



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING
July 27, 2026
Romulus City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Rd, Romulus, MI 48174

Pledge of Allegiance

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

Roll Call

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

Absent / Excused: David Bullock

A quorum was established.

Administrative Officials in Attendance:

Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk

Stacy Paige, Treasurer

Administrative Staff in Attendance:

Julie Wojtylko, Chief of Staff

David Greco, City Attorney

Roberto Scappaticci, Director of Public Works

Jerry Frayer, DDA Director and Economic Development Liaison

Mike Laskaska, Director of Communication and Community Services

1. Agenda

A. Moved by **William Wadsworth**, seconded by **David Jones**, to approve the Amended Agenda as presented. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

2. Public Comment - FOR AGENDA ITEMS ONLY Citizens are to limit their comments to three (3) minutes. All citizens wishing to speak will be heard.

3. Approval of Consent Agenda.

Moved by **Mark Wilhide**, seconded by **William Wadsworth** for Approval of the Consent Agenda for the following action items: **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

- A. **Res. 26-184** Approval of Minutes from the Regular Meeting held on Monday, July 13, 2026, at 7:30 p.m.
- B. **Res. 26-185** Approval of the Minutes from the Special Meeting – Public Hearing held on Monday, July 13, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. to discuss the RFP Process and RFP 25/26-10 Van Born Road Properties.
- C. **Res. 26-186** Approval of the reappointment of Bill Toner to the Downtown Development Authority Board with a term to expire on July 31, 2030.
- D. **Res. 26-187** Authorization of a no-fee permit for all Pumpkin Festival and Parade of Lights activities during the Pumpkin Festival weekend of September 18–20, 2026.
- E. **Res. 26-188** Authorization of the closure of Hunt Street between Goddard Road and Bibbins Street beginning at 12:00 p.m. on Friday, September 18, 2026, and ending at 8:00 p.m. on Sunday, September 20, 2026, for the primary midway of the Pumpkin Festival festivities.
- F. **Res. 26-189** Authorization of the closure of Goddard Road from Gabriel Street to east of the Post Office driveway on Saturday, September 19, 2026, from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. for the Pumpkin Festival Car Show and Pumpkin Chuckin' competition.
- G. **Res. 26-190** Authorization of the closure of Goddard Road from Moore Street to east of the Post Office driveway on Sunday, September 20, 2026, from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

4. Discussion - Items removed from Consent Agenda

5. Petitioner

- A. **Petitioner:** Celebrate MiLIFE **Petition:** Special Event Approval & No-Fee Permit
Res. 26-191 Moved by **Celeste Roscoe**, seconded by **Kathy Abdo** to approve the Special Event from Celebrate MiLIFE for Saturday, September 12, 2026, from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. and authorize a no-fee permit for the closing of Hunt St. from Bibbins to the entrance of the Post Office with access granted for emergency vehicles.

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

Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously.

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

A. Presentation from Wayne Co. Third Circuit Court

Judge Wanda A. Evans of the Wayne County Third Circuit Court presented the "10 Minutes of Justice" outreach initiative, discussing the court's structure as the busiest in Michigan. The court is divided into four divisions: Civil, Criminal, Family Domestic, and Family Juvenile. She highlighted the new Criminal Justice Center with a modern jury room and emphasized the importance of jury service, noting that over 220,000 residents were summoned in 2025. Judge Evans invited school groups to visit the courtroom and announced job openings, directing interested individuals to www.3rdcc.org. Council members praised the outreach effort.

B. Boards & Commissions Updates – See Clerk's Office for complete set of Minutes

C. Moved by Celeste Roscoe, seconded by William Wadsworth, to accept the Chairperson's Report. Motion Carried Unanimously

7. Mayor's Report – Robert A. McCraight, Mayor – See Clerk's Office for complete set of Minutes

The Mayor's Report was presented by **Chief of Staff Julie Wojtylko** in the absence of the Mayor.

