



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING

June 22, 2026

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

Mayor Pro Tem Tina Talley called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Present: Kathy Abdo, James Bullock, David Jones, Celeste Roscoe, Tina Talley, William Wadsworth, Mark Wilhide

Absent / Excused:

Administrative Officials in Attendance:

Robert McCraight, Mayor

Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk

Administrative Staff in Attendance:

Julie Wojtylko - Chief of Staff; David Greco - City Attorney; D'Sjonaun Hockenhull - Deputy Clerk; Kevin Krause - Director of Community Development & Safety; Gary Harris - Interim Finance Director; Roberto Scappaticci - Director of Public Services & DPW; Ella Yokom - CDBG Coordinator

1. Agenda

- A. Moved by **David Jones**, seconded by **William Wadsworth** to accept the Regular Agenda as presented.
Motion Carried Unanimously

2. Public Comment - FOR AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

Six residents addressed the City Council in opposition to the Pilot Travel Center development.

A resident addressed the City Council regarding the Council's obligation to the residents relevant to the Pilot Travel Center.

Two representatives from Pilot Travel Center addressed the City Council requesting approval of the rezoning.

A resident addressed the City Council inquiring about the reduction in property assessment for the parcel that the Pilot Travel Center will be developed on.

The Clerk read two emailed comments into the record.

3. Approval of Consent Agenda

Moved by **William Wadsworth**, seconded by **Celeste Roscoe** to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.
Motion Carried Unanimously

- A. **Res. #26-158** To approve the Minutes from the Regular Meeting held on Monday, June 8, 2026, at 7:30 p.m.
- B. **Res. #26-159** To approve the Minutes from the Special Meeting — Study Sessions held on Monday, June 8, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. to discuss the Quarterly Investment Report; and at 6:45 p.m. to discuss amendments to the Sign Ordinance of the City of Romulus Code of Ordinances.
- C. **Res. #26-160** To approve a Public Hearing Request for Monday, July 13, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. to review the RFP process and proposal materials from applicant as it pertains to RFP 235/26-10 Van Born Road properties.
- D. **Res. #26-161** To concur with the recommendation of the Executive Advisory Committee and reappoint Brian Lloyd to the Romulus Board of Zoning Appeals with a term to expire on June 30, 2029.
- E. **Res. #26-162** To approve the second reading and final adoption of Budget Amendment 25/26-15 in the amount of \$322,210.00 to cover costs associated with the repair of the parking lot and roof at the Municipal Annex (former 34th District Court). Introduced 6/8/26.
- F. **Res. #26-163** To approve the second reading and final adoption of Budget Amendment 25/26-19 in the amount of \$206,560.00 to recognize revenue that was received in Fiscal Year 2025/2026. Introduced 6/8/26.

G. Res. #26-164 To approve the second reading and final adoption of Budget Amendment 25/26-20 in the amount of \$85,000.00 to increase expenses associated with the MIDC program in Fiscal Year 2025/2026 budget. Introduced 6/8/26.

4. Discussion - Items removed from Consent Agenda

No items were removed from the Consent Agenda

5. Petitioner

A. Petitioner: Jennifer Madison **Petition:** Block Party Petition Request.

Res. #26-165 Moved by **Celeste Roscoe**, seconded by **William Wadsworth** to approve the petitioner's request for a Block Party Event scheduled for Saturday, July 4, 2026, from 5:00 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. and the closing of Hearst Ave. from Chamberlain St. to Dexter St. with access granted for emergency vehicles.

Motion Carried Unanimously

6. Chairperson's Report, Tina Talley, Mayor Pro-Tem

A. Councilwoman Abdo provided an update from the Romulus Library Board.

Councilman Wilhide provided an updated from the Police, Fire, and Safety Commission.

B. Moved by **Celeste Roscoe**, seconded by **David Jones** to accept the Chairperson's Report.

Motion Carried Unanimously

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

A. Res. #26-166 Moved by **William Wadsworth**, seconded by **Mark Wilhide** to concur with the Administration and approve the sub-recipient agreement with Wayne County, for HUD Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) for the FYs 2025 to 2027 in the amount of \$20,000.00.

