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Quick Hits

It's time once again to exercise your constitutional right to vote.

Next Tuesday is the Aug. 4 Primary Election.

You can read about what will be on the ballot here on the front page, over on the right side of this page.

We can't stress enough the importance of this election. There is a lot at stake for our public schools, which are the cornerstone of this community.

The schools are seeking the renewal of a millage that supplies a large revenue stream to keep the district in full operation.

The election ballot also gives voters a chance to whittle down nine city council candidates seeking three seats on the council.

The top six vote-getters from Tuesday's election will proceed to the November General Election in which the final three candidates will be selected by voters.

Polls open at 7 a.m. and close at 8 p.m. Surely you can spare a few moments out of the day to cast your



projects, and then there is Hamtramck's version of a DIY.

The city has been all over local and national media this week after several residents took matters into their own hands and began filling potholes when they got tired of waiting and waiting for the city to get to them.

It all began, like so many other Hamtramckborn inspirations, with a group of people having a few beers and talking about the city.

By now, most of you have probably heard the story: Jonathan Weier, 32,



and some buddies were at local bar complaining/wondering what could be done about getting potholes filled.

It didn't take long to come up with a solution: Let's do it ourselves.

"I guess the tipping Continued on page 2

A group of residents recently decided to take matters into their own hands and fill potholes that the city had yet to get to. Their action attracted a lot of media attention.

Support for school millage grows

By Charles Sercombe

Supporters of the school millage renewal got a huge endorsement this week.

At Tuesday's regular city council meeting, councilmembers gave a hearty "Yes" in support of the proposal, which will appear on Tuesday's (Aug. 4) ballot.

Also on the ballot will be an election to whittle down nine candidates running for city council to

Councilmember Anam Miah was absent from the meeting. He did not return a call for comment on the matter.

Miah is one of three incumbents on council seeking re-election. The other councilmembers include Abu Musa and Robert Zwolak. Those not running for re-election but who supported the school millage were Mohammad Hassan, Andrea Karpinski and Titus Walters.

Mayor Karen Majewski has also expressed her support of the millage.

Hamtramck School Boardmember Evan Major, who is also the chairman of a campaign committee promoting the millage, said he has received support for the

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Former Director of Public Works Steve Shaya is alleging in a lawsuit that the mayor and city council violated the state Open Meetings Act last November to discuss who should be the city manager of Hamtramck.

Lawsuit claims city officials violated **Open Meetings Act**

By Charles Sercombe

A former department head who filed a Whistleblower lawsuit against the city has another legal beef.

Steve Shaya, the former Director of Public Works, is now claiming the mayor and city council violated the Open Meetings Act by meeting

privately to discuss who should be hired as city manager.

The lawsuit was filed in Wayne County Circuit Court in May, but it only recently came to light.

Shaya, a Chaldean-American, has an active lawsuit claiming that various city and elected offi-

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Volunteers cause a media swarm by fixing potholes on their own cont. from front page

point was when on Facebook I got feedback," Weier said.

Namely, the feedback that got things going came from Mayor Karen Majewski, who gave her blessing.

"It was enough to proceed to do this," Weier said.

Armed with \$150, Weier and crew - who go by the name of Hamtramck Guerilla Road Repair bought some pothole filler and took care of several potholes on Lumpkin.

They then set up an online fundraiser, with the goal to raise \$5,000. At press time Thursday, several hundred dollars had been raised, including a donation by Mayor Majewski, who applauded the efvolunteers used. fort.

"I have no problem with residents taking projects like this - that everyone agrees need to be done and that make all of our lives better-into their own hands," Majewski said.

"I've donated to their Go Fund Me campaign and I encourage others to help out as they can. It speaks volumes about their community spirit and sense of ownership of and responsibility they feel for Hamtramck. Hats off to them."

Unfortunately, though, Lumpkin was next on the list for a city-hired work crew to spray fill the potholes – a technique that lasts much longer than the cold patch method the

City Manager Katrina Powell said she has talked with the volunteers to better coordinate repairs. And, technically, no one who is authorized by the city should be making repairs to streets, Powell told The Review.

"The streets are cityowned (except those owned by the county), and should not be tampered with under any circumstances, without permission," Powell said in email to The Review.

