

Council Agenda

November 5, 2007, 6:30 p.m., Council Chamber

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

ROLL CALL:

CORRECTION AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PRECEDING SESSIONS:

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. Robert Laethem, Deb Otulakowski and Jay Littleton, Hospice of Michigan, to accept proclamation designating November as National Hospice Month in the City of Saginaw.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

PERSONAL APPEARANCES:

(A list will be provided on Monday)

REMARKS OF COUNCIL:

PETITIONS:

07-30 From Rick Hayes, Freeland, MI, requesting permission for fireworks display on November 10, 2007 (rain date November 11, 2007) at the east side of Saginaw River between the Johnson St. Bridge and the I-675 Bridge

07-31 From James R. McIntyre, PRIDE in Saginaw, Inc., requesting permission for fireworks display on November 16, 2007 at Ojibway Island for the Holidays in the City event.

REPORTS FROM BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES:

APPOINTMENT OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS MEMBERS:

1. Suzanne Mason for reappointment to the Saginaw Arts & Enrichment Commission with a term to expire June 30, 2009.
2. Robert Andreotti for reappointment to the Human Planning Commission with a term to expire November 24, 2009.

3. Amy Lynn Harvey for appointment to Saginaw Economic Development Corporation with a term to expire June 30, 2010.
4. Lori Brown and Larry Coulouris for appointment to the Tax Increment Finance Authority with a term to expire November 5, 2011

REPORTS FROM MANAGER:

Management Update:

1. Boyz-2-Men Manhood Training Program
2. Karl Schwartz, Chair of the Riverfront Development Commission, to give an update on the Riverfront Commission.
3. Cable Franchise Agreement
4. State Representative Andy Coulouris, 95th District, will discuss State issues from the House perspective.
5. Senator Roger Kahn will, 32nd District, will discuss State issues from the Senate perspective.
6. Darnell Earley, City Manager, to review the accomplishments of the Strategic Plan goals and objectives for 2005 – 2007.

Recommended Actions:

1. Recommending acceptance of the low bid and issuance of a purchase order to Data Systems Hardware in the amount of \$8,575.00 for the purchase of an IBM line printer that is used to print various reports as well as the annual Tax Roll. This vendor meets all requirements of the contract compliance provisions. Funds are available and budgeted in the Information Services Capital Office Equipment Account No. 658 1720 711 9760.
2. Recommending approval of the proposed Uniform Video Services Local Franchise Agreement with Charter Communications, and that the City Manager be authorized to execute this Agreement and any related documents.
3. Recommending approval of the Amendment to the contract for Westlaw service to the City Attorney's Office and that the City Attorney be authorized to execute this Amendment and any related documents. This vendor meets all requirements of the contract compliance provisions. Funds are available in the City Attorney's Subscriptions Account No. 101 1734 701 8068.
4. Recommending approval of the water agreement with Thomas Township.

