

BAY CITY CITY COMMISSION

Synopsis of Regular Meeting

October 6, 2025

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Christopher Girard at 6:00 PM.

A moment of silence was held for those effected by the tragedy in Grand Blanc

Commissioners Present: Laura Kubit, Craig Kokaly, Benjamin Tenney, Mark Zanoliti, Alexander Dewitt, Christopher Runberg, and Joseph Charlebois, 7; Mayor Christopher Girard.

Excused: Commissioner Cordal Morris

(arrived at 7:17), 1.

Absent: None.

A closed session was held with Warner Norcross & Judd Attorneys Kurt Brauer and Jon Lauderbach, to discuss the litigation of William Howard vs. City of Bay City and contract negotiations.

Proclamation - Engel Stadium Day - October 6, 2025, was read and presented.

The following items were approved:

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- City Commission Minutes (9/15/25)
- Accounts and Claims in the amount \$924,913.95 and Investments and Wire Transfers in the amount of \$2,654,324.21 (09/22/25), Accounts and Claims in the amount of \$733,109.63 and Investments and Wire Transfers in the amount of \$1,619,904.86 (09/29/25), and Accounts and Claims in the amount of \$393,356.08 and Investments and Wire Transfers in the amount of \$14,939,379.14 (10/06/25)
- Payroll in the amount of \$1,339,829.90 (09/29/25)
- Kellie Rupp of the Downtown Management Board, approval of the special event permit for the “Thriller Thursday” special event on October 30, 2025, using Saginaw Street from 5th Street to 6th Street and Center Avenue from Washington Avenue to Water Street
- Traffic Control Order #2025.010 to allow parking on the east side of N. Madison Avenue, between Columbus Avenue and 11th Street
- Budget amendments in the amount of \$2,321,916 for the Fiscal Year 2025/2026 budget
- ARPA program grant modification and extension for the MiHIA (Michigan Health Improvement Alliance) contract through October 31, 2026
- Provisional Adult Use Marihuana License to Wojo Retail, LLC, to operate a Marihuana Retail facility at 606 3rd Street, contingent upon final inspection
- Resolution appointing of Justin Vanderpoel, term to expire June 30, 2027, and Tim Walli and Stephen Stoddard, terms to expire June 30, 2029, to the Midland Street Management Board
- Resolution appointing Paul Klein-

au, term to expire July 1, 2027, and re-appointing Christopher Greenleaf and Larry Elliott, terms to expire July 1, 2028, and to the Zoning Board of Appeals

- Resolution establishing a permanent polling location for the 5th Ward at 1503 Kosciuszko Avenue
- Resolution accepting the Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC) Match on Main Grant Agreement in the amount of \$13,070.75
- Resolution regarding application from Acra Cast, Inc., for a twelve year Industrial Facilities Tax Exemption Certificate located at 1837 and 1899 1st Street, in the amount of \$170,838
- Resolution to have the City Manager work with the Department of Public Works to prepare a plan for street repair, allocating \$5,000,000 to the project with half the funds dedicated to reserves within the next thirty days

Historic District Commission Minutes (6/25/25, 8/13/25, 8/27/25), Planning Commission Minutes (6/18/25, 7/16/25), Zoning Board of Appeals Minutes (6/10/25), were received.

Denise Davidson and Jeff Reed spoke during public input.

A public hearing was held regarding application from Acra Cast, Inc., for a twelve-year Industrial Facilities Tax Exemption Certificate located at 1837 and 1899 1st Street, in the amount of \$170,838. Paul Kleinau spoke.

The meeting adjourned at 7:48 PM.

Christopher R. Girard, Mayor
Jamie C. McFarland, Deputy City Clerk