

City of Ann Arbor

City Administrator's Report – October 15, 2018

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

Safety Notes

A2 Be Safe! October marks the beginning of the holiday season, and with it decreased hours of sunlight and visibility. Halloween is just two weeks away, and the City urges all to exercise additional care as ghosts and goblins of all shapes and sizes will be among us. Remember to stop for them in our crosswalks, and to slow down as you navigate through our neighborhoods.

Success Stories

[Community Mental Health](#) (CMH) and the [Ann Arbor Police Department](#) (AAPD) are seeking collaboration between the agencies by conducting ride-a-longs. CMH will ride with an AAPD officer to learn and understand what road officers' face on a daily basis. AAPD will ride-a-long with CMH to see what they experience when they visit clients. This networking will help build a partnership that will benefit both agencies. Please contact [Sgt. Dawn Murphy](#) if you have any questions or are interested in participating in a ride-a-long.

Council Priorities/Initiatives

Budget Priorities Online Community Survey. On Sept. 4, City Council approved engaging the professional services of The Center for Priority Based Budgeting (CPBB) to conduct a Priority Based Budgeting Survey for the City of Ann Arbor. The goal of the community survey will be to obtain meaningful and broad citizen input to assist staff and City Council members in developing the city's budget and spending priorities for fiscal years 2020 and 2021.

In accordance with City Charter, the City Administrator's recommended fiscal year 2020 budget will be submitted to City Council on April 15, 2019. Fiscal year 2020 runs from July 1, 2019, to June 30, 2020. City Council members can only adopt one fiscal year at a time even though the city plans for multi-year budgets.

The city encourages all residents to share their insights and opinions through this survey on what they believe the city's priorities should be for the upcoming budget. The deadline to take this [online-only survey](#) is Nov. 18, 2018. Results of the survey will be provided to City Council members in early December and made available to the public via the city's website.

Previews

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The City's Mission is to deliver exceptional services that sustain and enhance a vibrant, safe and diverse community.

The **October 15 Council Meeting** will feature the following items of interest:

Administrator's Communication items:

- ***Memorandum from City Administrator: 2019 Deer Management Plan***
- ***Memorandum from City Administrator: Scio Church Road Improvements Project Emergency Authorization***

Public Hearings (4)

- ***A Resolution to Approve the 1448 Warrington Drive Annexation, 2.25 Acres (CPC Recommendation: Approval - 8 Yeas and 0 Nays)***
- ***A Resolution to Approve the Dantzler Annexation, 0.96 Acre, 2861 Stone School Road (CPC Recommendation: Approval - 7 Yeas and 0 Nays)***
- ***At second reading An Ordinance to Amend Section 8:413 of Chapter 103 (Historic Preservation) of the Code of the City of Ann Arbor Regarding Extension of Authorization for Work in Historic Districts (Ordinance No. ORD-18-29)***
- ***At second reading An Ordinance to Create the Independent Community Police Oversight Commission (Ordinance No. ORD-18-30)***

First Reading

- ***An Ordinance to Amend Section 9:38 and 9:42 of Chapter 107 (Animals) of the Code of the City of Ann Arbor Regarding the Additional of Ducks to the Referenced Sections (Ordinance No. ORD-18-30)***

Resolutions:

- ***Resolution to Increase the FY19 General Fund Budget of the Ann Arbor Police Department by \$30,000.00 to Provide for the Independent Community Police Oversight Commission (8 Votes Required)***
- ***Resolution to Approve Bylaws of the Independent Community Police Oversight Commission***
- ***Resolution to Approve the Master Deed for the Collective on Fifth Condominium at 319 S. Fifth Avenue***

WIP (Work in Progress)

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

ITEM	DUE DATE	DUE DATE	STATUS
R-18-195	Resolution to Adopt FY19 Budget: Amendment No. 2 – Community Participation and Engagement in development City Budget and Spending Priorities for FY20-21	December 1, 2018	The deadline to take this online-only survey is Nov. 18, 2018.

Other

City Road Projects Resumed Following Labor Dispute Delays. Several road projects in Ann Arbor have been affected by a labor dispute between Operation Engineers Local 324 and the Michigan Infrastructure and Transportation Association. While the labor dispute was resolved as of Sept. 27, this three-plus-week dispute has caused delays in various city projects, the full effects of which are still uncertain. Residents should be aware that weather may also impact the schedule of these projects, even when work resumes.

Impacted projects include:

Pauline Boulevard: The contractor is now completing work on the remainder of the north side of the road (from Redeemer to Seventh). The entire project is currently expected to be completed by late October.

Scio Church Road: At this time, staff expects to complete at least the first two layers of paving on both sides of the road this season, and are hopeful that the final paving will also be completed. All of the sidewalk work is expected to be completed this season as well.

Local street resurfacing: Concrete work is continuing on the remaining local streets. The general contractor plans to complete all of the scheduled work this season.

Crest/Washington/Buena Vista: The contractor is scheduled to put down a final layer of asphalt on the remaining street, Crest Ave., between Buena Vista and Washington, Tuesday, October 16. At that point, this project will be substantially complete.

Federal/Commerce/Green: The contractor started work the week of October 8th on Green Road. The contractor expects to finish this season, although after the original completion date in the contract.

The city website features details about local road and lane closures, www.a2gov.org/roads.

November 6 General Election Information. The General Election will occur in all Ann Arbor wards on Tuesday, Nov. 6. All city polling places will be open from 7 a.m. until 8 p.m. For ballot information, visit www.a2gov.org/elections. To locate your ward and/or polling place, go to the Michigan Voter Information web page at www.michigan.gov/vote or contact the city clerk's office at 734.794.6140 or in

person. For those planning to vote absentee, the Ann Arbor City Clerk's office will be open special hours Saturday, Nov. 3, 8 a.m.–2 p.m. for voters to pick up or turn in General Election absentee ballots. All absentee ballots must be returned to the city clerk's office by 8 p.m. on Election Day. The City Clerk's office is located on the second floor of Larcom City Hall, 301 E. Huron St. On-street or lot parking is available off Ann Street, east of Fifth Avenue. In-person requests for absentee ballots will be accepted at the city clerk's office until 4 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 5. Voters requesting ballots on Nov. 5 must vote and return the ballot that same day.