



# City of Ann Arbor

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## Action Minutes City Council

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Saturday, January 10, 2009

8:30 AM

William R. Wheeler Service Center

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### Work Session

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*The Work Session was called to order at 8:30 a.m. City Administrator Roger Fraser and Service Area Administrators (Tom Crawford, Jayne Miller, Chief Barnett Jones, Sue McCormick and Robin Wilkerson) were in attendance to guide Councilmembers through the annual budget process and goal setting session.*

**Present:** 11 - Mayor John Hieftje, Councilmember Stephen Rapundalo, Councilmember Leigh Greden, Councilmember Marcia Higgins, Councilmember Margie Teall, Councilmember Mike Anglin, Councilmember Sabra Briere, Councilmember Sandi Smith, Councilmember Tony Derezinski, Councilmember Christopher Taylor, and Councilmember Carsten Hohnke

#### **WS-1 City Council Annual Retreat and Goal Setting Session**

*City Councilmembers participated in the annual retreat and goal setting session at the Wheeler Center. Staff provided reports, discussed the City's financial forecast for the next two years and helped Council establish its priorities.*

*Councilmembers agreed on three main priorities for the City:*

- Complete the master plan updates: the Ann Arbor Discovering Downtown (A2D2) initiative; area height and placement amendments and zoning initiatives.*
- Pursue economic stability for the city by considering a city income tax and developing an economic development strategy.*
- Improve customer service by increasing effectiveness of communicating about service delivery, recognizing modes of communication are changing.*

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

*With no further business before the Council, the retreat was declared adjourned at 3:00 p.m.*

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