

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING

July 22, 2019

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

The meeting was called to order at 7:30pm by Mayor Pro-Tem John Barden

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Present: Kathy Abdo, John Barden, Tina Talley, William Wadsworth, Eva Webb, Virginia Williams,

Absent / Excused: Celeste Roscoe

Administrative Officials in Attendance:

Leroy Burcroff, Mayor Ellen L.

Craig-Bragg, Clerk

1. Agenda

1A. Approval of Agenda.

Moved by **Tina Talley**, seconded by **Kathy Abdo** for approval of the Agenda as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Kathy Abdo, John Barden, Tina Talley, William Wadsworth, Eva Webb, Virginia Williams
Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously.

2. Minutes

2A. Approval of the minutes from the regular meeting held on July 8, 2019.

Res. #19-207 Moved by **William Wadsworth**, seconded by **Kathy Abdo** to approve the minutes from the regular council meeting held on July 8, 2019 as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Kathy Abdo, John Barden, Tina Talley, William Wadsworth, Eva Webb, Virginia Williams
Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously.

3. Petitioner - None

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

Res. #19-208 Moved by **Virginia Williams**, seconded by **Eva Webb** to Adopt a resolution honoring Rev. James A. Thompson on his retirement from pastoring 38 years at the Mount Olive Baptist Church.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Kathy Abdo, John Barden, Tina Talley, William Wadsworth, Eva Webb, Virginia Williams
Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously.

Res. #19-209 Moved by **Kathy Abdo**, seconded by **William Wadsworth** to concur with the recommendation of the administration and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to enter into a newly ratified Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City of Romulus and the Police Officers Association of Michigan, replacing the previous agreement which expired on December 31, 2017. The new ratified agreement is to be effective January 1, 2018 thru June 30, 2023.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Kathy Abdo, John Barden, Tina Talley, William Wadsworth, Eva Webb, Virginia Williams
Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously.

4A. Approval of Chairperson's Report.

Moved by **Tina Talley**, seconded by **Kathy Abdo** to accept the Chairperson's Report.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Kathy Abdo, John Barden, Tina Talley, William Wadsworth, Eva Webb, Virginia Williams

Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously.

5. Mayor's Report – LeRoy D. Burcroff, Mayor

Mayor Burcroff presented a video of upcoming City events.

Mayor Burcroff gave an update on the Great Lakes Water Authority 48in Water Main project for Wick Road.

Construction has been delayed until the end of September. Notifications will be sent out regarding upcoming resident and pre-construction meetings.

5A. Senior Alliance 2020 Annual Implementation Plan.

Res.#19-210 Moved by **William Wadsworth**, seconded by **Kathy Abdo** to concur with the administration and adopt a resolution in support of the Senior Alliance Annual Implementation Plan for Aging Services for fiscal year 2020.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Kathy Abdo, John Barden, Tina Talley, William Wadsworth, Eva Webb, Virginia Williams

Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously.

5B First Reading and Introduction of Budget Amendment 19/20-02 General Fund.

Res.#19-211 Moved by **Eva Webb**, seconded by **Tina Talley** to concur with the administration and introduce budget amendment 19/20-02 to cover cost of a new hire in the Treasurer's Office cashier position with high qualifications, previous experience and six months on the job training.

<u>FUND/DEPT.</u> <u>ACCOUNT NO</u> General Fund	<u>ACCOUNT NAME</u>	<u>CURRENT</u> <u>BUDGET</u>	<u>AMENDMENT</u>	<u>AMENDED</u> <u>BUDGET</u>
<u>Expense (Treasurer)</u>				
101-253-702.000	Regular Salaries	208,180	7,456	215,636
101-253-715.000	Social Security	13,680	385	14,065
101-253-715.000	Medicare	3,200	90	3,290
101-253-716.000	Defined Contribution	23,940	858	24,798
101-253-717.100	Retiree Health Savings	760	75	835
101-253-721.000	LTD Insurance	880	(160)	720
101-253-722.000	Worker's Comp	680	(19)	661
<u>Fund Balance</u>				
101-000-390.000	General Fund, Fund Balance	3,437,423	(8,685)	3,428,738

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Kathy Abdo, John Barden, Tina Talley, William Wadsworth, Eva Webb, Virginia Williams

Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously.

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

6A Second Reading, Final Adoption of Budget Amendment 19/20-01, Court Debt Service Fund.

Res. #19-212 Moved by **Tina Talley**, seconded by **William Wadsworth** to approve the Second Reading, Final Adoption of Budget Amendment 19/20-01, Court Debt Service Fund.

<u>FUND / DEPT.</u> <u>ACCOUNT NO.</u>	<u>ACCOUNT NAME</u>	<u>CURRENT</u> <u>BUDGET</u>	<u>AMENDMENT</u>	<u>AMENDED</u> <u>BUDGET</u>
Court Debt Service Fund,				
<u>Fund Balance</u>				
302-000-390.000	Fund Balance	\$1,581,510	(\$525,000)	\$1,056,510
<u>Expense</u>				
302-000-999.401	Transfer Out-Court Const. Fund	-	\$525,000	\$525,000
Court Construction Fund				
<u>Revenue</u>				
401-000-699.302	Transfer In-Court Debt Serv. Fund	-	\$525,000	\$525,000
<u>Expense</u>				
401-000-980.000	Project Costs	-	\$747,000	\$747,000
<u>Fund Balance</u>				
401-000-390.000	General Fund, Fund Balance	\$9,268,727	(\$222,000)	\$9,046,727

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Kathy Abdo, John Barden, Tina Talley, William Wadsworth, Eva Webb, Virginia Williams
Nays - None
Motion Carried Unanimously.

