MINUTES OF THE

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE HIGHLAND PARK CITY COUNCIL

FEBRUARY 26, 2014

Council convened at 5:06 p.m. with Council President Christopher Woodard presiding.

Present: Council Pro Tem Lewis, Councilmember Moore, and President Woodard. (3)

Absent: Councilmember Patrick and Councilmember McClary. (2) (excused)

A quorum being present, Council was declared in session.

The Clerk read the following notice.

I, Mayor DeAndre Windom, do hereby call a Special Meeting of the Highland Park City Council on the above date, time and place.

The purpose of the meeting:

- 1. 1. Resolution to approve the hiring of legal consulting professionals for the City of Highland Park to assist during the Act 436 process.
- 2. Resolution to approve the hiring of a marketing and media consultant professional for the City of Highland Park.

Legal requested that Item# 2 be removed from the agenda.

The following resolution was submitted for approval.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ENGAGEMENT OF THE LAW OFFICE OF CALVIN GRIGSBY

WHEREAS, the City of Highland Park has significant long term debt in an amount in excess of \$20 million; and

WHEREAS, the City of Highland Park has a desire to address this long term debt in a manner that will allow the City to restore its financial health; and

WHEREAS, the Highland Park City Council, through a prior resolution, authorized the Mayor and the City Attorney to explore any and all options with experts and consultants that could assist the City in making choices regarding its financial condition; and

WHEREAS, the Highland Park City Attorney along with the Mayor recommends that the City engage the professional services of the Law Office of Calvin B. Grigsby in order to assist the City in addressing its long term debt; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the Highland Park City Council approves the engagement of the Law Office of Calvin B. Grigsby for an amount not to exceed Fifty Thousand (\$50,000.00)

Moved by Council Pro Tem Lewis Supported by Councilmember Moore

To approve the above resolution. Yeas (3) Council Pro Tem Lewis, Councilmember Moore and Council President Woodard, Nays (0), Absent (2) Councilmember Patrick and Councilmember McClary.

ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by Council Pro Tem Lewis Supported by Councilmember Moore

To adjourn the meeting; motion carried meeting adjourned at 5:43 p.m.

CERTIFICATE

I, hereby certify that the attached is a copy of the proposed minutes of a Special Meeting held on the 26th day of February 2014 and that said proposed minutes are available for public inspection at the address designated on the posted public notice.

Brenda J. Green, City Clerk