

City of Ann Arbor

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Meeting Minutes - Draft

Monday, December 15, 2025

7:00 PM

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CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pro Tem Travis Radina 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 Pro Tem Radina led Council in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL

Mayor Taylor arrived at 7:13 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 Dharma Akmon and Councilmember Jon Mallek

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Jennifer Cornell

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Councilmember Briggs, seconded by Councilmember Watson, that the Agenda be approved. On a voice vote, the Mayor Pro Tem declared the motion carried.

AC COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR

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

AC-1 [25-2206](#) Agenda Response Memo and eComments - December 15, 2025

Received and Filed

AC-2 [25-2227](#) City Administrator's Report - December 15, 2025

Received and Filed

AC-3 [25-2238](#) Public Summary of the Proposed Arbor South PPA

Received and Filed

INT INTRODUCTIONS

INT-1 [25-2151](#) Ann Arbor Area Transportation Authority (AAATA) Update

Matt Carpenter, CEO of AAATA, provided his regular update to Council regarding The Ride's operations and activities. He noted the City's first dedicated bus lane opened on State Street recently.

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**

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

1. Tom Stulberg - Council committee appointments (DC-3) (phone)

Tom Stulberg, resident, spoke about the proposed Council Committee assignments. He requested that Council consider a new appointment to the Planning Commission and remove Councilmember Disch from the assignment, stating that the appointment is not "for life."

2. Thomas Wieder - DDA expansion (CA-21) (in person)

Thomas Wieder, Ann Arbor Township resident, spoke in opposition to CA-21, the expansion of the DDA boundaries, stating it is not necessary, noting that property tax values have increased in the downtown in recent years.

3. Rebecca Arends - DDA expansion (CA-21) (in person)

Rebecca Arends, resident and downtown business owner, spoke about blight in the DDA. She also stated that complaints to the DDA go unanswered and ignored.

4. Richard Stahler-Sholk - Immigrant rights (Zoom/phone)

Richard Stahler-Sholk, resident, stated he is working with MIRA, Migrant and Immigrants Rights Advocacy. He urged Council to ban ICE from City buildings or property.

5. Peter Eckstein - The new Briarwood Mall (in person)

Peter Eckstein, resident, spoke about planning terminology like "place making." He spoke in opposition to the proposed Arbor South development, stating it is nothing more than an office complex. He spoke in support of the re-imagining plans for Briarwood Mall, noting the plans include apartments, restaurants, and shopping.

6. Christina Montague - Moving the African American Festival (in person/phone)

Christina Montague, resident, was not present.

7. Chuck Ream - Comprehensive Land Use Plan (in person)

Chuck Ream, resident, spoke in opposition to the proposed Comprehensive Land Use Plan. He also announced his plans to seek election to City Council in Ward 3.

8. Karma Bailey - Issues with the Police (in person)

Karma Bailey, resident, spoke about the lack of representation of under-represented groups in certain sports in the Ann Arbor Public Schools. She stated she is planning to be an advocate attorney for minorities. She spoke about racial profiling by the Ann Arbor Police.

9. Teesha Montague - The African American Festival (in person/phone)

Teesha Montague, resident, stated she is part of the committee responsible for The African American Festival in Ann Arbor. She spoke about the history of the program and the location of their event. She asked that her event not be relocated due to construction. She asked for an alternate date in the correct location.

10. TJ Bailey - Being progressive in Ann Arbor (in person)

TJ Bailey, resident, spoke about growing up in a black family in Ann Arbor. He spoke about his father's history with the police and how that history has shaped him.

11. Mary Anne Perrone - Immigration (in person)

Mary Anne Perrone, resident, spoke about concerns regarding immigration enforcement. She urged Council to say, "No" to ICE in Ann Arbor.

12. Laura Sanders - Immigration issues (in person)

Laura Sanders, Dexter Township trustee, spoke about MIRA and their advocacy work. She talked about the unlawful work of ICE in Ann Arbor.

