

# City of Flint, Michigan

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## Meeting Agenda - Final

Wednesday, September 6, 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

**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 PUCHASING/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]

## 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 Cronyism

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]

**170128** Referral/Haskell Center Operations

Referral by Councilperson Poplar to LEGAL, re: With regard to the Haskell Center, she would like to know if the center is currently open, whether or not Ofc. Jesse Carpenter has returned to work there and if the PAL program has moved from the sight. She would also like to know what programs are currently available at Haskell and what the future plans for the building are.

[Referral Action Date: 2/27/2017 @ City Council Meeting]

170129 Referral/Legal Opinion/Haskell Center Operations

Referral by Councilperson Poplar to LEGAL, re: She would like to know if it is a conflict of interest for Haskell Center CEO Michael Townsend to also be a member of the Flint Receivership Transition Advisory Board (RTAB). [Referral Action Date: 2/27/2017 @ City Council 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 Council people 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.]

170445 Referral/Regulations/Annual Action Plan/Consolidated Plan

Referral by Councilperson VanBuren to PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT: She would like a copy of the regulations for participants in the Annual Action Plan/Consolidated Plan. [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.]

## ADJOURNMENT