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Candidate forum: A night to meet with mayoral, council candidates

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I believe our city deserves leadership that reflects and respects every resident.”

As for her work as a journalist and covering city council meetings, that gave her “insight into how city government works, and how important transparency, accountability thoughtful leadership truly are.”

With Hamtramck being a small town (at just two-square miles) Frkan distances herself from being a “politician.”

“I am your neighbor. ... I’m not here to make empty promises. I’m here to work and make sure every voice in Hamtramck is heard,” Frkan said.

Council candidate

Rezaul Choudhury, who has a law degree from Bangladesh, said he has his ear to the community.

“I hear their concerns. I feel their pain, I live here with them, and in every-day life,” Choudhury said. “I know what residents need.”

Choudhury also said he’s raised concerns with city hall, “but (that) didn’t work. ... Why is it not working?”

Muhith Mahmood, who is finishing his first term and decided to take a step up the political ladder to take a run for mayor, stressed that he has “stood by our community through tough times. ... I’m not here with fancy promises. I’m here with

the proven record, a clear vision and a heart.”

Just to recap, here’s the candidate lineup for the Aug. 5 Primary election:

The following candidates are seeking the city’s top job of mayor:

- Adam Alharbi
- Khandaker Showkat Hossain
- Mister Bangladesh
- Muhith Mahmood

And for city council, the ballot includes the following candidates:

- Joseph Strzalka
- Diane Frkan
- Rezaul Choudhury
- Nayeem Choudhury
- Motahar Fadhel
- Yousuf Saed
- Abdumalik Kassim
- Abu Musa
- Luqman Saleh

- Russ Gordon

In the mayoral race, the primary election will whittle down the candidates to the two top-vote getters, who will go on to battle it out in the November General Election.

In the council election in August, the top six finishers will advance to the General Election where the final three candidates will be selected by voters.

Want to see the candidate forum to learn more about the candidates, or at least some of them?

Go online to the Hamtramck Public Library website (hamtramck.lib.mi.us), and click on the link for Hamtramck Public TV.

Community leaders silent on Iran bombing

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sident, he nominated Ghalib to be the next ambassador to Kuwait.

Ghalib is still waiting for confirmation to that post by the U.S. Senate.

Although Ghalib did not comment, Dearborn Mayor Abdullah H. Ham-moud posted this comment on Facebook:

“Donald Trump’s decision to bomb Iran is not just reckless – it’s lawless, dangerous, and a disgraceful betrayal of the American people.

“This isn’t leadership. It’s a desperate act by a failed president trying to ignite war to cover up his own incompetence. Once again, he’s choosing foreign warmongers over the will of the American people. Once again, he’s putting lives at risk for

ego, headlines, and political distraction.

“America is not safer. Our families are not more secure. Our future is not brighter. What Trump has done is put us on the path to more bloodshed, more chaos, and more suffering – all while our people struggle for basic dignity here at home.

“This is not strength. Donald Trump is a coward hiding behind bombs.

“Enough with the forever wars. Enough with using our military to serve corrupt agendas. Congress must step in. The people must speak out. And, when history asks who stood on the side of peace and justice, let our answer be clear and unapologetic.”

Quick Hits

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levels.

Mental Status: Brain dysfunction is a key feature, leading to confusion, disorientation, and potentially seizures or loss of consciousness.

Treatment: Immediate medical attention (call 911) is crucial. Move the person to a cool environment, reduce body temperature with cool cloths or immersion in cool water, and do not give fluids.

Severity: Heat stroke is a medical emergency and can lead to death or

permanent disability if not treated promptly.

Want to cool off, have fun and not cost you a dime?

(Well, it’s your recreation tax dollars at work.)

Hamtramck’s Recreation Department has you covered. There is a free splash pad in Pulaski Park that both adults and children can enjoy, Tuesday through Friday from 4 to 7 p.m., and on Saturday and Sunday from 1 to 6 p.m.

The park is located at Lumpkin and Edwin.

As Sly Stone & the Family Stone famously sang: “Hot fun in the summertime.”



This week at the Library . . .

