

Regular Council Meeting of the City of Melvindale was held in the Council Chambers on Wednesday, November 2, 2022 at 7:30 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Wheeler T. Marsee, Jr. and roll call was taken:

PRESENT COUNCIL MEMBERS: Jackson, Filipowski, Rauser, Frederick, Densmore, Cartrette

ALSO PRESENT: Cecilia S. Dally, Deputy City Clerk; Lawrence J. Coogan, Corporation Counsel; Richard S. Ortiz, City Administrator/Finance Director; Dan Jones, Chief of Police; Brad Burns, Chief Building Official; Larrie Ordus, DPW Director; Renee Cook, Fieldhouse

Linda Land, City Clerk was absent and excused.

Proclamation: National Native American Heritage Month

22-11-255 Moved by Densmore and supported by Rauser, to approve the Regular Council meeting minutes dated October 19, 2022.

Passed Unanimously

Audience Participation

22-11-256 Moved by Jackson and supported by Rauser, to approve the updated Melvindale Police Department Rules and Regulations directive 134, page 2, IV – A and page 5, VIII - A, regarding social media and further the updated rules and regulations social media policy has been approved by the Public Safety Commission on October 14, 2022.

Passed Unanimously

22-11-257 Moved by Filipowski and supported by Rauser, to adopt the building department proposed fee schedule changes effective November 2, 2022 and further to reevaluate within 90 days for any further adjustments to the fees.

City of Melvindale Building Department requests the following fee schedule changes effective November 10, 2022

1. **Add the following items to Electrical Permit fee schedule as follows**
 - a. Solar System Installation: 0-30 kw = \$100.00
30-60 kw = \$150.00
Over 60 kw = \$200.00
 - b. Car Charging Systems: Residential = \$100.00 each
Commercial = \$200.00 each
2. **Change non-refundable administration fee on all transactions except contractors' registrations**

Current administration fee:

- \$15.00 on items under \$200.00
- \$25.00 on items of \$200.00 or more

Request that the administrative costs be changed to reflect a flat fee of \$25 for all items as listed below:

Building Permit Reinspection

Existing fee:

\$15.00 on items under \$200.00

\$25.00 on items of \$200.00 or more

Replace with:

\$25 Administrative Fee

Fence

Existing fee:

\$15.00 on items under \$200.00

\$25.00 on items of \$200.00 or more

Replace with:

\$25 Administrative Fee

Fence Reinspection

Existing fee:

\$15.00 on items under \$200.00

\$25.00 on items of \$200.00 or more

Replace with:

\$25 Administrative Fee

Zoning

Existing fee:

\$15.00 on items under \$200.00

\$25.00 on items of \$200.00 or more

Replace with:

\$25 Administrative Fee

Zoning Reinspection

Existing fee:

\$15.00 on items under \$200.00

\$25.00 on items of \$200.00 or more

Replace with:

\$25 Administrative Fee

Plumbing

Existing fee:

\$15.00 on items under \$200.00

\$25.00 on items of \$200.00 or more

Replace with:

\$25 Administrative Fee

Plumbing Reinspection

Existing fee:

\$15.00 on items under \$200.00

\$25.00 on items of \$200.00 or more

Replace with:

\$25 Administrative Fee

Mechanical

Existing fee:

\$15.00 on items under \$200.00

\$25.00 on items of \$200.00 or more

Replace with:

\$25 Administrative Fee

Mechanical Reinspection

Existing fee:

\$15.00 on items under \$200.00

\$25.00 on items of \$200.00 or more

Replace with:

\$25 Administrative Fee

Electrical

Existing fee:

\$15.00 on items under \$200.00

\$25.00 on items of \$200.00 or more

Replace with:

\$25 Administrative Fee

Electrical Reinspection

Existing fee:

\$15.00 on items under \$200.00

\$25.00 on items of \$200.00 or more

Replace with:

\$25 Administrative Fee

Use

Existing fee:

\$15.00 on items under \$200.00

\$25.00 on items of \$200.00 or more

Replace with:

