

Alma, Michigan
June 26, 2007

Mayor Nyman called a regular meeting of the Alma City Commission to order at 6:00 p.m. at the Alma Municipal Building.

Present: Ayers, Comer, Dancer, Legene, Mapes, Moes, & Nyman.

Absent: None.

Mayor Nyman asked the City Commission and members of the audience to stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Motion by Vice-Mayor Moes seconded by Commissioner Mapes to approve the minutes of the June 12, 2007 regular meeting as submitted.

Yes: Ayers, Comer, Dancer, Legene, Mapes, Moes, & Nyman.

No: None.

Motion by Commissioner Comer seconded by Commissioner Mapes to receive and acknowledge a donation in the amount of \$2,000 from Alma College for the Alma Police & Fire Department professional development fund.

Yes: Ayers, Comer, Dancer, Legene, Mapes, Moes, & Nyman.

No: None.

Motion by Commissioner Ayers seconded by Commissioner Dancer to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda for payment: \$8,873.25 to Greater Gratiot Development, Inc. for fourth quarter economic development services; \$1,800 to D & E Excavating, Inc. for installation of a 2 foot diameter catch basin structure with casting at Well House #8; \$1,968.06 to Hasselbring-Clark for annual copy machine maintenance and supplies for the Municipal Building copy machine.

Yes: Ayers, Comer, Dancer, Legene, Mapes, Moes, & Nyman.

No: None.

Motion by Commissioner Mapes seconded by Commissioner Legene to approve the request for payment in the amount of \$7,095 to Bio Tech Agronomics, Inc. for the removal and disposal of 236,500 gallons of liquid sludge from the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Yes: Ayers, Comer, Dancer, Legene, Mapes, Moes, & Nyman.

No: None.

Motion by Commissioner Ayers seconded by Commissioner Comer to approve the request for payment in the amount of \$12,600 to Fox Hollow Custom Builders, Inc. for water design prints, sewer design prints and as-built prints for water and sewer for Gemstone Properties as per Development Agreement dated 6/13/2006.

Yes: Ayers, Comer, Dancer, Legene, Mapes, Moes, & Nyman.

No: None.

Motion by Commissioner Mapes seconded by Commissioner Dancer to approve the request for payment in the amount of \$1,667.70 to Grainger for one Dayton 20" blower used to provide fresh air supply to wet well area at Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Yes: Ayers, Comer, Dancer, Legene, Mapes, Moes, & Nyman.

No: None.

A Public Hearing to consider FY 2007 year-end budget adjustments was held at 6:05 p.m. City Manager gave a brief overview of the adjustments. There being no further discussion, the public hearing was closed.

Motion by Commissioner Ayers seconded by Commissioner Comer to close the public hearing at 6:08 p.m.

Yes: Ayers, Comer, Dancer, Legene, Mapes, Moes & Nyman.

No: None.

The following preamble and resolution was offered by Vice-Mayor Moes seconded by Commissioner Legene:

Whereas, the City Manager prepared and submitted his recommendation for the Fiscal 2006-2007 annual budget and capital improvement plan to the Alma City Commission on April 11, 2006; and

Whereas, the Alma City Commission reviewed the recommended budget and capital improvement plan in detail during numerous work sessions; and

Whereas, the Alma City Commission did give notice of a Public Hearing held May 9, 2006 at 7:35 a.m. at the Alma Municipal Building. In conformity with the provisions of Section 6.3, Article VI of the City Charter, proof of publication is now on file, and which Public Hearing was duly held pursuant to said notice and in conformity therewith.

