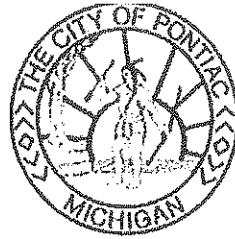


City of Pontiac Resolution



18-243            **Resolution requesting Pontiac City Council endorse and support both Senate Bill 469 and House Bill 5178 and calls upon the Michigan Legislature to pass this important legislation and Governor Snyder to sign it, in order to stimulate appropriate development and redevelopment and protect the historic character and quality of life of our communities; and that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Michigan Historic Preservation Network. Moved by Councilperson Pietila and second by Councilperson Carter.**

Whereas, The historic buildings, neighborhoods, and places in Michigan's villages, towns, and cities distinguish each community and provide character and a sense of place that contributes significantly to the quality of life and economic benefits enjoyed in and by each community; and

Whereas, The City of Pontiac passed its Local Historic District Commission ordinance in 1983 to protect significant local historic resources and continues to value and protect its built heritage; and

Whereas, The preservation and rehabilitation of historic buildings, places, and neighborhoods contributes to the beauty, character, and economic vitality of Michigan communities, and

Whereas, The labor intensive nature of historic rehabilitation creates jobs and investment in local businesses and has been proven to generate more economic activity than equivalent investments in new construction; and

Whereas, Michigan has measured the economic impacts of the former Michigan Historic Tax Credit programs between their enactment in 1999 and their elimination in 2011 and seen significant positive direct impacts on the revitalization of neighborhoods and communities, the preservation and creation of affordable and market-rate housing, the creation of skilled local jobs, and the subsequent private investment in areas surrounding tax-credit-driven revitalization projects, and

Whereas, Each \$1.00 of credit issued leverages \$11.37 in direct economic impact, such that the former Michigan Historic Tax Credit programs during their twelve-year history leveraged \$251 million in Federal historic tax credits that otherwise would not have returned to Michigan, spurred \$1.46 billion in direct rehabilitation activity, and created 36,000 jobs; and

Whereas, The passage of the State Historic Tax Credit would be available for historic single family property owners within the City of Pontiac and would enable property owners to be able to expend additional funds on preservation projects within our community; and

Whereas, The Michigan Legislature is presently considering Senate Bill 469 and House Bill 5178 that would reinstate an up-to-25 percent investment tax credit for owners of historic residential and commercial properties who substantially rehabilitate their properties;

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the Pontiac City Council endorses and supports both Senate Bill 469 and House Bill 5178 and calls upon the Michigan Legislature to pass this important legislation and Governor Snyder to sign it, in order to stimulate appropriate development and redevelopment and protect the historic character and quality of life of our communities; and

Be It Further Resolved, that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Michigan Historic Preservation Network.

Ayes: Taylor-Burks, Williams, Carter and Pietila

No: None

**Resolution Passed.**

Councilperson Miller and Woodward was absent during the vote.

I, Sheila R. Grandison, Acting Clerk of the City of Pontiac, hereby certify that the above Ordinance is a true and accurate copy of the Ordinance passed by the City Council of the City of Pontiac on June 26, 2018.

  
SHEILA R. GRANDISON, Acting City Clerk

Date: June 29, 2018

