

City of Ann Arbor

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Ann Arbor, MI 48104

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Meeting Minutes - Final

Monday, February 2, 2026

7:00 PM

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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

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 Dharma Akmon and Councilmember Jon Mallek

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Jennifer Cornell

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Councilmember Mallek, seconded by Councilmember Watson, that the Agenda be approved. 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 [26-0191](#) Agenda Response Memo and eComments - February 2, 2026

Received and Filed

- AC-2** [26-0201](#) Response to R-25-053 Resolution Directing Enhanced Enforcement of Bicycle Lane Ordinances and Identification of Engineering Solutions to Prevent Obstruction of Designated Bicycle Lanes Quarterly Report October - December 2025

Received and Filed

- AC-3** [26-0203](#) City Administrator’s Report - February 2, 2026

Received and Filed

INT INTRODUCTIONS

- INT-1** [25-2229](#) ~~Independent Community Police Oversight Commission (ICPOC) Update~~

Deleted from Agenda

- INT-2** [26-0217](#) Proclamation Recognizing Groundcover Vendor Appreciation Week
Mayor Taylor presented the Proclamation Recognizing Groundcover Vendor Appreciation Week. A representative for Groundcover was present to accept the proclamation.

Received and Filed

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

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- 1. Mary Anne Perrone - Resolution Reaffirming the City of Ann Arbor's Policy Regarding Civil Immigration Enforcement and Mitigating Erratic Lawless Tactics with Intentional City Efforts (DC-3) (in person)**

Mary Anne Perrone, resident, spoke in support of DC-3, the Resolution Reaffirming and Expanding the City of Ann Arbor's Policy Regarding Civil Immigration Enforcement and Mitigating Erratic Lawless Tactics with Intentional City Efforts.

- 2. Dennis Burke - The Dean, 558 S Fifth Ave Rezoning (C-2) (in person)**

Dennis Burke, resident, spoke about C-2, regarding the rezoning of 558 S. Fifth Avenue.

- 3. Richard Stahler-Sholk - Resolution Reaffirming the City of Ann Arbor's Policy Regarding Civil Immigration Enforcement and Mitigating Erratic Lawless Tactics with Intentional City Efforts (DC-3) (in person)**

Richard Stahler-Sholk, resident, spoke in support of DC-3, the Resolution Reaffirming and Expanding the City of Ann Arbor's Policy Regarding Civil Immigration Enforcement and Mitigating Erratic Lawless Tactics with Intentional City Efforts.

- 4. Peter Mertens - Supporting Arbor South (DC-1, DC-2) (in person)**

Peter Mertens, resident, spoke in support of the proposed Arbor South project.

5. **Nicklaus Suino - Arbor South Development Agreement (DC-2) (in person)**
Nicklaus Suino, Pittsfield Township resident, spoke in support of DC-2, the proposed Arbor South project.
6. **Kathy Boris - Arbor South Brownfield Plan (DC-1) (phone)**
Kathy Boris, resident, spoke in opposition to DC-1, the proposed Arbor South Brownfield plan.
7. **Thomas Wieder - Arbor South Development Agreement (DC-2) (in person)**
Thomas Wieder, Ann Arbor Township resident, spoke in opposition to the proposed Arbor South project, citing concerns of corruption.
8. **Mohamad Khalil - Arbor South Development Agreement (DC-2) (in person)**
Mohamad Khalil, resident, spoke in support of the proposed Arbor South project.
9. **Sam Homan - 2026 Transportation Commission Calendar (E-1) (in person)**
Sam Homan, resident, expressed concern about the Transportation Commission holding their meetings exclusively on Zoom. He urged Council to require this Board to hold in-person meetings.
10. **Jason Stoops - Arbor South Brownfield Plan (DC-1) (in person)**
Jason Stoops, a local business owner, spoke in support of the proposed Arbor South project, stating the project will help attract employees for his business.
11. **Christine Sing - In Support of Arbor South Project (DC-1, DC-2) (Zoom)**
Christine Sing, a local business owner, spoke in support of the proposed Arbor South project.
12. **Marjorie Ziefert - Resolution Reaffirming the City of Ann Arbor's Policy Regarding Civil Immigration Enforcement and Mitigating Erratic Lawless Tactics with Intentional City Efforts (DC-3) (in person)**
Marjorie Ziefert, resident, spoke in support of DC-3, Resolution Reaffirming and Expanding the City of Ann Arbor's Policy Regarding Civil Immigration Enforcement and Mitigating Erratic Lawless Tactics with

Intentional City Efforts.

