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Meeting Agenda - Final

Wednesday, September 20, 2017 5:00 PM

Committee Room

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

Monica Galloway, Chairperson, Ward 7

Eric Mays, Ward 1 Kerry L. Nelson, Ward 3 Wantwaz D. Davis, Ward 5 Vicki VanBuren, Ward 8 Jacqueline Poplar, Ward 2 Kate Fields, Ward 4 Herbert J. Winfrey, Ward 6 Scott Kincaid, Ward 9

Inez M. Brown, City Clerk

ROLL CALL

DISCUSSION ITEMS

170496

Referral/Attendance/City of Flint Administrative Hearings Officer/Blight Supervisor/Blight Process

Referral by Councilperson VanBuren to LAW/BLIGHT, re: She would like the City of Flint Administrative Hearings Officer and Raul Garcia, Supervisor of Blight, to attend the next Governmental Operations Committee Meeting to explain the process, beginning with receipt of a ticket. [Referral Action Date: 9/6/2017 @ Governmental Operations Committee Meeting.]

170497

Discussion Item/City of Flint Charter/Council Rules

A discussion item as requested by Councilpersons Mays, re: He would like to discuss the new City of Flint Charter as it relates to Council Rules. [Referral Action Date: 9/6/2017 @ Governmental Operations Committee Meeting.]

170498

Referral/State Law/Pawning of Municipal Equipment

A referral for LAW as requested by Councilpersons Mays, re: He would like a copy of state law that talks about pawn shops not accepting governmental property. [Referral Action Date: 9/6/2017 @ Governmental Operations Committee Meeting.]

170499

Referral/Police Investigation/Alleged Circulator Violations

A referral for LAW/POLICE as requested by Councilpersons Mays, re: He would like to know the status of the police investigation into alleged violations by petition circulators. [Referral Action Date: 9/6/2017 @ Governmental Operations Committee Meeting.]

170500

Referral/Police Investigation/Club on Saginaw Street

A referral for LAW/POLICE as requested by Councilpersons Nelson, re: He would like to know the status of the investigation into the club on Saginaw Street that's had many recent violations. [Referral Action Date: 9/6/2017 @ Governmental Operations Committee Meeting.]

170501

Referral/Legal Opinion/Executive (Closed) Sessions

Referral by Councilperson Mays to LEGAL, re: He asks for a legal opinion as to whether or not, after giving notice of specific cases to be addressed during an executive (closed) session (via posting and/or agenda), the City Council can go into closed session for additional cases that may not have been mentioned until motions are made to enter said session. The Legal Department was also asked to

clarify whether or not Council could enter into a closed session on a legal issue facing the City without an attorney being present. [Referral Action Date: 9/11/2017 @ Special Affairs Committee Meeting.]

170504

Referral/Attendance Request/Police Department/Speeding Drivers

Referral by Councilperson Galloway to POLICE DEPARTMENT, re: She requests that FPD Chief Johnson and/or Deputy Chief Bernritter attend the September 20, 2017 Governmental Operations Committee meeting in order to discuss concerns and strategy with regard to speeding in city, particularly incidents that have resulted in vehicular deaths. [Referral Action Date: 9/11/2017 @ City Council Meeting.]

OLD, OUTSTANDING DISCUSSION ITEMS

160112

Discussion/Genesee County Land Bank/Immunity Agreement

Councilperson Eric Mays would like to discuss the Genesee County Land Bank's Immunity Agreement.

160410

Status/Speech Dictation Software

Referral made by Councilperson Eric Mays to CITY ADMINISTRATOR/POLICE CHIEF: He would like to know the status of speech dictation software. Please provide in writing for all councilpersons.

160443

Discussion/Senior Centers

Councilperson Eric Mays would like to discuss the senior centers, particularly Hasselbring.

170024

Referral/Contract and Information/Natalie Pruett/Rebuild Flint the Right Way

Referral by Councilperson Fields to ADMIN, re: She requests a copy of the contract between the City and Natalie Pruett, as well a copy of the work produced for funding to this point for the Rebuild Flint the Right Way Project. [Referral Action Date: 1/09/2017 @ Special Affairs Committee Meeting.]

170122

Referral/Legal Opinion/Personnel Policy on Nepotism and Cronyism

Referral by Councilperson Fields to LEGAL, re: During the February 27th Special Affairs Committee meeting, representatives from the Human Resources Department stated that, sometime during the last year, they submitted to Legal a personnel policy regarding nepotism and/or cronyism for its review. Ms. Fields asks that the Legal Department provide an opinion on the nepotism document that was sent from HR (sometime during the term of CLO Erwin Oakes). [Referral Action Date: 2/27/2017 @ Special Affairs Committee Meeting.]

