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**Quick Hits**

**Eid festival at Keyworth Stadium**

**By Charles Sercombe**  
This week is an Eid celebration for those of the Muslim faith.

This is not the same Eid that is observed at the end of Ramadan. This Eid celebration is called Eid al-Adha, which is also known as the "Greater Eid" or "Feast of Sacrifice."

The Eid being celebrated this weekend is the second, and holier, of the two major annual Islamic holidays.

To celebrate it, there will be a festival at Keyworth Stadium this week, through Sunday, May 31.

Festival hours are: Thursday: 10 a.m.-9 p.m.; Friday, 2-9 p.m., Saturday, 10 a.m.-9 p.m. and Sunday, 10 a.m.-9 p.m.

The festival features carnival rides, food vendors, shopping, entertainment, and, as the organizers say: "Fun for the whole family!"

**Update for Green Card holders**

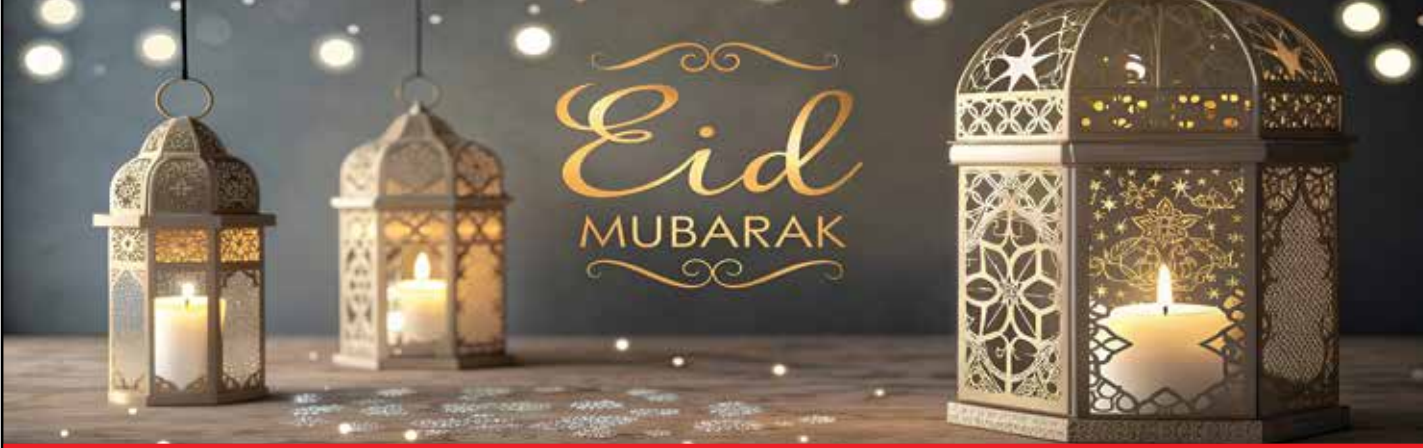
Being an immigrant waiting for further clarification of legal status just got harder.

President Trump's administration is now requiring those with Green Cards, who are on the fast-track to what's called "Adjustment of Status" (AOS) to citizenship, to go back through the U.S. embassies in their home countries for further processing.

It's believed only a handful of folks here in Hamtramck are affected.

But, this change will impact millions of economic migrants in the United States - including long-resident illegal migrants, temporary foreign workers, tourists, students, people with parole visas, Biden-era illegals with Temporary Protective Status, people who overstay their visas, and even people who have been given a final order of deportation.

It does not impact refugees, asylum seekers, or migrants living overseas.



**Veterans carry on their salute to the nation's fallen heroes**

**By Charles Sercombe**  
The circle keeps getting smaller for Hamtramck's veterans.

And, once again, the Memorial Day observation in Hamtramck continues to become a fading shadow of past years, when Hamtramck once hosted ceremonies with dozens of veterans in Veterans Park.

At the ceremony held Sunday at PLAV Post 6, the ever-dwindling number of local vets was underscored by the recent death of one of their members, Larry Krakowski.

The ceremony was attended by former mayor Karen Majewski and Hamtramck District Court Judge Alexis Krot, who gave an invocation. No other former or present city officials attended.

Post 6 Commander Mark Widzinski spoke briefly:

"As we observe Memorial Day, we do more than carry on a tradition. We also fulfill a commitment to very special people," Widzinski said.