13. Dagmawe Berhanu - ICE Free Zones & DC-3 (in person)

Dagmawe Berhanu, resident, spoke in support of DC-3, Resolution Reaffirming and Expanding the City of Ann Arbor's Policy Regarding Civil Immigration Enforcement and Mitigating Erratic Lawless Tactics with Intentional City Efforts.

14. Decky Alexander - Arbor South Development Agreement (DC-2) (in person)

Jessica Decky Alexander, resident, spoke in support of the proposed Arbor South project.

15. Oscar Notz - Arbor South Brownfield Plan (DC-1) (in person)

Oscar Notz, resident, spoke in support of the proposed Arbor South project.

16. Daniel Rubenstein - Arbor South Brownfield Plan (DC-1) (in person)

Daniel Rubenstein, resident, spoke in opposition to the proposed Brownfield Plan for the Arbor South project, stating a public subsidy is not needed for this project. He stated he is not opposed to the project, but he does not support the financing mechanism.

17. Peter Eckstein - Arbor South Development Agreement (DC-2) (in person)

Peter Eckstein, resident, spoke in opposition to the proposed Arbor South project.

18. Ryan Husse - Arbor South Brownfield Plan (DC-1) (Zoom)

Ryan Husse, Manager for International Electrical Workers, spoke in support of the proposed Brownfield Plan for the Arbor South plan.

CC COMMUNICATIONS FROM COUNCIL

COUNCILMEMBER RADINA

Councilmember Radina provided an update on his upcoming coffee hour with Councilmember Ghazi Edwin.

COUNCILMEMBER BRIGGS

Councilmember Briggs addressed the public comments regarding the Transportation Commission. She stated the Commission is looking into a return to some in-person meetings of the Board.

MC COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

CA CONSENT AGENDA

Passed on consent agenda

A motion was made by Councilmember Ghazi Edwin, seconded by Councilmember Watson, 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 requirement of CA-3.

CA-1 [26-0037](#) Enactment No: R-26-037 Approved

Resolution to Approve a General Services Agreement with Murray Painting Co. for the Water Treatment Plant As-needed Coating Services (RFP #25-56) (\$600,000.00)

CA-2 [26-0088](#) Enactment No: R-26-038 Approved

Resolution to Approve an Amendment to the City’s Agreement with Tyler Technologies, Inc. for 5-year Software Support and Maintenance of the City’s New World ERP Financial Software FY2026-FY2030 (\$373,469.07)

CA-3 [26-0097](#) Enactment No: R-26-039 Approved

Resolution to Approve a Grant of Easement at 2130 and 2150 Jackson Avenue to DTE Electrical Company for Electrical Utility Service (8 Votes Required)

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.

PH-1 [26-0114](#) An Ordinance to Amend Section 8:532 of Chapter 105 (Housing Code) of

Title VIII (Building Regulations) of the Code of the City of Ann Arbor
A public hearing was conducted on the proposed Ordinance to Amend Section 8:532 of Chapter 105 (Housing Code) of Title VIII (Building Regulations) of the Code of the City of Ann Arbor. Notice of public hearing was published January 29, 2026.

Adam Jaskiewicz, resident, spoke in support of the proposed Ordinance Amendment.

There being no further comment, the Mayor declared the hearing closed.

Held and Closed

PH-2 [26-0017](#) Enactment No: R-26-043 Held and Closed

Held and Closed

Resolution to Find the Ann Street Curb Cut at 201 North Main Street to be a Traffic Hazard and Approve Its Closure as Part of the Ann Street Improvements Project

A public hearing was conducted on the proposed Resolution to Find the Ann Street Curb Cut at 201 North Main Street to be a Traffic Hazard and Approve Its Closure as Part of the Ann Street Improvements Project. Notice of public hearing was published January 18, 2026.

The following persons were present to speak at the hearing:

A representative of the property owner spoke in opposition.

Scott Trudeau, resident, spoke in support of the proposed resolution, stating safety concerns with the current configuration.

Adam Goodman, resident, spoke in support.

Kathy Griswold, resident, expressed concern about the process and the lack of public engagement.

Jeff Hayner, resident, spoke in opposition to the proposed resolution. He stated a letter from the 1950s is a weak argument.

Adam Jaskiewicz, resident, spoke in support of the proposed resolution, stating the current curb cut is a public nuisance.

A downtown resident spoke in opposition to the proposed resolution, stating the owner has no recourse due to the cost of the civil justice system.

Peter Houk, resident, spoke in support of the resolution.

Eric Shalayko, spoke in support.

