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Quick Hits

Ballot issue has court hearing

By Charles Sercombe

For weeks now, a number of people have been wondering when those 37 uncounted ballots from last November’s city election will be counted.

Well, it appears that date is getting closer.

Mayor Adam Alharbi has been fighting to prevent those ballots from being counted, but the state’s appeals court has rejected his efforts.

Next Wednesday, attorneys for Alharbi and his mayoral challenger from last year, former councilmember Muhith Mahmood, will meet with Wayne County Circuit Court Judge Kathleen McCarthy to discuss the issue.

The hold up on counting the ballots, after the legal appeals by Alharbi were rejected, has been for a judge to issue an order directing the Wayne County Board of Canvassers to do so.

Yes, we know, what a crazy legal maze it is to get a few ballots counted.

It’s expected that Judge McCarthy will issue that order.

What’s at stake is that the counting of those ballots could decide whether Hamtramck has a new mayor – Muhith Mahmood.

The November election was a very close one. Alharbi squeaked by with an 11-vote margin of victory.

The counting of the 37 ballots could tip the election result in favor of Mahmood.

Hamtramck taxpayers are footing the legal bill for Alharbi’s private fight to prevent those ballots from being included in the vote tally.

If the election swings in favor of Mahmood, will there be further legal maneuvering?

That’s unknown, at this point.

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Tennis, anyone? In Hamtramck, yes

By Charles Sercombe

For those unfamiliar with Hamtramck’s colorful history, this city was once a powerhouse in the world of tennis.

So much so, that even Grosse Pointers once came here to learn the fine art of hitting a tennis ball.

And it was mainly thanks to the work of that late husband and wife team, Jerry and Jean Hoxie. They are known for starting the first tennis camp in the nation right here in Hamtramck, starting in the 1940s and continuing through the 70s.

Jean Hoxie did the heavy lifting of taking a bunch of inner-city kids with no money and turning many of them into national, and even world, champs.

On a rainy and dreary Saturday afternoon – a hint of fall weather soon to come? – Toast stopped in at the Ukrainian American Archives and Museum on Jos. Campau and took in a talk about Hamtramck’s rise in the world of tennis.

One of Hoxie’s star students was Chuck Brainard, who recounted his days with the legendary coach and the players he faced.

“Mrs. Hoxie always thought big,” Brainard said. “Always wanted to take care of the kids.”

But she was a strict disciplinarian when it came to practicing, Brainard added. She would have her tennis students hit balls against the infamous tennis wall in Veterans Park, over and over.

And if you lost a practice game, Brainard said, it was “back to the wall.”

The wall, by the way, is still standing and is still in good shape, waiting for the next generation.

For students, the games were not the only competitive challenge – so was practice, seven days a week.

Unfortunately, one of the guests of honor, the legendary Jane “Peaches” Bartkowicz,

could not make this event because of a health issue.

Peaches, as she is commonly known here, was a stand-out during a time of many exceptional players.

She went on to win numerous championships, and even played the hallowed grounds of Wimbledon, where she won the Girl’s Singles title in 1964 before going on to win three medals in the 1968 Olympics.

Brainard said a standout moment for Peaches was when she once volleyed 1,666 balls at the wall in Veterans Park without an error. She stopped at that number only because she had to go to class.

“Nobody’s come near (that), to the best of my knowledge,” Brainard said.

While the glory days of Hamtramck tennis are long gone, the tennis program at Hamtramck High School was resurrected about two years ago, thanks to coach Joe Patterson.

Patterson conceded that, although the players he’s coaching are “not at the Hoxie level yet,” there is a huge amount of “drive and passion” among the students for the sport.

The school program now has about 25 boys and 16 girls enrolled.

“A lot of times, it’s hard to get them off the courts,” Patterson said.

For those interested in discovering the joys and challenges of tennis, the Hamtramck Parks Conservancy is hosting free tennis rentals (for those without gear), in a pilot program that started this past week and which continues on Tuesday evenings from 5-7 p.m. on Sept. 29 and Oct. 6.

The free program is open to those 10 years old and up. So who will be the next star tennis



player in Hamtramck? Only history will tell.

When it comes to good food and great times, Hamtramck has plenty to offer. In this column,

we’ll talk about what’s happening at our bars, restaurants and at other events throughout the city.

Councilman files a lawsuit against the mayor

By Charles Sercombe

Councilmember Mohammed Alsomiri once again filed a lawsuit against a city official.

