

SPECIAL SESSION - APRIL 12, 1993

ADMINISTRATION OF OATH OF OFFICE

City Clerk Winifred Northcross administered the Oath of Office to the newly elected Mayor, Ingrid B. Sheldon, and Councilmembers: Jane Lumm, Second Ward; Ulrich Stoll, Third Ward; Julie Creal, Fourth Ward; and David F. Stead, Fifth Ward.

Newly elected First Ward Councilmember Tobi Hanna-Davies was absent.

The newly elected Mayor and Councilmembers took their seats.

The special session of the Ann Arbor City Council was called to order at 7:34 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chamber by Mayor Ingrid Sheldon.

ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL

PRESENT : Councilmembers Larry Hunter, Peter Fink, Jane Lumm, Robert C. Grady, Ulrich Stoll, Peter Nicolas, Julie Creal, Thais Anne Peterson, David F. Stead, Mayor Ingrid B. Sheldon, 10.

ABSENT : Councilmember Tobi Hanna-Davies, 1.

NOTICE OF CALL OF SPECIAL SESSION

The certification and notice of call of special session was read and ordered placed on file with the City Clerk.

ORGANIZATION OF NEW COUNCIL

MAYOR PRO TEMPORE ELECTED

The Mayor declared nominations open for election of Mayor Pro Tem for the ensuing Council year.

Councilmember Peterson moved and Councilmember Stead supported that Councilmember Larry Hunter be elected Mayor Pro Tem.

Councilmember Hunter did not accept the nomination.

Councilmember Hunter moved and Councilmember Grady supported that Councilmember Thais Peterson be elected Mayor Pro Tem.

On a voice vote the Chair declared the motion carried and Councilmember Peterson elected Mayor Pro Tem for the 1993-94 Council year.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS DEFERRED

Councilmember Hunter moved and Councilmember Creal supported that the Council appointments to the various boards, commissions and committees be deferred to the April 19, 1993 regular session of Council to allow review of the assignments.

On a voice vote the Chair declared the motion carried.

COUNCIL RULES ADOPTED

Councilmember Hunter moved and Councilmember Peterson supported that the previous Rules of Council be adopted for the 1993-94 Council year.

On a voice vote the Chair declared the motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY - RESERVED TIME

LEE PACE - WELCOME TO NEW MAYOR

Lee Pace, 3435 Fernwood Ave., welcomed the new Mayor on behalf of the Southeast Ann Arbor Homeowners Association. Mr. Pace stated that he has observed Ms. Sheldon's hard work during the past three months and expressed hope that Ann Arbor can be brought together to move ahead.

LAURA DRESSER - HOUSING

Laura Dresser, 807 Dewey Ave., representing the Homeless Action Committee, voiced HAC's belief that the City has the resources and responsibility to deal with the problem of homelessness through the development of low-income housing, and that DDA funds

should be applied to housing needs rather than business requests.

MICHAEL KLINE - HOUSING

Michael Kline, 822 S. Main St., representing the Homeless Action Committee, expressed concern that a comprehensive plan for low-income housing does not exist in the City. Mr. Kline stated that a process for creating such a plan is needed and should include all segments of the community and lead to a plan for low-income housing that can guide future action.

SUSAN MCGEE - SEXISM IN CAMPAIGN ACTIVITIES

Susan McGee, 1455 South Blvd., expressed concern with the anti-semitic and sexist attacks on former Mayor Brater throughout the campaign and specifically in a mailing prior to the City election. Ms. McGee stated that this was a serious breach of ethics and requested that City Council ask the Human Rights Commission to investigate this mailing and recommend action.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

AGENDA APPROVED AS PRESENTED

Councilmember Peterson moved that the agenda be approved as presented.

On a voice vote the Chair declared the motion carried.

REPORTS FROM COUNCIL COMMITTEES

COUNCILMEMBER HUNTER

Councilmember Hunter reported that the Human Services Funding Task Force will be meeting soon and emphasized the importance of the Council appointee's attendance at the meetings because of the involved recommendation process and the fast approaching budget deliberations.

COUNCIL PROPOSED BUSINESS

APRIL 19 REGULAR SESSION:

Resolution Regarding the Mutual Housing Association as it Relates to the Ann Arbor Inn (Councilmembers Hunter and Hanna-Davies)

Resolution Regarding Earth Day (Councilmember Stead)

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

WORKING WITH COUNCIL

Mayor Sheldon stated that she is looking forward to working with Council as well as City staff. Ms. Sheldon expressed hope that Council will not stress the differences, but rather look for common goals to build working situations.

JOINT CAUCUS MEETING

Mayor Sheldon announced that a City Council joint caucus meeting is scheduled for April 18 at 7:30 p.m. in the fire station conference room. Ms. Sheldon stated that the first portion of the meeting will be dedicated to goal setting.

PROCLAMATION TO UM BASKETBALL TEAM

The Mayor reported that a proclamation was delivered to the University of Michigan Basketball Team congratulating them on a good season and showing appreciation of their efforts which have reflected well on the university and the City.

WORKING SESSION

Mayor Sheldon requested that a working session of Council be held on April 26 to discuss Old West Side parking issues and staff reports regarding the Huron Parkway/Oakway retaining walls.

RECEPTION

The Mayor invited everyone present to attend a reception, sponsored by friends, following tonight's meeting.

DAMA CREAL RECOGNIZED

Mayor Sheldon recognized Dama Creal, wife of former Mayor Cecil Creal and grandmother to new Fourth Ward Councilmember Julie Creal.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR

None.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CITY ATTORNEY

None.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM COUNCIL

COUNCILMEMBER FINK

Councilmember Fink asked whether anyone on Council knew who would be staffing the next Council Call-In.

Mayor Sheldon responded that Councilmember Nicolas will be on duty for the Council Call-In scheduled for April 14.

COUNCILMEMBER HUNTER

Councilmember Hunter welcomed Mrs. Dama Creal and congratulated the new members of Council. Mr. Hunter stated that he is looking forward to working cooperatively with all members regardless of party.

Councilmember Hunter requested that the City Administrator schedule a Council working session regarding health care costs.

COUNCILMEMBER PETERSON

Councilmember Peterson wished a speedy recovery to Councilmember Hanna-Davies who recently underwent surgery.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY - GENERAL

LLOYD QUICKSEY - POTHOLE

Lloyd Quicksey, 1875 Arlington Blvd., reported that a pothole at Washtenaw and Arlington is causing his driveway to collapse and requested that it be repaired.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before Council, it was moved by Councilmember Hunter that the meeting be adjourned.

On a voice vote the Chair declared the motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

W. Northcross
Clerk of the Council

Janet L. Chapin
Recording Secretary