



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING

February 12, 2024

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Present: Kathy Abdo, John Barden, Celeste Roscoe, Tina Talley, William Wadsworth, Virginia Williams, Allen Wilson

Absent / Excused:

Administrative Officials in Attendance:

Robert McCraight, Mayor

Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk

Administrative Staff in Attendance:

D'Sjonaun Hockenhull - Deputy Clerk; Julie Wojtylko - Chief of Staff; Stephen Hitchcock - City Attorney; Roberto Scappaticci - DPW Director; David Greco - Prosecuting Attorney

1. Agenda

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

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

Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously

2. Minutes

- A. **Res. #24-043** Moved by **William Wadsworth**, seconded by **Kathy Abdo** to approve the Minutes from the Regular Meeting held on Monday, February 5, 2024, at 7:30 p.m.

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

Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously

- B. **Res. #24-044** Moved by **Kathy Abdo**, seconded by **William Wadsworth** to approve the Minutes from the Special Meeting - Executive Session held on Monday, February 5, 2024, at 6:45 p.m. to discuss an attorney opinion.

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

Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously

3. Petitioner - NONE

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

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

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

Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously

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

- A. Res. #24-045** Moved by **Tina Talley**, seconded by **Celeste Roscoe** to concur with the Administration and re-appoint James Crova and Charles Pecsenty to the Police, Fire & Safety Commission with terms to expire on February 22, 2027.

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

Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously

- B. Res. #24-046** Moved by **Celeste Roscoe**, seconded by **William Wadsworth** to concur with the Administration and award ITB 23/24-07 for the 2024 Concrete Repair Program in Huron Hills (Niagara) & Huron River Estates subdivisions to the lowest most responsive and responsible bidder, Hartwell Cement Company, in the amount of \$758,755.00 plus a 10% contingency (\$75,875.50) for a total of \$834,630.50.

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

Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously

- C. Res. #24-047** Moved by **Tina Talley**, seconded by **William Wadsworth** to concur with the Administration and adopt the Resolution for the City of Romulus to accept the Asset Management Plan and Analysis report (with any minor necessary revisions) to be accepted by TAMC (Transportation Asset Management Council) and be submitted on a three (3) year cycle for compliance.

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

Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously

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

- A. Res. #24-048** Moved by **Celeste Roscoe**, seconded by **William Wadsworth** to approve the First Reading and Introduction to amend Chapter 24 - Garbage and Refuse, Article II, Section 24–21 Definitions and Section 24–29 Violations, of the Romulus City Code of Ordinances.

City Prosecuting Attorney David Greco provided an overview to the Council on the need to amend the ordinance and the tools the amendments provide.

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

Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously

- B. FOR YOUR INFORMATION: 2023 Planning Commission Year-End Report**

7. Treasurer's Report – Stacy Paige, Treasurer

8. Public Comment

A resident addressed the City Council regarding the City Council's authority to make motions.

A resident addressed the City Council regarding an upcoming bowling fundraiser.

A business owner addressed the City Council regarding installing a trash can at the bus stop in front of his business due to increased littering.

A business owner addressed the City Council regarding the business's status and the steps taken to redress issues communicated in previous Council meetings.

9. Unfinished Business

Councilman Wadsworth inquired about the Pennsylvania Road overpass project.

10. New Business - NONE

11. Warrant

- A. **Res. #24-049** Moved by **Kathy Abdo**, seconded by **Tina Talley** to approve Warrant #: 24-03 for checks presented in the amount of \$1,518,714.12.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Roscoe, Talley, Wadsworth, Williams, Wilson
Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously

12. Communication

Councilperson Talley commented on upcoming city events and events hosted by the Parks & Recreation Department. She also commended a US Postal worker.

Councilperson Wilson commented on the City Council's obligation to communicate with one another regarding items on the agenda.

Councilperson Williams reminded residents of the Forgotten Harvest Program and responded to the comments made by business owners under public comment.

Councilperson Abdo expressed disapproval of a member of the Council attacking a member of the public from the dais.

Councilperson Roscoe reminded residents that you don't have to be a member of the Romulus Athletic Center to visit the Parks & Recreation Department.

13. Adjournment

Moved by **William Wadsworth**, seconded by **Celeste Roscoe** to adjourn the meeting at 8:53 p.m.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Roscoe, Talley, Wadsworth, Williams, 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 February 12, 2024.



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