

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING

November 27, 2023

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Pro Tem John Barden. Present: Kathy Abdo, John Barden, Celeste Roscoe, Tina Talley, William Wadsworth Absent / Excused: Eva Webb, Virginia Williams

Administrative Officials in Attendance:

Robert McCraight, Mayor
Stacy Paige, Treasurer

Administrative Staff in Attendance:

D'Sjonaun Hockenull - Deputy Clerk; Julie Wojtylko - Chief of Staff; Stephen Hitchcock - City Attorney; Jerome Frayer - DDA Director; Colleen Dumas - Recreation 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. #23-298 Moved by William Wadsworth, seconded by Tina Talley to approve the Minutes from the Regular Meeting held on November 13, 2023, at 7:30 p.m. Motion Carried Unanimously. B. There were no special meeting(s) held on Monday, November 13, 2023.

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 provided updates on road construction projects in the city.

A. Res. #23-299 Moved by Celeste Roscoe, seconded by William Wadsworth to concur with the Administration and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to enter into the Agreement for Consulting Services with Carlisle Wortman Association, Inc., to assist with supporting planning, zoning, and building. Motion Carried Unanimously.

B. Res. #23-300 Moved by William Wadsworth, seconded by Kathy Abdo to concur with the Administration and consent to piggyback on GSA contract GL-07F-173CA for the purchase of a security door access system and cameras for video conferencing setup from Actron Security Alarm Systems, Inc. in the amount of \$95,364.49. Motion Carried Unanimously.

C. Res. #23-301 Moved by Tina Talley, seconded by Celeste Roscoe to concur with the Administration and introduce budget amendment 23/24-9 for additional funding needed for two (2) part-time staff members for the Recreation Department through FY24.

Table with 5 columns: FUND/DEPT. ACCOUNT NO., ACCOUNT NAME, CURRENT BUDGET, AMENDMENT, AMENDED BUDGET. Row 1: 101 Recreation Fund Balance, Fund Balance, \$10,030,739.00, \$22,606.00, \$10,008,133.00

Expense

Table with 5 columns: FUND/DEPT. ACCOUNT NO., ACCOUNT NAME, CURRENT BUDGET, AMENDMENT, AMENDED BUDGET. Row 1: 101-751-703.000 Part-Time wages, \$-, \$22,606.00, \$22,606.00

Motion Carried Unanimously.

D. Res. #23-302 Moved by Tina Talley, seconded by Celeste Roscoe to concur with the Administration and introduce budget amendment 23/24-10 for additional funding needed for one (1) part-time IT staff member through FY24.

Table with 5 columns: FUND/DEPT. ACCOUNT NO., ACCOUNT NAME, CURRENT BUDGET, AMENDMENT, AMENDED BUDGET. Row 1: 664 Tech. Serv. Fund Balance, Retained Earnings, \$340,116.00, \$19,200.00, \$320,916.00

Expense

Table with 5 columns: FUND/DEPT. ACCOUNT NO., ACCOUNT NAME, CURRENT BUDGET, AMENDMENT, AMENDED BUDGET. Row 1: 664-000-703.000 Part-Time wages, \$-, \$19,200.00, \$19,200.00

Motion Carried Unanimously.

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

A. Res. #23-303 Moved by Celeste Roscoe, seconded by Kathy Abdo to approve the Study Session Request for Monday, December 4, 2023, at 6:45 p.m. to discuss the Quarterly Investment Report. Motion Carried Unanimously.

7. Boards & Commissions Report

A. Local Officers Compensation Commission Report/Determination No action is necessary unless the determination by the commission is rejected by 2/3 vote of the Council-elect (MCL 117.5c(e)) No action was taken by the Council.

8. Treasurer's Report - Stacy Paige, Treasurer

Treasurer Paige reminded residents that winter tax bills will be delivered to the residents' mailboxes by December 1st and are due on February 14th. She encouraged residents to contact her office with any questions.

9. Public Comment

A resident addressed the City Council regarding the truck traffic on Wick Road. A resident addressed the City Council regarding the Ashley Capital Development between Wick Road and Ecorse Road.

10. Unfinished Business - Please see Clerks Office for complete copy of Minutes

11. New Business - Please see Clerks Office for complete copy of Minutes

12. Warrant

A. Res. #23-304 Moved by Kathy Abdo, seconded by Tina Talley to approve Warrant #: 23-22 for checks presented in the amount of \$931,620.96. Motion Carried Unanimously.

13. Communication - Please see Clerks Office for complete copy of Minutes

14. Adjournment

Moved by William Wadsworth, seconded by Tina Talley to adjourn the meeting at 8:19 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 November 27, 2023.

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