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GOAT Amazing **BANISHED WORDS 2023** Inflection STATE UNIVERSITY

Quick Hits

This year's banned words: it is what it is

Bv Alan Madlane

Tired of certain words or phrases?

Grit your teeth every time you hear a specific one that just gets your, well, goat (what is it about all the goats in this newspaper lately, anyway??

Those yobs up at Lake Superior State University have done their annual hatchet job to society-speak once again, in the form of their "Banned Words List."

The list is actually mis-named itself - it's comprised of individual words, yes, in some cases, but also of two-ormore-word phrases that its judgs find overused, inaccurate, confusing, or otherwise objectionable.

And this year's biggest culprit?

GOAT. As in, the acronym (see? Also not a word - an acronym) for "Greatest Of All Time."

Does that term rankle you as much as it does them? Yes? No?

Man, are we ever in

first-world-problem-ville. The full list of the ten currently most-unwanted: 1) GOAT; 2) Inflection point; 3) Quiet quitting; 4) Gaslighting; 5) Moving forward; 6) Amazing; 7) Does that make sense?; 8) Absolutely; 9) Irregardless; 10) It is what it is.

"Absolutely"? "It has usurped the simple 'yes'," they say. "Gaslighting"? "Overuse, misuse and/or obscurity" Continued on page 2



By Charles Sercombe

Our "Year in Review" that ran for the past two weeks always prompts us to decide what was the most important story of the year.

And, once again, there were way too many people and subjects to consider.

But the story that is our Newsmaker of the Year should actually have been much, much bigger.

We're talking about Hamtramck's centennial celebration: frankly, the city's centennial was hardly celebrated this past year at all.

Sheesh, folks, it's not often a city turns 100 years old.

Considering Hamtramck's unique history and cultural significance in the metro area, it's downright baffling why there weren't more champagne corks popping.

was the rededication ceremony of Col. Francis Hamtramck's grave, held last Memorial Day.

That's when a large gathering took place, featuring a number of people



The city celebrated its 100th anniversary of being an incorporated city last year. A special rededication of Col. Francis Hamtramck's grave was celebrated last Memorial Day as part of a year-long centennial observance.

dressed in Revolutionary War clothing. A number of speeches were also

(Hamtramck, a French Canadian, was a Revolutionary War hero, hence the period clothing.)

The event was punctuated with the firing of a cannon that was likely The most notable event heard throughout town (and is still ringing in our ears).

That event was organized by the Hamtramck Historical Commission, and was the only big-time get-together.

Other celebrations included the installation of a state marker in city hall that recognized the city's anniversary.

Also, the city's Arts and Culture Commission was behind the street banners and logo for the centennial, as well as hosting some cultural events.

er, did come through in tion of the city's cententhe annual Hamtramck Labor Day Festival, and most certainly in the city parade during that holiday weekend.

That was tons of fun.

(The city parade replaced the Polish Day Parade, which skedaddled to Warren after being held in Hamtramck for many years. From what we saw, attendance-wise, for the Polish Parade last year, it was dismal to the point of being hilarious.)

But after that weekend, The city's spirit, howev- there was hardly a men-

> The lack of any other celebrations suggested, hey, we're all tired, or too busy with life to plan for

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Animal slaughtering up for a vote **By Charles Sercombe**

Once again, the city council is set to reconsider whether to allow residents to slaughter animals at home in accordance with their religious practice.

At the last council meeting in December, a resolution was approved to begin the process of adopting an amendment to the city's animal ordinance.

The proposal will go through a public hearing at next Tuesday's Jan. 10 council meeting. This proposal would allow home animal sacrifices, but with several stipulations. A final vote by council will likely take place after the public hearing.

The stipulations clude:

 Notifying the clerk's office, at least one week prior, as to when the animal would be sacrificed.

 Scheduling an appointment to have a city inspector inspect the property afterward, to make sure any animal remains were properly disposed of.

 Paying a fee (yet to be determined) at the time of the inspection.

 Erecting a barrier to prevent the public from viewing the sacrifice.

Failure to comply with

the regulations would incur various fines.

