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County of Genesee

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Sworn to and subscribed before me this 2 day of November 2021

*Teasha R. Payne*  
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NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF MI  
COUNTY OF MECOSTA  
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ACTING IN COUNTY OF Kent

Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs  
Bureau of Professional Licensing

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

**November 22, 2021**

**9:00 a.m.**

Location: Ottawa Building, UL Conference Room C-4  
611 W. Ottawa Street, Lansing, Michigan

The hearing is held to receive public comments on the following administrative rules:

**Public Health Code – General Rules (MOHR #2021-74 LR)**

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Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs  
Bureau of Professional Licensing—Boards and Committees Section  
P.O. Box 30670  
Lansing, MI 48909-8170  
Attention: Policy Analyst Email: BPL-BoardSupport@michigan.gov

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MICHIGAN MARIJUANA

# Cannabis has become \$2 billion-per-year industry

## Michigan marijuana revenue

Date	Recreational	Medical
Dec-19	\$6,989,306	\$24,900,420
Jan-20	\$9,834,711	\$25,241,895
Feb-20	\$14,808,454	\$25,726,151
Mar-20	\$21,900,000	\$30,400,000
April-20	\$27,844,288	\$33,817,309
May-20	\$29,311,535	\$45,153,118
June-20	\$44,725,632	\$45,662,181
July-20	\$57,441,902	\$52,131,537
Aug-20	\$59,186,188	\$49,624,198
Sep-20	\$59,714,605	\$46,123,827
Oct-20	\$59,656,146	\$43,324,898
Nov-20	\$54,671,630	\$37,264,739
Dec-20	\$61,559,735	\$39,587,807
Jan-21	\$67,406,609	\$41,070,504
Feb-21	\$67,071,835	\$38,089,121
March-21	\$97,590,758	\$48,204,681
April-21	\$105,204,031	\$48,410,747
May-21	\$104,399,456	\$44,477,477
June-21	\$107,360,009	\$41,653,107
July 2021	\$128,325,983	\$42,744,659



Marijuana plants grow inside of The Woods cultivation and processing center in Kalamazoo in January. The facility opened their facility in 2020. *MLive.com files*

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began, all customers were required to possess a medical patient or caregiver card. With the elimination of that requirement because of recreational sales to anyone 21 or older, medical patient and caregiver registrants have declined. There were about 17,000 fewer patients and 6,000 fewer caregivers in July as there were in December 2019. Those are decreases of about 6.4% and 17%, respectively.

Meanwhile, the market has become increasingly competitive — and saturated — with new retailers.

As of September, 360 businesses had been licensed to sell recreational marijuana in the state. That's more than double the 162 licensed businesses that

existed in September 2020.

The amount of marijuana flower has also boomed. In March 2020, there was a total of 3,690 pounds of marijuana sold — 1,316 recreational and 2,374 medical. In July, the total number of marijuana flower sold equaled 24,389 pounds — 18,235 pounds, or 75%, of which was recreational sales.

The competition, growth and reduction in medical customers has affected flower prices to the benefit of consumers. In January 2020, recreational customers were paying \$516.21 per ounce on average and medical customers \$267.30

As of July, recreational marijuana cost an average \$217.94 per ounce, and medical \$213.39 per ounce. Since January 2020, recreational flower prices dropped nearly 58% and medical prices 20%.

## Michigan marijuana price per ounce

Date	Medical	Recreational
Dec-19	\$267.30	\$516.21
Jan-20	\$276.35	\$512.06
Feb-20	\$285.50	\$494.77
March-20	\$281.46	\$470.96
April-20	\$259.14	\$413.26
May-20	\$251.45	\$409.71
June-20	\$262.63	\$400.58
July-20	\$267.42	\$402.73
Aug-20	\$270.56	\$400.07
Sep-20	\$263.88	\$393.84
Oct-20	\$287.95	\$399.77
Nov-20	\$272.06	\$376.35
Dec-20	\$264.91	\$350.88
Jan-21	\$252.04	\$323.68
Feb-21	\$229.22	\$267.20
March-21	\$218.43	\$254.91
April-21	\$203.91	\$245.99
May-21	\$197.68	\$221.21
June-21	\$209.87	\$209.82
July-21	\$213.39	\$217.94

ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES

# Plastics raise climate change concern

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littered and getting into Earth's surface waters and ultimately into the ocean," Enck said.

The report shows emissions from plastics manufacturing already are on an upswing. Industry officials reported a 10 million-ton increase in greenhouse gas emissions last year, and construction is underway on a dozen new plastics factories with at least that many more planned.

Sean Hammond, policy director for nonprofit Michigan

Environmental Council, said environmental advocates have tried to raise awareness that plastics are the future of the fossil fuel industry — complete with greenhouse gas emissions.

