

## **Detroit Department of Transportation**

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August 8, 2019

The Honorable Detroit City Council 1340 Coleman A. Young Municipal Center Detroit, MI 48226

RE: Request to create FY 2019-2020 budget in appropriation 20396 for received proceeds for damages incurred to the Shoemaker Terminal on January 12, 2017, as a result of a bus fire at the facility.

Honorable City Council:

The Detroit Department of Transportation (DDOT) has received three checks totaling \$1,582,688.44 from insurance policy purchased for Shoemaker Terminal for the claim filed for the incident on Thursday, January 12, 2017. DDOT is requesting that a budget of \$1,582,688.44 be created for appropriation 20396-Shoemaker Building Repair for Fiscal Year 2019-2020.

The property insurance claim of \$1,582,688.44 consists of the following checks and will be used to offset

expenditures in repairing the damages to the Shoemaker Terminal:

Insurance Company Name	Claim #	Check Date	Check #	Amount
American International Group, Inc.	4523950123US	7/24/2019	10900938	949,613.06
McLarens, Inc.	002.041362.00.S	7/24/2019	102047	553,940.96
Aspen Specialty Insurance Company	PR1670022612	7/1/2019	106972	39,567.21
Peninsula Insurance Bureau	910943	6/28/2019	11462	39,567.21
	,		TOTAL	\$1,582,688.44

Detroit Department of Transportation respectfully requests your Honorable Body's approval of the attached resolution with a waiver of reconsideration.

Respectfully submitted,

Angelica Jones

Interim Director

CC: John Wallace, DDOT ACFO

BY COUNCIL MEMBER	
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WHEREAS, the Detroit Department of Transportation has requested authorization to accept \$1,582,688.44 from insurance companies for damages incurred to the Shoemaker Terminal on Thursday, January 12, 2017, as a result of a bus fire at the facility; and

WHEREAS, that the Interim Director of the Detroit department of Transportation or a designee, is hereby authorized to accept the payment in the amount of \$1,582,688.44; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Budget Director is hereby authorized to create a budget of \$1,582,688.44 in Appropriation 20396-Shoemaker Building Repair; and

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED**, that the Finance Director be and is hereby authorized to accept and process all documents reflecting these changes.



TO:

Ron Brundidge, DPW

FROM:

Hon. Scott Benson, City Council District 3

CC:

Stephanie Washington, Mayor's Office

VIA:

Hon. Brenda Jones, City Council President

DATE:

5 August 2019

RE:

SIDEWALK AT 20201 KEYSTONE

Our office has received a complaint about a sidewalk located at 20201 Keystone that is reportedly an approximate 12 inches in size, you may refer to the attached photograph. Please investigate this issue and provide a response explaining when the sidewalk will be repaired.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call my office at, 313-224-1198.



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TO:

David Whittaker, Legislative Policy Division

FROM:

Hon. Scott Benson, City Council District 3

CC:

David Bell, BSEED

Stephanie Washington, Mayor's Office

VIA:

Hon. Brenda Jones, City Council President

DATE:

12 August 2019

RE:

REQUEST FOR REPORT ON PERMIT MODIFICATION PROCESS

Our office has been made aware of a request from Republic Waste requesting that the City of Detroit modify its previous permit which restricts and prohibits the type of waste they may collect. Republic Waste would like to have this request modified to allow for the acceptance of household waste and an increase to the amount of waste they may accept. Please prepare a report detailing the process and laws regulating this type of permit modification.

If you have any questions do not hesitate to call my office at, 313-224-1198.



TO:

David Bell, BSEED

FROM:

Hon. Scott Benson, City Council District 3

CC:

Ron Brundidge, DPW

Stephanie Washington, Mayor's Office

VIA:

Hon. Brenda Jones, City Council President

DATE:

12 August 2019

RE:

**BSEED PERMIT STANDARDS** 

Our office has been made aware of a request from Republic Waste requesting that the City of Detroit modify its previous permit which restricts and prohibits the type of waste they may collect. Republic Waste would like to have this request modified to allow for the acceptance of household waste and an increase to the amount of waste they may accept. Please prepare a response which provides the standards BSEED uses to grant or deny this type of permit modification.

If you have any questions do not hesitate to call my office at, 313-224-1198.





TO: Lawrence Garcia, Corporation Council

FROM: Hon. Scott Benson, City Council District 3

CC: Hon. Janice Winfrey, City Clerk

David Whitaker, Director, LPD

Stephanie Washington, City Council Liaison

VIA: Hon. Brenda Jones, City Council President

DATE: 27 August 2019

RE: XAVIER STRICKLAND ORDINANCE MODIFICATION OPINION

My office has received numerous calls from community residents concerned about the strength of the Xavier Strickland Ordinance after the horrific demise of Emma Hernandez at the mouths of three vicious dogs. I am requesting an opinion on the legality of modifying the Xavier Strickland Ordinance to:

- 1. Allow the Animal Control officers to more easily seize dogs that pose a threat to public health, safety and welfare.
- 2. Allow the City of Detroit to set a pre-determined monetary value on the lives of dogs, similar to some jurisdictions where livestock have a predetermined monetary value in case of accidental death.
- 3. Implement a requirement that all dogs residing within Detroit be neutered, or a breeding license be purchased by the owner to keep a non-neutered dog in the City.
- 4. Require dog owners to purchase higher levels of liability insurance.

