

MINUTES OF REGULAR ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING

August 22, 2016

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

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Pro Tem, John Barden.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Present: Kathleen Abdo, John Barden, Linda Choate, Harry Crout, Celeste Roscoe, William Wadsworth.

Excused: Sylvia Makowski.

Administrative Officials in Attendance:

LeRoy D. Burcroff

Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk

Excused: Stacy Paige, Treasurer

1. Moved by **Crout**, seconded by **Abdo** to accept the agenda as amended.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

16-345 2A. Moved by **Wadsworth**, seconded by **Abdo** to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held on August 8, 2016.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

16-346 2B. Moved by **Abdo**, seconded by **Roscoe** to approve the minutes of the special meetings of the Romulus City Council held on August 8, 2016; 6:00 p.m. Neighborhood Stabilization Program; 6:30 p.m. Usage and Leasing of Fire Station #1.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

Petitioner:

Under 3A – Ted Hirsch, Midwestern Consulting, represented Waste Management.

Under 3B – Dennis Krestel, Guido Architects, and Attorney David Landry, represented M&M Express.

16-347 3A. Moved by **Wadsworth**, seconded by **Crout** to approve RZ-2016-002, Waste Management Zoning Map Amendment (Rezoning) 5980 Inkster Rd. to rezone 5.8 acres of property from M-1, Light Industrial, to M-T, Industrial Transportation, for the development of an employee parking lot. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

16-348 3B. Moved by **Roscoe**, seconded by **Abdo** to approve RZ-2016-001/SPR-2016-003; M&M Express Trucking (27732 Ecorse) Conditional Rezoning (Zoning Map Amendment) to rezone 4.70 acres of property from M-1, Light Industrial, to M-T, Industrial Transportation for M&M Express Trucking. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Abdo, Barden, Crout, Roscoe, Wadsworth. Nays – Choate. Motion Carried.**

4. Chairperson's Report:

16-349 4A. Moved by **Crout**, seconded by **Wadsworth** to adopt a resolution to recognize the 97th birthday of Irma Wells. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

16-350 4B. Moved by **Roscoe**, seconded by **Choate** to grant a no-fee permit to Romulus Baptist Church for their annual picnic to be held on Saturday, August 27, 2016 and for road closures at Boise Walkway and Colorado St. from Fourth St. to the church property line. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

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

5. Mayor's Report:

Mayor Burcroff presented a video of upcoming City events.

16-351 5A. Moved by **Wadsworth**, seconded by **Crout** to concur with the administration and approve the requested change order on the Blue Ribbon Contract to complete the Wickham Road water main installation for additional concrete replacement, payment for an emergency water main break, addition of a catch basin to alleviate drainage issue, and a new concrete foundation and light pole at a cost of \$18,254.00.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

16-352 5B. Moved by **Abdo**, seconded by **Crout** to concur with the administration and appoint Roberto Scappaticci, DPW Director, to serve as the alternate representative to the Downriver Utility Waste Authority for the City of Romulus. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

16-353 5C. Moved by **Roscoe**, seconded by **Wadsworth** to concur with the administration and adopt a resolution supporting the establishment of an industrial district for InSite Development/FCA US LLC. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

16-354 5D. Moved by **Choate**, seconded by **Abdo** to adopt a resolution to add Policy #34, Pending Litigation, to the City of Romulus Employees Policies and Procedures Manual. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

16-355 5E. Moved by **Wadsworth**, seconded by **Roscoe** to introduce Budget Amendment 16/17-7 to reallocate funding from the Middlebelt Road Water Main Project in the amount of \$378,431.02 with funds not utilized in the FY 15/16 Budget and used to pay for the Blue Ribbon Wickham Road Water Main Project in the FY 16/17 budget year.

FUND/DEPT.	CURRENT	AMENDED
<u>ACCOUNT NO.</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>

Water & Sewer Fund

Expense

592-591-989.000	Water & Sewer Construction	1,742,170.83	378,431.02	2,120,601.85
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Retained Earnings

592-000-395.000	Retained Earnings (Estimated)	5,895,331.00	378,431.02	5,516,899.98
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To reallocate funding from the Middlebelt Road Water Main Project in the amount of \$378,431.02 with funds not utilized in the FY 15/16 budget and used to pay for the Blue Ribbon Wickham Road Water Main Project in the FY 16/17 budget year. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

16-356 5F. Moved by **Choate**, seconded by **Wadsworth** to concur with the administration and extend Bid award 11/12-22 for an additional year, to Rey-Mart Asphalt for application of hot bituminous mixture for the repair of major and local streets on an as-needed basis along with any asphalt repairs for City facilities within the Building and Grounds Department. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

16-357 5G. Moved by **Roscoe**, seconded by **Abdo** to concur with the administration and award Bid ITB 16/17-01, Demolition List 14-01 to the lowest bidder, VanAssche Construction, in the amount of \$86,900.00. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Clerk's Report:

16-358 6A1. Moved by **Roscoe**, seconded by **Choate** to approve second reading and final adoption of Budget Amendment 15/16-22, General Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of August 8, 2016. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

16-359 6A2. Moved by **Wadsworth**, seconded by **Abdo** to schedule a study session with City Treasurer, Stacy Paige, on Tuesday, September 6, 2016 at 7:15 p.m. to discuss City Fourth Quarter Investments; meeting to be held in the City Hall Council Chambers. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

6B. Treasurer's Report

7. Public Comment:

A resident thanked the elected officials for their support of Pastor Thompson's 35th anniversary as pastor of Mt. Olive Baptist Church. Gina Steward, Editor of Telegram Newspaper, commented on items under the Mayor's Report (specifically clarification on 5D and 5F, she also commented that the City received a good rate on the demolition bid.

8. Unfinished Business:

Councilman Wadsworth spoke about a complaint he received a couple of weeks ago from a business on Vining and Pennsylvania Roads that the weeds had not been cut; Councilman passed the information on to the DPW Department and the weeds have since been cut and the roads have been graded - leaving the area looking much better. Mayor Burcroff explained that Policy #34 (item 5D, under the Mayor's Report) speaks to the adage that a City employee is not to divulge information regarding any pending City litigation matters. Mayor Burcroff informed that it is common practice to extend a bid award (5F) and he also commented that the City, did in fact, receive a good price for the upcoming demolitions. Clerk Ellen Craig-Bragg informed that the local election for Romulus elected officials is 2017, with the Primary Election to be held in August and the General Election to be held in November.

9. New Business

10. Communication:

Councilman Wadsworth announced that Bingo will be held during the Pumpkin Festival with proceeds to go to the Animal Shelter. Councilwoman Choate announced a Euchre Tournament will be held on Friday, October 14, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. at the Romulus VFW Hall, 39270 Huron River Drive, with all proceeds to go to the Romulus Memorial Cemetery. Tickets are on sale for \$20 per ticket. Councilwoman Roscoe announced that the Romulus Citizen's Academy will start again in September, for detailed information contact the Police or Fire Department.

16-360 11. Moved by **Choate**, seconded by **Crout** to approve Warrant 16-16 in the amount of \$1,563,682.24. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

12. 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 August 22, 2016.