1. Resolution No. 2012-187, approving "Ypsilanti River Day" to be held on October 7, between 10am-3pm at Frog Island.

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI:

WHEREAS, the Recreation Commission is directed to make recommendations regarding recreational opportunities to residents of the City of Ypsilanti; and

WHEREAS, the City’s Code of Ordinances states that the Recreation Commission serves as an advisory board to City Council. As such, any event recommendations made by the Recreation Commission require City sponsorship, and so require approval by City Council; and

WHEREAS, the Recreation Commission recommends sponsorship of the event, "Ypsilanti River Day". The event is to be held October 7, between 10am-3pm at Frog Island. The Recreation Commission has formed a partnership with the City of Ann Arbor Canoe Livery to provide canoeing and kayaking opportunities to residents of the City of Ypsilanti; and

WHEREAS, staff of the Ann Arbor Canoe Livery along with volunteers of the Recreation Commission will perform and oversee all functions relative to the event. As such, the sponsorship of this event will come at no cost or liability to the City of Ypsilanti.

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED that the City Council approves of the Recreation Commission’s recommendation for the event, Ypsilanti River Day.

2. Resolution No. 2012-188, supporting a statewide and national ban on hydraulic fracturing.

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI:

WHEREAS local elected officials are responsible for protecting the health, safety, and welfare of residents of their municipality; and

WHEREAS laws and regulations adopted by State government authorizing certain harmful corporate activities within our municipalities have gutted our ability to protect our residents and the natural environment; and

WHEREAS the hydraulic fracturing (fracking) for natural gas involves the use of chemicals and hazardous materials during construction, drilling, hydraulic fracturing, gas production and delivery, well maintenance, and work over operations; and

WHEREAS hydraulic fracturing of underground geologic formations is often accomplished by injecting a complex mix of fluids and chemicals, including large volumes of water, on average 4.5 million gallons per well, under very high pressure to create fractures in gas bearing geologic formations; and
WHEREAS many of the chemical constituents injected during hydraulic fracturing have documented adverse health effects and/or adverse environmental impacts; and

WHEREAS there have been more than a 1,000 documented cases of water contamination near fracking sites, including reports of drinking water being flammable; and

WHEREAS wastewater from fracking can contain radioactive elements and has been discharged into rivers that supply drinking water for millions according to the New York Times; and

WHEREAS the use of hydraulic fracturing mixes expose adjacent land and surface waters to the risk of contamination through open pit storage, truck transport on roadways, and activities during well development; and

WHEREAS the pollution of water caused by fracking threatens the long term economic well-being of communities, as businesses and consumers depend on clean drinking water; and

BE IT RESOLVED that the Ypsilanti City Council supports a statewide and national ban on hydraulic fracturing for natural gas, opposes bills HB5149, HB5150, and HB5151, and supports the consideration at the congressional level of what has become known as “Fracturing Responsibility and Awareness of Chemicals (FRAC) Act.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be transmitted to State Senator Rebecca Warren, State Representative David Rutledge, Kirk Profit and US Representative John D. Dingell.

3. Resolution No. 2012-189, approving right of way agreement with HDL.com for the purpose of installing wireless digital data communication radio network receivers on existing light poles.

WHEREAS in 2000 the City negotiated with MetriCom, Inc., a Delaware corporation, to place wireless digital data communication radio network transceivers in the City right of way by hanging them on existing light poles; and

WHEREAS MetriCom installed some radios within the City and then went out of business; and

WHEREAS those radios are apparently still installed; and

WHEREAS HDL.com has requested it be allowed to replace one or more of the MetriCom “ricochet” devices with their own radios, providing a free service for persons within the Ypsilanti area; and

WHEREAS Michigan law gives the City the power to control the right-of-ways of the City, including this type of installation of wireless devices;

NOW THEREFORE: IT IS RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI that the proposed Right-of-way Agreement with HDL.com is