



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING

December 22, 2025

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; Stephen Hitchcock — City Attorney; Roberto Scappaticci — Director of Public Services & DPW

1. Agenda

A. Moved by **Kathy Abdo**, seconded by **David Jones** to accept the agenda as presented.
Motion Carried Unanimously

2. Minutes

A. **Res. #25-373** Moved by **William Wadsworth**, seconded by **Kathy Abdo** to approve the Minutes from the Regular Meeting held on Monday, December 8, 2025, at 7:30 p.m. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

B. **Res. #25-374** Moved by **William Wadsworth**, seconded by **James Bullock** to approve the Minutes from the Special Meeting — Study Sessions held on Monday, December 8, 2025, at 5:30 p.m. to hear a presentation from Cantella Capital Group to consider their addition to the City's list of depositories; at 6:00 p.m. to discuss the draft 2025-2030 Parks & Recreation Master Plan; and at 6:30 p.m. to discuss the investigative report on an alley vacation in the Buckingham Manor Subdivision.

Motion Carried Unanimously

3. Petitioner - NONE

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

Res. #25-375 Moved by **Kathy Abdo**, seconded by **Celeste Roscoe** to adopt a memorial resolution for the family of Carl Carlton. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

A. Moved by **Celeste Roscoe**, seconded by **David Jones** to accept the Chairperson's Report.
Motion Carried Unanimously

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

A. **Res. #25-376** Moved by **Kathy Abdo**, seconded by **David Jones** to concur with the Administration to reappoint Craig Plank to the Cemetery Board of Trustees, with a term to expire on November 1, 2030. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

B. **Res. #25-377** Moved by **Kathy Abdo**, seconded by **William Wadsworth** to concur with the Administration and approve the reappointment of Autumn Archey, Ruby Paisley, William Wadsworth, Diane Poet, Heavyn McFarland, Leah Cholette, and Cheyenne Hicks to the Recreation Commission with all terms to expire on December 31, 2028. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

C. **Res. #25-378** Moved by **William Wadsworth**, seconded by **Celeste Roscoe** to concur with the Administration and approve the appointment of Justin Freeman to the Downtown Development Authority with a term to expire on March 11, 2027. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

D. **Res. #25-379** Moved by **Celeste Roscoe**, seconded by **Mark Wilhide** to concur with the Administration and approve the reappointment of James Crova and Daniel McAnally to the Planning Commission for three (3) year terms that will expire on January 31, 2029. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

E. **Res. #25-380** Moved by **Celeste Roscoe**, seconded by **Mark Wilhide** to concur with the Administration and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to enter into the professional services agreement with Orchard Hiltz & McCliment for engineering services for the City of Romulus through December 31, 2029. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

F. **Res. #25-381** Moved by **Celeste Roscoe**, seconded by **David Jones** to concur with the Administration and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to enter into the contract with the State of Michigan, for the receipt of a legislative sponsorship grant, in the amount of \$500,000.00 with a cost share to the City in the amount of \$128,072.00 for road repairs to Cogswell Road which will repair concrete pavement with integral curb repair and reconstruction along Cogswell Road from approximately 1,640 feet south of Ecorse Road northerly to Van Born Road. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

G. **Res. #25-382** Moved by **William Wadsworth**, seconded by **Mark Wilhide** to concur with the Administration and award bid ITB 25/26-07 to the lowest most responsive and responsible bidder, Michigan Police Equipment, LLC., in the amount of \$70,232.04 for Duty Pistols for the Romulus Police Department. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

H. **Res. #25-383** Moved by **Celeste Roscoe**, seconded by **William Wadsworth** to concur with the Administration and award Bid ITB 25/26-08 demolition list 24-01 (listed) to the most responsive and responsible bidder, VanAssche Construction. **Motion Carried Unanimously**
Res. #25-384 Moved by **Celeste Roscoe**, seconded by **David Jones** to concur with the Administration and award Bid ITB 25/26-08 demolition of 11201 Middlebelt should the demolition not be completed by April 22, 2026. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

I. **Res. #25-385** Moved by **Kathy Abdo**, seconded by **Mark Wilhide** to concur with the Administration and consent to piggyback on the GSA contract GL-07F-173CA for the purchase of a new door security system to upgrade the security system at 11165 Olive St. connecting it to the centrally-controlled system in place for multiple City buildings from Actron Security Alarm Systems, Inc. in the amount of \$134,769.45. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