170123

Referral/Personnel Policy on Nepotism and Cronvism

Referral by Councilperson Fields to HUMAN RESOURCES/ADMIN, re: During the February 27th Special Affairs Committee meeting, representatives from the Human Resources Department stated that, sometime during the last year, they submitted to Legal a personnel policy regarding nepotism and/or cronyism for its review. Ms. Fields asks that HR provide a copy of this draft document to the City Council for its perusal. [Referral Action Date: 2/27/2017 @ Special Affairs Committee Meeting.]

170194

Repair/Copper Service Line/618 W. Alma

Referral by Councilperson Mays to ADM: He would like to know when the city plans to repair a ruptured copper service line at 618 W. Alma. [Referral Action Date: 4/19/2017 @ Finance Committee Meeting.]

170251

Process/Fire Insurance Escrow

Referral by Councilperson Poplar to FIRE DEPARTMENT/FINANCE: How much does the city have in fire insurance escrow, which houses have fire insurance in escrow and how does that process work. [Referral Action Date: 5/3/2017 @ Governmental Operations Committee Meeting.]

170253

Referral/Organization Chart

Referral by Councilperson Fields to MAYOR/ADM, She would like a detailed organization chart for the city that lists titles and the name of the person who currently holds each position. [Referral Action Date: 5/3/2017 @ Governmental Operations Committee Meeting.]

170255

Referral/Road Construction Plan/PACER Report

Referral by Councilperson Fields: She would like to know if there is a road reconstruction plan. If there is she would like a copy. She would also like the latest PACER report, broken down by ward. [Referral Action Date: 5/3/2017 @ Governmental Operations Committee Meeting.]

170402

Discussion Item/Michigan Civil Rights Commission (MCRC)/Resolution for Racial Equity

A discussion item as requested by Councilperson Mays, re: He would like to discuss the recommendations/resolution mentioned during a July 10th MCRC presentation on racial equity. [Referral Action Date: 7/10/2017 @ City Council Meeting.]

170430

Discussion Item/Pavement Right-of-Way Restoration Services

A discussion item as requested by Councilperson Mays, re: He would like to

discuss, along with DPW staff (B. Wideman), the restoration of major streets with asphalt and concrete (right-of-ways). [Referral Action Date: 7/24/2017 @ Special Affairs Committee Meeting.]

170442

Referral/Escrow Accounts by Address

Referral by various Councilpeople to STEVE BRANCH: They would like a list (by ward) of addresses that have money in escrow in case of fire. [Referral Action Date: 8/9/2017 @ Governmental Operations Committee Meeting.]

170443

Discussion Item/Fund for High Water Bill Assistance

Discussion Item proposed by Councilperson Mays: He would like to discuss setting aside \$200,000.00 to \$300,000.00 to help constituents with high water bills. [Referral Action Date: 8/9/2017 @ Governmental Operations Committee Meeting.]

170444

Referral/Funding for Blight Plan

Referral by Councilperson Galloway to PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT: She asks how the city will finance the blight plan being developed by Planning & Development personnel. [Referral Action Date: 8/9/2017 @ Governmental Operations Committee Meeting.]

170447

Referral/Attorney General Opinion/Water Bills/Landlord's Responsibility

Referral by Councilperson Galloway to CITY ATTORNEY: She asks for a copy of the Attorney General's opinion outlining a landlord's responsibility with respect to water bills that City Attorney Angela Wheeler mentioned during a recent meeting. [Referral Action Date: 8/9/2017 @ Governmental Operations Committee Meeting.]

170462

Discussion Item/City Tree Work

A discussion item as requested by Councilpersons Fields and Galloway, re: They would like to discuss the solicitation for the City's tree work, a draft resolution for the contract for tree work, and a possible resolution for emergency tree work while waiting on the process for a City tree contract.

170471

Discussion Item/Update/Police Department Fleet

A discussion item as requested by Councilpersons Mays, re: He asks for an update on the total number of vehicles available for use by the Police Department (including the six 2017 pursuit vehicles requested for up-fitting). [Referral Action Date: 8/28/2017 @ Special Affairs Committee Meeting.]

170472

Referral/Report on New Water Meters

Referral by Councilperson Fields to PURCHASING/WATER PLANT, re: She

would like an update on the new water meters/transponders that have been installed within the city. Is there software available to utilize these new meters to their fullest capacity (e.g. more accurate usage/billing)? If so, how much will this software cost? [Referral Action Date: 8/28/2017 @ Special Affairs Committee Meeting.]

170475

Referral/Management of City Trees

Referral by Councilperson Galloway to LEGAL, re: She would like to know, with regard to the management and/or removal of trees from City property, if residents can assume any responsibility legally - or if they have to wait until the City can address maintenance and hazards. [Referral Action Date: 8/28/2017 @ City Council Meeting.]

170477

Referral/Water Rate Study

Referral by Councilperson Galloway to ADMIN, re: She states that, during a June press conference, Mayor Weaver spoke about a water rate study that was being done - so she would like to know when/if the study was ever completed and where this information could be obtained by Council. [Referral Action Date: 8/28/2017 @ City Council Meeting.]

ADJOURNMENT