Res. 26-192 Moved by **Mark Wilhide**, seconded by **David Jones**, to approve and adopt the Wayne County Public Transportation Millage Resolution as presented. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

A. Res. 26-193 Moved by **William Wadsworth**, seconded by **Celeste Roscoe**, to approve and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to enter into the Professional Services Agreement with Plante Moran for the temporary finance agreement for the City of Romulus. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

B. Res. 26-194 Moved by **Celeste Roscoe**, seconded by **William Wadsworth**, to approve and authorize the DPW to auction the identified surplus equipment on GovDeals.com under the stated terms. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

C. Res. 26-195 Moved by **Celeste Roscoe**, seconded by **David Jones**, to approve and concur with the administration and adopt resolutions formally petitioning the Wayne County Drain Commissioner for necessary maintenance and improvements to the Hale Creek and Rosenworth Drains within the city. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

D. Res. 26-196 Moved by **William Wadsworth**, seconded by **Celeste Roscoe**, to approve and adopt the Annual Community Resolution Accepting Long-Term Maintenance of the Storm Water Management System for fiscal year July 1, 2026, to June 30, 2027. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

E. Res. 26-197 Moved by **Celeste Roscoe**, seconded by **David Jones**, to approve and authorize the purchase of the Enigma 3 Hybrid Locating System, a water leak and utility detection system, from Bain Enterprises at a total cost of \$22,500 under the terms of Sole Source Purchases Exception in Section 39-11(d)(1)c.1 of the Romulus Purchasing Ordinance. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

F. Res. 26-198 Moved by **David Jones**, seconded by **Mark Wilhide**, to approve and authorize the purchase of the Cellular Endpoint Equipment with installation from Neptune Technology Group at a total cost of \$110,781.75 under the terms of the Sole Source Purchases Exception in Section 39-11(d)(1)c.1 of the Romulus Purchasing Ordinance. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

G. Res. 26-199 Moved by **William Wadsworth**, seconded by **Celeste Roscoe**, to approve and to concur with the administration and consent to piggyback on the MiDeal Contract #MA240000001193 with Gorno Ford for the purchase of one (1) 2027 Ford Transit 350 12 Passenger Van for a total cost of \$64,298.00 for the Recreation Department. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

H. Res. 26-200 Moved by **Celeste Roscoe**, seconded by **David Jones** to approve and consent to piggyback on the MiDeal Contract #MA240000001193 with Gorno Ford for the purchase one (1) 2027 Ford Utility Interceptor and one (1) 2026 Ford F150 4x4 XLT SuperCrew at a total cost of \$127,969.00 for the Romulus Police Department. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

I. Res. #26-201 Moved by **Celeste Roscoe**, seconded by **William Wadsworth**, to approve and consent to piggyback on the MiDeal Contract #MA240000001193 with Gorno Ford for the purchase two of (2) 2027 Ford Utility Interceptors at a total cost of \$150,686.00 for the Romulus Police Department. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

8. Clerk's Report – Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk – See Clerk's Office for complete set of Minutes

9. Treasurer's Report – Stacy Paige, Treasurer - See Clerk's Office for complete set of Minutes

10. Public Comment

Several residents addressed the Council regarding speeding concerns in the Gateway subdivision, citing ongoing safety issues and requesting approval to install speed bumps at the homeowners' expense. The City Attorney stated that he is researching traffic-calming practices used by other Michigan communities and will work with the Department of Public Works to develop a citywide recommendation. Additional comments included concerns about the Flock Safety automated license plate reader system and reports of non-functioning pedestrian crossing buttons at several intersections. Council members acknowledged that speeding is a citywide issue and expressed support for pursuing solutions.

11. Unfinished Business – See Clerk's Office for complete set of Minutes

12. New Business

13. Warrant

A. **Res. 26-202** Moved by **Kathy Abdo**, seconded by **William Wadsworth**, to approve Warrant #: 26-14 for checks presented in the amount of \$1,645,400.43 **Motion Carried Unanimously**

14. Communication

15. Adjournment

Moved by **William Wadsworth**, seconded by **Celeste Roscoe**, to adjourn the Regular Council Meeting at 9:06 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 **July 27, 2026**.



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