"These residents of Hamtramck that we ho-

nor today died to preserve our life, liberty and pursuit of happiness. Memorial Day is a meaningful day for us to pause and reflect on those who gave their lives for us."

Widzinski continued: "Duty, loyalty, courage - these are a few of the American values our heroes lived and died for. As a nation, we want to remind ourselves of these values, and do our best to pass them on, intact, to the next generation."

"Let's carry forward their legacy. Let's build a nation of strong, resilient communities that will not forget the past, as we build for the future."

"If we remember our heroes only in sorrow, we do them a disservice. They gave us the opportunity to live in freedom. We must make good use of that opportunity."



**Council does a redo on censure vote**

**By Charles Sercombe**

Upon second thought, city councilmembers who voted over three months ago to censure a fellow councilmember decided to undo their decision.

At a special meeting last Friday, the city council voted unanimously to rescind its censure of Councilmember Yousuf Saed.



**Councilmember Yousuf Saed**

Back in February, all but one councilmember, Nayeem Choudhury, voted to censure Saed for an apparent disparaging comment he made on his Facebook page about some other councilmembers.

Just exactly what he said has never been made clear, but at the time it was suggested Saed had called some colleagues "clowns." Councilmember Mohammed Alsomiri appeared to be the primary target of Saed's remarks.

Saed has insisted that what he said was not a putdown, and that his post, written in Arabic, was misinterpreted.

At Friday's meeting, Saed said his comment "was not directed to anyone or insulting anyone. Today is not about me. It's about fairness and common sense and doing the right thing."

Councilmember Choudhury was critical of his colleagues.

"He did not deserve that censure for your personal reasons," he said. "Don't mix up your personal things with city official business."

As for Alsomiri, he appeared to have smoothed out his relationship with Saed.

"I work with him many times," Alsomiri said.

But then things took an unexpected turn, with Alsomiri lashing out: "I make a lot of bullsh-t from the people. A lot they talking a lot, bad word."

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# Council does a redo on censure vote

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Also, Choudhury lashed out at an unnamed councilmember, saying: "You are not bringing any solution. You're not proposing anything good for the city. ... You are attacking every one of us and others."

After the meeting, according to sources, Choudhury confronted a person in the hallway, which led to a complaint filed with the police department.

The Review asked Police Chief Hussain Farhat

for a copy of the complaint, but, as of press time, that had not been provided.

The Review also reached out to Choudhury for comment, via Facebook messenger, but he did not reply.

Relationships between some councilmembers have been fraying in recent months, leaving Mayor Adam Alharbi sometimes struggling to get the council to focus on council business.



## 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 April 14, and all councilmembers were in attendance.

During public comment, Lynn Blasey said she is concerned about a proposed purchase of Flock license plate reader cameras.

She said that the use of the Flock camera system "sounds good on the surface; the data and information from them is shared with agencies and private entities around the world."

But, Blasey continued, "Flock is not openly transparent about these things for a reason: If the public knows who was assessing information about their movements, they would be outraged."

Blasey said that the use of Flock is "not the answer" to providing a safer Hamtramck.

In another matter, Blasey urged city officials to take action to protect residents from ICE agents.

"Please act to protect us before it's too late and families are torn apart," she said.

Former city councilmember Khalil Refai said he supports using the Flock cameras.

"It will help maintain a safe and secure environment, and ensure a quick response to criminal activity," he said.

As for a proposal to change city hall hours to open one hour later and close one hour later,

Refai said this would also affect the district court's hours (since the court is inside the city hall building), and furthermore possibly violate the union contract with city employees.

The Yemeni Chamber of Commerce said it supports the hiring of Sami Elhady as the new city clerk. The orga-

nization said that Elhady shows "exceptional professionalism, integrity and dedication to public service."

Kamal Rahman thanked the police department for its quick action in rescuing a kidnapped teenage girl.

Former mayor Amer Ghalib noted that the gas station clerk who helped police rescue a teen kidnap victim is a Green Card holder. He said this underscores why "we need to change the narrative

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## CLAIMS PROCESS – FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### What is the 2026 Auction Proceeds Claims Process?

If your property was foreclosed in March 2026, you may be owed money from the auction sale. This is called remaining proceeds—the extra money left after your taxes and fees were paid. Under Michigan Compiled Laws (MCL) 211.78t, this money is not sent automatically—you have to apply to get it.

