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## Quick Hits

Next Thursday is Thanksgiving Day. Yes, the holiday season is upon us. And yes, we wish you, dear reader, a happy and healthy Thanksgiving.

Hamtramck is a small town, but we are large spirit. People care about each other, although we can squabble here and there.

Thanksgiving is a time to give thanks and be thankful.

It's a day we can rest and count our blessings.

We like to think Hamtramck has a lot to be thankful about. Despite our occasional setbacks, we are survivors here. And we are also quick to lend a helping hand to our neighbors.

That is community spirit.

There is a true sense that we are all in this together here. And that means working together, and not working against one another.

So, on Thanksgiving Day, take time to reflect and ask yourself: how can I help better our

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## — HAMTRAMCK'S NEWSPAPER OF RECORD —

# GM Poletown plant gears up for new models

**By Charles Sercombe**

According to media reports, the GM Poletown plant looks like it will have a secure future.

According to both a forecasting company called LMC Automotive and the Detroit News, GM will be producing the GMC Sierra, Hummer and Cadillac Escalade there.

All of the models will be electric-powered.

GM is also investing \$3 billion into upgrading the plant, and it is expected that over 2,000 people will be employed there.

This is encouraging news for Hamtramck.

Before the summer UAW strike at GM, the company had announced it would shut down the Po-



**GM has big plans for its Poletown plant, but it may take up to two years for retooling the facility and then resume production. GM is investing heavily into electric vehicles.**

letown plant and three others. Then, as the strike began, GM said it would keep the plant open, and then when the strike lingered, it walked

that promise back.

But that the strike is settled, and GM said it is committed to keeping the plant in operation.

That means Hamtramck

will continue to receive a yearly payment in lieu of property taxes.

In recent years that payment has amounted to

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**When walking the streets, play it safe and keep a watchful eye on strangers. There has been an uptick in street crimes.**

## Crime Watch: Walk with your guard up

**By Charles Sercombe**

Normally in this column, we talk about recent crime trends.

This week we want to point out one incident that we think warrants special attention.

It happened Wednesday, just before 7:30 p.m., when a resident was walking on Commor St. toward the east side of the Jos. Campau alley.

A person approached a

resident and asked for a cigarette. While the resident was reaching for one, the other person – who in a moment will become a suspect – pulled out a gun and demanded his wallet.

The suspect then ran away.

That suspect is described as a black male, almost 6-foot tall, about 25 to 35 years old, and

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## Breaking news... case dismissed in sex assault

**By Charles Sercombe**

In a stunning defeat for the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office, community activist Ibrahim Aljahim won't face trial for sexually assaulting an 18-year-old male student.

After three court hearings, Hamtramck 31st District Court Judge Alexis Krot said Thursday there was not enough "credible" evidence to bind over Aljahim to Wayne County Circuit Court on two counts of first-degree sexual assault.

Aljahim's preliminary examinations in Hamtramck were often contentious between Assistant Wayne County Prosecutor Nida Samona and Aljahim's attorney, Roger Farinha.

Krot had to frequently admonish the two to stop interrupting each other and show professional courtesy. At one point she threatened court sanctions against the two.

The student, who is now 19 years old, is a special education student at Oakland International Academy. During his testimony, he often appeared confused during questioning by Farinha.

The Review does not identify those who say they are victims of sexual assault.

At one point, Farinha phrased a question as a double negative and basically got the student to say there was no assault.

The timeline of the alleged assault also got mixed up by the student.

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Aljahim, 37, was a community liaison officer at the charter school. After being arrested, the school fired him. He is well-connected politically with local, state and national candidates and political figures. After court was dismissed, Aljahim hugged his supporters. He declined to comment, but told The Review reporter: “Chip (referring to the reporter’s nickname), write a nice article now.” Krot chastised the prosecutor’s office for bringing the case forward considering the unreliability of the

student. She said according to a medical report from a U of M doctor, that the prosecutor’s office submitted, it was noted that the student was prone to making things up. She noted that, while the student was clearly mentally impaired, his credibility is what undermined his testimony. “The only thing consistent, were the constant conflicting statements,” Krot said. Krot dismissed the charges “without prejudice” – meaning the prosecutor’s office can refile

charges if new evidence is presented. That would likely be the results of a DNA test that the state police lab has yet to complete. The student testified that he was assaulted in his car, which was parked in the school parking lot. He said Aljahim performed oral sex on him, and then grabbed the student’s neck and forced him to perform oral sex. A DNA swab was taken from the student’s penis later on the day of the alleged assault.

