

Council Member Chamberlain-Creanga performed the Invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was given.

A. CALL TO ORDER:

A Regular Meeting of the Troy City Council was held on Monday, October 25, 2021, at City Hall, 500 W. Big Beaver Rd. Mayor Baker called the meeting to order at 7:31 PM.

B. ROLL CALL:

- a) Mayor Ethan Baker
Edna Abraham
Mayor Pro Tem Theresa Brooks
Rebecca A. Chamberlain-Creanga
Ann Erickson Gault
David Hamilton
Ellen Hodorek

C. CERTIFICATES OF RECOGNITION AND SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:

C-1 Proclamation to Celebrate Filipino American Heritage Month – October 2021
(Presented by: Mayor Ethan Baker)

C-2 Proclamation to Recognize Hindu Heritage Month and the Celebration of Diwali – The Festival of Lights – November 4, 2021 (Presented by: Mayor Ethan Baker)

D. CARRYOVER ITEMS:

D-1 No Carryover Items

E. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

E-1 No Public Hearings

Resolution to Waive Rule 5b, Regular Meeting Order of Business, of the Council Rules of Procedure

Resolution #2021-10-149
Moved by Baker
Seconded by Abraham

RESOLVED, That Troy City Council hereby **WAIVES** Rule 5b, Regular Meeting Order of Business, of the Council Rules of Procedure, to move Agenda Item *I-5 Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Recommendation for Naming of the Park Located on Town Center Adjacent to the Community Center* to be considered next on the Agenda.

Yes: All-7
No: None

MOTION CARRIED

I-5 Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Recommendation for Naming of the Park Located on Town Center Adjacent to the Community Center (Introduced by: Kurt Bovensiepe, Public Work Director)

Resolution #2021-10-150
Moved by Hodorek
Seconded by Hamilton

RESOLVED, That Troy City Council hereby **NAMES** the park located on Town Center, adjacent to the Community Center in Section 23, the "Jeanne M. Stine Community Park".

Yes: All-7
No: None

MOTION CARRIED

The Meeting **RECESSED** at 7:50 PM.

The Meeting **RECONVENED** at 8:00 PM.

F. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Namratha Sandadi	Commented in support of Hindu Americans, and against recent comments made against Hindus
Geeta Venkatesh	Commented in support of HSS programs for youth and the community
Shreesha Krishna	Commented in support of Hindu Americans and against recent comments made against Hindus
Saylee Nitin	Commented in support of Hindu Americans and against recent comments made against Hindus
Lalit Sethi	Commented in support of HSS, and Hindu Americans, and against recent comments made against Hindus
Ollie Apahidean	Commented against child pornography in Troy Public Library
Ganesh Reddy	Commented in support of HSS and Hindu Americans, and against recent comments made against Hindus
Harsha Krishna	Commented in support of Hindu Americans, and against recent comments made against Hindus
Andrew Sosnoski	Commented against pornography in Troy Public Library, and requested an investigation

G. CITY COUNCIL/CITY ADMINISTRATION RESPONSE/REPLY TO PUBLIC COMMENT:

Council Member Abraham	Commented that she loves the diversity in Troy. She said that she is also the daughter of immigrants, and understands that experience. She said that she supports the community and the Hindu community members. She appreciates the civility of the speakers today. She said that while the First Amendment protects the speech of speakers at Council Meetings, the rest of us can rise above that hateful speech.
Council Member Erickson Gault	Commented that speakers have the right to freedom of speech; however, the Council Rules regarding Public Comment prohibit disparaging remarks about a group. She said that Council could try to do a better job to stop slanderous comments in the future.
Council Member Hodorek	Commented that she hopes that the comments made at a past Council meeting will not damage the spirit of the Hindu residents in Troy, and she hopes that we can move forward together in unity.
Mayor Pro Tem Brooks	Thanked all the residents who are at this meeting, and who spoke during Public Comment. She said that she understands how hurtful comments based on race and background can be. She said that she understands the pain felt by the Hindu community because of comments made at a previous meeting. She said that she and the rest of Council supports the members of our community.
Mayor Baker	Asked City Manager Miller to discuss with Mr. Apahidean the proper procedure for challenging a book in the Troy Public Library. He said that comments made during Public Comment cannot be anticipated, and sometimes hurtful comments are said by speakers. He said that everyone in this community is valuable to the makeup of Troy. He said that there is a section of the Rules that prohibits disparaging comments, but fact-checking and preventing comments is impossible in real-time. He asked the community as a whole to be mindful to not use disparaging comments, and to try to keep our meetings civil.

The Meeting **RECESSED** at 8:53 PM.

The Meeting **RECONVENED** at 8:59 PM.

