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District 2



NEWSLETTER

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Legislative Policy Updates



Recognizing September for Suicide Prevention

Council Member Calloway requested a resolution to recognize September as Suicide Prevention Awareness Month and September 10-16 as National Suicide Prevention Week due to the increasing rates of suicide in the US. Suicide is one of the leading causes of death for individuals aged 10-64, with rates increasing by 36% between 2000 and 2021, and 2022 setting a record for suicide deaths. Suicide and suicide attempts also affect the well-being of friends and loved ones. Research shows that 46% of people who died by suicide had a known mental health condition, highlighting the need for increased access to mental health services and treatment.

Detroit Short-Term Rental Regulation

Detroit City Council Member Angela Whitfield Calloway has recently proposed a new ordinance and resolution for regulating shortterm rentals in the city. Council Member Calloway has identified a need for reasonable regulation to address various issues, such as loud parties and negative impacts on the quality of life in residential neighborhoods like parking problems, safety, and security concerns, and declined property values, which have been reported to be occurring due to the lack of enforcement of the current short-term rental ban. The proposed ordinance outlines four classifications of permits, which will be allowed only after appropriate inspection and clearance by the Buildings, Safety Engineering & Environmental Department (BSEED) and the Detroit Police Department. These permits can be suspended or revoked for good cause, and BSEED will be allowed to charge a reasonable permit fee. Council Member Calloway has emphasized the importance of support from the administration and other council members during this process. This initiative aims to create a fair and safe environment for all residents in Detroit. It will ensure that short-term rentals are regulated in a way that does not cause any inconvenience to the local community.

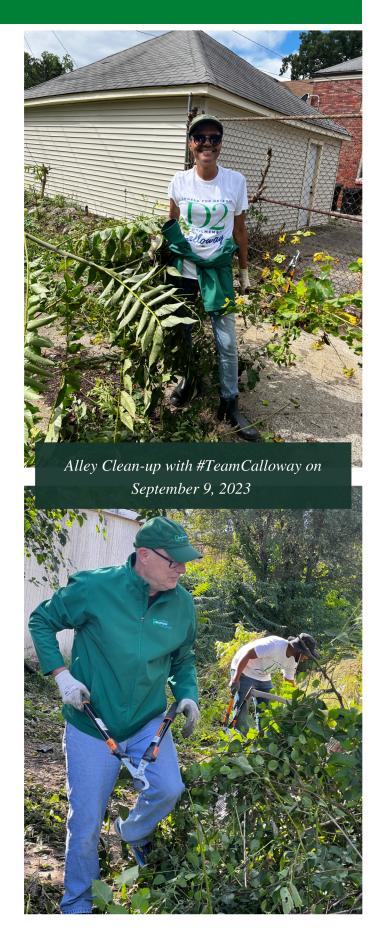
https://www.cdc.gov/suicide/facts/index.html

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Community Transformation: A Day of Action in District 2

On a bright Saturday morning, zealous volunteers gathered at the intersection of Greenlawn and Curtis to start the alley cleanup. Armed with determination and a shared commitment to a cleaner and more vibrant community, they set out to tackle an alleyway that had long been plagued by garbage and overgrown weeds and tree branches. Their efforts' results were tangible and a testament to the power of community engagement. As the day progressed, the transformation of the alleyway became increasingly evident. What was once a neglected and unsightly space was now a clean, welcoming area. The removal of debris and overgrown branches revealed the hidden potential of the location, and residents could now envision the possibilities. The clean-up event was just the beginning. The Bagley community has plans to continue this clean-up effort in the neighborhood on October 14th. They are determined to build on their progress and ensure that their community remains a place of pride and beauty. The clean-up day in District 2 was not just about removing debris and garbage; it was about fostering a sense of unity and pride within the community. It showcased the remarkable things that can happen when individuals come together for a common cause. With their eyes set on the future, the residents of District 2 are proving that positive change is possible, one alleyway at a time. This is a story of community empowerment and the enduring belief that we all have the power to make a difference in the places we call home.