### Who is eligible to file a claim for remaining proceeds?

You may be entitled to any remaining proceeds from a foreclosure sale if you owned or had an ownership interest in a property in Wayne County, Michigan, that was foreclosed in 2026 and may be sold at auction. "Remaining proceeds" are proceeds from the auction sale left over, if any, after the total amount due to the foreclosing governmental unit (including all costs and expenses incurred in connection with the sale) is paid.

### How do I Participate?

To be eligible to receive any remaining sale proceeds, you must submit a Notice of Intent to Claim Interest in Foreclosure Sales Proceeds (Form 5743) no later than July 1, 2026. Scan the QR code to access the form.

### How do I Submit the Notice of Intent form?

The Completed and NOTARIZED forms must be sent by certified United States Postal Service mail, return receipt requested or hand delivered no later than July 1, 2026 to: Wayne County Treasurer: 400 Monroe, 5th Floor, Detroit, MI 48226

### Where Can I Learn More About the Process?

To learn more about the claims process, please visit the Wayne County Treasurer's Office website and click on the "Claims & Auction page". The full claims process is also outlined in Michigan Compiled Laws (MCL) 211.78t. Scan to view the law:

### What are next steps after filing the Notice of the Intent form?

You will receive a Notice to Claimant to File Motion by January 30, 2027. This notice will include:

- Whether there are funds available (remaining proceeds)
- Whether other parties have filed claims
- Instructions to file a motion with the Wayne County 3<sup>rd</sup> Circuit Court
- Your case number, assigned judge, and court contact information

You will then need to file a motion with the court to complete your claim. Motion form: <https://shorturl.at/99N4z> or scan the qr code:

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## This week at the Library . . .

May 29, 2026

**Detroit Lions:** Hamtramck Public Library's Summer Reading Program is partnering with the Detroit Lions Sport Team in creating an experience that would combine excitement and recognition with reading engagement. In the near future we will announce how the partnership will work. Only 15 of Michigan Libraries have been selected for this program. To participate you will need to register children in the Hamtramck Library Summer Reading Program. Registrations will start in June.

**Susan B. Anthony:** She was fined for voting in a presidential election at Rochester, New York. After voting rights had been granted to African Americans males by the 15th Amendment, she attempted to extend the same rights to women. She led a group of women that voted illegally, to test their status as citizens. She was arrested, tried and sentenced to pay \$100.00, which she refused. Following her death in 1906 after five decades of tireless work, the Democratic and Republican parties both endorsed women's right to vote. In August of 1920, the 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution was finally ratified, allowing women to vote.

**Hong Kong:** On June 9, 1898 the British signed a 99-year lease for Hong Kong, located on the southeastern coast of China. It consisted of an area measuring 400 square miles, was administered as a British Crown Colony until June 1, 1997, when its sovereignty reverted to the People's Repub-

lic of China.

**John Hull:** In Massachusetts, this silversmith opened the first mint in American on June 10, 1652, in defiance of English colonial law. The first coin issued was the Pine Three Shilling, designed by Hull.

**Mount Pinatubo:** On June 11, 1991 this volcano in the Philippines erupted, spewing ash into the air. Visible over 60 miles. The surrounding areas were covered with ash and mud created by rainstorms. Nearby U.S. military bases were also damaged.

**Story Time:** These programs conducted by the library staff are scheduled for Wednesdays afternoon at 4:00 pm. All children are invited.

**LOTE4Kids:** This collection of over 2000 digital books in 50+ languages can be accessed by you anytime from your computer or other smart devices. All this is free with the use of your library card. They even have stories in ASL. Find a link to this awesome resource for kids on our website [www.hamtramck.lib.mi.us](http://www.hamtramck.lib.mi.us) under the eResources tab.

**Exercise at the Library:** The RIM Foundation was begun exercise classes again this fall. On Tuesdays, its back to Yoga at 2:30 pm. and on Fridays, it is Tai Chi at 10:00 am. To register for the program, stop by the library circulation desk.

**East German Occupation:** in June 11, 1994, after 49 years, the Soviet occupation of east Germany ended.

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# Review: Opinion Page

## In Our Opinion

### City officials turn down a revenue source

We understand that there are sensitivities when it comes to marijuana dispensaries setting up shop in any town.

Hamtramck is no exception.

