



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING

April 26, 2021

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

MEETING HELD ELECTRONICALLY VIA ZOOM MEETING TELECOMMUNICATIONS

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Pro-Tem, Tina Talley

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Present: **Kathy Abdo** (present in Romulus, MI), **Celeste Roscoe** (present in Romulus, MI), **Tina Talley** (present in Romulus, MI), **Eva Webb** (present in Romulus, MI), **Virginia Williams** (present in Romulus, MI)

Absent / Excused: **John Barden** (joined the meeting at 7:37 p.m.), **William Wadsworth**

Administrative Officials in Attendance:

LeRoy Burcroff, Mayor

Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk

Administrative Staff in Attendance:

D'Sjonaun Hockenhull - Deputy Clerk; Julie Wojtylko - Chief of Staff; Stephen Hitchcock - City Attorney; Mike Laskaska - Director of Communications & Community Service; Tanya Cofield - Recreation Coordinator; Roberto Scappaticci - Director of DPW; Kathy Hood - Assistant Director of DPW; Robert McCraight - Director of Public Services & Economic Development; Gary Harris - Purchasing Director

1. Agenda

- A.** Moved by **Kathy Abdo**, seconded by **Celeste Roscoe** to accept the agenda as presented.

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

Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously

2. Minutes

- A. Res. #21-116** Moved by **Kathy Abdo**, seconded by **Eva Webb** to approve the minutes from the regular meeting held on April 12, 2021, at 7:30 p.m.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Talley, Webb, Williams

Nays - None

Abstain - Roscoe

Motion Carried

- B. Res. #21-117** Moved by **Eva Webb**, seconded by **Kathy Abdo** to approve the minutes from the special meeting(s) held on April 12, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. to discuss the Preliminary 21/22 FY Budgets for the Court, Library, and City.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Talley, Webb, Williams

Nays - None

Abstain - Roscoe

Motion Carried

3. **Petitioner - None**

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

- A. Councilperson John Barden joined the meeting at 7:37 p.m. and resumed chairmanship of the meeting.
Res. #21-118 Moved by **Kathy Abdo**, seconded by **Eva Webb** to adopt a memorial resolution for the family of Patricia Arsenault.

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

Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously

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

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Kathy Abdo, Celeste Roscoe, Tina Talley, Eva Webb, Virginia Williams

Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously.

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

- A. **Res. #21-119** Moved by **Celeste Roscoe**, seconded by **Tina Talley** to concur with the administration and authorize a no fee permit for the Horseshoe Club to use the Elmer Johnson Horseshoe Pit on Wednesdays starting May 5, 2021 through September 30, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.

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

Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously

- B. **Res. #21-120** Moved by **Eva Webb**, seconded by **Tina Talley** to concur with the administration and consent to piggyback on the MiDeal Contract #00861 to update and renovate the restrooms at Elmer Johnson's Park in the amount of \$37,000.00.

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

Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously

- C. **Res. #21-121** Moved by **Tina Talley**, seconded by **Kathy Abdo** to concur with the administration and authorize the change orders #1 and #2 (total amount of \$172,709.00) to ITB 19/20-25 for all work outlined in Change Order #1 to reduce grouted joints and increase full-length liners in the amount of \$87,709.00 and Change Order #2 for the clean-up of grease build-up in the Beverly Sewer due to S&F Foods Production (the City will be requesting reimbursement from S&F Foods for the entire cost) in the amount of \$85,000.00.

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

Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously

- D. **Res. #21-122** Moved by **Eva Webb**, seconded by **Tina Talley** to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to enter into the contract with the State of Michigan-MDOT for the Beverly Road Phase II project with a 20% local match of \$291,000.00. The State of Michigan has awarded the City of Romulus \$1,312,100.00.

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

Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously

- E. Res. #21-123** Moved by **Kathy Abdo**, seconded by **Tina Talley** to concur with the administration and introduce budget amendment 20/21-20 to pay for final construction costs of Goddard Road Streetscape. Original Budget Amendment 19-20-11 was approved in a Regular Council Meeting on 12/9/19 and funds were not dispersed for payment to State of Michigan-MDOT.

<u>FUND/DEPT. ACCOUNT NO.</u>	<u>ACCOUNT NAME</u>	<u>CURRENT FUND BALANCE</u>	<u>AMENDMENT</u>	<u>AMENDED BUDGET</u>
Major Roads				
<u>Fund Balance</u>				
202-000-390.000	Fund Balance	\$529,837.00	\$ 100,700.00	\$ 429,137.00
<u>Expense</u>				
202-463-980.013	Capital Outlay	\$-	\$100,700.00	\$100,700.00

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

Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously

- F. Res. #21-124** Moved by **Celeste Roscoe**, seconded by **Kathy Abdo** to concur with the administration and introduce budget amendment 20/21-21 to pay for costs associated with repair to the Pinewood Pump Station #1, Guide Rail and Base Replacement.

<u>FUND/DEPT. ACCOUNT NO.</u>	<u>ACCOUNT NAME</u>	<u>CURRENT FUND BALANCE</u>	<u>AMENDMENT</u>	<u>AMENDED BUDGET</u>
Oakwood SAD				
<u>Fund Balance</u>				
220-000-390.000	Fund Balance	\$43,339.00	\$ 5,0001.00	\$ 38,339.00
<u>Expense</u>				
220-441-936.001	Maintenance Expense	\$-	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00

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

Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously

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

- A. Res. #21-125** Moved by **Kathy Abdo**, seconded by **Eva Webb** to approve the Second Reading and Final Adoption of Budget Amendment 20/21-19 in the amount of \$17,500.00 for preparation of the actuarial funding valuation of the City of Romulus Retiree Health Care Plan as of June 30, 2020.

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

Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously

- B. Res. #21-126** Moved by **Celeste Roscoe**, seconded by **Kathy Abdo** to approve the Second Reading and Final Adoption of Amendment to City Code of Ordinance - Chapter 30, Article II - Section 30-25; Procedures for issuance of certificate of registration.

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

Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously

7. Treasurer's Report – Stacy Paige, Treasurer - No report

8. Public Comment - None

9. Unfinished Business - None

10. New Business – None

11. Warrant

- A. Res. #21-127** Moved by **Kathy Abdo**, seconded by **Tina Talley** to approve Warrant #: 21-8 Checks presented in the amount of \$779,961.64.

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

Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously

12. Communication

Councilperson Roscoe reminded residents of the Community Shred Day on May 15th from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the city hall complex. She also thanked everyone for their thoughts and prayers during her time of grief. Councilperson Talley reminded residents of the Prom Toast and announced the Free Dumping Days from May 20th to 22nd located at the Romulus DPW South Lot. Councilperson Talley also read a bible scripture. Councilperson Abdo announced that she and another resident is working to sponsor a student for prom and if any is interested in sponsoring a student for prom to contact her. Councilperson Williams inquired about the completion date of construction projects throughout the city.

Res. #21-128 Moved by **Virginia Williams**, seconded by **Eva Webb** to adopt a memorial resolution for the family of Pastor David Jones Jr.

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

Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously

Councilperson Williams also commented on a letter circulated to city employees by the Mayor.

13. Adjournment

Moved by **Eva Webb**, seconded by **Kathy Abdo** to adjourn the meeting at 8:29 p.m.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Roscoe, Talley, 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 April 26, 2021.



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