

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**October 5, 2020**

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

**MEETING HELD ELECTRONICALLY**

**VIA ZOOM MEETING/TELECOMMUNICATION**

**Pledge of Allegiance**

Led by Councilman Wadsworth

**Roll Call**

**Present: Kathy Abdo, John Barden, Celeste Roscoe, Tina Talley, William Wadsworth, Eva Webb, Virginia Williams**  
**Absent / Excused:**

**Administrative Officials in Attendance:**

LeRoy Burcroff, Mayor  
Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk  
Stacy Paige, Treasurer

**Administrative Staff in Attendance:**

D'Sjonaun Hockenhull - Deputy Clerk; Julie Wojtylko - Chief of Staff; Stephen Dudek - Technology Director; Joshua Monte - Police Captain; Kathy Hood - Deputy Director of DPW; Stephen Hitchcock - City Attorney

**1. Agenda**

- A.** Moved by **Kathy Abdo**, seconded by **Tina Talley** to approve the agenda as amended

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Roscoe, Talley, Wadsworth, Webb, Williams

Nays - None

**Motion Carried Unanimously**

**2. Minutes**

- A. Res. #20-258** Moved by **William Wadsworth**, seconded by **Eva Webb** to approve the minutes from the regular meeting held on September 28, 2020

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Roscoe, Talley, Wadsworth, Webb, Williams

Nays - None

**Motion Carried Unanimously**

- B. Res. #20-259** Moved by **Kathy Abdo**, seconded by **Tina Talley** to approve the minutes from the special meeting(s) held on September 28, 2020 - 6:30pm, Closed Session: Attorney Opinion

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Roscoe, Talley, Wadsworth, Webb, Williams

Nays - None

**Motion Carried Unanimously**

**3. Petitioner**

No petitioners at this time

**4. Chairperson's Report, John Barden, Mayor Pro-Tem**

- A. Res. #20-260** Moved by **Eva Webb**, seconded by **Tina Talley** to continue to hold meetings of the City Council via Zoom until such time deemed by the Council and at the recommendation of legal counsel that all appropriate CDC recommendations for the health and safety of the elected officials and public in attendance can be met and guidelines are less restrictive to allow for a more reasonable number of members of the public can be in attendance throughout the meeting of the City Council.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Roscoe, Talley, Wadsworth, Webb

Nays - Williams

**Motion Carried.**

Moved by **Celeste Roscoe**, seconded by **Tina Talley** to approve the Chairperson's Report

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Roscoe, Talley, Wadsworth, Webb, Williams

Nays - None

**Motion Carried Unanimously**

**5. Mayor's Report - LeRoy D. Burcroff, Mayor**

- A. Res. #20-261** Moved by **William Wadsworth**, seconded by **Celeste Roscoe** to accept and concur with the administration to adopt the attached resolution authorizing the Mayor and Clerk to enter into the Intergovernmental Agreement with Wayne County for the 2019 Justice Assistance Grant funding program award to the City of Romulus and accept monies from Wayne County Department of Homeland Security in the amount of \$12,10.00

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Roscoe, Talley, Wadsworth, Webb, Williams

Nays - None

**Motion Carried Unanimously**

- B. Res. #20-262** Moved by **Eva Webb**, seconded by **Kathy Abdo** to accept and concur with the administration and consent to Piggyback on MiDeal Contract #07B7700181 for the purchase of five (5) 2021 Ford Police Utility Interceptors, from Gorno Ford at a total costs of \$182,260 including options and delivery

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Roscoe, Talley, Wadsworth, Webb, Williams

Nays - None

**Motion Carried Unanimously**

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

- A. Res. #20-263** Moved by **Celeste Roscoe**, seconded by **William Wadsworth** to accept the Second Reading, Final Adoption of Budget Amendment 20/21-6 Library; introduced at 9/28/20 regular city council meeting

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Roscoe, Talley, Wadsworth, Webb, Williams

Nays - None

**Motion Carried Unanimously**

- B. Res. #20-264** Moved by **Celeste Roscoe**, seconded by **Eva Webb** to accept the Second Reading, Final Adoption of Budget Amendment 20/21-7 Library; introduced at 9/28/20 regular city council meeting

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Roscoe, Talley, Wadsworth, Webb, Williams

Nays - None

**Motion Carried Unanimously**

- C. Res. #20-265** Moved by **William Wadsworth**, seconded by **Kathy Abdo** to accept the Second Reading, Final Adoption of Budget Amendment 20/21-8 Library; introduced at 9/28/20 regular city council meeting

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Roscoe, Talley, Wadsworth, Webb, Williams

Nays - None

**Motion Carried Unanimously**

- D. Res. #20-266** Moved by **Celeste Roscoe**, seconded by **William Wadsworth** to accept the Second Reading, Final Adoption of Budget Amendment 20/21-9 Public Safety; introduced at 9/28/20 regular city council meeting

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Roscoe, Talley, Wadsworth, Webb, Williams

Nays - None

**Motion Carried Unanimously**

- E. Res. #20-267** Moved by **Eva Webb**, seconded by **Virginia Williams** to approve the Study Session Request from Kevin Losen, H.R. Director for 10/12/20 @ 6:30pm

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Roscoe, Talley, Wadsworth, Webb, Williams

Nays - None

**Motion Carried Unanimously**

**7. Treasurer's Report - Stacy Paige, Treasurer**

- 8. Public Comment** - Citizens are to limit their comments to three (3) minutes. All citizens wishing to speak will be heard.

A resident inquired as to the location, construction, and lack of transparency of the Kroger Fulfillment Center

**9. Unfinished Business**

Councilwoman Roscoe addressed resident's question posed in public comment portion of meeting Mayor Burcroff made additional comments and clarification as to the Councilwoman Roscoe's statement.

**10. New Business**

**11. Warrant**

Agenda amended to strike item from agenda

**12. Communication**

Councilwoman Talley thanked the mayor for additional information on Kroger Fulfillment Center. She thanked Senior Center Director, Rose Swidan, for her hard work at the Senior Center and all participants for the cornhole tournament. Councilwoman Webb thanked Finance Director, Maria Farris, for her itemized list of the Senior Center expenses. Councilwoman Roscoe informed of Waste Management's extended pickup days. She also gave Waste Management customer service number if residents are unsure as to what is proper to throw out or what type of trash will be picked up. Councilwoman Williams announced that Forgotten Harvest will resume next Tuesday from 12pm - 3pm. Councilman Wadsworth communicated the appreciation of the family who Director Swidan assisted in getting a 4 wheel walker.

**13. Adjournment**

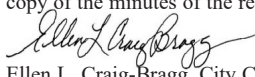
Moved by **William Wadsworth**, seconded by **Eva Webb** to adjourn the meeting at 8:30pm

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Roscoe, Talley, Wadsworth, Webb, Williams

Nays - None

**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 October 5, 2020.

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