City officials here have successfully blocked a would-be dispensary owner from opening at a vacant retail outlet on Jos. Campau and Evaline. The operator thought he had the go-ahead to proceed with opening, but it turned out that was a faulty assumption.

So, the city won both a court case and fed-

eral appeal, which most likely signals the end of the road for this business, as far as Hamtramck being involved anyway.

We can't help but think that this is a hollow victory.

Why? Hamtramck closed the door on a business that would have generated over \$50,000 for the city in taxes and fees. While that may seem like a small amount of revenue, to us, that seems like a decent amount of money for a small community to pass up – especially

one that is suddenly facing a \$1 million budget deficit.

And, it's especially baffling considering, one, that city officials got rid of the city's parking meters, which means a loss of about \$300,000 a year in revenue and two, the loss of revenue from the Wayne County jail here in town, which amounts to about \$1 million a year.

Hamtramck officials may have thought they won this battle, but instead they are losing the financial war.



## City Hall Insider ...

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city's road repair fund.

The council also agreed to a replacement program for 669 lead water lines in the city, at a cost of \$5.8 million, which will be covered by an EPA grant.

A lengthy discussion was held on whether to assign two police officers as resource officers for the public school district.

Police Chief Hussein Farhat said the cost for the officers would be split evenly between the school district and the city, at a cost of \$1 million for each.

"I don't know any single jurisdiction that does not have school resource officers," Farhat said.

He said the duties of the officers would include patrolling the schools and directing school-related traffic. He also pointed out that the officers will be assigned to other duties when the district breaks for summer vacation.

Councilmember Choudhury said that, although it's a good idea, he's concerned about the cost to the city. He pointed out that the city is now facing a \$1.3 million budget deficit.

"However, I understand the importance of student safety," he said.

Mayor Alharbi said the cost has already been factored into the city's budget, and that the reason the city is facing a deficit is because of the loss of revenue from the Wayne County jail in Ham-

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## Odds & Ends

**Eid message ...** Wednesday was the beginning of Eid, and Mayor Adam Alharbi offered a message to the Muslim community:

"Today is about joy, family, and our incredible community spirit. As your mayor, I want our celebration to reflect the very best of who we are.

"First is cleanliness. It's a beautiful part of our faith and our pride, whether you're out at a stadium or your porch, let's lead by example and keep our streets clean today.

Second: Respect. Let's keep the fireworks and festival going until 10 p.m. After that, let's help our seniors and children get some rest. It's all about looking out for one another, so let's make this an Eid to remember for its beauty and its respect.

"Stay safe and once again, Eid Mubarak."

**Moving on ...** Hamtramck's City Clerk Office is losing a valuable employee this week.

Barry Mulso is leaving his position here, and we are told he's off to seek "new adventures."

Our guess is he's going to become a lion tamer, but that's a wild speculation.

Seriously though, his last day is this Friday, May 29, and there will be a toast to his "sanity" – according to whoever posted his going away notice on social media.

In fact, his will be the Toast of the Town on Friday at PLAV Post 6, on Evaline at McDougall.

We wish him well on his next venture. First drink's on us!

**Pure Michigan? ...** New water safety advice from

Michigan: Avoid foam.

This is the kind of foam you see accumulate at times on the shores of lakes or bays, or in eddies (tiny, slow whirlpools) or other pocket areas along slow-moving rivers.

And the state is saying to avoid it.

The foamy build-up may appear whitish, off-white or variations of brown, but whichever the shade, it's not healthy. It can contain bad things both natural and unnatural.

For one, it can contain harmful chemicals or bacteria, the former including PFAs. PFAs, or per- or polyfluoroalkyl substances, are a group of chemicals blamed for numerous health effects, including higher levels of cholesterol and even liver damage.

If you do come into contact with the foam while swimming, dipping your legs in, or the like, the best thing is to rinse off as quickly as possible to avoid the long-term effects, they say.

Also, keep your pets away from it as best you can – but, if you can't, rinse them off quickly just

as you would yourself.

A dog, for example, may be tempted to try to lick its fur clean, thereby ingesting nasty residue.

**Celebration ...** The Dearborn Area Board of Realtors (DABOR) is celebrating its 100th anniversary from the date the organization began, back in 1926.

For those wondering what this has to do with Hamtramck: a number of real estate agents in Hamtramck are part of this influential organization.

