CITY OF CHARLOTTE COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
111 E. Lawrence Ave., Charlotte, MI 48813 (517) 543-2750
Regular Council Meeting 7:00 p.m.
April 28, 2025

CALL TO ORDER:

By Mayor Lewis on Monday April 28, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Mayor Lewis, Mayor Pro-Tem Duweck, Council members, Fullerton, Christensen, Rodriguez, Scott and Chin. A quorum was met

City staff in attendance; City Clerk LaRocque, City Attorney Revore, and City Manager Hillard. Wastewater Superintendent Matt Griffith and Captain/Fire Inspector Dan Daly were in the audience

INVOCATION:

Ruby Sanders – Celebration Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Led by Lewis

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

a. April 14, 2025 Regular Council Meeting Minutes

Motion by Chin supported by Scott to approve April 14, 2025 Regular Council Meeting Minutes adding Duweck to the attendance roll; Carried; Yea 7; Nay 0; Absent 0

b. April 24, 2025 Council Workshop Meeting Minutes

Motion by Chin supported by Fullerton approve the April 24, 2025 Council Workshop Meeting Minutes noting clarification on sentence structure; Carried; Yea 7; Nay 0; Absent 0

ABSENCE OF COUNCIL MEMBERS:

All present

PUBLIC HEARING:

a. Proposed Ordinance 2025-03 an ordinance to amend section 68-172 - Prohibited Discharges - of Chapter 68 - Utilities, Article IV Sewers, Division 4 Public Sewer Use - of the code of the City of Charlotte by changing the permissible discharges of aluminum concentrations from 2.1 MG/L to 34.2 MG/L within the City of Charlotte

Hearing opened at 7:05 p.m. and closed at 7:05 p.m. with no comments received

PUBLIC COMMENT:

No comments received

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion by Duweck supported by Scott to approve the agenda as printed. Carried; Yea 7; Nay 0; Absent 0

COMMUNICATIONS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

a. City Manager Report

The manager's report was received, and a summary of the key items was provided.

b. Council member Committee Reports

Christensen – Camp Frances' next meeting is scheduled May 13th at 6:30 p.m. at the Cabin.

CONSENT AGENDA:

a. Approval of Claims and Expenditures totaling $513,784.58

b. Approval of Resolution 2025-16 changes to signatories for Independent Bank accounts

c. Approval of Markdom Michigan Plastics, Inc. agreement

d. Approval of Resolution 2025-19 to establish fees for various municipal services and departments effective April 28, 2025

Motion by Scott supported by Duweck to approve Consent Agenda items a through d. Carried by roll call vote; Yea (7) Lewis, Duweck, Scott, Chin, Rodriguez, Christensen, Fullerton; Nay 0; Absent 0

BUSINESS AGENDA:

a. Second reading and consider approval of Ordinance 2025-03 an ordinance to amend section 68-172 – Prohibited Discharges – of Chapter 68 – Utilities, Article IV Sewers, Division 4 Public Service Use – of the code of the City of Charlotte by changing the permissible discharges of aluminum concentrations from 2.1 MG/L to 34.2 MG/L within the City of Charlotte.

Motion by Duweck supported by Scott to approve the adoption of Ordinance 2025-03 an ordinance to amend section 68-172 – Prohibited Discharges – of Chapter 68 – Utilities, Article IV Sewers, Division 4 Public Service Use – of the code of the City of Charlotte by changing the permissible discharges of aluminum concentrations from 2.1 MG/L to 34.2 MG/L within the City of Charlotte. Carried by roll call vote. Yea (7) Lewis, Chin, Fullerton, Rodriguez, Christensen, Scott, Duweck; Nay 0; Absent 0

b. First reading and approval of Resolution 2025-17 to set a public hearing on May 12, 2025 and second reading for proposed ordinance 2025-04 to amend Chapter 82 - Zoning, by amending the zoning map to change a certain described parcel from R-1 (Residential) to B-3 (Business)

Motion by Scott supported by Fullerton to approve First reading and approval of Resolution 2025-17 to set a public hearing on May 12, 2025 and second reading for proposed ordinance 2025-04 to amend Chapter 82 - Zoning, by amending the zoning map to change a certain described parcel from R-1 (Residential) to B-3 (Business). Carried by roll call vote; Yea (7) Lewis, Chin, Fullerton, Christensen, Scott, Rodriguez, Duweck; Nay 0; Absent 0

c. First reading and approval of Resolution 2025-18 to set a public hearing on May 12, 2025 and second reading for proposed ordinance 2025-06 International Property Maintenance Code (IPMC)

Motion by Fullerton supported by Scott to approve First reading and approval of Resolution 2025-18 to set a public hearing on May 12, 2025 and second reading for proposed ordinance 2025-06 International Property Maintenance Code (IPMC). Carried; Yea 7; Nay 0; Absent 0

d. Consider approval of a sealed bid contract with Michigan Paving and Materials Company in the amount of $340,062.70 for the Washington Street and N. Oliver Street Improvements

Motion by Scott supported by Fullerton to approve the sealed bid contract with Michigan Paving and Materials Company in the amount of $340,062.70 for the Washington Street and N. Oliver Street Improvements. Carried. Yea 7; Nay 0; Absent 0

PUBLIC COMMENT:

No comments received

STAFF COMMENTS:

No comments

MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Scott – Expressed anticipation for the upcoming Housing Commission meetings.

Chin - Reported that participation in the CHILL grant program remains low and emphasized the importance of ramping up community outreach to ensure more residents can benefit. He also informed the Council about two State programs involving energy efficiency rebate programs, and the status of wind energy. He requested that picnic tables be returned to local parks ahead of Memorial Day weekend and raised the possibility of installing surveillance cameras to improve safety and security in our parks.

Rodriguez – Addressed a point of order and offered an apology for previously breaching protocol.

Christensen – Thanked attendees, he attended the Murder Mystery event held recently at the Courthouse Square, and announced that the meeting with MDOT regarding Downtown Quieting is scheduled for May 13th.

Duweck – Thanked Rodriguez for his remarks.

Fullerton – No additional comments.

Lewis – Provided an update on the Arbor Day event held last Friday and expressed appreciation to City administration for their efforts in developing a strong budget. Voiced confidence in the City's current direction.

ADJOURN:

Motion by Christensen supported by Fullerton to adjourn the meeting at 7:33 p.m. Carried; Yea 7; Nay 0; Absent 0

Respectfully submitted,

Mary LaRocque MiPMC, CMC
City Clerk