



# City of Hamtramck

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## Beautification Commission

September 3, 2020; 6:00PM

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1. Call to order
  2. Roll call
    - a. Present: Jessica Paris, Julianne Bursinger, Sean Cote, Julia Sosin, Angela Fortino
    - b. Absent: Amanda Levitt, Romana Choudhury
  3. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
  4. Public Comment (two minutes limited to Beautification Commission issues)
    - a. Mira Hughes, representing Be a Good Neighbor Project and L.E.A.P. from Hamtramck High School. They are very interested in partnering with planting trees and volunteering for clean-ups.
    - b. Nsar Hussain, representing the mosque at 11345-11361 Joseph Campeau and Caniff.
  5. Approval of Agenda – Add or Delete Items
    - a. Cote moves; Sosin seconds; Ayes are unanimous.
  6. Approval of Minutes
    - i. Minutes of August 20<sup>th</sup>, 2020 Additional Meeting
    - ii. Paris moves; Fortino seconds; Ayes are unanimous

### SECTION I: AGENDA ITEMS – For Discussion/Action/Information

- i. Tree Planting
  1. The mosque at Joseph Campeau and Caniff would like to support a tree planting in front of the mosque, would like help from the Commission to plan. Their budget is between \$5,000 and \$10,000.
  2. Currently only concrete, no rectangular boxes
  3. Jessica will talk with City Employees about permits involved with breaking up concrete and building planters on the easement. Joseph Campeau is a Wayne County road.
  4. Angela will research tiger grants and match programs, in case more money is needed
  5. Alex will share Nsar's contact information
  6. Spring planting more practical
- ii. Scheduled tree plantings – contact Casey Copp at [ccopp@hamtramckcity.com](mailto:ccopp@hamtramckcity.com) if you want to participate.
  1. Sept. 19<sup>th</sup>, 9 a.m. – 12 p.m., funded by CN Railroad

2. Oct. 16<sup>th</sup>, 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

iii. Follow up on tasks

1. School Partnerships – Jessica emailed school contacts, waiting to hear back
2. Tool Lending Library – Sean followed up with Popp's Packing, hoping to schedule a meeting in the next month.
3. Safe Routes to School – Sean heard from Eastern Michigan researchers who are auditing the quality of sidewalk on the particularly routes; data will be given to the City. People interested in volunteering should contact Jessica Donnelly (jmoon8@emich.edu )

iv. General Discussion

1. Alleyways – City did an audit to fix high-priority alleys a few years ago.
  - a. Murals in alleys – Could be a good partnership with Arts and Culture Commission. Jessica will attend their next meeting.
2. How many members in this commission?
  - a. Voting members – limit is 7
  - b. Non-members who want to engage can participate in a sub-committee. All interested people are encouraged to fill out a Commission application for when a spot opens up.

SECTION II: OTHER ITEMS

1. Chairman's Report

- i. Next meeting is Sept. 17<sup>th</sup> to discuss Tree Planting

2. Members' Report

ADJOURNMENT

Paris moves; Fortino seconds; Ayes are unanimous.

Meeting adjourned at 6:40PM.

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