This time, he is suing Mayor Adam Alharbi in Wayne County Circuit Court for having taxpayers foot the bill over his private legal case to prevent 37 uncounted ballots from last November’s election from being counted.

Alsomiri is also taking issue with Alharbi filing a lawsuit against the city and his mayoral challenger, Muhith Mahmood. Alharbi has accused Mahmood of not being a resident in the city, and thus being ineligible to hold office here.

Mahmood insists he is a resident but visits his family in Troy. He says he is not separated from his wife.

In both matters, Alsomiri said the mayor is acting as a private individual and is, in fact, acting as a plaintiff – not a defendant.

Alsomiri is also accusing Alharbi of violating the city’s ethics ordinance by “knowingly us(ing) his or her office or position to secure personal benefit, gain or profit, or us(ing) his or her position to secure special privileges or exceptions for himself, herself, or for the benefit, gain or profit of any other persons.”

Mayor Alharbi told The Review that “This lawsuit is entirely without legal or factual merit. As mayor, my role is to serve the best interests of all Hamtramck residents, and ensure that city business is handled transparently and fairly.”

In August, a bare majority of three councilmembers, Nayeem Choudhury, Abu Musa and Muhtasin Sadman, passed a resolution to have the city cover Alharbi’s legal fees. The mayor said the total bill could amount to perhaps \$200,000, but did not provide any invoices to back up that claim.

Alharbi said the invoices will be submitted now that the city agreed to pay his legal fees.

He has since submitted a bill for about \$135,000 for taxpayers to pay. It’s unclear if that bill has been paid yet by the city.

Alsomiri is attempting to stop the payments, and also possibly get Alharbi kicked out of office.

In his lawsuit, filed by

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Councilman files a lawsuit against the mayor

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Troy-based attorney Mark Wasvary, Alsomiri says Alharbi’s “participation in each of the Alharbi lawsuit and Mahmood lawsuit was the product of his own voluntary and affirmative acts, undertaken through privately retained counsel, and was not the result of his having been sued or named as a defendant in his capacity as mayor in either matter.”

The lawsuit is the la-

test development of an ever-widening rift between councilmembers, also including the mayor.

Councilmembers have been calling for censuring others, and then repealing those decisions, and also filing ethics violation claims.

Alsomiri and Councilmember Yousuf Saed are also suing Councilmembers Muhtasin Sadman and Abu Musa for voting

to approve the sale of the city-owned properties.

Saed and Alsomiri accuse the pair of being related to one of the buyers, and also of failing to disclose their conflicts of interest.

The councilmembers are seeking to prevent the transfer of the properties, and they are also accusing Sadman and Musa of violating the city’s ethics ordinance.

Despite this friction,

Mayor Alharbi told The Review: “I remain fully focused on moving our city forward, delivering on our priorities, and working every day to serve the people of Hamtramck.”

(In a late-breaking development, a Hamtramck resident has also filed an ethics violation and lawsuit against Mayor Alharbi over his legal bill. We’ll have more information next week.)

In a tight match, DCFC pulls out a one-point victory

By Basmah Jabril

Special to The Review

Detroit City Football Club prevailed with a 1-0 win over Pittsburgh Riverhounds on a cold, rainy Saturday night at Keyworth Stadium.

Kian Williams’ 73rd-minute finish lifted Detroit to their victory, and added another important three points in the Eastern Conference playoff race.

The night began with a performance by the Gwiazda dancers as part of Polish Night, and colored smoke poured through the stands as supporters prepared for what would become a long, rainy night of soccer.

The rain was heavy and the cold kept some of the usual crowd away, but the supporters who did make it out were loud from the start and stayed that way through the final whist-

le. The players arrived in their 2026 charity kits, an all-green design paying tribute to the Capuchin Soup Kitchen.

The match itself was closely contested early.

Neither side was able to retain possession for very long, with the ball moving back and forth across the field. Detroit created some early pressure, while Pittsburgh also found its way toward the Detroit goal on occasion. Both teams had corner opportunities in the opening half, but neither could turn them into a goal.

The conditions made things even more difficult. Players slipped on the wet turf throughout the match, adding another level of challenge to the game.

Detroit goalkeeper Carlos Herrera was repeatedly called into action, snatching several Pittsburgh attempts and helping keep the score even. On the other end, Pittsburgh’s defense continued to hold off Detroit’s efforts as the first half wore on.

There were also several yellow cards issued during the match. Detroit’s Kobe Hernández-Foster was carded in minute 13, followed by Pittsburgh’s Jackson Walti and Victor Souza later in the half.

As of halftime, neither team had yet found the net.

