

# **City of Ann Arbor**

*301 E. Huron St.*

*Ann Arbor, MI 48104*

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## **Meeting Minutes - Final**

**Monday, December 8, 2025**

**4:00 PM**

**City Council Planning Session**

**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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