Detroit City Council Land Value Tax Proposal Discussion

During the Formal Session on Tuesday, October 10, 2023, at 10 AM, Detroit City Council will host a discussion on the Land Value Tax Proposal. If you would like to attend in person, please arrive at the Coleman A. Young Municipal Center, 2 Woodward Avenue, on the 13th floor, by 9:45 AM.

Watch City Council live & leave a public comment:

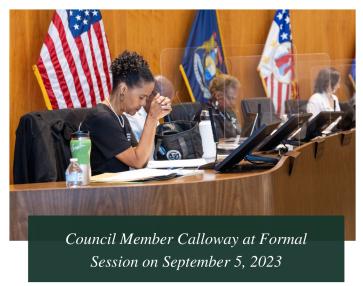
City Council Sessions may be viewed in the following manner:

- 1. Watch live on **Channel 10** for local broadcasting.
- 2. Watch online by using https://detroitmi.gov/government/city-council and clicking on Channel 10
- 3. To attend by **phone only**, call one of these numbers: +1 929 436 2866, +1 312 626 6799, +1 669 900 6833, +1 253 215 8782, +1 301 715 8592, +1 346 248 7799, then enter the Meeting ID: 85846903626##
- 4. Use the following Meeting ID on the Zoom application: **858 4690 3626**
- 5. Attend online: https://detroitmi.gov/Online-CC-Meeting

How to leave a public comment:

To participate at the time of Public Comment, please raise your hand through the Zoom application.

- 1. Telephone participants: Raise your hand by pressing *9
- 2. Web participants: Raise your hand by clicking "raise hand" in the application or pressing the following:
 - a. Windows computer = [ALT] + [Y]
 - b. Apple computers = [OPTION] + [Y]
- 3. Public comments can also be submitted via email to CCPublicComment@detroitmi.gov





Council Member Calloway and Fast Freddy at Picnic in the Park

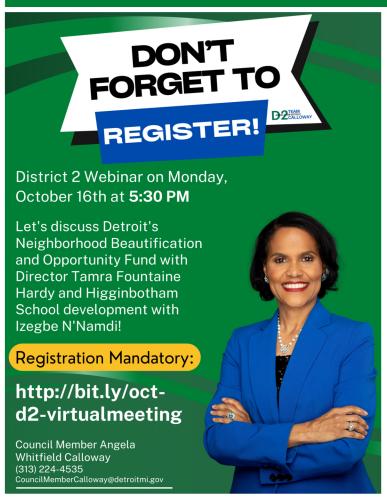
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Council Member Calloway presenting Marsha Music with Spirit of Detroit Award

Picnic in the Park

The Picnic in the Park hosted by Council Member Calloway on September 16th brought together families, friends, and neighbors from District 2, creating a fun and celebratory atmosphere. The event was a huge success, featuring a variety of entertainment, delicious food, community engagement, and a special recognition ceremony that left everyone with special memories. Fast Freddy, a renowned entertainer from Detroit, led the audience in invigorating exercises and dance moves, making the entertainment a highlight of the day. Attendees also had the unique opportunity to interact with the Detroit Police Department's Mounted Unit. Council Member Calloway presented Marsha Music with the Spirit of Detroit Award in recognition of her unwavering dedication to telling Detroit's stories through spoken word and art. The contributions of Marsha Battle Philpot- a.k.a. "Marsha Music" to the community have enriched District 2's cultural tapestry and preserved its heritage for future generations.