June 27, 2025

Summer Reading: The program will continue through August. Participants will have a chance to win great prizes just for reading books. Programs will include entertaining topics, arts and crafts, music, NERF battles, festival and parties. The schedule will include:

July 2nd - Poster Craft at 2 pm

July 9th - D.J. in the mix at 1:30 pm

July 16 - D.J. in the mix 2 at 1:30 pm

July 23rd - NERF battles at 2 pm

July 30th - Star Lab at 2 pm

Aug.6th - Japanese Bon Festival 2 pm

Aug. 13th - Dog Man Movie at 2 pm

Collaborative Poster Craft: Children of all ages are invited. The program starts at 2 pm. on Wednesday July 2nd. Everyone working together will be creating a color by numbers masterpiece with colorful stickers.

D.J. in the Mix Program: This program presented on Wednesday, July 9th at 1:30 pm is the first part of two where children can learn how to record and mix songs with help from a professional DJ. It is presented by the North End Woodward Community Coalition and WNUC 96.7 FM station. Part two of the program will follow on Wednesday, July 16th at 1:30 pm.

NERF Blaster Battle: On July 23rd at 2:00 pm the NERF battles begin. Join one of the teams and take cover while blasting the other side with foam darts.

Star Lab: This popular program for children is coming to the library on Wednesday, July 30th at 2:00 pm. Learn about the night sky in a huge inflatable planetarium,

Early Japanese Bon Festival: This beautiful and informative program is coming to Hamtramck Library on Wednesday August 6th at 2 pm. It is free to the general public, children and adults. For your enjoyment, you will see presentations of Japanese traditions, complete with music, dance and crafts.

Story Time: Get your kids together and drop in on our Wednesday noon programs with library staff, and on first Mondays of the month at 3:45 pm (usually) with members of the Hamtramck Federation of Teachers.

Stream on Hoopla: There are tons of shows and movies available for you to stream on Hoopla. Cooking competitions, rom-coms, thrillers, cand comfy holiday classics. Selection is massive. If that is not enough, give Kanopy a try. They provide a specially curated collection of foreign films, domestic cinema classics, award winning documentaries, and educational media that is topnotch. Look to the eResources tab on our website for a quick link to all this awesome content.

Game Night: We are moving to Wednesdays. Join us for Game Night at the library. We are serving up something fun each Wednesday at 4 pm. Stop by and let us know that you have come to play. Everyone invited.

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Review: Opinion Page

In Our Opinion

This July 4th holiday be a good neighbor

For many in town, next week will not be much of a holiday.

The July 4th celebration will bring on a full assault of fireworks, which – for many – trigger anger, annoyance and fear.

This city allows fireworks to be used during major holidays, but that doesn't mean it's popular.

Besides the noise, the fear is that, with Hamtramck houses and businesses being so close together, fireworks will fall on roofs and set off fires. And then there are those who set off fireworks late at night, while most folks are trying to get to sleep.

It can, at times, sound like a war zone out there.

For pet owners, fireworks represent a nightmare for them and their fur friends. Many dogs and cats are terrorized by the sound of fireworks, causing their owners a lot of grief.

This is not to say we are totally against fireworks, but the lack of courtesy and common sense by some only taints the spirit of the holiday.

Despite these protestations, we know this message will largely fall on deaf ears. Folks are going to do what they want, regardless of how it affects others, and certainly whatever a newspaper opinion article says.

What particularly concerns us is that we see a lot of unsupervised children using fireworks. We can only wonder what in the world their parents are thinking.

Fireworks can be very dangerous as well. According to national statistics, in 2023, there were 9,700 people nationwide who were injured.

In the year 2020, during the covid pandemic, a whopping 15,600 people

across the country were injured.

Most of the injuries involve burns, hand and finger injuries, and, for some, serious damage to their eyes. There have even been deaths.

WXYZ Channel 7 meteorologist Dave Rexroth can attest to the danger of fireworks. Several years ago, he lost an eye because of his mishandling of fireworks.

Losing an eye is a huge price to pay.

In 2016, New York Giants football star Jason Pierre-Paul had a fireworks accident that required 10 surgeries and resulted in the loss of his index finger, although he continued to play for years after.

If you have to get your fireworks kicks, we suggest looking up the many fireworks shows that nearby cities offer.

Here in Hamtramck, have a festive holiday celebration, but please, be kind to your neighbors.