13. Peter Houk - Sidewalk winter maintenance (in person/phone)

Peter Houk, resident, spoke about snow removal on sidewalks. He stated the two most recent snowfalls have made Scio Church sidewalks and crosswalks almost impassable. Mr. Houk noted that many of the violations are on City property.

14. Kathy Griswold - Lessons from San Francisco and courteous stops (in person)

Kathy Griswold, resident, spoke about her recent visit to San Francisco. She stated she attended an open house in San Francisco hosted by City engineers regarding pedestrian safety and Vision Zero. She spoke about the San Francisco Mayor's commitment to safety.

15. Pwon Bailey - The state of the City of Ann Arbor (in person)

Pwon Bailey, resident, spoke about his experiences as a black man in Ann Arbor.

16. Mozhgan Savabieasfahani - We are against military aid to Israel (in person)

Mozhgan Savabieasfahani, resident, was not present.

17. Blaine Coleman - We are against military aid to Israel (in person)

Blaine Coleman, resident, spoke about Palestine, urging Council to stop military aid to Israel.

CC COMMUNICATIONS FROM COUNCIL**COUNCILMEMBER HARRISON**

Councilmember Harrison stated the City's African American Festival will be able to be held as planned next year at the same time and in the same location. She thanked the City Administrator for his work to help make this possible.

CC-1 [25-2149](#) Resolution to Appoint Lawrence Shulman to the Independent Community Police Oversight Commission

Sponsors: Harrison, Eyer and Watson

Deleted from Agenda

MC COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR**CA CONSENT AGENDA****CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS REMOVED**

With unanimous consent of Council, the following Consent Agenda items were removed from the Consent Agenda and placed at the end of same:

CA-15 Resolution to Appropriate Affordable Housing Funds and Execute a Grant Agreement with the Ann Arbor Housing Development Corporation to Develop an Affordable Housing Project at 350 S. Fifth Ave. (\$4,000,000.00) (8 Votes Required)

CA-16 Resolution to Approve a Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) for the Affordable Housing Project at 350 South Fifth Avenue

Passed on consent agenda

A motion was made by Councilmember Eyer, seconded by Councilmember Radina, 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-1, CA-10, and CA-18.

CA-1 [25-2051](#) Enactment No: R-25-433 Approved

Resolution to Approve Adding a 1.0 Full Time Equivalent Position to Parks and Recreation for the Ann Arbor Senior Center Utilizing Funds from the Washtenaw County Older Persons Millage (8 Votes Required)

CA-2 [25-2035](#) Enactment No: R-25-434 Approved

Resolution to Accept Additional Federal Grant Funds and Approve Amendment No. 1 to the Sub-Contract with the University of Michigan for the Advanced Transportation Technology and Innovation "ATTAIN AACE 2.0: The Ann Arbor Connected Environment Reimagined" (\$22,286.00)

CA-3 [25-1833](#) Enactment No: R-25-435 Approved

Resolution to Approve a Construction Contract with Doan Construction Co. for the Manhole Raising Project (\$1,400,000.00; RFP 25-42)

CA-4 [25-1859](#) Enactment No: R-25-436 Approved

Resolution to Increase a Best Source Purchase Order with Liquid Calcium Chloride Sales, Inc. for Roadway Calcium Chloride (\$30,000.00 Increase, Total Purchase \$54,971.86)

CA-5 [25-1929](#) Enactment No: R-25-437 Approved

Resolution to Approve a Construction Contract with Ric-Man Construction Inc. for the High-Level Trunkline Capacity Improvements Project (RFP 25-39; \$15,167,121.00)

CA-6 [25-1930](#) Enactment No: R-25-438 Approved

Resolution to Approve a Professional Services Agreement with Stantec Consulting Michigan, Inc. (Stantec) for Construction Engineering Services for the High-Level Trunkline Capacity Improvements Project (\$1,201,360.00;

RFP 25-41)