Please provide the information by 27 September 2019. If you have any questions do not hesitate to contact my office at, 313-224-1198.

TO:

David Bell, Director, BSEED

FROM:

Scott Benson, City Council District 3

CC:

Stephanie Washington, Mayor's Office

VIA:

President Brenda Jones, Detroit City Council

DATE:

28 Aug 2019

RE:

6773 E. DAVISON

My office has received a complaint from a community resident at 6769 Edgeton that the owner of 6773 E. Davison has erected an incorrectly installed fence and has located a storage bin on the property that attracts rodents. Please inspect the property to ensure it complies with all City ordinances.

Provide your response by 23 September 2019. Thank you in advance for your assistance on this matter.





TO:

David Whitaker, Director, LPD

FROM:

Hon. Scott Benson, City Council District 3

CC:

Hon. Janice Winfrey, City Clerk

Lawrence Garcia, Corporation Council

Stephanie Washington, City Council Liaison

VIA:

Hon. Brenda Jones, City Council President

DATE:

27 August 2019

RE:

XAVIER STRICKLAND ORDINANCE REPORT

My office has received numerous calls from community residents concerned about the strength of the Xavier Strickland Ordinance after the horrific demise of Emma Hernandez at the mouths of three vicious dogs. I am requesting LPD research other municipalities and jurisdictions that have strong animal control ordinances, sans regulations that ban any breed of dog. I would like to strengthen the current ordinance to better protect our residents by creating an environment where residents can feel safe in <u>any</u> neighborhood and dog owners have a clear set of guidelines for responsible ownership.

Please provide the information by 27 September 2019. If you have any questions do not hesitate to contact my office at, 313-224-1198.





TO:

David Bell, BSEED

Lawrence Garcia, Corporation Counsel, Law Department

FROM:

Scott Benson, City Council District 3

CC:

Hon. Janice Winfrey, City Clerk Kim James, Law Department David Baker, Law Department

Stephanie Washington, Mayor's Office

VIA:

President Brenda Jones, Detroit City Council

DATE:

28 August 2019

RE:

3<sup>RD</sup> DISTRICT S.O.B.s

My office is requesting an update on the licensing and land use status of the sexually oriented businesses in the 3<sup>rd</sup> District (see matrix below). My office has received several complaints regarding the property maintenance and spill over activities from the businesses below. Please review their current licenses to ensure that all are compliant with the City ordinances and ensure their land use grants are current. For businesses that have been abandoned, please begin the process to revoke their land use grants.

Please inspect the businesses, report on the status, and issue violation notices as appropriate. My office requests a report on all of the above issues by 1 Oct 2019. Thank you in advance for your assistance on this matter.

	Name	Address	Status	Disposition
1	Coliseum Adult Entertainment	11300 E. 8 Mile Detroit, MI 48205		
2	Tycoons Gentlemen's Entertainment	12210 E 8 Mile Detroit, MI 48205		
3	Sapphire Strip Club	19211 Van Dyke St	Abandoned	
	Centerfold Lounge	20222 John R St Detroit, MI 48203		
	Scores Detroit	6200 E. 8 Mile Detroit, MI 48234		
	King-Diamonds Gentlemen's Club	141 W. 8 Mile Detroit, MI 48203	Closed and changed name	
7	Players	13710 E. 8 Mile Detroit, MI		V
	Erotic City	19326 Conant Detroit, MI		reopened
9	Bevs Backstreet Lounge	7468 E. Davison St Detroit, MI		
	007 Club	5311 E. Outer Drive Detroit, MI	Closed	permanent
11	Chi Chi's	9401 Harper Ave Detroit, MI	Closed	permanent
12	Deep Heat	19016 Van Dyke St Detroit, MI	Abandoned	
	Please Station Lounge	7541 E. 7 Mile Detroit, MI	Closed	hearing on 20 Jul 201
	Starvin' Marvins	12449 Conant St Detroit, MI	Abandoned	



TO:

Mr. Ron Brundidge

Director of the Department of Public Works

Boise Jackson

Chief Procurement Officer

FROM:

Roy McCalister, Jr., Council Member

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City of Detroit

DATE:

July 30, 2019

RE:

FUNDING USES OF THE STATE GAS AND

WEIGHT TAXES RELATIVE TO MITIGATION

DURING THE CONSTRUCTION PROCESS FOR ALL

OF THE AFFECTED BUSINESSES IN PROJECT

**AREA** 

1. What are the requirements for the use of the Gas and Weight taxes involving projects in the public right of way?

2. Can you provide a detailed description if there is any money through this tax that can be utilized for mitigation purposes for the businesses affected during the construction process?

