

City of Hamtramck
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# **Beautification Commission**

November 5, 2020; 6:00PM

- 1. Call to order 6:07 PM
  - a. Cote moves; Sosin seconds; Ayes unanimous
- 2. Roll call
  - a. Present: Angela Fortino; Julianne Bursinger; Sean Cote; Julia Sosin
  - b. Absent: Jessica Paris, Romana Chowdhury
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
- 4. Public Comment (two minutes limited to Beautification Commission issues)
  - a. None
- 5. Approval of Agenda Add or Delete Items
  - a. Cote moves; Bursinger seconds; Ayes unanimous
- 6. Approval of Minutes
  - i. Minutes of October 1st, 2020 Additional Meeting
    - 1. Fortino moves; Bursinger seconds; Ayes unanimous

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

- i. HalloClean Retrospective
  - 1. Great first success to get some momentum
  - 2. Next time: improve turnout, especially from other commissioners/city council/city employees; try Conant; coordinate decentralized pick-up of trash bags
  - 3. What is the responsibility of DDA and businesses on garbage pick-up?
    - a. Street sweep every Thursday not in winter; rotates Campau, Caniff, Conant, Holbrook.
  - 4. Anti-littering campaign possibility to collaborate with other commissions
- ii. Remarks from Talukder Gias, Human Relations Committee
  - 1. COVID has hampered many of the Human Relations Committee plans, looking to partner with other commissions
  - 2. Holiday lightings on Conant. DDA does it on Joseph Campau
    - a. Tasks: canvas businesses & solicit their input
    - b. Other ideas: Encourage residents to put up lights at home, and have driveby judging, award gift certificates for businesses
  - 3. Next HR meeting on Monday, November 16th at 7pm. Julianne to attend.
- iii. Follow up on next Events
  - 1. Joseph Campau Mosque Tree Planting

- a. Fundraise and Plan for this winter
- b. Need to ensure concrete planters will be in line with Greenway plans, etc.
- c. Does the City have a civil engineer on retainer?
  - i. City contracts building code officials; have an existing relationship with a civil engineering company
- d. Potential partnership with students at University of Michigan Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning
- 2. Woodward Throwbacks interested in tree planting, too
- iv. Trees cut down at High School
  - 1. About 20 trees were cut down along Gallagher, Charest and in between buildings
  - 2. Angela and Julianne to attend City Council meeting to find out more information, and request that the Beautification Committee is notified of any tree removals in advance
  - 3. Tree removal plan only 4 were considered high-risk, not specified where they were.
- v. Safe Routes to School Walk Audit discussion tabled for next time
- vi. America in Bloom/Potential grants tabled for next time
- vii. General Discussion
  - 1. See above.

### SECTION II: OTHER ITEMS

- 1. Chairman's Report
  - i. None
- 2. Members' Report
  - i. None

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Cote moves; Bursinger seconds; Ayes unanimous.

Meeting adjourned at 6:57 pm.

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