



Internal Memo

October 2, 2019

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Mark C. Meyers, City Administrator *MEM*

SUBJECT: October 2019 Information Update

1. Fire Prevention Parade – The annual Fire Prevention Parade is scheduled for Sunday, October 13 starting at 2 pm on Cleveland Ave. It will end at Mona Shores High School at approximately 4 pm with cider and donuts. Attached is a route description.
2. Broadway Avenue Reconstruction Phase Two Update – The base course of asphalt was put down last week. The contractor will raise manhole castings in anticipation of the final course of asphalt scheduled for this week but delayed until next Friday, October 11, due to recent heavy rains. Pavement markings and signs will be installed after the top course of asphalt. Remaining driveway approaches, sidewalk, and sidewalk wraps at intersections, also scheduled to be completed this week, will be somewhat delayed. Again, this schedule is weather dependent.
3. Law Enforcement Accreditation – Attached is a memo from Police Chief Jon Gale regarding the department's move from Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA) to Michigan Law Enforcement Accreditation Commission (MLEAC). Chief Gale touched on this topic with City Council at the September 24 work session. As the memo states, MLEAC is less costly than CALEA and meets the same professional standards. If you have any comments or questions regarding this matter please contact me.
4. State Budget – Attached is information from the Michigan Municipal League regarding the recently approved State budget. As expected, Democratic Governor Whitmer vetoed many line items totaling \$950 million in spending cuts. A notable cut is in PFAS grants to municipal airports in the amount of \$15 million. Senator Jon Bumstead's staff alerted me to the veto yesterday and will pursue re-securing funding. Fortunately, statutory revenue sharing payments received an increase of 2.3%, which is somewhat less than the Governor's 3% increase proposal.

Also, regarding the budget, I have attached a message from the Vice President of Travel Michigan (and Norton Shores resident), Dave Lorenz contrasting the \$5 million veto related to Pure Michigan with the \$26 million cut in the Legislature's proposed budget

for the Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC). The MEDC is an important partner with Norton Shores and MAF in attracting and retaining manufacturers. This is reflected in the current five new facilities being built and planned, all of which are coming from out of town or county, as well as recent and future expansions of GE Aviation, Paramelt, Interdyne and Air Master Systems.

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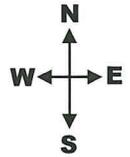
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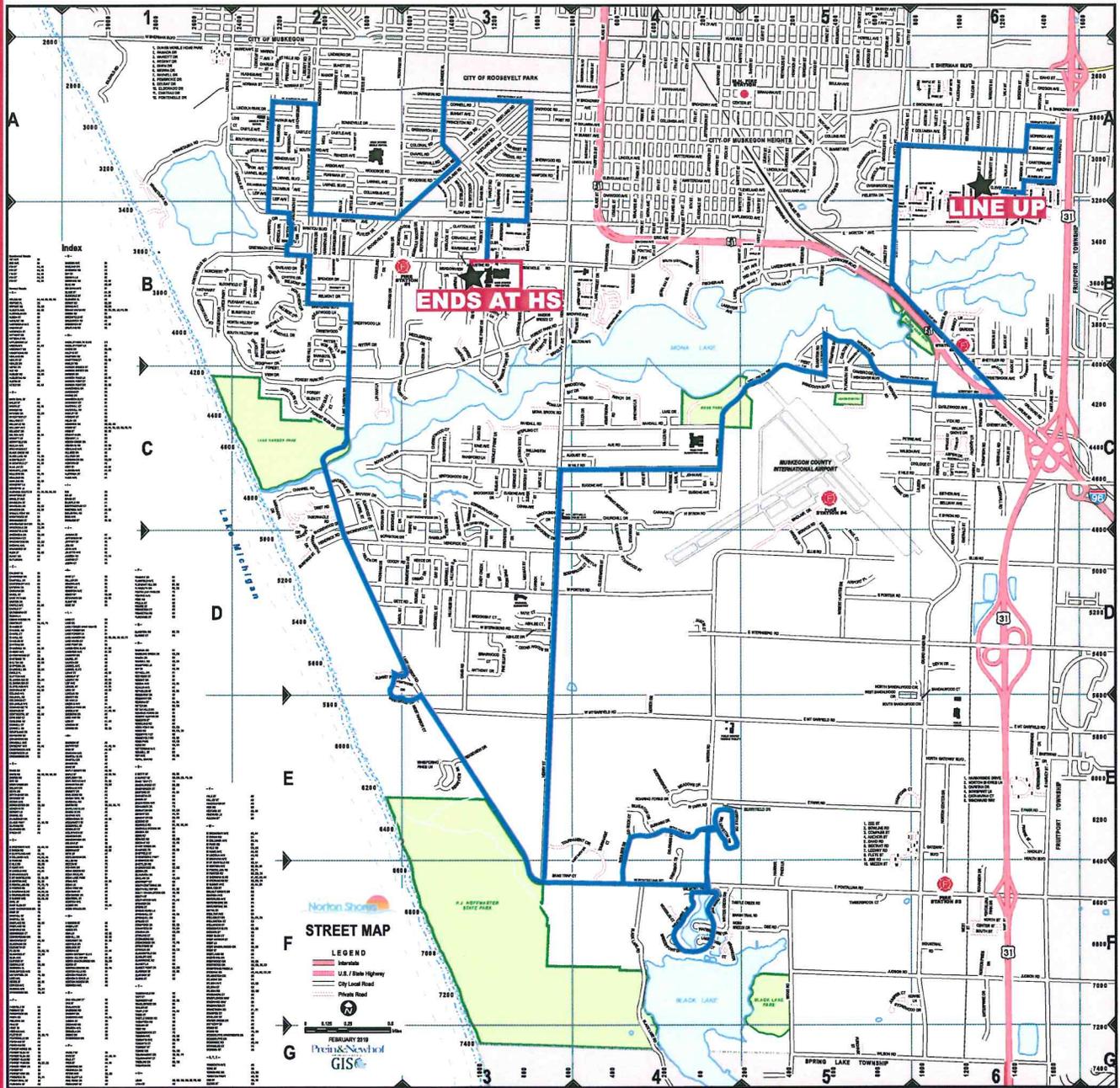
Fire Prevention Parade

