



CITY OF GROSSE POINTE PARK, MICHIGAN  
MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
November 12, 2024, at 7:00 P.M.

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Hodges and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. The meeting convened at the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building, 15115 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park, Wayne County, Michigan 48230.

**ROLL CALL**

PRESENT MEMBERS: Councilmembers Kolar, Gallagher, Wiener, Dreaver, McMillan, and Mayor Hodges.

EXCUSED: Mayor Pro-Tem Caulfield

ALSO PRESENT: City Attorney- Nancy Olind, City Manager- Nick Sizeland, City Clerk – Bridgette Bowdler, Public Safety Director - James Bostock.

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

**24-105**

Motion by Councilmember McMillan, seconded by Council Member Wiener, to approve to amend the Consent Agenda and to move the grant policy to the regular agenda.

- I. Approval of October 7, 2024, Minutes
- II. Committee & Commissions Report
- III. Fee Schedule Amendment – Parking Passes
- IV. Approve Special Response Team Budget Amendment
- V. Approval of Dental/Vision Insurance
- VI. Non-Union Benefit Policy Amendment
- VII. City Managers Report/Public Safety
- VIII. Invoices over \$5,000
- IX. Approval of Grant Policy

AYES: Councilmembers Kolar, Gallagher, Wiener, Dreaver, McMillan, and Mayor Hodges.

NAYS: None

Motion Carried Unanimously

**24-106**

Motion by Councilmember Gallagher, seconded by Councilmember Kolar to approve the items on the Consent Agenda minus the Approval of Grant Policy.

AYES: Councilmembers Kolar, Gallagher, Wiener, Dreaver, McMillan, and Mayor Hodges.

NAYS: None

Motion Carried Unanimously

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

0 public comments were made.

**24-107**

Motion by Councilmember Wiener, seconded by Councilmember Dreaver, to approve the Regular Agenda.

AYES: Councilmembers Kolar, Gallagher, Wiener, Dreaver, McMillan and Mayor Hodges

NAYS: None

Motion Carried Unanimously

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**24-108**

Motion by Councilmember Gallagher, seconded by Councilmember Kolar, to adopt the Resolution to Honor Deer Elementary School Centennial.

AYES: Councilmembers Kolar, Gallagher, Wiener, Dreaver, McMillan and Mayor Hodges

NAYS: None

Motion Carries Unanimously

**STATE OF MICHIGAN  
COUNTY OF WAYNE  
CITY OF GROSSE POINTE PARK**

**Resolution to Honor Defer Elementary School Centennial**

At a regular meeting of the City Council for the City of Grosse Pointe Park (the "Council"), held at City Hall located at 15115 E. Jefferson Ave, Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230 at 7:00 p.m. on November 12, 2024, the following resolution was adopted.

Present Members: Councilmembers Kolar, Gallagher, Wiener, Dreaver, McMillan, and Mayor Hodges.

Absent Members: Mayor Pro-Tem Caulfield

Motion by Councilmember Gallagher seconded by Councilmember Kolar, to adopt the following resolution:

**WHEREAS, Defer Elementary** was founded in 1924 and designed by architect George J. Haas with the mission of providing quality education to the students of the Grosse Pointe Public School System, and since its inception has served as an important institution in the development and enrichment of the community; and

**WHEREAS**, over the course of the past **100 years**, the **Defer Elementary Dragons** has fostered academic excellence, cultural enrichment, and personal growth among its students, producing generations of leaders, educators, professionals, and community members who have contributed to the prosperity of Grosse Pointe Park, Wayne County and the State of Michigan; and

**WHEREAS**, the faculty, staff, and administration including Principal Dr. Lisa Rheume of **Defer Elementary** have remained dedicated to the educational and personal development of its students, adapting to changing educational needs and striving to meet the highest standards of academic achievement and character formation; and

**WHEREAS**, the Defer Elementary Centennial celebration presents an opportunity to reflect on the school's past accomplishments, honor those who have contributed to its success, and look forward to the future as it continues to educate and inspire students for many years to come;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Grosse Pointe Park City Council that:

1. The City of Grosse Pointe Park hereby congratulates **Defer Elementary** on its **100th Anniversary**, recognizing its significant impact on the community and its continued dedication to the education of young people.
2. The City of Grosse Pointe Park City Council extends its appreciation to the students, faculty, staff, parents, alumni, and community members whose

contributions have made **Defer Elementary** a cornerstone of educational excellence for the past century.

