

**MINUTES**  
**St. Clair Shores City Council Special Meeting**  
**Saturday, December 17, 2011 7:00 p.m.**  
City Hall 27600 Jefferson Circle Drive, St. Clair Shores MI 48081(586) 447-3303 [www.scsmi.net](http://www.scsmi.net)

Special Meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chambers, located at 27600 Jefferson Circle Dr., St. Clair Shores, Michigan.

Present: Mayor Walby, Council Members Frederick, Rubino, Rusie, Tiseo and Vitale

Also Present: City Manager Hughes, City Clerk Kotowski, and City Attorney Ihrie

**1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Walby called the meeting to order at 9:00 am with a quorum present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those in attendance.

**2. SELECTION OF CANDIDATE PRESENTATION ORDER**

Mayor Walby noted that Mayor and Council received a letter from Kevin Tuzcek indicating that he was withdrawing his name from consideration. The process will be that the candidates will be sequestered, and they will come to the podium to make their presentation in the order of a random selection we will conduct. There will be no questions asked of the candidates.

Mr. Ihrie, City Attorney, announced the rotation as Mr. Hughes pulled the random selection. The order is as follows: 1. Bradley S. Kress, 2. John D. Caron, 3. Nathan R. Kaczmarek, 4. John D. Burtch and 5. Jack D. Downey.

Mayor Walby thanked the 32 candidates who applied for the vacant council seat. Council now will have a hard decision to make. We will find a qualified individual to help us lead the City forward at Monday's regular Council meeting.

**3. INDIVIDUAL PRESENTATIONS BY CANDIDATES FOR VACANT CITY COUNCIL SEAT (6 MINUTES EACH)**

The candidates were brought into the room individually and made their presentations in the following order: Bradley S. Kress, John D. Caron, Nathan R. Kaczmarek, John D. Burtch and Jack D. Downey.

**4. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (5 MINUTE TIME LIMIT)**

Vince Marino, St. Clair Shores resident, encouraged Council to appoint his friend Jack Downey as he feels he has the strength to help lead the city.

Brian Massey, Harrison Twp. resident, encouraged Council to appoint Jack Downey as he is involved in many City organizations and has the best interest of the City in his heart.

Martin Gulewitz, St. Clair Shores resident, asked that Council consider Jack Downey for this seat as he has been a fiend for many years. Jack spends time working on SCOTS board, he is a great public speaker and he knows he will represent the Seniors and the entire City.

Joe Backus, St. Clair Shores resident, stated he wanted Council to consider that no one should come up and read a speech but to select someone who spoke from the heart. He was glad Mr. Vitale voted for Chuck Hall and urged council scrap all these names and appoint Chuck Hall.

Mayor Walby noted that we have all worked very hard to get to this point in the process, and we will continue to do so over the weekend in order to be able to make a decision on Monday.

**5. ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion by Frederick, seconded by Rubino to adjourn at 9:50 a.m.**

Ayes: All-6

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KIP C. WALBY, MAYOR

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MARY A. KOTOWSKI, CITY CLERK

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