

**CITY OF GRAND HAVEN
GRAND HAVEN, MICHIGAN
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, MARCH 17, 2025**

The Regular Meeting of the Grand Haven City Council was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Bob Monetza in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 519 Washington Ave.

Present: Council Members Mike Fritz, Karen Lowe, and Mayor Bob Monetza.

Absent: Mayor Pro-tem Kevin McLaughlin.

Others Present: City Manager Ashley Latsch, City Clerk Maria Boersma, Assistant City Manager Dana Kollewehr, Finance Director Emily Greene, and Streets & Utilities Manager Michael England.

INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Pastor Mike Gafa, Covenant Life Church.

APPOINTMENTS

25-051 Council Member **Fritz** moved, seconded by Council Member **Lowe** to appoint the following:

Meghan Allison, Community Center Board, term ending June 30, 2029.
Steffi Thayer, Human Relations Commission, term ending June 30, 2025.

Roll Call Vote:

This motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AND REGULAR AGENDAS

Council Member **Fritz** moved, seconded by Council Member **Lowe** to approve the agendas as presented.

25-052 Council Member **Lowe** moved, seconded by Council Member **Fritz** to amend the agenda by moving Consent Agenda Item D to New Business E.

Roll Call Vote:

This motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Lowe moved to have Consent Agenda Item F removed from the agenda, but the motion did not receive a second.

25-053 Council Member **Fritz** moved, seconded by Council Member **Lowe** to approve the agendas as amended.

Roll Call Vote:

This motion carried unanimously.

FIRST CALL TO AUDIENCE

Oliver Shampine, 540 D Ave: Announced he is running for City Council.

PRESENTATION

City Clerk Maria Boersma read the City of Grand Haven's Inclusivity Statement. Mayor Monetza shared the importance of the Inclusivity Statement.

Finance Director Emily Greene, with the assistance of City Manager Latsch, presented the first draft of the fiscal year 2025/2026 Capital Plan.

CONSENT AGENDA.

Approve the Work Session and Regular City Council Meeting Minutes of March 3, 2025.

Approve the bill's memo in the amount of \$3,143,149.87.

Approve a Notice of Award in the amount of \$480,621.60 to Reith-Riley Construction, 2100 Chicago Drive, Wyoming, MI, provided the City of Grand Haven receives federal funding to complete the 18/36 runway reconstruction project, authorizing the City Manager to execute the necessary documents.

Approve Change Order 002, for Task Order 002, Task 005 with HDR of Ann Arbor, MI for construction management services and reporting for the Coal Yard Closure project in the not to exceed amount of \$148,671, to be reimbursed by the Board of Light and Power.

Approve a resolution reaffirming the City of Grand Haven's Inclusivity Statement.

Council Member **Fritz** moved, seconded by Mayor **Monetza** to approve the Consent Agenda as amended.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Fritz, Monetza.

Nays: Lowe.

This motion failed.

NEW BUSINESS

25-054 Council Member **Fritz** moved, seconded by Council Member **Lowe** to a special event request to hold the 2025 Coast Guard Festival, to begin on Friday, July 25, 2025, through Saturday, August 2, 2025, as outlined in the attached memo.

Roll Call Vote:

This motion carried unanimously.

25-055 Council Member **Lowe** moved, seconded by Council Member **Fritz** to award a contract to TK Elevator of Grand Rapids, MI, for the rehabilitation of the City Hall elevator in the budgeted amount of \$94,780.26.

Roll Call Vote:

This motion carried unanimously.

25-056 Council Member **Fritz** moved, seconded by Council Member **Lowe** to award a contract to Lakeshore Property Services of Grand Haven, MI, for the Five Mile Hill Overlook improvements in the budgeted and not to exceed amount of \$42,623.

Roll Call Vote:

This motion carried unanimously.

25-057 Council Member **Fritz** moved, seconded by Council Member **Lowe** to approve a new Good Friday Service event hosted by Lighthouse Ministries at Lynn Sherwood Waterfront Stadium on April 18th, 2025, from 6:00 p.m. until 8:30 p.m., waiving \$250.00 in rental fees per the Special Event Policy.

Roll Call Vote:

This motion carried unanimously.

25-058 Council Member **Fritz** moved, seconded by Council Member **Lowe** to award a service contract for the Bicentennial Wall Project to Ryerson Brothers Excavating, of Muskegon, MI, in the budgeted amount of \$43,830.00 and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the necessary documents.

Roll Call Vote:

This motion carried unanimously.

REPORT BY CITY COUNCIL

Mayor Monetza shared information on a potential new housing project that was presented at the last Planning Commission meeting, shared updates on the strategic planning work being done by the MSDDA, and shared that he was able to do volunteer work on the Musical Fountain. Before

the City Council Meeting, Council Members had the opportunity to tour Grand Haven Christian Schools and learn about their expansion project.

Council Member Fritz shared a desire to host a roundtable discussion with the manufacturers in the City to learn how the City can best support their needs.

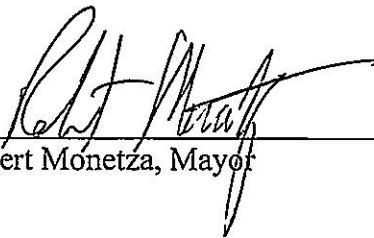
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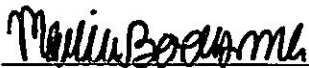
City Manager Latsch thanked everyone for their patience as the City works to hire and onboard new seasonal staff.

CALL TO AUDIENCE SECOND OPPORTUNITY

ADJOURNMENT

After hearing no further business, Mayor Monetza adjourned the meeting at 8:16 p.m.



Robert Monetza, Mayor

Maria Boersma, City Clerk