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## Quick Hits

### DCFC has a 'green' partner

The Detroit City Football Club is about to be getting a little greener. And we aren't referring to their playing field, or their team value – or for that matter, their collective ecological conscience. No, this sort of green is more than even just a "lucky leprechaun" kind of a green. Because it's marijuana we're talking about here, that's why.

This past Thursday, Jan. 30, the team announced a working relationship with Pleasantrees, a local cannabis company. A glance at the Pleasantrees website reveals plans to open new stores, but no locations at present – its first store should appear in East Lansing this spring. The company is based out of Harrison Township. The team's new 75,000 square-foot

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## — HAMTRAMCK'S NEWSPAPER OF RECORD —

# State comes under fire for decision on recycling plant

By Charles Sercombe

Despite numerous protests and demonstrations, state officials gave US Ecology permission to process toxic material. The recycling plant is off of Mound, about a mile east of Hamtramck. For the past four years, residents have been opposing to allowing the plant to accept toxic material, for fear that it could endanger the health and well-being of the community. Last week, the state Department of Environmental Quality gave the company to the OK to handle 4,500 tons of toxic material each day.



**Demonstrators gather in front of U.S. Recycling last year to protest a plan to allow toxic wastes to be processed there. The state recently gave the plant permission to do just that.**

State Rep. Isaac Robinson (D-Detroit, whose district includes Hamtramck), has been in

the lead against allowing the material to be stored at the site. He and local activists

and environmentalists have said some of the material is fracking waste,

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**City Clerk August Gitschlag (left) was a co-host for a fundraiser at Whiskey in the Jar to care for animals injured in Australia's fires.**

## TOAST of the TOWN

### Hamtramck did its part in lending a hand to Australia

When it comes to good food and great times, Hamtramck has plenty to offer. In this column, we'll talk about what's happening at our bars, restaurants and other events throughout the city.

By Charles Sercombe  
Hamtramck is not only

known for its many bars and its active nightlife, but also for hosting any number of worthy fundraisers. On the whole, Hamtramckans are a generous bunch. Such was the case last

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## AV ballots are ready for primary

By Alan Madlane

Politics is everywhere these days. You'd think these folks have big egos or something. In any case, Michigan's Presidential Primary Election is coming up fast – on March 10 – and the new relaxed rules for voting by absentee ballot give you even less excuse to not do your civic duty and vote, vote, vote. Not that we're suggesting that you vote three times... You can find an application for an absentee ballot online by going to the Secretary of State's website. You can also get an application at the City Clerk's Office in city hall, or at any Secretary of State office.

Be aware that this is not the ballot itself, but rather an application for a ballot, which will then be mailed to your listed address. Among the notable things about the simple one-page application is the fact that there is a box you can check that will ensure that you are henceforth on the mailing list to receive all your ballots as absentee, without having to reapply before each election. They also make you choose your party – or

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# AV ballots are ready for primary

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not. There are boxes to check if you want a ballot with a Democratic primary listing, or a Republican primary listing. There is also a ballot available with no primary listing on it, only any other non-partisan ballot measures, such as for example local millage votes or the like. Judges would also be on these, as they are not aligned to a particular party. Ballots are now ready for voting absentee. Note that you must be a U. S. citizen to vote in any election. The instructions on the

back page supply four different ways that you can get the application to where it needs to go, once you have completed it. Basically, you have the options to: bring it in to city hall in person (see address below); mail it to the city clerk, or else email it as an attachment or fax it to them; have a relative deliver it in per-

son, or (if none of these are a viable option because, for example, you live alone and have no willing person to deliver it on your behalf) you can make an arrangement to have a registered elector pick it up from you and deliver it for you. Again, contact city hall for this the name of someone who can fulfill

this for you. City hall is located at 3401 Evaline, between Gallagher and Conant. Their phone number is (313) 800-5233. Call them to get their fax number and preferred email address. And remember too – only nine months until the big election in November.