Sunday, October 13th, 2019

2-4 PM



STARTS AT 2 PM STARTING AT CLEVELAND AVE



END AT HIGH SCHOOL AROUND 4 PM WITH TRUCK DISPLAY & CIDER/DONUTS FOR THE PUBLIC

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START: Cleveland Ave

Cleveland Ave to Worden St
Worden St to Sunbury Ave
Sunbury Ave to Stratford St
Stratford St to Yarmouth Ave
Yarmouth Ave to Worden St
Worden St to E. Summit Ave
E. Summit Ave to S. Getty St
S. Getty St to Airline Rd
Airline Rd to Airport Rd
Airport Rd to Grand Haven Rd
Grand Haven Rd to Wendover Blvd
Wendover Blvd to Highgate Rd
Highgate Rd to Loomis Dr
Loomis Dr to Wellesley Dr
Wellesley Dr to Martin Rd
Martin Rd to W. Hile Rd
W. Hile Rd to Henry St
Henry St to W. Pontaluna Rd
W. Pontaluna Rd to Martin Rd
Martin Rd to Wilmont Dr
Wilmont Dr to Westshire Dr
Westshire Dr to Windflower Way
Windflower Way to Martin Rd
Martin Rd to Wilmington Dr

Wilmington Dr to Norfolk Dr
Norfolk Dr to Boulder Dr
Wilmington Dr to Norfolk Dr
Norfolk Dr to Boulder Dr
Boulder Dr to W. Pontaluna Rd
W. Pontaluna Rd to Lake Harbor Rd
Lake Harbor Rd to Westwood Dr
Westwood Dr to Sunset Point Dr
Sunset Point Dr to Lake Harbor Rd
Lake Harbor Rd to Maryland Blvd
Maryland Blvd to McCracken St
McCracken St to Seminole Rd
Seminole Rd. to Griesbach St
Griesbach St to Osceola Ave
Osceola to Griesbach St
Griesbach St to W. Norton Ave
W. Norton Ave to Leon St
Leon St to Plainfield Ave
Plainfield Ave to McCracken St
McCracken St to W. Norton Ave
Norton Ave to Roosevelt Rd
Roosevelt Rd to Glenside Blvd
Glenside Blvd to Broadway Ave
Broadway Ave to Maple Grove Rd
Maple Grove Rd to W. Norton Ave
W. Norton Ave to Padelt St
Padelt St to Seminole Rd

END AT MONA SHORES HIGH SCHOOL — WEST LOT FINISH

AROUND 4 PM WITH TRUCK DISPLAY & CIDER/DONUTS FOR THE PUBLIC



**Cider &
Donuts**



Internal Memo

September 26, 2019

TO: Mark C. Meyers, City Administrator
FROM: Jon Gale, Chief of Police
SUBJECT: Law Enforcement Accreditation

I would like to provide an update to the city council regarding our law enforcement accreditation process. As you know we have been accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA) since 1993. We are one of thirteen Law Enforcement agencies in the State of Michigan and one of the longest tenured in the national accreditation program. Our most recent full assessment was in 2015 in which we received certification without any corrections for the first time since we have been accredited. Since 2015, assessors annually review our files and standards and all reports have been approved. Accreditation status represents a significant professional achievement. Accreditation acknowledges the implementation of written directives, policies, and procedures that are conceptually sound and operationally effective.

