NOVEMBER 19, 2012	OWOSSO CITY COUNCIL	7:30 P.M.
PRESIDING OFFICER:	MAYOR BENJAMIN R. FREDERICK	
OPENING PRAYER:	PASTOR CALEMERSON RETIRED PASTOR AT NORTHGATE WESLE	YAN CHURCH
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:	AUBREY MORGAN 3 <sup>rd</sup> GRADE STUDENT AT ELSA MYER ELEME	INTARY
PRESENT:	Mayor Benjamin R. Frederick, Mayor Pro-Tem ( Popovitch, Councilpersons Loreen F. Bailey, Th Michael J. Erfourth, Christopher T. Eveleth and	nomas B. Cook,
ABSENT:	None.	

## APPROVE AGENDA

Motion by Councilperson Eveleth to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion supported by Mayor Pro-Tem Popovitch and concurred in by unanimous vote.

## APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF NOVEMBER 5, 2012

Motion by Councilperson Fox to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 5, 2012 as presented.

Motion supported by Councilperson Erfourth and concurred in by unanimous vote.

## PROCLAMATIONS / SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

# PANCREATIC CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

Della Scoot, Pancreatic Cancer Action Network member and mother of 27 year old pancreatic cancer patient Ashley Scott, was on hand to accept the proclamation.

Mayor Frederick read aloud the following Mayoral proclamation declaring November 2012 as Pancreatic Cancer Awareness month in the City of Owosso:

#### A PROCLAMATION OF THE MAYOR'S OFFICE OF THE CITY OF OWOSSO, MICHIGAN PROCLAIMING NOVEMBER 2012 AS PANCREATIC CANCER AWARENESS MONTH IN THE CITY OF OWOSSO

WHEREAS in 2012, an estimated 43,920 people will be diagnosed with pancreatic cancer in the United States and 37,390 will die from the disease; and

WHEREAS pancreatic cancer is one of the deadliest cancers, currently the fourth leading cause of cancer death in the United States, and is the only major cancer with a five-year relative survival rate in the single digits at just six percent; and

WHEREAS when symptoms of pancreatic cancer present themselves, it is typically late stage, and 74 percent of pancreatic cancer patients die within the first year of their diagnosis, while 94 percent of pancreatic cancer patients die within five years; and

WHEREAS the incidence and death rate for pancreatic cancer are increasing and pancreatic cancer is anticipated to move from the fourth to the second leading cause of cancer death in the U.S. by 2020, and possibly as early 2015; and

WHEREAS the Federal Government invests significantly less money in pancreatic cancer research than it does in any of the other leading cancer killers; and pancreatic cancer research constitutes only approximately 2 percent of the National Cancer Institute's federal research funding, a figure far too low given the severity of the disease, its mortality rate, and how little is known about how to arrest it; and

WHEREAS the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network is the national organization serving the pancreatic cancer community in the city of Owosso and nationwide through a comprehensive approach that includes public policy, research funding, patient services, and public awareness and education related to developing effective treatments and a cure for pancreatic cancer; and

WHEREAS, the *Recalcitrant Cancer Research Act,* formerly the *Pancreatic Cancer Research & Education Act,* requires that the National Cancer Institute develop a scientific framework for

combating pancreatic cancer and other recalcitrant cancers, and the Network feels passage of the Act is essential to boosting research efforts and potentially finding a cure.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Benjamin R. Frederick, Mayor of the City of Owosso, Michigan, do hereby proclaim the month of November 2012 as Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month in the City of Owosso, Michigan and do hereby encourage all citizens of this community to acknowledge and support the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network and their activities to inform and serve the citizens of our community because their services make a difference.

Proclaimed this 19<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2012.

Mrs. Scott relayed some of the challenges her daughter has experienced since being diagnosed with pancreatic cancer. She encouraged everyone to write their Senators to express support for the Recalcitrant Cancer Research Act or visit <u>www.pancam.com</u> for more information.

### PUBLIC HEARINGS

### PROPOSED MASTER PLAN

Assistant City Manager Adam H. Zettel gave an overview on the history and contents of the proposed Master Plan saying a significant amount of work and citizen input has gone into the creation of Owosso's first Master Plan.

A public hearing was conducted to receive citizen comment regarding the draft master plan in accordance with state statute.

There were no citizen comments.