6B. Unsold Tax Foreclosed Properties for year 2019 - Dated 7-2-2019.

Res. #19-213 Moved by **Kathy Abdo**, seconded by **Eva Webb** to approve the Unsold Tax Foreclosed Property for year 2019, Dated 7-2-2019.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Kathy Abdo, John Barden, Tina Talley, William Wadsworth, Eva Webb, Virginia Williams
Nays - None
Motion Carried Unanimously.

6C. Study Session Request from Director of Marketing and Community Development, Jazmine Danci, for Monday, August 12, 2019 at 6:30pm to discuss Economic Development and Marketing Strategy Plans.

Res. #19-214 Moved by **William Wadsworth**, seconded by **Kathy Abdo** to approve the Study Session Request from Director of Marketing and Community Development, Jazmine Danci, for Monday, August 12, 2019 at 6:30p to discuss Economic Development and Marketing Strategy Plans.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Kathy Abdo, John Barden, Tina Talley, William Wadsworth, Eva Webb, Virginia Williams
Nays - None
Motion Carried Unanimously.

6D. Study Session Request from City Treasurer, Stacy Paige, for Monday, August 12, 2019 at 7:00pm to discuss City Investments.

Res. #19-215 Moved by **Kathy Abdo**, seconded by **Eva Webb** to approve the Study Session Request from City Treasurer, Stacy Paige, for Monday, August 12, 2019 at 7:00pm to discuss City Investments.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Kathy Abdo, John Barden, Tina Talley, William Wadsworth, Eva Webb, Virginia Williams
Nays - None
Motion Carried Unanimously.

- 6E.** Study Session Request from Assistant DPW Director, Kathy Hood, for Monday, August 5, 2019 at 7:00pm to discuss the City of Romulus Capital Improvement Plan.

Res. #19-216 Moved by **William Wadsworth**, seconded by **Kathy Abdo** to approve the Study Session Request from Assistant DPW Director, Kathy Hood, for Monday, August 5, 2019 at 7:00pm to discuss the City of Romulus Capital Improvement Plan.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Kathy Abdo, John Barden, Tina Talley, William Wadsworth, Eva Webb, Virginia Williams
Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously.

- 6F.** First Reading of an Amendment to Chapter 38, Parks and Recreation, of the Romulus Code of Ordinances.

Res. #19-217 Moved by **Tina Talley**, seconded by **Kathy Abdo** to approve the First Reading of an Amendment to Chapter 38, Parks and Recreation, of the Romulus Code of Ordinances.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Kathy Abdo, John Barden, Tina Talley, William Wadsworth, Eva Webb, Virginia Williams
Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously.

- 6G.** Fall City No-Fee Garage/Yard Sale Dates: Thursday, September 26, 2019 thru Sunday, September 29, 2019.

Res. #19-218 Moved by **Kathy Abdo**, seconded by **Tina Talley** to approve the Fall City No-Fee Garage/Yard Sale Dates: Thursday, September 26, 2019 thru Sunday, September 29, 2019.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Kathy Abdo, John Barden, Tina Talley, William Wadsworth, Eva Webb, Virginia Williams
Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously.

7. Treasurer's Report – Stacy Paige, Treasurer

8. Public Comment – There was no public comment

9. Unfinished Business

10. New Business

11. Communication

Councilwoman Abdo announced the Romulus Athletic Center Summer Sizzle on Sunday, July 28, 2019, 12:00pm to 6:00pm. Free for members and \$5 for non-members.

Councilwoman Williams announced the 78th Annual Romulus Community Festival beginning July 26th through July 28th at the Thomas J. Coleman Community Center, 35351 Beverly Road; Movies-in-the-Park on Friday and Gospel Day on Sunday.

Councilwoman Williams asked the Mayor about the toddler park and when will the new equipment be installed. Director of Marketing and Community Development, Jasmine Danci gave an update – The equipment has already been delivered to DPW; the installation schedule has been delayed several times due to the rainy weather; planning to install equipment soon.

Councilwoman Talley spoke about the article in the Telegram Newspaper regarding the City of Romulus leading in Economic Development in Wayne County.

Councilwoman Talley spoke about the Auto Insurance Town Hall meeting sponsored by Congresswoman Rashida Tlaib and State Representative Alex Garza and the Railroad Grade Separation Forum held in Dearborn.

Councilwoman Abdo announced the Romulus Historical Society Anniversary Celebration on Saturday, August 17, 2019 at 2:00pm.

- 11A. **Res. #19-219** Moved by **Kathy Abdo**, seconded by **William Wadsworth** to adopt a memorial resolution for Lucille Sparagowski.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Kathy Abdo, John Barden, Tina Talley, William Wadsworth, Eva Webb, Virginia Williams
Nays - None
Motion Carried Unanimously.

12. Warrant

- 12A. Approval of Warrant 19-14 - Checks presented in the amount of \$931,473.72.

Res. #19-220 Moved by **Kathy Abdo**, seconded by **Tina Talley** to pay Warrant 19-14 in the amount of \$931,473.72.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Kathy Abdo, John Barden, Tina Talley, William Wadsworth, Eva Webb, Virginia Williams
Nays - None
Motion Carried Unanimously.

13. Adjournment

Moved by **William Wadsworth**, seconded by **Eva Webb** for Adjournment.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Kathy Abdo, John Barden, Tina Talley, William Wadsworth, Eva Webb, Virginia 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 July 22, 2019.



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