

**CITY OF GRAND HAVEN
GRAND HAVEN, MICHIGAN
SPECIAL WORK SESSION
MONDAY, JUNE 21, 2021**

The Special Work Session of the Grand Haven City Council was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Bob Monetza.

Present: Council Members Mike Dora, Ryan Cummins, Dennis Scott, Mike Fritz, and Mayor Bob Monetza.

Absent: None.

Others Present: City Manager Patrick McGinnis, City Clerk Linda L. Browand, Assistant City Manager Ashley Latsch, Community Affairs Manager Char Seise, Human Resources Manager Zac VanOsdol, and Finance Director/Treasurer Amy Bessinger.

1. **Beyond the Pier Waterfront Master Plan Final Draft and RFQ Review**
 - Maleah Rakestraw, Landscape & Urban Designer at Williams and Works

The updated draft plan and plan highlights page had been available on the project and City's website for over a month. The Planning Commission, Historic Conservation District Commission, and the MSDDA Board endorsed the plan. One condition received was from the Historic Conservation District Commission to keep the playground by the train as-is.

Comments made during discussion:

- Two-story buildings would be allowed along the waterfront by right only at the north end so they would not interfere with the viewshed. Council was in favor of the use of one-story buildings.
- The sidewalks near Waterfront Stadium would be wide enough to allow access by buses for staging since the neighboring lot would be decreased in size. The Depot would also be used as part of the stadium.
- More parking for the proposed market would create more parking for charter boat parking.
- More waterfront and also on-street parking was suggested due to the need for more parking in the plan.
- No residential spaces were planned for along the waterfront.

City Council had not officially accepted this plan yet so acceptance may be placed on a council agenda in July.

2. Coast Guard Festival 2021

- Char Seise, Community Affairs Manager
- Mike Smith, Coast Guard Festival Executive Director

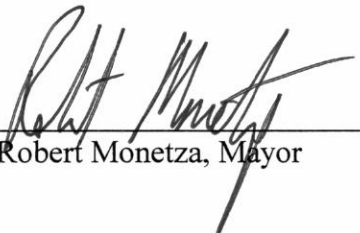
Commander Smith presented the proposed event based on what was known at the time. Changes from previous years included:

- Kid's Parade cancelled
- Car Show would also include Ottawa County Parking Lot #1
- For 5 of the Waterfront Stadium Events permission was requested to serve alcohol and to start each event 30 minutes earlier.
- No food would be served during Kid's Day
- Waterball Competition cancelled
- Coast Guard Softball Tournament to be held for one day only
- Carnival final layout to be determined

This item was continued to the following council meeting.

3. Adjournment

Mayor Monetza adjourned the meeting at 7:30 p.m.


Robert Monetza, Mayor


Linda L. Browand, City Clerk