Council expressed their thanks to Mr. Zettel, the Planning Commission and the members of the community that worked on and gave input on the plan, saying they were very pleased to have a comprehensive plan to help guide their decisions. They specifically asked that the document be referred to when addressing items before the Council.

Motion by Councilperson Eveleth to authorize the following resolution approving the Master Plan as presented:

## **RESOLUTION NO. 139-2012**

### A RESOLULTION TO APPROVE THE 2012 CITY OF OWOSSO MASTER PLAN

WHEREAS, the City of Owosso Planning Commission has been engaged in the drafting of the city's first master plan since late 2010; and

WHEREAS, a plan was drafted that contains community profile data, a community vision, future land use data, implementation strategies, and other information as required by state law and encouraged by best practices; and

WHEREAS, the planning commission has finished such a draft and has submitted the document to the city council for review and distribution in accordance to the Planning Enabling Act (PEA); and

WHEREAS, the city council approved the distribution the plan in accordance with the PEA for a review period of no less than 63 days; and

WHEREAS, a subsequent public hearing was held by the planning commission to deliberate on any and all comments related to the plan; and

WHEREAS, the Owosso Planning Commission found that the plan, with the inclusion of changes resulting from public comments, is reflective of the community and satisfies the legal and best-practice needs of prudent planning; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing and subsequent deliberation was held by the city council on November 19, 2012.

NOW, BE IT RESOLVED THAT City of Owosso City Council, County of Shiawassee, State of Michigan, finding the 2012 City of Owosso Master Plan to meet all statutory obligations and practical intentions of a community plan, hereby approves said plan.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the same council hereby directs staff to supply an electronic copy of the master plan to all entities as required by Michigan law.

Motion supported by Councilperson Fox.

Roll Call Vote.

AYES: Councilpersons Bailey, Mayor Pro-Tem Popovitch, Councilpersons Erfourth, Eveleth, Fox, Cook, and Mayor Frederick.

NAYS: None.

Due to its length full text of the Master Plan is not included in the minutes. The Master Plan is on file in its entirety in the Clerk's Office.

## ORDINANCE AMENDMENT – REZONING WESTOWN TO B-3

Assistant City Manager Zettel explained the rezoning was recommended by the Master Plan and as such it would assist property owners in the area in question to accomplish planned improvements. He went on to say that the B-3 zoning designation would not be a perfect fit for every part of every parcel but the intent was to keep the current downtown flavor of the area.

A public hearing was conducted to receive citizen comment regarding proposed ordinance amendment to amend Chapter 38, <u>Zoning</u>, Section 38-27 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Owosso, Michigan to zone specific properties along Main Street in the area commonly referred to as Westown to B-3 Central Business District.

There were no citizen comments.

Motion by Councilperson Fox to approve the rezoning of named parcels in the Westown Business District to B-3 Central Business District as follows:

## **ORDINANCE NO. 737**

#### AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 38 ZONING OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES TO REZONE SPECIFIC PARCELS OF REAL PROPERTY AND AMEND THE ZONING MAP

WHEREAS, the City of Owosso submitted a petition to rezone the real property along Main Street in the Westown area, as identified in the attached map, from B-4 General Business District to B-3 Central Business District; and

WHEREAS, the planning commission published and mailed notices for the request, held a public hearing on the request, and deliberated on the request; and

WHEREAS, the planning commission finds that the proposed ordinance meets the intent and criteria for a zoning amendment; and

WHEREAS, the city staff and planning commission recommend, without reservations or conditions, the rezoning of the Westown parcels and Main Street, as mapped, to B-3, Central Business District; and

WHEREAS, the city council finds that the zoning petition meets the intent and criteria for a zoning map amendment.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Chapter 38, Zoning Code of the City of Owosso be amended as follows:

THE CITY OF OWOSSO ORDAINS:

Section 1. That Chapter 38, Zoning Code of the City of Owosso Sec. 38-27 Zoning Districts and Map reflect the changes as illustrated and attached to the record hereto as Exhibit A and filed with the city clerk.

Section 2. This amendment shall become effective December 9, 2012.

