

# EAST LANSING CITY COUNCIL

## AGENDA

August 28, 2012  
7:30 PM

East Lansing City Council

Mayor Diane Goddeeris

Mayor Pro Tem Nathan Triplett

Councilmember Kevin E. Beard

Councilmember Victor W. Loomis, Jr.



City Council meets to take action on legislative matters on the first and third Tuesdays of each month. It is at this time that they can vote on items that appear on their agenda. Meetings start at 7:30 p.m. unless otherwise scheduled, and are cablecast live over WELG, Channel 22, to the community.

## **AGENDA ITEMS GENERALLY**

By the time an item gets to the City Council agenda, extensive work has already taken place by one or more of the City's attorneys, boards, commissions, staff, Councilmembers, and individuals or groups in the community. The work is documented and provided to Council for consideration prior to taking action on an agenda item.

## **COMMUNICATIONS**

After Council opens their agenda, members of the audience are given an opportunity to speak to Council about any topic that is not on the agenda. Members of the audience are also allowed to speak to any item on the agenda but are encouraged to do so as the item is addressed by Council. Speaker cards are available near the podium and must be filled out by the speaker. As each agenda item is addressed, the Mayor will invite those who wish to speak to the podium. All speakers are encouraged to be considerate of others waiting to address Council by keeping their remarks brief.

## **PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA**

Public Hearing Agenda items include all action items that are required by law to be noticed in a paper of general circulation typically not less than 15 days prior to the hearing as required by ordinance, charter, or statute. The notice must include the time, place and subject of the hearing. A public hearing is that portion of a meeting designed specifically to receive input from the public on that item. There are two primary areas of municipal governance with statutes regulating public hearings that the City is required to follow – the Planning Enabling Act (a public hearing is required to amend a zoning ordinance, take action on a special use permit or Planned Unit Development and to adopt a master plan), and the Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act (a public hearing is required to adopt the budget). In addition, certain community development, economic development, tax increment financing, grant, and related programs have public hearing requirements imposed by state statute, federal law, or granting agency.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

Consent Agenda items include routine business items that Council can approve with a single vote. Item included on the Consent Agenda must be voted on separately if requested by any member of the Council. Items requested to be voted on separately are typically moved to the Business Agenda for discussion.

## **BUSINESS AGENDA**

Business Agenda items include all action items that require discussion but are not required by law to hold a noticed public hearing and those items that a public hearing was held for but action was not taken at the time of the hearing.

## **AGENDA**

### **Special Meeting of the City Council**

**Tuesday, August 28, 2012**

**Courtroom #2**

**7:30 p.m.**

### **OPENING**

1. Roll call
2. Approval of the agenda

### **BUSINESS AGENDA**

3. Discussion of the City Council member selection process

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

4. Communications from the audience

Appointments with Councilmembers can be scheduled by calling  
the Council Assistant: (517) 319-6904

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