Housing development changes - again

By Charles Sercombe

Maybe the third time will be the charm for Dr. Sami Bilani’s housing development proposal. Back in September, Bilani presented his revised plans to the city council. He first introduced the concept two years ago, but for some reason the project did not move forward.

Since the September meeting with the council, he has had to redo his revamped design because DTE said the housing units would be too close to its power lines.

Bilani gave it a major redo from its first design. Gone is the California-Spanish influenced design. The Brombach Town Homes, as it is called, now sports a modern, sleek look, such as something you might see in Birmingham. At the presentation to the council in September, the council agreed to vacate a short alley on Dubois St. in order to accommodate the development. But because the project got delayed for over 30 days before it could get final approval, the council will have to once again vacate the alley. A



Dr. Sami Bilani, who is a dentist, is still seeking to build town houses on an unused parking lot on Brombach St.

public hearing on the project will be held at the next Zoning Board of Appeals meeting, on Dec. 11, at 6 p.m. in city hall. The public will be permitted to comment on the project. Bilani is a dentist, whose office is next to the parking lot he owns where the housing development will take place. He also lives upstairs above his office. He plans to construct six rental dwellings. Although the council was open to the project, there was some pushback from a few residents, including Shannon Lowell (who owns one of the houses off of the alley that will be vacated). He said the project will cut off an entrance to his backyard, but Bilani disputed that claim. Bilani has since purchased one of the houses abutting the alley and will expand his project onto that site. He has declined to say how much the development will cost. Bilani said he expects the development will bring in \$25,000 a year to the city in property taxes.

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anywhere between \$700,000 and \$800,000 per year. For a while, Hamtramck was panicked when GM announced it was closing the plant. A financial hit like that would have dev-

astated the city. However, there will still be some temporary sting. It could take up to two years before the plant resumes production while it is upgrading its facility. During that time, GM

won’t have to make its annual payment to the city because the agreement it has with the city depends on whether there is auto production, and how many people are employed at the plant.

This week at the library...

Toddler Time - Thursdays, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. September 12-December 19. Children up to age 5 and their parents and caregivers are invited for stories & songs followed by playtime.

November is Family Literacy Month - Wednesdays 3:30 - 4:30 p.m. November 6 - November 27.

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For more information about events at the library call (313) 733-6822, or visit its website at <http://hamtramck.lib.mi.us> where you can also access the online catalog. The library is located at 2360 Caniff.



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# Second Front Page

## Reader Feedback: Let’s talk about the city’s income tax

By Charles Sercombe

Our website continues to attract readers’ comments.

For those who may have overlooked the comment sections on our website (hamtramckreview.com), or for those who do not have internet access, here’s a round-up of the latest comments.

Our story about the possible financial setback to the city if the GM Poletown were to close (it’s not going to close as it turned out) prompted regular commentator Nasr Hussain to argue that the city needs to eliminate its income tax.

He says that by getting rid of the tax it would actually boost economic development and attract more residents and entrepreneurs.

He also says the ongoing re-assessment of property values will offset the loss of \$2.5 million that the income tax brings into the city coffers.

“That’s why we need the income tax eliminated sooner than later. The assessed values will go up anyways since the city has hired a professional company to do the assessment,” Hussain said. “And a higher assessment means a higher equity and net worth for them.”

Not so, replied a reader who goes by the moniker “Resident.”

“Higher assessed value doesn’t mean higher taxable value if the property doesn’t change hands. Proposal A of 1994 limits the rise of taxable value to 5% or the rate of inflation, whichever is smaller,” said Resident.

“A homeowner who holds onto his property, his taxable value is not going to go up much even if the assessed value quadruples. How do you come up with extra revenue without adding more millage?”

Hussain insists residents need financial relief.

“Five percent annual increase or the rate of inflation increase will cover the lost revenue of income tax in a few years. Take into consideration, as a resident, that your property tax bill will increase whether income tax is eliminated or not,” Hussain said.

“Hamtramck residents are already paying too much whether it’s their water bills, higher insur-

ance costs and fees. Some relief has to be provided.