# State comes under fire for decision on recycling plant

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which contains radioactive material. In an email to The Review, Robinson said he found the decision: “Shocking, alarming and disturbing. In light of the Flint Water Tragedy and the discovery of thousands of contaminated sites across Michigan, it is disheartening to watch corporate special interests muscle state and city government in Detroit to get their way, to make Wayne County a one-stop shop for all the dangerous waste this side of the Mississippi.”

Robinson sponsored two bills that would have banned toxic material being processed in the state and at the Detroit site, but neither bill was ever allowed to be considered. The Coalition to Oppose the Expansion of US Ecology issued a press release saying: “(We) had hoped the new administration in Lansing would enforce policy protecting public health over industry profit. But they chose to ignore the demands of the community, elected officials and local government. This environmental

racism must stop.” The coalition added that there was an upside in the fight against the plant. “Despite the expansion, one of the positive outcomes of our protracted battle is that the diverse community of Afro-Americans, Arabic and Bengali immigrants, residents of every color, religion and language and the poorest community in the state, came together to fight to protect our health against environmental racism. Hopefully the community will continue to build on this strength.”

## Quick Hits

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training facility, located at 3401 East Lafayette in Detroit, will henceforth be named Pleasantrees Field. The team, along with the brand-new women's semi-pro squad, will also wear company logos on their practice jerseys, at least, if not yet the game-day ones. You might be able to check them out at the

team's first home game on March 21, at Keyworth Stadium. If you're really impatient, you could fly to L.A., to catch their season

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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.



# Second Front Page

## School Bell

### Carnival time

KMS and Dickinson West held a Carnival Night last week, which was co-sponsored by two organizations: Reach Out and Better United, both based out of Dearborn.

Kids and adults were offered activities on all three floors of the school.

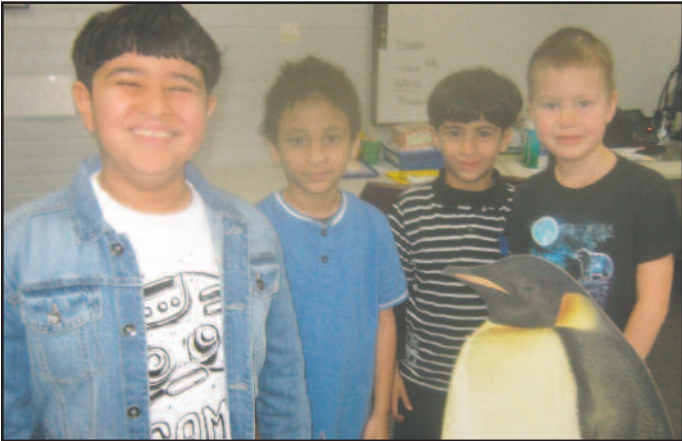
On the top floor in the auditorium was a circus, featuring acrobatics; on



ECE students were treated to a Polar Party where they learned about polar animals. Bottom, a carnival came to Kosciuszko Middle School last week.

Students also made many beautiful glittery snowflakes to decorate the gym.

They voted on their favorite polar animal, with displays about penguins, whales, polar bears, foxes, huskies and more. The day was topped off by enjoying a snowball donut from New Palace Bakery, washed down with polar punch!



the second, there were free haircuts (thanks to the folks at Upper Cuts and Team Star), face painting and hand painting, and in the basement, free dinners and a bounce house in the gym.

### Early Childhood Elementary School

Friday, January 31 marked the last day for Margaret Maniscalco, Special Education Resource teacher.

Margaret retired Friday, after serving the needs of many children from all the schools. The staff at ECE had gifts and cake to remember the occasion. We wish her well in the next chapter of her life.

Also, ECE was in a winter mood, as students explored different aspects of living in polar regions with a Polar Party.

A homemade igloo was constructed in the activity room, and students were



treated to a story about igloos. Polar animal cut outs and stuffed animals were there as well, and the students read to polar friends.

In the gym, students explored how blubber keeps animals warm.

They went outside and read thermometers, and recorded their findings.

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# TOAST of the TOWN

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Friday evening at Whiskey in the Jar on Yemans St., just east of Jos. Cam-pau.