"We're not getting rid of plastic. It's a ubiquitous piece of our culture. And it's something that we will never likely move completely away from," he said.

Jason Geer, president and chief executive officer of the Michigan Oil and Gas Association, recently confirmed plastics will be the core of future natural gas markets. He said the industry predicts an increase in the use of that fossil fuel through 2050.

"It just may be used differently," he said. "You can't make plastics without natural gas."

That's why environmentalists are focused on industrial-level users over individual consumers.

Hammond argued three ways to minimize the expanding plastics trend include recycling better, producing less plastic, and what are called "extended producer responsibility requirements," such as per-piece manufacturer fees and improved take-back obligations.

He said individual consumers can always reduce how much plastic they bring into their lives, adopt reusable products and reduce their carbon footprint. But he said it's more important to hold accountable the big players — manufacturers.

"There's a lot of coverage lately on what's called nurdles, which are the little pellets that go into making the

bigger plastic pieces," Hammond said. "Those have been found on all the Great Lakes beaches that they've tested in the last few years, and those never see consumers; those are only business-to-business industrial processing pieces, so there's no consumer in that booth at all."

"But we're still seeing this pollution widespread throughout the Great Lakes region and, likely, if you were to test more, you'd find it in a lot of waterways."

Beyond Plastics project researcher Jim Vallette said the growing plastics manufacturing industry has environmental injustice implications beyond greenhouse gas emissions and widespread plastics pollution.

"Many people look at petrochemical plants in isolation from each other, but there are many interdependencies between them," he said. "Understanding these relationships is essential to assessing the public health and other tools this industry imposes upon communities of color and low-income communities."

"In addition to the climate pollution, these facilities release massive amounts of toxic pollutants, including plastic powders, pellets into the air and water. This pollution causes extreme cumulative impacts in some of this country's most vulnerable communities."

About 90% of the nation's plastics production happens in just 18 communities — primarily along the Gulf Coast — where the new report shows residents earn 28% less than the average U.S. household and are 67% more likely to be people of color.

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EDUCATION

# Genesee Intermediate School District hosting job fair

Dylan Goetz [dgoetz@mlive.com](mailto:dgoetz@mlive.com)

The Genesee Intermediate School District is hosting a job fair this week for various open positions.

The job fair will be held 9 a.m. to noon and 3 to 7 p.m. Thursday at the Genesee Career Institute Conference Center, 5081 Torrey Road, in Mundy Township.

Full-time and part-time positions are available in multiple departments, according to a news release from the organization.

There are immediate openings in infant, toddler and preschool programming, career and technical education and special education programs.

Additional open positions include early childhood teachers, bus drivers, support staff, custodians, project

coordinators, transportation aids and para-educators.

GISD is offering sign-on bonuses, competitive wages and benefits. Job fair attendees should bring copies of their resume and should be prepared to be interviewed on-site.

Those who are interested in attending can pre-register by texting "Job Fair" to 833-541-0424.

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**Georgetown Township**

Tentative Georgetown Charter Township regular Board meeting minutes for October 25, 2021, 7:00 p.m. are available at the Township Office, 1515 Baldwin St., Jenison, MI 49428 and on the Township website at [www.georgetown-mi.gov](http://www.georgetown-mi.gov).

**Georgetown Township**

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
GEORGETOWN TOWNSHIP  
1515 Baldwin Street, Jenison, Michigan**

The Georgetown Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, December 1, 2021, at 7:00 p.m., or after, at the Georgetown Township Office. The hearing is called to consider a proposal to amend the Georgetown Township Master Plan. The current and proposed Master Plan and Future Land Use Map, and Zoning map and Zoning Ordinance can be examined at the Township Office during regular office hours and until close of said hearing. Written comments will be received at the Township Office during regular office hours prior to the date of hearing.

Signed: Ryan Kidd, Clerk  
Georgetown Charter Township

**CITY OF WYOMING  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

The Wyoming Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on November 16, 2021 at 7:01 P.M. in the City Council Chambers at City Hall, 1155-28th Street, S.W. for the purpose of hearing affirmations and/or objections in consideration of the request for a rezoning from B-2 General Business to I-1 Light Industrial at 2777 28th Street SW (Section 09) (Borgman Ford). Copies of the proposed request are available on the City's planning calendar found at <https://www.wyomingmi.gov/AboutWyoming/Events>.

Persons who wish to make written comments may submit them in writing before the public hearing or submit them in-person during the public hearing. Written comments may be sent to the Wyoming Planning Commission at [plan\\_info@wyomingmi.gov](mailto:plan_info@wyomingmi.gov) or by USPS mail or other delivery addressed to the Wyoming Planning Commission, 1155 28th St SW, Wyoming, MI 49509-0905, by 3:00pm the day of the meeting.