5. Recommending approval of the water availability agreement with Thomas Township and Hemlock Semiconductor.
6. Recommending approval of the Agreement between the City and Alert Emergency Equipment Group, Inc. Alert and the City have negotiated an Agreement for an even trade of 18 surplus police vehicles for additional emergency lighting equipment for five (5) new police patrol vehicles. The 18 vehicles that are offered for trade are beyond economical repair and have been cannibalized for parts and equipment and are valued at a little more than that of scrap. This vendor meets all requirements of the contract compliance provisions.
7. Recommending that the parking agreement with Meredith Corporation d/b/a WNEM TV5 to lease parking spaces in Lot No. 23 be approved. The agreement is for a period of one year commencing on November 1, 2007 and expiring on October 31, 2008. Under the agreement, TV5 will pay the City of Saginaw \$2,952.00 per quarter to lease 41 parking spaces in the City's Municipal Parking Lot No. 23 located at 124 North Franklin.
8. Recommending increasing the current purchase order with Jonnie-On-The Spot from \$1,995.00 to \$3,295.00 for supplying portable toilets in various city parks through June 30, 2008. This vendor meets all requirements of the contract compliance provisions. Funds are available in the General fund Parks and Facilities Management Operating Services Account No. 101 7575 81 8005.
9. Recommending that payment be made to J & K Communications, Inc. in the amount of \$5,725.00 for an emergency purchase order issued on 09/14/07 for the purchase of back-up radios, in conjunction with the Gratiot Road Pump Station Improvement Project. This vendor meets all requirements of the contract compliance provisions. Funds are available in Water Operation & Maintenance Fund Account No. 591 4715 851 9705.
10. Recommending that the blanket purchase order (#34471) issued by the Department of Public Services, Right of Way Division, to Scott Tire Sales be reduced by \$8,000.00 and the blanket purchase order (#34465) issued to A.I.S. Construction Equipment be increased by \$8,000.00 in order to purchase a rebuilt motor for a Case Front End Loader and necessary repair parts for the remainder of the year. Both purchase orders are encumbered in the Motor Pool Operation Fund Account No. 661 4480 841 7312.
11. Recommending acceptance of the bid and issuance of a purchase order to North American Salt Company, Inc. in the amount of \$67,320.00 for 2,000 tons of road salt. This vendor meets all requirements of the contract compliance provisions. Funds are budgeted in the Municipal Streets Account Nos. 202 4655 841 7340

and 203 4655 841 7340 and will be accounted for in the Road Salt Inventory Account No. 204 0000 171 1135.

12. Recommending that Task Order No. 6 between the City of Saginaw and Greeley and Hansen LLC be accepted and that a purchase order be approved and issued to them in the amount of \$178,632.00. On June 5, 2006, City Council approved an agreement with Greeley and Hansen LLC. The agreement involved the completion of various task orders in order to eventually develop a water system master plan, design a chemical feed upgrade and other engineering upgrades as indicated. This vendor meets all requirements of the contract compliance provisions. Funds are available in the Water Surplus Engineering Services Account No. 577 4740 881 8002 for fiscal year 2007-08.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES:

CONSIDERATION AND PASSING OF ORDINANCES:

RESOLUTIONS:

1. Authorizing the Election Commissioners for the City of Saginaw to appoint the necessary receiving boards to receive the materials (ballot boxes, poll books, and statement of votes) from the precincts at the close of the polls on November 6, 2007.
2. Approving the Emergency Shelter Grant Application from Saginaw County Youth Protection Council to MSHDA.
3. Approving the apportionment of operational costs and accepting for file the Fiscal 2008 Budget of the Saginaw Area Storm Water Authority.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

MOTIONS AND MISCELLANEOUS:

Darnell Earley
City Manager

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

From: The City Manager

Subject: Purchase of IBM Line Printer

Manager's Recommendation:

I recommend that the bid received from Data Systems Hardware be accepted and that a purchase order be issued to them in the amount of \$8,575 for the purchase of an IBM line printer.

This vendor meets all requirements of the Contract Compliance Provisions, Title 1, Chapter 14, §14.35-14.44, of the Saginaw Code of Ordinances.

Funds for the printer are budgeted and available in the Information Services Capital Office Equipment Account No. 658-1720-711.97-60.

Justification:

On October 2, 2007, the City received bids for the purchase of an IBM Line Printer (Model V15). The IBM Line printer will be replacing a defective printer that has been in service since 1998. It is used for printing various reports as well as the annual Tax Roll that is delivered to the Saginaw County Treasurer. Following is a tabulation of the bids received:

Data Systems Hardware Sterling, VA	\$8,575.00
Yeo & Yeo Computer Consulting Saginaw, MI	\$8,999.00
Computer Mgt. Technologies Saginaw, MI	\$9,963.00
ATB Partners Daphne, AL	\$10,419.00

Council Action:

Council _____ moved that the recommendation of the City Manager be approved.

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

From: The City Manager

Subject: Approval of Cable Franchise Agreement

Manager's Recommendation:

I recommend approval of the proposed Uniform Video Services Local Franchise Agreement with Charter Communications, and that the City Manager be authorized to execute this Agreement and any related documents. The Agreement has been approved by the City Manager as to substance and the City Attorney as to form.

