

City Administrator's Report – June 18, 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! Stay safe and comfortable when temperatures soar. The National Oceanic and Atmosphere Administration and the National Weather Service are providing a [heat awareness fact sheet](#) (PDF) to explain heat-related terms, dangers and warning signs. This resource also notes appropriate first aid guidelines to administer in addition to calling for help when needed. Be sure to note the following precautions from NOAA and NWS to be safe whether at work, home or play.

- Stay hydrated by drinking plenty of water. If you wait until you feel thirsty, dehydration may already be setting in.
 - Identify a cool place nearby to seek refuge from the heat when needed; and know the symptoms to watch out for of heat-related illnesses.
 - Avoid over exertion, particularly during the hottest hours of the day, 11 a.m.-6 p.m.
- Be sure to check out the [NOAA/NWS fact sheet](#) (PDF) for many more tips and details.

Success Stories

The World Economic Forum (WEF) has selected the partnership among the City of Ann Arbor, the City of Detroit, the City of Windsor, the University of Michigan and private sector partners Ford and Deloitte to participate in the WEF's SIMSystem: Designing Seamless Integrated Mobility Project pilot. The pilot seeks to merge technology and transportation systems to provide enhanced mobility address the region.

The Forum received 13 applications representing 10 different countries. The applicant pool was diverse, competitive and demonstrative of the impressive range of mobility advancements occurring across the world. On 10 May, the SIMSystem Working Group convened in New York to evaluate the applications and narrowed down the pool of 13 applications to four finalists. By majority vote, the Working Group selected Michigan-Canada as the top applicant and also elected to partner with only one geography in this initial pilot year. The SIMSystem Steering Committee approved the Working Group's recommendation on May 24. Team members will participate in a kick-off meeting on June 19 in Detroit.

Council Priorities/Initiatives

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 [CTN On Demand](#).

List of Roads for Reconstruction, Resurfacing and Preventative Maintenance for 2018. The City of Ann Arbor has released the tentative list of roads to be part of 2018's reconstruction, resurfacing and preventive maintenance program. This year's construction season will see a complete reconstruction of North Fifth Avenue and Detroit Street in Kerrytown, in collaboration with the Downtown Development Authority, as well as resurfacing of 24 segments of road throughout the city. In addition, stretches of 44 major streets and local roads will have preventative maintenance performed, which takes only a few days to complete but will help extend their useable life and improve traveling conditions. [A map](#) (PDF) and more information about these and other road/utility projects in Ann Arbor can be found at a2gov.org/engineering.

The projected funding for transportation projects in FY2019 is provided in the table below:

AREA	AMOUNT
Roads	\$18,177,843
Sidewalks	2,243,043
New Lighting	115,000
Signs	343,631
Pavement Markings	473,637
Lighting Replacement/Maintenance	639,637
Electronic Speed Limit Signs –Schools	200,000
TOTAL	\$22,192,965

Previews

The **June 18 Council Meeting** will feature the following items of interest:

- As a written communication from the City Administrator is the **2018 Deer Management Final Report**
- A Public Hearing and Second Reading of **An Ordinance to Amend Sections 5:1 and 5:10.4 of Chapter 55 (Zoning) of the Code of the City of Ann Arbor to Modify the Definition of Fraternity or Sorority House and Amend Corresponding Special Exception Use Standards (Ordinance No. ORD-18-06) (continued from the May 7 Regular Session)**
- A Public Hearing and Second Reading of **An Ordinance to Amend Sections 2:61 through 2:64, and 2:69, and to Repeal Section 2:73 of Chapter 29 (Change Water, Sewer, and Stormwater Rates) of Title II of the Code of the City of Ann Arbor (Ordinance No. ORD-18-12) (continued from the May 21 Regular Session)**
- A Public Hearing and **Resolution to Approve 1101 South University Site Plan, 1101 South University (CPC Recommendation: Approval - 7 Yeas and 0 Nays)**
- First Reading of **An Ordinance to Replace Previously Repealed Chapter 9 (Model Neighborhood Policy Board) of Title I of the Code of the City of Ann Arbor with a New Chapter, Which New Chapter Shall be Designated as Chapter 9 (City Seal and Flag) of Title I of the Code of the City of Ann Arbor**
- **Resolution to Adopt the City's Legislative Agenda for FY2019**

- **Resolution to Oppose SB 0637 - Small Wireless Facilities**
- **Resolution to Update and Adjust Parking Fine Schedule**

WIP (Work in Progress)

The **Downtown Development Authority (DDA)** Board met on June 6th and passed the following resolutions:

- Recommended support for the renewal of the AAATA transit millage.
- Established a project budget of \$645,000 for parking structure repairs and a contract with Meridian Restoration in the amount of \$537,460 for summer repairs.
- Authorized a year-end management fee of \$50,000 for Republic Parking System for 2017.

The **DDA** concluded its open houses and workshops on its **People Friendly Streets** program and the projects for First, Ashley, and William Streets on June 7th.

The **Washtenaw County Regional Equity Leadership Group** met on June 4th to review its 2018 Work Plan and discuss the At-Risk Affordable Housing throughout the County. The property most at-risk in Ann Arbor is the Courthouse Square building, which has the potential to go market rate with the resulting loss of 116 affordable units for seniors.

Northside STEAM Sidewalk Gap Special Assessment Administrative Hearing – Tuesday, June 26 from 6:00-7:30 p.m. in the 2nd floor Council Chambers of City Hall, 301 E. Huron St.

Other

Celebrate National Pollinator Week with NAP June 23 & 24. Every year in June, for one week, organizations all around the country raise awareness for pollinators, their importance to our ecosystem, how to reduce our impacts to pollinators, how to improve their habitat and other ways to get involved. Animal pollinators, including bees, butterflies, beetles, bats and birds, are responsible for the reproduction of 75 percent of flowering plants. Pollinators contribute to ecosystem health and a sustainable food supply. Pollinator Week, initiated and managed by the Pollinator Partnership, is dedicated to uniting the nation around the issue of pollinator conservation.

City of Ann Arbor Natural Area Preservation (NAP) will host four events to celebrate the Pollinator Partnership's National Pollinator Week, which is June 18-24. Event information can be found here: [NAP Pollinator Events](#)