City Clerk August Gitschlag doubles as a bartender there, and gave us a heads-up that his girlfriend, Michelle Slisinger, and others were hosting a fundraiser to help for the care of Australian animals who have been imperiled and injured by the fierce bush fires that have killed an estimated 500 million to one billion unfortunate critters.

Yes, you read that right. The fires may have even put koala bears in jeopardy of becoming extinct. Now doesn't the thought

that many animals is astronomical. So, it was heartwarming to see a packed



Above: Edward and Linda Wolyniec were among many who attended the Australian fundraiser at Whiskey in the Jar. Below: Konrad Maziarz knows how to style for the annual "Track Suit Hamtramck Boogaloo" fundraiser for Friendship House. This year's party is April 10



of koala bears being burned to death tug at your heartstrings? These fires have produced some hellish sights, and thrown the country into a crisis. The cost to provide medical help and food for

house at Whiskey last Friday. As we went to press, Gitschlag said over \$2,400 was raised. The money will be forwarded to Australia Zoo Wildlife Warriors, which was established in 2002 by the late Steve Irwin

and his wife Terri. We also liked having Australia's number one beer, Foster's, on hand for a special promotion. The idea for the fundraiser was so good, Gitschlag said Foster's is going to replicate it in area bars in the coming weeks and months. Now that's something we heartily raise a toast to.

By the way, there will be another worthy fundraiser at Whiskey in the Jar.

It's the annual "Track Suit Hamtramck Boogaloo" fundraiser for Detroit Friendship House, which has been providing food to thousands of low-income folks in Hamtramck and Detroit for a number of years.

As the name suggests, you are encouraged to wear a tracksuit – but you are also encouraged to let your imagination run wild, and make it stylish and glam-fabulous. If you need a visual, take a look at the accompanying photo of Hamtramck's own Konrad Maziarz. The event is April 10 – which falls on Good Friday.

## School Bell

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Above: Scenes from the carnival at KMS.

### Upcoming Events:

- February 12 – Supplemental Count Day.
- February 14 – Half day for all students.
- February 17 – No school for students and staff. President's Day.
- February 26 – End of Progress Report Period #3.

### Recreation Department

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# Review: Opinion Page

## In Our Opinion

### State let the city down in toxic waste matter

Apparently, the state doesn't care about the health and well-being of our residents.

Words can't express the outrage felt in the community about the state's recent decision to allow radioactive waste to be stored at a recycling plant about a mile east of Hamtramck.

The state Department of Environmental Quality certainly didn't live up to its agency name in giving the green light to U.S. Ecology to process 4,500 tons of nasty toxic waste each day.

Some of it is radioactive waste from fracking – a practice that ought to be outlawed.

Despite protests from residents both here and in Detroit, the state caved in to the wishes of the company.

Where was Gov. Gretchen Whitmer in this decision?

We thought we had an ally in the new Democratic governor, but instead there has only been silence from her office.

The decision actually isn't much of a surprise. Polluters, it seems, are too often given permission to do their business in inner cities, because, heck, politicians don't give a crap about the lives of those folks, most of whom are living in poverty.

There was one politician, however, who deserves praise for standing up for us little folks. State Rep. Isaac Robinson (D-Detroit), whose district includes Hamtramck, led the charge against allowing toxic waste to come into our community.

Despite his attempts to get two bills heard that would have barred the waste, the party hacks in the state legislature never let those bills see the light of day.

We hate to repeat this cliché, but folks: elections indeed have consequences.

## Odds & Ends

### Condolences...

Our thoughts go out to the family of Hamtramck police officer Gregory Collins, who died last Sunday (Feb. 2).

There was no mention of the cause of death. He was 62 years old.

Collins was actually retired from the department, after working here for 27 years.

But then he came back to work part-time.

In a statement issued by the police department, it was said:

“He (Collins) was highly respected and well-liked amongst all his co-workers, and was a friend to many people in the community. He will be greatly missed. We ask that you keep his family in your thoughts during this very difficult time.”

