

City Administrator's Report – August 9, 2018

Prepared for Council. Kindly forward questions, comments, or suggestions for input to hlazarus@a2gov.org or shiggins@a2gov.org.

Safety Notes

Every action, every day, be safe! Ann Arbor knows how to throw a safe and fun party. Thanks to all of our community partners and staff who supported Art Fair and the International Champions Cup soccer game!

Construction season is in full swing. Travel safely, and Go Orange (as in cones)!

Success Stories

Max kudos to City Clerk Jackie Beaudry, her staff, and all of our poll workers and volunteers who made the **August 7 Primary Election** a big success. A2 voters turned out in large numbers and submitted a record number of absentee ballots.

Ann Arbor Police Department Achieves CALEA Accreditation. On Saturday, July 28, 2018, the Ann Arbor Police Department (AAPD) went before the Commission on Accreditation of Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA) Review Board for the final step in a three-year process. The department is now pleased to share the successful conclusion - AAPD is CALEA accredited and one of thirteen law enforcement agencies in Michigan (out of 571) and less than four percent of law enforcement agencies in the United States are accredited. CALEA accreditation means that AAPD's procedures meet or exceed national standards and best practices.

Ann Arbor Police Department to Dedicate Officers to Downtown Beat. In early September, the [Ann Arbor Police Department](#) will be bringing back the beat to patrol the city's downtown area. "Downtown beat" officers will often be on bicycle or foot and will provide a more visible, approachable police presence. These officers will also develop and maintain contacts with residents, business associations and community groups; involve the community in problem solving efforts; develop strategies to reduce crime and violence; and help to improve the overall quality of life on their beat.

AAPD is re-establishing the "downtown beat" in response to the community and AAPD's desire to connect with the community it serves. The officers working this assignment will be focused on the department's community-oriented policing philosophy. These officers will participate in community and business association meetings related to the beat.

The staffing for these assignments will come from a reallocation of existing resources - no additional positions will be requested.

Council Priorities/Initiatives

City Council will meet on Thursday, August 23rd due to the Eid al- Adha holiday observance.

City Council will meet on Tuesday, September 4th due to the Labor Day holiday.

The Advisory Task Force on Community Policing is continuing to meet and seek community input on the formation of a Community Policing Commission, per the recommendation of the **Independent Review of Ann Arbor Police Department Community Engagement Practices**. Task Force meetings are posted on Legistar. Past Task Force meetings are available via replay on [CTN On Demand](#).

Previews

The **August 9 Council Meeting** will feature the following items of interest:

A public hearing and second reading of **An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 55 (Zoning), Rezoning of .41 Acre from R4B (Multiple-Family Dwelling District) to O (Office District), 2455 South Main Rezoning, (CPC Recommendation: Approval - 9 Yeas and 0 Nays) (Ordinance No. ORD-18-19).**

A public hearing and **Resolution to Approve 115 Research Drive Site Plan, 115 Research Drive (CPC Recommendation: Approval - 6 Yeas and 0 Nays).**

At first reading **An Ordinance to Amend Section 1:207 of Chapter 8 (Organization of Boards and Commissions) and to Repeal Chapter 85 (Taxicabs) of the Code of the City of Ann Arbor (Ordinance No. ORD-18-xx)**

At first reading **An Ordinance to Amend the Zoning Map, Being a Part of Section 5:10.2 of Chapter 55 of Title V of the Code of the City of Ann Arbor, Zoning of 6.4 Acres from C1A/R (Campus Business Residential District) WITH CONDITIONS to C1A/R WITH CONDITIONS (AS AMENDED), 1140 Broadway Rezoning, (CPC Recommendation: Approval - 9 Yeas and 0 Nays)**

WIP (Work in Progress)

Staff is working on the following items pursuant to Council directions:

ITEM	DUE DATE	DUE DATE	STATUS
R-18-173	Resolution of Interest Regarding 350 S. Fifth Avenue	August 31, 2018	Work in Progress
R-18-195	Budget to Adopt Ann Arbor Budget and Related Property Tax Millage Rates for FY19, Amendment 2 – Regarding Community Participation and Engagement in Developing	September 1, 2018	Work in Progress

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ITEM	DUE DATE	DUE DATE	STATUS
	City Budget and Spending Priorities for FY2020 and FY2021 Financial Plan		
R-17-442	Resolution Committing the City of Ann Arbor to Using 100% Clean and Renewable Energy for City Operations	September 2018 to Environmental and Energy Commissions	Work in Progress
R-18-039	Resolution Creating an Advisory Task Force to Make Recommendations Regarding the Roles and Responsibilities of a Community Policing Commission	September 4, 2018	Work in Progress

Other

September Events with NAP. City of Ann Arbor Natural Area Preservation (NAP) works to protect and restore Ann Arbor's natural areas and to foster an environmental ethic among its citizens. This involves conducting plant and animal inventories, ecological monitoring and stewardship projects in Ann Arbor parks. These tasks are performed by both staff and volunteers. Volunteer opportunities coming up in September are listed at <https://www.a2gov.org/news/pages/article.aspx?i=504>. Learn more about NAP at www.a2gov.org/NAP.