Be It Resolved, the General Fund expenditures for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2006 and ending June 30, 2007, are hereby appropriated on an activity basis as follows:

	Original	Amended	Difference
Economic Development	\$135,815	633,951	498,136
Inspection Services	121,779		
Downtown Maintenance	90,986		
Planning	38,966		
Police	1,203,841		
Street Lighting	107,260	119,260	12,000
Parks and recreation	243,490		
Cemetery	218,708		
Municipal Building	130,047		
Forestry	106,906	132,906	26,000
Contribution to Airport	35,000		
Sidewalks	185,141		
Public Access	26,701	61,701	35,000
City Commission	49,402		
Elections	27,166		

	Original	Amended	Difference
City Clerk	46,654		
City Manager	122,730	129,730	7,000
City Treasurer	65,113		
Assessor	150,513		
Community Center	23,400		
Debt Service	51,812		
Transfers to Other Funds	396,943	396,943	
Transfers to Component Units	<u>297,661</u>		
Total Expenditures	<u>\$3,876,034</u>	<u>\$4,454,170</u>	<u>\$578,136</u>

Be It Further Resolved, General Fund revenues for the 2006-2007 fiscal year are estimated as follows:

	Original	Amended	Difference
Taxes	\$2,049,568	2,046,000	(3,568)
Licenses and Permits	81,550	92,800	11,250
Intergovernmental	1,233,714	1,268,714	35,000
Charges for Services	139,720	115,000	(24,720)
Fines and Forfeits	27,100		
Interest	143,220	158,500	15,280
Other Revenue/Fund Balance	15,500	532,136	516,636
Transfers from other Funds	13,760		
Total Revenues	<u>\$3,704,132</u>	<u>\$4,254,010</u>	<u>\$549,878</u>

Be It Further Resolved, the City Commission hereby approves appropriations for the period July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007 for the amounts set forth below:

	Original	Amended	Difference
Major Street	\$432,938		
Local Street	285,579		
Fire Board	427,010		
2000 G.O. Street Construction Bonds	87,930		
2000 Warwick Dr S.A. Bonds	86,925		
Housing Rehabilitation	237,887	557,887	320,000
Drug Law Enforcement	0	1,200	1,200
State Street Plaza	53,592		
Alma Transportation Services	543,168	575,168	32,000
Water Utility Fund	1,124,641		

	Original	Amended	Difference
Wastewater Utility Fund	980,546	1,015,546	35,000
Solid Waste Disposal Fund	481,992		
Admin. Services Internal Svc Fund	997,048		
Building & Grounds Internal Svc. Fund	583,441		
Equip Pool & Cen. Garage Int. Svc. Fund	1,158,228		
Library Fund	501,468		
Airport Fund	969,124		
Downtown Development Authority	34,919		
Library Debt	0	263,448	263,448

Be It Further Resolved, the City Commission hereby approves appropriations for the capital projects for the amounts set forth below:

N. State St. Downie to N. End	427,279	427,279
Library Addition	3,589,922	
Phase IV River Walk	378,708	

Be It Further Resolved, that the City Manager is hereby authorized to make budgetary transfers within appropriation centers established through this budget, and that all transfer between appropriations may be made only by further action of the City Commission pursuant to Section 19.2 of the provisions of the Michigan Uniform Accounting and Budgeting Act.

Be It Further Resolved, that the General Fund make a loan to the Neighborhood Street Rehabilitation Fund in the amount of \$25,000.

Now, Therefore, the City Commission hereby approves the City of Alma Budget containing the appropriations for the period July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007.

Yes: Ayers, Comer, Dancer, Legene, Mapes, Moes, & Nyman.

No: None.

Resolution Declared Adopted.

Motion by Commissioner Mapes seconded by Commissioner Comer to receive the bids for the 2007 Concrete Sidewalk, Drive Approach and Curb Removal Construction Project and to award the bid to the low bidder of Earl Davidson Construction, Inc., Alma in the bid amount of \$34,935.65.

Yes: Ayers, Comer, Dancer, Legene, Mapes, Moes, & Nyman.

No: None.

The following preamble and resolution was offered by Commissioner Mapes seconded by Commissioner Dancer:

Whereas, the City of Alma maintains and operates a fleet of multi-passenger busses; and

Whereas, such vehicles are traditionally purchased by the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) on behalf of the City of Alma; and

Whereas, the City of Alma has the authority to dispose of surplus vehicles under the provision that the proceeds of such sales are placed in the Alma Dial-A-Ride Transportation (DART) fund for future transportation use; and

Whereas, the City of Alma anticipates the sale of the following one surplus vehicle in the current year and the MDOT has established the respective minimum value of this unit:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Make</u>	<u>VIN</u>	<u>Lift</u>	<u>Fuel</u>	<u>Base Price</u>
2000	Ford/El Dorado	1FDXE45F1YHA95794	YES	diesel	\$2,500

Now Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the Alma City Commission hereby authorizes City staff and any sales agents that may be engaged to assist in the sale of the above identified surplus DART vehicles to the extent that such units are sold at or above their respective stated base price; and

Be It Further Resolved, that any valid proposal to purchase any surplus vehicle for an amount below the stated base bid price will be provided along with a staff recommendation to the City Commission for consideration as necessary.