Section 3. This ordinance may be purchased or inspected in the city clerks' office, Monday through Friday between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Parcel Number	Parcel Address	Current Zoning	Proposed Zoning
050-050-000-048-00	1005 W MAIN ST	B4	B3
050-660-017-001-00	100 N CHIPMAN ST	l1	B3
050-660-016-001-00	1008 W MAIN ST	B4	B3
050-660-015-009-00	916 W MAIN ST	B4	B3
050-660-015-007-00	910 W MAIN ST	B4	B3
050-660-015-006-00	908 W MAIN ST	B4	B3
050-660-015-005-00	904 W MAIN ST	B4	B3

### EXHIBIT A

		Current	Proposed
Parcel Number	Parcel Address	Zoning	Zoning
050-660-015-004-00	902 W MAIN ST	B4 B3	
050-660-015-003-00	900 W MAIN ST	B4	B3
050-660-014-010-00	820 W MAIN ST	B4	B3
050-660-014-009-00	818 W MAIN ST	B4	B3
050-660-014-008-00	816 W MAIN ST	B4	B3
050-660-014-007-00	814 W MAIN ST	B4	B3
050-660-014-006-00	810 W MAIN ST	B4	B3
050-660-014-005-00	802 W MAIN ST	B4	B3
050-660-014-004-00	800 W MAIN ST	B4	B3
050-660-014-011-00	822 W MAIN ST	B4	B3
050-100-001-001-00	1107 W MAIN ST	B4	B3
050-050-000-021-00	1017 W MAIN ST	B4	B3
050-050-000-020-00	1015 W MAIN ST	B4	B3
050-050-000-019-00	1013 W MAIN ST	B4	B3
050-050-000-018-00	1011 W MAIN ST	B4	B3
050-050-000-017-00	1009 W MAIN ST	B4	B3
050-050-000-013-00	919 W MAIN ST	B4	B3
050-050-000-012-00	911 W MAIN ST	B4	B3
050-050-000-011-00	907 W MAIN ST	B4	B3
050-050-000-010-00	905 W MAIN ST	B4	B3
050-050-000-009-00	901 W MAIN ST	B4	B3
050-050-000-008-00	819 W MAIN ST	B4	B3
050-050-000-007-00	817 W MAIN ST	B4	B3
050-050-000-006-00	815 W MAIN ST	B4	B3
050-050-000-004-00	811 W MAIN ST	B4	B3
050-050-000-003-00	809 W MAIN ST	B4	B3
050-050-000-002-00	807 W MAIN ST	B4	B3
050-050-000-001-00	801 W MAIN ST	B4	B3
050-050-000-005-00	813 W MAIN ST	B4	B3
050-660-017-004-00	1110 W MAIN ST	B4	B3
050-660-017-003-00	1108 W MAIN ST	B4	B3
050-660-017-002-00	1106 W MAIN ST	B4	B3
050-660-014-012-00	104 N LANSING ST	B4	B3
050-660-007-021-00	R/R R/W TRACKAGE	1	B3
050-660-015-008-00	912 W MAIN ST	B4	B3
050-050-000-046-00	R/R R/W TRACKAGE	l1	B3

Motion supported by Councilperson Bailey.

Roll Call Vote.

AYES: Councilperson Cook, Mayor Pro-Tem Popovitch, Councilpersons Fox, Erfourth, Eveleth, Bailey, and Mayor Frederick.

NAYS: None.

## **CITIZEN COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS**

Joseph Nowacki, 710 Ament Street, relayed an experience he had this past weekend involving finding a loose dog. After an unsuccessful search for an owner he called 911 to have Animal Control pick up the dog but was told Animal Control would not service the City. He then contacted the Owosso Police Department and was told his only option was to inquire with the Humane Society. While he was successful in taking the animal to the Humane Society he was displeased with the fact that he pays for a dog license each year but received no services in return.

Gregory Morgan, 1145 North Chipman Street, expressed an interest in purchasing the house at 1064 Tracy Street. The home is abandoned and no owner has come forward. As the result of a neighbor complaint regarding the home the City is currently in the process of applying to receive permission from the court to demolish the home. Mr. Morgan relayed his frustration saying the home itself was in good shape and could easily be rehabbed. He said was very interested in purchasing the property if only an owner could be determined. He asked that the City hold off on the demolition process to allow the home to be put up for tax sale in June of 2013.