The council has been pressured, in recent months, by those of the Muslim faith, who have demanded that they be allowed to carry out this practice, which, in many households, happens only once a year (for Eid, the feast celebration that follows the end of Rama-

Those opposed say the practice would lead to unsanitary conditions in the

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Candidates who would like to apply to be Hamtramck's new city manager have until next Tuesday (Jan. 10) to submit their application. File photo

Deadline for city manager job is coming up quick

By Charles Sercombe

Attention, all would-be Hamtramck city managers: You have until next Tuesday (Jan. 10) to submit your application to the city.

Tuesday is the deadline for all applications to be turned in. So far, 105 applications have been submitted, but most of them are not qualified candidates, said the city's Human Resource director.

The job wasn't posted until late November, and then it only appeared on the city's website. Hamtramck's previous

city manager, Kathy Angerer, resigned last July.

During this time, Max Garbarino was appointed by city council to be interim city manager.

Garbarino told The Re-Continued on page 2



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Hamtramck Housing Commission

Newsmaker of the Year: A very special birthday for a certain city

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much else.

That was unfortunate, because Hamtramck had - and still has - so much to celebrate.

On the other hand, Hamtramck has actually been around much longer than

100 years. Before becoming incorporated as a city in 1922, Hamtramck was village and township, and was in existence since the late 1700s.

Anniversaries come and go, and we'd like to take a ride in a time machine and see what this grand old city looks like on its 200th birthday.

Wonder if anyone will celebrate then?

Deadline for city manager job is coming up quick

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view that he plans to also apply.

He is expected to be one of the job applicants. The city council has made it no secret that they would prefer Garbarino stay on the job.

The qualifications for the job, which will pay \$100,000 to \$120,000 are numerous.

For example, there are 48 "essential job functions," some of which include:

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- Attend various meetings
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"desired qualifications," there are 32 points, which include: · Have a master's de-

- gree in public administration, public policy, or a combination of equivalent education and experience
- "Good" knowledge of the city charter
- Knowledge of modern office procedures
 - · Skill in taking minutes

 Knowledge of traffic calming measures

- Skill in operating office equipment
- Ability to maintain complex record-keeping systems and prepare

comprehensive reports

Another qualification is that candidates have at least three years of experience as a city manager or assistant city manager in a city with a population of at least 10,000 peo-

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(Say, wasn't "and/or" on this list at least once?), they contend.

"Inflection point"? "A mathematical term that...

lost its original meaning."

Go to Issu.edu/traditions/bannedwords for more such "hijinx"... A word I vow to single-handedly use so much in the coming year, it'll be a shoo-in for...

Well, we'll see.



January 6, 2023 This week at the Library

Adoptive Yoga and Thai Chi: The group exercise sessions at the library will start up again in the second half of January 2023. Check the library column for exercise schedule for the coming year.

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Book Suggestion: Romance? Check, Drama? Check, Happy ending? You will have to read it to find out for yourself. Grab a copy of Oliver Higgins Prouty's novel. "Now, Voyager", enjoy the emotional crescendos that run throughout and join us on Friday, February 24th at 11:30 am for our Read Up and Meet Up book chat. Sure, that is months away, however, it is a great title for some late night win-

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have the books for you. Peruse our shelves to find not only Agatha Christie, creator of the memorable sleuths Miss Marple and Hercule Poirot, but her fellow Queens of Crime Ngaio Marsh and Dorothy Sayers. We hope that you give these volumes a look over in the year ahead.

Fans of classic crime capers: We

Story Time: Beginning on January 9th at 4 pm on Mondays, we will be offering up a selection of silly tales that will make your little one's day.

Game Night: School is still out for the weekend. Then join us for Game Night at the library. We are serving up something fun each Friday starting January 6th at 4 pm. Stop by and let us know that you have come to play.

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Hamtramck Review

School Bell

HPS greetings

Happy New Year! All of us here at Hamtramck Public Schools are grateful for the milestones and memories in 2022. We look forward to the year ahead and spending it with you all!

We're grateful to our students, staff and families for making this year so special. Bring it on 2023!

