



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING

June 10, 2024

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Mayor Pro Tem John Barden called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Present: Kathy Abdo, John Barden, Tina Talley, Virginia Williams, Allen Wilson

Absent / Excused: Celeste Roscoe, William Wadsworth

Administrative Officials in Attendance:

Robert McCraight, Mayor

Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk

Stacy Paige, Treasurer

Administrative Staff in Attendance:

D'Sjonaun Hockenhull - Deputy Clerk; Stephen Hitchcock - City Attorney; Kevin Krause - Director of Community Development & Safety; Jeffrey Kemp - Director of Building & Zoning; Maria Farris - Finance Director; Gary Harris - Asst. Finance Director; Roger Salwa - Police Captain

1. Agenda

- A. Moved by **Tina Talley**, seconded by **Kathy Abdo** to accept the Agenda as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Kathy Abdo, John Barden, Tina Talley, Virginia Williams, Allen Wilson

Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously

2. Minutes

- A. **Res. #24-157** Moved by **Tina Talley**, seconded by **Kathy Abdo** to approve the Minutes from the Regular Meeting held on Monday, June 3, 2024, at 7:30 p.m.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Kathy Abdo, John Barden, Tina Talley, Virginia Williams, Allen Wilson

Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously.

- B. **No quorum was present for the Special Meeting - Study Session scheduled for Monday, June 3, 2024, at 6:30 p.m.**

3. Petitioner – None

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

- A. Moved by **Tina Talley**, seconded by **Virginia Williams** to accept the Chairperson's Report.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Kathy Abdo, John Barden, Tina Talley, Virginia Williams, Allen Wilson

Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously.

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

- A. Res. #24-158** Moved by **Tina Talley**, seconded by **Kathy Abdo** to concur with the Administration and consent to piggyback on the MiDeal Contract #071B770081 to purchase four (4) 2025 Ford Utility Interceptors with options and a seven year extended warranty at the price of \$52,004.00 each for a total cost of \$208,016.00 from Gorno Ford for the Romulus Police Department.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Kathy Abdo, John Barden, Tina Talley, Virginia Williams, Allen Wilson
Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously.

- B. Res. #24-159** Moved by **Tina Talley**, seconded by **Kathy Abdo** to concur with the Administration and consent to piggyback on MiDeal Contract #071B770181 with Gorno Ford to purchase one (1) 2024 Ford F150 in the amount of \$47,577.00 including extended seven (7) year warranty and options for Animal Control.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Kathy Abdo, John Barden, Tina Talley, Virginia Williams, Allen Wilson
Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously.

- C. Res. #24-160** Moved by **Tina Talley**, seconded by **Virginia Williams** to concur with the Administration and consent to piggyback on the MiDeal Contract #MA190000001154 for the purchase of eight (8) Portable Prep Radios from Motorola Solutions at a cost of \$45,423.70.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Kathy Abdo, John Barden, Tina Talley, Virginia Williams, Allen Wilson
Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously.

- D. Res. #24-161** Moved by **Kathy Abdo**, seconded by **Tina Talley** to concur with the Administration and award Bid ITB 23/24-15 to Williams Emergency Vehicles & Equipment for the unfitting of new 2024/2025 police vehicles in the amount of \$18,886.65 per vehicle with pricing approved through June 30, 2025.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Kathy Abdo, John Barden, Tina Talley, Virginia Williams, Allen Wilson
Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously.

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

- A. Res. #24-162** Moved by **Tina Talley**, seconded by **Kathy Abdo** to approve the Second Reading & Final Adoption of amendments to Appendix D - Public Employee Health Care Fund, Article IX - Trust Administration Board of Trustees, Section 9.1(a) - Board of Trustees, of the City of Romulus Code of Ordinances.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Kathy Abdo, John Barden, Tina Talley, Virginia Williams, Allen Wilson
Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously.

- B. Res. #24-163** Moved by **Tina Talley**, seconded by **Kathy Abdo** to concur with the recommendation of the Executive Advisory Committee and appoint DeAndre Green to the Romulus Board of Zoning Appeals with a term to expire on June 30, 2027.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Kathy Abdo, John Barden, Tina Talley, Virginia Williams, Allen Wilson
Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously.

- C. **Res. #24-164** Moved by **Kathy Abdo**, seconded by **Allen Wilson** to concur with the recommendation of the Planning Commission and approve the First Reading and Introduction of TA-2023-001; a proposed text amendment to Section 3.04(a)(3), Accessory Buildings and Structures - Detached Accessory Building Size and Section 3.05(a)(3), Fences - Location and Height, of the City of Romulus Zoning Ordinances.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Kathy Abdo, John Barden, Tina Talley, Virginia Williams, Allen Wilson

Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously.

- D. Moved by **Tina Talley**, seconded by **John Barden** to concur with the recommendation of the City Attorney and Finance Department and approve the First Reading & Introduction to amendments to Chapter 62 - Water & Sewer System, Article IV - Combined Systems, Sections 62-357 through 62-369, of the City of Romulus Code of Ordinances.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Kathy Abdo, John Barden, Tina Talley

Nays - Virginia Williams, Allen Wilson

Motion Failed.

- E. **Res. #24-165** Moved by **Tina Talley**, seconded by **Virginia Williams** to concur with Carol Maise, City Planner, and amend resolution 23-155 to re-appoint Brian Lloyd to the Board of Zoning Appeals and Julie Allison as alternate to the Board of Zoning Appeals with terms to expire on June 30, 2026, per the Rules of Procedures Board of Zoning Appeals City of Romulus Section 1.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Kathy Abdo, John Barden, Tina Talley, Virginia Williams, Allen Wilson

Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously.

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

8. **Public Comment**

Teresa Patton, candidate for 34th District Court Judge, addressed the City Council to introduce herself.

DeArtriss Richardson-Coleman, candidate for State Representative District #26, addressed the City Council to introduce herself.

John Larkin, candidate for Wayne County Circuit Court Judge, addressed the City Council to introduce himself.

A resident addressed the City Council regarding the proposed amendments to the Water & Sewer Ordinance.

9. **Unfinished Business**

Mayor McCraight responded to statements made under public comment.

Councilperson Williams requested an update on parking signs on Dexter St.

10. **New Business – None**

11. **Warrant**

- A. **Res. #24-166** Moved by **Kathy Abdo**, seconded by **Tina Talley** to approve Warrant #: 24-11 for checks presented in the amount of \$1,267,078.99.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Kathy Abdo, John Barden, Tina Talley, Virginia Williams, Allen Wilson

Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously.

12. Communication

Councilperson Talley commended a Romulus High School Graduate on his accomplishments.

Councilperson Williams requested prayers for the Warren Family and reminded residents of the Forgotten Harvest Program.

Councilperson Wilson commented on an email from a former city employee.

13. Adjournment

Moved by **Kathy Abdo**, seconded by **Allen Wilson** to adjourn the meeting at 9:09 p.m.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Kathy Abdo, John Barden, Tina Talley, Virginia Williams, Allen Wilson

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 June 10, 2024.



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