CALEA has served as the premier credentialing association for public agencies and has provided accreditation services for our agency. The assessment process includes extensive self-assessment, annual remote web-based assessments, and site based reviews by professional assessors. The CALEA process is a voluntary process and participating agencies, by involvement, have demonstrated a commitment to professionalism.

The Norton Shores Police Department administration has reviewed a new Michigan accreditation opportunity. The Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police (MACP) pursued the concept and development of a voluntary statewide law enforcement accreditation program for Michigan agencies. The effort has resulted in the creation of the Michigan Law Enforcement Accreditation Program (MLEAC) which is a progressive and time-proven way of helping law enforcement agencies calculate and improve overall performances. Much like CALEA, the Michigan Law Enforcement Accreditation program believes that the foundation of accreditation lies in the voluntary adoption of standards containing clear statements of professional objectives. Currently, nineteen agencies are accredited by MLEAC with dozens of new agencies starting the process.

After a careful evaluation of each program, the police department met with City Administrator Mark Meyers and Mayor Gary Nelund to discuss the pros and cons of each program. It was decided that the police department would move to the Michigan based program MLEAC. This program is one third the cost of CALEA and provides a program that meets the same professional standards as our current

process. The Norton Shores Police department will continue to voluntarily meet the professionally recognized criteria for excellence in management and service delivery.

Once again the purpose of this memo is to update the city council as to a change in accreditation programs and to ensure the department will continue to provide a commitment to professionalism. We leave CALEA in good standing and appreciate the association's commitment to excellence.

State Budget Battle Goes Into Overtime

Posted on **October 1, 2019** by **Chris Hackbarth**

As expected, following the Legislature's **movement of budget bills** that the Administration had not signed off on, **Governor Whitmer responded aggressively** to the legislative spending proposal by issuing 147 separate line items vetoes within the 16 departmental budget bills she signed. Signing the bills allowed her to avoid a state government shutdown, while the nearly \$950 million in spending cuts across all but two of the budgets served notice to legislative leaders of the need to return to the negotiating table. Following the release of the vetoes, the State Administrative Board met today, on the first day of the new fiscal year, and utilized an obscure legal procedure that allowed the Governor to shift nearly \$625 million additional dollars to different lines/programs from those newly appropriated, original line items within 13 different department budgets.

The following budget programs/line items may be of interest to League members:

- Revenue sharing – Constitutional payments are dictated by sales tax growth which is expected to increase by about 1.7% over current year (\$14.2 million) – Statutory revenue sharing payments received an increase of 2.3% for \$5.8 million matching the House's recommendation from earlier this spring and only slightly less than the Governor's original 3% increase proposal.
 - Additionally, all statutory revenue sharing payments have been rolled into the base appropriation – no more "one-time" or supplemental grants
- The \$1 million new line item for local assessor training grants resulting from last fall's assessing reform legislation was **vetoed by the Governor**
- More than \$27 million of local payments in lieu of taxes for Commercial Forest, Purchased Lands, and Swamp & Tax Reverted Lands was **vetoed by the Governor**
- Numerous Treasury Local Government Program lines totaling nearly \$5 million were shifted and rolled up into one line as a result of State Ad Board actions.
- MEDC/MSHDA –
 - The Governor shifted \$500,000 for blight removal grants (\$250,000 rural blight elimination & \$250,000 city of Detroit projects performed by nonprofits) along with four other line items totaling over \$9 million and transferred those funds into workforce development programs.
 - The Legislature reduced the Business Attraction & Community Revitalization by \$26 million (\$105.4 million to \$89.4 million) with \$10 million of the

