

**MINUTES JANUARY 9, 2018**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF THE DEARBORN HEIGHTS CITY COUNCIL**

**18-001** The meeting was called to order at 8:01 p.m. by temporary Council Chairman Walter J. Prusiewicz, City Clerk.

Roll Call showed the following:

**Present:** Councilman "Dave" Wassim Abdallah, Councilman Bill Bazzi, Councilman Robert Constan, Councilwoman Lisa Hicks-Clayton, Councilwoman Denise Malinowski Maxwell, Councilman Ray Muscat, Councilman Tom Wencel.

**Absent:** None.

**Also Present:** City Clerk Prusiewicz, Mayor Paletko, Treasurer Riley, Administrative Assistant Laslo, Building and Engineering Director Sobh, Community and Economic Development Director Hachem, Comptroller Vance, Corporation Counsel Miotke, Emergency Management Director Ankrapp, Fire Chief Brogan, Human Resource Director Sobota-Perry, Library Director McCaffery, Ordinance Enforcement Director McIntyre, Deputy Police Chief Voltattorni, Public Service Administrator Zimmer, Recreation Director Grybel.

City Clerk Prusiewicz stated that every two years there is a reorganization of the Dearborn Heights City Council in which the members nominate and elect a Council Chair and a Council Chair Pro Tem. City Clerk Prusiewicz explained the reorganization procedure. The floor will be opened for nominations, nominations will be accepted and must be seconded, and nominations will be closed. Council members are asked to hold out their hands to vote or to be recognized by the Council Chairman. At this time, City Clerk Prusiewicz asked for nominations for the Council Chair.

**18-002** Motion by Councilwoman Hicks-Clayton, seconded by Councilman Muscat, to open the nominations for Council Chair for the first time.

Motion unanimously adopted.

The nominations for Council Chairman were opened for the first time.

Councilman Abdallah, seconded by Councilman Muscat, nominated Councilman Abdallah.

Councilwoman Hicks-Clayton, seconded by Councilman Constan, nominated Councilwoman Hicks-Clayton.

Councilman Bazzi, seconded by Councilwoman Hicks-Clayton, nominated Councilman Bazzi.

Councilman Constan, seconded by Councilman Abdallah, nominated Councilman Constan.

Councilwoman Malinowski Maxwell, seconded by Councilman Muscat, nominated Councilwoman Malinowski Maxwell

Councilman Wencel, seconded by Councilwoman Hicks-Clayton, nominated Councilman Wencel.

City Clerk Prusiewicz asked three times if there were any other nominations. Hearing none, he asked for a motion to close the nominations.

**18-003** Motion by Councilwoman Hicks-Clayton, seconded by Councilman Muscat, to close the nominations for Council Chair for the first time.

Motion unanimously adopted.

City Clerk Prusiewicz proceeded with the first roll call vote for Council Chair:

Councilwoman Abdallah and Councilman Constan voted for Councilman Abdallah.  
Councilwoman Hicks-Clayton voted for Councilwoman Hicks-Clayton.  
Councilman Bazzi voted for Councilman Bazzi.  
No votes were cast for Councilman Constan.  
Councilwoman Malinowski Maxwell and Councilman Muscat voted for Councilwoman Malinowski Maxwell.  
Councilman Wencel voted for Councilman Wencel.

City Clerk Prusiewicz announced that there was not a majority vote and again asked for nominations for Council Chair for a second time.

**18-004** Motion by Councilman Abdallah, seconded by Councilman Constan, to open the nominations for Council Chair for the second time.

Motion unanimously adopted.

The nominations for Council Chair were opened for the second time.

Councilwoman Malinowski Maxwell, seconded by Councilman Wencel, nominated Councilwoman Malinowski Maxwell.  
Councilman Abdallah, seconded by Councilman Muscat, nominated Councilman Abdallah.  
Councilman Constan, seconded by Councilman Abdallah, nominated Councilman Constan.  
Councilwoman Hicks-Clayton, seconded by Councilman Bazzi, nominated Councilwoman Hicks-Clayton.

City Clerk Prusiewicz asked three times if there were any other nominations. Hearing none, he asked for a motion to close the nominations.

**18-005** Motion by Councilman Muscat, seconded by Councilwoman Hicks-Clayton, to close the nominations for Council Chair for the second time.

