

City of Ann Arbor

301 E. Huron St.

Ann Arbor, MI 48104

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Meeting Minutes - Final

Tuesday, September 2, 2025

7:00 PM

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Larcom City Hall, 301 E Huron St, Second floor, City Council

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CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Christopher Taylor called the meeting of the Ann Arbor City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Guy C. Larcom, Jr. Building, 2nd Floor Council Chambers, 301 E. Huron Street.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Council stood for a moment of silence.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Taylor led Council in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL

Councilmember Harrison arrived at 7:08 p.m.

Present: 10 - Mayor Christopher Taylor, Councilmember Erica Briggs, Councilmember Lisa Disch, Councilmember Jen Eyer, Councilmember Travis Radina, Councilmember Cynthia Harrison, Councilmember Ayesha Ghazi Edwin, Councilmember Chris Watson, Councilmember Jennifer Cornell and Councilmember Jon Mallek

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Dharma Akmon

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Councilmember Eyer, seconded by Councilmember Briggs, that the Agenda be approved as presented. On a voice vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

AC COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR

City Administrator Milton Dohoney Jr. presented the following written reports for the information of Council:

AC-1 [25-1545](#) Agenda Response Memo and eComments - September 2, 2025

Received and Filed

AC-2 [25-1561](#) 415 West Washington & Kline's Lot July 28, 2025, City Council Work Session Supplemental Information

Received and Filed

AC-3 [25-1566](#) City Administrator's Report - September 2, 2025

Received and Filed

INT INTRODUCTIONS

INT-1 [25-1123](#) Independent Community Police Oversight Commission (ICPOC) Update

Stephani Carter, Chair of the Independent Community Police Oversight Commission, provided the monthly update from the Commission.

Received and Filed

INT-2 [25-1450](#) Downtown Development Authority (DDA) Update

Maura Thomson, Executive Director of the DDA, presented the monthly update from the DDA. A copy of her presentation is on file in the City Clerk's Office.

Received and Filed

PUBLIC COMMENTARY (3 MINUTES PER SPEAKER, 45 MINUTES TOTAL)*

***WHEN MORE THAN 30 SPEAKERS HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK AT A COUNCIL MEETING, EACH SPEAKER SHALL BE GIVEN 2 MINUTES TO SPEAK AT THAT MEETING**

*** (SPEAKERS ARE NOT PERMITTED TO GRANT THEIR RESERVED TIME TO AN ALTERNATE SPEAKER)**

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1. Finnbarr Conroy-Martin - Traffic calming and pedestrian safety concerns (in person)

Finnbarr Conroy-Martin, resident, expressed concern over motorists speeding in his neighborhood and advocated for the City to consider enacting traffic calming measures in this area.

2. Jessica Kelly - Homelessness and mental health (in person)

Jessica Kelly, Pittsfield Township resident, shared a personal story concerning those facing challenges related to chronic mental illness. She advocated for the wellbeing of individuals and families in similar situations.

3. Jeremy Haley - City property (in person)

Jeremy Haley, Ypsilanti Township resident, spoke about parks and new construction, and expressed concerns regarding pollution remediation.

CC COMMUNICATIONS FROM COUNCIL

COUNCILMEMBER CORNELL

Councilmember Cornell addressed negative comments on social media regarding downtown Ann Arbor, highlighting the growth in downtown business and steady increase in foot traffic to the area. Councilmember Cornell announced the opening of Recess Café as a new third space in the community. Councilmember Cornell invited the public to celebrate Neighborhood Week in Ann Arbor, September 14-20.

COUNCILMEMBER RADINA

Councilmember Radina invited everyone to attend the unveiling ceremony for the historical marker in front of City Hall, Thursday, September 4th at 11:00 a.m. Councilmember Radina highlighted that this is the first LGBTQ marker in the State.

COUNCILMEMBER DISCH

Councilmember Disch highlighted the opening of Recess Café in the downtown area. Councilmember Disch also spoke about the latest Ward 1 information session, stating that they had a positive discussion regarding the Comprehensive Land Use Plan.

COUNCILMEMBER BRIGGS

Councilmember Briggs highlighted agenda item AC-2 regarding 415 W. Washington St. and the Kline's lot as it pertains to Ward 5.

COUNCILMEMBER EYER

Councilmember Eyer spoke on her recent attendance at the Ann Arbor Democrat annual picnic where Labor members presented on current issues pertaining to workers and organized labor.