Those wishing to attend and provide comments during the public hearing should follow instructions for participating in the meeting, which can be found on the meeting's agenda at <https://www.wyomingmi.gov>. During the public hearing, persons waiting to speak will be cued to do so during the public hearing.

Questions regarding this public meeting should be directed to Nicole Hofert, Director of Planning and Economic Development, at [plan\\_info@wyomingmi.gov](mailto:plan_info@wyomingmi.gov). Those seeking special accommodations due to hearing or other disability or for language assistance, should contact [plan\\_info@wyomingmi.gov](mailto:plan_info@wyomingmi.gov) or (616) 530-7259, at least 48 hours before the meeting.

**CITY OF WYOMING  
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**Hudsonville**

**Notice  
City of Hudsonville  
Planning Commission**

Take notice that the Hudsonville Planning Commission whose chambers are in the Hudsonville City Hall, 3275 Central Blvd., Hudsonville, Michigan and whose telephone number is 616.669.0200, will meet:

**Wednesday November 17th, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.  
Special Use Permit**

To consider the following:

Bill White of White Flame Brewing Company has submitted a Special Use Permit for 5234 36th Avenue in accordance with Article 3 Section 3.04 Table 3.2 of the City of Hudsonville Downtown Zoning Ordinance for an outdoor restaurant seating area not abutting the front to add a 300 s.f. deck along the southwest corner of the building.

Please note that you may provide public comments during the public comments section of the meeting. You may also provide public comments or contact Planning Commissioners in advance of the meeting to provide input or ask questions on any business that will come before the Commission at the meeting by emailing them to Sarah Steffens at [ssteffens@hudsonville.org](mailto:ssteffens@hudsonville.org), prior to the meeting and they will be forwarded to the Commission, or by mailing them via regular U.S. Postal service to c/o Sarah Steffens, Hudsonville City Hall, 3275 Central Blvd., Hudsonville, MI 49426., or by calling (616) 669-0200.

The City will provide necessary and reasonable auxiliary aides for persons with disabilities. For these services, please contact the City Clerk by 5:00 p.m. the day of hearing. With advance notice to the City Clerk of seven calendar days, the City of Hudsonville will provide interpreter services at public meetings, including language translation and signage for the hearing impaired. Con previo aviso a la Secretaria Municipal de siete dias naturales, la ciudad de Hudsonville proporcionará servicios de interpretación en las reuniones públicas, incluyendo traducción de idiomas y la señalización para personas con discapacidad auditiva.

City of Hudsonville  
Planning Commission  
Dated: November 2nd, 2021

**The City  
of Grandville**

**CITY OF GRANDVILLE  
CITY COUNCIL  
SUMMARY OF OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS  
OCTOBER 25, 2021**

**PRESIDING:** Mayor Pro Tem J.R. VanderWall  
**PRESENT:** Council Members Joshua Meringa, Justin Noordhoek, Andy Steenstra, Tim Steenstra, Paul Troost, and J.R. VanderWall  
**ABSENT:** Mayor Steve Maas  
**INVOCATION:** Council Member Tim Steenstra  
Motion to excuse the absence of Mayor Steve Maas – approved  
October 25, 2021 agenda as amended – approved  
Minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 11, 2021 – approved as presented  
FY 2021-2022 bills totaling \$780,159.93 – payment authorized

**PUBLIC COMMENT**  
None.

**CONSENT AGENDA**  
1. Reports: EMS/Fire (September), DPW (September), Investment (September)  
2. 2. Minutes: Park and Recreation Board (08/25), Historical Commission (09/20) Library Board (09/23), Tree Board (10/11) Downtown Development Authority (10/14), July 4 Celebration Committee (10/20)  
3. Appointment: Planning Commission – Term Expiring 07/01/2024 – Jeff Hammond  
4. Miscellaneous Purchase Orders and Requests:  
a. Motor Pool: Mower – George Hofacker - \$14,543.85 (with disposal of an existing mower via trade-in value applied towards purchase)  
Motion to approve the Consent Agenda items as presented in the best interest of the City – approved

**CITY MANAGERS REPORT RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION**  
Motion to recess at 7:11 P.M. to closed session for purposes of discussing the Grandville Police Department Supervisor Unit Collective Bargaining Agreement – approved

**RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION**  
Council returned to Regular Session at 7:34 P.M. Motion to ratify the July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2024 Grandville Police Department Supervisor Unit Collective Bargaining Agreement – approved

**RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION**  
Motion to adjourn at 7:36 P.M. – approved. The meeting adjourned 7:36 P.M.  
Marcy Paley-Kwiakowski, Grandville City Clerk. Copies of the full text of the proceedings are available for review and distribution at the office of the City Clerk, 3195 Wilson Avenue, Grandville, MI 49418.