District 2 Virtual Community Webinar

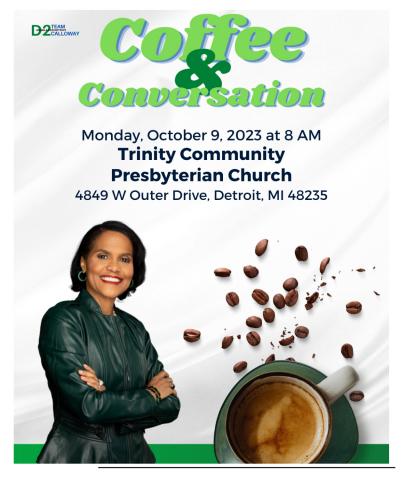
Take advantage of the upcoming District 2 virtual community webinar. The webinar will have presentations from Tamra Fountaine Harady, the Director of Detroit's Neighborhood Beautification and Opportunity Fund, and Izegbe N'Namdi, the Community Curator for URGE Development Group.

Here are the meeting details:

- Monday, October 16, 2023, at 5:30 PM
- Neighborhood Beautification and Opportunity Fund
- Higginbotham School Development
- The meeting has been converted to a webinar. **Please register** to participate.
- Visit http://bit.ly/oct-d2-virtualmeeting

Meet us for Coffee & Conversation

Join Council Member Calloway and her team at the **Trinity Community Presbyterian Church** on **Monday, October 9, 2023**, at 8 AM for Coffee & Conversation. This event aims to create a friendly and casual atmosphere where District 2 residents can actively engage with the Council Member and her team. Participants can connect with like-minded community members with similar concerns and work together to develop sustainable solutions. Attending this event is highly recommended to remain informed about the latest initiatives and programs to enhance the quality of life in District 2 and the city of Detroit. The church is located at **4849 W Outer Drive**.



A WALK IN THE Member Calloway



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MEET COUNCIL MEMBER CALLOWAY AND HER TEAM AT THE DISTRICT 2 PALMER PARK OFFICE AT 1121 MERRILL PLAISANCE

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Come Walk with Council

Join Us Every Thursday in Palmer Park! Time: Every Thursday at 8 AM

Location: Palmer Park Community House, 1121

Merrill Plaisance

Are you looking for a great way to start your Thursdays? Join Council Member Calloway and fellow residents for an invigorating stroll through Palmer Park. It's not just a walk; it's a chance to connect, engage in conversation, and stay informed.

What to Expect:

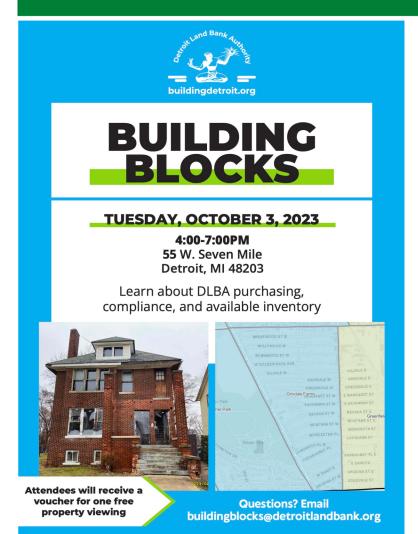
- Fresh Morning Air: Breathe in the crisp, revitalizing air as you take in the natural beauty of Palmer Park.
- A Brisk Walk: Get your body moving with a refreshing walk through the park's scenic trails.
- Updates on District 2: Learn about the latest developments and initiatives led by Council Member Calloway and her team.

Meeting Point: We gather at the Palmer Park Community House near the splash park. Please be sure to look for us at 1121 Merrill Plaisance.

What to Bring: Remember to wear comfortable walking shoes and bring your sense of adventure. With Council Member Calloway and her team, anything is possible while walking through Palmer Park!

This is a community event, and **everyone** is welcome to join. Whether you're a longtime resident or new to the area, we look forward to sharing this vibrant experience. Mark your calendar, set your alarm, and get ready to embrace the beauty of Palmer Park.

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Detroit Land Bank Authority Hosts Building Blocks in District 2

Join the Detroit Land Bank Authority for Building Blocks in Grixdale Farms on Tuesday, October 3, 2023, from 4:00-7:00 PM at the Arab American & Chaldean Council, 55 W. Seven Mile, Detroit, MI 48203.

