

3612—Greater Corktown Development Corporation (GCDC), for authorization to install eight (8) neighborhood identity signs, on existing poles and public easements, in area of Fourteenth Street and Trumbull Avenue.

WATER AND SEWERAGE DEPARTMENT

3559—Tumie Young, complaint regarding continued flooding of property at 5524 E. Seven Mile Road, due to alleged disconnect of water at adjacent property after numerous fires.

REPORTS OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE THURSDAY, APRIL 7TH

Chairperson Kenneth V. Cockrel, Jr., submitted the following Committee Report for the above date and recommended their adoption:

Permit

To your Committee of the Whole was referred petition of KICK, The Agency for Lesbian, Gay, Bi and Transgender (LGBT) African-Americans (#3423), to play music in Palmer Park. After consultation with Police, Public Works and Recreation Departments, and careful consideration of the request, your committee recommends that same be granted in accordance with the following resolution.

Respectfully submitted,
KENNETH V. COCKREL, JR.
Chairperson

By Council Member K. Cockrel, Jr.:

RESOLVED, Permission be and is hereby granted to petition of Committee for KICK, The Agency for Lesbian, Gay, Bi and Transgender (LGBT) African-Americans (#3423), to play music in Palmer Park, May 28, 2005, during the Motor City Makeover.

PROVIDED, That said activity is conducted under the rules and regulations of the concerned departments and the supervision of the Police Department, and further

PROVIDED, That such permission is granted with the distinct understanding that petitioner assumes full responsibility for any and all claims, damages or expenses that may arise by reason of the granting of said petition, and further

PROVIDED, that the site be returned to its original condition at the termination of its use, and further

PROVIDED, That this resolution is revocable at the will, whim or caprice of the City Council.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas — Council Members Bates, S. Cockrel, Collins, Watson, and President Pro Tem K. Cockrel, Jr. — 5.

Nays — None.

RESOLUTION REGARDING DETROIT RIVERFRONT CONSERVANCY

By Council Member Watson:

RECITALS:

A. On September 4, 2002, the Mayor of the City of Detroit announced the appointment of a blue ribbon task force ("Task Force"), comprised of representatives of the City, Wayne County, the State of Michigan, and other stakeholders to develop a plan for the revival of the Detroit riverfront generally between Joe Louis Arena and the MacArthur (Belle Isle) Bridge and a strategy for the implementation and realization of this plan.

B. The Task Force developed a vision plan entitled "Detroit's Riverfront Vision" and dated December 2002 which was presented at a press conference on December 12, 2002 (the "Vision Plan")

C. The Detroit Riverfront Conservancy, Inc. (the "Conservancy") has been formed as a non-profit corporation exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code with corporate purposes to undertake the design, construction, development, establishment, operation, programming, maintenance and security of parks, promenades and other green spaces along the Detroit River.

D. The Conservancy is undertaking the first phase of planned improvements to the Detroit riverfront, consisting of a continuous walkway of promenade including landscape, walkways and special features and furnishings along the Detroit River between Hart Plaza and Gabriel Richard Park to the east of the MacArthur (Belle Isle) Bridge (the "RiverWalk").

E. The RiverWalk is intended to provide a place of recreation, a scenic panorama of the Detroit River, relief from urban closeness, prominent visibility and access to the Detroit riverfront, and preservation of natural habitat for fish, wildlife, plants and the ecosystems which support them.

F. The City is the owner of certain parcels of land along or in close proximity to the Detroit River identified on Exhibit A attached to this Resolution (the "Property") over which a portion of the RiverWalk has been planned.

G. The Conservancy, in fulfillment of its mission, has requested from the City leasehold rights in portions of the Property (the "RiverWalk Area") for the purposes of the construction, development, establishment, operation, programming, and maintenance of the RiverWalk.

H. The City, in recognition of the benefits to accrue to the City, its residents, and visitors as a result of the fulfillment of the conservancy's mission, desires to lease the RiverWalk Area to the Conservancy in accordance with the terms and conditions of a Lease Agreement providing for a

lease for a term of 30 years, with two 30 year renewal options, for purposes of construction, development, establishment, operation, programming, and maintenance of the RiverWalk.

I. The City Council has received a copy of the proposed Lease Agreement and has had several opportunities to receive comments and information about the Conservancy's plans for the RiverWalk generally and pursuant to the Lease Agreement, including the Vision Plan, a discussion and presentation by the Conservancy to the City Council on April 6, 2005, and a public hearing held by the City Council on April 15, 2005.

