



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING

May 6, 2024

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

The Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Chair Pro Tem, Virginia Williams

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Kathy Abdo, Celeste Roscoe, Tina Talley, William Wadsworth, Allen Wilson, Virginia Williams

Absent/Excused: John Barden

Administrative Officials in Attendance:

Robert McCraight, Mayor

Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk

Administrative Staff in Attendance:

Julie Wojtylko - Chief of Staff; Stephen Hitchcock - City Attorney; Kevin Krause - Director of Community Safety & Development; Jeff Kemp - Director of Building & Planning; Carol Maise - City Planner; Roberto Scappaticci - DPW Director; Jerry Frayer - DDA Director

1. Agenda

A. Moved by **Tina Talley**, seconded by **Kathy Abdo** to approve the Agenda. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

2. Minutes

A. **Res. 24-110** Moved by **William Wadsworth**, seconded by **Tina Talley** for approval of the Minutes from the Regular Meeting held on Monday, April 22, 2024, at 7:30 p.m. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

B. **Res. 24-111** Moved by **William Wadsworth**, seconded by **Tina Talley** for approval of the Minutes from the Special Meeting - Study Session held on Monday, April 22, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. to discuss the Proposed 24/25 FY City Budgets. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

3. Petitioner

A. **Res. 24-112** Moved by **Celeste Roscoe** seconded by **Allen Wilson** for approval of Special Land Use: 2023-001, 2023-002, and 2023-003; Safeway Oil Service Center located at 9700 Middlebelt Road.

Motion Carried Unanimously

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

Res. 24-113 Moved by **Kathy Abdo**, seconded by **William Wadsworth** to approve a Memorial Resolution for Dan Bales. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

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

Motion Carried Unanimously

5. Mayor's Report – Robert A. McCraight, Mayor - See Clerk's Office for complete set of Minutes

A. **Res. 24-114** Moved by **Celeste Roscoe**, seconded by **Tina Talley** to concur with the administration and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to enter into the agreements for the Community Credit Program and the Local Transit Program between SMART and the City of Romulus for the FY23/24 Municipal Credit and Community Credit SMART Contract. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

B. **Res. 24-115** Moved by **Kathy Abdo**, seconded by **William Wadsworth** to concur with administration and approve a No Fee Permit to Carrie Hurn (Wick Elementary) for the use of Elmer Johnson's Park pavilion on Thursday, June 6, 2024, for their end-of-the-year 3rd and 4th-grade picnic. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

C. **Res. 24-116** Moved by **William Wadsworth**, seconded by **Tina Talley** to concur with administration and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to enter into the Amended and Restated City of Romulus 457(b) Plan to

provide employees the additional ability to voluntarily invest post-tax dollars to a Roth account using approved investment advisors. This modification does not result in any cost to the City.

Motion Carried Unanimously

D. Res. 24-117 Moved by **Kathy Abdo**, seconded by **Celeste Roscoe** to concur with administration and approve the appointment of Carole Bales to the Tax Increment Finance Authority (TIFA) Board to fill the current vacancy with a term to expire on November 30, 2028. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

E. Res. 24-118 Moved by **Celeste Roscoe**, seconded by **William Wadsworth** to concur with administration and authorize a no-fee permit for the Summer Music programs and activities in the R-District along with the closure of Hunt Street from Bibbins to the Post Office entrance from 6:00 pm to 10:00 pm, on Friday, June 14th, July 12th and August 9th, 2024. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

Res. 24-119 Moved by **Celeste Roscoe**, seconded by **Tina Talley** to concur with administration and authorize the following road closures for the After Sounds in the R-District events on Friday, June 24th and Friday, August 9th, 2024 as follows: Hunt Street beginning at Bibbins Street and ending at the entrance of the Post Office from 6:00 pm to 10:00 pm, and closure of Goddard Road and Sterling Street beginning at 9:00 pm and ending at 12:00 am, (June 15th and August 10th) to ensure the safety of all participants.

Motion Carried Unanimously

F. Res. 24-120 Moved by **William Wadsworth**, seconded by **Tina Talley** to concur with the administration and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to enter into a Water Service Agreement between the City of Romulus and Charter Township of Huron to provide water services to 29945 Pennsylvania Road, with acknowledgment from Huron Township that they will become our water services customer.

Motion Carried Unanimously

G. Res. 24-121 Moved by **Tina Talley**, seconded by **William Wadsworth** to concur with the administration and authorize the Sole Source Purchase of four (4) Voter's Choice EZ Cart 4000 Security Carts from PrintElect for Clerk's Office/Elections in the amount of \$12,105.00. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

H. Res. 24-122 Moved by **Tina Talley**, seconded by **Celeste Roscoe** to concur with the administration and approve the 2024 Concrete Repair Project, Change Order #1, Bid Award ITB 23/24-07 for additional concrete work within the City of Romulus as outlined in the Change Order #1 for Division A – Huron Valley and Division B – Huron Hills/Niagara subdivisions in the amount of \$143,083.36 for a total revised contract amount of \$901,838.36. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

I. Res. 24-123 Moved by **Celeste Roscoe**, seconded by **William Wadsworth** to concur with administration and award ITB 23/24-13 for the 2024 HMA Road Rehab road repairs and joint sealing project on Herman Street, Goddard Road & The Highland Estates Subdivision to the lowest, most responsive and responsible bidder, Hutch Paving Inc., in the amount of \$213,145.00 with an additional 10% contingency (\$21,314.50) for a total of \$234,459.50. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

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

A. Res. 24-124 Moved by **William Wadsworth**, seconded by **Kathy Abdo** to concur with the administration for approval of the Second Reading and Final Adoption of RZ-2023-003; Sheetz II (8227 Middlebelt Road) Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Roscoe, Talley, Wadsworth, Wilson Nays –Williams

Motion Carried Unanimously

B. Res. 24-125 Moved by **Celeste Roscoe**, seconded by **Kathy Abdo** to approve the Second Reading and Final Adoption of Budget Amendment 23/24-15 to recognize revenue and corresponding expenditures in the amount of \$39,980.00 for sidewalks and pathways at Mary Ann Banks Park. The amendment was introduced at the April 22, 2024, Regular Council meeting. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

C. Res. 24-126 Moved by **Celeste Roscoe**, seconded by **Kathy Abdo** to approve the Second Reading and Final Adoption of Budget Amendment 23/24-16 to recognize fund balance in the amount of \$60,000.00 for expenses related to renovations at Mary Ann Banks Park. The amendment was introduced at the April 22, 2024, Regular Council meeting. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

7. Treasurer's Report – Stacy Paige, Treasurer

8. Public Comment - None

9. Unfinished Business

- 10. **New Business**
- 11. **Communication** - *See Clerk's Office for complete set of Minutes*
- 12. **Adjournment**

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

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 May 6, 2024.



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