



**CITY OF ALLEGAN  
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**Tuesday, July 1, 2014 5:30 PM  
Griswold Auditorium - 401 Hubbard Street  
Allegan MI 49010**

**MINUTES**

**Call to Order** Mayor McDaniel called the special meeting to order at 5:33 PM.

**Roll Call**

Present: Mayor McDaniel; Councilmembers: Gratz, Ingalsbee, Leverence, McKenzie, Tripp, Zeter

Absent: None

Others

Present: City Manager R. Hillard

**Old Business**

The City Council discussed the format for the interviews with the three design firms. They discussed questions which they would like to ask to get an understanding of their knowledge, skills, and ability. The City Council proceeded with three interviews for the following firms: Abonmarche – 5:42P, Prein and Newhof – 6:30P, and M.C. Smith – 7:30P. Each firm was individually interviewed, providing up to ten minute presentations, and the City Council asked questions up to thirty minutes. The City Council asked a variety of questions related to availability, experience on similar projects, approaches to billing and change orders, and other follow-up questions. After the interviews, the City Council discussed the pros and cons of the firms. Councilmember Zeter, supported by Mayor Pro-tem McKenzie, made a motion to appoint Abonmarche as the design engineer for the riverfront project, geographically defined from the Veteran's Park through the Brady Street Lot. Motion passed by acclamation.

**Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:44 PM.

**Respectfully submitted,  
Robert Hillard – City Manager**