MINUTES OF THE REGULAR ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING
January 4, 2022
Romulus City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Rd, Romulus, MI 48174

AMENDED

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Pro-Tem John Barden.
Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

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

Administrative Officials in Attendance:
Robert McCraight, Mayor
Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk

Administrative Staff in Attendance:
Julie Wojtylko - Chief of Staff

1. Agenda - The Clerk asked Council to approve an amended agenda to include an action item.

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

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Roscoe, Wadsworth, Webb, Williams
Nays - None
Motion Carried Unanimously.

2. Minutes

A. Res. #22-001 Moved by **Kathy Abdo**, seconded by **William Wadsworth** to approve the Minutes from the Regular Meeting held on Tuesday, December 28, 2021, at 7:30 p.m.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Wadsworth, Webb,
Nays – None
Abstain – Roscoe, Williams
Motion Carried.

B. Res. # 22-002 Moved by **Eva Webb**, seconded by **Kathy Abdo** to approve the Minutes from the special meeting - study session held on Tuesday, December 28, 2021, at 6:45 p.m. to discuss the draft for the Non-Motorized Pathway Plan for the City of Romulus.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Wadsworth, Webb, Williams
Nays – None
Abstain – Roscoe
Motion Carried.

3. Petitioner - None

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

Res. #22-003 Moved by **Celeste Roscoe**, seconded by **Kathy Abdo** to adopt a Retirement Resolution for Paul England's 46 years of service with the City of Romulus Department of Public Works.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Roscoe, Wadsworth, Webb, Williams
Nays - None
Motion Carried Unanimously.

Res. #22-004 Moved by **Eva Webb**, seconded by **Virginia Williams** to adopt a Memorial Resolution in memory of Deborah Hester.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Roscoe, Wadsworth, Webb, Williams
Nays - None
Motion Carried Unanimously.

Res. #22-005 Moved by **William Wadsworth**, seconded by **Virginia Williams** to adopt a Memorial Resolution in memory of Ed Klimaszewski. (RPD Dispatcher).

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Roscoe, Wadsworth, Webb, Williams
Nays - None
Motion Carried Unanimously.

A. Moved by **Celeste Roscoe**, seconded by **Kathy Abdo** to accept the Chairperson's Report.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Roscoe, Wadsworth, Webb, Williams
Nays - None
Motion Carried Unanimously.

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

Mayor McCraight commented on the retirement of Paul England and his 46 years of service with the City of Romulus. He further announced that Vanessa Toliver, from DPW, has filled the position in the Mayor's Office left by Jessica LaDuke who obtained employment in her field of study. Finally, the Mayor acknowledged Romulus Police Officer Brian Perkins for receiving the "Officer of the Quarter" award and City Assessor Julie Albert for obtaining a perfect score and Certificate of Achievement from the State of Michigan.

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

A. **Res. #22-006** Moved by **Celeste Roscoe**, seconded by **Eva Webb** to approve a one (1) hour Study Session for Monday, January 10, 2022, at 6:00 pm for the Audit Presentation by Plante Moran.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Roscoe, Wadsworth, Webb, Williams
Nays - None
Motion Carried Unanimously.

7. Treasurer's Report – Stacy Paige, Treasurer

8. Public Comment - None

9. Unfinished Business

10. New Business

11. Communication

Councilwoman Williams commented on the proposed redistricting maps established by the Michigan Citizens Independent Redistricting Commission (MICRC), which divides the City of Romulus' State House representation into three (3) districts.

Res. #22-007 Moved by **William Wadsworth**, seconded by **Celeste Roscoe** to adopt a resolution objecting to the finalized electoral boundaries established for the City of Romulus in the Redistricting Map (Hickory) approved by the Michigan Citizens Independent Redistricting Commission (MICRC).

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Roscoe, Wadsworth, Webb, Williams
Nays - None
Motion Carried Unanimously.

12. Adjournment

A. Moved by **Eva Webb**, seconded by **William Wadsworth** to adjourn the meeting at 7:54 p.m.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Roscoe, 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 January 4, 2022.

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