Once again, Yemen on travel ban

By Charles Sercombe

As expected, President Trump has resurrected a travel ban that includes Yemen – a country that many Hamtramck residents once called home.

That includes Mayor Amer Ghalib and Councilmembers Mohammed Alsomiri and Khalil Refai.

The Review reached out for comment to them, but they did not respond.

But Detroit U.S. Rep. Rashida Tlaib, whose district does not include Hamtramck, did speak out, issuing this statement:

“It should come as no surprise that Trump’s racist travel ban overwhelmingly targets Black and brown people from countries in Africa, the Middle East, and the Caribbean.”

“These policies are rooted in white nationalism, and will only increase hate, xenophobia, and Islamophobia in our country.”

Trump said the ban is necessary because Yemen, and the other countries, fail to verify the identification of travelers, and have poor record keeping.

Trump justified the ban, saying:

“The recent terror at-

tack in Boulder, Colo., has underscored the extreme dangers posed to our country by the entry of foreign nationals who are not properly vetted, as well as those who come here as temporary visitors and overstay their visas. We don’t want them.”

Both the mayor and Refai endorsed Trump for president, and Ghalib parlayed that support into being appointed by Trump to be the next ambassador to Kuwait.

Ghalib’s appointment is still awaiting confirmation by the U.S. Senate.

The following countries are under the travel ban:

- Afghanistan
- Myanmar
- Chad
- The Republic of the Congo
- Equatorial Guinea
- Eritrea
- Haiti
- Iran
- Libya
- Somalia
- Sudan
- Yemen

The travel ban affects both those seeking to become legal immigrants and those just trying to visit.

There is also a partial travel ban for the following countries:

- Burundi
- Cuba
- Laos
- Sierra Leone
- Togo
- Turkmenistan
- Venezuela

This isn’t the first time Trump imposed a travel

ban on Yemen. In his first term, he placed a travel ban on several Muslim majority countries. That ban was upheld by the courts, and wasn’t undone until President Biden took office.

Biden ended the ban a “stain on our national conscience” as well as “inconsistent with our long history of welcoming people of all faiths and no faith at all.”

During his 2024 presidential campaign, Trump referred to those coming from Yemen as being “terrorists.”

Despite that comment, Ghalib continued to support Trump, later saying Trump apologized and promised not to say that again.

Ghalib gained Trump’s favor after endorsing him in last year’s presidential election. Ghalib was a key figure, for the Arab and Muslim population of the metro area, in garnering support for Trump.

The Arab/Muslim voting bloc was credited as being a leading factor in Trump winning the state.

Ghalib also did not previously respond for comment on Trump ordering the bombing of Houthi militants in Yemen for their attacks on ships passing through the Red Sea.

Many in the Yemeni community here are known to travel back to their homeland to visit relatives, and some even send back enough money to bring relatives here.

Odds & Ends

Expiring... Details are a bit sketchy, but come July 1 – next Tuesday – the city will have ended its contract with the company that operates all city parking meters on Jos. Campau and in municipal parking lots.

It appears that means parking will be free, despite the presence of meters.

But as a caution, we don’t advise making that assumption right away because you never know if there will be a communication breakdown, or something.

Frankly, the city council’s sudden decision at Tuesday’s council meeting raised more questions than answers.

And two of the biggest questions are: will the city seek some other metering system, and how does the city plan to make up for a loss of about \$200,000 a year in revenue from the meters?

One thing we do know is that the meters were universally disliked because of the system’s many flaws and the expensive violation tickets that folks have had to pay.

Get the lead out... Perhaps this will come as little surprise, but Detroit is one of the most lead-heavy cities in the country, when it comes to the paint in the housing stock.

A website called Home Gnome ranked the 500 largest U.S. cities by their “Highest Risk of Lead Paint Exposure.”

Utilizing nine separate metrics spread across two general categories, Detroit came out sixth worst, behind only St. Louis, Chicago, Kansas City, Cicero Illinois, and Philadelphia.

Lead is a known toxin and is especially bad for children, who might for example put paint chips

in their mouths, or touch painted walls and then put their hands in their mouths. Pregnant women’s unborn children are also at higher risk.

Continued exposure to lead can result in neurological issues, or affect other organs such as the liver. Many states, counties and cities have recognized the negative effects of lead in paint, and passed legislation to have it abated.