H. POSTPONED ITEMS:

H-1 No Postponed Items

I. REGULAR BUSINESS:

I-1 Board and Committee Appointments: a) Mayoral Appointments – None; b) City Council Appointments – None

a) Mayoral Appointments: None

b) City Council Appointments: None

I-2 Board and Committee Nominations: a) Mayoral Nominations – Global Troy Advisory Committee, Local Development Finance Authority; b) City Council Nominations – None

a) Mayoral Nominations:

Moved by Baker

Seconded by Chamberlain-Creanga

RESOLVED, That the Mayor of the City of Troy hereby **FORWARDS** the following nominated person(s) to serve on the Boards and Committees as indicated to the next Regular City Council Meeting for action:

Global Troy Advisory Committee

Appointed by Mayor

12 Regular Members

3 Year Term

Nominations to the Global Troy Advisory Authority:

Unexpired Term Expiring:
10/30/2022

Edward Chezick

Term currently held by: Vacancy - Kaitlin Hao resigned 8/20/21

Motion to Amend Item I-2a Mayoral Nominations to Include Additional Nominations

Resolution #2021-10-151

Moved by Baker

Seconded by Chamberlain-Creanga

RESOLVED, That Troy City Council hereby **AMENDS** *Item I-02a Mayoral Nominations* to include the following nominated person(s) to serve on the Boards and Committees as indicated to the next Regular City Council Meeting for action:

Term Expires: 10/30/2024

Awni Fakhoury

Term currently held by: Awni Fakhoury

Term Expires: 10/30/2024

Syeda Mohideen

Term currently held by: Syeda Mohideen

Term Expires: 10/30/2024

Suneel Sekhri

Term currently held by: Suneel Sekhri

Yes: All-7

No: None

MOTION CARRIED

Resolution to Approve Item I-2a Mayoral Nominations as Amended

Resolution #2021-10-152

Moved by Baker

Seconded by Chamberlain-Creanga

RESOLVED, That the Mayor of the City of Troy hereby **FORWARDS** the following nominated person(s) to serve on the Boards and Committees as indicated to the next Regular City Council Meeting for action:

Global Troy Advisory Committee

Appointed by Mayor

12 Regular Members

3 Year Term

Nominations to the Global Troy Advisory Authority:

**Unexpired Term Expiring:
10/30/2022**

Edward Chezick

Term currently held by: Vacancy - Kaitlin Hao resigned 8/20/21

Term Expires: 10/30/2024

Awni Fakhoury

Term currently held by: Awni Fakhoury

Term Expires: 10/30/2024

Syeda Mohideen

Term currently held by: Syeda Mohideen

Term Expires: 10/30/2024

Suneel Sekhri

Term currently held by: Suneel Sekhri

Yes: All-7
No: None

MOTION CARRIED

Resolution #2021-10-153
Moved by Baker
Seconded by Abraham

RESOLVED, That the Mayor of the City of Troy hereby **FORWARDS** the following nominated person(s) to serve on the Boards and Committees as indicated to the next Regular City Council Meeting for action:

Local Development Finance Authority (LDFA)

Appointed by Mayor
5 Regular Members
Staggered 4 Year Term

Nominations to the Local Development Finance Authority (LDFA):

**Term Expires: Oakland
County Representative**

Louis Starks

**Oakland County
Representative**

Term currently held by: Daniel Hunter

Yes: All-7
No: None

MOTION CARRIED

b) **City Council Nominations: None**

I-3 No Closed Session Requested

I-4 Proposed New Ethics Ordinance for Elected and Appointed Officials (Introduced by: Lori Grigg Bluhm, City Attorney)

Resolution #2021-10-154
Moved by Baker
Seconded by Erickson Gault

BE IT RESOLVED, That Troy City Council hereby **APPROVES** and **ENACTS** Chapter 14A - City of Troy Elected and Appointed Persons Ethics Ordinance, a copy of which shall be **ATTACHED** to the original Minutes of this meeting.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That Troy City Council hereby **APPROVES** and **ADOPTS** revisions to Sections B, C, and D of Chapter 14 – City of Troy Officer and Employee Public Disclosure Enforcement Ordinance, a copy of which shall be **ATTACHED** to the original Minutes of this meeting.

Yes: All-7
No: None

MOTION CARRIED

I-6 Bid Waiver – Hurst StrongArm Rescue Tools – Fire Department (Introduced by: Chuck Riesterer, Fire Chief)

Resolution #2021-10-155
Moved by Erickson Gault
Seconded by Hamilton

RESOLVED, That in the best interest of the City, Troy City Council hereby **WAIVES** the formal bid process and **AWARDS** a contract to purchase six (6) sets of Hurst StrongArm Rescue tools from the only authorized distributor for Hurst equipment in Southeastern Michigan, *Apollo Fire Equipment Company of Romeo, MI*, for an estimated total cost of \$40,200.00.

Yes: All-7
No: None

MOTION CARRIED

J. CONSENT AGENDA:

J-1a Approval of “J” Items NOT Removed for Discussion

Resolution #2021-10-156-J-1a
Moved by Abraham
Seconded by Hodorek

RESOLVED, That Troy City Council hereby **APPROVES** all items on the Consent Agenda as presented.