There being no further comment, the Mayor declared the hearing closed.

PH-3 [26-0120](#) Proposed Amendment to the Boundaries of The Ann Arbor Downtown District and to The Development Plan and Tax Increment Financing Plan
A public hearing was conducted on the Proposed Amendment to the Boundaries of The Ann Arbor Downtown District and to The Development Plan and Tax Increment Financing Plan. Notice of public hearing was published December 25, 2025 and January 8, 2026.

The following persons were present to speak at the hearing:

An unknown representative of the DDA spoke in support.

Marie Klopf, representing the Lowertown Riverfront Conservancy, spoke in support.

Norman Herbert, representing the Treeline Conservancy, spoke in support.

Jim Mogensen, resident, spoke about the history of the DDA.

Rebecca Arrends, Ward 1 Council candidate, spoke about the DDA and graffiti in the downtown.

Karen Kostemo, resident, expressed concern about the use of DDA funds.

Matt Carpenter, AAATA Executive Director, spoke in support of the DDA and of The Ride's relationship with the DDA.

Dave Fist, Ward 5, spoke in support of the DDA.

Jeff Hayner, Ward 1, spoke in opposition to the expansion of the DDA.

Chris Nielsen, of the Ann Arbor Housing Commission, spoke in support of the DDA expansion.

Ed Shaffron, downtown business owner, spoke in support of the proposed DDA expansion.

Curtis Davis, resident, asked questions about the benefits of the proposed DDA expansion.

Scott Trudeau, Ward 1, spoke in support of the proposed DDA expansion.

Kathy Griswold, resident, expressed concern about the politics of the DDA.

Adam Goodman, resident, spoke in support of the proposed expansion of the DDA.

Adam Jaskiewicz, Ward 4, spoke in support of the DDA expansion.

Peter Honeyman, resident, spoke in support.

Tom Wieder, Ann Arbor Township resident, spoke about the laws governing the DDA. He spoke in opposition to a future expansion.

An unknown resident of the DDA district spoke about the letter he received noticing the meeting. He expressed concern about the TIF

funding.

Jeff Crockett, downtown resident, spoke in opposition to the proposed DDA expansion. He also expressed concern about the lack of accessible parking in the downtown.

Phil Santer, of Ann Arbor SPARK, spoke in support of the proposed DDA expansion.

Raymond Majewski, Ward 5, spoke in support of the proposed DDA expansion.

Luis Vazquez, resident, spoke in support of the expansion.

Peter Houk, Ward 4, spoke in support of the proposed DDA expansion.

There being no further comment, the Mayor declared the hearing closed.

Held and Closed

RECESS

Mayor Taylor declared a recess at 9:10 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 9:20 p.m.

A APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MINUTES

A-1 [26-0150](#) Regular Meeting Minutes of January 20, 2026

A motion was made by Councilmember Watson, seconded by Councilmember Radina, that the Regular Meeting Minutes of January 20, 2026 be approved. On a voice vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

B ORDINANCES - SECOND READING

B-1 [26-0114](#) An Ordinance to Amend Section 8:532 of Chapter 105 (Housing Code) of Title VIII (Building Regulations) of the Code of the City of Ann Arbor

A motion was made by Councilmember Radina, seconded by Councilmember Harrison, that the Ordinance be adopted on Second Reading. On a voice vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

C ORDINANCES - FIRST READING

C New Business - Staff:

- C-1** [26-0047](#) An Ordinance to Amend Sections 1:152, 1:154, 1:156, 1:158, 1:159 and 1:160 of Chapter 7 (Downtown Development Authority) of Title I of the Code of the City of Ann Arbor (ORD-26-05)

A motion was made by Councilmember Disch, seconded by Councilmember Ghazi Edwin, that the Ordinance be approved on First Reading and should be returned by 4/20/2026. On a voice vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

Enactment No: ORD-26-05

- C-2** [26-0061](#) An Ordinance to Amend the Zoning Map of Chapter 55 (Unified Development Code), Rezoning of 0.95 Acres from R4C (Multiple-Family Dwelling) and M1 (Limited Industrial) to D1 (Downtown Core), Midtown Character Overlay, Secondary Street Frontage with Conditions, The Dean, 558 S Fifth Ave (CPC Recommendation: Approval - 8 Yes, 0 No) (ORD-26-06)

A motion was made by Councilmember Disch, seconded by Councilmember Radina, that the Ordinance be approved on First Reading and should be returned by 3/2/2026. On a voice vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

Enactment No: ORD-26-06

D MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

DC Unfinished Business - Council:

- DC-1** [26-0098](#) Enactment No: **R-26-040** **Approved**

A motion was made by Councilmember Disch, seconded by Councilmember Radina, that the Resolution be approved. On a roll call, the vote was as follows with the Mayor declaring the motion carried:

Yeas: 8 - Mayor Taylor, Councilmember Disch, Councilmember Eyer, Councilmember Radina, Councilmember Harrison, Councilmember Ghazi Edwin, Councilmember Watson and Councilmember Mallek

Nays: 2 - Councilmember Briggs and Councilmember Akmon

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Cornell

Resolution to Approve a Brownfield Plan for the Arbor South Project

DC New Business - Council:

DC-2 [25-1428](#) Enactment No: R-26-041 **Approved**

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

Resolution to Approve the Arbor South Development Agreement - 2845 South State Street (SP24-0011) (CPC Recommendation: Approval - 5 yes, 0 no)

DC-3 [26-0189](#) Enactment No: R-26-042 **Approved**

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

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DB New Business - Boards and Commissions:

DS New Business - Staff:

DS-1 [26-0017](#) Enactment No: R-26-043 **Approved**

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

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CLOSED SESSION UNDER THE MICHIGAN OPEN MEETINGS ACT, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO, LABOR NEGOTIATIONS STRATEGY, PURCHASE OR LEASE OF REAL PROPERTY, PENDING LITIGATION AND ATTORNEY/CLIENT PRIVILEGED COMMUNICATIONS SET FORTH OR INCORPORATED IN MCL 15.268 (1) (C), (D) (E), AND (H).

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 Radina, that the Clerk's Report of Communications be approved as presented. On a voice vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

- E-1** [25-2233](#) 2026 Transportation Commission Calendar

- E-2** [26-0101](#) Communication from Jay Calewarts, Director of Adult Foster Care/HFA and Camps Licensing, Regarding a Newly Licensed Foster Care Facility, Located at 2308 Page Ave Ann Arbor MI 48103 - Planning and Development Services

- E-3** [26-0174](#) Curt Zell - Resignation from the Board of Review

F The following minutes were received for filing:

- F-1** [25-2081](#) December 2, 2025 City Planning Commission Meeting Minutes

- F-2** [25-2213](#) Minutes of the November 20, 2025 Renters Commission Meeting

- F-3** [25-2239](#) Downtown Development Authority Meeting Minutes of December 2025

- F-4** [26-0052](#) Council Liquor License Review Committee Minutes of December 2, 2025

- F-5** [26-0062](#) Greenbelt Advisory Commission Meeting Minutes for December 4, 2025

- F-6 [26-0069](#) Budget and Labor Committee Meeting Minutes of December 09, 2025
- F-7 [26-0078](#) Sustainability Commission Meeting Minutes of December 9, 2025
- F-8 [26-0090](#) Minutes of the December 18, 2025 Renters Commission Meeting
- F-9 [26-0103](#) Commission on Disability Issues Meeting Minutes of December 17, 2025
- F-10 [26-0117](#) The City of Ann Arbor Employees' Retirement System Board Meeting Minutes of December 18, 2025
- F-11 [26-0118](#) The City of Ann Arbor Retiree Health Care Benefit Plan & Trust Board Meeting Minutes of December 18, 2025
- F-12 [26-0134](#) Council Administration Committee Minutes - December 9, 2025

G COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CITY ATTORNEY

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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19. **Bilal Choukeir - Arbor South Brownfield Plan (DC-1) (in person)**
Not present.
20. **Eric Shalayko - Resolution Reaffirming the City of Ann Arbor's Policy Regarding Civil Immigration Enforcement and Mitigating Erratic Lawless Tactics with Intentional City Efforts (DC-3) (Zoom)**
Not present.

21. **Chuck Kieffer - Resolution Reaffirming the City of Ann Arbor's Policy Regarding Civil Immigration Enforcement and Mitigating Erratic Lawless Tactics with Intentional City Efforts (DC-3) (in person)**
Not present.
22. **Chuck Ream - Comprehensive Land Use Plan (in person)**
Not present.
23. **Kathy Griswold - Urgent Action Needed - Dangerous Pedestrian Conditions (in person)**
Kathy Griswold, resident, spoke about pedestrian safety.
24. **Jeremy Haley - Black History Month (in person)**
Jeremy Haley, Ypsilanti Township resident, spoke about his upbringing and high school experience.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Councilmember Briggs, seconded by Councilmember Eyer, that the meeting adjourn. On a voice vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 10:51 p.m.

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