3. The Grosse Pointe Park City Council expresses its confidence in the continued success of **Defer Elementary** as it continues to build upon its proud legacy of providing quality education and fostering a strong sense of community.
4. This resolution shall be presented to the administration of **Defer Elementary** in recognition of its Centennial Celebration, and a copy of this resolution shall be placed in the official records of the City.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Grosse Pointe Park City Council encourages all residents of Grosse Pointe Park to join in celebrating this historic milestone, and to continue supporting the ongoing success of **Defer Elementary** in its next 100 years.

**RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED**

At a regular meeting of the City Council for the City of Grosse Pointe Park held on November 12, 2024, at 7:00 p.m., the following roll call vote was taken:

YEAS: Councilmembers Kolar, Gallagher, Wiener, Dreaver, McMillan, and Mayor Hodges.

NAYS: None

Motion Carried Unanimously

**CERTIFICATION**

STATE OF MICHIGAN       )  
                                          ) ss.  
COUNTY OF WAYNE       )

I, the undersigned, the duly qualified City Clerk of the City of Grosse Pointe Park, Wayne County, Michigan, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of proceedings taken by the City Council of the City of Grosse Pointe Park, at a regular meeting held on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of November 2024.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my official signature, this 12<sup>th</sup> day of November 2024.

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Bridgette Bowdler, City Clerk  
City of Grosse Pointe Park

**24-109**

Motion by Councilmember Wiener, seconded by Councilmember McMillan, to approve the resolution as presented opting out the City from PA 152.

AYES: Councilmembers Kolar, Gallagher, Wiener, Dreaver, McMillan and Mayor Hodges

NAYS: None

Motion Carries Unanimously

STATE OF MICHIGAN  
COUNTY OF WAYNE  
CITY OF GROSSE POINTE PARK

**RESOLUTION TO COMPLY WITH THE PUBLICLY FUNDED HEALTH  
INSURANCE CONTRIBUTION ACT**

At a regular meeting of the City Council for the City of Grosse Pointe Park, Wayne County, Michigan, held in the Municipal Building of said City, on the 12th day of November 2024 at 7:00 p.m., the following resolution was adopted.

Present Members: Councilmembers Kolar, Gallagher, Wiener, Dreaver, McMillan, and Mayor Hodges.

Absent Members: Mayor Pro-Tem Caulfield

Motion by Councilmember Wiener, seconded by Councilmember McMillan, to adopt the following resolution:

**WHEREAS**, Public Act 152 of 2011 (the "Act") was passed by the State legislature and signed by the Governor on September 24, 2011; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Act contains three options for complying with the requirements of the Act; and

**WHEREAS**, the three options are as follows:

1. Section 3 – "Hard Caps" Option – limits a public employer's total annual health care costs for employees based on the coverage levels, as defined in the Act;
2. Section 4 – "80%/20%" Option – limits a public employer's share of total annual health care costs to not more than 80%. This option requires an annual majority vote of the governing body;
3. Section 8 – "Exemption" Option – a local unit of government, as defined in the Act, may exempt itself from the requirements of the Act

by an annual 2/3 vote of the governing body;

**WHEREAS**, the City of Grosse Pointe Park has decided to adopt the Exemption Option as its choice of compliance under the Act;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the City Council of Grosse Pointe Park elects to comply with the requirements of Public Act 152 of 2011 by adopting the Exemption Option for the medical benefit plan coverage year January 1, 2025, through December 31, 2025.

**RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED**

At a regular meeting of the City Council for the City of Grosse Pointe Park held on November 12, 2024, at 7:00 p.m., the following roll call vote was taken:

YEAS: Councilmembers Kolar, Gallagher, Wiener, Dreaver, McMillan, and Mayor Hodges.

NAYS: None

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City of Grosse Pointe Park

**24-110**

Motion by Councilmember Wiener, seconded by Councilmember Kolar, to approve the reappointments of Arthur Mullen and Pier King-Piepenbrok to the TIFA Board for a four-year term ending in 2028.

