

**CITY OF GRAND HAVEN
GRAND HAVEN, MICHIGAN
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2025**

The Regular Meeting of the Grand Haven City Council was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Bob Monetza in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 519 Washington Ave.

Present: Council Members Mike Fritz, Karen Lowe, Mayor Pro-tem Kevin McLaughlin, and Mayor Bob Monetza.

Absent: None.

Others Present: City Manager Ashley Latsch, City Clerk Maria Boersma, Assistant City Manager Dana Kolleywehr, Finance Director Emily Greene, City Planner Brian Urquhart, Human Resources Manager Tahlor Carlen.

INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPOINTMENTS

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AND REGULAR AGENDAS

25-189 Council Member **Fritz** moved, seconded by Council Member **Lowe**, to approve the agendas as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

This motion carried unanimously.

FIRST CALL TO AUDIENCE

Mike Weavers, 637 Lake Ave: Commented on the decline in enrollment in the Grand Haven Area Public School District, the proposed Public Safety Millage, and requested economic incentives.

Jeffrey Miller, 1120 S Harbor: Thanked Council Members Lowe and McLaughlin for their service on City Council.

PRESENTATION

CONSENT AGENDA.

25-190 Approve the Special Work Session and Regular City Council Meeting Minutes of October 6, 2025.

25-191 Approve the bill's memo in the amount of \$2,275,892.33.

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25-192 Approve the FY25-26 budget amendments for the General (101), Major Streets (202), Local Streets (203), Downtown TIF Revenue (245), Grand Landing TIF Revenue (246), Grand Haven DDA (248), Lighthouse Maintenance (276), Public Improvement (401), NORA (508), Sewer Authority (509), NOWS (510), Airport (581), City Sewer (590), City Water (591), Marina (594), Motor Pool (661), and Insurance (677) Funds.

Council Member **Fritz** moved, seconded by Council Member **Lowe**, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

This motion carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

25-193 Council Member **Lowe** moved, seconded by Council Member **Fritz**, to approve a final resolution for a zoning change request from MDR, Moderate Density Residential, to B, Beechtree District, for a portion of 601 S. Beechtree Street (parcel #70-03-28-277-017).

Roll Call Vote:

This motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor **Monetza** opened a Public Hearing regarding a resolution to approve a Commercial Rehabilitation Act Exemption Certificate at 1445 Columbus Street, parcel #70-03-21-477-017, with legal description of LOTS 22, 23 & 24 CORLS ADD, pursuant to Public Act 210 of 2005 as amended.

Assistant City Manager **Dana Kollwehr** introduced the incentive request from West Wind Construction. The proposed project would create 45 new housing units and demolish two existing commercial structures.

Mike Weavers, 637 Lake Ave: Commented in opposition to the tax incentive request and all future tax incentive requests.

After hearing no further comments, Mayor Monetza closed the Public Hearing.

NEW BUSINESS

25-194 Council Member **Lowe** moved, seconded by Mayor Pro-tem **McLaughlin**, to authorize staff to enter into lease negotiations with the Grand Haven Children's Museum for museum space at Central Park Place.

Roll Call Vote

This motion carried unanimously.

25-195 Council Member **Lowe** moved, seconded by Mayor Pro-tem **McLaughlin**, to approve a lease with Ottawa County for the use of lot 24 for public parking.

Roll Call Vote:

This motion carried unanimously.

Council Member **Fritz** moved, seconded by Council Member **Lowe**, to approve an Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Act Exemption Certificate at 224 Washington avenue, parcel #70-03-20-436-011, with legal description of W 43 FT OF N58 FT LOT 243 7 W 43 FT LOT 244 ORIGINAL PLAT, pursuant to Public Act 146 of 2000 as amended.

**Council Member Fritz motioned to postpone the item, but the motion did not receive a second.*

Roll Call Vote:

This motion failed unanimously.

REPORT BY CITY COUNCIL

Mayor Pro-tem **McLaughlin** requested that before scheduled Public Hearings for tax incentive requests, all pro forma and financial information related to the project should be in the City Council packets. Mayor Pro-tem **McLaughlin** also questioned the viability of the 1445 Columbus Street project based on the Plante Moran financial report of the project.

Council Member **Lowe** shared she would like more from the EDC/BRA in regards to the public good of incentive requests and their understanding of their goal in reviewing requests.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

CALL TO AUDIENCE SECOND OPPORTUNITY

Mike Weavers, 637 Lake: Requested City Council respond to citizens during Public Comment.

Jeffrey Miller 1120 S Harbor: Commented in support of City Council not responding during Public Comment.

Rachael Dody, Grand Haven Children's Museum: Thanked City Council for their support to permit staff to enter into lease negotiations with the Children's Museum.

CLOSED SESSION

Council Member **Lowe** moved, seconded by Mayor Pro-tem **McLaughlin**, to enter into Closed Session at 8:30 p.m. to consider a periodic personnel evaluation pursuant to Section 8(1)(a) of the Open Meetings Act at the written request of the employee.

