

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN
SOUTHERN DIVISION

In re:
City of Detroit, Michigan,
Debtor.

Chapter 9
Case No. 13-53846
Hon. Steven W. Rhodes

**Fourth Amended Order Establishing Procedures, Deadlines and
Hearing Dates Relating to the Debtor's Plan of Adjustment**

The City has filed a plan of adjustment and a proposed disclosure statement. To promote the just, speedy, and inexpensive determination of this case as required by Fed. R. Bankr. P. 1001, the Court hereby establishes the procedures, deadlines and hearing dates set forth below.

Nothing herein excuses any party from the continuing obligation to participate in good faith in any mediation as ordered by Chief Judge Rosen.

Further, the Court again strongly encourages all parties to negotiate with full intensity and vigor with a view toward resolving their disputes regarding the treatment of claims in the City's plan of adjustment.

The Court will hold status conferences regarding the plan confirmation process on the following dates and times:

(a) May 15, 2014 at 10:00 a.m.

(b) June 16, 2014 at 10:00 a.m.

(c) July 14, 2014 at 10:00 a.m.

1. **April 25, 2014** is the deadline for the City to file an amended disclosure statement incorporating the suggestions and rulings that the Court made at the hearing on April 17, 2104, and including any additional agreements reached with creditor representatives.

2. **April 28, 2014 at 10:00 a.m.** will be the date and time of the hearing on:

(a) **Final approval of the disclosure statement; and**

(b) **All filed objections to written discovery.**

3. **May 2, 2014** is the deadline for the City to file the final disclosure statement resolving any objections that the Court sustains at the hearing on April 28, 2014.

4. **May 6, 2014** is the deadline to comply with timely written discovery requests.
5. **May 7, 2014** is the date on which depositions may commence.
6. **May 12, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. will be the date and time of the hearing on any remaining objections to written discovery.**
7. **May 12, 2014** is the deadline:
 - (a) For the City to mail plan solicitation packages and, to the extent provided in any order approving vote solicitation procedures, to provide packages to applicable DTC participants;
 - (b) For parties other than individual bondholders and individual retirees to file objections to the plan; and
 - (c) For parties who have filed timely objections to plan confirmation to file a list of their fact witnesses and to identify the subjects that each witness will address.

A party filing an objection to the plan shall use the proper ECF event code for the filing.
8. **May 26, 2014** is the deadline:
 - (a) For the City to file one combined response to all of the timely plan objections; and
 - (b) For any party that is not identified as having the right to vote on the plan, but who asserts a right to vote on the plan, to file a "Notice of Asserted Right to Vote a Claim" and a brief in support.
9. **June 10, 2014** is the deadline for all parties to file their lists of expert witnesses.
10. **June 24, 2014** is the deadline for any affected holder, the water and sewer bond trustee, the ad hoc committee of water and sewer bondholders and the COPS trustee to file a brief in response to any Notice of Asserted Right to Vote a Claim.
11. **June 24, 2014** is the deadline for all parties to serve copies of expert reports (which shall not be filed).
12. **June 27, 2014** is the deadline to complete all non-expert witness depositions.
13. **July 1, 2014** is the deadline to file a list of rebuttal expert witnesses and to serve copies of rebuttal expert reports (which shall not be filed).
14. **July 2, 2014** is the deadline for any party that filed a Notice of Asserted Right to Vote a Claim to file a reply brief in support of such notice.

15. July 11, 2014 is the deadline:

(a) For plan voting; and

(b) For individual bondholders and individual retirees to file objections to the plan.

16. July 14, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. will be the date and time of the hearing to determine any disputes arising in connection with any Notices of Asserted Right to Vote a Claim.

17. July 15, 2014 is the deadline to complete all expert depositions.

18. July 18, 2014 is the deadline for any party that filed a timely objection to the plan to file a supplemental objection, but only to the extent that discovery or the results of plan voting give rise to additional or modified objections to the plan.

19. July 21, 2014 is the deadline:

(a) To submit a proposed joint final pretrial order in compliance with LBR 7016-1;

(b) To file pretrial briefs;

(c) For the City to file one combined response to supplemental objections to the plan and to objections filed by individual bondholders and individual retirees; and

(d) For the City or the balloting agent to file a summary of the results of the tabulation of all ballots and master ballots.

20. July 23, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. will be the date and time of the final pretrial conference on plan confirmation.

21. July 24, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. will be the date and time for the commencement of the hearing on plan confirmation.

Additional confirmation hearing dates, as necessary, will be July 25; July 28-31; August 1; August 4-8; and August 11-15, 2014.

At this hearing, in addition to any evidence addressing the factual issues raised in the parties' plan objections, the City shall present evidence establishing the feasibility of its plan as required by 11 U.S.C. § 943(b)(7).

The dates and deadlines established herein will be extended only on motion establishing good cause.

This order amends paragraphs 7(a), 9(a), 9(c), 9(d) and 9(e) of the Order (I) Establishing Procedures for Solicitation and Tabulation of Votes to Accept or Reject Plan of Adjustment and (II) Approving Notice Procedures Related to Confirmation of the Plan of Adjustment (Docket No. 2984). However, nothing in this order otherwise amends the Solicitation Procedures Order.

It is so ordered.

Signed on April 21, 2014

/s/ Steven Rhodes
Steven Rhodes
United States Bankruptcy Judge