Detroit continued to push forward after the break. One good Detroit opportunity was again

blocked by the Pittsburgh goalkeeper, while other DCFC attempts went wide or were stopped before getting close enough for a good shot.

The breakthrough finally came in the second half. Detroit made some attacker changes as they looked for a way through, bringing on Kian Williams and, later, Alex Dalou and Cheikhou Niang. For Niang, the appearance marked his team debut.

Then came the moment the faithful had been waiting for. In the 73rd minute, Haruki Yamazaki created the opening, setting up Kian Williams, who finished the chance to give Detroit City the lead. It was Williams’ first goal for Le Rouge, as Detroit is affectionately called, while Yamazaki picked up his third assist of the season.

Supporters jumped to their feet, a Detroit City flag waved through the section, and red and gold smoke filled the stadium and sky. After spending hours standing and cheering through the rain and cold, the fans finally had something to celebrate. For the people who hung on through the weather, that goal felt like it made the whole night worth it.

Pittsburgh continued to look for an equalizer, but Detroit’s defense held firm.

Detroit had another attempt late in the match that narrowly missed, while Pittsburgh also had another corner that went wide. A late Detroit free kick came close but mis-

sed the net, and the final minutes were spent protecting the lead.

When the final whistle came, Detroit had held on for a 1-0 victory.

The numbers reflected how tight the match had been: Detroit finished with two shots on goal compared with Pittsburgh’s one, while Detroit also had four shots off target to Pittsburgh’s one.

Detroit completed 367 accurate passes for a 78% success rate, compared with Pittsburgh’s 252 accurate passes for 68%. Pittsburgh won more corners, four to Detroit’s two, but Detroit had two blocked shots to Pittsburgh’s zero and finished with 23 clearances to Pittsburgh’s 10.

It wasn’t an easy night, and it wasn’t a match where either side dominated for long stretches. It was long, grueling and tightly competitive, with both teams having to work for every opportunity. But Detroit City found the one goal that mattered.

And, on a night when the weather made everything harder and the stands weren’t as full as they might normally be, the supporters who showed up made themselves heard.

By the end of the night, they had a win to take home with them – to, hopefully, somewhere warmer.

(Basmah Jabril is in the 11th grade at Michigan Great Lakes Virtual Academy.)

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Review: Opinion Page

In Our Opinion

Sale of Conant properties raises a number of questions

The recent sale of three Conant properties by the city was pretty shady from the get-go. And now a councilmember is suing two of his fellow councilmembers to stop the sale. Councilmember Mohammed Alsomiri is contending that two of the four councilmembers who approved the sale, Abu Musa and Muhtasin Sadman, are related to one of the buyers of the properties. Alsomiri is also saying that the sale price of \$100,000 is far below a market value that he estimates at closer to \$400,000 – money that would go into the city’s budget. One of the Conant properties is the former Kabob House restaurant – which seems worth far more than \$100,000 just by itself, considering today’s real estate market. Neither Musa nor Sadman have replied to The Review with any comments on the accusations leveled by Councilmember Alsomiri. Folks, this is your money that the city council is making decisions about, and it’s the public’s right to have full accountability on this issue. So far, we have not heard a word from city management about this subject, which is distressing to say the least. Is anyone who is in charge going to explain to the public what’s going on here? The whole deal smells rotten, folks, and it’s high time public officials account for themselves and their decisions. Taxpayers deserve an honest inquiry into this sale.



