

**CITY OF GRAND HAVEN  
519 WASHINGTON AVE.  
GRAND HAVEN, MICHIGAN  
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
May 2, 2022**

**CALL TO ORDER**

**The May 2, 2022 special meeting of the Grand Haven City Council was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Cathy McNally in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 519 Washington Ave., Grand Haven, MI**

**Present:** Council Members Ryan Cummins, Mike Fritz, Karen Lowe, Kevin McLaughlin, and Mayor Cathy McNally.

**Absent:** None.

**Others Present:** City Manager Patrick McGinnis; City Clerk Kelly M. Beattie; and Community Affairs Manager Char Seise

**22-182 Motion by Council Member McLaughlin, seconded by Council Member Fritz to approve the agenda.** This motion carried with all 5 members present and voting yes.

**PRESENTATIONS**

**Coast Guard Festival**

Commander Mike Smith (USCG Retired), Executive Director of the Coast Guard Festival. The presentation highlighted differences between the requests this year compared to years before, including:

- Alcohol in the stadium most nights
- Use of a rubber mat under vendor tables at the Brass River
- Crosswalk by Harbourfront Condos
- Sponsor booth vendor set-up Friday 7/29
- Vendor space request at the Riverwatch area
- Suspension of the Social District
- Suspension of permanent location vendor permits for Chinook Pier (offered \$6,500 in compensation to displaced vendors)
- Use of Chinook Pier parking for vendors and donors

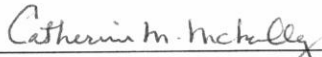
**Discussion and Questions from the City Council**

- CM Cummins asked about staff recommendations & concerns. Smith responded that there are active discussions and that concerns are still in the progress of being resolved.
- Mayor McNally asked for clarification regarding Permeant Location Vendors with Permits for Chinook Pier. McGinnis responded that the \$6,500 payment to the City reported in the presentation actually represents a pass-through payment to the Chinook Pier vendors.

- CM Lowe also questioned the displacement of the permanent location vendors at Chinook Pier. McGinnis responded that the City is still talking to vendors, but has tentative offer from the Coast Guard Festival is \$6,500 to the 5 vendors (\$1,300 each).
- Mayor McNally also asked about plans to secure the hot air balloon. Smith responded that stakes have not been used for some time and that solutions are being explored, including the possibility of anchoring the balloon to a truck.
- CM Fritz thanked the Coast Guard Festival for making this presentation early in the year.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

**After hearing no further business, Mayor McNally adjourned the meeting at 7:31 p.m. to begin the Regular Meeting.**

  
Catherine M. McNally, Mayor

  
Anna Darwin, Deputy City Clerk