"We have a street paving plan in place, which consists of spray patching versus cold patching (which is a waste of money, as it lasts just a couple of months before it

is worn away), and we are following it as quickly as possible. When residents throw cold patch, gravel, soil/flowers or anything else in the holes, prior to the spray patching, it costs the city more money, and slows down the repairs, because the contractor must remove any debris before it is spray patched. The city and its contractor are working as quickly as possible to repair streets that haven't been touched in years, if ever in some instances."

Weier said he regrets that he didn't first "reach out" to the city, but the intention all along was to work as a partner with the city and "do the streets the city hadn't done."

Potholes, and the general condition of the city's streets, has long been an issue for years, but this year it has become the Story of the Year.

This past winter's severe freezing and ice created larger than usual potholes. Cold weather also hung on longer, which put repairs behind a few weeks.

On top of that, the city was dealt a month-long setback when the administration was ordered by a state-appointed Transition Advisory Board - which oversees all financial decisions - to rebid the proj-

Not only did that delay repairs, but the company hired by the city, Highway Construction, can't be here every day because of other commitments, said Mark Ragsdale, the Director of Public Works.

This issue also raised another concern that has been roiling in state government for the past couple of years: How to fund road repairs throughout the state.

It has become a political hot potato. Voters recently rejected a proposal to

raise the gas tax, and now state officials are trying to come up with a funding solution.

Note to voters: You probably won't like their option either.

The topic of funding road repairs is also on the mind of City Manager Pow-

"Someone higher up the food chain than I needs to put on their big girl/boy pants, bite the bullet and do what every other state does, and fund roads/repairs, by any means necessary," Powell said in an email.

Councilman Robert

Zwolak is asking you to

please vote

"Motor City? Not even. It's embarrassing actually, that the state known for its 'Big 3' AUTOMOBILE companies, has some of

the worst un-drivable

roads in the country."

And speaking of funding, there is a fundraiser Hamtramck the Guerilla Road Repair group tonight (July 31) at New Dodge Lounge with admission at \$10. If you go, don't drink too much because the next pothole repair get-together is Saturday, Aug. 1 at 10 a.m.

Volunteers will meet up at 11549 St. Aubin.





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This week at the library...

State of the Community Address - Monday, August 3, at 6 p.m. State Senator Bert Johnson will deliver his State of the Community Address at the Library. He will update Hamtramck residents on the key legislative issues and provide an opportunity for participants to ask questions and express their concerns.

ESL Class - Monday, August 3 at 11 a.m. Summer ESL classes are free to all Hamtramck residents. Registration is required.

Children's <u>Movie</u> Night - Tuesday, August 4 at 4 p.m. All children are invited to see a movie shown on high-definition screen and enjoy a serving of popcorn. This week's feature is "The Incredibles."

Summer Reading Program - Wednesday, August 5 at 1 p.m. This week Randy Baker will present an animal show "Wildlfe of the America." Book reports and a selection of reading materials will follow. All children are invited.

Teen Summer Reading Club - Thursday, August 6 at 4 p.m. The SRP program for Teens will be held in the Library auditorium. Everyone, ages 12 to 17 years old is invited to participate. Tomasz Zerek will host a photo workshop for the teen club.

Meeting of the Library Board - Thursday, August 13 at 6 p.m. Regular meeting of the Library Board will be held in the auditorium. Open to the public.

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Friends of the Library Meeting - Thursday, Au-

Second Front Page

Fireworks show attracts hundreds to Keyworth Stadium

By Charles Sercombe

No matter what day it is, people just love a good fireworks show.

Though it was a few weeks past the Fourth of July, Hamtramckans got a holiday-worthy fireworks display last Saturday at Keyworth Stadium, thanks to the public school district's Recreation Depart-

ment.

And most of them stuck it out until show time at 10 p.m. despite two brief - but heavy - downpours.

Before the big show, there were live music performances, including Hamtramck's favorite party band, The Polish Muslims, and plenty of kids' activities.







few lawn signs on display

as well. But on Facebook

some candidates have

been active, showcasing

them meeting voters and

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Support for school millage grows

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millage from council candidates Frank Woodman, Susan Dunn, Monzurul Karim and Saad Almas-

At press time Thursday, council candidates who did not respond to a request for support by the millage campaign committee included Susan Dunn, Cathie Gordon and Mohamed Alsomiri.