J. The City Council has determined that leasing the RiverWalk Area to the Conservancy for the RiverWalk pursuant to the Lease Agreement is in the best interests of the City and its residents and visitors, will serve a valid public purpose, and will benefit the public by enhancing access to the Detroit River, providing increased recreational opportunities, enhancing amenities within the City, preserving and improving the aesthetic quality and economic health of the City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, By the City of Detroit City Council, as follows:

1. That the Chief Development Officer of the City of Detroit is hereby authorized to execute the Lease Agreement with the Detroit Riverfront Conservancy, Inc., a Michigan nonprofit corporation, in substantially the form submitted to the Detroit City Council.

2. That the property to be leased pursuant to the Lease Agreement (the RiverWalk Area) is identified in Exhibit I and Exhibit 1.07 to the Lease Agreement, comprising portions of the Property identified in the attached Exhibit A by tax parcel, and is subject to confirmation of the legal descriptions by the City's Engineer of Surveys.

3. That the Chief Development Officer is hereby authorized to execute and deliver documents necessary or convenient for the consummation of the transaction described above pursuant to and in accordance with the Lease Agreement.

4. That the Chief Development Officer is authorized to execute any required instruments to make and incorporate technical amendments or changes to the Lease Agreement (including but not limited to corrections to or confirmations of legal descriptions, or timing of tender of possession of particular parcels) in the event that changes are required to correct minor inaccuracies or are required due to unforeseen circumstances or technical matters that may arise during the term of the Lease Agreement, provided that the changes do not materially alter the substance or terms of the Lease Agreement.

5. That the Lease Agreement and other

documents referred to in the preceding paragraphs be considered confirmed when executed by the Chief Development Officer and approved by the City of Detroit Corporation Counsel as to form.

EXHIBIT A TO RESOLUTION

The property to be leased for the RiverWalk ("RiverWalk Area") consists of portions of the parcels listed below, as more particularly described in Exhibit I and Exhibit 1.07 to the Lease Agreement:

Ward/Item No.	Street Address	Common Name
05/000002.002L	1340 E. Atwater	Blain Parcel
05/000002.001	1350 E. Atwater	Blain Parcel
05/000001	1420 E. Atwater	Blain Parcel
07/000006	1440 E. Atwater	Blain Parcel
07/000005	1470 E. Atwater	LaFarge Parcel
07/000004	1500 E. Atwater	LaFarge Parcel
07/000001-3	1650 E. Atwater	LaFarge Parcel
09/000008-10	1980 E. Atwater	St. Aubin Park
09/000001-4	2200 E. Atwater	Chene Park
11/000005-6	2652 E. Atwater	Holnam/Holcim Parcel
13/000004-10	3414 Wright	Portion of Coast Guard parcel acquired by deed L22607, P744
15/000003	110 Mt. Elliott	Mt. Elliott Park, except part in deed to USA L22607, P471
15/000008-9	6000 E. Jefferson	Uniroyal Site
15/000005-7	7150 E. Jefferson	Approach to MacArthur (Belle Isle) Bridge
17/0000020	7650 E. Jefferson	Gabriel Richard Park

Adopted as follows:

Yeas — Council Members Bates, S. Cockrel, Collins, and President Pro Tem K. Cockrel, Jr. — 4.

Nays — Council Member Watson — 1.
*WAIVER OF RECONSIDERATION (No. 1) per motions before adjournment.

RESOLUTION

By ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS:

RESOLVED, That the Detroit City Council Committee of the Whole hereby refers the following to the Economic Development Standing Committee:

Discussion Re: Possibilities for funding and development of a Retail Center in Downtown Detroit.

Hearing Re: City Council's leverage to attract and invite major retail anchors to complement high rise developments in Downtown Detroit.

Hearing Re: Petition of Michigan ACORN (#2933), regarding the City's ongoing and continuous practice of violating Ordinance #7-97, Chapter 14, Article X, the Repair-to-Own Program.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas — Council Members Bates, S. Cockrel, Collins, Watson, and President Pro Tem K. Cockrel, Jr. — 5.

Nays — None.

RESOLUTION

By ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS:

RESOLVED, That the Detroit City Council Committee of the Whole hereby