

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING
June 12, 2023**

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: John Barden, Tina Talley, William Wadsworth, Virginia Williams

Absent / Excused: Kathy Abdo, Celeste Roscoe, Eva Webb

Administrative Officials in Attendance:

Robert McCraight, Mayor

Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk

Administrative Staff in Attendance:

D'Sjonaun Hockenhull - Deputy Clerk; Stephen Hitchcock - City Attorney; Julie Wojtylko - Chief of Staff; Maria Farris - Finance Director; Roberto Scappaticci - DPW Director; Kenneth Chapman - Deputy Fire Chief; Derran Shelby - Deputy Police Chief; Mike Laskaska - Director of Communications & Community Service

1. Agenda

- A. Moved by **Tina Talley**, seconded by **William Wadsworth**, to accept the Agenda as presented.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

2. Minutes

- A. **Res. #23-169** Moved by **William Wadsworth**, seconded by **Tina Talley**, to approve the Minutes from the Regular Meeting held on Monday, June 5, 2023, at 7:30 p.m.
Motion Carried Unanimously.
- B. **Res. #23-170** Moved by **William Wadsworth**, seconded by **Tina Talley**, to approve the Minutes from the Special Meeting - Executive Session held on Monday, June 5, 2023, at 5:45 p.m. to discuss union matters and the Special Meeting - Study Sessions held on Monday, June 5, 2023, at 6:15 p.m. to discuss the Quarterly Investment Report, and at 6:45 p.m. to discuss the applicants for the Honorary Street Sign Dedication Program. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

3. Petitioner

- A. Petitioner: Commons II Association
Approval of a Block Party Event for Saturday, June 17, 2023, from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. and the closing of Hampton Street at Nottingham Drive and Buckingham Drive for the stated event.
Chandra Williams appeared on behalf of the Commons II Association to petition the Council for approval of a block party event.
Res. #23-171 Moved by **Tina Talley**, seconded by **Virginia Williams**, to approve the Block Party Event as petitioned by Commons II Association for Saturday, June 17, 2023, from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. and the closing of Hampton Street at Nottingham Drive and Buckingham Drive for the stated event.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

4. Chairperson's Report, John Barden, Mayor Pro-Tem

- A. Moved by **Tina Talley**, seconded by **William Wadsworth**, to accept the Chairperson's Report.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

5. Mayor's Report – Robert A. McCraight, Mayor

- A. **Res. #23-172** Moved by **Tina Talley**, seconded by **William Wadsworth**, to concur with the Administration and introduce budget amendment 22/23-21 to recognize forfeiture revenue to purchase new vehicles for the Romulus Police Department.

<u>FUND/DEPT.</u> <u>ACCOUNT NO.</u>	<u>ACCOUNT</u> <u>NAME</u>	<u>CURRENT</u> <u>BUDGET</u>	<u>AMENDMENT</u>	<u>AMENDED</u> <u>BUDGET</u>
General				
Revenue				
267-000-682.000	Reimbursements	\$-	\$181,780.00	\$181,780.00

Expense				
267-301-970.000	Capital Outlay	\$216,300.37	\$181,780.00	\$398,080.37

Motion Carried Unanimously.

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

- A. **Res. #23-173** Moved by **Tina Talley**, seconded by **Virginia Williams**, to amend the Honorary Street Sign Dedication Policy to allow for the approval of six (6) applications submitted during the 2023 application period. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**
Res. #23-174 Moved by **Virginia Williams**, seconded by **William Wadsworth**, to approve the Honorary Street Sign Dedication Program applications honoring Earlie Mosley, Mary Carter, Charles Curley, Kenneth Mientkiewicz, Oscar Hamilton Sr., and Jerry Ladach. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**
- B. **FOR YOUR INFORMATION:** Notification of Water and Sewer Rate Changes
No action is needed unless the Council, by a two-thirds majority, rejects the changes.

7. Treasurer's Report – Stacy Paige, Treasurer

8. Public Comment

A member of the public addressed the City Council regarding the city attorney's opinion.

9. Unfinished Business - None

10. New Business - None

11. Warrant

- A. **Res. #23-175** Moved by **Tina Talley**, seconded by **William Wadsworth**, to approve Warrant #: 23-11 for checks presented in the amount of \$1,564,608.48. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

12. Communication - See Clerk's Office for a complete copy of the Minutes

13. Adjournment

Moved by **William Wadsworth**, seconded by **Tina Talley**, to adjourn the meeting at 8:12 p.m.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

I, Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk for the City of Romulus, Michigan, certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held on June 12, 2023.



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