



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING

September 8, 2025

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

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Present: Kathy Abdo, John Barden, Harry Crout, David Jones, Celeste Roscoe, Tina Talley, William Wadsworth

Absent / Excused:

Administrative Officials in Attendance:

Robert McCraight, Mayor

Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk

Administrative Staff in Attendance:

Stephen Hitchcock - City Attorney; Julie Wojtylko - Chief of Staff; D'Sjonaun Hockenhull - Deputy Clerk; Julie Albert - Director of Assessing & Financial Services; Roberto Scappaticci - Director of Public Services & Public Works; Ken Chapman - Fire Chief; Colleen Dumas - Recreation Director

1. Agenda

- A. Moved by **Harry Crout**, seconded by **David Jones** to accept the agenda as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Crout, Jones, Roscoe, Talley, Wadsworth

Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously

2. Minutes

- A. **Res. #25-262** Moved by **William Wadsworth**, seconded by **David Jones** to approve the Minutes from the Regular Meeting held on Monday, August 25, 2025, at 7:30 p.m.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Crout, Jones, Roscoe, Talley, Wadsworth

Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously

- B. **Res. #25-263** Moved by **William Wadsworth**, seconded by **Harry Crout** to approve the Minutes from the Special Meeting - Public Hearing held on Monday, August 25, 2025, at 6:45 p.m. to hear comments or objections to a request to vacate Cypress Road in the Metroplex Industrial Park Subdivision No.1.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Crout, Jones, Roscoe, Talley, Wadsworth

Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously

3. Petitioner

- A. **Res. #25-264** Moved by **William Wadsworth**, seconded by **Harry Crout** to concur with the recommendation of the city's administration departments and adopt a resolution recommending The Trackside Hideaway LLC (36724 Goddard Rd., Romulus, MI 48174) application for a new Class C License be considered for approval by the Michigan Liquor Control Commission pursuant to MCL 436.1501, PA 58 of 1998.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Crout, Jones, Roscoe, Talley, Wadsworth

Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously

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

Res. #25-265 Moved by **Celeste Roscoe**, seconded by **Harry Crout** to adopt a resolution in recognition of the pastoral anniversary for Elder Nathan and First Lady Margaret Fisher.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Crout, Jones, Roscoe, Talley, Wadsworth

Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously

Res. #25-266 Moved by **William Wadsworth**, seconded by **Celeste Roscoe** to adopt a resolution in recognition of George Simko for 55 years of service to the City.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Crout, Jones, Roscoe, Talley, Wadsworth

Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously

Res. #25-267 Moved by **Tina Talley**, seconded by **William Wadsworth** to adopt a memorial resolution for the family of Carl Morris.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Crout, Jones, Roscoe, Talley, Wadsworth

Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously

Res. #25-268 Moved by **Tina Talley**, seconded by **David Jones** to adopt a memorial resolution for the family of Rev. Edward Thomas.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Crout, Jones, Roscoe, Talley, Wadsworth

Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously

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

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Crout, Jones, Roscoe, Talley, Wadsworth

Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously

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

Chief of Staff, Julie Wojtylko, presented the Mayor's Report.

- A. Res. #25-269** Moved by **Tina Talley**, seconded by **William Wadsworth** to concur with the Administration and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to enter into the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) Contract #25-5425 to receive reimbursement in the amount of \$339,911.16 for the Carbon Reduction Program - streetlight conversion project.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Crout, Jones, Roscoe, Talley, Wadsworth

Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously

- B. Res. #25-270** Moved by **Tina Talley**, seconded by **David Jones** to concur with the Administration and approve the appointment of Autumn Archery to the Recreation Commission with a term to expire on December 31, 2025.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Crout, Jones, Roscoe, Talley, Wadsworth

Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously

- C. Res. #25-271** Moved by **Celeste Roscoe**, seconded by **Tina Talley** to concur with the Administration and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to enter into the three-year agreement with OnSolve for the CODE RED Emergency Notification System.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Crout, Jones, Roscoe, Talley, Wadsworth

Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously

- D. Res. #25-272** Moved by **Celeste Roscoe**, seconded by **David Jones** to concur with the Administration and consent to piggyback on the Sourcwell Contract #121223-SKI to purchase one (1) set of six (6) 111,000 lb. capacity Mobile Column Lifts from Stertil-Koni USA, Inc., for a total cost of \$89,677.96.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Crout, Jones, Roscoe, Talley, Wadsworth

Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously

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

Clerk Bragg announced the Mental Health Fun Day on September 13th at the Historical Park.

7. Treasurer's Report – Stacy Paige, Treasurer

8. Public Comment

Wayne County Sheriff's Office Community Liaison, Stephanie Richards, addressed the City Council to extend support and assistance from the sheriff's office.

A resident inquired about the City's bidding process.

A resident announced a community event.

9. Unfinished Business

Councilman Wadsworth advised drivers to slow down on city streets because school is back in session.

10. New Business – None

11. Warrant

- A. **Res. #25-273** Moved by **Kathy Abdo**, seconded by **Harry Crout** to approve Warrant #: 25-17 for checks presented in the amount of \$2,967,996.77.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Crout, Jones, Roscoe, Talley, Wadsworth

Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously

12. Communication

Councilwoman Talley commented on previous community events.

13. Adjournment

Moved by **William Wadsworth**, seconded by **Celeste Roscoe** to adjourn the meeting at 8:19 p.m.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Crout, Jones, Roscoe, Talley, Wadsworth

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 September 8, 2025.



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