“In an interview with councilmember Ian Perrotta and our city clerk it was strangely noted that some residents of Hamtramck illegally keep their suburban addresses on their licenses to avoid a higher insurance rate. I will assume also to avoid income tax, depriving themselves from the right to vote here and having their voices heard. Is that what we want?”

Resident replied that for most people, our income tax is a non-issue.

“Hamtramck’s tax rate is low compare to that of Detroit. Income tax – 1% Hamtramck versus 2.4% for Detroit. Property tax (for year 2017) – 57.87 mills for Hamtramck versus 69.56 mills for Detroit,” says Resident.

“Detroit’s businesses will realize a savings if they move to Hamtramck right now. It is highly unlikely that these businesses will be flocking to Hamtramck once income tax goes away. Furthermore, these businesses probably will be looking for property tax rebate if they want to move to Hamtramck.”

A reader who goes by Jessica R. disagrees with Hussain.

“People do not leave Hamtramck because of a 1% income tax. We most certainly do not have a ‘two-year surplus’ in the city budget either. We might have a couple of million dollars if that,” she said.

“The elimination of the income tax would result in the city losing about two million dollars a year. How quickly do you even think you’d be able to measure the success of eliminating the income tax? You couldn’t.

“There are far too many other variables. By the time you realized it wasn’t working, it would be too late. The city would be hurting beyond repair financially and city services like police, fire, city services workers, city hall employees etc. would be absolutely decimated.

“The income tax is a small price to pay to keep this city moving forward and is very common for urban environments across America. City services cost money and are expensive to maintain. Urban areas require the highest level of serv-

ices.

“If you want to pay little in taxes, I suggest you move out to the countryside where you’ll be lucky to ever see an ambulance, have county police protection with one officer for the whole county per shift, and receive no other municipal services.”

Hussain stuck to his guns.

“Fear-mongering tactics were used when Dodge Main, American Axle and other employers left Hamtramck, but guess what, Hamtramck kept on thriving,” he said.

“A city that depends on a 1% income tax, as you claim, will die sooner or later.

“The worst-case scenario is that Hamtramck will go into bankruptcy, and the state will take over – which has already happened in the past and was not the end of the world for Hamtramck.”

Jessica R. insists that Hussain does not understand the dynamics of how cities operate, finan-

cially.

“Nasr, again you’re wrong. Hamtramck has never gone through bankruptcy. We had a state-appointed emergency financial manager,” Jessica R. said.

“They are two vastly different things. Your laissez faire attitude about the financial implications is grossly disturbing. You’re also looking over another element of this puzzle which you can’t seem to understand.

“The state requires the city to submit a balanced budget. If you eliminate the income tax the budget will be in a deficit with that cut alone. What city services should we cut now so we can eliminate the tax and keep a balanced budget?”

We let Hussain have the last word.

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- PUBLIC HEARING: B&C Rental Property LLC is requesting dimensional variances at 9331 Brombach to have a lesser rear setback, greater maximum lot size, and shorter parking stall length than is permitted in the following sections of the Hamtramck Zoning Ordinance:
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## School Bell

### Early Childhood Elementary

On Thursday, Nov. 14, Kids First Initiative, a non-profit organization, visited The Early Childhood Elementary for its Holiday Meals Give Away.

This program, run by Richard Bell, encourages students to consider future careers in the S.T.E.A.M. (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Mathematics) fields.

After school, families were treated to pizza and

drinks. The students received hats, scarves, and toys, and there was a raffle for a bike.

After that, the students participated in a science experiment conducted by Mr. Bell.

Every family went home with a chicken and a bag of food to go along with it. Some 48 families signed up for the event.

Our thanks go to Mr. Bell, Kids First Initiative and Volkswagen, who donated gifts and volunteered.

Victoria B. won the bike! It was a most enjoyable evening.

### Kosciuszko Middle School



Each month at KMS, students have the chance to be nominated for Cougar (Student) of the Month.

Students were chosen

for the month of October for Being Respectful. Here is the list of Cougars of the Month for October: Dawod Alrefai, Ghaida Saleh, Ervin

Pracic, Mohammed Zilani, Khadijah Kalam, Jalona Wingo, Loretta Habucke, Fahria Mirza, Mahdi Sharif, Shayera Chowd-

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**Top left: Students of the Month at KMS pose for a photo. All the rest: scenes from events at ECE and Dickinson East.**



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wearing a black sweat suit and black knit hat.