**Blendon Township  
Ottawa County, Michigan  
Notice and Summary of Ordinance Adoption**

Please take notice that during its regular meeting held on October 18, 2021, the Blendon Township Board of Trustees adopted Ordinance 2021-10.01. This Ordinance amended the township zoning ordinance; to amend section 06.02 to add mini-warehouses and self-storage facilities as a permitted use in the I-1 district, and to amend section 18.13 to add a definition for mini-warehouse and self-storage facilities.

Pursuant to Act 110 of 2006, Ordinance 2021-10.01 will take effect seven days following publication, except as may be extended under the provisions of such act.

A copy of Ordinance 2021-10.01 is available for public review during regular business hours at the Blendon Township Hall, 7161 72nd Avenue in the township.

Robin Overway  
Blendon Township Clerk

**Byron Township  
Kent County, Michigan  
Synopsis**

A regular meeting of the Byron Township Board was held on Monday, October 25, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. at the Byron Township Offices.

Members Present: Donald Tillema, Peggy Sattler, Robin Haaksma, Tom Hooker, Jay DeKleine, Marty Tilma, Scott Tubergen  
Members Absent:  
Public Comment was received.

The following actions were taken:

- Approval of the Consent Agenda.
- Approval of the Sidewalk Committee Meeting minutes from Sept. 24, 2021.
- Approval of the Crown Castle DISH Sublease Agreement.
- Approval of Snowplow Bids to Pro Mow Lawn Care.
- The meeting was adjourned.

Peggy Sattler, Byron Township Clerk  
The next regular meeting of the Board is **Monday, November 8, 2021, at 5:30 p.m.** at 8085 Byron Center Ave. SW. A full copy of these minutes can be viewed at the Byron Township Clerk's Office or on the Township website at [www.byrontownship.org](http://www.byrontownship.org).

**CITY OF GRAND RAPIDS**

**PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE**

Public hearings on the following appeals will be held by the Grand Rapids Board of Zoning Appeals in the Public Hearing Room, 2nd Floor, 1120 Monroe Avenue NW on Thursday, November 18, 2021, at the time shown, or soon thereafter:

**1:00 pm – 348 Auburn Ave SE – Dimensional – P-BZA-2021-0021**  
Christian Huyge is requesting approval to reconstruct and enlarge the back 24.8 ft. of the 2nd story of a single-family residence setback 3.6 ft. from the north (side) lot line. In the TN-LDR zone district the minimum side setback is 5 ft.

**1:20 pm – 430 Crescent St NE – Dimensional – P-BZA-2021-0020**  
John Lux and Nathan Lux are requesting approval to convert a single-family residence into a two-family residence on a lot with 4,800 sq. ft. of area, and 2 parking spaces. In the TN-LDR zone district the conversion of a single-family residence into a two-family residence is allowed provided that the lot area is a minimum of 5,000 sq. ft. and a minimum of 3 parking spaces are provided on site without stacking vehicles.

**1:40 pm – 1422 Walker Ave NW – Dimensional – P-BZA-2021-0022**  
William Arney is requesting approval to construct multiple wooden retaining walls on steep slopes of 20% or greater. In the Zoning Ordinance grading or removal of vegetative cover is not permitted on land with existing steep slopes, and wood is not a permitted material for retaining walls.

Interested parties are invited to examine the proposed appeals. Plans and applications may be viewed online at [www.grcity.us/planning](http://www.grcity.us/planning) Written comments will be accepted by email until 9:00 AM on the day of the hearing

Lynn Rabaut  
Chairperson  
Grand Rapids Board of Zoning Appeals

Note: If you are the manager or owner of a multi-tenant residential, commercial or industrial building receiving this notice, please post the notice near the primary building entrance.

**City of WALKER**

**Notice of Public Hearing  
City of Walker Planning Commission**

The City of Walker Planning Commission will hold a public hearing beginning at **6:30 PM on 11/17/2021**, in the Commission Chambers at Walker City Hall, located at 4243 Remembrance Road NW, Walker, Michigan 49534.

ADDRESS:	3483 LAKE MICHIGAN DR NW
PARCEL NUMBER:	41-13-20-401-004
APPLICANT:	SC WATERFORD VILLAGE LLC
REQUEST:	FINAL AREA SITE PLAN REVIEW FOR MULTIFAMILY DEVELOPMENT AND CLUBHOUSE (SAVANNAH AT WALKER)
ZONING DISTRICT:	RUD-2

Anyone may review the project file at the City of Walker Community Development Department, 4243 Remembrance Rd., N.W., Walker, Michigan 49534 during normal business hours, which are 7:30 AM - 5:00 PM Monday through Thursday and 7:30 AM - 11:30 AM on Friday OR by visiting the following URL:

**<https://ciwalker.micivicweb.net/filepro/documents/74494>**  
Anyone may submit written comments concerning the project until the date and time of the meeting.