CA-7 [25-2103](#) Enactment No: R-25-439 **Approved**

Resolution to Approve Amendment Number 2 to the Professional Services Agreement with Baker and Associates for the 2024-2025 Bridge Inspection Program (\$11,839.92 increase; Total \$167,329.88)

CA-8 [25-1951](#) Enactment No: R-25-440 **Approved**

Resolution to Approve a Sole Source Purchase Order with Waterworks Systems & Equipment Inc. for New Flocculation Drive Stuffing Boxes (\$40,169.00)

CA-9 [25-2038](#) Enactment No: R-25-441 **Approved**

Resolution to Approve a Construction Contract with Sorensen Gross Company LLC in the Amount of \$482,205.00 for the Water Treatment Services Unit Flocculation 4/5 Gallery Improvements Project (RFP 25-48)

CA-10 [25-2124](#) Enactment No: R-25-442 **Approved**

Resolution to Approve the Professional Services Agreement with Heartland Video Systems, Inc. for the Purchase and Installation of Two (2) Cablecast Vio 4 Servers and Appropriate Funding (ITB #4778; \$75,087.11) (8 Votes Required)

CA-11 [25-2021](#) Enactment No: R-25-443 **Approved**

Resolution to Authorize Payments to Unum Life Insurance Company of America and to Renew Associated Group Term Life, Accident, and Disability Insurance Policies for City Employees and their Eligible Dependents, and to Authorize the City Administrator to Execute the Necessary Documentation (\$570,159.00 in 2026, \$570,159.00 in 2027)

CA-12 [25-2058](#) Enactment No: R-25-444 **Approved**

Resolution to Approve the Renewal of the City's Contract with Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan (BCBSM) to Provide Administrative Claims Processing Services for Group Medical and Group Pharmacy benefits, and Related Stop-Loss Insurance through BCS Insurance Company for the City's Health Care Plan on Behalf of Employees and Retirees and Their Dependents, and to Authorize the City Administrator to Execute the Necessary Documentation (\$2,434,419.00)

CA-13 [25-1718](#) **Enactment No:** **R-25-445** **Approved**

Resolution to Adopt the Board of Review Guidelines for Poverty Exemptions from Property Taxation of Principal Residence Pursuant to MCL 211.7u

CA-14 [25-2138](#) **Enactment No:** **R-25-446** **Approved**

Resolution to Approve a Best Source Professional Services Agreement with Covalence Consulting Inc., for UKG Pro Support (\$85,000.00 Annually, Total Contract \$255,000.00)

CA-17 [25-2078](#) **Enactment No:** **R-25-447** **Approved**

Resolution to Approve a General Services Agreement with Greenstreet Tree Services, LLC in an Amount Not to Exceed \$300,000.00 to Support the City's A2ZERO 10,000 Trees Initiative (\$300,000.00)

CA-18 [25-2102](#) **Enactment No:** **R-25-448** **Approved**

Resolution to Approve a Purchase Order for Annual Voting Equipment Maintenance from Hart InterCivic for 2025 (\$79,327.00) and Appropriate Funds (\$30,455.00) (8 Votes Required)

CA-19 [25-2075](#) **Enactment No:** **R-25-449** **Approved**

Resolution Recognizing Craftsman Club 4 as a Civic Nonprofit Organization Operating in Ann Arbor for the Purpose of Obtaining a Charitable Gaming License

CA-20 [25-1962](#) **Enactment No:** **R-25-450** **Approved**

Resolution to Recommend Approval of Issuance of a Downtown Development District Liquor License to TAQ Ann Arbor, LLC

CA-21 [25-2157](#) **Enactment No:** **R-25-451** **Approved**

Resolution of Intent to Alter or Amend the Boundaries of the Established City of Ann Arbor Downtown District, to Adopt the Ann Arbor DDA Amended Development and TIF Plan 2026-2055 Presented by the City of Ann Arbor Downtown Development Authority, and Set a Public Hearing

CA-15 [25-2034](#) Enactment No: R-25-452 **Approved**

A motion was made by Councilmember Mallek, seconded by Councilmember Radina, that the Resolution be approved. On a voice vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried unanimously with ten members present, thus satisfying the eight-vote requirement.

