

6:00 p.m. Call to Order.

Moment of Silence.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call.

Proclamations:

1. Family Court Awareness Month 2025
2. Winners of the 4th Annual *Tricked Out Home* Halloween Decorating Contest

Petitions and Statements of Citizens (3 mins. per speaker).

A. Consent Agenda:

1. Approve the City Council Meeting Minutes of the:
 - a. Committee of the Whole Meeting of October 21, 2025
 - b. Regular Meeting Minutes of October 21, 2025
2. Approve the Accounts Payable Register of November 5, 2025, as presented.
3.
 - a. Approve a one-year contract with Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan at a current cost of \$0.00, and Blue Care Network at an estimated cost of \$2,755,541.44, for employee health insurance;
 - b. Approve a four-year contract renewal with EyeMed for Department Head and Non-Union (DH/NU) vision insurance, changing plan year to calendar year, at an estimated cost of \$67,253.76;
 - c. Take action to continue to exempt the city from requirements of P.A. 152 for the 2026 medical benefits plan year, and authorize the City Manager to execute all documents related to the contract renewals on behalf of the city.
4. Approve a two-year contract with benefit change to the Department Head and Non-Union (DH/NU) group, with the option of an additional renewal for a period of up to two years, with Delta Dental Plan of Michigan for dental insurance and authorize the City Manager to execute all documents on behalf of the city.
5. Award the Retirement Plan Investments [401a, IRA, Retirement Health Savings Plan (RHS) and 457 plans] Servicing contract to Municipal Employees' Retirement System (MERS) of Michigan for a five-year servicing agreement for the cost of \$195,600.00 to plan participants and authorize the City Manager to execute all documents related to this action on behalf of the city.
6. Award a contract in the amount of \$401,499 to Miller-Davis Company, for Fire Station No. 3 facility improvements, approve a budget transfer of \$101,499 to reallocate appropriations from completed public safety projects with unspent appropriations, and authorize the City Manager to execute all documents related to this action on behalf of the city.
7. Award a contract to perform engineering services for the Old Centre Road Reconstruction Project to Williams & Works, Grand Rapids, Michigan in the amount not to exceed \$202,123 and authorize the City Manager to execute all documents related to the contract on behalf of the city.
8. Approve a one-year contract with McDonald's Towing and Rescue of Kalamazoo, Michigan, for towing and impound lot services in the amount of \$177,375 for one year, with the option for four (4) one-year renewals, and authorize the City Manager to execute all documents related to this matter on behalf of the city.
9. Award a contract to Eng., Incorporated of Lansing, Michigan in the amount not to exceed \$106,465 to perform engineering services for the East Shore Drive Lift Station Renovation Project and authorize the City Manager to execute all documents related to the contract on behalf of the city.

10. Adopt the Resolution to authorize the City Manager or designee to sell real property at Stanwood Crossings (9617 Portage Road as divided or otherwise created), place the resolution on file for 28 days with the City Clerk, and take final action on December 2, 2025.
11. Approve the Resolution to accept the terms of the Project Agreement from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources to receive a grant of \$400,000 from the Natural Resources Trust Fund toward construction of the Austin Lake Trail Project and authorize the City Manager to execute all documents related to this action on behalf of the city.
12. Set a special meeting on Thursday, November 20, 2025, at 8:30 a.m. at the Department of Parks and Recreation (320 Library Lane) to conduct the annual City Council Goal Setting Session (Retreat).
13. Minutes of Boards & Commissions:
 - a. Planning Commission of August 21, 2025
14. Materials Transmitted.
15. Calendar of Meetings:
 - Human Services Board: Thursday, November 6 at 5:30 p.m. at Portage City Hall, Conference Room 1.
 - Planning Commission: Thursday, November 6 at 7:00 p.m. at Portage City Hall, City Council Chambers.
 - Zoning Board of Appeals: Monday, November 10 at 7:00 p.m. at Portage City Hall, City Council Chambers.
 - Environmental Board: Wednesday, November 12 at 7:00 p.m. at Portage City Hall, Conference Room 1.

B. Communications:

C. Public Hearings:

1. Hold a public hearing for both the City Centre and Lake Center Subarea Neighborhood Enterprise Zones (NEZ) and confirm December 16, 2025, as the date for consideration of NEZ resolutions.

D. Regular Business Agenda:

E. Unfinished Business:

1. Adopt the amended Chapter 14 Businesses, Article 4 Solicitor and Canvassers ordinance.
2. Adopt the amended Chapter 14 Businesses, Article 8 Secondhand Dealers ordinance.

F. Council Committee Reports:

G. New Business:

H. Statements of City Council and City Manager.

Adjournment.



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