With advanced notice to the city clerk of seven calendar days, the City of Walker will provide interpreter services at public meetings, including language translation and signage for the hearing impaired. Con previo aviso a la Secretaria Municipal de siete dias naturales, la ciudad de Walker proporcionará servicios de interpretación en las reuniones públicas, incluyendo traducción de idiomas y la señalización para personas con discapacidad auditiva.

Tricia Anderson, Planning Director/Zoning Administrator -  
616-791-6879 – [tanderson@walker.city](mailto:tanderson@walker.city)

**Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs  
Bureau of Professional Licensing**

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

**November 22, 2021**

**9:00 a.m.**

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**GRAND HAVEN TOWNSHIP**

**Driver dies after crash, car fire**

A driver is dead after crashing into a tree in Grand Haven Township early Sunday morning, according to a news release from the Ottawa County Sheriff's Office.

At about 5:15 a.m. Sunday, Grand Haven Township firefighters responded to a report of a power line on fire near the intersection of 114th Avenue and Rich Street. When they arrived, personnel found a single-vehicle crash was the cause of the fire.

Police believe the vehicle was traveling west on Rich Street when the driver failed to stop for the 144th Avenue intersection, causing the car to leave the roadway and strike a tree "at a high rate of speed," according to the release. The car caught fire and "burned completely" after coming to a rest in the woods.

The driver died from fatal injuries related to the crash. They have not yet been identified, according to the release. The crash is still under investigation, though no other vehicles were involved and no one else was injured. *Riley Murdock, MLive.com*

**IONIA COUNTY**

**Vehicle crashes into school after driver falls asleep**

A motorist fell asleep early Friday before crashing into Boyce Elementary School, sheriff's deputies said.

No one was injured.

Ionia Public Schools' maintenance team and an engineering company determined there was no structural damage to weight-bearing parts of the building. The school is on North State Road, just outside of the city of Ionia.

The crash did not affect classes this morning.

It happened around 2:10 a.m. Sheriff's deputies determined that the driver, a 27-year-old Ionia resident, fell asleep behind the wheel and crashed a vehicle into the school. Drugs and alcohol were not considered factors, police said.

Ronald Township firefighters assisted at the scene. *John Agar, MLive.com*

**GRAND HAVEN**

**Part of Jackson Street closed this week**

A well-traveled section of Jackson Street in Grand Haven will be closed this week for storm sewer work.

Jackson Street between 3rd Street and Columbus Avenue was scheduled to be closed to motorists between 8 a.m. Monday and 5 p.m. Friday, according to a news release from the City of Grand Haven.

The closure is required for a storm sewer connection, according to the news release. *Lynn Moore, MLive.com*

**PLAINFIELD CHARTER TOWNSHIP**

A complete copy of the latest Plainfield Charter Township meeting minutes for the regular board meeting are available at [www.plainfieldmi.org](http://www.plainfieldmi.org) or at the Township Clerk's office located at 6161 Belmont Avenue - Belmont, MI 49306 or by contacting the Clerk at 616-364-8466.

**CITY OF WYOMING  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

City of Wyoming, Wyoming Housing Commission (WHC). The WHC has set a public hearing for review of its 2022 annual rolling plan for December 21, 2021 at 1:01 PM at the WHC office, Community Room, located at 2450 36th St SW, Wyoming MI. The plan will be available for review from November 2, 2021 – December 16, 2021 at the office, also at the City of Wyoming website <https://www.wyomingmi.gov/AboutWyoming/City-Departments/Housing-Commission>.

**SUMMARY  
Kent County Board of  
Commissioners Proceedings**

**NOTICE OF MEETING HELD**

A regular meeting of the Kent County Board of Commissioners was held on Thursday, October 28, 2021.

Minutes can be reviewed online at [www.accesskent.com](http://www.accesskent.com).

**Lisa Posthumus Lyons  
Kent County Clerk**

**NEXT MEETING: NOVEMBER 4, 2021**, at 6:00 pm, Room 310, County Administration Building (see website for details). Public is invited.

**NOTICE OF ORDINANCE ADOPTION  
PAWNBROKERS SECONDHAND DEALERS AND JUNK DEALERS  
AND PRECIOUS METALS AND GEM DEALERS**

At a regular meeting on October 25, 2021, the Township Board for Plainfield Charter Township adopted an ordinance to amend Chapter 10 of the Plainfield Charter Township Code of Ordinances by enacting Article VII entitled "Pawnbrokers, Secondhand Dealers and Junk Dealers, and Precious Metals and Gem Dealers."