Student spotlight

Congratulations to December's Superintendent Rising Stars, and to all other scholars recognized for various accomplishments.

The Superintendent Award recognizes students who go above and beyond the call of duty in addition to their studies. Students were selected based on the accomplishments in and outside of the classroom.

Udah and Sammr were recognized. Their accom-



HPS students Udah Perron (above) and Sammr Sammie (below) were December's Superintendent Rising Stars. They are pictured with their families and Interim Superintendent Nabil Nagi.



plishments are listed below:

Udah Perron

- 1- Environmental Sustainability Committee
- 2- Environmental Board Presentation
 - 3- LEAP Club Member
- Green Generation Member
- 5- Science Olympiad Member
- November Board meeting presenter

Sammr Sammie

- 1- Leaders of Environmental
- 2- Clean Sweeps
- 3- Cycling System
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Covid update: Yet another covid strain is spreading

By Charles Sercombe

China is once again a cause for concern over another recent outbreak in covid cases.

And, once again, all eyes are on the city of Wuhan, where the initial covid outbreak is believed to have started.

The Chinese governunder pressure ment, from its citizens, finally loosened quarantine restrictions, and subsequently a new covid variant broke out. This new strain is spreading quick-

The US is now requiring

those traveling from China to test negative before coming here.

China isn't alone in experiencing this new vari-

The US is also reporting an outbreak of a new variant being called XBB.1.5, which initially was detected in the northeast.

The number of new covid cases from this variant went from 20 percent to 40 percent in just weeks, health officials

If there is any positive news in this development, it's that this variant does

not appear to produce more severe symptoms.

Locally, The Review has not provided an update on the number of new cases recorded in Hamtramck for the past two weeks during our annual holiday break.

During the past two weeks, county health officials recorded 49 new cases here, bringing the total for the past three years, since when the pandemic started, up to 5.797.

The number of deaths from the disease remains at 81.

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Man dies of gunshot while parked at dispensary

By Charles Sercombe

A 66-year-old Detroit man accidently shot himself in the leg and died Dec. 16, Hamtramck police reported.

The police department issued a press release that provided some details as to what happened.

The department said the man was in his vehicle in the parking lot of Quality Roots marijuana dispensary at Caniff and St. Aubin, and "accidently discharged the weapon as he was removing it from the holster, striking himself in the upper leg."

The department stressed that "There does not appear to be any threat to the public."

The department is not releasing the name of the victim "out of respect for

his family's privacy," said Chief Anne Moise.

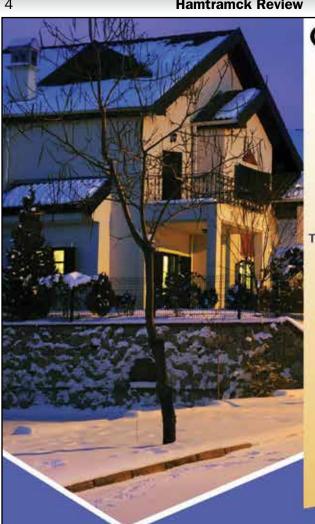
An attorney for the Michigan Press Association said the Michigan Freedom of Information Act does not prevent the release of the name of this person.

The Review submitted a Freedom of Information Act request on Tuesday regarding the incident. At press time on Thursday, the city has not responded, and has 10 day-deadline to respond.

Speculation on social media sites about Hamtramck ran wild with various theories about what had happened, from a street robbery gone bad, to a stabbing, to an attempted robbery at Quality Roots itself.



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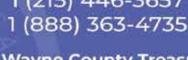
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Animal slaughtering up for a vote

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city, and thus could harm the public health and safety. Critics have also called the practice "barbaric," which some Muslim community members took offense and said it is racist to say.

There is no apparent state law preventing the practice.

The sacrifice usually involves lambs or goats, although the ordinance does not limit what animal can be slaughtered, as long as the slaughtering is in compliance with state and local laws.

However, household pets, such as cats and dogs, cannot be sacrificed. But the ordinance does leave the door open to cows, pigs, horses, fowl and so forth.