Justification:

CC VIII Operating, LLC, a Delaware limited liability corporation, doing business as Charter Communications, has sought a new franchise agreement pursuant to 2006 PA 480, MCL 484.3301, et seq. That state law specifies and standardizes the majority of the content of the new Uniform Video Services Local Franchise Agreement. Under the standard provisions, the City will receive as a franchise fee five (5%) percent of the gross revenues of Charter Communications.

In addition to the standard terms of the uniform agreement, the City and Charter Communication have negotiated additional terms. Charter will also pay a one half (1/2%) percent "PEG" fee to support Public, Educational and Government programming. In addition, Charter Communications has agreed to continue accepting local origination programming on Channel 16 until February 16, 2007.

Council Action:

Council _____ moved that the recommendation from the City Manager be approved.

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

From: The City Manager

Subject: Water Agreement with Thomas Township

Manager's Recommendation:

I recommend approval of the water agreement with Thomas Township. This contract has been approved by the City Manager as to substance and the City Attorney as to form.

Justification:

The City of Saginaw, Thomas Township and Hemlock Semi-Conductor ("HSC") have been negotiating an Act 425 Agreement as well as an Act 328 Agreement. These proposed agreements will allow HSC to expand its industrial facilities, have personal property taxes abated on its new machinery, and allow the City of Saginaw and Thomas Township to share in the revenue produced. In order to proceed, HSC needs a secure and reliable source of water. This water agreement between the City of Saginaw and Thomas Township will accomplish that. It will serve as a basis for the other agreements and allow construction to proceed.

Council Action:

Council _____ moved that the recommendation from the City Manager be approved.

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

From: The City Manager

Subject: Agreement with Thomas Township and Hemlock Semiconductor

Manager's Recommendation:

I recommend approval of the water availability agreement with Thomas Township and Hemlock Semiconductor. This contract has been approved by the City Manager as to substance and the City Attorney as to form.

Justification:

The City of Saginaw and Thomas Township have already negotiated an agreement for the conditional transfer of property pursuant to 1984 P.A. 425. The purpose of that agreement was to promote economic growth by causing Hemlock Semiconductor Corporation ("HSC"), located within the transferred area, to expand its operations, make improvements, acquire new capital equipment and retain and create employment and secure the availability of water service at its facility.

The transfer of this property will make HSC eligible for a full abatement of personal property taxes on new equipment, pursuant to 1998 P.A. 328. An application for and review of such a proposed abatement is expected shortly after execution of this agreement. HSC will begin receiving the benefits of this abatement on July 1, 2008.

Thomas Township, the City of Saginaw and HSC have negotiated this related water availability agreement. In consideration of the securing of additional water services to its site, HSC has agreed to pay Thomas Township and the City of Saginaw a water capacity fee, as established in the attached schedule. These payments will begin January 2, 2008. I recommend approval of this three party water availability agreement.

Council Action:

Council _____ moved that the recommendation from the City Manager be approved.

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APPOINTMENT OF RECEIVING BOARDS FOR THE NOVEMBER 6, 2007 COUNCIL/SCHOOL BOARD/STARS GENERAL ELECTION

Council _____ offered and moved adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, a General Election will be held in the City of Saginaw on Tuesday, November 6, 2007; and

WHEREAS, each of the City's twenty (20) precincts at the close of the polls, prepare the necessary paperwork to be sealed in specified envelopes, seal the ballots in the ballot box, and deliver the materials to the City Clerk's Office; and

WHEREAS, under Michigan law (MCL 168.679a), the legislative body of a City, by resolution, can authorize the Election Commissioners of the City to appoint receiving boards to accept and open the sealed envelopes and containers for review and verification.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Election Commissioners for the City of Saginaw (consisting of the Chief of Police, City Attorney and City Clerk) are hereby authorized to appoint the necessary receiving boards to receive the materials (ballot boxes, poll books, and statement of votes) from the precincts at the close of the polls on November 6, 2007.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in accordance with MCL 168.679a, each board will consist of an equal number (or as near as possible) of inspectors from each major political party.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the receiving boards will be authorized to open the sealed envelopes and ballot boxes to verify: (1) that the number of ballots

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issued equals the number of voters in the poll book and statement of votes; (2) confirm that the ballot box has been properly sealed and that nothing other than ballots are contained within; and (3) verify that all necessary documents have been properly signed by the election inspectors of each precinct.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the receiving board, with the election inspectors, shall together take the necessary steps to correct any discrepancies, making notation of such correction in the poll book and shall notify the clerk of the board of canvassers of the corrective action taken. Upon review and correction, if necessary, the receiving board shall properly reseal the ballot boxes and envelopes.