Motion Carried Unanimously

B. Res. #26-167 Moved by **Celeste Roscoe**, seconded by **David Jones** to concur with the Administration and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to enter into the Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Romulus and the Michigan Drone Association, which will establish the framework for the formation and operation of a regional Count-UAS Task Force. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

C. Res. #26-168 Moved by **David Jones**, seconded by **Mark Wilhide** to concur with the Administration and approve a Change Order to make a revision to the Wade and Superior HMA project with ROWE in the amount of \$623,329.00 to extend the bidding prices to Cogswell Street from Wade to Wabash as part of the construction. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

D. Res. #26-169 Moved by **Celeste Roscoe**, seconded by **Mark Wilhide** to concur with the Administration and consent to piggyback on the MiDeal Contract #MA0000001193 for the purchase of one (1) 2026 Ford Bronco Sport in the amount of \$36,295.00 from Gorno Ford. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

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

A. Res. #26-170 Moved by **William Wadsworth**, seconded by **Celeste Roscoe** to adopt a resolution approving the 2026/2027 FY City of Romulus Proposed Municipal Fee Schedule as presented. Implementation of this fee schedule will commence on July 1, 2026. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

B. Res. #26-171 Moved by **James Bullock**, seconded by **Mark Wilhide** to concur with the Planning Commission's findings and approve the second reading and final adoption of the conditional rezoning request for RZ-2024-001; Pilot Travel Center to rezone 25.53 acres located at 10250 Vining Road, from M-2, General Industrial to M-T, Industrial Transportation for the purpose of developing a truck stop, subject to:

1. Finalization and execution of the Conditional Rezoning Agreement by the City Attorney;
2. Special land use approval for a truck stop;
3. Revised site plan approval by ARC (Administrative Review Committee).

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Bullock, Jones, Talley, Wilhide Nays - Abdo, Roscoe, Wadsworth

Motion Carried

- C. **Res. #26-172** Moved by **Celeste Roscoe**, seconded by **Kathy Abdo** to grant an exemption to the application deadline requirements of the Honorary Street Sign Policy and approve the Honorary Street Sign application recognizing Mr. Henry C. Horry. **Motion Carried Unanimously**
- D. Notice of Determination of Water & Sewer Rates and Fee changes.

9. Treasurer's Report – Stacy Paige, Treasurer

10. Public Comment

A resident addressed the City Council regarding DTE Energy.
A resident addressed the City Council requesting approval of a block party petition and road closure request.
A member of the public thanked the City for its work in preventing an ICE Detention Facility.
A resident addressed the City Council.
A resident addressed the City Council regarding Concorde Apartments.
A resident addressed the City Council regarding the ICE Detention Facility and a bus stop at Ecorse and Vining.
Two residents addressed the City Council to disapprove of Council's vote in approving the rezoning request for the Pilot Travel Center development.

11. Unfinished Business

Res. #26-173 Moved by **Celeste Roscoe**, seconded by **David Jones** to approve the block party petition for Saturday, July 4, 2026, from noon to 11:00 p.m. and the closure of the following streets for the time of the event:

- Martin Pl. from Chamberlain to Second Street
- Second Street from Martin Pl. to Horace Jackson St.
- Horace Jackson St. from Dexter to Second Street.

Subject to approval from all appropriate City departments in accordance with the City's Block Party Regulations.

Motion Carried Unanimously

Councilman Wadsworth inquired about another development project.
Councilwoman Abdo requested the Administration provide a report on the assessment property value of the Pilot Truck Stop.
Mayor McCraight responded to statements made under Public Comment.

12. New Business - None

13. Warrant

- A. **Res. #26-174** Moved by **Kathy Abdo**, seconded by **Celeste Roscoe** to approve Warrant #: 26-12 for checks presented in the amount of \$4,058,206.04. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

14. Communication - None

15. Adjournment

Moved by **William Wadsworth**, seconded by **James Bullock** to adjourn the meeting at 9:34 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 June 22, 2026.



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