3. If so, how much and how often can this money be utilized during a project?

4. How do the affected business owner(s) / operator(s) receive the funds?

5. What is the process to assist the business owner/ operators?

6. How can my office assist with the progression to expedite the process for immediate relief?

Roy McCalister, Jr.

**Detroit City Council** 

CC:

**Esteemed Colleagues** 

City Clerk



TO:

Mr. Ron Brundidge

Director of the Department of Public Works

Project Manager

Livernois Street Scape Project

FROM:

Roy McCalister, Jr., Council Member

City of Detroit

DATE:

July 30, 2019

RE:

Contract #2918966 and all other Construction Projects or

Large Scale Projects in District 2

1. I am requesting a monthly report to my office from the vendor of the above listed contract?

- 2. Specifically, I would like a written report detailing all of the progress, issues, problems, community engagement opportunities, the meeting minutes from said engagements, data gathered and base information relative to all of the required specs of the contract. Construction updates and employment requirements being steady and reportable.
- 3. Further, I am also requesting quarterly reports relative to all projects inside of District 2, with the same required details relative to each and every project. It is important to be transparent and relative when engaging my constituents, therefore, these reports will keep my office up to date with regular reporting from the respective projects, vendors, construction updates, employment compliments relative to Detroit employees and project manager(s).
- 4. What type of assessment is conducted prior to the construction phase of projects relative to the area schematics, underground wiring, pipes, gas lines, asbestos involved in demolition, drafts of entire plan with detailed information for the matter of safety to all involved in project?
- 5. What standards are in place for the winning construction or all contractor(s) to be ever mindful of community benefits and affected community /businesses during the entire project from the beginning to the end?
- 6. What preparations will be implemented in future developments to mitigate losses for the community/ businesses affected by our projects? (Community Benefits packages are for future gains, Community Loss Benefits Package for potential losses)

7. I am further requesting the reports to begin being sent to my office immediately.

Roy McCalister, Jr.

**Detroit City Council** 

CC: Esteemed Colleagues

City Clerk

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CITY COUNCIL



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MARY SHEFFIELD
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE
DISTRICT 5

# MEMORANDUM

TO: Ms. Jean Ingersoll, Director, Detroit Health Department

Dr. Carla Beezold, Chief Epidemiologist, Detroit Health Department

THROUGH: Council Member Scott Benson, Chair, Public Health & Safety Committee

FROM: Council President Pro Tempore Mary Sheffield

**DATE:** July 22, 2019

**RE:** City of Detroit Health Statistics

Has the Health Department produced the "Report on the State of Health of the City of Detroit?" Is there a seven member advisory commission for health? Please provide statistics on health issues such as cancer, diabetes, heart disease, asthma, and obesity. In addition, please provide me with information on where Detroit ranks compared to other municipalities in terms of all the above mentioned health issues.

Thank you.

Cc: Honorable Colleagues

Hon, Janice Winfrey, City Clerk





CITY COUNCIL

**MARY SHEFFIELD** PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE DISTRICT 5

# MEMORANDUM

TO:

Mr. Boysie Jackson, Chief Procurement Officer

THROUGH: Council President Brenda Jones

FROM:

Council President Pro Tempore Mary Sheffield

DATE:

July 23, 2019

RE:

Major Cement Co.

During the session on July 9th, Council voted on contract no. 6002065 and contract no. 6002066. The contracts were regarding two streetscape projects. The contactor for both projects was Major Cement Co. At that meeting, I requested specific information on the number of Detroit residents employed with that company. Please provide me with the number of Detroit residents that are currently working for Major Cement Co.

Thank you.

Cc:

Honorable Colleagues

Hon. Janice Winfrey, City Clerk

CITY COUNCIL



JAMES E. TATE, Jr., COUNCIL MEMBER

TO:

James Craig, Chief of Police

Detroit Police Department

Beth Niblock, Director

Department of Innovation and Technology

FROM:

Hon. James E. Tate, Jr.

Detroit City Council - District 1

J.T.

DATE:

August 26, 2019

RE:

City of Detroit's Website-Detroit Police Department

After perusing www.detroitmi.gov/departments/police-department, I noticed that the site does not display the names of command staff at the various precincts. In an effort to ensure accountability and transparency when addressing criminal matters, this information should be made accessible to citizens via this forum. In addition, I noticed that the information for the neighborhood police officers (NPOs) is out of date. Please have someone from your department investigate this matter as soon as possible and inform me of the outcome of your investigation. A response is requested by September 9, 2019.

If you have any questions, please contact my Policy Analyst, Edwina King, at 313.224.9530.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Cc: Honorable Colleagues

Hon. Janice Winfrey, City Clerk's Office

Stephanie Grimes-Washington, Mayor's Office