A full copy of the ordinance can be viewed on the Plainfield Charter Township website at [www.plainfieldmi.org](http://www.plainfieldmi.org) or can also be reviewed, inspected or purchased at the Plainfield Charter Township offices at 6161 Belmont Avenue NE, Belmont, MI 49306 during normal business hours (Monday through Thursday 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; Friday, from 7:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.). A copy of the ordinance has also been posted at the Township Clerk's office at the Township offices.

The ordinance defines the manner and means of regulating pawnbrokers, secondhand dealers and junk dealers, and precious metals and gem dealers in the Township.

**CITY OF WYOMING  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

The Wyoming Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on November 16, 2021 at 7:02 P.M. in the City Council Chambers at City Hall, 1155-28th Street, S.W. for the purpose of hearing affirmations and/or objections in consideration of the request for Preliminary Plat – tentative Approval for Rivertown Valley (aka, The Reserve at Rivertown) Phases 7-9. The properties are generally located near the southeast corner of Wilson Avenue SW and 56th Street SW on parcels 41-17-32-300-063, 41-17-32-456-008, and 41-17-32-456-009 (Section 32) (TMGB Wilson, LLC). Copies of the proposed request are available on the City's planning calendar found at <https://www.wyomingmi.gov/AboutWyoming/Events>.

Persons who wish to make written comments may submit them in writing before the public hearing or submit them in-person during the public hearing. Written comments may be sent to the Wyoming Planning Commission at [plan\\_info@wyomingmi.gov](mailto:plan_info@wyomingmi.gov) or by USPS mail or other delivery addressed to the Wyoming Planning Commission, 1155 28th St SW, Wyoming, MI 49509-0905, by 3:00pm the day of the meeting.

Those wishing to attend and provide comments during the public hearing should follow instructions for participating in the meeting, which can be found on the meeting's agenda at <https://www.wyomingmi.gov>. During the public hearing, persons waiting to speak will be cued to do so during the public hearing.

Questions regarding this public meeting should be directed to Nicole Hofert, Director of Planning and Economic Development, at [plan\\_info@wyomingmi.gov](mailto:plan_info@wyomingmi.gov). Those seeking special accommodations due to hearing or other disability or for language assistance, should contact [plan\\_info@wyomingmi.gov](mailto:plan_info@wyomingmi.gov) or (616) 530-7259, at least 48 hours before the meeting.



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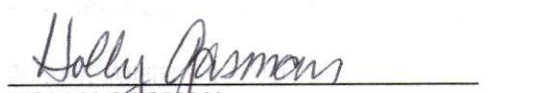
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Students wear mouth-to-nose coverings while sitting close to each other during the lecture 'BWL 1' in lecture hall H1 of the Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität in Münster, Germany, on Oct. 21. Germany's disease control agency has reported the highest number of new infections with the coronavirus since the outbreak of the pandemic. (AP photo)

## WHO Europe chief voices 'grave concern' about COVID rebound

GENEVA (AP) — A 53-country region in Europe and Central Asia faces the "real threat" of a resurgence of the coronavirus pandemic in the coming weeks or already is experiencing a new wave of infections, the head of the World Health Organization's regional office said Thursday.

Dr. Hans Kluge said case counts are beginning to near record levels again and the pace of transmission in the region, which stretches as far east as the former Soviet republics in Central Asia, is of "grave concern."

"We are at another critical point of pandemic resurgence," Kluge told reporters from the WHO Europe headquarters in Copenhagen, Denmark. "Europe is back at the epicenter of the pandemic, where we were one year ago."

He said the difference now is that health authorities know more about the virus and have better tools to combat it. Relaxed prevention measures and low vaccination rates in some areas explain the latest surge, he said.

Kluge said hospitalization rates due to COVID-19 in the 53-country region more than doubled over the last week. If that trajectory continues, the region could see another 500,000 pandemic deaths by February, he said.

WHO Europe says the region tallied nearly 1.8 million new weekly cases, an increase of about 6% from the previous week, and 24,000 COVID-19 weekly deaths — a 12% gain.

Kluge said the countries in the region were at "varying stages of vaccination rollout" and that region-wide an average of 47% of people were fully vaccinated.

Only eight countries had 70% of their populations fully vaccinated.

"We must change our tactics, from reacting to surges of COVID-19, to preventing them from happening in the first place," Kluge said.

WHO's headquarters in Geneva on Wednesday reported that cases had risen in Europe for the fifth consecutive week, making it the only world region where COVID-19 is still increasing. The infection rate was by far the highest in Europe, which reported some 192 new cases per 100,000 people.

Sweden's chief epidemiologist, Anders Tegnell, said Thursday that "we are clearly in another wave," and added that "the increased spread is entirely concentrated in Europe."

Several countries in Central and Eastern Europe have seen daily case numbers shoot up in recent weeks.

At an online briefing Thursday by the Amsterdam-based European Medicines Agency, experts urged people to get vaccinated.