J. **Res. #25-386** Moved by **William Wadsworth**, seconded by **Kathy Abdo** to concur with the Administration and award ITB 25/26-09 to the lowest and most responsive bidder, Ancona Controls, to replace the existing generator in the amount of \$225,256.04 for the Romulus Senior Center. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

K. **Res. #25-387** Moved by **Celeste Roscoe**, seconded by **David Jones** to concur with the Administration and consent to piggyback on the MiDeal Contract #MA240000001208 Macomb County Contract #21-18 with Lunghamer Ford for the purchase of one (1) 2026 Ford F-150 Super Crew 4x4 at a total cost of \$53,678.00 for the Fire Chief. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

L. **Res. #25-388** Moved by **Celeste Roscoe**, seconded by **David Jones** to concur with the Administration and introduce Budget Amendment 25/26-12 to recognize reimbursement from the August 5, 2025 Special School Election and associated costs with the election.

| FUND/DEPT. ACCOUNT NO. | ACCOUNT NAME | CURRENT BUDGET | AMENDMENT | AMENDED BUDGET |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|------------------|---------------------------|
| 101-262 Elections | | | | |
| Expense | | | | |
| 101-262-703.000 | Parttime | \$- | \$20,085.00 | \$20,085.00 |
| 101-262-710.000 | Overtime | \$- | \$5,922.00 | \$5,922.00 |
| 101-262-728.000 | Postage | \$- | \$9,083.00 | \$9,083.00 |
| 101-262-729.000 | Supplies | \$- | \$7,528.00 | \$7,528.00 |
| 101-262-900.000 | Print & Pub. | \$- | \$295.00 | \$295.00 |

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| Revenue 101-262-676.262 | Election Reimb. | \$- | \$42,913.00 | \$42,913.0000 |
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Motion Carried Unanimously

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

- A. **Res. #25-389** Moved by **David Jones**, seconded by **William Wadsworth** to approve the Second Reading and Final Adoption of Budget Amendment 25/26-11 in the amount of \$1,000,000.00 to recognize revenue from the Public Safety Grant. **Motion Carried Unanimously**
- B. **Res. #25-390** Moved by **Celeste Roscoe**, seconded by **David Jones** to approve the First Reading and Introduction to amendments to Chapter 2 - Administration, Article II - City Council, adding Section 2-19 to 2-26 (Council Vacancy Procedure Ordinance) to the Romulus Code of Ordinances.
Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Bullock, Jones, Roscoe, Talley, Wilhide Nays - Wadsworth
Motion Carried
- C. Moved by **Celeste Roscoe**, seconded by **David Jones** to adopt a resolution vacating the north – south alley in the Buckingham Manor Subdivision, North of Cincinnati Avenue, South of Avalon St., East of Essex St., and West of Chamberlain Drive, abutting Lots 183 to 197 inclusive, and Lots 232 to 246 inclusive located in the N.W. ¼ Section 4 of the City of Romulus, County of Wayne, retaining all utility easement of records and a 20-foot utility easement within the vacated alley for the City of Romulus Department of Public Works to access any city-owned utilities that may be located within the alley for repair and/or maintenance.
Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Bullock, Jones, Wilhide Nays - Abdo, Roscoe, Talley, Wadsworth
Motion Failed

D. For Your Information: 2026 Boards & Commission Meeting Calendars

- Board of Zoning Appeals
- Planning Commission
- Downtown Development Authority
- Tax Increment Finance Authority
- Romulus Library Board
- Recreation Commission
- Romulus Board of Review

7. Treasurer's Report – Stacy Paige, Treasurer

- A. **Res. #25-392** Moved by **Celeste Roscoe**, seconded by **Kathy Abdo** to approve and adopt the depository resolution. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

8. Public Comment - NONE

9. Unfinished Business - NONE

10. New Business - NONE

11. Warrant

- A. **Res. #25-393** Moved by **Kathy Abdo**, seconded by **Celeste Roscoe** to approve Warrant #: 25-24 for checks presented in the amount of \$1,151,650.74. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

12. Communication (See Clerks Office for Complete set of Minutes)

13. Adjournment

Moved by **William Wadsworth**, seconded by **David Jones** to adjourn the meeting at 8:38 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 December 22, 2025.



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