

**Council
Proceedings
(Official)**

A Special Meeting of the St. Ignace City Council was held on Monday, June 27, 2022, in the City Hall Council Chambers as a hybrid attendance meeting, with Zoom video conference available.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor LaLonde, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Councilmember Williford gave the invocation.

Present: Councilmembers Cronan, Fullerton, Mayor LaLonde, Councilmember Pelter, Mayor Pro-Tem St. Louis and Councilmember Williford.

Absent: None.

Staff Present: Darcy Long, City Manager; Charles Palmer, City Attorney (Zoom); Andrea Insley, City Clerk/Treasurer; Scott Marshall, DDA Director; Shirley Sorrels, Museum Director; Tony Brown, Police Chief.

A. DDA PURCHASE OF 556 NORTH STATE STREET

DDA Director Marshall summarized the presentation given at the June 20th Council meeting and added that the purchase of this property would expand Museum parking, office space for the Museum Director and potentially be utilized for a cultural center and various programs. After some discussion involving DDA Board members, it was moved by Mayor Pro-Tem St. Louis, seconded by Councilmember Cronan, to support the DDA in their purchase of the property at 556 North State Street.

Roll Call Vote

Yes: Councilmember Fullerton, Mayor LaLonde, Councilmember Pelter, Mayor Pro-Tem St. Louis, Councilmembers Williford and Cronan.

No: None.

Motion carried unanimously.

B. CLOSED SESSION – CITY MANAGER REVIEW PURSUANT TO MCL 15.268(a)

Mayor LaLonde stated the reason for the Closed Session is to discuss the evaluation of the City Manager. City Manager Long requested that Council to enter into Closed Session to discuss his review, pursuant to MCL 15.268(a) “to consider a periodic personnel evaluation of a public employee if the named individual requests a closed hearing.”

It was moved by Councilmember Pelter, seconded by Councilmember Fullerton, to enter into Closed Session at 7:25 p.m. to discuss the City Manager’s employment review.

Roll Call Vote

Yes: Mayor LaLonde, Councilmember Pelter, Mayor Pro-Tem St. Louis, Councilmembers Williford, Cronan and Fullerton.

No: None.

Motion carried unanimously.

Council returned from Closed Session at 8:45 p.m. At this time, it was moved by Councilmember Williford, seconded by Councilmember Cronan, to approve a three-month probationary period, beginning July 1st through September 30th, for City Manager Long to accomplish goals identified by Council in Closed Session. Council will schedule to reconvene after September 30th for a follow-up evaluation.

Roll Call Vote

Yes: Councilmember Pelter, Mayor Pro-Tem St. Louis, Councilmembers Williford, Cronan, Fullerton and Mayor LaLonde.

No: None.

Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:51 p.m.

William LaLonde, Mayor

Andrea Insley, City Clerk/Treasurer