"The epidemiological situation in Europe is very concerning now as we head into the winter with increases in infection rates, hospitalization and we can also see the increase in fatalities," said Fergus Sweeney, the EMA's head of clinical studies and manufacturing task force.

He stressed that "it's very important that everybody gets vaccinated or completes their dose of vaccination if they've already had a first dose but not a second dose. It's really important that we're all vaccinated because we are not all protected until everyone is protected in that respect."

## Unemployment claims drop to 269,000, another pandemic low

By PAUL WISEMAN  
AP Economics Writer

WASHINGTON — The number of Americans applying for unemployment benefits fell to a fresh pandemic low last week, another sign the job market is healing after last year's coronavirus recession.

Jobless claims dropped by 14,000 to 269,000 last week. Since topping 900,000 in early January, the weekly applications have fallen more or less steadily ever since and are gradually moving toward pre-pandemic levels of around 220,000 a week.

Overall, 2.1 million Americans were collecting unemployment checks the week of Oct. 23 — down from 7.1 million a year earlier when the economy was still reeling from the coronavirus outbreak.

The four-week average of claims, which smooths out weekly ups and downs, dropped below 285,000, also a pandemic low.

The job market has been rebounding since the pandemic struck the U.S. economy in the spring of 2020. In March and April of that year, employers slashed more than 22 million jobs as governments ordered lockdowns and consumers and workers stayed home as a health precaution.

The economy has recovered 17 million of the jobs lost to the pandemic and later today, the U.S. will release its closely watched monthly report on jobless claims. Economists believe employers added 400,000 jobs in October, more than twice the jobs added in September. But the United States is still 5 million jobs short of where it stood in February 2020.

"Claims are headed in the right direction, showing the labor market recovery continues, albeit slowly," wrote economists with Contingent Macro Research on Thursday. "Moreover, some state-level volatility appears to be easing, and seasonal adjustments were minor and should remain so for the next few weeks."

Government relief checks and the rollout of vaccines have given consumers the confidence and financial wherewithal to resume spending — so much so that companies have scrambled to keep up with surging demand. They complain they can't find workers to fill their job openings — a near record 10.4 million in August — and are being forced to raise wages, offer signing bonuses and improve benefits and working conditions.



In this Sept. 14 photo, a syringe is prepared with the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine at a clinic at the Reading Area Community College in Reading, Pa. Millions of U.S. workers now have a Jan. 4 deadline to get a COVID vaccine. The federal government on Thursday announced new vaccine requirements for workers at companies with more than 100 employees as well as workers at health care facilities that treat Medicare and Medicaid patients. (AP photo)

## US mandates vaccines or tests for big companies by Jan. 4

By DAVID KOENIG  
Associated Press

Tens of millions of Americans who work at companies with 100 or more employees will need to be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 by Jan. 4 or get tested for the virus weekly under government rules issued Thursday.

The new requirements, which were first previewed by President Joe Biden in September, will apply to about 84 million workers at medium and large businesses, although it is not clear how many of those employees are unvaccinated.

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration regulations will force the companies to require that unvaccinated workers test negative for COVID-19 at least once a week and wear a mask while in the workplace.

OSHA left open the possibility of expanding the requirement to smaller businesses. It asked for public comment on whether employers with fewer than 100 employees could handle vaccination or testing programs.

Tougher rules will apply to another 17 million people who work in nursing homes, hospitals and other facilities that receive money from Medicare and Medicaid. Those workers will not have an option for testing they will need to be vaccinated.

Workers will be able to ask for exemptions on medical or religious grounds.

OSHA said companies that fail to comply with the regulations could face penalties of nearly \$14,000 per violation.

It was unclear how OSHA planned to enforce the rules: Even counting allied regulators at the state level, the agency has only 1,850 inspectors to oversee 130 million workers at 8 million workplaces. A senior administration official said OSHA will target companies if it gets complaints.

The release of the rules fol-

lowed weeks of regulatory review and meetings with business groups, labor unions and others. The regulations form the cornerstone of Biden's most aggressive effort yet to combat the spread of COVID-19, which has killed more than 740,000 people in the U.S.

OSHA drafted the rules under emergency authority meant to protect workers from an imminent health hazard. The agency estimated that the vaccine mandate will save more than 6,500 worker lives and prevent more than 250,000 hospitalizations over the next six months.

Senior administration officials said the rules preempt conflicting state laws or orders, including those that ban employers from requiring vaccinations, testing or the wearing of face masks.

The administration will face an immediate challenge from Republican state officials who are eager to fight Biden in court and in Congress. Senate Republicans immediately launched a petition to force a vote to overturn the vaccine mandate, but with Democrats controlling the chamber, the effort is nearly certain to fail.

More than two dozen Republicans serving as state attorneys general have indicated they plan to sue, arguing that only Congress can enact such sweeping requirements under emergency authority.