We mention this because, in general, there appears to have been an uptick in street robberies

in the last few months.

None, though, appeared to involve a ruse like this – one that exploited the generosity of others.

Sometimes it's easy to forget that Hamtramck, as small and quaint as it is, is still a part of the inner-city, with all the social ills of a big city.

And for the most part, folks here are often friendly and chatty.

But as a former smoker, this writer can tell you that I never handed out cigarettes on the street when asked by strangers. There is just something about it that makes one instantly vulnerable – if only for a brief second.

Sure, there are regular street folks one can at least semi-trust, but when it's dark out, which by 5:30 in the evening these days it is, that's just not a good time to be trusting.

It's unfortunate that a few bad incidents can ruin our walks around the city, but for those who have lived here a while, it's always best keep your guard up.

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Review: Opinion Page

In Our Opinion

Pension health care cut  
underscores bigger issue

As the saying goes, elections have consequences.

Case in point: Hamtramck's ever-fragile financial position.

When former Republican Gov. Rick Snyder was voted into office over eight years ago, one of the first things he did was slash state revenue to cities and schools.

As expected, many of the schools and cities faced immediate financial crises.

Hamtramck's situation

became so dire that the state had to appoint an emergency manager to take over control of the city.

Long story made short: one of the measures taken was to renegotiate the labor contracts, and the city got concessions on health care costs.

Only thing is, for some reason the city did not immediately enact this change. Until now. And, as expected, retirees are crying foul.

No one likes making

retirees suffer financially. But let's circle back to what took place under Gov. Snyder.

Like we said: Elections have consequences.

A related point: the whole issue underscores why this country needs to reform the health care industry, and make it affordable for everyone.

We can no longer count on small communities to continue to provide all of these benefits.

Odds & Ends

**Flu season...** Once again, the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) is calling on everyone to receive a flu shot.

Michigan, they say, reported only a 46.1 percent rate of getting the vaccine last season, versus the national average of 49.2 percent.

Not to be confused with the stomach "flu" (usually a norovirus) or your average "bad cold" with eventual respiratory involvement, the respiratory flu is a serious and potentially deadly illness easily spread indoors by people coughing or sneezing, not to mention by the touching of infected surfaces that others, already sick, have previously touched.

The 2018-19 flu season saw approximately 647,000 people hospitalized and 61,000 deaths from the flu, according to nationally collected statistics.

In addition to getting vaccinated and washing your hands with soap and

water frequently, especially after public contact, it is recommended that, if you do contract the illness, you take the antiviral medications prescribed by your doctor.

People under 5 and over 65, plus those with chronic immune or respiratory/cardiac conditions, as well as pregnant women, are considered at highest risk. A shot received during pregnancy, they claim, also protects the newborn for the first few months of their lives.

Some reasons that anti-vaxxers cite for not getting the shot include the reality that the shot is put together before the flu season actually starts, and labs are making educated guesses at which strains of flu (and there are many) will make their presences felt during the year. Some years, the initial formula only ends up protecting against 30 percent or less of the strains that actually do crop up.

In general, the three or four most expected strains are the ones you're getting

(trivalent or quadrivalent vaccines) when you get the shot.

**Election tidbit...** The Michigan Secretary of State is trumpeting the success of the new Promote the Vote amendment.

Voting registrations within the 14 days before the state's November 5 elections totaled over 2,000 (2,022, to be precise).

The new amendment gives would-be voters right up to, and including, Voting Day to register. One need simply go to their city or township clerk's office with their current residency verification.

There were 24 people who registered to vote on election day here in Hamtramck, and who also voted that same day.

To get a list of what documents can be used for residency verification, check the website at Michigan.gov/sos.

More than half of the registrations from the 14-

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Other Voices: Guest Editorial

A plea for environmental leadership

**By Michele Oberholtzer**

In my kitchen, there is a pile of clean milk cartons, collapsed cereal boxes, aluminum cans, an empty jug of laundry soap. This pile is there because it doesn't belong in the garbage, yet I have nowhere else to put it.