Viewing services will be

next Friday, Feb. 14, from 4 to 8 p.m. at Corinthian Baptist Church, located at 1725 Caniff.

Funeral service will be held at the church on Saturday, Feb. 15, at 11 a.m.

### Performance...

An old rocker friend, Dana Forrester, gave us a heads-up about a special art/music performance taking place on Saturday, Feb. 15 at the High Dive Club here in Hamtramck, located at 11474 Jos. Campau.

She and her band, Crud, will be part of an “art experience” and live performance.

A press release about the event says:

“Since Crud's inception in the early aughts, art has been as important to the band almost as much as music. Detroit artist Robert ‘Nix’ Nixon was

(and continues to be) integral in branding the band with his titillating, pulpy posters and CD covers. Many of those will be on display as part of the art experience, plus works by photographer Michael Spleet, artist Glenn Barr, puppeteer Ted Talvite and more.”

Hey, if Glenn Barr is part of this, count us in.

Crud features well-known front man Vinnie Dombroski (who is also in the band Sponge, for those keeping track.)

Included in the press release was this interesting description of the bar:

“High Dive is a mash up of a Victorian bordello and your favorite drinking spot.”

Admission is \$15, and you must be at least 21 years old.

# NOTICE

## CITY OF HAMTRAMCK BOARD OF REVIEW

The City of Hamtramck Board of Review will meet in the City of Hamtramck City Hall located at 3401 Evaline, First Floor Conference Room, Hamtramck, Michigan 48212, on the following days:

Tuesday March 3, 2020 at 9:00 am for the organizational meeting (no appeals will be heard).

By appointment to hear appeals,

Monday	March 09, 2020	1:00 pm to 9:00 pm
Thursday	March 12, 2020	9:00 am to 5:00 pm

The purpose is to review the assessment rolls of Hamtramck. Matters pertaining to the assessment of property may be brought before the Board of Review. Appointments will be taken until 4:00 pm on Thursday, March 12, 2020. Appeals will also be accepted by letter.

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## City Hall Insider ...

*What is our City Council up to these days?  
We have the highlights of the latest council meeting.*

### By Charles Sercombe

The city council met on Jan. 14, and all councilmembers, except Fadel Al-Marsoumi, were present.

Included in the council's information packet was a notice about the Census 2020.

The notice reminded the public that the information provided will remain private and will not be shared with other government agencies.

The more people who are counted in Hamtramck will also mean more revenue sources will be allocated here for such programs as housing, transportation, road repairs, emergency services, school meal programs, and health clinics – to name just several services.

City Manager Kathy Angerer said there is an organized effort to make sure Hamtramck gets an accurate count of how many people live here.

"We'll be reaching out in the coming months," she said.

Mayor Karen Majewski added that, for those who are not citizens, their information will not be leaked to any other agency, nor used against

them.

The council approved a resolution honoring International Mother Language Day, which will be celebrated starting on Feb. 20-21.

In Hamtramck, people will gather at Zussman Park at 10 p.m. on Feb. 20.

In the resolution, some background was given about the celebration:

"The date represents the day in 1952 when students demonstrating for recognition of their language, Bangla, as one of the two national languages of then Pakistan, were shot and killed by police in Dhaka, the capital of what is now Bangladesh."

The resolution went on to further say:

"WHEREAS, the City of Hamtramck with its rich tradition of cultural diversity agrees with the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) that languages are the most powerful instruments of preserving and developing our tangible and intangible heritage. All moves to promote the dissemination of native languages will serve not only to en-

courage linguistic diversity and multilingual education but also to develop fuller awareness of linguistic and cultural traditions throughout the world and to inspire solidarity based on understanding, tolerance and dialogue."

A presentation was made about the activities of the Plan Commission during 2019.

The commission met seven times during the year, and approved nine site plans, among other activities.

The commission is a volunteer organization.

Mayor Majewski read out loud a proclamation honoring former Hamtramck Mayor Raymond Wojtowicz, who died on Jan. 8.