\$25 Administrative Fee

Replace with:

\$25 Administrative Fee

Use Reinspection

Existing fee:
\$15.00 on items under \$200.00
\$25.00 on items of \$200.00 or more

Replace with:
\$25 Administrative Fee

Certificate of Occupancy

Existing fee:
\$15.00 on items under \$200.00
\$25.00 on items of \$200.00 or more

Replace with:
\$25 Administrative Fee

Certificate of Occupancy Reinspection

Existing fee:
\$15.00 on items under \$200.00
\$25.00 on items of \$200.00 or more

Replace with:
\$25 Administrative Fee

Certificate of Compliance

Existing fee:
\$15.00 on items under \$200.00
\$25.00 on items of \$200.00 or more

Replace with:
\$25 Administrative Fee

Certificate of Compliance Reinspection

Existing fee:
\$15.00 on items under \$200.00
\$25.00 on items of \$200.00 or more

Replace with:
\$25 Administrative Fee

Escrows

Existing fee:
\$15.00 on items under \$200.00
\$25.00 on items of \$200.00 or more

Replace with:
\$25 Administrative Fee

Certificate of Compliance Reinspection

Existing fee:
\$15.00 on items under \$200.00
\$25.00 on items of \$200.00 or more

Replace with:

\$25 Administrative Fee

Vacancy Fee

Existing fee:

\$15.00 on items under \$200.00

\$25.00 on items of \$200.00 or more

Replace with:

\$25 Administrative Fee

3. Any rental property inspection that results in a violation will require a reinspection fee.

Single family and Duplex

Reinspection fee will be \$50 Base with a \$25 Administration fee for total of \$75

Per Apartment building:

\$50 Base with a \$25 Administration fee for \$75 for first unit then \$20 per Unit after in same building. All units must be re-inspected at the same time or an additional \$50 reinspection

4. All permits created will start with a \$50 base which is currently in effect and will remain unchanged.

Yeas: Jackson, Filipowski, Rauser, Densmore, Cartrette

Nays: Frederick

Motion Passes

22-11-258 Moved by Filipowski and supported by Cartrette, to modify Part II, Chapter 22, Section 64 of the City Ordinance as follows:

Sec. 22-64. - Stormwater management.

(a) Title and purpose. The purpose of this section is to provide for the protection of the environment

against pollution from storm water runoff; to provide flood control and adequate drainage within and

around the city; to prevent pollution within and around the city; to provide for the implementation of a

storm water management program in the city; to provide for the issuance of storm water construction

approvals for certain construction activities within the city; to provide design and construction criteria

for storm water management systems; to provide for administration and enforcement of the section;

to require long-term maintenance and financial assurance; to authorize inspections of construction activities governed by this section; to provide for the continuation of all pre-existing legal requirements to preserve and protect the environment; to provide for the severability of this order; to provide for the effective date hereof; and to establish penalties for violations hereof.

(b) Adoption. A certain document, one copy of which is on file in the office of the department of public works of the city and one copy of which is on file in the office of the city clerk, being marked and designated as the current Wayne County Stormwater Control Program is hereby adopted as the ordinances of the city and made a part hereof as if fully set out in this article.

(c) Severability. The provisions of this section are hereby declared to be severable. If any provision, clause, sentence, or paragraph of this section or the application thereof to any person, establishment, or circumstances shall be held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the other provisions or application of this section.

d) This article shall apply to post-construction stormwater runoff from new development and redevelopment projects that disturb one (1) or more acres, including projects less than one (1) acre that are part of a larger common plan of development, and discharge to the permittee's MS4, including projects where the permittee is the developer.

(e) Site plans for proposed development or redevelopment will be reviewed in accordance with the City's current zoning ordinance, to ensure plans meet the current Wayne County post-construction runoff control design standards.

(f) The provisions of this article shall be administered and enforced by the building department or its designated authority. Enforcement procedures outline in Chapter 24 – Zoning shall apply.

(g) Long-term operations and maintenance requirements will be administered through maintenance agreements (M-permit) of all structural and vegetative best management practices (BMPs) implemented to meet the performance standards.