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

From: The City Manager

Subject: Road Salt for City Streets in the FY2008 Winter Season

Manager's Recommendation:

I recommend that the bid from North American Salt Company, Inc. be accepted at the State-bid price and that a purchase order be approved and issued to North American Salt Company, Inc. in the amount of \$67,320.00 for 2,000 tons.

This vendor meets all requirements of State of Michigan Contract Compliance Policy, which supersedes the City of Saginaw's Contract Compliance Provisions, Title 1, Chapter 14, §14.35 – 14.44, of the Saginaw Code of Ordinances.

Funds for this purchase are budgeted in the Municipal Streets Account Nos. 202-4655-841.73-40 and 203-4655-841.73-40 and will be accounted for in the Road Salt Inventory Account No. 204-0000-171.11-35.

Justification:

On April 18, 1977, City Council approved a cooperative purchasing agreement with the State of Michigan, which allows the City to purchase material and equipment at State-Bid pricing. North American Salt Company of Overland Park, Kansas was the low bidder at \$33.66 per ton. This price per ton includes the salt, weighing and loading, handling and the truck freight charges. This compares to a price of \$32.06 per ton for the bulk shipment of 4,500 tons received in October 2006.

Council Action:

Council_____ moved that the recommendation of the City Manager be approved.

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

From: The City Manager

Subject: Westlaw Service Contract Amendment

Manager's Recommendation:

I recommend approval of the Amendment to the contract for Westlaw service to the City Attorney's Office and that the City Attorney be authorized to execute this Amendment and any related documents. The Amendment has been approved by the City Manager as to substance and the City Attorney as to form.

The vendor meets all requirements of the Contract Compliance Provisions, Title 1, Chapter 14, §14.35-14.44, of the Saginaw Code of Ordinances.

Funds are available in the City Attorney's Subscriptions Account No. 101-1734-701-8068.

Justification:

The City Attorney has reviewed the Westlaw account and negotiated a modification with Westlaw's representative. By restructuring the computer services provided, the City was able to eliminate the need for hardcopy updates of three subscriptions. The net savings per year will be \$1,903.50. Westlaw requires a written amendment to the contract to finalize the matter, therefore the change must be approved by Council.

Council Action:

Council _____ moved that the recommendation from the City Manager be approved.

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

From: The City Manager

Subject: Alert Emergency Equipment Inc. Agreement

Manager's Recommendation:

I recommend approval of the Agreement between the City and Alert Emergency Equipment Group Inc. ("Alert"). This Agreement has been approved by me as to substance and the City Attorney as to form.

This vendor meets all requirements of the Contract Compliance Provisions, Title 1, Chapter 14, §14.35-14.44, of the Saginaw Code of Ordinances.

Justification:

Alert and the City have negotiated an Agreement for an even trade of 18 surplus police vehicles for additional emergency lighting equipment for five (5) new police patrol vehicles. The 18 vehicles that are offered for trade are beyond economical repair and have been cannibalized for parts and equipment and are valued at a little more than that of scrap.

Council Action:

Council _____ moved that the recommendation of the City Manager be approved.

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Manager's Recommendation: Approval of the Resolution as follows:

Approval of Emergency Shelter Grant Application from Saginaw County Youth Protection Council to MSHDA.