Gordon and Alsomiri own commercial buildings and are subject to paying the millage.

The millage is a renewal of a tax that has been in place for 20 years, and it raises over \$1.8 million a year.

Hamtramck Public Schools Superintendent Tom Niczay said he appreciates the support of the community. A number of business owners have

"It's been an incredible show of support," Niczay said. "It's been a great outpouring."

The millage renewal is paid only by those who own commercial properties or rental dwellings. Those who own their own home do not pay the tax, nor do renters.

The millage renewal was shot down last Febru-School







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Tuesday, August 4, 2015 To the Qualified Electors of the CITY OF HAMTRAMCK - WAYNE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a CITY OF HAMTRAMCK SCHOOL ELECTION will be held in the City of Hamtramck, County of Wayne, State of Michigan on Tuesday, August 4, 2015 from seven (7) o'clock in the morning until eight (8) o'clock at night (local time) at which time the following office will be voted on:

Hamtramck City Council

And also proposal listed below will be voted upon.

OPERATING MILLAGE RENEWAL PROPOSITION

This proposition will allow the school district to continue to levy the statutory rate of 18 mills on all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, required for the school district to receive its revenue per pupil foundation allowance. The remaining .1871 mill is only available to be levied to restore millage lost as a result of the reduction required by the "Headlee" amendment to the Michigan Constitution of 1963 and will only be levied to the extent necessary to restore that reduction.

Shall the authorized millage rate limitation on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, in the School District of the City of Hamtramck, Wayne County, Michigan, be increased by 18.1871 mills (\$18.1871 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation) for a period of 10 years, 2016 to 2025, inclusive, to provide funds for operating purposes; the estimate of the revenues the school district will collect if the millage is approved and 18 mills are levied in 2016 is approximately \$3,399,571 (this is a renewal of millage which will expire with the 2015 tax levy)?

The City Clerk's office, 3401 Evaline, Hamtramck, Michigan 48212, will be open on Saturday, August 1, 2015 from 8:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. for the return of Absentee Applications and Absentee Ballots.

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All polling place locations are handicap accessible. To obtain election instructions in an alternative format (audio or Braille), contact the Clerk's Office prior to Election Day

August 2015 August R. Gitschlag Hamtramck City Clerk

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August R. Gitschlag হ্যামট্রমিক সিটি ক্লার্ক

Holbrook's summer: A season of learning

Summer school at Holbrook Elementary has been an enriching experience for all involved, offering a core of reading and math with enrichment in computer skills and inquiry-based science investigations.

When asked why summer school is important to her, Shymere Freeman said: "It is important to me because when I start fourth grade I can be better prepared."

read there."

Another important and interesting aspect for the students to learn was that there is a section specifically designated for books written in other languages.

The students will be able to visit the library three times during their time at summer school. Holbrook students were well-behaved both on the bus, thanking Mr. Vincent for driving them, and during Ms. Katie's presentation and tour.

They asked questions about the programs at the



Students participating in a summer program at Holbrook Elementary School took a trip to the city's library where they each received their very own library card.

Students are able to check out books from the school library, but they have also had a wonderful opportunity to experience the Hamtramck Public Library. By partnering with HPL, students have been able to sign up for a library card and learn more about the public library.

Students have learned about the fun activities and programs the library offers year round. Nadaa Fadhel, an incoming sixthgrader, explained after her first time at the Hamtramck Public Library, "It was interesting because there are a lot of books to

library, books available for checkout, and some history of Hamtramck. We teachers were proud and impressed, as always.

Corinne Streicher, Holbrook's English as a Second Language teacher, is also conducting a selfcontained ELL summer school class with help from Holbrook paraprofessionals and a HHS student volunteer Amran

Eltobah. This is a great opportunity for those students to continue their English language learning. During the day, they have a multi-

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Review: Opinion Page

In Our Opinion

School millage renewal will keep our housing values stable

It is now less than a not pay this tax. week away from the

We can't stress enough the importance of this election and the passage of the school district's millage renewal.

is crucial for the financial health of our schools. The millage generates over \$1.8 million a year.