About 30 metro communities, including Hamtramck, have members in DABOR.

DABOR has numerous events planned to mark its centennial.

For more information about the events, or for questions about ticket sales or sponsorships, contact Chastity Townsend, at: (313) 278-2220, or via email, at: ae@dabor.com.

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By Charles Sercombe

This week's Crime Log covers May 19-25.

### Tuesday, May 19

- At 4 a.m., a business in the 9500 block of Conant reported trouble with a customer.
- An illegal dumping was reported in the 11600 block of St. Aubin.
- An assault was reported in the 2600 block of Carpenter.
- A hit-and-run accident was reported in the 2600 block of Holmes.
- A fight was reported in the 5100 block of Yemans.
- A hit-and-run accident was reported in the 12000 block of Jos. Campau.
- An assault was reported in the 3000 block of Trowbridge.

### Wednesday, May 20

- A vehicle stolen in Warren was recovered, which also led to the arrest of a suspect for possessing a stolen vehicle.
- A suspect was arrested in the 11700 block of Dyar for domestic assault.
- A vehicle was reported stolen in the 12000 block of Dyar.
- Vehicles were reported being driven erratically in the 11400 block of Charest.
- A business in the 9300 block of Jos. Campau reported trouble with a customer.
- A business in the 2300 block of Commor reported an incident of fraud.
- A hit-and-run accident was reported in the area of Brombach and Norwalk.

### Thursday, May 21

- An incident of fraud was reported on Jos. Campau.
- A break-in was reported in the 11400 block of Charest.
- A theft was reported in the 2000 block of Trowbridge.
- A disorderly person was reported in the area of Gallagher and Hanley.
- Illegal dumping was reported in the area of Caniff and McDougall.

### Friday, May 22

- A complaint was made about noise in the 3100 block of Lehman.
- A robbery was reported at Jos. Campau and Evaline.
- An assault was reported in the 3400 block of Comstock.

- A vehicle was stolen in the 3500 block of Caniff.
- An assault was reported in the 9300 block of Jos. Campau.
- A child was reported lost in the 11600 block of Jos. Campau.
- A complaint was made about a juvenile in the 11800 block of Jos. Campau.
- A complaint was made about an animal in the 11400 block of Moran.
- A complaint was made about a juvenile in the 12000 block of Dyar.

### Saturday, May 23

- A theft from a vehicle was reported in the 2400 block of Goodson.
- A fight was reported in the area of Conant and Yemans.
- Complaints about noise were made in the 2700 block of Carpenter and in the 2000 block of Caniff.
- At 7 a.m., gunshots were reported in the 11600 block of St. Aubin.
- A male suspect was arrested in the 12000 block of Selfridge for domestic assault.
- An incident of indecent exposure was reported in the 3600 block of Caniff.
- A theft was reported in the 2400 block of Hewitt.
- Retail fraud was reported in the 9800 block of Jos. Campau.
- A complaint was made about a juvenile in the 11400 block of Moran.
- A hit-and-run accident was reported in the 9600 block of Jos. Campau.

### Sunday, May 24

- A theft from a vehicle was reported in the 11700 block of Moran.
- Family trouble was reported in the 11300 block of Fleming.
- A vehicle was stolen on St. Aubin. It was later recovered in Detroit. A vehicle was also reported stolen in the 2400 block of Florian.

### Monday, May 25

- A domestic assault was reported on Dyar.
- A break-in was reported on Yemans.
- A business in the 2000 block of Caniff reported trouble with a customer.
- A complaint was made about a juvenile in the area of Lumpkin and Norwalk.
- Two suspects were arrested in the 2000 block of Caniff for trespassing.

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### HPS summer school

The school year is almost about over, but the Hamtramck Public School District is gearing up for its "Summer Discovery" program.

It starts on June 22 and runs through July 24, and offers activities Monday-Thursday.

Literacy, math and enrichment will be offered from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. It's open to students, Grades 1-10.

A free breakfast and lunch will be provided, as well as bus transportation for some schools.

For more information, go online to [www.hamtramckschools.org](http://www.hamtramckschools.org)

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### Does the Wayne County Treasurer's Office owe you money?

If your property was foreclosed in March 2026 and sells in the upcoming auctions for more than the minimum bid amount, you may be eligible to claim any remaining, surplus proceeds from that sale. The Wayne County's treasurer's office has a process for you to claim surplus funds that may be available from that sale. The deadline to file is July 1, 2026.