State law also has strict rules on cruelty to animals, meaning the sacrifice must be done humanely.

No local guidelines have been established, so far, that detail what specifically constitutes a

humane way to slaughter.

Councilmember Amanda Jaczkowski has been adamant in making sure that there are regulations on the practice in order for her to give her sup-

Councilmember hammed Alsomiri is still a holdout on approving the practice, saying that a number of people who he talks to are vehemently opposed to it.

New councilmember Muhith Mahmood, who filled the seat vacated by Adam Albarmaki, abstained from voting on the issue in December because it was his first council meeting. He was officially appointed to the council at December's meeting.

Also abstaining on the vote was Mayor Amer Ghalib, who, by city charter, is allowed to vote on city ordinances.

At Tuesday's hearing, the public will be afforded time to weigh in on the



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Review: Opinion Page

In Our Opinion

Home animal slaughtering has no place in Hamtramck

The city council is scheduled to once again vote on whether to allow residents to slaughter animals at home, in observance of their religious practice.

It has failed to pass once already, but now there is a "compromise" where residents would have to schedule having a city inspector come to their home, to observe whether proper sanitation steps are taken.

Pity the person who has to do this job.

We have said this before: despite a compromise of sorts being reached on whether to allow the practice, home slaughtering still poses a dangerous public health hazard.

We hope city councilmembers think hard on this issue before casting their vote, because Hamtramck can ill afford to allow this practice.

The last thing we need are people slaughtering animals in their back-

It's doubtful any level cleanup would be sufficient. The blood and entrails would get into the soil, creating a tox-

ic, foul-smelling area, that would likely last for weeks.

If there is a need to slaughter an animal, there are facilities you can take it to.

Also, we must consider animal cruelty in this matter. How many people actually know what they are doing to humanely slaughter an animal?

Our guess is few to

The whole thing will turn into a bloody deba-

Letters • Letters • Letters

Reader wonders: Who is this advocate for animal slaughter?

It's been kind of bizarre a test run "and see how reading about this animal sacrifice issue, not an issue the city I grew up in back in the 70s faced.

My question is: who is this Nasr Hussain person, whose name keeps popping up in your publication? Does he have a title? Is he anybody?

All I've been seeing are his rather heavily bigoted opinions. The Archie Bunker of the Middle East.

Never mind debate, he suggested the city council allow animal sacrifices to happen for one year as it goes." Just shove the thing through.

Then in the next sentence, those who call the practice "barbaric" are "racists."

Eh? Say what? What about animal cruelty?

I know a farmer in England who won't sell livestock to Muslims because of this practice, even though he could make more money doing

Nasr's previous post included a drive-by shooting that occurred on Belmont

last summer, noting that a marijuana dispensary was nearby.

Coincidence, he concluded? He failed to note that Steve's Liquor is a lot closer to the shooting, and their employees have to work from behind a locked plexiglass wall, whereas the employees at the dispensary don't. Coincidence?

Who is this guy?

John Komlos Hamtramck

dds & Ends

Reminder... They couldn't stay free for long. Now that the holiday season is over, we all have to start back up in paying the city parking meters on Jos. Campau and in city lots.

it lasted, eh?

Drink up... We're not talking about imbibing spirits. Instead, a new study published in eBio-Medicine says that we appears that way.

need to drink more water.

As the saying goes, water is life. And if you want to lead a long and healthy life, it is now recommended that adult women should consume 91 ounces per day, or in other It was convenient while words eight glasses.

> For adult men, it's recommended to drink 125 ounces per day, or 15 glasses.

If that seems like a lot to a healthy new year. of water, well, it certainly

To confess, we barely consume six glasses per

How do you know if you are not consuming enough water? If your urine is dark, and you also have dry mouth, bad breath, fatigue and - get this – a craving for sugar, then it's time to hit the water bottle more often.

No matter what, here's

Other Voices: Guest Editorial

Hamtramck school district wishes all a happy New Year

By Nabil Nagil **HPS Interim Superinten**dent

Another calendar year has come and gone, and while it may seem like time is fleeting, we assure you that every moment a student spends learning has the potential to last a lifetime.