We also can't repeat this part enough, either: The only people who pay the millage are commercial property owners and the owners of rental dwellings.

this millage.

People who own their home and live there do main strong. That's be-

And despite what Aug. 4 Primary Election. those who oppose the millage are saying, you will not save any money by voting against the millage.

Not one cent.

The millage has been This revenue source in place for 20 years, and the passage of the ballot proposal will keep it in place for another 10 years. The millage will ensure that our schools remain strong and independ-

Homeowners should note that supporting the millage is in their best interest as well. Renters do not pay By having a stable school district, our housing values will re-

cause when families are looking to move to a new community, they want a solid school dis-

There are certain people out there who are purposely misleading voters on this proposal. They are liars, and they are attempting to sabotage our schools.

The majority of the people who live in Hamtramck do not pay this tax, nor will they see any kind of savings if this millage is defeated.

Hamtramck Keep strong and our schools independent by voting YES for the school millage renewal.



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cultural daily read-aloud, as well as discussing current events. Giving students time to write personal narratives, as well as guided reading time, are also important activities during the day. All students are working on appropriate spoken language for different contexts and working towards making many connections to their texts.

On Wednesday, students focused on Visual Thinking Strategies with a volunteer from the Detroit Institute of

"I really liked how Mr. Glen took part of his time to come and show us art," said Ahmed Alriyami.

Another student, Wadah Rageh, explained after the day that the art he saw "amazing!" Asal Ahmed added, "I learned a lot from the art that Mr. Glen showed us."

Holbrook's summer school will continue until August 14. Even though summer is winding down, the students and staff are looking forward to starting another successful year at Holbrook Elementary.

Enrollment

Hamtramck **Public** Schools is now enrolling for the 2015-2016 school year. Families interested in enrolling their children in HPS schools can do so at 3201 Roosevelt in Hamtramck. **Summer Registration Hours** through August 28 are as follows: Monday, Thursday, Friday between 7 a.m. and 3 p.m., and Tuesday, Wednesday between 7 a.m. and 4 p.m. Enrollment documents are also available on the HPS website at: www.hamtramck.k12.mi.us

For further information call, 313-892-2306.

Letters • Letters

Support the school millage

A community is only as mon good of all our pubstrong as the involvement of its citizens.

The survival of our public schools is at stake in Every registered voter in Hamtramck must cast their ballot for the com-

lic school students.

I urge my fellow classmates and former students of the Hamtramck the August 4 election. Public Schools to support this millage and ensure that our children and grandchildren will

have the same multicultural education that we experienced in this unique city.

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Survivor... Azra Muhic is one lucky 17-year-old. According to media reports, Muhic, a Hamtramck resident, was in a freak car accident during which the vehicle she was travelling in rolled over on I-75.

Unfortunately for Muhic, her arm was pinned and badly mangled. But luck was on her side.

Medical student Matt Dopps was traveling behind Muhic and rushed and a few others turned over the vehicle. Dopps

then noticed blood gushing out of Muhic's arm and stopped it until an ambulance arrived.

If Dopps had not been there to plug the bleeding artery, Muhic probably would not have made

As it turned out Muhic lost her arm. She is one very brave girl, but she also has a huge medical bill to cover. So far, the family has collected over \$20,000.

Her family has set up to her rescue. Dopps an online fundraising effort, which you can find on gofundme.com

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a.m. Among those in the area being honored are Fire Chief Paul Wilk. Acting Police Chief Anne Moise and resident Susan Dunn.

Dunn is being honored for organizing a group of high school teens who volunteered this past winter to shovel snow for seniors.

The breakfast will be at the Detroit Rescue Mission Banquet hall, located at 3606 E. Forrest, near Mt. Elliot. Tickets are \$15 and are available at the door.