MC COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR**MC-1 [25-1563](#) Appointments and Nominations for September 2, 2025**

Mayor Taylor presented the following appointments for approval at a later date:

*Downtown Development Authority
Steven Fisher – Partial Term
Term Ending: May 31, 2027*

Public Market Advisory Commission

Will Brinkerhoff
Term Ending: May 31, 2028

Marcus Flores
Term Ending: May 31, 2028

Ann Arbor Public Art Commission
Jenna Carter
Term Ending: May 31, 2028

John Jourden
Term Ending: May 31, 2028

Employees Retirement System Board of Trustees
Mark Foster
Term Ending: December 31, 2028
(Note: Previously appointed on May 31, 2028. This appointment is to correct an error in the term end date.)

Referred to the City Council due back on 9/15/2025

- MC-2** [25-1564](#) Resolution to Appoint Karlene Goetz to the Public Market Advisory Commission as a Non-registered Elector **(7 Votes Required)**
Mayor Taylor presented the following Resolution of appointment of a non-registered elector for approval at a later date:

Public Market Advisory Commission
Karlene Goetz
Term Ending: May 31, 2028

Referred to the City Council due back on 9/15/2025

- MC-3** [25-1565](#) Appointment to the Renters Commission **(1- Step Appointment, 8 Votes Required)**

Mayor Taylor presented the following appointment for a one-step approval:

Renters Commission
Toya Pace - Partial Term
Term Ending: May 31, 2026

A motion was made by Councilmember Radina, seconded by Councilmember Watson, that the Appointment be approved. On a

voice vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried unanimously, thus satisfying the eight-vote requirement.

CA CONSENT AGENDA

Passed on consent agenda

A motion was made by Councilmember Eyer, seconded by Councilmember Cornell, that the following Consent Agenda Items be approved as presented. On a voice vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried unanimously, thus satisfying the eight-vote requirements of CA-5, CA-6, CA-8, and CA-9.

CA-1 [25-1507](#) Enactment No: R-25-323 **Approved**

Resolution to Approve Street Closing for the Ann Arbor SPARK Tech Trek (a2Tech360) on Friday, October 3, 2025, from 6:00 AM until 8:00 PM

CA-2 [25-1508](#) Enactment No: R-25-324 **Approved**

Resolution to Approve a Street Closing for the University of Michigan Credit Union Touchdown Tailgate on Friday, October 3, 2025 from 7:00 AM until 10:00 PM

CA-3 [25-1519](#) Enactment No: R-25-325 **Approved**

Resolution to Approve Street Closings for the Ann Arbor Marathon Running Event - Sunday, October 12, 2025

CA-4 [25-1517](#) Enactment No: R-25-326 **Approved**

Resolution to Approve Street Closure of Detroit Street between Catherine and Fifth Streets on Friday, December 5, 2025 from 7:00 AM until 11:00 PM for KindleFest 2025

CA-5 [25-1468](#) Enactment No: R-25-327 **Approved**

Resolution to Accept and Appropriate Grant Funds from Washtenaw County from the Washtenaw County Older Persons Millage (\$200,000.00) **(8 Votes Required)**

CA-6 [25-1522](#) Enactment No: R-25-328 **Approved**

Resolution to Appropriate \$1,000,000.00 in LWCF Grant Funds and City Matching Funds for Buhr Park Outdoor Ice Arena Improvements (**8 Votes Required**)

CA-7 [25-1374](#) **Enactment No: R-25-329** **Approved**

Resolution to Accept Awarded Funds from the University of Michigan for the Advanced Transportation Technology and Innovation “ATTAIN AACE 2.0: The Ann Arbor Connected Environment Reimagined” (\$121,285.00)

CA-8 [25-1413](#) **Enactment No: R-25-330** **Approved**

Resolution to Approve a Construction Contract with RAM Construction Services of Michigan, Inc. for the Equalization and Retention Building Roof Repairs - RFP #25-33 in the Amount of \$709,510.00 and Appropriate \$57,000.00 from the County Mental Health Millage Fund Obligated Fund Balance (**8 Votes Required**)

CA-9 [25-1459](#) **Enactment No: R-25-331** **Approved**

Resolution to Approve a Purchase Order with Microsoft Corporation via Dell Marketing L.P. And Appropriate Funding (\$145,487.28) (**8 Votes Required**)