Building Blocks highlights DLBA programs and available properties to support residents in activating homes and lots. Attendees will also receive a voucher for one free property viewing. For more information, email buildingblocks@detroitlandbank.org.

Invite Council Member Calloway's Office to Your Community Meeting

Do you have a community meeting coming up? If so, the Office of Council Member Calloway would like to provide updates. To invite us to your next event, don't hesitate to contact our office at (313) 224-4535 or email CouncilMemberCalloway@detroitmi.gov with the details.



Holly Jolly Holiday Party: Unwrap the Magic of Community

The most wonderful time of the year is approaching, and there's no better way to kick off the holiday season than by saving the date for an event that promises to fill your heart with joy and festive cheer. Council Member Calloway and Council Member At-Large Waters are back with their highly anticipated annual Holly Jolly Holiday Party, and this year, it's set to be bigger, better, and merrier than ever before.

Date: Thursday, December 7, 2023

Location: Northwest Activities Center, 18100

Meyers Road

Indulge in a delectable holiday meal and a mouthwatering assortment of desserts. Look forward to exciting prize giveaways that will add an extra sprinkle of joy to your holiday season. Get ready to unleash your competitive spirit and share laughter with friends and family in the Ugly Sweater competition. The Ugly Sweater Competition promises outrageous fashion fun. Who will be crowned the "Most Festively Ugly"? The Holly Jolly Holiday Party is not only about celebration; it's about community. Discover valuable resources and information from local organizations that can positively impact your neighborhood. The Holly Jolly Holiday Party 2023 is more than an event; it's a cherished tradition that brings our community closer together. It's an opportunity to create lasting memories, connect with neighbors, and bask in the enchantment of the holiday season. Stay tuned for further details and RSVP information as the date draws near.







Are you interested in volunteering for the Holly Jolly Holiday party? Please email us at **CouncilmemberCalloway@detroitmi.gov** with your first and last name and contact number.

District 2 Weekly Bike Rides with Council Member Calloway

Join Council Member Calloway and her team for a weekly bike ride every Monday at 6 p.m., except for the third Monday when District 2 Virtual Webinars are held. These bike rides will continue every month until the end of October. The starting point is Palmer Park, located at 1121 Merrill Plaisance, at the District 2 office. If you want to join, bring your bike. However, MOGO bike rentals are available at Palmer Park if you need one. Remember to bring your helmet and water bottle for the ride!

GOAL Line Scheduled to Host November Coffee & Conversation

GOAL Line is an after-school program designed to foster academic and socioemotional development in Detroit students. The program aims to address and reduce student disciplinary issues in Detroit schools. So far, over 500 students have benefited from this program. Take the chance to learn more about GOAL Line at the upcoming Coffee & Conversation event on Monday, November 13, 2023, at the Northwest Activities Center.





Public Budget Hearing Coming to District 2

The Office of Budget is holding virtual budget meetings to inform and engage the public on its budget's process and development. Starting in District 2 on October 10, the Office of Budget will have its virtual Budget Priorities Forums in all 7 City Council districts to get resident input on the Mayor's Fiscal Year 2025 recommended budget. The public is invited to attend all meetings.

District 2 Public Hearing:

When: October 10, 2023 at 6 p.m.

Where: Northwest Activities Center, 18100

Meyers Rd., Detroit, MI 48235

Virtual Meeting Credentials:

https://cityofdetroit.zoom.us/j/85890565831

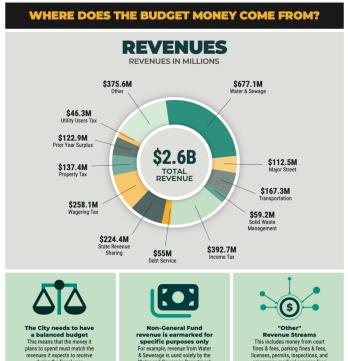
Meeting ID: 858 9056 5831 Passcode: 222222

Call-In Number: (312) 626-6799

Budget in Bri

The City of Detroit budget is a plan for how the City will spend money on its activities and services