Clarification... The League of Women Voters want you to know the organization did not sponsor last Friday’s candidate forum held at the Hamtramck Public Library.

A spokesperson said that The Review’s file photo used to announce the event had a banner representing the organization.

The Detroit area chapter of the organization called The Review asking for a “retraction.”

The article did not say that the League had any connection with last Friday’s candidate forum. The photo used by The Review was from a local candidate forum a few years ago held at the Hamtramck Public Library.

The Review apologizes for any confusion.

Free movies for the educator community ... The Imagine Theatre chain is celebrating educators during the month of July by offering a free movie ticket on the last four Wednesdays.

That will be July 9, 16, 23 and 30. To qualify, you’ll need to go in person, present your school ID or other proof of school employment, and receive one ticket for a film on that date.

This offer won’t apply to Premium Large Format or 3D screenings, or any film marked “No Passes.”

You won’t be able to get your tickets online in advance because of the need to show your ID.

Imagine has theaters in Royal Oak, Novi, Canton, Birmingham (the Palladium and the Birmingham 8), Rochester Hills, Macomb, Saline, Hartland, Birch Run and Saginaw (the Quality 10, powered by Imagine).

The Riviera in Farmington Hills was not on this list.

Theaters in Indiana, Illinois and Wisconsin are also participating.

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and more

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CRIME LOG

By Charles Sercombe

This week's Crime Log covers June 17-23.

Tuesday, June 17

- A complaint was made about noise in the 2700 block of Florian.
- A business on Conant reported trouble with a customer.
- A fight was reported on Carpenter.
- A break-in was reported on Dequindre.
- A hit-and-run accident was reported in the 9100 block of Jos. Campau.
- A fight was reported in the 9600 block of Lumpkin. A fight was also reported at Dyar and Commor.

Wednesday, June 18

- A theft from a vehicle was reported at Conant and Holbrook.
- Following a police chase, a stolen vehicle was recovered at Comstock and Conant.
- An attempted car theft was reported in the 3300 block of Edwin.
- A domestic assault was reported in the 3800 block of Yemans.
- An incident of fraud was reported in the 3400 block of Comstock.
- An assault was reported in the 3200 block of Roosevelt.
- A reckless driver was reported at Edwin and Lumpkin.
- An assault was reported in the 3200 block of Jacob.
- A theft was reported in the 12000 block of Selfridge.

Thursday, June 19

- No incident report was available for this date.

Friday, June 20

- At about 4 a.m., gunshots were reported at Andrus and Jos. Campau.
- An incident of fraud was reported in the 12100 block of Conant.
- A stolen vehicle was recovered at Carpenter and Selfridge.
- A hit-and-run accident was reported at Jos. Campau and Hewitt.
- An assault was reported in the 1900 block of Evaline.
- Thefts were reported in the 11300 block of Klinger, and in the 2400 block of Andrus.
- A hit-and-run accident was reported at Jos. Campau and Goodson.

Saturday, June 21

- Officers responded to miscellaneous complaints in the area of Jos. Campau and Holbrook, and also in the 2700 block of

Evaline.

- Officers, responding to a possible break-in on Zinow, were unable to determine who the owner of the residence was.
- A bicycle was found abandoned on Evaline.
- A sexual assault was reported in the 12100 block of Klinger.
- A break-in was reported in the 12000 block of Selfridge.
- A business in the 11400 block of Jos. Campau reported trouble with a customer.
- A child was reported lost in the 12000 block of Selfridge.
- A hit-and-run accident happened in the 2200 block of Poland.

Sunday, June 22

- A complaint was made about a disorderly person in the 12000 block of Dyar.
- At about 1:30 a.m., a disturbing-the-peace complaint was made in the 3800 block of Yemans.
- At about 4:30 a.m., a complaint was made about a loud noise on Lumpkin.
- A complaint was made about an animal in the 11600 block of Sobieski.