If you own the property or hold meaningful equity interest (such as a mortgagee or lienholder) in the property at the time of the 2026 foreclosure, Michigan law (MCL 211.78t) allows you to make a claim to collect surplus proceeds.

Here's what to do next

1. Download the Notice of Intent form using this QR on the next page or visit [WayneCountyMI.gov/Treasurer](http://WayneCountyMI.gov/Treasurer) and visit the "Claims and Auction" page

2. Fill out the Notice of Intent form, including Application information, property information, and your interest in the property (title, mortgage, liens).

2. Have the Notice of Intent form notarized (only sign the form in the presence of a notary)

3. Submit the form to the Wayne County Treasurer's Office

• Hand-deliver or mail **via certified mail** to 400 Monroe St, Detroit, MI 48226, 5th Floor.

• **Deadline: July 1, 2026.**

#### What happens after that?

• If you file a claim by July 1, 2026, the Treasurer's office will notify you by January 31, 2027, and you will receive Form 5744 (Notice to Claimant to File Motion with the Circuit Court) by mail.

• Use Form 5744 to file a motion with the 3rd Circuit Court between February 1 and May 15 after the notice. The court will schedule a hearing to determine payments.

#### Important Information:

To view a list of all foreclosed properties or to download the Notice of Intent form and get started, scan the QR code below or visit: [waynecountymi.gov/treasurer](http://waynecountymi.gov/treasurer) and click on the "Claims & Auction" page:

CLAIMS FORM:

2026 Foreclosed Properties:



• Legal help: Foreclosure and surplus-proceeds laws are complex. If you need additional guidance, you can contact the State Bar of Michigan's Legal Referral Center at [irs.michbar.org](http://irs.michbar.org) or (800) 968-0738. **The deadline to file your claim is July 1, 2026**

#### Use this Claims Process checklist to help you meet the July 1, 2026, deadline:

- Download and read the Notice of Intent Claims Form, 2026 Foreclosed Properties, and Claims FAQs. Visit [waynecountymi.gov/treasurer](http://waynecountymi.gov/treasurer) and visit the Claims & Auctions page.
- Confirm property foreclosure occurred in March 2026.
- Verify you hold title or a meaningful equity interest in the property.
- Complete the Notice of Intent form with application, property, and interest details.
- Get the form notarized.
- Submit the notarized form by certified mail or in person to the Wayne County Treasurer's Office (by July 1, 2026).
- Watch for the Treasurer's Office response by January 31, 2027, response (Form 5744).
- If surplus exists, file a motion with the 3rd Circuit Court between February 1, 2027, and May 15, 2027.

#### FINAL REMINDER

• Take action today: Download the three documents, start filling out the Notice of Intent form, and mark **July 1, 2026**, on your calendar. If you or someone you know may be eligible, begin gathering ownership details now to ensure your claim is complete and on time.

### Notice of Public Hearing

#### City of Hamtramck – City Council

The City of Hamtramck City Council will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, June 23, 2026, at 7:00pm. The meeting will be held at Hamtramck City Hall, 3401 Evaline St, Hamtramck, Michigan 48212. The public is invited to attend and comment at the public hearing or to make written comments before the date of the hearing. Written comments should be made to the attention of Sami Elhady at [selhady@hamtramckcity.gov](mailto:selhady@hamtramckcity.gov) before 12:00 p.m. on June 23, 2026.

The subject of the public hearing is revisions to the City of Hamtramck ordinance – Chapter 54: Trees and Shrubs. The proposed ordinance changes will outline clearer guidelines for residents and the Department of Public Services for handling trees and shrubs within the public right-of-way, increasing public awareness of tree/shrub maintenance across the City and strengthening the protection of City-owned trees/shrubs.

The first reading and public hearing are contingent upon City Council's approval of the 1st readings on June 9, 2026.

Please note: This notice is posted in compliance with PA 267 of 1976 as amended (Open Meetings Act), MCLA 41.71 a (2) (3) and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). The City of Hamtramck will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the Meeting to Individuals with disabilities at the Meeting or Public Hearing upon 10 day notice to the City Clerk's Office. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Hamtramck City Clerk by writing or calling the Clerk's Office at 313-800-5233 x 821.