If there is one thing I have learned while working in education, it is that time moves too quickly, and we should enjoy the small moments with as much excitement as we do the large ones.

This time of year is special because it encourages us to reflect and dream. Whether you observed a holiday or spent quality time with your loved ones, we wish you had a happy holiday and a wonderful end to the year.

We hope the Winter Break offered some time to unplug and unwind, so that we will hit the ground running at the start of the new year and build on the positive momentum we have developed during the first semester.

It would be remiss of me not to acknowledge the families and staff members who make Hamtramck Public School District a place where students thrive while they learn, play and grow.

Thank you to our HPS parents for entrusting us as partners in your children's education. Thank you to our students for constantly raising the bar and continuing to make

us proud.

Lastly, thank you to our wonderful staff for your hard work. You've hosted Thanksgiving meal drives, holiday toy drives, and filled our Cosmos Closet! We are thankful to each of you.

As I reflect on this past year, I recognize that while there will always be highs and lows, it's the quiet moments in between that have contributed to such a special year. I look forward to what's to come and seeing each of you in this new year.

We hope you enjoyed your time off and returned ready to take on the second half of the school year with the same excitement and enthusiasm that has gotten us this far.

Other Voices: Guest Editorial

Home animal slaughtering is not 'ideal' for Hamtramck

By Rezaul Choudhury

Dear Hamtramck community, Assalamu alaikum.

As you may be aware that the Hamtramck City Council is considering regulating a decision to slaughter animals at home for religious purposes.

On Tuesday, Jan. 10, there will be a public hearing regarding this matter. The council will make the final vote on this ordinance after the hearing.

It is not an ideal decision to allow the slaughter of animals at people's homes because:

- cleanliness.
- 2) The odor of blood
- and leftover animal parts. 3) Kids being trauma-

tized watching the pro-

- 4) Keep the animals at home before slaughter.
- 5) Not knowing that, these animals are sick or healthy.
- 6) Absence of FDA regulations.

Since we have the option to slaughter the animals at slaughter-approved places, like all cities in the United States. we shouldn't have to bring animals into our homes, creating an unsanitary environment after slaughtering them.

Islamic scholars said 1) Due to the issue of and I quote, "It is not mandatory to do the sacrifice at home. We can do it at any designated place approved by the city or

state."

Hamtramck is a small dense, yet highly populated diverse city. Bringing animals for slaughter here would make it challenging to keep the city

We are perfectly fine with the system currently Hamtramck city has. Cities like Detroit, Warren, and Dearborn have a big Muslim population, but they are slaughtering animals in designated areas to keep the city clean and

Your opinion matters. Please show up at the next council meeting on Tuesday, Jan. 10 at 7 p.m. and express your opinion.

()bituaries

MALINOSKI



David Malinoski, 66, died December 28, 2022.

David was the beloved husband of Patricia Malinoski for 35 years; loving father of James (Stacey) Fleming, Malinoski, Beth David Anne (John) Malinoski-Nix; devoted grandfather of Gaven Fleming; and dear brother of James (Sharon) Malinowski, Cynthia (Larry) Zygner, Judy Walko, and Frank Malinoski. He was also survived by many other family members and friends that will deeply miss him.

David defined himself through his relationships with other people. He was a great family-man and a great friend. He was always the "helper", lending a hand whenever or wherever you needed him - he was there! For his own enjoyment, David liked to keep moving, especially on either a motorcycle or a boat. The feel of the air around him either on the open road or the open water, was spe-

cial to him.

David's life will be celebrated by family and friends and his memory will live on always.

Donations in David's name may be made to the Capuchin's.

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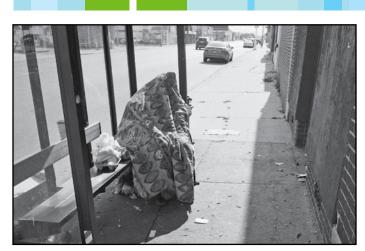
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The Look...









