ORDER NO. S-331

RE: Cellular Phones

TO: Sherikia Hawkins, City Clerk

The Local Financial Stability and Choice Act, 2012 PA 436, MCL 141.1541 to 141.1575 ("Act 436") in Section 10(1) states that “[a]n emergency manager shall issue orders to the appropriate local elected and appointed officials and employees, agents, and contractors of the local government the orders the emergency manager considers necessary to accomplish the purposes of [the] act, including, but not limited to, orders for the timely and satisfactory implementation of a financial and operating plan… or to take actions, or refrain from taking actions, to enable the orderly accomplishment of the financial and operating plan.” Any such orders are binding on the local elected and appointed officials and employees, agents, and contractors of the local government to whom they are issued.

Section 12(1) of the Act provides that “[a]n emergency manager may take 1 or more of the following additional actions with respect to a local government that is in receivership, notwithstanding any charter provision to the contrary: (ee) [t]ake any other action or exercise any power or authority of any officer, employee, department, board, commission, or other similar entity of the local government, whether elected or appointed, relating to the operation of the local government. The power of the emergency manager shall be superior to and supersede the power of any of the foregoing officers or entities.”

It is hereby ordered:

1. The only cellular phones that the City may issue are to election workers to assist the City Clerk on Election Day. The City Clerk shall insure that all phones are returned at the close of the election.

The Order shall have immediate effect.

Copies of the documents referenced in this Order are to be maintained in the offices of the City Clerk and may be reviewed and/or copies may be obtained upon submission of a written request consistent with the requirements of FOIA and subject to applicable or available FOIA exemptions.
This order is effective as indicated and is necessary to carry out the duties and responsibilities required of the Emergency Manager under Act 436 and the contract between the Local Emergency Financial Assistance Loan Board and the Emergency Manager.

Louis H. Schimmel
City of Pontiac
Emergency Manager

cc: State of Michigan Department of Treasury
    Mayor Leon B. Jukowski
    Pontiac City Council