



## MINUTES OF THE REGULAR ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING

January 22, 2024

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

### Pledge of Allegiance

### Roll Call

**At 7:30 p.m. the meeting was called to order by Mayor Pro Tem John Barden, Council Chairman Present: Kathy Abdo, John Barden, Celeste Roscoe, Tina Talley, William Wadsworth, Virginia Williams**

**Absent / Excused: Allen Wilson**

#### **Administrative Officials in Attendance:**

Robert McCraight, Mayor

Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk

Stacy Paige, Treasurer

#### **Administrative Staff in Attendance:**

D'Sjonaun Hockenull - Deputy Clerk; Julie Wojtylko - Chief of Staff; Stephen Hitchcock - City Attorney; Julie Albert - Director of Assessing & Financial Services; Jennifer Madison - Assistant Technology Services Director.

### 1. Agenda

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

### 2. Minutes

- A. **Res. #24-026** Moved by **William Wadsworth**, seconded by **Tina Talley** to approve the Minutes from the Regular Meeting held on Monday, January 8, 2024, at 7:30 p.m. **Motion Carried Unanimously**
- B. **Res. #24-027** Moved by **William Wadsworth**, seconded by **Celeste Roscoe** to approve the Minutes from the Special Meeting - Study Session held on Monday, January 8, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. to discuss procedure for filling a vacancy on City Council.  
Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Roscoe, Talley, Wadsworth    Nays – Williams    **Motion Carried**

### 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

Mayor McCraight announced upcoming city events.

- A. **Res. #24-028** Moved by **William Wadsworth**, seconded by **Virginia Williams** to concur with the Administration and adopt the Resolution for the City of Romulus Poverty Exemption for 2024 to be used by the Board of Review to review or approve poverty exemptions. **Motion Carried Unanimously**
- B. **Res. #24-029** Moved by **Celeste Roscoe**, seconded by **William Wadsworth** to concur with the Administration and adopt the resolution authorizing the Mayor and Clerk to enter into the Inter-Governmental Agreement with Wayne County for the 2023 Justice Assistant Grant funding program award to the City of Romulus and accept monies from Wayne County in the amount of \$16,837.06.  
**Motion Carried Unanimously**
- C. **Res. #24-030** Moved by **Celeste Roscoe**, seconded by **Kathy Abdo** to concur with the Administration and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to enter into the Renaissance Zone Service Fees Agreement between Ford Motor Company and the City of Romulus. **Motion Carried Unanimously**
- D. **Res. #24-031** Moved by **Celeste Roscoe**, seconded by **William Wadsworth** to concur with the Administration and consent to piggyback onto the Sourcewell Contract #120122-MBS for the upgrade of the

existing city-wide Mitel phone system at the price of \$72,102.00. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

**6. Clerk's Report – Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk**

- A. Moved by **William Wadsworth**, seconded by **Kathy Abdo** to approve the Second Reading and Final Adoption of Budget Amendment 23/24-12 in the amount of \$200,000.00 to recognize expenses for the Mary Ann Banks DNR Grant Project. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

**7. Treasurer's Report – Stacy Paige, Treasurer – Please see the Clerk's Office for a complete copy of Minutes**

**8. Public Comment - NONE**

**9. Unfinished Business - NONE**

**10. New Business – NONE**

**11. Warrant**

- A. **Res. #24-033** Moved by **Kathy Abdo**, seconded by **Tina Talley** to approve Warrant #: 24-02 for checks presented in the amount of \$971,660.54. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

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

**Res. #24-034** Moved by **Virginia Williams**, seconded by **Kathy Abdo** to adopt a memorial resolution for the family of Minnie Lee Donalds. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

**13. Adjournment**

Moved by **William Wadsworth**, seconded by **Celeste Roscoe** to adjourn the meeting at 8:13 p.m.

**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 January 22, 2024.



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