

City of Ann Arbor

301 E. Huron St.

Ann Arbor, MI 48104

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Meeting Minutes

Monday, December 17, 2018

6:00 PM

Special Session

**Larcom City Hall, 301 E Huron St, Second floor, City Council
Chambers**

City Council

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Taylor called the Special Session of the Ann Arbor City Council to order at 6:01 p.m. in the Guy C. Larcom, Jr. Building, 2nd Floor Council Chambers, 301 E. Huron Street.

READING OF ORDER AND NOTICE OF CALL OF SPECIAL SESSION

Deputy City Clerk Stephen Gerhart read the Order and Notice of Call of Special Session:

Notice is hereby given that a Special Session of the City of Ann Arbor City Council will be held on Monday, December 17, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 2nd Floor of the Guy C. Larcom Jr. City Hall Building, 301. E. Huron St., for the following purpose: Special Session to go into Closed Session under the Michigan Open Meetings Act MCLA 15.268 (e) and (h), for pending litigation and to consider material exempt from disclosure under state law, specifically written attorney client privileged communication set forth or incorporated in MCLA 15.243 (g).

Pending litigation matters for the closed session include:

- 1. Trinitas v. City of Ann Arbor*
- 2. Kailasapathy et.al v. City of Ann Arbor et.al*
- 3. Ann Arbor Central Park Ballot Committee v. City of Ann Arbor*

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

Councilmember Ramlawi arrived at 6:05 p.m.

Present: 11 - Councilmember Jane Lumm, Councilmember Jack Eaton, Mayor Christopher Taylor, Councilmember Julie Grand, Councilmember Zachary Ackerman, Councilmember Chip Smith, Councilmember Anne Bannister, Councilmember Jeff Hayner, Councilmember Kathy Griswold, Councilmember Elizabeth Nelson and Councilmember Ali Ramlawi

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Nelson, that the Agenda be approved as presented. On a voice vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT - GENERAL (3 MINUTES EACH)

Will Hathaway, a member of the Ann Arbor Central Park Ballot Committee, spoke in opposition of the proposed resolution instructing the City Attorney how to proceed with the lawsuits regarding Proposal A. He urged the City to move forward and accept the settlement proposals.

A member of the audience asked for clarification if Core Spaces would be discussed in closed session. He urged the Council to settle as the City Charter has been amended and that must be followed.

Peter Nagourney, 914 Lincoln Ave, expressed concern with the current role of the City Attorney in providing advice to the City Council on the Core Spaces project. He urged the City Attorney to support the will of the voters and settle the lawsuits.

CLOSED SESSION UNDER THE MICHIGAN OPEN MEETINGS ACT FOR PENDING LITIGATION AND TO CONSIDER MATERIAL EXEMPT FROM DISCLOSURE UNDER STATE LAW, SPECIFICALLY WRITTEN ATTORNEY/CLIENT PRIVILEGED COMMUNICATIONS AS SET FORTH OR INCORPORATED IN MCLA 15.268 (E), AND (H) AND MCLA 15.243 (G).

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A motion was made by Councilmember Lumm, seconded by Councilmember Grand, that Council enter into Closed Session under the Michigan Open Meeting Act to discuss pending litigation and to consider material exempt from disclosure as set forth in MCLA 15.268 (e) and (h). On a roll call, the vote was as follows with the Mayor declaring the motion carried and the Council adjourned into Closed Session 6:13 p.m.:

Yeas: 11 - Councilmember Lumm, Councilmember Eaton, Mayor Taylor, Councilmember Grand, Councilmember Ackerman, Councilmember Smith, Councilmember Bannister, Councilmember Hayner, Councilmember Griswold, Councilmember Nelson and Councilmember Ramlawi

Nays: 0

MEETING RECONVENED

A motion was made by Councilmember Lumm, seconded by Councilmember Ackerman, that the meeting reconvene. On a voice vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried and the meeting reconvened at 7:08 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Councilmember Nelson, seconded by Councilmember Grand, that the meeting adjourn. On a voice vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 7:09 p.m.

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Steve Herhart
Acting Clerk of the Council

Anissa R. Bowden
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