Monday, June 23

- At almost 2 a.m., a complaint was made about noise in the 2600 block of Carpenter.
- Officers responded to a call about trespassing on Lumpkin.
- A juvenile was arrested on Selfridge for domestic assault. In an unrelated incident, a suspect was arrested on Commor for domestic assault.
- Trouble between neighbors was reported on Prescott.
- Family trouble was reported on McDougall.
- A suspect was arrested on Selfridge for domestic assault.
- A theft was reported in the 11300 block of Klinger.
- A reckless driver was reported in the 12100 block of Sobieski.
- A female suspect was arrested in the 12100 block of Conant for check fraud.
- Family trouble was reported in the 2000 block of Norwalk.
- A business in the 2000 block of Caniff reported customer trouble.
- An assault was reported in the 12000 block of Grand Haven.

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City Hall Insider ...

By Charles Sercombe

The city council met on May 27, and all councilmembers were in attendance.

City Manager Max Garbarino announced a citywide tree planting program, and invited residents to apply to have a tree planted at their residence, or elsewhere.

In a note to council, it said:

“The Grow Hamtramck initiative to plant 1,000 trees in the City of Hamtramck in the next 4 years is now accepting requests from residents who want trees planted on their street, in parks, or on other public property. The city’s goal is to plant as many trees in viable requested planting locations as possible.”

To find out more about the program, email the city at: treerequests@hamtramckcity.gov.

A progress report was given on the city’s master plan, which was updated in 2020.

The report focused on a number of goals the city had created.

In a note to council, it said:

“The City of Hamtramck completed a thorough Master Plan effort in 2010 and updated it in 2020. The next Master Plan will be created in 2030. The result was a

well-researched, detailed, and attractive document containing an extensive list of recommendations that are sufficient to guide community efforts over the intended long-range horizon.

“However, change happens to even the most carefully planned communities. For this reason, it is recommended – and required by the Michigan Planning Enabling Act – that the plan is reviewed periodically over this horizon to reflect new conditions, commit to strategic action, and adjust course where necessary. Such review also presents a further opportunity for investigation into topics that supplement the original vision.”

Before the floor was opened for public comment, Mayor Amer Ghalib cautioned the public to “maintain respect, civility.”

He added that speakers should refrain from using “abusive language.”

City Clerk Rana Faraj began with a number of comments submitted via email.

Joe Marecki said the issue with the police chief, which was on the agenda for discussion, should not be publicly addressed.

“It should be internally addressed,” Marecki said.

(The chief had previously been put on administrative leave, with pay, pending an investigation that is said to be being handled by the FBI.)

Ruben Gonzalez, who owns a roofing company, supported Police Chief Jamiel Altaheri.

“He (Altaheri) has been a consistent presence in the community, honest, respectful, genuinely committed to helping people,” Gonzales said.

Jeremy Duncan questioned why the mayor and councilmembers were criticizing City Manager Max Garbarino for suspending the police chief.

He said the allegations that the chief faces “are probably credible enough to warrant an investigation.”

Duncan added: “Getting to the truth of the matter is a healthy way forward.”

Another email urged the council to immediately suspend City Manager Garbarino, which said: “The chief’s privacy and dignity must be protected and accountability is essential.”

Email comments were followed by an hour-long airing of more comments from the public, most of which were about the ongoing controversy of the police chief being suspended.

Ibrahim Aljahim ques-

tioned why an unnamed councilmember met with police investigator Dave Adamczyk in a patrol car for 18 minutes.

He said Adamczyk has worked against the community “for a long time.”

Aljahim said that “no councilmember should be talking to any investigators in any department.”

Dan Tatarian, the owner of Showtime Clothing on Jos. Campau, spoke in support of City Manager Garbarino, saying he has helped a number of business owners in the city cut through the red tape of city hall.

Hassan Aoun, a Dearborn resident, defended the police chief, saying the department’s investigation into him was done “improperly.”

“They want to tarnish the chief,” he said.

As for Garbarino, Aoun said he is not a “gentleman. He’s the most hateful person I’ve ever met in my life. ... If you guys don’t vote him out today, that means you accept what he did to Jamiel (Altaheri). Get rid of this guy.”

Later in the meeting, at the mayor’s urging, the council agreed to place Garbarino on paid administrative leave, saying it’s only fair since there are allegations made against him.

Garbarino said those allegations are false.

Bill Meyer questioned why there is so much division in city hall.

“For a long time, we all

got along. ... What happened recently? Why are we going after our city councilmembers and our chief of police?” Meyer said.

Former councilmember Nayeem Choudhury warned the council to “not make chaos, not to make the personal attacks. You need to put the people first. You have a job to do.”