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 July 28, and all councilmembers were in attendance. City Clerk Sami Elhady said that early voting was about to begin for the Aug. 4 primary election. Mayor Adam Alharbi said the city made improvements to the clerk’s office to make it more secure to prevent unauthorized people from entering it. He said the extra security measures now “make sure that none of the mistakes made before happen again.” Alharbi was referring to last November’s city election, in which 37 uncounted ballots were discovered in the clerk’s office after unauthorized people had been in there. During public comment, attorney Mark Koroι said that Michigan became a “battleground” state in the nation’s political landscape. He said a pro-Israel political action committee spent an unprecedented \$40 million on Democratic candidate Haley Stevens to become the state’s U.S. Senator. (Stevens lost the primary election to her Democratic rival, Abdul El-Sayed.) Koroι said this amount of money spent on behalf of a candidate “has never happened before in America.” Bill Meyer, speaking on behalf of the Michigan Peace Council, commended the city council for previously passing a resolution to prevent the city from investing in Israel, as a protest to that country’s war in Gaza and the West Bank. “You should be proud of that,” Meyer said. “You’re way ahead of everybody else. Palestinians are still being massacred in the Israeli genocide in Gaza and now the West Bank by settlers.” “We need to stop this wasteful use of our resources and start spending money for social programs and people’s needs,” Meyer added. In new business, the council OK’d brickwork repairs at city hall at a cost of \$27,460. In another improvement project, the council approved a contract to replace sewer and water lines, as well as to make needed road repairs, on Trowbridge, between Lumpkin and Brombach. The project’s cost is \$1.6 million, and funding will come from both the city’s street repair fund and the water and sewer fund. Mayor Alharbi introduced a resolution to create cultural districts to represent the city’s ethnic communities, such as districts celebrating the Yemeni, Polish, Bangladeshi, Bosnian and Ukrainian neighborhoods. Alharbi said this will spur economic growth, promote tourism, and celebrate Hamtramck’s global culture. He said he’s been working with city hall staff to think of ways to promote Hamtramck. “Hamtramck is called the world in two-square miles, and we want to represent that,” Alharbi said. Councilmember Nayeem Choudhury, who has also been working on the project, said that “Later on, we’ll have more ideas.” Mayor Alharbi added: “I’m just trying to do what’s best for the city.” A lengthy discussion was held to rescind a prior censure of Councilmember Choudhury. At a previous council meeting, Choudhury was censured for an interaction with an independent journalist in a hallway outside of the council chambers. The journalist alleges that Choudhury became aggressive with him. Mayor Alharbi said the council needs to rescind the censure in order to “move forward here in Hamtramck, to make sure that we work on this together.” He continued: “We’re here on this tab-

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Odds & Ends

Police update ... One of the key goals for Hamtramck Police Chief Hussein Farhat is to get the department accredited. Believe it or not, the department is not currently – nor has ever been – accredited. Farhat said getting accreditation will open the doors for future grants and funding. It also helps reduce liabilities for officers. The program is overseen by the Michigan Law Enforcement Accreditation Commission. “Accreditation is a progressive and time-proven way of helping law enforcement agencies evaluate and improve their overall performance and service,” said the department, in a Facebook post. The department went on to say: “Detective Captain Robert George and Detective Lieutenant Anthony Gonzales have been appointed to the positions of Accreditation Managers. “Over the next two years, Det. Cpt. George and Det. Lt. Gonzales will work diligently to lead the Hamtramck Police Department through the accreditation process. “Our Accreditation Managers will be putting in place procedures that meet the professional objectives and standards set forth by the Michigan Law Enforcement Accreditation Commission so our officers can better serve the community.”

Potholes ... We read with some amusement that New York City Mayor Zohran Mamdani joined with city workers to fill the 200,000th pothole in the Big Apple. That’s 200,000 potholes filled so far this year. And, speaking of that number, we can’t help but think what could be done with the \$200,000 that the city council agreed to have taxpayers pay for Mayor Adam Alharbi’s private legal fight to prevent 37 uncounted ballots from being counted from last November’s election. How many Hamtramck potholes could be filled with \$200,000? Guess we’ll never know. Makes you wonder who in city hall is working for the residents.

Crime watch ... Former mayor Karen Majewski, who also owns the vintage clothing shop Tekla here in town, has a warning for fellow shop and building owners on Jos. Campau. She said recently she saw a group of young men wearing hoodies on the roof of a nearby building. The suspicious group also was seen looking into windows of second floor apartments. Here’s what Majewski posted on Facebook, after confronting the suspects on a nearby building: “They told me they were ‘exploring.’ Then they told me they lived there. I didn’t see a ladder so I’m not sure how they got up there, but I could hear them knocking around from my building, which is why I went out to the alley to see what was going on, after hearing about the same thing happening two or three nights ago. “I called the police but I’m not sure where they went – definitely north on the roofs, because they didn’t come down south by my building.” As it turned out, the suspects broke into an apartment and stole a number of items. Majewski said the police department is investigating. Fellow building and business owners should keep an eye out for this kind of activity.

New business ... For fans of the much-missed Campau Tower burger joint on Jos. Campau and Caniff, there’s good news. A new burger place is taking over the space, and it’s a family operation. It’s going to be called Melway – and if that sounds familiar, you are probably thinking of the legendary burger chain Telway. Get it: Melway/Telway? Melanie McElroy is the new owner, and she is a former resident of Hamtramck. Recently, the Detroit News broke the story, and, according to the report, this won’t be just any old burger place. The beef that will be served up is “100% grass-fed beef from her (McElroy’s) family’s eco-regenerative cattle ranch in Hillsdale,” according to Detroit News food writer Melody Baetens. Look for it to open sometime in 2027. We’re excited!