(h) Representatives of the City or its designees shall have the right to enter upon the subject private property and are authorized to take any and all measures necessary to abate the violation and/or restore the property.

(i) Conflicting ordinances. All prior existing ordinances adopted by the city inconsistent or in conflict with the provisions of this section are, to extent of such conflict or inconsistency, hereby expressly repealed.

(Ord. No. 764, art. I, 2-19-14)
(Ord. No. TBA, art I TBA)

Passed Unanimously

22-11-259 Moved by Filipowski and supported by Frederick, to adopt the proposed 2023 Police and Fire Special Assessment resolution:

Whereas, the Common Council for the City of Melvindale is levying the Special 2023 Assessment to maintain the current level of Police and Fire Protection for the protection and wellbeing of its citizens as permitted by MCLA 41.801 et seq; and,

Whereas, the City Clerk published a Notice of Public Hearing regarding the estimate of the expenses for Police and Fire protection, the amount of the Special Assessment levied for such Police and Fire protection and for the distribution of the Special Assessment levy in the News Herald Newspaper; and,

Whereas, a Public Hearing was held on October 19, 2022 at 7:30 p.m. before the Common Council for the City of Melvindale where citizens were given the opportunity to state their comments and objections to the estimate of the expenses for Police and Fire protection, the amount of the Special Assessment levied for such Police and Fire protection and for the distribution of the Special Assessment levy; and,

Now, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council for the City of Melvindale that:

1. It is estimated that the cost and expenses of Police and Fire protection, exclusive of healthcare and pension is \$3,684,550; and
2. The amount of the Special Assessment shall be 10 Mills which is estimated to generate \$1,799,325; and
3. The City Administrator or his designee shall spread the assessment on the taxable value of all property in the City of Melvindale except lands exempt from collection of taxes under the general property tax act.

Passed Unanimously

22-11-260 Moved by Densmore and supported by Cartrette, to obtain quotes for appropriate signage and cameras for all city parks.

Passed Unanimously

22-11-261 Moved by Densmore and supported by Rauser, to offer a reward, of up to \$1000.00 (one thousand dollars) to anyone who reports destruction of any city park that leads to the arrest and conviction of the perpetrator.

Passed Unanimously

22-11-262 Moved by Jackson and supported by Rauser, to enter into the process of organizing the procedure to allow food trucks during special events, religious holidays during certain dates and further that the food trucks would be parked on private property with permission from the property owner.

Passed Unanimously

22-11-263 Moved by Filipowski and supported by Rauser, to table the reappointments of the following commissioners:

- Annette Taylor, to the Housing Commission, new term expires November 17, 2027.
- Alice Bliss, to the Aging Commission, new term expires November 19, 2025.
- Betty Lindlbauer, to the Board of Review Commission, new term expires November 19, 2025.
- Lawrence J. Coogan, to the Building Authority, new term expires November 19, 2025.
- Richard S. Ortiz, to the Building Authority, new term expires November 19, 2025.
- Linda Land, to the Building Authority, new term expires November 19, 2025.
- Imad Khalil, to the Downtown Development Authority, new term expires November 18, 2026.
- Ali Elhasan, to the Downtown Development Authority, new term expires November 18, 2026.
- Sean Briscoe, to the Parks & Recreation Commission, new term expires on November 19, 2025.
- Suann Scott, to the Planning Commission, new term expires November 19, 2025.
- Martha McDaniel, to the Public Safety Commission, new term expires November 17, 2027.

Passed Unanimously

Second Audience Participation

22-11-264 Moved by Filipowski and supported by Jackson, to receive and place on file the invoice and cover sheet and authorize the payment of approved invoices totaling \$1,161,022.46 and zero electronic transfers.

Passed Unanimously

22-11-265 Moved by Cartrette and supported by Filipowski, to adjourn into closed session at 8:36 p.m., no objections, so ordered.

Passed Unanimously

Wheeler T. Marsee, Jr., Mayor

Cecilia S. Dally, Deputy City Clerk