

MINUTES OF REGULAR ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING

April 4, 2016

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

1. Moved by **Crout**, seconded by **Choate** to accept the agenda as presented. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

16-189 2A. Moved by **Wadsworth**, seconded by **Roscoe** to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held on April 4, 2016. Ayes –Barden, Choate, Crout, Roscoe, Wadsworth. Abstain – Abdo, Makowski. **Motion Carried.**

3A. Petitioner:

Brian Biskner, Powell Engineering and Julie Allison from Goddard Associates spoke on behalf of Jack Cooper Transport and Goddard Associates to ask Council to consider two Special Land Use requests for PC-2015-024; Jack Cooper Transport (Phase1) and SLU-2016-001; and Goddard Associates (Phase 2) for long term parking located at 29171 Goddard. Discussion: Councilman Wadsworth asked if this used to be Jet Way Parking. Mrs. Allison answered yes. Councilwoman Roscoe thanked Mr. Biskner and Mrs. Allison for making things clear at the last Planning Commission meeting regarding Phase 2, for long term parking.

16-190 Moved by **Choate**, seconded by **Crout**, to approve the Special Land Use requests for PC-2015-024 for Jack Cooper Transport and SLU-2016-001 for Goddard Associates. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

4. Chairperson's Report:

Mr. Barden announced that there was a closed session meeting at 7:15 regarding Pending Legal Matters. Chair recognized Dan Hampton, Waiver Manager of The Senior Alliance, (TSA). Mr. Hampton gave an update on the purpose of The Senior Alliance, which is to connect individuals to available resources. They are best known for their Meals on Wheels program but offer many other services to older adults. TSA is asking each Municipality to provide a match amount to support the work they do in each community. Mr. Hampton reported that the match amount in 2015 for Romulus was \$1,838.00, which helped TSA deliver the \$765,000 in services spent for fiscal year 2015 in the City of Romulus. He thanked Romulus for their support and commented that TSA would be happy to take part in any events the City would like them to. For more information on any of the services TSA provides, they may be contacted by telephone at 1-800-815-1112, by email at info@tsalink.org or by going to their website at www.aaalc.org.

Chair recognized Sylvia Makowski to make a motion.

16-191 4A1. Moved by **Makowski**, seconded by **Wadsworth**, to approve the release of claim with Hastings Mutual Insurance Company and Ready-Rooter, LLC. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

4. Moved by **Roscoe**, seconded by **Abdo** to accept the Chairperson's Report. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

5. Mayor's Report:

Mayor Burcroff reminded everyone that spring is here and opening day for the Tigers is this Friday, April 8th. Mayor Burcroff recognized Andy MacKay, General Manager of the Romulus Athletic Center. Andy gave an overview of the 2016 Mayors Fitness Challenge, which started on January 11 and ended on March 14th, for a period of nine weeks. He reported there were 193 participants who lost a combined weight of 875.5lbs. Andy announced the men and women's first, second and third place winners and presented them with a certificate. Mayor Burcroff announced that Romulus' Standard and Poor's bond rating has been upgraded to an A+. He will do a press release at a later date. Mayor Burcroff asked Dennis Davidson to give an update on upcoming events in the City of Romulus.

16-192 5A. Moved by **Wadsworth**, seconded by **Makowski**, to concur with the administration and award ITB15/16-19 to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder, Blue Ribbon Contracting, Inc., to perform the needed repairs to the steel beam columns at fire station #4 in the amount of \$19,193.00. Discussion: Councilwoman Abdo commented she is glad to award a bid to a local vendor. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

16-193 5B. Moved by **Makowski**, seconded by **Crout**, to concur with the administration and award ITB 15/16-21 to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder, On Duty Gear, LLC, for the acquisition of thirteen LightHawk Tactical Vests and for the front and rear ballistic rifle plates needed for the vests for the Romulus Police Department, Special Response Team in the amount of \$19,667.70. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

16-194 5C. Moved by **Makowski**, seconded by **Abdo**, to concur with the administration and adopt the software and hardware upgrade to the existing Live Scan digital fingerprint computer, from I.D. Networks. This mandated upgrade is for a fingerprint scanner, CJIS supported software, and installation totaling \$6,738.00. This equipment will ensure that the Romulus Police Department is compliant with State and Federal CJIS requirements. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

16-195 5C1. Moved by **Crout**, seconded by **Roscoe**, to concur with the administration and allow the Mayor and Clerk to enter into the five (5) year, full service agreement with I.D. Networks, for an annual fee of \$2,447.00 to maintain the system until such time the equipment is replaced or funds are no longer budgeted for this purpose. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

16-196 5D. Moved by **Wadsworth**, seconded by **Abdo**, to concur with the administration and adopt a resolution authorizing the Mayor and Clerk to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding for the joint grant application for the Residential Target Analysis Grant for the DDA District, costs not to exceed \$6,750. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

16-197 5E. Moved by **Makowski**, seconded by **Roscoe**, to allocate matching funds with MSHDA for a joint Target Market Analysis (TMA) with four (4) other communities.

FUND/DEPT.	CURRENT	AMENDED	
ACCOUNT NO.	BUDGET	AMENDMENT	BUDGET

Downtown Development Authority

Expense

295-728-818.002	Consultant Development	-	6,750	6,750
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Fund Balance

295-000-390.000	DDA Fund Balance	15,219	(6,750)	8,469
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To allocate matching funds with MSHDA for a joint Target Market Analysis (TMA) with 4 other communities. (Approved 3-30-16 resolution 16-DDA-544)

Motion Carried Unanimously.

6A. Clerk's Report:

City Clerk Ellen Craig-Bragg requested Council adopt a resolution for Sheldon Chandler on being selected as the Chamber of Commerce 2016 Person-of-the-Year.

16-198 6A1. Moved by **Roscoe**, seconded by **Wadsworth**, to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 15/16-18, Community Development Block Grant. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

16-199 6A2. Moved by **Makowski**, seconded by **Choate**, to approve amendment to Ordinance Department fee schedule. The proposed amendment adds postage fees for certified mailings of weed cutting notices. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

16-200 6A2 (a). Moved by **Wadsworth**, seconded by **Makowski**, to adopt a resolution for Sheldon Chandler on being selected as Chamber of Commerce 2016 Person-of-the-Year. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

6B. Treasurer's Report

7. Public Comment:

A resident voiced a complaint to Council in regards to the Wolverine Pipeline Company cutting down trees on his property. He submitted to council pictures of his property before and after the trees were cut down, along with correspondence from the Wolverine Pipeline Company.

8. Unfinished Business:

Councilman Wadsworth reminded the public of the Bowl-a-Thon fundraiser for the Animal Shelter on Friday, May 13, 2016. He commented that they still have a few openings and are looking for volunteers or anyone who wants to donate a prize. All the proceeds go to the Animal Shelter.

9. New Business:

Councilwoman Abdo asked Council to adopt a resolution recognizing the High School FCCLA Program. The students recently competed on a State level and won numerous Gold, Silver and Bronze medals. They also qualified to send two students to the National Conference.

16-201 9A. Moved by **Abdo**, seconded by **Roscoe**, to adopt a resolution recognizing the achievements of the High School FCCLA Program. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

10. Communication:

Councilwoman Makowski announced that next week is National Library Week and encouraged everyone to stop in on Tuesday for National Library Staff Appreciation Day. For more information, contact the Library at 734-942-7589. Councilman Crout wished everyone that has a birthday in April, a happy birthday.

11. Moved by **Wadsworth**, seconded by **Roscoe**, to adjourn the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council. **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 April 4, 2016.