- reduction redirected to the new Rural Jobs and Capital Investment Fund that was created last fall. **The Governor vetoed this \$10 million redirection.**
- Community Development Block Grants were funded at \$47 million, same as previous year
- The Legislature increased Pure MI funding to \$37.5 million (an additional \$1.5 million). **The Governor vetoed the entire line.**
- EGLE –
 - \$120 million for water infrastructure was appropriated, matching closely to Gov Whitmer's original budget proposal for clean water projects
 - \$30,000 for Lead and Copper Rule implementation
 - \$40,000,000 for PFAS and emerging contaminants
 - \$35,000,000 for Drinking Water Revolving Fund loan forgiveness
 - \$7,500,000 for affordability and planning
 - \$7,500,000 for private well testing – the Governor shifted these dollars into the Lead and Copper Rule implementation line item through State Ad Board action
 - Surface water grants to watershed councils (\$675k), Cooperative lakes monitoring program (\$150k), and **PFAS and emerging contaminates grants to municipal airports (\$15m) were among the EGLE line items vetoed by the Governor.**
- LARA –
 - \$80 million in MI Indigent Defense Commission grants were continued for the coming year – slight reductions to reflect one-time costs from first year being removed
 - No line item vetoes in this budget, but a number of lines were shifted through State Ad Board action to allow greater spending flexibility by the Department
- State Police –
 - **The Governor vetoed the entire \$13 million Secondary Road Patrol program line item.**
 - The \$654,000 Local Law Enforcement Agency Training Grants line item and MI International Speedway traffic control support (\$600,000) were **vetoed by the Governor.**
 - Through State Ad Board action, the Governor also shifted more than \$2 million from a proposed new Trooper School into the Forensic Science line and another \$2 million from the First responder communication network line item into an In-car camera video streaming network line item.
- MDOT –
 - The Legislature included \$400 million in GF (\$132 million to fully implement the 2015 package one year early, \$175 million for roads, \$25 million for the Local Bridge programs, \$68 million for special projects include specific

bridges that Governor Whitmer visited during summer press events). This does not include an addition \$468M in earmarked income tax revenue that is a result of the 2015 package. When combined, \$868M in non-user fee revenue was proposed to go to roads. The **Governor vetoed \$375 million** of this GF addition and then shifted the remaining \$25 million into transit programs, with an additional \$6 million each for Local Bus Operating and Public Transportation Development Service Initiatives, and \$13 million sent to the Transit capital – urban line item.

- The Legislature included \$1 million for demolition of the Carbide dock as part of the Soo Locks project which the Governor shifted through the State Ad Board, along with \$600,000 from the Marine passenger service line item over to the Intercity Passenger Services line item for a combined addition to that line of \$1.6 million.
- The Governor also used the State Ad Board to shift nearly \$40 million from the Rail freight and rail economic development line over to the Rail passenger service line item.

Numerous other legislative priorities were vetoed or redirected by the Governor today, prompting strong reactions on both sides of the political aisle. The Governor has called for a Thursday meeting of the four “quadrant” caucus leaders to get back to the budget negotiating table. It remains to be seen how closely the Governor will tie further budget negotiations to a resumption of long term road funding discussions.

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Mark Meyers

From: Pure Michigan <DoNotReply@info.MichiganBusiness.org>
Sent: Thursday, October 3, 2019 11:23 AM
To: Mark Meyers
Subject: Pure Michigan Tourism Industry Update

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FROM THE DESK OF DAVE LORENZ

I'm sure you have heard the news about the veto of Pure Michigan funding signed into law late Monday. Today, I want to take this opportunity to provide some thoughts and additional context.

As you may recall, the budget presented by the Executive Office recommended \$31 million in Pure Michigan funding, a cut of \$5 million to support other critical priorities in our state, including reliable infrastructure and public health and safety. The Legislature, however, ultimately passed a \$1.5 million increase to funding levels for Pure Michigan, bringing it to \$37.5 million for FY20.

While I sincerely appreciate the support of the Legislature for Pure Michigan, this proposed increase comes at the same time as MEDC's core business attraction and community revitalization programs are taking a devastating \$26 million cut. The budget sent to the Governor by the Legislature represents the lowest level of funding ever for these important programs.

The Governor's action on funding for Pure Michigan is a response to what the administration considers an unsustainable disparity – record high funding for tourism promotion in contrast with record low funding for core economic development and other important initiatives.

I'm sure you're as disappointed by the line item veto as I am – but I truly believe in order to have a thriving tourism industry, we must also have vibrant communities, growing businesses, strong infrastructure and skilled talent. These are issues which are addressed through the work of the MEDC's business attraction and community revitalization teams.

I am hopeful that the Legislature will now work with the administration to provide supplemental budget appropriations which fully funds Pure Michigan and also adequately funds for these important MEDC programs.

As the administration and legislature continue conversations around these issues, we'll do our best to keep you up to date. More so than ever, I and the rest of our team appreciate your continued support as we work together to build a thriving economy for our state.

Sincerely,
Dave Lorenz