Tom Manke, business owner at 118 South Washington Street, asked about the contents of the warrant and further requested all items on the warrant be listed on the agenda in the future. Mayor Frederick pointed out that all information distributed to Council prior to a meeting is

available for the public on the City's website and at City Hall. He further indicated he would be open to some changes in how the warrant is listed on the agenda.

Eddie Urban, 601 Glenwood Avenue, said he found a model truck identical to the truck that is being restored for the future Fireman's Memorial. He thought it would be helpful to have the model so donors could see what the finished truck would look like.

Mayor Frederick said he was very pleased to see so many great Veterans' Day events in the City and County over the weekend.

Councilperson Fox inquired whether the former House of Mok building would be receiving a new façade soon. It was noted the owner of the building had submitted renderings and was planning on putting on a new façade but it was not known exactly when the improvements would take place.

Councilperson Cook noted the City of Linden's focus on the Shiawassee River and its local trail system holding the municipality up as an example for Owosso.

Councilperson Bailey noted that while the street program has taken longer than expected the new streets look very nice.

Councilperson Erfourth inquired whether a title search had been done on the Tracy Street house. There was discussion regarding efforts to find the true owner of the property as there was disagreement as to whether it had been foreclosed upon by the bank or whether it still belonged to the listed homeowner. City Attorney Bill Brown indicated title work had been done and he would share his findings with Mr. Morgan. He indicated he felt it would be prudent for the City to continue to pursue permission for demolition while at the same time encouraging Mr. Morgan in his efforts to find the proper owner from which to purchase the home noting that should Mr. Morgan be unsuccessful in purchasing the home the City would be prepared to demolish the structure. There was further discussion regarding the condition of the property, safety concerns, its effects on the neighborhood, and potentially filling in the pool but leaving the home standing.

City Manager Crawford addressed the current issue with the County Animal Control refusing to pick up stray animals in the City saying he has discussed this with the County Administrator to no avail. The County continues to service townships but has recently refused to service cities with animal control ordinances. He said he felt the City's treatment by the County regarding this issue was uncalled for and he was not sure how to solve the problem at this point. He suggested the City may want to look into keeping license fees since the County will not provide the City with animal control services.

## **CITY MANAGER REPORT**

City Manager Crawford reported on the County's response to the City's request for 911 information, saying that while the response was extensive it still left a few questions unanswered. He then distributed and detailed a draft letter to the County seeking clarification. The letter summarized the questions remaining and indicated the City would not be paying the County invoice for mic fees unless the County was able to produce evidence the City was responsible for the fees.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Motion by Councilperson Eveleth to approve the Consent Agenda as follows:

Boards and Commissions Appointments. Approve the following Mayoral appointments:

Name	Board/Commission	Term Expires
Bradley Kirkland	Downtown Loan Committee To fill the unexpired term of G. Salander	06-30-2013
Rosemary Schultz	Shiawassee District Library Board	06-30-2016

<u>Progress Payment #2 – 2012 Street Paving Program</u>. Authorize Progress Payment No. 2 to Michigan Paving and Materials Company for work completed to October 12, 2012 on the 2012 Street Paving Program in the amount of \$87,460.95 as follows:

## **RESOLUTION NO. 140-2012**

### AUTHORIZING PAYMENT #2 TO MICHIGAN PAVING AND MATERIALS COMPANY FOR WORK RELATED TO THE 2012 STREET PAVING PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the city of Owosso, Shiawassee County, Michigan, has entered into an agreement with Michigan Paving and Materials Company for the 2012 Street Paving Program; and

WHEREAS, the contractor has completed a portion of the project and is now eligible for payment; and

WHEREAS, the city project manager recommends Pay Estimate #2 in the amount of \$87,760.95 for work completed through October 12, 2012, with said unit quantities and amounts having been agreed to by Michigan Paving and Materials Company.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Owosso, Shiawassee County, Michigan that:

- FIRST: The City of Owosso has heretofore determined that it is advisable, necessary and in the public interest to pay Michigan Paving and Materials Company for work completed on the 2012 Street Paving Program.
- SECOND: The accounts payable department is authorized to submit payment to the Michigan Paving and Materials Company in the amount of \$87,760.95 as detailed on the attached Payment Estimate #2.
- THIRD: The above expenses shall be paid from the proceeds of the 2010 General Obligation Unlimited Tax Bonds.

