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NEWSLETTER

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LEGISLATIVE/POLICY UPDATES

- Cashless Business Ordinance:
 - o Council Member Calloway and her team are nearing the end of the lengthy legislative process to pass the cashless business ordinance. The ordinance will provide consumers with the freedom to choose to pay in cash for the purchase of goods and services at retail businesses or food stores which accept in-person payments. No retail establishment or food store shall refuse to accept cash as a form of payment for consumer goods. With limited exceptions, cash will be welcomed everywhere in Detroit. Everyone should feel welcomed in every area of Detroit, even folks who use cash.
- Proposed Zoning Changes Concerning Marijuana:
 - Last year, the City of Detroit licensed thirtythree marijuana sales locations. Eleven of the locations were licensed for Eight Mile Road. Many residents living south of Eight Mile Road complain of overan concentration of marijuana sales locations along this major roadway. The marijuana industry wants even more locations along Eight Mile Road and throughout Detroit. They seek to amend the current zoning ordinance to reduce or eliminate distance requirements to allow for more establishments. They do not care about the character of Eight Mile Road or the adjoining neighborhoods. They only care about profits.





WATCH CITY COUNCIL & LEAVE A PUBLIC COMMENT:

City Council Sessions may be viewed in the following manner:

- 1. Watch live on **Channel 10** for local broadcasting.
- 2. Watch online by using https://detroitmi.gov/government/city-council and clicking on Channel 10
- 3. To attend by **phone only**, call one of these numbers: +1 929 436 2866, +1 312 626 6799, +1 669 900 6833, +1 253 215 8782, +1 301 715 8592, +1 346 248 7799, then enter the Meeting ID: 85846903626##
- 4. Use the following Meeting ID on the Zoom application: 858 4690 3626
- 5. Attend online: https://detroitmi.gov/Online-CC-Meeting

How to leave a public comment:

To participate at the time of Public Comment, please raise your hand through the Zoom application.

- 1. Telephone participants: Raise your hand by pressing *9
- 2. Web participants: Raise your hand by clicking "raise hand" in the application or pressing the following:
 - a. Windows computer = [ALT] + [Y]
 - b. Apple computers = [OPTION] + [Y]
- 3. Public comments can also be submitted via email to CCPublicComment@detroitmi.gov



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DEAD, DANGEROUS, OR DISEASED TREE PROGRAM

Residents who suspect they have a tree that is dead, diseased, or poses a threat to safety on their private property can take the following steps to report it:

- Use their smartphone to scan the QR code on the flyer
- Leave a voicemail for the Department of Neighborhoods at (313) 224-4444
- Visit detroitmi.gov/departments/departmentneighborhoods to submit a request

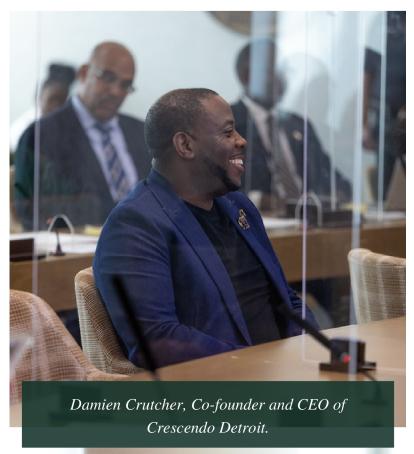
Once the request is processed, the city of Detroit will dispatch a tree inspector to assess the tree. If it meets the criteria, the city will schedule a contractor to remove it.

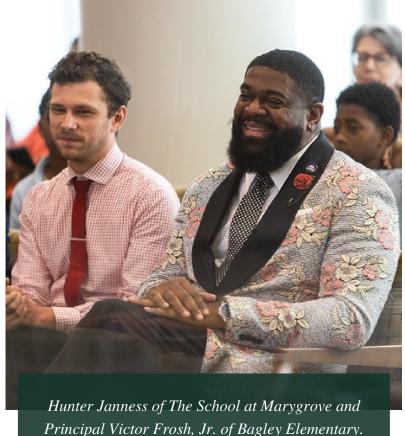
CELEBRATING TEACHER APPRECIATION MONTH

Teacher Appreciation Month allows us to take a moment to express our gratitude and appreciation for the tireless work and unwavering commitment of our educators. Every day, these individuals work tirelessly to equip our students with the skills and knowledge they need to become the future leaders of our nation. They provide students with a quality education and serve as role models, mentors, and advocates. Council Member Calloway presented awards to Damien Crutcher, Imelya Ellison, Adrienne Merritt, Hunter Janness, Alvercheal McConnell, and Principal Victor Frosh, Jr. to celebrate the occasion.