(Choudhury is now a candidate for council, and there is also an allegation that he violated election law in the 2023 election – although no charges have been filed.)

City Manager Garbarino said that there is “a lot of misinformation going on around here. It is very clear by all the speakers coming up here literally saying false things that are not accurate.”

A lengthy discussion followed with a lively back-and-forth between the mayor and Garbarino.

Mayor Ghalib said the investigation into the chief was an invasion of privacy by department investigator Adamczyk.

“How can you expect us to trust our police department? ... I personally don’t feel safe here because some police are out to get us. How do I know that there are no recording devices or cameras in my office, or in my car? I have zero trust now.”

Ghalib also said, regarding his pending confirmation by the U.S. Senate to be an ambassador to

Kuwait, “You know what? If the Senate rejects me for fighting corruption and standing for justice, that’s an honor for me.”

The mayor further added that “We’re not going to violate the rules.”

And again, Ghalib said: ‘We don’t feel safe as a community.’

City Manager Garbarino defended his suspension of the police chief, saying that it is the same action “any other city in the country would have done.”

At the mayor’s behest, the council went into a short closed meeting. After that, it was agreed to place Garbarino on paid suspension.

Ghalib said that suspending Garbarino is needed because “having you in city hall will cause some interference into this investigation.”

Later in the meeting, Councilmember Mohammed Hassan said, “We are the boss.”

Councilmember Khalil Refai said that police investigator Dave Adamczyk was previously fired.

(Editor’s note: Adamczyk resigned several years ago. He was not fired.)

In new business, the council approved the following:

- A contract with Premier Group Associates, LLC, to remove graffiti in the city for \$200 per square foot, and to repaint the cleaned area for \$145.
- A contract with Pre-

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Crime Watch

Extreme heat can bring on extreme violence

By Charles Sercombe

There is one thing you can count on when a heat wave hits town.

And that is a spike in assault – particularly, domestic assaults. That was the case this past week in Hamtramck, where several domestic assaults were reported in town.

Hamtramck is not alone in experiencing this crime trend.

According to the Michigan State Police, there were 91,000 domestic assault victims in 2017.

Hamtramck’s Police Department records domes-

tic assaults almost daily every week.

Domestic assault can take many forms, according to the state, and include different types of physical abuse, such as being:

- Pushed, shoved or kicked
- Slapped or bitten
- Strangled
- Hit or punched
- Locked out of your home
- Denied help when ill, injured or pregnant
- Held by physical force or not allowed to leave
- Abandoned in a dangerous situation

Or, having:

- A weapon used against you
 - Objects thrown at you
- If you are being abused, victims are encouraged to call 911 for help. There is also a free national hotline for those who have been abused and need guidance. Call 1-800-799-SAFE (7233).

Also, there are ways to deescalate situations that can lead to assault, such as:

- Respect Personal Space: Maintain a safe distance and avoid touching the other person.

• Listen: Give your full attention, nod, ask questions, and avoid changing the subject or interrupting.

• Empathize: Present genuine concern and a willingness to understand without judging. Tone: Speak calmly to demonstrate empathy.

If you find yourself in a situation where it appears your partner is already in a full rage and it’s apparent violence is about to erupt, get out, get away, and call 911 for help.



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mier Group Associates to do tree planting and maintenance for the city.

- Accept a grant award from Detroit Wayne Integrated Health Network (DWIHN) for a youth employment program in the city.
- Accept a grant from the National League of Cities and its Advancing Economic Mobility Rapid Grant Program. The program will strengthen “entrepreneurs, by providing them skill-building training and financing to reach their business goals. Multiple businesses in Hamtramck’s

downtown.”

In closing remarks, Mayor Pro Tem Khalil Refai cautioned people to “not listen to these fake news, and these people who are sending these fake information.”

In the second round of public comment, attorney Mark Koroi, who mentioned that he had filed lawsuits against a number of people in the city, said, “It’s time to pop the champagne cork. Now it’s Miller time.”

He did not say what he was referencing.

From the Office of Wayne County Treasurer Eric R. Sabree



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If you are facing foreclosure and need assistance in starting a Wayne County Probate Court Case because a property is in the name of a deceased family member, please contact one of the following community partners for assistance:

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