Yes: Ayers, Comer, Dancer, Legene, Mapes, Moes, & Nyman.

No: None.

Resolution Declared Adopted

Motion by Commissioner Comer seconded by Commissioner Dancer to adopt a resolution authorizing a change in DART prepaid fares from \$1.50 to \$1.60 per ride.

Yes: Ayers, Comer, Dancer, Legene, Mapes, Moes, & Nyman.

No: None.

Motion by Commissioner Mapes seconded by Commissioner Ayers to adopt a resolution approving the Final Change Order in the additional amount of \$11,004 McGuirk Sand and Gravel for the Gemstone Fields Development Project.

Yes: Ayers, Comer, Dancer, Legene, Mapes, Moes, & Nyman.

No: None.

Motion by Commissioner Ayers seconded by Commissioner Comer to receive the following reports and place them on file: Alma Planning Commission meeting minutes of 5/1/2007; Gratiot County Board of Commissioners meeting minutes 6/5/2007; Alma Downtown Development Authority meeting minutes of 5/10/2007.

Yes: Ayers, Comer, Dancer, Legene, Mapes, Moes, & Nyman.

No: None.

Motion by Commissioner Mapes seconded by Vice-Mayor Moes to adopt a resolution appointing the following people to various boards and commissions:

<u>Board or Commission</u>	<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term Length</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
Gratiot Community Airport Commission	Mel Nyman	3 years	7/1/2010
Library Board	Ruth Lyon	5 years	6/1/2012
Zoning Board of Appeals	Russ Wight	3 years	5/1/2010
Police & Fire Benefit Fund	Garth Anderson	3 years	5/1/2010
Downtown Development Authority	Rodys Dancer	4 years	2/13/2011
Downtown Development Authority	Corey Bailey	4 years	2/13/2011
Local Development Finance Authority	Jim Wheeler	4 years	7/1/2011
Greater Gratiot Development, Inc.	Mick Legene	1 year	9/30/2008

Motion by Commissioner Ayers seconded by Commissioner Legene to approve Warrant No. 07-24 and to authorize the City Treasurer to issue checks in payment of all claims.

Yes: Ayers, Comer, Dancer, Legene, Mapes, Moes, & Nyman.

No: None.

Commissioner Dancer thanks to everyone who supported Founders Day last weekend.

Vice-Mayor Moes asked City Manager Moore to give a brief overview of the proposed Energy Park. Mr. Moore advised that plans are still moving along and developers are very pleased with progress of the park. Mr. Moore advised he is quite optimistic about the park and the developer has commented on how well the City has cooperated on the project. Mayor Nyman and City Attorney Fortino advised that they had actually heard just the opposite from the developer, that if it wasn't for City Manager Moore and Don Schurr, the project would not be moving along as well it is.

Commissioner Mapes thanked Rodys Dancer, Lisa Comer, Aeric Ripley and Jeff Naessens for all their hard work on Founders Day.

Commissioner Comer said next year's Founders Day will be bigger and better. Commissioner Comer also said that many members of the Alma Downtown Development Authority have heard of people having problems with starting new businesses. If anyone has any questions or comments, please feel free to contact the DDA for assistance.

City Attorney Fortino advised that the United Way Road Rally will be September 13, 2007.

Motion by Vice-Mayor Moes seconded by Commissioner Comer to adjourn the meeting at 6:21 p.m.

Yes: Ayers, Comer, Dancer, Legene, Mapes, Moes, & Nyman.

No: None.

Melvin A. Nyman, Mayor

Barbara A. Gager, City Clerk