I used to utilize the monthly recycling pick-up station on Caniff – when I remembered and had time. More often, I drove to Recycle Here in Detroit to self-sort my recyclables. Inevitably, the outrageous generosity of our local recycling warriors has run out.

After the closure of the local drop-off, I went to Recycle Here only to learn they can no longer accept products from outside of Detroit, due to changes in the local and global economics of recycling. Hence, my pile grows.

I could throw it out. I could sneak it into Recycle Here, or pay a fee. I could drive west on Caniff across the Detroit border, find an alley with a blue recycling bin, and dump my items in.

I could drive to my hometown of Chelsea, where for over 30 years, reliable metal bins have stood ready to take sorted re-usables.

What I cannot do is recycle them here in Hamtramck. It has always been important to me to make sure I was minimizing my contribution to the landfills and incinerators of my community. I have lived in many states and countries, and always made sure to recycle. The only place I have had a harder time recycling was when I lived in South Africa.

I was excited and grateful for the new recycling stations that were announced earlier this year - an answer to the loss of our local drop-off events. It makes so much more sense to have a permanent location, open 24/7, that does not rely on the labor and time of a few volunteers.

My enthusiasm has since waned.

I have been to this location once, and I do not know if I will return. I drove up with a car full of sorted items (after many failed attempts to find the location), I drove away about two minutes later with a car that was almost equally full.

I do not buy water bottles, I had just a little cardboard. Most of what I brought could not be disposed there.

Why did we create such a narrow solution, and put it in the least convenient part of town?

If we want someone to do something, we should make it as easy as possible for them to do it. Recycling is a communal behavior. It is inconvenient and annoying; we do it because we care, but the less convenient and more annoying we make it, the fewer people will participate.

When these bins, inevitably, turn out to be empty and unused after a few months, the likely conclusion will be that Hamtramck is just not ready for recycling, and that it's not worth our time.

Nothing could be further from the truth. We are ready!

We just need the right tools. We need a permanent drop-off location in a convenient part of town that accepts the majority

of commonly recycled items. Bonus points for curbside pick-up, but I can wait for that GM money to start back up before I dream too big.

We are a city that lives in close quarters and are a tight community. We sit adjacent to the former incinerator. Many of our Bangladeshi residents could school their neighbors on the effects of global warming and the definition of the phrase "climate refugee."

We have modest incomes and we scorn flagrant waste. And we are ideally situated for positive peer-pressure to spread great waste management habits.

I walked past the new expensive-seeming, crass-looking parking meters on Jos. Campau last night. I wonder how much they cost. I wonder what problem(s) they could possibly be solving, and what new ones they will create. I wish every dime that was spent to lay those garish money-collectors on the sidewalk had gone to solving a real problem in the city.

I hope our newly elected city council members can lead us in the spirit of new solutions to old problems. There is much to be done, and many worthy causes, but my vote is for a sustainable future!



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### Upcoming Events

- November 27 – Half day for students and staff.
- November 28-December 1 – No school for students and staff. Thanksgiving Break.

- December 2 – School resumes.
- December 6 – End of Progress Report Period 2.
- December 12 – Progress Report 2 Distributed.
- December 23- January 5 – No school for students and staff. Winter Break.
- January 6 – School resumes.

### Recreation Department

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## Odds & Ends

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day period came on Voting Day itself (1,131).

Particularly encouraging was the fact that more than half of the late registrants were under 30 years old. There were 1,045 people under 30 who registered, compared with 977 over 30. However, among that latter over-30 group, 60-plus-year-olds were well represented, totaling 314 registrations among their age group.

These numbers show a positive growth trend for last-minute registrations. About 600 such registrations occurred before May elections, and about 700 before August. Of course, that trend can be partially

attributed to what was on the ballots that was seen as significant to voters.

Secretary of State Jocelyn Benson remarked that she would continue to work with city clerks statewide, as well as with the state's Bureau of Elections, to try to insure that

the state's voters were conscious of the new amendment, and their rights within it.

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community?

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**By Charles Sercombe**  
This week's Crime Log covers Nov. 12-18.

**Tuesday, Nov. 12**

- At 2 a.m., a resident was arrested in the 12000 block of Grand Haven St. for domestic assault.
- A resident reported being defrauded of almost \$2,000 in a telephone scam in which they had to pay in Target gift cards.
- An owner of a rental dwelling on Comstock St. reported that their city-issued trash can was stolen.
- A resident was arrested in the 2900 block of Dan St. for violating a personal protection order.