### Notice of Public Hearing – City of Hamtramck

#### Zoning Board of Appeals

NOTICE is hereby given that the City of Hamtramck Zoning Board of Appeals will meet on the 2nd Floor Council Chambers of Hamtramck City Hall (3401 Evaline Street, Hamtramck, MI 48212) on Tuesday, June 16th, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. for the purpose of holding two public hearings and considering the request pertaining to the following properties:

- 2727 Caniff, Hamtramck, MI 48212, parcel number 41 007 15 0094 301

*Applicant Masud Khan is requesting a non-use variance of the property to allow a curb cut on a public road, subject to §155.065(F)(6) of the Hamtramck Code of Ordinances. Current use is Multi-Use District per §155.065.*

- 2276 Poland, Hamtramck, MI 48212, parcel number 41 003 02 0045 300Applicant

*Applicant Wadeh Fadeh is requesting a non-use variance of the property to allow a 0 foot setback between an existing garage and proposed 444 square-foot building addition, subject to §155.111(C) of the Hamtramck Code of Ordinances. Current use is Residential per §155.050.*

Written comments may be submitted to the Assistant Community & Economic Development Manager via email at [mmiszczak@hamtramck](mailto:mmiszczak@hamtramck). Written comments will be accepted until 12:00 p.m. on June 16th, 2026. The City of Hamtramck will provide necessary and reasonable auxiliary aids, and services for individuals with disabilities at the public hearing upon advance notice by writing or by calling the Clerk's Office at 313-800-5233 x821. Please contact the Clerk's office at least 10 days in advance.



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tramck.

City Attorney Odey Meroueh said he is working with the county to restore that funding.

Councilmember Choudhury then reiterated his concern about any extra police hirings' impact on the city's budget.

But he did concede that "the concern of the safety of our students is a first priority."

Mayor Alharbi questioned whether the city could assign just one officer, and have the school district pay for that.

"I prefer paying for a police officer to work just for the city," he said.

City Finance Director Syed Aamir Ahsan said the officers would be a benefit to the community "because these police officers are working just in the city with the children of all the residents who live in the city. That's the key thing to remember: they are protecting the children."

Police Chief Farhat said that the officers would also be taking on cases involving juvenile offenders "so they are going to be working on City of Hamtramck cases. The city will be benefitting."

City Manager Adel Al-Adlani said protecting kids is the "top priority." He said the city can perhaps make cuts in other areas of the budget.

The proposal was approved.

The council then circled back, and agreed to purchase 15 of the Flock license plate readers, after another lengthy discussion. The city will soon have a total of 32 cameras located throughout the city.

The cost for all the cameras will total \$94,500 a year, and will be paid for through the police department's narcotic fund.

Police Chief Farhat said the cameras do not collect personal information, but rather are focused only on license plates, which are not subject to privacy laws.

Farhat also said the existing camera system has resulted in solving cases "that would normally (stay) unsolved due to a lack of leads." He further stressed that the information collected by Hamtramck's system is not shared with other cities.

In another matter, the council did agree to hire Sami Elhady as the new city clerk.

A lengthy discussion was again held on whether to alter the hours of operation in city hall, from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. to 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Councilmember Hassan opposed the change, saying that the current city hall hours are in line with those of "American office time."

Councilmember Choudhury said that most residents don't wake up until 10 a.m., so city hall doesn't have to open at 8 a.m.

"The community comes first, not the council," he said.

The proposal failed.

The council also rejected a proposal to start council meetings one hour earlier, at 6 p.m. instead of 7 p.m.

The council did approve allowing maximum residential housing heights to increase from 35 feet to 40 feet, to better allow for pitched roofs.

In his concluding report, Mayor Alharbi said the "city is getting better, and we're moving forward."

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

## FREE PUBLIC TOUR

### OF THE HAMTRAMCK HISTORICAL MUSEUM

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# County expands summer youth employment program

By Charles Sercombe

Summer employment for metro area teens, including Hamtramck, just got a financial shot in the arm.

The Detroit Wayne Integrated Health Network (DWIHN) Board of Directors recently approved \$1.9 million in funding to support summer youth employment initiatives to communities across Wayne County.

The investment is in support of the ongoing effort by DWIHN to provide employment for youth.

"These youth are not only our future, they are our Now," said James E. White, DWIHN President and CEO. "Now more than ever, we can't lose focus on developing young leaders with tools to fight stigma in our communities."