<u>Progress Payment #3 – 2012 Street Paving Program</u>. Authorize Progress Payment No. 3 to Michigan Paving and Materials Company for work completed to November 3, 2012 on the 2012 Street Paving Program in the amount of \$96,722.01 as follows:

## **RESOLUTION NO. 141-2012**

#### AUTHORIZING PAYMENT #3 TO MICHIGAN PAVING AND MATERIALS COMPANY FOR WORK RELATED TO THE 2012 STREET PAVING PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the city of Owosso, Shiawassee County, Michigan, has entered into an agreement with Michigan Paving and Materials Company for the 2012 Street Paving Program; and

WHEREAS, the contractor has completed a portion of the project and is now eligible for payment; and

WHEREAS, the city project manager recommends Pay Estimate #3 in the amount of \$96,722.01 for work completed through November 3, 2012, with said unit quantities and amounts having been agreed to by Michigan Paving and Materials Company.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Owosso, Shiawassee County, Michigan that:

- FIRST: The City of Owosso has heretofore determined that it is advisable, necessary and in the public interest to pay Michigan Paving and Materials Company for work completed on the 2012 Street Paving Program.
- SECOND: The accounts payable department is authorized to submit payment to the Michigan Paving and Materials Company in the amount of \$96,722.01 as detailed on the attached Payment Estimate #3 as authorized by Council on November 19, 2012.
- THIRD: The above expenses shall be paid from the proceeds of the 2010 General Obligation Unlimited Tax Bonds.

Warrant No. 452. Authorize Warrant No. 452 as follows:

Vendor	Description	Fund	Amount
Brown & Stewart, PC	Professional Services- October 9, 2012 – November 12, 2012	General	\$11,460.52
Michigan Municipal League Workers' Compensation Fund	Workers' Compensation Insurance	General	\$23,197.00
State of Michigan-Michigan Department of Environmental Quality	Annual MDEQ Fee for Public Water Supplies	Water	\$ 5,381.20
Logicalis, Inc	Network Engineering Support - October 2012	General	\$ 7,616.00
		Total	\$47,654.72

\*<u>Check Register – October 2012</u>. Affirmation of check disbursements totaling \$605,946.55 for the month of October 2012.

Motion supported by Councilperson Erfourth.

Roll Call Vote.

AYES: Councilpersons Eveleth, vi, Fox, Mayor Pro-Tem Popovitch, Councilpersons Erfourth, Cook, and Mayor Frederick.

NAYS: None.

\*Full text of the October 2012 Check Register is available in the Clerk's Office.

## ITEMS OF BUSINESS

## PUBLICLY FUNDED HEALTH INSURANCE CONTRIBUTION

Council briefly discussed options for the 2013 calendar year regarding the limits on public employer funding of health benefits as dictated by PA 152 of 2011.

Motion by Councilperson Eveleth to authorize the following resolution establishing a hard cap limit on the City's contributions toward employee healthcare.

## RESOLUTION NO. 142-2012

### ESTABLISHING LIMITS ON CONTRIBUTIONS TO EMPLOYEES' MEDICAL BENEFIT PLAN PURSUANT TO THE PUBLICLY FUNDED HEALTH INSURANCE CONTRIBUTION ACT, ACT 152 OF 2011

WHEREAS, the State of Michigan has enacted the Publicly Funded Health Insurance Contribution Act, Act 152 of 2011, (the "Act"); and

WHEREAS, the Act provides for limits on the amount that a local unit of government may pay or contribute to a medical benefit plan for its employees; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to comply with the provisions of the Act and avoid penalties for noncompliance.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the city council of the city of Owosso, Shiawassee County, Michigan that:

- FIRST: The city of Owosso has heretofore determined that it is advisable, necessary and in the public interest to comply with the contribution limits contained in Section 3 ("hard cap") of the Act, subject to the limitations contained in Section 5 pertaining to collective bargaining agreements.
- SECOND: Pertinent city staff members are directed to implement the directive above beginning January 1, 2013.

Motion supported by Councilperson Cook.

Roll Call Vote.

AYES: Councilpersons Erfourth, Fox, Mayor Pro-Tem Popovitch, Councilpersons Eveleth, Cook, Bailey, and Mayor Frederick.

NAYS: None.