AYES: Councilmembers Kolar, Gallagher, Wiener, Dreaver, McMillan and Mayor Hodges

NAYS: None

Motion Carries Unanimously

**24-111**

Motion by Councilmember Wiener, seconded by Councilmember Dreaver, to approve the Grant Policy.

AYES: Councilmembers Kolar, Gallagher, Wiener, Dreaver, McMillan and Mayor Hodges

NAYS: None

Motion Carries Unanimously

**STATE OF MICHIGAN  
COUNTY OF WAYNE  
CITY OF GROSSE POINTE PARK**

**Resolution to adopt Federal Awards Grant Administration Policy**

At a regular meeting of the City Council for the City of Grosse Pointe Park (the "Council"), held at City Hall located at 15115 E. Jefferson Ave, Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230 at 7:00 p.m. on November 12, 2024, the following resolution was adopted.

Present Members: Councilmembers Kolar, Gallagher, Wiener, Dreaver, McMillan, and Mayor Hodges.

Absent Members: Mayor Pro-Tem Caulfield

Motion by Councilmember Wiener, seconded by Councilmember Dreaver to adopt the following resolution:

**WHEREAS**, Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance) requires the City Council to adopt by resolution a written policy governing Federal Grant Awards; and,

**WHEREAS** the City of Grosse Pointe Park City Council is electing to use the 15% percent de minimis indirect cost rate as allowed under the Uniform Guidance; and,

**WHEREAS**, The City Manager and the City Treasurer/Finance offices are responsible for the internal controls of grant accounting, monitoring, retrieving and generally overseeing compliance with the City of Grosse Pointe Park's Federal Award Administration Grant Policy; and,

**WHEREAS**, the City Council understands that the grant funding requirements fall under the Uniform Budgeting and Account Act of the State of Michigan and requires the legislative body of the local unit to amend the general appropriations when deviations from the original budget are determined; and,

**WHEREAS**, the City Council recognizes that expenditures are to be appropriated and revenues are to be recognized upon receipt of the grant award, in the city's adopted budget at the next available city council meeting prior to any expenditure of the awarded grant funds; and,

**WHEREAS**, the City of Grosse Pointe Park will report Federal grant expenditures in compliance with the Uniform Guidance understanding that certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited to reimbursement; and,

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the City of Grosse Pointe Park City Council hereby adopts resolution **24-111** for the Federal Awards Administration Grant Policy,

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the following policy, as attached to this resolution, shall govern the roles and responsibilities, guidelines and use, reporting requirements, and internal controls, of the Federal Award Administration of Grants.

#### **RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED**

At a regular meeting of the City Council for the City of Grosse Pointe Park held on November 12, 2024, at 7:00 p.m., the following roll call vote was taken:

YEAS: Councilmembers Kolar, Gallagher, Wiener, Dreaver, McMillan, and Mayor Hodges.

NAYS: None

Motion Carried Unanimously

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City Clerk  
City of Grosse Pointe Park

### **COUNCIL COMMENT:**

- Councilmember Kolar commented on the following: Early voting stickers were great! Leaf pick-up is awesome.
- Councilmember Gallagher commented on the following: November 20<sup>th</sup> joint Planning Commission/City Council meeting for short term rentals.
- Councilmember Wiener commented on the following: EERV – Family will be honored for donations. Joint Planning Commission/Council meeting November 30<sup>th</sup>, consider changing Mayor to 4-year term in Charter
- Councilmember Dreaver commented on the following: November 14, 2024 Beautification Open House.
- Councilmember McMillan commented on the following: Safety Open House was great. Thank you to our Police, they reached out to the community Offered hot dogs, smoke detectors and safety tips for children.
- Mayor Hodges commented on the following: We did receive notification from the DEQ that the FCA aka Stellantis US Detroit Assembly Complex at Mack Ave. that the permit to install was granted and approved. Glad to announce that our Monarchs pledge was approved.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT (NON-AGENDA ITEMS)**

3 Public Comments were made.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Councilmember Wiener, seconded by Councilmember Dreaver, to approve to adjourn the meeting.

AYES: Council members Kolar, Gallagher, Mayor Pro-Tem Caulfield, Wiener, McMillan, Dreaver, and Mayor Hodges.

NAYS: None

Motion Carried Unanimously

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:29 p.m.

Bridgette Bowdler - City Clerk

Danielle Caudill- Deputy City Clerk