A resolution was approved for the Designation of a Ukrainian Heritage Neighborhood, which will include the area between Jos. Campau to Conant and Carpenter to

Casmere. Additionally, Commor Street will have the unofficial designation of Shevchenko Street.

The resolution explained the matter:

"The Ukrainian American community has a long history of contribution to the Hamtramck community and their influence continues today. The Ukrainian American community seeks recognition of both their history and present impact with the designation of a Ukrainian Heritage Neighborhood. The designation would include the neighborhoods bounded by Joseph Campau to Conant and Carpenter to Casmere.

"Historically, Ukrainian immigrants settled in this area and continue living there today. Important Ukrainian sites are located in this area, including the Immaculate Conception Ukrainian Catholic Church, Buhay Funeral Chapel, and the Ukrainian Selfreliance Federal Credit Union.

"The area includes former locations of the Ukrainian American Archives and Museum, Ukrainian American Cen-

ter, and both Immaculate Conception Ukrainian American Elementary and High Schools.

"The Ukrainian American community wishes to unofficially rename Commor Street in this area to Shevchenko Street. The name is in honor of Ukrainian national hero Taras Shevchenko, a poet from the 19th Century."

The Ukrainian Selfreliance Federal Credit Union will pay for the cost and installation of the honorific street sign.

The Ukrainian community in Hamtramck is over 100 years old.

Councilmember Nayeem Chowdhury said the honor underscores Hamtramck's ethnic "diversity."

A public hearing on the street naming will be held at the next city council meeting (Jan. 28).

The council approved a memorandum of understanding with the Police Officers Association of Michigan (POAM) and Command Officers Association of Michigan (COAM).

According to City Manager Angerer, this resolu-

tion will approve a decision by the previous city manager to offer the officers and their spouses and dependents to be a part of the city's health insurance policy.

The previous city manager did not seek council approval for the benefit package.

Angerer said the agreement is needed because: "(The) City of Hamtramck, like many local units of government in the region, has had difficulty retaining trained and experienced law enforcement officers in what is a competitive market for their services. The loss of officers to other departments and professions has had a detrimental impact that the City wishes to rectify and avoid in the future."

Councilmember Mohammed Hassan was the sole member to object to the agreement. He did not offer an explanation for his vote.

A stand-alone ATM unit was approved to be built in the Hamtramck Town Center parking lot.

The council agreed to hire a contractor to per-

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## Obituaries

### CZARNECKI



Barbara Czarnecki (nee Suchocki), 78, died January 30, 2020.

Mrs. Czarnecki was the loving wife of Dennis for 55 years; mother of Paula (Richard) Mamrick, Matthew (Denise), Donna (Michael) O'Reilly, and Lynda (Jason) Kuechle. She is also survived by her grandchildren, Katelyn, Lucas, Mandy, Nathan, Spencer, Samantha, Sarah, Emerson, Laura, Clare, and Andrew.

After 26 years of battling ovarian cancer like a

true warrior, her soul is free of pain. She will be remembered for her smile, selflessness, and compassionate nature.

Visitation was Sunday, February 2, 2020, at Jurkiewicz and Wilk Funeral Home in Hamtramck. The funeral Mass was Monday, February 3, at St. Ladislaus Catholic Church in Hamtramck. Donations can be made in Barbara's name to Christ Our Light Catholic Church, Troy, Michigan.



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By Charles Sercombe

This week's Crime Log covers Jan. 28-Feb. 3.

**Tuesday, Jan. 28**

- At 11:45 p.m., a resident was arrested after a domestic fight at a residence in the 12000 block of Selfridge St.
- A Carpenter St. resident reported an incident of fraud.
- An agent for a business in the 2100 block of Caniff Ave. reported receiving two fraudulent checks.
- A resident in the 3800 block of Oliver St. reported that someone stole cash out of their home.

**Wednesday, Jan. 29**

- At a little after 2 a.m., an agent for Hanley House for Boys reported that two boys ran away during a shift change.
- A Yemans St. resident reported that someone stole his wallet from his vehicle.
- A resident of Southfield reported the theft of their vehicle while it was parked on Mitchell St.
- A Danforth St. resident was arrested for being disorderly.