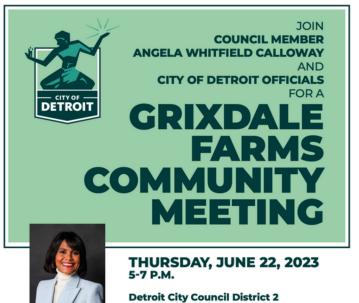
COUNCIL MEMBER TAKES YOUTH TO THE MOVIES

Council Member Calloway and the Youth and Civic Engagement Task Force took over one-hundred youth to the opening weekend of The Little Mermaid. This initiative shows a significant commitment to promoting the arts and cultural experience for young people in the community. Students from Palmer Park Prep Academy, FLICS, Bagley Elementary, and GESU were in attendance. This event also helped create camaraderie among the youth who attended, helping them form new friendships and connections with others in their community—a huge thank you to the Detroit Bridge Company and Kenneth Dobson.

SCULPTURE UNVEILING IN PALMER PARK

The unveiling of "Ascension" by Barry Lehr was a momentous occasion that brought together community members and local officials. This 700-lb steel sculpture, hidden for almost two decades, originally graced Palmer Park in 1977 before being removed for repairs. Thanks to the hard work of dedicated individuals, the sculpture was finally restored to its former glory and put on display for all to see. Council Member Calloway attended the unveiling, along with many excited residents eager to admire the stunning sculpture.





Community Office

1121 Merrill Plaisance Street, Detroit, MI 48203

The meeting will focus on:

- DPD action plan to address blight
- Provide an update on enforcement efforts along major corridors
- Detail progress on clean-up efforts

GRIXDALE FARMS COMMUNITY MEETING

Council Member Calloway and city officials will reconvene for the second Grixdale Farms Community Meeting on Thursday, June 22, 2023, at Council Member Calloway's District 2 Community Office. Please attend the meeting to meet other residents in the community and discuss common issues and concerns regarding safety, drug infestation, wildlife, and the neighborhood's blight enforcement plan. Make sure to mark your calendar and attend the meeting. If you cannot participate in the discussion, please consider sending a representative from your household to ensure your voice is heard.

JUNE COFFEE & **CONVERSATION**

If you are interested in contributing to your community and discussing ways to improve District 2 and the city of Detroit, Coffee & **Conversation** is the perfect opportunity for you.

The next one will be held on June 12th, 2023, at 8 AM at Detroit is Different, **1634 Clements** Street, Detroit, MI, 48238.

Take advantage of this opportunity to engage with Council Member Calloway and her team in an informal setting.

Just so you know, Coffee & Conversation will not be held in July or August.



#WEARORANGE

On January 21, 2013, Hadiya Pendleton marched in President Obama's second inaugural parade. One week later, Hadiya was shot and killed on a playground in Chicago. Soon after this tragedy, Hadiya's childhood friends decided to commemorate her life by wearing orange; the color hunters wear in the woods to protect themselves and others. On the first Friday of June, Council Member Calloway and her team participated in Wear Orange Day to bring awareness to the gun violence crisis. Council Member Calloway believes the crisis must be acknowledged as a public health issue and addressed holistically by encouraging people to participate in community organizations and complex dialogue.

Firearms are the leading cause of death for children and teens in America.

wearorange.org



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JUNETEENTH JUBILEE

Join us on Saturday, June 17, 2023, as Council Member Calloway and her team celebrate Juneteenth. The event will feature live music, food vendors, and art installations. It will be held from 12 pm-6 pm on the Historic Avenue of Fashion, which has significant historical significance in Detroit's Black community. This commemoration is part of a larger effort to increase awareness about Juneteenth and its importance in American history and culture. The event will include all ages and backgrounds, so bring your family and friends along for a fun-filled day!

JUNETEENTH BECOMES AN OFFICIAL HOLIDAY

The City Council voted unanimously to pass an ordinance recognizing Juneteenth as an official holiday in Detroit and add it to the city's list of paid holidays.