By Suraj Bhmara

Between the commute, mortgage, bills, and the noise of everyday life that energizes our movements, there are punctuations seen in the way people occupy the street.

There's an exclamation mark seen in a woman sinking deeper into her parka searching for warmth while waiting for an evening bus.

An apostrophe imply-

ing ownership in the way a young man pulls his girlfriend close as I walk past, parenthesis framing a man hiding under a blanket as if part of a set of less important details, and a photographer hyphenating to try and understand who we are and what will become of us.

(Suraj Bhamra is a Detroit-area photographer who specializes in street photography.)







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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.

Bv Charles Sercombe

The city council met on December 13, and all councilmembers were in attendance.

presentation was made by Wayne Metro about financial help for those who are financially stressed with water bills.

For those facing water service shutoffs, there is help. You can reach the organization at: wmconnectcenter@waynemetro.org, or by calling (313) 388-9799.

During public comment, a resident said that she is opposed to a change in the city's animal ordinance that would allow animal sacrifices at homes in observance of a religious practice.

She said that some people would be upset seeing this happen or having to hear the animal as it is slaughtered.

Lynn Blasey said the city should examine its work environment, in light of ongoing resignations from city hall employees.

Bill Meyer said he is "excited" about the upcoming appointment of Muhith Mahmood to council. (He is replacing Adam Albarmaki, who resigned be-

cause of work duties.) "I know he's (Mahmood) going to do a great job," Meyer said.

Mahmood was a later

appointed to the council.

Manager Max Garbarino said that he is looking into having the fire department take over ambulance service, which it once did up until several years ago.

In the meantime, Garbarino recommended extending its contract with the current ambulance service, Rapid Response, for a year.

The cost of the service is \$144,000.

In a note to the council, it was said:

"The agreement with Rapid Response provides for one ambulance for the city. In addition, a second ambulance is stationed nearby the city in the event a second incident occurs at the same time as another ambulance run.

"Rapid Response also has mutual aid agreements with other entities who are contacted when both the first and second ambulance are unavailable. Even with this coverage, there are times when a situation arises and delays occur in ambulance response time."

The contract was approved.

In another contract matter, the council agreed to appoint former Public Services Director Rodney

Johnson to once again fill that role, temporarily, In an update, Interim City while the city looks for a replacement for former director Bill Diamond, who

> resigned. Garbarino that said Diamond's resignation "leaves a big hole" in the department.

> In yet another contract matter, the council agreed to hire Spalding DeDecker Associates Inc. to design the alleys for the Joe Louis Greenway project.

> In a note to the council, it was explained:

> "The Hamtramck Alley Project is one of four segments of the Joe Louis Greenway that will run through Hamtramck. This segment covers nineblocks of the Jos. Campau alleyway between Holbrook and Caniff, and will provide a walking-cycling trail with culturally significant installations.

"Once completed, this project will draw visitors from across the region to our downtown businesses, create vibrant new public spaces for community engagement, encourage positive public health outcomes through outdoor recreation, and provide equitable transportation alternatives."

The contract is being paid mostly by a grant the

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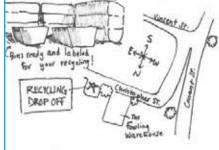
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By Charles Sercombe

This week's Crime Log covers Dec. 27-Jan. 2.

Tuesday, Dec. 27

- · A stolen vehicle was recovered in the 12100 block of Dequindre.
- · A disturbance was reported in the 2000 block of Caniff.
- · A Doremus St. resident reported an incident of fraud.
- · An agent for a Commor St. business reported that someone was trespassing.
- · A hit-and-run accident occurred in the 2700 block of Carpenter.
- · Family trouble was reported in the 2300 block of Yemans.
- A noise complaint was reported in the 11700 block of Sobieski.

Wednesday, Dec. 28

- Officers investigating a vehicle that had crashed through a fence at an American Axle lot storing new Ford pick-up trucks determined that the incident took place in Detroit near the Hamtramck border.
- Loose dogs were reported in the area of Mitchell and Commor.
- A report was made about a woman screaming in the 3900 block of Oliver.
- A vehicle theft was reported on Holbrook.
- A resident on Gallagher reported an incident of fraud.
- A complaint was made about an unwanted guest on Selfridge.
- A domestic fight was reported in the 3100 block of Holbrook.