EXPENDITURES BY DEPARTMENT CATEGORY (TOTAL BUDGET, IN MILLIONS) INFRASTRUCTURE, REGREATION, & BEAUTIFICATION \$982.5M PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY \$640.4M TRANSPORTATION DET & PENSION \$285.4M ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATIONS \$255.5M LEGISLATIVE & INCIPENCE OF TRANSPORTATION DET & PENSION \$285.4M TRANSPORTATION DET & PENSION \$285.4M LEGISLATIVE & INCIPENCE OF TRANSPORTATION DET & PENSION TO DETERME A PENSION DET & PENSION TRANSPORTATION DETERME A PENSION DET & PENSION TRANSPORTATION DETERME A PENSION DETERME A PEN

| Administrative Operations | |
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| Non-Departmental - Other | \$90.5M |
| Office of the Chief Financial Officer | \$62.4M |
| Department of Innovation & Technology | \$57.3M |
| Law Department | \$18.4M |
| Human Resources | \$15.1M |
| Mayor's Office | \$11.8M |
| Debt & Pension | |
| Debt Service & Legacy Pensions | \$285.4M |
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| Housing & Economic Development | |

| \$68.3M |
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| Infrastructure, Recreation, & Beautificatio | n |
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| Sewerage Department | \$429.4M |
| Water Department | \$247.7M |
| Department of Public Works | \$154.5M |
| General Services Department- Non-Animal Services | \$129.4M |
| Construction & Demolition Department | \$21.5M |

| Legislative & Independent | |
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| Detroit Public Library | \$34.9M |
| City Council | \$15.3M |
| Department of Elections | \$14.1M |
| Office of the Auditor General | \$4.9M |
| Non-Departmental – Independent Agencies | \$4.3M |
| City Clerk | \$3.0M |
| Office of the Inspector General | \$1.7M |
| Ombudsperson | \$1.5M |
| Board of Zoning Appeals | \$0.6M |

| Public Health & Safety | |
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| Detroit Police Department | \$388.8M |
| Detroit Fire Department | \$150.5M |
| Detroit Health Department | \$43.1M |
| 36th District Court | \$31.7M |
| Public Lighting Department/ Authority | \$18.8M |
| General Services Department- Animal Care & Control | \$7.5M |
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| Transportation | |
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| Municipal Parking Department | \$11.3M |
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38% of the budget supports salarie and benefits for the City employees that work every day for you! The budget supports an increase of 288.5 full-time equivalent (FTE) positions, supporting departments like health, general services, and water and sewer

WHAT KEY SERVICES AND INITIATIVES ARE SUPPORTED BY YOUR BUDGET MONEY?

EQUITY PROGRAMS





\$600K 1,000 Additional Expungements via Project





HOUSING & NEIGHBORHOODS



\$1.8M Iffordable Housing Development and Preservation Fund Support



\$400K Occupied Buyback: Enhanced Homeownership Program Outreach



\$1.9M Neighborhood Planning, Studies, and Economic Development Team Creation

HEALTH & WELLNESS



\$800K
Public Health Fund
for Air Monitoring
and Quality Control



\$1.6M New Animal Care Facility Staff and



\$1M Behavioral & Public Health Staff Support

BEAUTIFICATION













DEBT SERVICE & LEGACY PENSIONS



\$149M Legacy Pension Payments



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BAGLEY COMMUNITY CLEAN UP DAY

Join us on October 14th - 10am to 1pm Let's come together as a community to clean up the neighborhood - and keep Bagley beautiful!

We will meet at Bagley Elementary School, in the parking lot on Roselawn near Curtis

If we have enough volunteers, we will tackle multiple clean-up sites so we encourage you to bring a vehicle - as well as gloves and tools that will help us pick up loose trash and debris:

- Rakes
- Shovels
- Debris bags

See you there!



For more information, call 313.927.2674 or email: BagleyCommunityCouncil@yahoo.com



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