

**MANISTEE CITY COUNCIL
WORK SESSION
MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 8, 2020**

The Manistee City Council met in a work session on Tuesday, September 8, 2020 at 7:00 pm, Ramsdell Theatre, 101 Maple Street, Manistee, Michigan 49660.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dale Cooper, Lynda Beaton, Roger Zielinski, Michael Szymanski, James Grabowski, and Erin Martin-Pontiac

MEMBERS ABSENT: Jermaine Cipicic

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager, Department Directors, Public, and Media

Public Comments:

None.

PRESENTATION ON HAGE AUTO EV CHARGING OPTIONS – Kevin Kardel, Chief Operating Officer - HAGE Auto, gave a presentation on the HAGE Auto EV Charging options for Manistee and answered questions from Council and Public regarding the project.

Presentation/Discussion included:

- No cost to Manistee – HAGE to own, operate, and service the EV chargers
- Would like to start with 2 stations in Manistee – require 2 parking spots
- Desired location for chargers
- Revenue sharing
- Length of contract
- HAGE partnership with Consumers Energy/HAGE to pay utilities and fees
- Technology overview
- Charger compatibility
- Map availability for Michigan charging stations
- Approximate time for project setup

CONSENSUS: Council is interested in the concept and directed the City Manager to draft a service agreement for future consideration once the DDA approves the concept and selects locations for the charging stations.

PRESENTATION ON THE GATEWAY PROJECT – Brant Cohen, Michigan Development Associate-CL Real Estate, gave a presentation on the Spirit of the Woods Manistee Gateway partnership project between Little River Holdings and CL Real Estate. Nathan Watson, President – CL Real Estate Development received questions from Council on the project.

Presentation/Discussion included:

- Background on Little River Band of Ottawa Indians/CL Real Estate
- Reviewed past and present project developments
- Gateway Project site locations
- Site plan includes Boutique Hotel, Welcome Center/Office Space, Event Center, and Marketplace

- Early concept renderings
- Economic Impact
- Community Benefits
- Preliminary project timeline
- Parking for development
- Housing not included in this project
- Estimated full time jobs and construction jobs from project

CONSENSUS: No consensus given.

OTHER:

Grabowski asked for an update on a resolution for the permits issued by the State and inquired on the tennis courts located on 8th & Robinson Street.

Adjourned at 7:36 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Heather Pefley MiPMC/CMC
City Clerk