Last week, 19 states sued to stop Biden's narrower mandate that employees of federal contractors be vaccinated. That requirement was scheduled to take effect Dec. 8, but the administration said Thursday it will be delayed until Jan. 4 to match the requirements on other large employers and health care providers.

The rules will require workers to receive either two doses of the Pfizer or Moderna vaccines or one dose of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine by Jan. 4 or be tested weekly. Employees who test positive

must be removed from the workplace.

The requirements will not apply to people who work at home or outdoors.

Companies won't be required to provide or pay for the tests, but they must give paid time off for employees to get vaccines and sick leave to recover from side effects that prevent them from working. The requirements for masks and paid time off for shots will take effect Dec. 5.

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services issued a separate rule requiring vaccination for workers in 76,000 health facilities and home health care providers that get funding from the government health programs. A senior administration official said that several large private health care organizations imposed their own mandates and achieved high vaccination rates — 96% or higher — without widespread resignations.

The White House sees the new requirements as a potent tool to winnow down the ranks of the tens of millions of Americans who have thus far refused to get a shot.

For weeks, Biden has encouraged businesses not to wait for the OSHA rule to take effect. He has touted businesses that have already announced their own vaccine mandates and urged other companies to follow their lead.

Administration officials say those efforts are paying off, with about 70% of the nation's adults now fully vaccinated.

Walmart, the nation's largest private employer, said in late July it was requiring all workers at its headquarters in Bentonville, Arkansas, as well as its managers who travel within the U.S., to be vaccinated against COVID-19 by Oct. 4. But the company had stopped short of requiring shots for its frontline workers.

## Michigan drivers will get insurance refunds; details coming

By DAVID EGGERT  
Associated Press

LANSING — All insured Michigan drivers will be getting refunds due to a \$5 billion surplus in a fund that reimburses insurers medical and other costs for people seriously injured in crashes.

The Michigan Catastrophic Fund Association's board said Wednesday that it voted unanimously to support issuing checks. The move came two days after Gov. Gretchen Whitmer called for refunds, citing excessive premiums along with savings under a 2019 law that curbed medical expenses and made mandatory unlimited health coverage optional.

"Details on the specific refund amount per vehicle, along with a proposed timeline and logistics, will be announced in the next several weeks," the board, comprised almost entirely of insurance companies, said in a statement. "The goal is to issue the largest possible refunds to consumers while maintaining sufficient funds to ensure high-quality care to those who have been

catastrophically injured."

Under the 2019 law, the state insurance director must hire an independent actuary starting next July and every third year after to audit the MCCA, a state-created non-profit that reimburses car insurers for personal injury protection medical claims surpassing \$600,000. If the review — due by September — shows the MCCA's assets exceed 120% of its liabilities, the difference must be refunded.

Under the Democratic governor's proposal, the entire \$5 billion surplus would be returned — \$675 per car. MCCA Executive Director Kevin Clinton said this week that having no surplus would be too risky, saying the law could require an estimated \$100 per-vehicle refund.

Whitmer called the pending refunds "great news."

Many motorists currently are paying \$86 a vehicle annually to the MCCA. The fee was \$220 in 2019-20 but has been dropping due to the law.

"It's important for the MCCA board to do its due diligence and land on a re-

fund amount that balances giving insured drivers back the money they deserve while protecting the longevity of a fund that pays for the cost of medical care for Michiganders seriously injured in car accidents," said Insurance Alliance of Michigan Executive Director Erin McDonough.

Critics of the law said people absolutely are owed a refund because insurance companies have been "gouging" them for years. But they also renewed a push for stalled legislation to help catastrophically injured motorists who they said are losing care because of slashed reimbursements to rehabilitation facilities and other providers.

Michigan Brain Injury Provider Council President Tom Judd urged Whitmer to show "bold leadership." Republican legislative leaders have not embraced the policy bills. In July, the governor and Legislature did approve \$25 million in aid for providers that can show financial losses, though some lawmakers have said it is inadequate.

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The rules will take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State, unless specified otherwise in the rules. Comments on the proposed rules may be presented in person at the public hearing. Written comments will also be accepted from date of publication until 5:00 p.m. on November 22, 2021, at the following address or e-mail address:

Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs  
Bureau of Professional Licensing— Boards and Committees Section  
P.O. Box 30670  
Lansing, MI 48909-8170  
Attention: Policy Analyst Email: BPL-BoardSupport@michigan.gov

A copy of the proposed rules may be obtained by contacting Board Support at (517) 241-7500 or the email address noted above. Electronic copies also may be obtained at the following link:

**Public Health Code – General Rules**  
<https://ars.apps.lara.state.mi.us/TransAction/RFRTTransaction?TransactionID=1332>

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