Resolution to Appropriate Affordable Housing Funds and Execute a Grant Agreement with the Ann Arbor Housing Development Corporation to Develop an Affordable Housing Project at 350 S. Fifth Ave. (\$4,000,000.00)
(8 Votes Required)

CA-16 [25-2037](#) Enactment No: R-25-453 **Approved**

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

Resolution to Approve a Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) for the Affordable Housing Project at 350 South Fifth Avenue

PH PUBLIC HEARINGS (3 MINUTES PER SPEAKER)

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A APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MINUTES

A-1 [25-2179](#) Regular Meeting Minutes of December 1, 2025

A motion was made by Councilmember Watson, seconded by Councilmember Ghazi Edwin, that the Regular Meeting Minutes of December 1, 2025 be approved. On a voice vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

B ORDINANCES - SECOND READING

C ORDINANCES - FIRST READING

C-1 **25-2130** An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 26 (Solid Waste Management) of Title II of the Code of the City of Ann Arbor (ORD-25-35)

A motion was made by Councilmember Disch, seconded by Councilmember Radina, that the Ordinance be approved on First Reading and should be returned by 1/5/2026. On a voice vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

Enactment No: ORD-25-35

D MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

DC New Business - Council:

DC-1 [25-2099](#) Enactment No: R-25-454 Approved

Sponsors: Radina

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

Resolution to Approve 2026 Council Calendar

DC-2 [25-2088](#) Enactment No: R-25-455 Approved

Sponsors: Taylor, Watson, Ghazi Edwin, Akmon, Cornell, Radina, Eyer, Harrison and Disch

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

Resolution Calling on Congress to Require the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to Award Eligible Continuum of Care Program Renewals for 12 Months and Supporting the National Alliance to End Homelessness

DC-3 25-2205 Enactment No: R-25-456 Approved

Sponsors: Radina

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

Resolution to Approve 2026 Council Committee Appointments

DC-4 [25-2209](#) **Enactment No: R-25-457** **Approved**

Sponsors: Eyer, Harrison, Taylor, Disch and Ghazi Edwin

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

Resolution Directing the Removal of Neighborhood Watch Signs and Affirming the City's Commitment to Inclusive and Evidence-Based Public Safety

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

E-1 [25-1885](#) Public Art Commission - 2026 Meeting Calendar (Draft)

- E-2** [25-2091](#) Comcast Communication Regarding Price Changes Effective December 18, 2025 - CTN, City Attorney
- E-3** [25-2105](#) Communication from the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners Regarding Resolution 25-227 and the Approved 2025 Apportionment Report - Assessor, Finance
- E-4** [25-2107](#) Brandon Bond - Resignation from the Human Rights Commission
- E-5** [25-2195](#) Risk Funds Claims Report - November 2025
- F** The following minutes were received for filing:
- F-1** [25-1470](#) Minutes of the July 17, 2025 Renters Commission
- F-2** [25-1728](#) September 24, 2025 Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting Minutes
- F-3** [25-1754](#) October 7, 2025 City Planning Commission Meeting Minutes
- F-4** [25-1778](#) Minutes of the September 18, 2025 Renters Commission Meeting
- F-5** [25-1819](#) October 16, 2025 City Planning Commission Meeting Minutes
- F-6** [25-1877](#) Historic District Commission Meeting Minutes of October 9, 2025
- F-7** [25-1883](#) Independent Community Police Oversight Commission Meeting Minutes of October 2025
- F-8** [25-1887](#) Ann Arbor Public Art Commission Meeting Minutes of October 2025

F-9 [25-1967](#) Sustainability Commission Meeting Minutes of October 14, 2025

F-10 [25-1976](#) Minutes of the October 16, 2025 Renters Commission Meeting

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 Akmon, seconded by Councilmember Briggs, that the meeting adjourn. On a voice vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 8:39 p.m.

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