Thursday, Dec. 29

- Family trouble was reported on Andrus.
- A domestic situation was reported on Jacob.

Friday, Dec. 30

- · A complaint was made about a person at a residence in the 3200 block of Trowbridge who refused to leave.
- Officers investigating a male lying on the ground in the area of Casmere and Mitchell determined that he was OK. Family trouble was re-
- ported on Belmont. A vehicle theft was re-
- ported in the 2000 block of Caniff. A hit-and-run accident

- occurred in the area of Holbrook and McDougall.
- Customer trouble was reported in the 9500 block of Conant.
- A fight was reported in the 2200 block of Danforth.

Saturday, Dec. 31

- · An illegal dumping was reported on Florian.
- · A carjacking was reported in the 11700 block of Sobieski.
- Gunfire was reported in the 12000 block of Dequindre.
- · Family trouble was reported in the 3500 block of Caniff, and also in the 12000 block of Selfridge.

Sunday, Jan. 1

- · Gunshots were reported in the 2700 block of Belmont and the 2600 block of Edwin.
- Neighbor trouble was reported in the 2700 block of Florian. Officers recovered
- a stolen vehicle in the 12100 block of Dequin-
- A package was reported missing in the 2900 block of Council.
- · A resident was arrested, in the 12000 block of Mitchel, I for domestic violence. In another domestic incident, a resident was arrested in the 2300
- block of Pulaski. A resident reported a stolen vehicle and a stolen handgun on Grand Ha-
- A hit-and-run accident was reported on Buffalo.

Monday, Jan. 2

- · A family dispute was reported on Selfridge.
- A complaint was made about a loose dog on Jacob. The dog was captured and taken to the Westland Humane Soci-
- ety. · A driver of a dark-colored Dodge Durango fled from officers attempting a traffic stop.
- A vehicle was reported stolen in the 3000 block of Belmont.
- · An intoxicated driver was found slumped over a steering wheel at Caniff and I-75.
- A hit-and-run accident was reported on Norwalk.
- · A neighbor dispute was reported on Moran. · Officers found two
- stray dogs on Poland, and took them to the Westland Humane Society.



City Hall Insider ...

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city received. The total cost is \$40,000.

Moving on, the council agreed to create a subcommittee to come up with incentives for business development.

In a note, it was explained:

"To meet the demand of current commercial and industrial development pressures, and to be prepared to attract future desired development, the Community and Economic Development Department recommends the following:

The council establishes a working subcommittee to investigate, discuss, and propose the use of other local economic development tools, including proposed policies and metrics for use.

· City council formalize and adopt a policy for use of the Industrial Facilities Exemption (IFE) tax abatement. This committee would convene and provide recommendations within the next six (6) months."

A lengthy discussion was held on a proposed change to the city's animal ordinance.

The council is considering to allow animal sacrificing at home for religious purposes.

Some members of the city's Muslim community have been requesting to be allowed to engage in this practice - especially during Eid.

Councilmember Mohammed Hassan said he was confident that the city's overseeing of the disposal

of animal waste would be monitored. He also said that, if this arrangement does not work out, the council can reconsider the

Mayor Amer Ghalib said he met with city leaders to come up with a compromise on allowing the prac-

Councilmember Nayeem Choudhury said this compromise is "what we wanted to see."

The council agreed to hold a public hearing on the matter at its Jan. 10 meeting.

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The City of Hamtramck is conducting a silent auction to sell multiple residential properties and two industrial properties. Interested buyers are invited to submit a bid between January 11th and January 30th, 2023. Bids will be opened publicly January 30th at 10am in the City Council Chambers of Hamtramck City Hall. All bids must meet qualifications listed in the bid application document.

Industrial: 7901 Joseph Campau & 2930 Denton

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Application and information will be available online at https://hamtramck.us/property-for-sale/ beginning January 11, 2023.

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