Yemen weighs in on Trump ... Hamtramck is home to a sizable Yemeni immigrant population. The Yemeni community has become a major political force here in Hamtramck politics. Former mayor Amer Ghalib is a Yemeni immigrant, and he now works for the Trump administration. Ghalib was key in whipping up fellow local Arab voter support for Trump in his 2024 run for president. But, not all Yemenis have a high opinion of Trump. Yemeni journalist Husain Albukhaiti, who is based in the Yemeni capital Sana’a, had this to say about Trump on the Meidas Touch podcast: “We look at him here in Sana’a, and maybe in all Yemen, as like someone who’s a fool who doesn’t know what to say. He doesn’t know what not to say. He just, like, what comes to his mouth, he will just say it... “If somebody will break an agreement or a word with someone, we call him ‘Trump.’”

Feeling a draft? ... The military draft is not coming back – yet – but automatic registration begins in December for males who are 18 to 26 years old. Some of us here at The Review remember when the U.S. draft ended in 1973 during that horrific war in Vietnam. Registration ended in 1975 but it was reinstated in 1980. Back then, registration required males to physically register. By the way, in order for a military draft to be reinstated, it takes Congressional approval. Gee, in what part of the world could the U.S. possibly find itself in another no-win confrontation that would require a draft?

Reminder ... As part of a planned community outreach and engagement

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A draft copy of the plan has been available for review since September 25 and will remain available through the date of the hearing. The plan can be viewed at the following locations:

- Hamtramck City Hall, 3401 Evaline Street
- Hamtramck Community Center, 11350 Charest Street
- Hamtramck Public Library, 2360 Caniff
- The draft plan is also available online on the City’s website at www.hamtramckcity.gov, at the Hamtramck Parks Conservancy website at www.hamtramckparks.com, , or can be directly accessed at COMMUNITY LINK (NOTE: CALAMEO LINK HERE).
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ment, the Hamtramck Police Department will host its First Annual Domestic Violence/Breast Cancer Awareness Walk.

The walk will take place on Saturday, Oct.17, from 3 to 4 p.m., beginning at Zussman Park, which is located across from city hall at 9829 Winfield St.

That’s between Yemans and Evaline, east of Gallagher and west of Conant, in the heart of the city.

“This event is an opportunity for our community

to come together to raise awareness about domestic violence, support survivors, promote breast cancer awareness, and share a message of hope, strength, and solidarity,” said Police Chief Hussain Farhat in a press release.

“We sincerely hope that you will be able to join us. Your presence, support, and continued partnership would mean a great deal to the Hamtramck Police Department and to our community.”

Exhibit ...

There is still a little time to catch a look at the fascinating “Ukrainian American Experience” exhibit at the Ukrainian American Archives and Museum, located at 9630 Jos. Campau.

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le, one table here, and we got to make sure that we work together for the best interest of our city, to make sure we move our city forward.”

The mayor said one of the issues that the city is working on is to restore revenue from the Wayne County Jail operating here in the city.

Alharbi stressed that councilmembers should limit “our disagreement. Of course we’re going to disagree, but limit it with respect to ideas and just say, ‘I disagree with this,’ and not take anything personal, and try to work tougher to improve our city.”

(Mayor Alharbi is suing councilmembers for allegedly violating the city charter in the process of firing former city manager Adel Al-Adlani.)

Councilmember Abu Musa said that “everyone made a mistake in their life. If we see an error, let us fix together. We’re not here to make more conf-

lict and chaos.”

Councilmember Hassan said that the matter involving Choudhury was not a council issue, and that it happened outside of a council meeting.

Councilmember Choudhury said he had “no idea why I was being censured when I did not disrespect any officials or any city employees.”

He stressed that “it’s not a good practice to censure or defame.”

In the vote to rescind the censure, Councilmember Hassan abstained, and Councilmember Yousuf Saed voted against rescinding the censure.

Later in the meeting, Councilmember Choudhury apparently criticized Councilmember Hassan, without specifically naming him, saying that he causes “chaos” and political division.

“If you really, really, really care for the city, work from your heart, be integrity,” he said.

sudoku

The rules to play Sudoku are quite simple. Fill in the blanks so that each row, each column, and each of the nine 3x3 grids contain one instance of each of the numbers 1 through 9.

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5	9	8	4	6	3	1	7	2
1	3	2	9	5	7	4	8	6

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