Motion unanimously adopted.

City Clerk Prusiewicz proceeded with the second roll call vote for Council Chair:

Councilman Bazzi, Councilman Constan, Councilwoman Hicks-Clayton, Councilwoman Malinowski Maxwell, Councilman Muscat and Councilman Wencel voted for Councilwoman Malinowski Maxwell.  
Councilman Abdallah voted for Councilman Abdallah.

City Clerk Prusiewicz announced a majority vote of 6 to 1 to elect Councilwoman Malinowski Maxwell as Council Chair.

**18-006** Motion by Councilwoman Hicks-Clayton, seconded by Councilman Muscat, to elect Councilwoman Malinowski Maxwell as City Council Chair.

Motion unanimously adopted.

**18-007** Motion by Councilwoman Hicks-Clayton, seconded by Councilman Muscat, to open the nominations for Council Chair Pro Tem for the first time.

Motion unanimously adopted.

The nominations for Council Chair Pro Tem were open for the first time.

Councilwoman Hicks-Clayton, seconded by Councilman Abdallah nominated Councilwoman Hicks-Clayton.

Councilman Bazzi, seconded by Councilman Muscat, nominated Councilman Bazzi.

Councilman Abdallah, seconded by Councilman Constan, nominated Councilman Abdallah.

Councilman Constan, seconded by Councilwoman Hicks-Clayton, nominated Councilman Constan.

City Clerk Prusiewicz asked three times if there were any other nominations. Hearing none, he asked for a motion to close the nominations.

**18-008** Motion by Councilman Muscat, seconded by Councilwoman Hicks-Clayton, to close the nominations for Council Chair Pro Tem for the first time.

Motion unanimously adopted.

City Clerk Prusiewicz proceeded with the first roll call vote for Council Chair Pro Tem.

Councilwoman Hicks-Clayton voted for Councilwoman Hicks-Clayton.

Councilman Bazzi, Council Chairwoman Malinowski Maxwell and Councilman Muscat voted for Councilman Bazzi.

Councilman Abdallah and Councilman Constan voted for Councilman Abdallah.

Councilman Wencel voted for Councilman Constan.

City Clerk Prusiewicz announced that there was not a majority vote and asked for nominations for Council Chair Pro Tem for a second time.

**18-009** Motion by Councilman Muscat, seconded by Councilwoman Hicks-Clayton, to open the nominations for Council Chair Pro Tem for the second time.

Motion unanimously adopted.

The nominations for Council Chair Pro Tem were open for the second time.

Councilman Abdallah, seconded by Councilwoman Hicks-Clayton, nominated Councilman Abdallah.

Councilman Muscat, seconded by Council Chairwoman Malinowski Maxwell, nominated Councilman Bazzi.

Councilwoman Hicks-Clayton, seconded by Councilman Constan, nominated Councilwoman Hicks-Clayton.

Councilman Constan, seconded by Councilwoman Hicks-Clayton, nominated Councilman Constan.

City Clerk Prusiewicz asked three times if there were any other nominations. Hearing none, he asked for a motion to close the nominations.

**18-010** Motion by Councilman Muscat, seconded by Councilman Constan, to close the nominations for Council Chair Pro Tem for the second time.

Motion unanimously adopted.

City Clerk Prusiewicz proceeded with the second roll call vote for Council Chair Pro Tem.

Councilman Abdallah voted for Councilman Abdallah.  
Councilman Bazzi, Council Chairwoman Malinowski Maxwell, Councilman Muscat and Councilman Wencel voted for Councilman Bazzi.

City Clerk Prusiewicz announced that there was a majority vote of 4 to 1 to elect Councilman Bazzi as Chairman Pro Tem.

Motion unanimously adopted.

**18-011** Motion by Councilman Muscat, seconded by Councilman Abdallah, to close the voting and elect Councilman Bazzi as City Council Chair Pro Tem.

Motion unanimously adopted.

City Clerk Prusiewicz turned the meeting over to Council Chairwoman Malinowski Maxwell.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Chairwoman Malinowski Maxwell.

**18-012** Motion by Councilwoman Hicks-Clayton, seconded by Councilman Abdallah, that the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of January 9, 2018, be approved as submitted.

Motion unanimously adopted.

