

City of Ann Arbor

301 E. Huron St.

Ann Arbor, MI 48104

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Meeting Minutes

Monday, February 12, 2018

7:00 PM

Work Session

**Larcom City Hall, 301 E Huron St, Second floor, City Council
Chambers**

City Council

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Taylor called the Work Session of the Ann Arbor City Council to order at 7:01 p.m. in the Guy C. Larcom, Jr. Building, 2nd Floor Council Chambers, 301 E. Huron Street.

ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL

Present: 11 - Councilmember Jane Lumm, Councilmember Sumi Kailasapathy, Councilmember Chuck Warpehoski, Councilmember Jack Eaton, Mayor Christopher Taylor, Councilmember Julie Grand, Councilmember Graydon Krapohl, Councilmember Kirk Westphal, Councilmember Zachary Ackerman, Councilmember Chip Smith and Councilmember Anne Bannister

WS WORK SESSION**WS-1 [18-0194](#) Setting the Stage: Legislative Updates and Policy Agenda Development**

Shelly Edgerton, Executive Director for the State of Michigan Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA), updated City Council on the State's Medical Marijuana licensing process. She stated over 700 applicants are in some stage of the application process for a State license.

Ms. Edgerton stated HB 5144 would formalize LARA's ability to create an advisory panel for Medical Marijuana licensing.

Kirk Profit, from GCSI, the City's lobbyist, updated City Council on other legislative matters in Lansing. He spoke about solar panels and the issue regarding the assessment of property taxes on them under current law. There was also discussion regarding elections, transportation issues and environmental concerns.

A copy of the City Administrator's report regarding the legislative agenda and Council policy priorities is on file in the City Clerk's Office.

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PUBLIC COMMENT - GENERAL (3 MINUTES EACH)

Edward Vielmetti, 1210 Brooklyn, spoke about the City's lobbyist from Governmental Consulting Services, Inc., stating that Mr. Profit also

lobbies on behalf of other jurisdictions, including those in Macomb County whose priorities do not always align with Ann Arbor. He suggested this might create a conflict.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Councilmember Westphal, seconded by Councilmember Lumm, that the Work Session adjourn. On a voice vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 8:51 p.m.

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