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Dearborn City Council Meeting Summary - May 20, 2025

Recognized

- **Military Appreciation Month:** honoring the commitment and sacrifices of U.S. Armed Forces members—past and present. The resolution acknowledges the vital role of military personnel in protecting national freedoms and maintaining global peace, and encourages residents to reflect on their service.
- National Mental Health Awareness Month: emphasizing the importance of raising awareness, reducing stigma, and supporting policies that promote mental well-being. Calling all residents, organizations, and healthcare providers to engage in efforts that improve access to care and public understanding.
- National Public Works Week (May 18–24, 2025): acknowledging the essential work of public works professionals—engineers, maintenance crews, and frontline workers—who manage critical infrastructure including roads, water systems, and public facilities. The resolution highlights their daily contributions to health, safety, and quality of life in the community and encourages residents to recognize their service.
- Flag Day and Flag Retirement Ceremonies: (June 14): recognized, affirming legal protections for ceremonial flag retirements by veterans and scout organizations. It emphasizes that there is no legal limit on the number of flags that may be respectfully retired during these ceremonies.

Approved/Accepted

- **First Reading: Water & Sewer Rates:** Introduced ordinance with 3.3% rate increase effective July 1, 2025.
- **Second and Final Reading:** Water & Sewer Rates: Ordinance with 3.3% rate increase effective July 1, 2025.
- **Second and Final Reading:** Food Truck Ordinance Update changes aligning with new zoning regulations.
- **Second and Final Reading: Vital Records Fees** ordinance updating fees and eligibility for birth/death certificates, added senior and veteran discounts.



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- First Reading: Ordinance No. 25-1844: Amended dog license requirements to include durationbased rabies vaccination compliance.
- Approved: Melvindale & use of 2701 Greenfield Rd. for fireworks display, including noise ordinance waiver.
- **Approved:** outdoor seating platform for The Great Commoner in partnership with the West Dearborn DDA.
- **Approved:** two major community event requests: Ashura Project & March for Justice (July 6, 2025) & Al-Huda Islamic Association's Eid al-Adha Prayer (June 6 or 7, 2025).
- Porch Replacement Program: Approved 5-year SOQ list of contractors, max \$160,000 annually.

Awarded Contract/Bid/Proposal/Purchase

- **Street Sweeper Rental:** Approved \$624,000 rental contract with MacQueen Group for 8 Elgin sweepers; return of \$625,754 to General Fund.
- **Storm Tunnel Rehab:** Awarded \$686,143 contract to Applied Science, Inc. for Colson Palmer Tunnel project.
- Street/Sidewalk Repairs: Approved \$3.1 million contract to Eminent Contracting for 2025 work.
- New picnic tables in city parks: Awarded \$331,674.50 contract to RJ Thomas Manufacturing.
- **Hemlock Park Cabin renovation:** Awarded \$64,000 contract to Key Construction.
- Water main and street resurfacing: Approved \$6.3M contract with DiPonio Contracting for (Phase 3 2025).
- Fencing Upgrades: Approved \$203,265 contract with Mustang Fence for fencing at the DPW yard.

Watch the May 20, 2025 Meeting of the 34th Dearborn City Council on YouTube