Vote Yes! for the kids Aug. 4th

CITY OF HAMTRAMCK, MICHIGAN

ORDINANCE 2013-08

AMENDING CHAPTER 114 OF THE HAMTRAMCK CODE OF ORDINANCES ALSO KNOWN AS THE METAL AND GEM ORDINANCE

Enacted: 2-22-13 Published: 7-31-15

August R. Gitschlag City Clerk Hamtramck, Michigan

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ORDINANCE 2013-09 AMENDING CHAPTER 114 OF THE HAMTRAMCK CODE OF ORDINANCES ALSO KNOWN AS THE PAWN ORDINANCE

ORDINANCE 2013-10 AMENDING SECTION 133.004 (POSSESSION OR CONTROL OF

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ORDINANCE NUMBER 2015-01 THE 2015-16 BUDGET ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF HAMTRAMCK, MICHIGAN TO PROVIDE FOR THE GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS OF THE CITY, AND SETTING FORTH THE MILLAGE RATES APPROPRIATED TO DEFRAY THE **EXPENDITURES; TO ADOPT THE CITY'S BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR** 2015-2016; TO ADOPT THE FEE SCHEDULE FOR PUBLIC RECORDS AND SERVICES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016; AND TO ADOPT WATER AND SEWERAGE DISPOSAL RATES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016.

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Lawsuit claims city officials violated Open Meetings Act

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cials made ethnic slurs against him. He also said that the police department falsely claimed he was involved in a hit-andrun accident in retaliation for him pointing out that while off-duty, an officer was operating a tow truck service the department used - an apparent conflict of interest.

In his latest lawsuit, Shaya is claiming:

• On Nov. 7, 2014, Councilmembers Anam Miah, Abu Musa, Mohammad Hassan and Titus Walters met in the city hall office of Mayor Karen Majewski to talk about who should be hired as a city manager.

· They decided to urge Emergency Manager Cathy Square to hire Kathy Angerer, who was and still is - the Director of Community & Economic Development.

· The group then went to Square's office in city hall and told her their preference.

 Majewski and Miah then told Square that they did not want John Gabor hired as city manager, and that Angerer had the qualifications for the position. Gabor was a candidate for the job.

 Majewski and Walters also talked about discontinuing using Platinum Landscaping for its services. The lawsuit alleges there were accusations that Platinum padding its bills.

 Square, the lawsuit says, told them to "trend (sic) lightly" because the company's bills were clean and it was the lowest bidder.

 The lawsuit says that Shaya was against hiring Angerer and that by meeting outside of an open meeting he was denied his First Amendment right to speak out against it.

 The lawsuit noted that no minutes were taken of the meeting.

Shaya is asking for his costs, attorney fees and to impose a \$500 fine on the mayor and councilmembers as well as any other "relief" the court finds justified.

It is a violation of the Open Meetings Act for a public body to meet in private unless it's a closed meeting that is sanctioned under the OMA. A public body is also forbidden to meet as a quorum without first giving advance notice of the meet-

Asked to comment on the lawsuit, Mayor Majewski declined, saying she can't because the matter is pending.

The lawsuit, filed by attorney M. Michael Koroi, is filled with misspellings of the names of councilmembers and other city officials.

For example, Councilmember Walters at one point is referred to as "Walker." Councilmember Musa as "Mousa" and Cathy Square as "Kathy."

What is not clear in the lawsuit is how Shaya knew of this alleged meeting. Koroi is also part of the law office of Salem Samaan, which is handling Shaya's Whistleblower lawsuit.

Shaya had been Director of the Public Works until he admitted to former Emergency Manager Cathy Square that he was the uncle of the owner of Platinum Landscaping. Square fired Shaya after he revealed his relationship to the company.

Shaya scheduled and oversaw the work performed by Platinum as well as reviewed its bills.



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property. The victim ran

away and the suspects also

fled. Later, the victim called

police saying he was near

the suspects and officers

arrested them after a

At almost 4 a.m. a res-

ident in the 12000 block of

Grand Haven reported a

break-in and the theft of

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Hills resident was arrested

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By Charles Sercombe

This week's Crime Log covers July 21-27.

Tuesday, July 21

- · A resident in the 2300 block of Geimer reported someone broke a window at their home.
- · At almost 1 a.m. police officers and firefighters responded to a garage fire on Doremus. It was determined the cause of the fire was arson.
- · At 3:45 a.m. a Doremus resident reported a man drove a new gray-colored Chrysler 300 the wrong way on the one-way street and hit him. The driver pulled into a gas station in the area before driving away, once again the wrong way down the oneway street. The driver was described as a white male, in his early 20s, and wearing shorts and a shirt.