Teens participating in the program get meaningful work experience plus exposure to behavioral health education, including prevention, treatment, and access to care information.

Through partnerships with municipalities, community organizations, and DWIHN provider agencies, the program is expected to employ more than 850 youth between the ages of 14 and 24. Teens will generally work up to 20 hours per week for six weeks during the summer.

The funding will support participation in the Grow

mck, Highland Park and Van Buren Township.

"The Board of Directors is honored to approve funding that invests in the comprehensive development of career skill sets of our youth," said Jonathan C. Kinloch, DWIHN Board Chairperson. "Building on their personal growth, expanding their professional horizons, and thereby strengthening the future of our community"

The initiative aligns with DWIHN's broader mission of supporting the health, wellness, and long-term success of individuals and families throughout the region.



Detroit's Young Talent (GDYT) program, and other county and community-based youth employment initiatives operating from June 1 through September 20.

Notable program partners include the East Side Community Network, the Downriver Community Conference, and the cities of Bellville, Hamtra-



## Coming Events

**SATURDAY, June 13, 2-4p.m.** – Take-out only Soup Kitchen at Holy Cross P.N.C. Church, 2311 Pulaski at Fleming. Everyone is welcome! (Please come in person to pick up your meal.)

### Abard Acquisitions LLC

Located at 27210 W. 7 Mile Rd Redford MI 48240 is holding an abandoned vehicle auction on **June 8, 2026 at 11 a.m.** for the following vehicles

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All vehicles are sold as is.

For further information please call 248-773-6908

#### Legal Notice

A Hearing shall be held by the Board of Directors of Oakland International Academy for the purpose of obtaining public comment on the proposed operating budget for the 2026/2027 school year. Copies of the budget can be obtained at Oakland International Academy. The Hearing shall be held on Thursday, June 25th, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. at Oakland International Academy Middle School, 8228 Conant, Detroit, MI 48211.

#### Legal Notice

A Hearing shall be held by the Board of Directors of New Dawn Academy of Warren for the purpose of obtaining public comment on the proposed operating budget for the 2026/2027 school year. Copies of the budget can be obtained at New Dawn Academy of Warren. The Hearing shall be held on Tuesday, June 16th, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. at New Dawn Academy of Warren located at 8200 Irving Street, Sterling Heights, MI.

#### Legal Notice

A Hearing shall be held by the Board of Directors of Caniff Liberty Academy for the purpose of obtaining public comment on the proposed operating budget for the 2026/2027 school year. Copies of the budget can be obtained at Caniff Liberty Academy. The Hearing shall be held on Wednesday, June 17th, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. at Caniff Liberty Academy, 2650 Caniff, Hamtramck, MI 48212



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# If you lost your property to tax foreclosure in 2026:

You may be entitled to claim remaining proceeds from the sale associated with the parcel that exceeds the amount owed for taxes, interest and fees.



## DEADLINE TO FILE A CLAIM: JULY 1, 2026

- 1** **FILL OUT THE NOTICE OF INTENT FORM WITH THE FOLLOWING INFO:** APPLICATION INFORMATION, PROPERTY INFORMATION, AND INTEREST IN PROPERTY (E.G. MORTGAGE AND LIEN HOLDERS).
- 2** **NOTARIZE THE NOTICE OF INTENT FORM**
- 3** **SUBMIT THE NOTICE OF INTENT FORM TO THE WAYNE COUNTY TREASURER'S OFFICE VIA CERTIFIED MAIL OR IN PERSON: 400 MONROE ST, DETROIT, MI 48226**

You can reach out to the Michigan Legal Services for assistance to file a claim. Call 313-964-4130 or visit [milegalservices.org](http://milegalservices.org) for more information.

Your completed, notarized form must be hand-delivered or sent through certified mail to the Wayne County Treasurer's Office located at 400 Monroe, Detroit MI 48226 on the 5th floor no later than July 1, 2026.

Visit [WayneCountyMI.gov/Treasurer](http://WayneCountyMI.gov/Treasurer) and click on "Claims & Auctions" to download the form.

You can also contact the Wayne County Treasurer's Office by calling 313-224-5990 or by emailing [TaxInfo@WayneCountyMI.gov](mailto:TaxInfo@WayneCountyMI.gov)

### CLAIMS FORM

