CITY COUNCIL
121 N CHURCH STREET, HUDSON, MI
PUBLIC HEARING
October 20, 2026 at 7:00 pm

748770:
The regular meeting was called to order by Mayor Daniel Schudel at 7:00 pm in the Council Chambers.

ROLL CALL: PRESENT: Daniel Schudel, Diane Mills, Brandi Clark, Greg Hillegas, and Barbara Ireland

ABSENT: Nicole Williams and Carl Sword

ALSO PRESENT: Kimberly Adams, Mike Ash, Pam Smoke, Devin Sandahl, Police Chief Ron Keck, Ambulance Director Jim Stevens, WWTP Superintendent Joshua Mattek, City Manager Jeremiah Davies and City Clerk Jeaniene McClellan

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

A. Ordinance #411-26 – Amending Purchasing Ordinance:

No Comments Received

Adjourn Sine Die

CITY COUNCIL
121 N CHURCH STREET, HUDSON, MI
REGULAR MEETING
October 20, 2026 immediately following the public hearing

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ORDERS OF THE DAY:

Excuse Absent Members:
748772:
Motion by Brandi Clark, seconded by Greg Hillegas **to excuse Carl Sword and Nicole Williams from the meeting.** CARRIED 5-0 by roll call

Setting the Agenda:
748773:
Motion by Brandi Clark, seconded by Greg Hillegas **to approve the agenda as presented.** CARRIED 5-0 by roll call

Approval of minutes dated September 1, 2026:
748774:
Motion by Greg Hillegas, seconded by Diane Mills **to approve the minutes from October 6, 2026 and place on file.** CARRIED 5-0 by roll call

PUBLIC COMMENT (agenda items):
Public Comments were heard

NEW BUSINESS:

Second Reading on Ordinance #411-26 "Amending Purchasing Ordinance":
At the Council meeting on October 6th, Council approve the first reading for amending the Purchasing Ordinance. If Council approves the second reading it will be in effect on November 4, 2026.
748775:
Motion by Brandi Clark, seconded by Barb Ireland to **approve the second reading and waive the actual reading of Ordinance #411-26, amending Purchasing Ordinance.** CARRIED 5-0 by roll call

Reappointments: DDA:
Dave Sheely, Michelle Bauer, and Dr. Corey Borck's current 4-year appointments to the Downtown Development Authority will expire this month and they have asked to be re-appointed.

All three meet the requirements to be reappointed to the Downtown Development Authority.
748776:
Motion by Greg Hillegas, seconded by Brandi Clark to re**appoint Dave Sheely, Michelle Bauer, and Dr. Corey Borck to the Downtown Development Authority for 4-year terms expiring in October 2030.** CARRIED 5-0 by roll call

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:
Bills:

Bills to Council
October 20, 2026

Bills to be Approve

Total	**$0.00**	

Bills to be Confirmed

Nickel & Saph	$26,145.80	Liability Insurance – 3rd payment (October 6th payment was the 2nd quarter)
Biotech Argonomics	$34,293.04	Load, transport and land application of biosolids
Total	**$60,438.84**	

748777:
Motion by Barb Ireland, seconded by Greg Hillegas **approve to pay the bills.** CARRIED 5-0 by roll

Account Balances and Check Register:

Account Balances:

General Fund	$ 1,301,000.24
Cemetery Trust Fund	$ 0.00
Major Street Fund	$ 419,235.75
Local Street Fund	$ 54,384.06
Fire Department Fund	$ 191,852.62
Recreation Fund	$ 0.00
Cemetery Foundation	$ 66,518.45
Ambulance	$ 323,912.65
Community Center	$ 43,494.50
Income Tax Fund	$ 49,342.65
Downtown Development	$ 21,574.06
Thompson Museum Fund	$ 0.00
Library Fund	$ 0.00
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Museum Fund	$ 14,361.79
Industrial Park Fund	$ 7,584.84
CWSRF	$ 37,543.74
2021 Capital Improvement Bond Fund	$ 13,627.75
2025 Capital Improvement Bond Fund	$ 59,502.28
Water and Sewer Fund	$ 359,701.10
Motor Veh and Equip Fund	$ 184,442.35
Property Tax Collection	$ 3,683.54
Payroll Fund	$ 35,360.32
Sidewalk Fund	$ 18,564.06

748778:
Motion by Barb Ireland, seconded by Brandi Clark **to accept the account balances and check register and place on file.** CARRIED 5-0 by roll call

Department Head Reports:
The department head reports were sent to the Council members by email since the September 15th meeting was cancelled. This packet has the same reports for the Council to accept and put on file.
748779:
Motion by Brandi Clark, seconded by Greg Hillegas **to accept the department head reports and place on file.** CARRIED 5-0 by roll call

MANAGER'S REPORT:

- **Police Chief Search:**

The application period for the Police Chief position has closed, and the City received a strong pool of highly qualified applicants, an encouraging sign for Hudson. Mr Davies will be interviewing six selected candidates over the coming weeks. We remain on track to bring a recommendation to Council at one of its two scheduled November meetings. He would also like to thank Chief Keck for his support throughout this process.

- **MML Annual Conference and Grant Opportunities:**

Last week, Mr Davies attended the Michigan Municipal League's annual conference in Traverse City. The three-day conference was an intensive and informative opportunity to connect with fellow city managers, elected officials, state legislators, and other municipal partners. These conversations helped build relationships that will benefit the City of Hudson and led me to discover two grant opportunities he had not known about: one for wastewater treatment plant upgrades and another for energy-efficiency improvements at the DPW barn and City Hall. He appreciates Council's support for professional development and the opportunity to attend.

- **Halloween Festivities – October 31st:**

The City of Hudson is looking forward to celebrating Halloween on Saturday, October 31st, with several activities planned for residents and families. Downtown Trick-or-Treating will take place from 10:00 am to noon, followed by City-Wide Trick-or-Treating from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm. Following the evening festivities, residents are invited to the Hudson Community Center at 7:30 pm for a Halloween Party and Costume Contest. We appreciate everyone's efforts in organizing these events and encourage residents to come out, participate, and enjoy a fun, safe Halloween in Hudson!

- **November 3, 2026 – General Election:**

A reminder to residents that the General Election will take place on Tuesday, November 3rd, 2026. Polls will be open from 7:00 am to 8:00 pm at the Hudson Fire Station Training Room, located at 121 N Church Street. Residents are encouraged to exercise their right to vote and participate in the democratic process. For additional voting information, including voter registration status and absentee ballot information, please visit www.michigan.gov/vote or contact City Hall.

- **Hudson Christmas Tree Forest-Sponsorship Opportunities:**

The City of Hudson is pleased to announce that sponsorships are now available for the annual Hudson Christmas Tree Forest. For $80, individuals, families, businesses, and organizations can sponsor a decorated Christmas tree, including the tree, lights, and a personalized sponsor recognition sign. Trees will be displayed on the east lawn of the Center for Science and Industry

(CSI) from November 22, 2026, through January 1, 2027. Registration forms are available at City Hall. This annual tradition gives our community a wonderful opportunity to come together, celebrate the holiday season, and create a festive atmosphere for residents and visitors alike.

PUBLIC COMMENT:
No Public comments were received

COUNCIL COMMENTS:
Council comments were heard.

ADJOURNMENT:
748780:
Motion by Greg Hillegas, seconded by Brandi Clark to **adjourn the meeting at 7:44 pm**

APPROVED:_____
Daniel Schudel, Mayor

ATTEST:_____
Jeaniene McClellan, City Clerk