Roll Call Vote:

This motion failed unanimously.

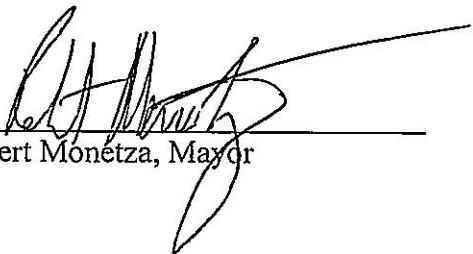
Council Member **Lowe** moved, seconded by Mayor Pro-tem **McLaughlin**, to exit Closed Session at 9:10 p.m.

Roll Call Vote:

This motion failed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

After hearing no further business, Mayor Monetza adjourned the meeting at 9:10 p.m.



Robert Monetza, Mayor

Maria Boersma, City Clerk

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To: Ashley Latsch, City Manager
From: Emily Greene, Finance Director
CM Date:
RE: Bills From Payables Warrant

10.20.25

NEW FUND NUMBER	FUND NAME	WARRANT 10.08.25	ACH WARRANT 10.15.25	WARRANT 10.15.25	CREDIT CARD WARRANT 10.14.25	TOTALS
101	General Fund	\$25,382.66	\$27,482.71	\$33,557.99	\$8,124.32	\$60,989.69
151	Cemetery Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
202	Major Street Fund	\$0.00	\$35,407.74	\$316.74	\$0.00	\$35,407.74
203	Local Street Fund	\$0.00	\$475.68	\$316.73	\$0.00	\$475.68
225	Land Acquisition Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
242	Brld LSRRF TIF	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
243	Brownfield Redevelopment Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
244	Econ. Dev. Corp. Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
245	Downtown TIF	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
246	GLTIF Spec Rev Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
248	Main St Dist Dev	\$86.19	\$813.62	\$3,065.89	\$2,430.19	\$3,330.00
272	UTGO Inf Spec Rev Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
273	LTGO Bond Rev Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
274	2015 UTGO Bond Rev	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
276	LightHouse Maintenance Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
278	Community Land Trust	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$20.00	\$20.00
310	Assessment Bond Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
351	Operating Debt Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
352	Brownfield TIF Debt	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
355	GLTIF Debt Serv Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
369	Building Auth Debt Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
372	UTGO Inf Debt Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
373	LTGO Debt	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
374	2015 UTGO Bond Debt Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
384	2020 LTGO Bond - Warber Drain	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
394	Downtown TIF Debt	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
401	Public Improvements Fund	\$133,187.69	\$62,200.00	\$12,958.66	\$0.00	\$195,387.69
402	Fire Truck Replacement Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
403	Brownfield TIF Const	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
404	Downtown TIF Const.	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
410	Harbor Island	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
455	G/L TIF Construction Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
456	UTGO Inf Construction Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
457	LTGO Bond Construction Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
458	2015 UTGO Bond Inf Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
469	Building Auth. Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
508	North Ottawa Rec Authority	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$510.20	\$510.20
509	Sewer Authority Operations	\$2,670.54	\$34,790.10	\$33,110.43	\$484.72	\$37,945.36
509	Sewer Authority SL Force Mn	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
509	Sewer Authority Plant Mod	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
509	GH/SL SA-2013 Debt	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
509	GH/SL SA-SLPS/Force Main Debt	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
509	GH/SL SA-Local Lift Station Debt	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
509	GH/SL SA-2018 Plant Debt	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
510	NOWS Operating	\$1,587.23	\$173.14	\$31,136.58	\$0.00	\$1,760.37
510	NOWS Plant Debt	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
510	NOWS Replacement	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
535	Housing Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
572	Chinook Pier Rental Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
581	Airpark Fund	\$972.60	\$7,848.26	\$274.82	\$0.00	\$8,820.86
590	City Sewer Fund	\$2,650.66	\$10,008.12	\$429.40	\$29.50	\$12,688.28
591	City Water Fund	\$4,115.15	\$130,985.33	\$5,025.81	\$643.46	\$135,743.94
594	City Marina Fund	\$766.52	\$0.00	\$1,046.58	\$34.98	\$801.50
597	City Boat Launch Fund	\$0.00	\$270.00	\$40.01	\$0.00	\$270.00
661	Motorpool Fund	\$46,821.90	\$41,291.64	\$4,389.08	\$39.94	\$88,153.48
677	Self Insurance Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$133.45	\$0.00	\$0.00
678	OPEB/Retiree Benefits Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
679	Health Benefit Fund	\$0.00	\$745.00	\$91.60	\$0.00	\$745.00
701	Trust & Agency Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
703	Tax Collection Fund	\$690.79	\$1,164,849.04	\$401,398.74	\$0.00	\$1,165,539.83
704	Payroll Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
		\$218,931.93	\$1,517,340.38	\$527,302.71	\$12,317.31	\$2,275,892.33

\$2,275,892.33 Total Approved Bills

\$1,166,284.83 Minus eligible bills for release without prior approval: including Utility,

\$1,109,607.50 Retirement, Insurance, Health Benefit, and Tax Collection Funds