Council _____ offered and moved adoption of the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, the City of Saginaw has been asked by the Michigan State Housing Development Authority ("MSHDA") to approve grants from local non-profit applicants before MSHDA will process them; and

WHEREAS, the Saginaw County Youth Protection Council ("SCYPC") seeks local approval so that it may submit an application to MSHDA to provide emergency shelter to homeless residents at several local agencies including the City Rescue Mission, SCYPC Innerlink Program, Underground Railroad and Habitat for Humanity; and

WHEREAS, the City recognizes the value of the services provided by the SCYPC in its use of past grants.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Saginaw approve the SCYPC Emergency Shelter Grant Application to MSHDA.

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

From: The City Manager

Subject: Case Loader Re-built Motor Purchase

Manager's Recommendation:

I recommend that the Department of Public Services, Right of Way Division, reduce blanket purchase order 34471 to Scott Tire Sales by \$8,000.00 and increase blanket purchase order 34465 to A.I.S. Construction Equipment by \$8,000.00 in order to purchase a re-built motor for a Case Front End Loader and necessary repair parts for the remainder of the fiscal year. Both purchase orders are encumbered in the Motor Pool Operation Fund Account No. 661-4480-841-7312.

Justification:

The loader is used in rotation at the City's compost site and other locations as needed. When its motor blew up, city staff evaluated the integrity of the loader's frame, running gear and hinge points and determined it would be more cost effective to purchase a re-built motor than to purchase a new loader. A quote was received from A.I.S. Construction Equipment in the amount of \$7,000.00 for the re-built motor.

Council Action:

Council _____ moved that the recommendation of the City Manager be accepted.

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

From: The City Manager

Subject: Road Salt for City Streets in the FY2008 Winter Season

Manager's Recommendation:

I recommend that the bid from North American Salt Company, Inc. be accepted at the State-bid price and that a purchase order be approved and issued to North American Salt Company, Inc. in the amount of \$67,320.00 for 2,000 tons.

This vendor meets all requirements of the State of Michigan Contract Compliance Policy, which supersedes the City of Saginaw's Contract Compliance Provisions, Title 1, Chapter 14, §14.35 – 14.44, of the Saginaw Code of Ordinances.

Funds for this purchase are available in the Major Streets Road Materials Account No. 202-4655-841-73-40 for \$44,880.00 and Local Streets Account No. 203-4655-841-73-40 for \$22,440.00 and will be accounted for in the Streets Salt Inventory Account No. 204-0000-171-11-35.

Justification:

On April 18, 1977, City Council approved a cooperative purchasing agreement with the State of Michigan, which allows the City to purchase material and equipment at State-bid pricing. North American Salt Company, Overland Park, Kansas was the low bidder at \$33.66 per ton. This price per ton includes the salt, weighing and loading, handling and the truck freight charges. This compares to a price of \$32.06 per ton for the bulk shipment of 4,500 tons received in October 2006.

Council Action:

Council _____ moved that the recommendation of the City Manager be approved.

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From: The City Manager

Subject: Portable Toilets

Manager's Recommendation:

I recommend increasing the current purchase order with Jonnie-On-The-Spot from \$1,995.00 to \$3,295.00 for supplying portable toilets in various city parks through June 30, 2008.

This vendor meets all requirements of the Contract Compliance Provisions, Title 1, Chapter 14, §14.35 – 14.44, of the Saginaw Code of Ordinances.

Funds for the increase are available in the General Fund Parks and Facilities Management Operating Services Account No. 101-7575-821-8005.

Justification:

The Department of Public Services, Parks and Facilities Management Division, has a \$1,995.00 per year purchase order to supply portable toilets to the various City Parks through June 30, 2008. Due to additional costs incurred for the Sesquicentennial Celebration and toilets in more locations, the dollar amount of the purchase order is nearly depleted. Based on current use, it is estimated that we will spend an additional \$1,300.00 through June 20, 2008.

Council Action:

Council _____ moved that the recommendation of the City Manager be approved.

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From: The City Manager

Subject: Emergency Purchase for Gratiot Road Pump Station Project

Manager's Recommendation:

I recommend that payment be made to J & K Communications, Inc. (J & K) in the amount of \$5,725.00 for an emergency purchase order issued on 9/14/07 for the purchase of back-up radios, in conjunction with the Gratiot Road Pump Station Improvement Project.