Wednesday, July 22

- · At almost 2:30 a.m. a resident in the 11600 block of Mitchell was arrested for assaulting his wife.
- A man reported a break-in at his residence in the 12000 block of Grand Haven.

Thursday, July 23

- · At about 12:25 a.m. a Miller resident was arrested for domestic violence, obstruction, and being wanted on a Hamtramck warrant.
- At about 1:30 a.m. a family reported their father was missing. That person later verified with the police his return.
- A Trowbridge resident

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- · At almost 11 p.m. a Detroit resident reported that while watching the fireworks in the area of Roosevelt and Gallagher a suspect grabbed her Cartier prescription glasses and fled. The suspect was described as a 13-year-old boy wearing a red jersey with a white numeral "3"
- · At a little after 1 a.m. a Dearborn resident was arrested at a bar in the 11400 block of Jos. Campau for trespassing.
- At a little after 9 p.m. a Detroit resident was arrested on an outstanding Hamtramck warrant after filing a complaint about a malicious destruction property that was later determined to have actually happened in Detroit.
- A Caniff business owner reported two males stole four cellphones and then fled in a cab.
- · A Trowbridge resident reported someone smashed a window at his home.
- · A Belmont resident reported a break-in of his shed and the theft of a bike.

Monday, July 27

- · At about 2 a.m. officers investigating a possible burglary incident at a house in the 2400 block of Florian arrested two people for scrapping without a license.
- At about 3 a.m. a Botsford resident was arrested for domestic violence after assaulting his roommate.

3000 block of Dorothy.

Notice of Public Hearing

CITY OF HAMTRAMCK

The City Council will hold a public hearing on an amendment to a portion of the approved fiscal year 2015-16 budget relating to charges for water and sewage disposal services as established by Ordinance No. 2015-01, such public hearing to be held on Tuesday, August 11, 2015 at 7:00 pm in the Hamtramck City Hall, City Council Chambers, 3401 Evaline St. Ordinance No. 2015-01 and the proposed amendment are available for public inspection during normal business hours at the office of the City Clerk.

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I am voting YES to support the Non-Homestead Millage Renewal, and I urge you to vote YES also.

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RESOLUTION 2015-37

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE HAMTRAMCK PUBLIC SCHOOLS NON-HOMESTEAD MILLAGE RENEWAL ON AUGUST 4th

WHEREAS, the city of Hamtramck, Wayne County, Michigan believes the School District of the City of Hamtramck is necessary for our diverse community to thrive; and

WHEREAS, the School District is one of the City's greatest assets for the health, strength, educational development, economic drivers and growth in the City of Hamtramck; and

WHEREAS, the city of Hamtramck supports continued growth and positive economic impact the School System provides the residents of the City of Hamtramck; and

WHEREAS, the Non-Homestead Millage ballot proposal on August 4, 2015 does not increase any taxes to anyone while keeping programming in place for the School District of the City of

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Hamtramck, Wayne County, Michigan support of a YES vote on the Non-homestead Millage renewal on August 4,

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I AM VOTING YES TO SUPPORT THE NON-HOMESTEAD MILLAGE RENEWAL ON AUGUST 4TH. I URGE

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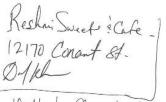
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Dear Hamtramck Business Owner.

On August 4th, Hamtramck voters will be asked to renew the 10 year-year non-homestead millage. This is a small tax ONLY on commercial properties. It has been one of the main sources for funding Hamtramck Public Schools for 20 years. This is simply a renewal of the SAME level for another 10 years. Voting yes will keep nearly \$2 million in the general fund of the school district each year. Voting no will take away part of the existing budget. Hamtramck Public Schools is asking you, as a commercial property owner in Hamtramck to pledge your support so every one of our children receives a quality education

I AM VOTING YES TO SUPPORT THE NON-HOMESTEAD MILLAGE RENEWAL ON AUGUST 4TH. I URGE

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The following **current Council** candidates have endorsed:

- Karim
- Almasmari
- Woodman
- Zwolak
- Musa
- Miah
- Hassan
- Dunn

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VOTE YES FOR THE KIDS! Get Out & Vote Tuesday, August 4th