**Wednesday, Nov. 13**

- A hit-and-run accident happened at Caniff and Klinger.
- An agent for a business in the 9600 block of Jos. Campau reported that someone spray-

painted graffiti on their work vehicle.

- A resident of Ypsilanti was arrested, after a traffic stop, for driving without a license and for being wanted on a warrant.
- A resident in the 2300 block of Andrus St. reported a break-in.
- At about 7:30 p.m., a resident reported that, while walking on Commor St. toward the east Jos. Campau alley, a suspect asked him for a cigarette. As the resident began to hand the suspect a cigarette, the suspect pointed a gun at him and demanded his wallet. The suspect then fled. The suspect was described as a black male, almost 6-foot tall, about 25 to 35 years old, and wearing a black sweat suit and black knit hat.

**Thursday, Nov. 14**  
• A resident of Grosse Pointe Woods was arrested.  
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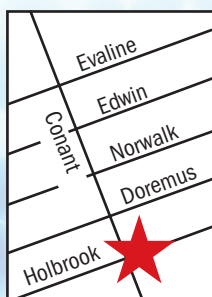


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rested after assaulting a police officer in front of city hall.

• Two people were arrested after a traffic stop for misdemeanor offenses.

**Friday, Nov. 15**

• At a little after 6 p.m., a person walking in the area of Burger and Fleming was struck by a vehicle. The driver then fled the scene.

• A resident in the 3200 block of Jacob St. reported that their car was stolen.

• A Detroit resident was arrested while in the Hamtramck 31st District Court for being wanted on multiple warrants.

• At 6 p.m., a woman said that, while in the area of Selfridge and Commor, four males assaulted her.

**Saturday, Nov. 17**

• An agent for a Jos. Campau business reported a break-in.

**Sunday, Nov. 18**

• A Mitchell St. resident reported that her stolen vehicle was returned.

• An Edwin St. resident reported a garage break-in.

• Officers recovered a stolen vehicle in the 2300 block of Pulaski St.

**Monday, Nov. 18**

• At 12:30 a.m., a person was arrested after a traffic stop for misdemeanor traffic offenses.

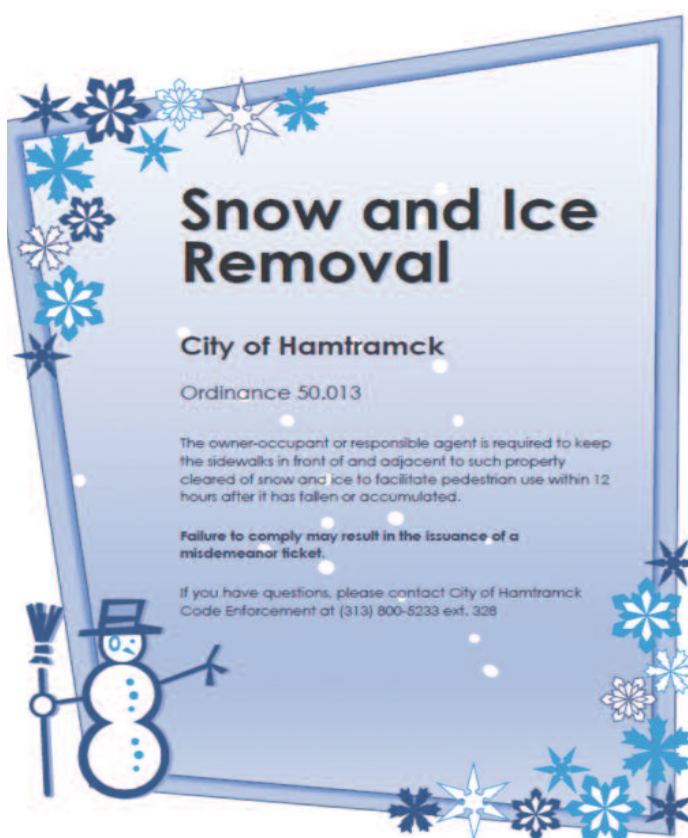
• A resident of Highland Park reported that, while on Selfridge St., her wallet was stolen.

• A Norwalk St. resident reported a break-in.

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