**18-013** Motion by Councilman Constan, seconded by Councilman Muscat, that the Minutes from the Regular Meeting of December 12, 2017, be approved as submitted.

Motion unanimously adopted.

**18-014** Motion by Councilwoman Hicks-Clayton, seconded by Councilman Constan, that the Minutes from the Special Meeting of December 19, 2017, be approved as submitted.

Motion unanimously adopted.

**18-015** Motion by Councilwoman Hicks-Clayton, seconded by Councilman Muscat, that Current Claims 6-1 through 6-32, be approved as submitted as outlined in Item 6.

1. Allie Brothers	Clothing	\$	4,839.07	Police
2. Aquasight LLC	Cont Services	\$	2,458.00	Water
3. Best Technology Systems, Inc.	Cont Services	\$	1,580.00	Police
4. CMP Distributors, Inc.	Clothing	\$	2,185.50	Police
5. Dearborn Tree Service	Tree Removal	\$	8,400.00	Highway
6. DSS Corporation	Cont Services	\$	5,432.00	Police
7. EQMD Inc.	Workers Comp	\$	1,557.63	GenGovt
8. Grand Blanc Printing, Inc.	Newsletter Exp	\$	6,398.45	Cable
9. Hastings Air Energy Control, Inc.	Repair/Maint	\$	2,014.35	Fire
10. Hutch Paving, Inc.	Street Constr	\$	49,972.73	DPW
11. Leathers & Associates, Inc.	Repair/Maint	\$	1,600.00	Recreation
12. The Library Network	Capital Outlay	\$	17,245.32	Library
The Library Network	Dues Member	\$	15,145.25	Library
13. McMillian Group, Inc.	Cont Services	\$	44,300.00	Water
14. Michigan Humane Society	Animal Proc	\$	3,949.00	Ordinance

15.	MSOnline, Inc.	Repair/Maint	\$	2,080.00	BldgMaint
16.	Nagel Construction, Inc.	Cont Services	\$	25,264.64	Water
17.	New Image Building Services	Repair/Maint	\$	2,348.83	Library
18.	Peltz Sodding, Inc.	Water/Meter Sup	\$	3,355.00	Water
19.	Personnel Assessment Systems, Inc.	Prof/Consult	\$	2 000.00	Police
20.	Plante & Moran, PLLC	Prof/Consult	\$	7,690.00	Water
21.	Pressure Vessel Testing	Cont Services	\$	1,875.00	Fire
22.	Quad-Tran of Michigan	Cont Services	\$	4,500.00	Court
	Quad-Tran of Michigan	Supplies	\$	1,740.00	Court
	Quad-Tran of Michigan	Supplies	\$	1,838.48	Court
23.	Quad-Tran of Michigan	Cont Services	\$	4,500.00	Court
	Quad-Tran of Michigan	Supplies	\$	1,687.50	Court
	Quad-Tran of Michigan	Supplies	\$	1,299.97	Court
24.	RMS Associates	Prof/Consult	\$	4,395.50	GenGovt
25.	The Senior Alliance	Dues	\$	4,661.00	GenGovt
26.	Statewide Security Transport, Inc.	Prisoner Expense	\$	2,023.28	Court
27.	Wade Trim Associates, Inc.	Water System	\$	14,707.86	DPW
28.	Wade Trim Associates, Inc.	Street Constr	\$	34,292.31	MajorStr
29.	Wade Trim Associates, Inc.	Bridge Repair	\$	2,135.00	DPW
30.	Wayne County	Traffic Light/Maint	\$	4,101.66	DPW/Hwy
31.	Wayne County Dept. of Environment	Sewer Disposal	\$	375,831.52	Water
32.	Wolverton Transport Inc.	Sanitation	\$	12,090.00	GenGovt

Motion unanimously adopted.

**18-016** Motion by Councilman Muscat, seconded by Councilman Wencel, to refer to a Study Session the Mayoral appointments of the department heads as outlined in Item 8-A. Per Mayor Paletko, communication dated December 28, 2017.

Ayes: Council Chairwoman Malinowski Maxwell, Councilman Bazzi, Councilman Constan, Councilman Muscat, Councilman Wencel.

Nays: Councilman Abdallah, Councilwoman Hicks-Clayton.

Absent: None.