## CDBG LOAN - 122 NORTH WASHINGTON STREET

Councilperson Erfourth expressed concern that he did not have the pro-forma for the proposed project and did not feel comfortable making a decision without it. It was noted the Downtown Loan Committee had fully vetted the application and found it to be sound according to their requirements. It was felt no harm would come from delaying approval to allow Council members a chance to review any related documents in detail prior to rendering a decision, though some expressed their feeling a delay for such reason would yield little actual benefit as they had limited loan experience.

Motion by Councilperson Eveleth to authorize the following resolution entering into an agreement with James Civille, owner of 122 N. Washington Street, for the purpose of the lending of \$48,957.00 from the CDBG fund in order to provide gap financing to refurbish three upper floor residential units in accordance with the CDBG revolving loan fund program guidelines.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 143-2012**

#### AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF LOAN DOCUMENTS RELATED TO A CDBG REVOLVING LOAN FUND LOAN TO JAMES CIVILLE FOR THE REHABILITATION OF THREE RESIDENTIAL UNITS AT 122 N. WASHINGTON STREET

WHEREAS, the city of Owosso, Shiawassee County, Michigan, has determined that occupation and reoccupation of residential units in the downtown serves an economic and public benefit to the community; and

WHEREAS, the city of Owosso operates a Community Development Block Grant loan program, with program guidelines, to fund such activities; and

WHEREAS, the loan review committee has recommended approval of this loan under specific conditions that the city council finds fulfilled.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Owosso, Shiawassee County, Michigan that:

FIRST:	The City of Owosso has heretofore determined that it is advisable, necessary and in the public interest to support upper floor residential rehabilitation in the downtown.

- SECOND: The mayor and city clerk are instructed and authorized to sign the loan documents substantially in the form attached to loan Mr. Civille \$50,000.
- THIRD: The accounts payable department, under the direction of the finance director, is authorized to release funds in the above amount immediately following the execution of all necessary loan documents.
- FOURTH: The above expenses shall be paid from the Community Development Block Grant Fund.

Motion supported by Councilperson Bailey.

Roll Call Vote.

AYES: Councilpersons Cook, Fox, Bailey, Eveleth, Mayor Pro-Tem Popovitch, and Mayor Frederick.

NAYS: Councilperson Erfourth.

## **COMMUNICATIONS**

<u>Charles P. Rau, Building Official.</u> October 2012 Building Department Report. <u>Charles P. Rau, Building Official</u>. October 2012 Code Violations Report. <u>Michael T. Compeau, Public Safety Director</u>. October 2012 Police Report. <u>Michael T. Compeau, Public Safety Director</u>. October 2012 Fire Report. <u>Downtown Development Authority/Main Street</u>. Minutes of October 3, 2012. <u>Downtown Development Authority/Main Street</u>. Minutes of November 7, 2012. <u>Historical Commission</u>. Minutes of November 12, 2012.

## **CITIZEN COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS**

Kevin M. Brown, 205 East Oliver Street, noted the anniversary of former City Building Official John Archer's passing and remarked on the beautiful dais he had built for just such City meetings.

Eddie Urban, 601 Glenwood Avenue, remarked that he felt all City staff members should be identified with a name placard when present at a Council meeting.

Tom Manke, business owner at 118 South Washington Street, inquired what the public should do if they come across a stray dog. It was noted there is no clear directive at this point but the City would continue to work on the problem. It was further noted residents may want to consider calling the County to relay their frustration with the new policy.

Mayor Frederick noted that with the closing of the County Animal Control Shelter the Humane Society has tried to pick up the slack but is in need of volunteers, money and supplies.

Councilperson Fox asked for increased traffic enforcement along north M-52 in an effort to reduce the risk of accidents.

Mayor Pro-Tem Popovitch stated she was concerned about pedestrians crossing Main Street at Michigan Avenue. In light of the fact the old Lincoln School will be converted to senior housing

she thought a formal crossing at that intersection may be appropriate. Staff indicated they would contact MDOT to see if it was a possibility.

# NEXT MEETING

Monday, December 03, 2012

## BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS OPENINGS

Zoning Board of Appeals - Alternate, term expiring June 30, 2013

## ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Councilperson Eveleth for adjournment at 9:16 p.m.

Motion supported by Councilperson Erfourth and concurred in by unanimous vote.

Benjamin R. Frederick, Mayor

Amy K. Kirkland, City Clerk