

**Regular** Council Meeting of the City of Melvindale was held in the Council Chambers on Wednesday, September 7, 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:** Linda Land, City Clerk; Michel Belch, Treasurer; Lawrence J Coogan, Corporation Counsel; Richard S. Ortiz, City Administrator/Finance Director; Lt. Robert Kennaley, Police Dept., Glenn Owens, Fire Department, Brad Burns, Chief Building Official; Larrie Ordus, DPW Director, Sandy Law; Senior Center.

Invocation – Deaconess Annette Taylor

Presentation: Mark Mueller, TMR & Associates

**22-09-202** Moved by Jackson supported by Rauser, to accept the Notice of Termination of Administrative Services Agreement from Automated Benefit Services; to approve from TMR Insurance Agency the Fully Insured BCBSM Simple Blue \$2000/\$4000 100% HSA, along with an annual contribution to the employees HSA (Health Savings Account) of \$500 single/\$1,000 Family for Active Employees; and to approve the fully insured BCBSM Simple Blue PPO \$250 80/20% Coinsurance \$10/\$40/\$80/\$15% 25% for Pre 65 Retirees. The city will also continue the current Humana Medicare Advantage Plan for Post 65 Retirees.

Passed Unanimously

**22-09-203** Moved by Filipowski and supported by Rauser, to waive the 7-day waiting period for resolution 22-09-202 and further to take immediate effect.

Passed Unanimously

**22-09-204** Moved by Densmore and supported by Rauser, to approve the Regular Council meeting minutes dated August 17, 2022.

Yeas: Jackson, Filipowski, Rauser, Densmore, Cartrette

Nays: none

Abstain: Frederick

Motion Passes

**22-09-205** Moved by Filipowski and supported by Rauser, to remove from table and confirm the appointment of Jazmin Fitzgerald to Parks and Recreation Commission, term ends November 20, 2024.

Passed Unanimously

Audience Participation

**22-09-206** Moved by Rauser and supported by Filipowski, to approve two Act 51 projects listed below.

- 1) Install sidewalks along both sides of Prospect from Greenfield to Northpointe Condos. The cost estimate at approximately \$70,000.
- 2) Remove one Lankford Park path access walk south of Norman St. Install 3 Lankford Park path access walks across from the corners of Palmer and David, Palmer and Norman and Palmer and Margaret. The corner access points will have handicap-safe ramps. The cost is estimated at approximately \$5,000.00.

Passed Unanimously

**22-09-207** Moved by Cartrette and supported by Rauser, to concur with the recommendation of Larrie Ordus, DPW Director, to widen the City Hall parking lot approaches five feet on both sides with a cost not to exceed \$60, 000.00 (sixty thousand dollars) and further the funds for this project will come from the water and sewer fund.

Passed Unanimously

**22-09-208** Moved by Jackson and supported by Rauser, to concur with the recommendation of Larrie Ordus, DPW Director, to pour a concrete street on Wall St from Oakwood to the dead end by the school.

Passed Unanimously

**22-09-209** Moved by Jackson and supported by Cartrette, to approve the Planning Commission resolution PC22-08 site plan review application for 18275 Allen Rd to build a 3,500 sq ft retail shopping space.

Passed Unanimously

**22-09-210** Moved by Jackson and supported by Rauser, to approve the Planning Commission resolution PC22-10 site plan review application for 18623 Allen Rd to build a 2,380 sq ft. addition to the existing building, contingent upon Engineering, Building Department, Fire Department approvals.

Passed Unanimously

**22-09-211** Moved by Jackson and supported by Rauser, to approve the PC22-11 site plan review application for 19036 Dix Rd for the restoration/repairs of the existing gas station and store, contingent upon plans being submitted for the area behind the store including the privacy wall, Engineering and Building Department approvals.

Passed Unanimously

**22-09-212** Moved by Cartrette and supported by Rauser, to approve the PC22-09 site plan review application for lots 438-443 Frances Street to build a new 18,540 sq ft building on existing vacant lots to be utilized as warehouse space, contingent upon Engineering, Building Department, Fire Department and Wayne County approvals.

Passed Unanimously

**22-09-213** Moved by Cartrette and supported by Rauser, to hire Turfix for \$1,200.00 (one thousand two hundred dollars) to repair the turf at the Field House and further that the funds for the repair will come from the general fund.

Passed Unanimously

**22-09-214** Moved by Rauser and supported by Cartrette, to hire Sunglo Carpet Cleaning for \$770.50 (seven hundred seventy dollars and fifty cents) to shampoo, deodorize and Scotch Guard the carpet the banquet hall at the Field House.

Passed Unanimously

**22-09-215** Moved by Rauser and supported by Cartrette, to waive the 7-day waiting period for resolution 22-09-214 Carpet Shampooing for banquet hall.

Passed Unanimously

**22-09-216** Moved by Densmore and supported by Rauser, to approve the request of Richard S. Ortiz, City Administrator/Finance Director, for authorization to meet with Bond Counsel regarding the Tax Anticipation Note application process.

Passed Unanimously

Second Audience Participation

**22-09-217** 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 \$6,052,542.42 and electronic transfers totaling \$282,519.94.

Passed Unanimously

**22-09-218** Moved by Rauser and supported by Cartrette, to adjourn at 10:21p.m.

Passed Unanimously

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Wheeler T. Marsee, Jr., Mayor

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Linda Land, City Clerk