CA-10 [25-1464](#) **Enactment No: R-25-332** **Approved**

Resolution to Approve a Best Source Contract with ClearGov Inc. for Digital Budget Book Software (October 1, 2025 - June 30, 2029) (\$114,644.22)

CA-11 [25-1466](#) **Enactment No: R-25-333** **Approved**

Resolution to Approve a Grant Agreement Between the City of Ann Arbor and Community Mental Health Partnership of Southeast Michigan

PH PUBLIC HEARINGS (3 MINUTES PER SPEAKER)

FOR ZOOM MEETINGS, PHONE CALLERS CAN PRESS *9 TO RAISE HANDS AND *6 TO UNMUTE THEIR PHONES WHEN CALLED UPON TO SPEAK.

A APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MINUTES

A-1 [25-1520](#) Regular Meeting Minutes of August 18, 2025

A motion was made by Councilmember Watson, seconded by Councilmember Ghazi Edwin, that the Regular Meeting Minutes of August 18, 2025 be approved. On a voice vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

B ORDINANCES - SECOND READING

C ORDINANCES - FIRST READING

D MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

DC Unfinished Business - Council:

DC-1 [25-1386](#) Enactment No: R-25-322 Approved

A motion was made by Councilmember Harrison, seconded by Councilmember Radina, that the Resolution be approved. On a voice vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

Resolution to Approve Purchase of Park Land on Fuller Road at Furstenberg Nature Area and Appropriate \$108,500.00 **(8 Votes Required)**

DC New Business - Council:

DB New Business - Boards and Commissions:

DS New Business - Staff:

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None.

E & F CLERK'S REPORT OF COMMUNICATIONS

E The following communications were referred as indicated:

Passed on consent agenda

A motion was made by Councilmember Disch, seconded by Councilmember Harrison, that the following Clerk's Report of Communications be approved as presented. On a voice vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

- E-1 [25-1505](#)** Communications from Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) Regarding the Issuance of Permit No. WRP046150 - Ann Arbor Public Services - Sustainability
- E-2 [25-1506](#)** Communication from Comcast Regarding Changes to Warner Bros. Discovery - Owned Channels, Effective August 15, 2025 - CTN, City Attorney
- E-3 [25-1529](#)** Communications from the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) Regarding Public Notice for the Proposed Reissuance Expired Permit of National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Certificate of Coverage (COC) NO. MIG760081 to The George Apartments Owner LLC for Packard Square, The George Apartments - Public Works, Sustainability
- E-4 [25-1533](#)** Communication from Washtenaw County Board of Canvassers Regarding the Canvass of Votes Cast at the August 5, 2025 Special Election
- E-5 [25-1534](#)** Communication from Bodman PLC Regarding Notice of Intent to Establish Condominium Project: 1780 - 1788 Scio Church Road Condominium - Assessor, Planning & Development Services, Sustainability, City Attorney

F The following minutes were received for filing:

- F-1 [25-1463](#)** City Election Commission Meeting Minutes of July 15, 2025
- F-2 [25-1474](#)** Council Administration Committee Minutes - July 8, 2025
- F-3 [25-1481](#)** Cable Communications Commission Meeting Minutes of February 5, 2025

- F-4 [25-1503](#) Community Events Fund Committee Minutes - August 8, 2024
- F-5 [25-1521](#) Council Policy Agenda Committee Minutes - June 23, 2025
- F-6 [25-1523](#) The City of Ann Arbor Employees' Retirement System Board Meeting Minutes of July 17, 2025
- F-7 [25-1524](#) The City of Ann Arbor Retiree Health Care Benefit Plan & Trust Board Meeting Minutes of July 17, 2025
- F-8 [25-1553](#) Council Policy Agenda Committee Minutes - July 28, 2025

G COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CITY ATTORNEY

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT - CONTINUED (3 MINUTES EACH - IF NECESSARY)

***THIS SECTION IS FOR SPEAKERS WHO SIGNED UP FOR PUBLIC COMMENTARY BUT WERE UNABLE TO SPEAK AT THE BEGINNING OF THE MEETING DUE TO THE 45-MINUTE TIME LIMIT.**

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Not necessary.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Councilmember Disch, seconded by Councilmember Harrison, that the meeting be adjourned. On a voice vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

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