

City of Ann Arbor

301 E. Huron St.

Ann Arbor, MI 48104

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Meeting Minutes - Draft

Monday, December 8, 2025

4:00 PM

City Council Planning Session

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Larcom City Hall, 301 E Huron St, Second floor, City Council
Chambers
Public commentary can be made in person only.
City Council

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Taylor called the Planning Session of the Ann Arbor City Council to order at 4:03 p.m. in the Guy C. Larcom, Jr. Building, 2nd Floor Council Chambers, 301 E. Huron Street.

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 Chris Watson, Councilmember Dharma Akmon, Councilmember Jennifer Cornell and Councilmember Jon Mallek

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Ayesha Ghazi Edwin

WS WORK SESSION

WS-1 [25-2117](#) City Council Planning Work Session - December 8, 2025

City Administrator Milton Dohoney Jr. introduced the Council Planning Session and turned the presentation over to the following presenters:

Ann Arbor Area Community Foundation Housing Report – Rev. Dr. Shannon Polk

Fourth Ave Street & Transit Project – Maura Thomson, DDA Executive Director

Financial Snapshot, Upcoming Budget Process and Poverty Exemption Guidelines – Marti Praschan, CFO

Winter Preparation & Safety Reminders – Fire Chief Mike Kennedy, Emergency Manager Sydney Parmenter, and Skye Stewart, Public Services Chief of Staff

SEU, Where Are We & Where Are We Going ?– Shoshannah Lenski, SEU Executive Director

Building & Rental Services, Issues & Opportunities – Lisha Turner-Tolbert, Building and Rental Services Manager

Dinner Break - Council and staff took a short dinner break from 6:40 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Records Management System (RMS) Demo – Police Chief Andre Anderson & Team

Proposed Unarmed Response Model – Jonathan Laye, Deflection Program Manager; and Explaining CIT Involvement – Chief Anderson

Introducing 5 Ideas – Mariah Walton, Deputy City Administrator

Idea 1 – Creation of a Sponge Park - Jennifer Lawson, Water Quality Manager

Idea 2 – Transforming Our Outdoor Warning System - Chief Kennedy & Sydney Parmenter

Idea 3 - Creation of a Pallet Village - Derek Delacourt, Community

Services Administrator; Jonathan Laye & Hank Kelley, Deputy Planning Manager

Idea 4 – Developing a Citywide Returnable Container Program - Dr. Missy Stults, Director of Sustainability and Innovations

Idea 5 – Creation of a Local Climate Action Museum - Dr. Missy Stults

Closing – Milton Dohoney Jr.

Received and Filed

PUBLIC COMMENTARY (3 MINUTES PER SPEAKER)

*** ACCOMMODATIONS CAN BE MADE FOR PERSONS NEEDING ASSISTANCE WHILE ADDRESSING COUNCIL**

Kirk Westphal, resident, spoke about Vision Zero and urged Council to remain committed to this goal.

CC COMMUNICATIONS FROM COUNCIL

MAYOR TAYLOR

Mayor Taylor thanked staff for their work on the presentations for this session.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Councilmember Cornell, seconded by Councilmember Briggs, that the meeting adjourn. On a voice vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 9:34 p.m.

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