SPECIAL DELIVERY FOR MOTHER'S DAY

Council Member Calloway and her team made a heartwarming effort to connect with their residents by delivering flowers to every senior home in the district. Through this personal gesture, they were able to bring joy to over four hundred individuals and show them how much they are valued and appreciated. This kind act demonstrates a commitment to building stronger, more compassionate communities, and goes beyond simply celebrating Mother's Day. It's inspiring to see public officials take the time to connect with their community in such a meaningful way.

HATS OFF TO THE GRADS

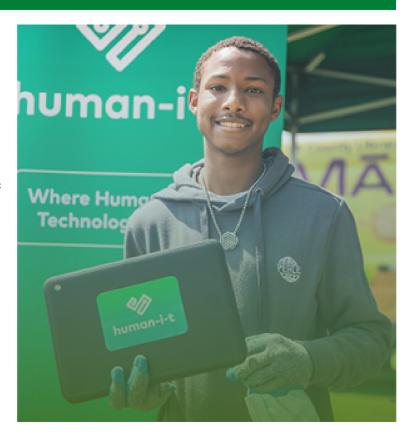
Congratulations to the Class of 2023 on your graduation and accomplishments. The world eagerly awaits the application of your unique skills and talents. So go out there and make a difference!





DETROIT'S FIRST DIGITAL EMPOWERMENT STORE

Human-I-T is dedicated to providing access to digital technology for all, enabling individuals to thrive in an increasingly digital world. Human-I-T will open its first retail store this month, on the historic Avenue of Fashion. This new location allows Detroit residents to explore, learn, and engage with affordable technology, low-cost monthly internet service, digital skills training, and tech support. The retail location has also been slated as a community space that promotes inclusivity and accessibility.





LIGHT UP LIVERNOIS

LIGHT UP Livernois returns to District 2 on Saturday, July 1, 2023. LIGHT UP Livernois is Detroit's fashion, art, and design festival celebrating creative influence and commerce along Livernois Avenue, showcasing over 300 merchants and growing on the city's northwest side. You are invited to "park, walk, shop, dine, and explore" electrifying fashion runway shows, along with an eclectic mix of art galleries, beauty salons, eateries, and a plethora of beautifully presented -and designed- amenities along the historic Avenue of Fashion, for more information visit lightuplivernois.com.

A WALK IN THE PARK

WITH COUNCIL MEMBER CALLOWAY



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MEET COUNCIL MEMBER CALLOWAY AND HER TEAM AT THE DISTRICT 2 PALMER PARK OFFICE AT 1121 MERRILL PLAISANCE

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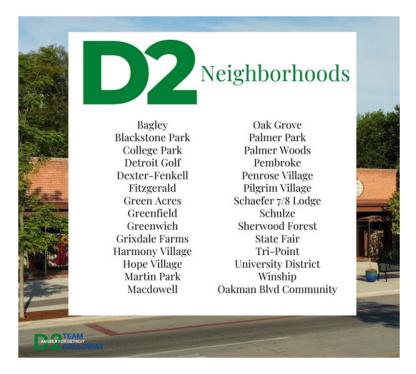
Every Thursday at 8:00 AM, Council Member Calloway and residents walk through Palmer Park for recreation and conversation. Everyone is welcome to join and enjoy the fresh morning air, a brisk walk, and an update on the future of Palmer Park and the surrounding area. The group meets at the Palmer Park Community Center near the splash park. Wear comfortable walking shoes and be ready for adventure. Everything is possible while walking through Palmer Park with Council Member Calloway.

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

Are you having a community meeting? Would you like to hear updates from the Office of Council Member Calloway?

We want an invitation to your event! Contact our office at (313) 224-4535 or

CouncilMemberCalloway@detroitmi.gov with your event details.





NORTHWEST ACTIVITIES CENTER PARK COMMUNITY MEETING

The Parks & Recreation division of the General Services Department is hosting a large community meeting on Tuesday, June 6th, 2023, at 5:30 PM to get feedback from park users on what improvements are wanted. Residents can also scan the QR code on the flyer to provide input via the park survey.

This is an excellent opportunity for community members to voice their opinions and help shape the future of their local parks.

WAFFLE CAFE DETROIT

It's always great to see new businesses in the community, especially ones that offer unique and delicious options like Waffle Cafe Detroit. Not only do they offer a wide variety of gourmet waffles, but they also cater to dietary restrictions like gluten-free and vegan options. Council Member Calloway's welcoming of the owners to District 2 shows the community's support for small businesses and the local economy. If you're in the area, stop by Waffle Cafe Detroit at 18685 Livernois and enjoy their excellent service and tasty waffles!



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