

# City of Ann Arbor

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## Meeting Minutes - Draft

Wednesday, August 4, 2021

4:00 PM

Special Session

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**City Council**

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**CALL TO ORDER**

*Mayor Christopher Taylor called the electronic Special Session to order at 4:00 p.m. in accordance with State and local health orders.*

**READING OF ORDER AND NOTICE OF CALL OF SPECIAL SESSION**

*City Clerk Jacqueline Beaudry read the order and notice of call of Special Session:*

*Notice is hereby given that an electronic special session of the City of Ann Arbor City Council will be held on Wednesday, August 4, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. for the following purposes:*

- Rule 12 Ethics Hearing on Complaint Concerning Councilmember Hayner*
- Resolution regarding outcome of the hearing and complaint*

**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**

*All members participating locally from Ann Arbor, Michigan, Washtenaw County, with the following exceptions:*

*Councilmember Radina participated remotely from Roscommon, Michigan.*

*Councilmember Eyer participated remotely from Lexington, Virginia.*

*Councilmember Song arrived at 4:11 p.m.*

**Present:** 11 - Mayor Christopher Taylor, Councilmember Julie Grand, Councilmember Jeff Hayner, Councilmember Kathy Griswold, Councilmember Elizabeth Nelson, Councilmember Ali Ramlawi, Councilmember Erica Briggs, Councilmember Lisa Disch, Councilmember Linh Song, Councilmember Jen Eyer and Councilmember Travis Radina

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**DC New Business - Council:**

**DC-1 Rule 12 Ethics Hearing on Complaint Concerning Councilmember Hayner**

*Mayor Taylor allowed for opening remarks from Councilmember Hayner.*

*Councilmember Grand, as the complaining witness, requested formal reprimand of Councilmember Hayner for a violation of Council Ethics Rule 13.*

*Councilmember Hayner stated he did not need to call witnesses.*

**A motion was made by Councilmember Grand, seconded by Councilmember Eyer, that the Council convene a Rule 12 Ethics Hearing. On a voice vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried.**

**DC-2 Resolution regarding outcome of the hearing and complaint**

**A motion was made by Councilmember Grand, seconded by Councilmember Eyer, that the Resolution be approved.**

**21-1454** Resolution to Reprimand Councilmember Hayner for Violation of Council Ethics Rule 13 (7 Votes Required)

**Sponsors:** Grand

**A motion was made by Councilmember Griswold, seconded by Councilmember Nelson, that the Resolution be amended as follows:**

**Strike the 4th Whereas Clause in its entirety.**

**On a roll call, the vote was as follows with the Mayor declaring the motion defeated:**

**Yeas:** 1 - Councilmember Griswold

**Nays:** 9 - Mayor Taylor, Councilmember Grand, Councilmember Nelson, Councilmember Ramlawi, Councilmember Briggs, Councilmember Disch, Councilmember Song, Councilmember Eyer and Councilmember Radina

**Recused:** 1 - Councilmember Hayner

**The question being, the motion that was originally made by Councilmember Grand, seconded by Councilmember Eyer, that the Resolution be approved. On a roll call, the vote was as follows with the Mayor declaring the motion carried:**

**Yeas:** 7 - Mayor Taylor, Councilmember Grand, Councilmember Briggs, Councilmember Disch, Councilmember Song, Councilmember Eyer and Councilmember Radina

**Nays:** 3 - Councilmember Griswold, Councilmember Nelson and Councilmember Ramlawi

**Recused:** 1 - Councilmember Hayner

Enactment No: R-21-328

**PUBLIC COMMENT - GENERAL (3 MINUTES EACH)**

*Zachary Storey, resident, spoke about Councilmember Hayner's comments and the impact they had on the community.*

*Anne Bannister, former Councilmember, spoke in opposition to DC-2, stating it was evil.*

*An unidentified speaker stated they are appalled at the Council's behavior.*

*Louis Vasquez, Ward 1, stated he feels victimized by Councilmember Hayner and his words.*

*Beth Collins, resident, stated she supports Councilmember Hayner, but noted that words do matter.*

*Petals Sandcastle, resident, expressed frustration with the current climate on Council.*

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM COUNCIL**

*COUNCILMEMBER EYER*

*Councilmember Eyer responded to a comment that she was vacationing in Virginia. She stated she is currently in Virginia on business.*

*COUNCILMEMBER GRISWOLD*

*Councilmember Griswold spoke about white supremacy and conspiracy concerns.*

**ADJOURNMENT**

**A motion was made by Councilmember Song, seconded by Councilmember Disch, that the meeting adjourn. On a voice vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 5:36 p.m.**

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