

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING June 3, 2024

Romulus City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Rd, Romulus, MI 48174

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Mayor Pro Tem John Barden called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Present: Kathy Abdo, John Barden, Celeste Roscoe, Tina Talley, Virginia Williams, Allen Wilson

Absent / Excused: William Wadsworth Administrative Officials in Attendance:

Robert McCraight, Mayor

Stacy Paige, Treasurer

Administrative Staff in Attendance:

D'Sjonaun Hockenhull - Deputy Clerk; Julie Wojtylko - Chief of Staff; Stephen Hitchcock - City Attorney; Maria Farris - Finance Director; Ken Chapman - Deputy Fire Chief

1. Agenda

A. Moved by **Tina Talley**, seconded by **Kathy Abdo** to accept the Agenda as presented. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

2. Minutes

- A. Res. #24-149 Moved by Celeste Roscoe, seconded by Kathy Abdo to approve the Minutes from the Regular Meeting held on Tuesday, May 28, 2024, at 7:30 p.m. Motion Carried Unanimously
- **B.** Res. #24-150 Moved by Celeste Roscoe, seconded by Tina Talley to approve the Minutes from the Special Meeting Executive Session held on Tuesday, May 28, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. to discuss union matters and the Special Meeting Public Hearing held on Tuesday, May 28, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. to hear public input for the proposed special assessment district for Merriman, Wickham, Wick, Vining, and Smith roads.

Motion Carried Unanimously

- **3. Petitioner** None
- 4. Chairperson's Report, John Barden, Mayor Pro-Tem
 - A. Moved by Celeste Roscoe, seconded by Tina Talley to accept the Chairperson's Report.

 Motion Carried Unanimously
- 5. Mayor's Report Robert A. McCraight, Mayor
 - A. Res. #24-151 Moved by Celeste Roscoe, seconded by Virginia Williams to concur with the Administration and award bid ITB 23/24-12 to the lowest, most responsive and responsible bidder, Nye Uniform Co., for a three-year pricing contract for Firefighter Duty and Class A Uniforms.

 Motion Carried Unanimously
- 6. Clerk's Report Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk
 - A. Res. #24-152 Moved by Kathy Abdo, seconded by Virginia Williams to approve the 2nd Reading & Final Adoption of Budget Amendment 23/24-18 in the amount of \$2,000.00 to recognize donations and corresponding expenses for the Juneteenth Celebration. Motion Carried Unanimously
 - B. Res. #24-153 Moved by Celeste Roscoe, seconded by Tina Talley to approve the 2nd Reading &

Final Adoption of Budget Amendment 23/24-19 in the amount of \$115,000.00 to amend FY24 Budget to account for depreciation and additional IT expenses. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

C. Res. #24-154 Moved by Celeste Roscoe, seconded by Tina Talley to concur with the recommendation of the Retiree Health Care Plan and Trust Board and approve the First Reading & Introduction to amendments to Appendix D - Public Employee Health Care Fund, Article IX - Trust Administration Board of Trustees, Section 9.1(a) - Board of Trustees, of the City of Romulus Code of Ordinances.

Motion Carried Unanimously

D. Moved by **Virginia Williams**, seconded by **Allen Wilson** to table the First Reading & Introduction to amendments to Ch. 62, Article IV, Sec. 62-357 through Sec. 62-369 of the City of Romulus Code of Ordinances.

Deputy Clerk Hockenhull requested that Councilwoman Williams use the term "postpone" as it achieves the same goal without the need of removing items from the table before taking action or discussing them.

Res. #24-155 Moved by Virginia Williams, seconded by Allen Wilson to amend initial motion and postpone the First Reading & Introduction to amendments to Ch. 62, Article IV, Sec. 62-357 through Sec. 62-369 of the City of Romulus Code of Ordinances until the amendments are reviewed at a study session.

Motion Carried Unanimously

- 7. Treasurer's Report Stacy Paige, Treasurer
- 8. Public Comment

A resident addressed the City Council regarding the political signs and the City's sign ordinance. A resident addressed the City Council regarding commercial vehicle parking on Dexter Street.

- 9. Unfinished Business Please see the Clerk's Office for complete copy of Minutes
- 10. New Business

Res. #24-156 Moved by Kathy Abdo, seconded by Virginia Williams to schedule a Special Meeting - Study Session for Monday, June 10, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. to discuss amendments to the Water & Sewer Ordinance and to reschedule the Special Meeting - Study Session to review the applications from the 2024 Honorary Street Sign Dedication Program from Monday, June 10, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. to Monday, June 24, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

- 11. Communication Please see the Clerk's Office for complete copy of Minutes
- 12. Adjournment

Moved by Celeste Roscoe, seconded by Kathy Abdo to adjourn the meeting at 8:36 p.m.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Roscoe, Talley, Williams, Wilson Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously

I, Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk for the City of Romulus, Michigan do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held on June 3, 2024.

Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, City Clerk City of Romulus, Michigan

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