This vendor meets all requirements of the Contract Compliance Provisions, Title 1, Chapter 14, §14.35 – 14.44, of the Saginaw Code of Ordinances.

Funds for these items are available in Water Operation & Maintenance Fund Account No. 591-4715-851-9705.

Justification:

A new radio network was installed to enable communication between the Saginaw Water Treatment Plant and it's Gratiot Road Pumping Station. In transitioning to the new system, communication problems were encountered and it was determined that back-up radios were needed to ensure the reliability of the water system. On September 14, 2007, an emergency purchase order was issued to J & K to purchase two back-up radios for use in the event of weather related or additional equipment failure of the new radio network. J & K supplied the new radios for the network and were chosen so that the back-up radios would be compatible.

Council Action:

Council _____ moved that the recommendation of the City Manager be approved.

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

From: The City Manager

Subject: WNEM TV5 Lot 23 Parking Agreement

Manager's Recommendation:

I recommend that the parking agreement with Meredith Corporation d/b/a WNEM TV5 ("TV5") to lease parking spaces in Lot Number 23 be approved. The agreement is for a period of one year commencing on November 1, 2007 and expiring on October 31, 2008. It has been approved by the City Manager as to substance and the City Attorney as to form.

Justification:

Transmitted herewith is a standard group parking agreement between the City of Saginaw ("City") and TV5. Under the agreement, TV5 will pay the City Two Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty Two Dollars and 00/100 (\$2,952.00) per quarter to lease forty-one (41) parking spaces in the City's Municipal Parking Lot Number 23 located at 124 North Franklin. The term of this agreement is for one year.

Council Action:

Council _____ moved that the recommendation of the City Manager be approved.

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From: The City Manager

Subject: Approval of Greeley and Hansen Task Order Number 6

Manager's Recommendation:

I recommend that task order number 6 between the City of Saginaw and Greeley and Hansen LLC be accepted and that a purchase order be approved and issued to them in the amount of \$178,632.00.

This vendor meets all requirements of the Contract Compliance Provisions, Title 1, Chapter 14, §14.35-14.44, of the Saginaw Code of Ordinances.

Funds for these services are available in the Water Surplus Engineering Services Account No. 577-4740-881.80-02 for fiscal year 2007/2008.

Justification:

On June 5, 2006, City Council approved an agreement with Greeley and Hansen LLC. The agreement involved the completion of various task orders in order to eventually develop a water system master plan, design a chemical feed upgrade and other engineering upgrades as indicated. The agreement was for a term of 3 years and not to exceed an amount of \$2,000,000.00. Task order number 6 is being submitted for acceptance under the terms of this agreement. The services associated with this task order include site selection and evaluation plus conceptual design for a new pump station and transmission lines. These items would be intended to serve wholesale customer needs in the northwest quadrant of the distribution system. Specifically they would accommodate daily and yearly supply and demand quantities agreed to in the water contract signed with Tittabawassee Township, and meet other supply issues created by aging of the current infrastructure and changes in demand locations and needs.

Council Action:

Council _____ moved that the recommendation of the City Manager be approved.

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Manager's Recommendation: Approval of the resolution as follows:

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE APPORTIONMENT OF OPERATIONAL COSTS AND ACCEPTING FOR FILE THE FISCAL 2008 BUDGET OF THE SAGINAW AREA STORM WATER AUTHORITY

Council _____ offered and moved adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the City of Saginaw has previously joined the Saginaw Area Storm Water Authority, hereafter "Authority," and is a constituent municipality pursuant to the Articles of Incorporation adopted by the Authority; and

WHEREAS, two-thirds (2/3) of the legislative bodies of the Member Municipalities are required to approve the apportionment of the annual operating costs of the Authority; and

WHEREAS, the Authority is required to file with the legislative bodies of the Member Municipalities an annual budget for the next fiscal year covering the proposed expenditures to be made for the organization and operation of the Authority,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Saginaw that:

1. The apportionment of the 2008 annual operating costs for the Authority is approved as presented.
2. The 2008 annual budget of the Authority is received and accepted as presented.