Special City Commission Meeting April 27, 2015

The City Commission met to take a Dial-A-Ride bus tour of City neighborhoods. The tour began at 4:15 p.m. The tour was sponsored by the Good Neighbors Association and no action was scheduled for consideration.

Present: Commissioners Lynn Anderson and Tom Hogenson; Mayor Mark J. Warba; City Attorney Eric D. Williams; and City Manager Steve Sobers.

Absent: Commissioners James and Rothstein.

Eleven other persons participated in the tour. There were no comments under Public Comments.

Commissioner Hogenson stated that the tour would allow for observation of the condition of many streets, alleys and infrastructure. The area North of Ferris State University previously went from a R-2 to R-3 zone, resulting in it being out of control in density. This causes parking problems in the winter. In his alley alone, there are 62 vehicle parking spaces. The City is plowing the alleys earlier, which helps the flow of the vehicles during the winter.

The tour allowed for: the viewing of the condition of the neighborhood alleys; the types of off street parking provided for the rental units; review of the proposed historic district; condition of housing units, both those in need of repair and those that have been improved; and the two community garden sites.

The tour ended at 5:20 p.m.		
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Mayor Mark J. Warba		Roberta R. Cline, City Clerk