610</b>
Repayment of bond principal and interest for the Senior Citizens Center – 4300 South Dearborn Street.	
<b>Public/Senior Services</b>	<b>\$5,890</b>
Funding for the Senior Services Coordinator and miscellaneous expenses associated with operating the Senior Services Program.	
<b>Administration</b>	<b>\$6,500</b>
Administration of the CDBG Program.	
<b>Housing Rehabilitation – Program Income</b>	<b>\$750</b>
Funding to provide deferred liens to rehabilitate code-deficient, owner-occupied homes of income-eligible families.	
<b>Demolition – Program Income</b>	<b>\$750</b>
Funding to provide for the demolition of dangerous vacant structures that have been declared a health and safety hazard to the community.	
<b>Public Facilities Improvement – Program Income</b>	<b>\$500</b>
Funding to provide for the eligible improvements at the Fire Station – 3160 Oakwood Boulevard.	
<b>ESTIMATED TOTAL</b>	<b>\$107,000</b>

Passed Unanimously

**15-01-20:** Moved by Marsee and supported by Cybulski to concur with the request of Police Chief, Chad Hayse to establish a new hire list and to advertise on the State of Michigan MCOLES website, the Melvindale website, City Cable Channel and local newspaper as referenced in PSC Resolution #15.01.04.

Passed Unanimously

**15-01-21:** Moved by Barnes and supported by Balderas to receive and place on file the December Police report.

Passed Unanimously

15-01-22: Moved Marsee and supported by Hess to authorize the DPW Director to set a meeting with Corporation Counsel to discuss amendment of the water policy with regard to vacant homes and the possible shut off of water to those homes.

Passed Unanimously

**15-01-23:** Moved by Marsee and supported by Cybulski to rescind City Council Resolution #14.11.251.

Passed Unanimously

**15-01-24:** Moved by Cybulski and supported by Marsee to approve the request by Lieutenant John Allen to purchase one year of credited service with MERs totaling \$24,967.00 provided there are no expenditures required by the City.

Passed Unanimously

**15-01-25:** Moved by Marsee and supported by Hess to authorize the first reading by title only of Ordinance #769:

**ORDINANCE NO. 769**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ARTICLE IV OF CHAPTER 22  
[UTILITIES] BY AMENDING SECTION 22-141 RELATING  
TO OUTSIDE WELLS GENERALLY.**

Passed Unanimously

**15-01-26:** Moved by Marsee and supported by Cybulski to grant Mill Steel's request to continue operating by granting them a special limited frost law exemption permit for five (5) years, effective January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2019, for a fee of \$50,000.00 to be paid prior to March 15, 2015 per their proposal dated January 5, 2015. Permit fees are designed to be used to repair and improve various sections of roadway in the area that have been damaged or the permit entitles the trucks to use.

Passed Unanimously

**15-01-27:** Moved by Hess and supported by Balderas to accept the CGAP Grant as awarded by the State of Michigan pursuant to the terms and conditions as outlines in the grant regarding building inspection services.

Passed Unanimously

Audience participation was offered a second time.

**15-01-28:** Moved by Hess and supported by Balderas to receive and place on file the invoices and cover sheets and to authorize the payment of invoices totaling \$563,616.78 and the electronic transfers totaling \$122,995.49.

Passed Unanimously

**15-01-29:** Moved by Marsee and supported by Cybulski to adjourn at 8:04 p.m.

Passed Unanimously

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Stacy L. Striz, Mayor

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Diana Zarazua, City Clerk