Yes: All-7
No: None

MOTION CARRIED

J-1b Address of “J” Items Removed for Discussion by City Council

J-2 Approval of City Council Minutes

Resolution #2021-10-156-J-2

RESOLVED, That Troy City Council hereby **APPROVES** the following Minutes as submitted:

- a) City Council Minutes-Draft – October 11, 2021

J-3 Proposed City of Troy Proclamations:

Resolution #2021-10-156-J-3

- a) Proclamation for America Recycles 2021
b) Proclamation for Lung Cancer Awareness Month – November 2021

J-4 Standard Purchasing Resolutions: None Submitted

J-5 Request for Acceptance of a Warranty Deed and Four Permanent Easements for Estates at Willowbrook No. 2 Site Condominium, Section 24, Sidwell #88-20-24-100-013 and -014

Resolution #2021-10-156-J-5

RESOLVED, That Troy City Council **ACCEPTS** a warranty deed for street right-of-way and four permanent easements for public utilities, storm sewers & surface drainage, and sanitary sewers from Langham Investments, LLC, owner of the properties having Sidwell #88-20-24-100-013 and -014.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City Clerk is hereby **DIRECTED TO RECORD** the warranty deed and permanent easements with Oakland County Register of Deeds, copies of which shall be **ATTACHED** to the original Minutes of this meeting.

J-6 Request for Acceptance of a Permanent Easement from Bevan and Ann Marie Perkowski, Sidwell #88-20-15-352-040

Resolution #2021-10-156-J-6

RESOLVED, That Troy City Council hereby **ACCEPTS** a permanent easement for storm sewers and surface drainage from Bevan and Ann Marie Perkowski, owners of the property having Sidwell #88-20-15-352-040.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City Clerk is hereby **DIRECTED** to **RECORD** the permanent easement with Oakland County Register of Deeds, a copy of which shall be **ATTACHED** to the original Minutes of this meeting.

K. MEMORANDUMS AND FUTURE COUNCIL AGENDA ITEMS:

K-1 Announcement of Public Hearings: None Submitted

K-2 Memorandums (Items submitted to City Council that may require consideration at some future point in time): None Submitted

L. COUNCIL REFERRALS:

Items Advanced to the City Manager by the Mayor and City Council Members for Placement on the Agenda

L-1 No Council Referrals

M. REPORTS:

M-1 Minutes – Boards and Committees:

- a) Global Troy Advisory Committee-Final – September 9, 2021
Noted and Filed
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M-2 Department Reports:

- a) Application to De-List 54 E. Square Lake Road
Noted and Filed
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M-3 Letters of Appreciation: None Submitted

M-4 Proposed Proclamations/Resolutions from Other Organizations: None Submitted

M-5 Notice of Hearing for the Customers of Consumers Energy Company – Case No. U-21131

Noted and Filed

N. COUNCIL COMMENTS:

N-1 Council Comments

Council Member Hamilton congratulated Mayor Baker and Council Member Chamberlain-Creanga for their times at the Frightful 5k. He thanked all the City staff who helped put the event together.

Council Member Hamilton thanked the Council and City Administration for everything during his time on City Council, and he said he has been honored to serve the City of Troy.

Council Member Chamberlain-Creanga thanked the City staff who worked to put together the Frightful 5k.

Council Member Chamberlain-Creanga thanked City Administration, fellow City Council Members, and the residents for the honor of serving the City.

Mayor Pro Tem Brooks announced the Nature Center Uncorked fundraiser event on Friday, November 5, 2021 at 6:00 PM at the Troy Community Center. She encourages everyone to

purchase their tickets online by October 29th because the prices increase if purchasing them at the door.

Mayor Pro Tem Brooks said it has been an honor to serve as Mayor Pro Tem for the past year.

Council Member Hodorek commented that she participated in the Joint Local Development Finance Authority meeting today, and on the important work that goes on at Automation Alley in Troy.

Mayor Baker reminded residents that the City General Election will be held on Tuesday, November 2, 2021, and polls will be open from 7:00 AM–8:00 PM. City Clerk Dickson said the City Clerk's Office will be open on Saturday, October 30, 2021, from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM for absentee voting.

Mayor Baker commented on the Troy Chamber "Your City, Your County, Your State and You" event held on Friday morning. He said it was a panel discussion moderated by Christy McDonald, and the link is available on the City's YouTube page.

Mayor Baker thanked City staff who worked so hard to make The Frightful 5K a success with the biggest turnout to date.

O. CLOSED SESSION

O-1 No Closed Session

P. ADJOURNMENT:

The Meeting **ADJOURNED** at 9:42 PM.

Mayor Ethan Baker

M. Aileen Dickson, MMC, MiPMC II
City Clerk

2021 SCHEDULED SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS:

November 13, 2021 Special (Strategic Planning)

2021 SCHEDULED REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS:

November 8, 2021 Regular Meeting

November 22, 2021 Regular Meeting

December 6, 2021 Regular Meeting

December 13, 2021 Regular Meeting