Motion adopted.

**18-017** Motion by Councilman Muscat, seconded by Councilman Bazzi, to approve the appointment of Gary Miotke as Corporation Counsel in accordance with Section 5.15 of the City Charter as outlined in Item 8-B. Per Mayor Paletko, communication dated January 3, 2018.

Motion unanimously adopted.

**18-018** Motion by Councilwoman Hicks-Clayton, seconded by Councilman Constan, to concur with the Mayoral reappointments to both the Tax Increment Finance Authority and Brownfield Redevelopment Authority Boards of Eleanor Gnatek and Rose Tripepi, terms to expire in December, 2020; and Tim Emery, John Kellett and Peter Zachary, terms to expire in December, 2021; as outlined in Item 8-C. Per Mayor Paletko, communication dated January 3, 2018.

Motion unanimously adopted.

**18-019** Motion by Councilman Abdallah, seconded by Councilman Wencel, to concur with the Mayoral appointment to the Planning Commission of Leroy Gavin to replace Rick Dziengowski, term to expire January, 2020; and the reappointments of Andrea Zammitt, William Vernier and Siham Awada Jaafar, term to expire January, 2019; Saada Hojaj, term to expire January, 2020; as outlined in Item 8-D. Per Mayor Paletko, communication dated January 3, 2018.

Motion unanimously adopted.

**18-020** Motion by Councilman Muscat, seconded by Councilman Constan, to receive, note and file the Notice of Determination that increases the salaries of the City's elected officials as recommended by the Dearborn Heights Local Officers Compensation Commission as outlined in Item 9-A. Per Corporation Counsel Miotke, communication dated December 21, 2017.

Motion unanimously adopted.

**18-021** Motion by Councilwoman Hicks-Clayton, seconded by Councilman Constan, to approve the payment to Schneider Electric for the warranty coverage for the UPS back up system for the Justice Center in the amount of \$2,171.00 as outlined in Item 9-B. The total cost of \$2,171.00 will be split with the Police paying \$1,411.15 out of the Contractual Services Account and the 20th District Court paying \$759.85. Per Police Chief Gavin, communication dated December 18, 2017.

Motion unanimously adopted.

**18-022** Motion by Councilman Muscat, seconded by Councilman Abdallah, to approve the purchase and payment upon receipt of 10 Voice Link Transmitters (Body Microphones) for \$198.00 each and 10 Charging Bases for \$40.50 each plus \$14.00 shipping for a total cost of \$2,399.00 as outlined in Item 9-C. Reimbursement will be requested from JAG Grants in the amount of \$2,132.00 for this expenditure and the remaining balance of \$267.00 will be paid from the Police Contractual Services Account. Per Police Chief Gavin, communication dated December 4, 2017.

Motion unanimously adopted.

**18-023** Motion by Councilwoman Hicks-Clayton, seconded by Councilman Constan, to approve the revised Inter-Governmental Agreement with Wayne County for the Swapka Park Tennis Court Project as outlined in Item 9-D. This revised agreement reflects a correction in the amount allocated to the City from Wayne County for this project to \$70,969.00. This motion further authorizes the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the agreement on behalf of the City. Per Recreation Director Grybel, communication dated December 7, 2017.

Motion unanimously adopted.

**18-024** Motion by Councilwoman Hicks-Clayton, seconded by Councilman Muscat, to approve the business license renewals for Bone Yard, 7010 Telegraph; and Rouge Park Inn, 16515 Outer Drive as outlined in Item 13-A.

Motion unanimously adopted.

**18-025** Motion by Councilman Constan, seconded by Councilman Bazzi, to approve the rezoning of the property at 26169 Warren from Residential/Commercial to Office Use per the recommendation of the Dearborn Heights Planning Commission as outlined in Item 13-B. Per Councilman Constan, communication dated December 21, 2017.

Motion unanimously adopted.

**18-026** Motion by Councilman Abdallah, seconded by Councilman Muscat, that the meeting be adjourned.

Motion unanimously adopted.

The meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

**WALTER J. PRUSIEWICZ**  
**CITY CLERK**

**DENISE MALINOWSKI MAXWELL**  
**COUNCIL CHAIRWOMAN**

**LYNNE ZUB-SENIA**  
**COUNCIL SECRETARY**