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- A resident reported that someone opened a telephone account in his name without permission.

- A resident in the 3800 block of Caniff Ave. reported the theft of their catalytic converter.

- A hit-and-run crash happened at Caniff and Conant.

**Thursday, Jan. 30**

- At about 1 a.m., a resident was arrested after a traffic stop for possessing open intoxicants and for being wanted on a Hamtramck warrant.

- A person turned in jewelry to the police station that was found in city hall.

- A hit-and-run accident happened at Holbrook and Lumpkin.

**Friday, Jan. 31**

- A person said that their vehicle was damaged while it was parked in the 3100 block of Holbrook Ave.
- A resident in the 11500 block of Lumpkin St. reported that license

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**SATURDAY, Feb. 22, 4-7 p.m.** – Pre-Lenten Polish Dinner with accordionist Domenic Bagiano, at Holy Cross P.N.C. Church, 2311 Pulaski at Fleming.

**MONDAY, Feb. 24, 9 a.m.** – Wayne County Commissioner Martha G. Scott hosts a free Community Coffee Hour every fourth Monday of the month at Maine Street Restaurant, 11650 Jos. Campau.

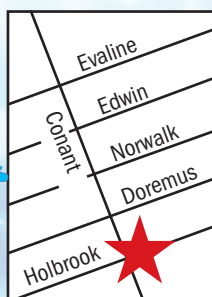


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plates were stolen from two of their cars.

## **Saturday, Feb. 1**

• At a little after 2 a.m., a Detroit resident was arrested in the area of Dyar and Circle Dr. for possession of what was believed to be crack cocaine.

• A Yemans St. resident reported the theft of their catalytic converter.

• A Hanley St. resident reported the theft of their catalytic converter.

## **Sunday, Feb. 2**

• At 1:30 a.m., a person was arrested after a traffic stop for drunk driving.

• At about 3 a.m., two people were arrested after a traffic stop for being wanted on Hamtramck misdemeanor warrants.

## **Monday, Feb. 3**

• A Poland St. resident reported that they were receiving harassing texts.

• A resident reported that, while at the PNC Bank ATM, a male grabbed their iPhone out of their pocket and ran away. The suspect was described as about 40 years old, 5-foot, 2-inches tall, 150 pounds, with glasses, and wearing dark clothing.

• A Detroit resident was arrested at a party store for fraud. During the suspect's booking at the police station, cocaine was found on them. The suspect was taken to Detroit Receiving Hospital for evaluation.



# City Hall Insider ...

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form the Holbrook repaving project, which will go from Jos. Campau to Lumpkin. This is the second phase of the project, which began with rebuilding the street, and its infrastructure, from Jos. Campau to Conant last year.

The project is being overseen by the Michigan Department of Transportation, and will cost \$2.6 million, of which about half is being paid by the federal government.

Councilmember Andrea Karpinski said she is concerned that the repair work will not repeat the creation of sloping sidewalks, which she called "sledding hills."

Angerer said that situation is being addressed with MDOT.

In another resolution, the council OK'd the use of council chambers by the non-profit organization Wayne Metro Community Action Agency, to provide free income tax preparation services for residents.

That free service will happen on Feb. 3, 10 and 24, as well as March 2 and 9. The hours for the service will be from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The council also approved a resolution of support for State Rep. Isaac Robinson's appeal to the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy to Halt the Expansion of US Ecology Facility, which is located about a mile east of Hamtramck.

Robinson is seeking to prevent the plant from processing toxic materials — including radioactive material. Environmental activists say the materials pose a threat to the health of those living near

the plant, including in Hamtramck.

In the council's last resolution, approval was given to set a date to officially name a new city pocket park at 2134 Trowbridge St.

The owner of the land donated it to the city, and

recommended that the name be "Salam Peace Park."

The council will entertain the resolution to name the park at its Feb. 11 regular meeting.

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