

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING
August 14, 2023**

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

Pledge of Allegiance

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

Roll Call

Present: Kathy Abdo, John Barden, Celeste Roscoe, Tina Talley, William Wadsworth, Virginia Williams

Absent / Excused: Eva Webb

Administrative Officials in Attendance:

Robert McCraight, Mayor

Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk

Administrative Staff in Attendance: Julie Wojtylko, Chief of Staff; Stephen Hitchcock, City Attorney;

Roberto Scappaticci, DPW Director; Jerry Frayer, DDA Director; Chief Robert Pfannes, RPD; Roger Kadau, Cable.

1. Agenda

A. Moved by **Tina Talley**, seconded by **Kathy Abdo**, to approve the Approval of Agenda
Motion Carried Unanimously.

2. Minutes

A. **Res. # 23-219** Moved by **William Wadsworth**, seconded by **Tina Talley**, to approve the Minutes from the Regular Meeting held on Monday, August 7, 2023, at 7:30 p.m.
Motion Carried Unanimously

B. **Res. # 23-220** Moved by **William Wadsworth**, seconded by **Tina Talley**, to approve the Minutes from the Special Meeting - Executive Session held on Monday, August 7, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. to discuss an attorney's opinion. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

3. Petitioner - None

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

4. Mayor's Report - Robert A. McCraight, Mayor - Please see the Clerk's Office for a complete copy of the Minutes

A. **Res. # 23-221** Moved by **Kathy Abdo**, seconded by **William Wadsworth**, to concur with the Administration and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to renew the agreement with Oakland County for participation in the CLEMIS Consortium and approve the annual participation renewal fee in the amount of \$34,070.00. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

B. **Res. # 23-222** Moved by **Celeste Roscoe**, seconded by **Kathy Abdo**, to concur with the Administration and award ITB 23/24-02 to the lowest, most responsive, and responsible bidder, Luigi Ferdinandi & Son Cement for the 2023 MEDC Sidewalk Replacement Project in the amount of \$803,953.22. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

C. **Res. # 23-223** Moved by **William Wadsworth**, seconded by **Celeste Roscoe**, to concur with Administration and introduce Budget Amendment 23/24-4 to recognize donations for the B2B Event and corresponding expenditures.

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

101-728

Fund Balance

101-728-675.007 Donations - B2B Event \$- \$15,000.00 \$15,000.00

Expense

101-728-818.000 Contractual Services \$272.00 \$15,000.00 \$15,272.00

Motion Carried Unanimously

D. **Res. # 23-224** Moved by **Celeste Roscoe**, seconded by **William Wadsworth**, to concur with the Administration and introduce Budget Amendment 23/24-5 to recognize additional donations for the Pumpkin Festival Event and corresponding additional expenditures in the amount of \$13,000.00.

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<u>ACCOUNT NO.</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>		<u>BUDGET</u>

295-728 DDA

Fund Balance

295-728-607.006 Pumpkin Festival Donations \$10,000.00 \$13,000.00 \$23,000.00

Expense

101-728-818.000 Pumpkin Festival \$25,000.00 \$13,000.00 \$38,000.00

Motion Carried Unanimously

E. **Res. #23-225** Moved by **Celeste Roscoe**, seconded by **Virginia Williams**, to concur with Administration and grant authorization for the Mayor and Clerk to enter into the First Addendum to the Michigan State-Subdivision Agreement for Allocations of Allergan, TEVA, CVS, and Walmart Settlement Agreements. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

Res. #23-226 Moved by **Celeste Roscoe**, seconded by **William Wadsworth** to concur with the Administration and grant authorization for the Mayor and Clerk to enter into the Second Addendum to the Michigan State-Subdivision Agreement for Allocation of Distributor Settlement and Janssen Settlement Agreement. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

5. Clerk's Report - Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk

A. **Res. #23-227** Moved by **William Wadsworth**, seconded by **Tina Talley**, to approve the Second Reading and Final Adoption of Budget Amendment 23/24-2 in the amount of \$448,200 to cover the capital improvement project as approved by the Library Board on July 17, 2023. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

6. Treasurer's Report - Stacy Paige, Treasurer

7. Public Comment -

A resident commented on a local business's delinquent property taxes and lease agreement.

A resident commented on the Tornado Sirens and was concerned that younger residents may not know the purpose of the sirens and suggested that information regarding tornado sirens be included in the Community Connection publication.

8. Unfinished Business

9. New Business

10. Warrant


A. **Res. #23-228** Moved by **Kathy Abdo**, seconded by **Tina Talley**, to approve Warrant #: 23-15 for checks presented in the amount of \$1,694,990.64. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

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

12. Adjournment

Moved by **William Wadsworth**, seconded by **Tina Talley**, to adjourn the meeting at 8:22 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 August 14, 2023.



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