

City of Ann Arbor

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Ann Arbor, MI 48104

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Meeting Minutes - Final

Monday, November 1, 2021

7:00 PM

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City Council

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CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Christopher Taylor called the electronic Regular Session of the Ann Arbor City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. in accordance with County and local health orders.

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

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

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

AC COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR

Interim City Administrator Milton Dohoney Jr. introduced himself and said he was glad to be in Ann Arbor.

Mr. Dohoney presented the following written reports for information of Council:

AC-1 [21-1896](#) Agenda Response Memo and eComments - November 1, 2021

Received and Filed

AC-2 [21-1903](#) City Administrator's Report - November 1, 2021

Received and Filed

INT INTRODUCTION

INT-1 [21-1828](#) Independent Community Police Oversight Commission (ICPOC) Monthly Update
Dr. Lisa Jackson, Chair of the ICPOC, presented her monthly update to City Council.

Received and Filed

INT-2 [21-1826](#) Introduction: Sustainable Energy Utility Report
Dr. Missy Stults, Director of Sustainability and Innovations, presented an update to City Council regarding a sustainable energy utility. A copy of the presentation is on file in the City Clerk's Office.

Received and Filed

PUBLIC COMMENTARY - RESERVED TIME (3 MINUTES PER SPEAKER)

*** (SPEAKERS ARE NOT PERMITTED TO GRANT THEIR RESERVED TIME TO AN ALTERNATE SPEAKER)**

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

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None.

CC COMMUNICATIONS FROM COUNCIL

COUNCILMEMBER GRISWOLD

Councilmember Griswold provided an update on the pedestrian infrastructure resolution that she is working on. She stated she has asked staff to provide data and a report regarding current improvements in school zones.

COUNCILMEMBER RADINA

Councilmember Radina reminded City residents of the special election in the City on Tuesday, November 2 from 7am until 8pm. He stated the City Clerk's Office has drop boxes around town for absentee ballot returns.

COUNCILMEMBER DISCH

Councilmember Disch responded to comments requesting a reconsideration of the Concord Pines project. She stated this is a by-right project and Council wasn't being asked for any type of zoning amendment or variance. She stated by-right projects really shouldn't require Council approval since the proposal is supported by current zoning.

COUNCILMEMBER GRAND

Councilmember Grand reminded Ward 3 voters about the temporary polling location change for voters in Precincts 3-6 and 3-9, noting that these voters will vote at Mitchell Elementary in the Special Election.

COUNCILMEMBER NELSON

Councilmember Nelson updated the public regarding an upcoming meeting on a proposed corridor district zoning.

COUNCILMEMBER HAYNER

Councilmember Hayner spoke about the opening of an African American History Museum on Pontiac Trail.

Councilmember Hayner also stated he plans to continue to look into the issue of availability of public restrooms in the downtown.

COUNCILMEMBER RAMLAWI

Councilmember Ramlawi provided an update regarding the road construction work on Liberty in Ward 5. He stated the project has been

delayed, but the City is hoping to have the street open again by mid-November.

COUNCILMEMBER SONG

Councilmember Song provided an update regarding child-care needs in the community.

MC COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

- MC-1** [21-1879](#) Resolution to Appoint Milton Dohoney Jr. to the Building Authority, the Downtown Development Authority, and the Economic Development Corporation Board **(one step appointments - 8 Votes Required)**

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

CA CONSENT AGENDA

Passed on consent agenda

A motion was made by Councilmember Disch, seconded by Councilmember Radina, that the following Consent 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-3, CA-4, CA-5 and CA-6.

- CA-1** **21-1702** **Enactment No: R-21-397** **Approved**

Resolution to Approve a Professional Services Agreement with Presidio Networked Solutions Group, LLC for Professional Services to Upgrade the City’s Access Control System and to Appropriate Funding in the Amount of \$138,621.72 from the Information Technology Fund Balance (RFP #21-10) (\$338,621.72) **(8 Votes Required)**

- CA-2** **21-1764** **Enactment No: R-21-398** **Approved**

Resolution to Approve a Purchase Order to Amerinet of Michigan, Inc. for the Purchase of Networking Equipment, Software and Related Services (\$111,361.50) (GSA Schedule IT 70 - GS-35F-0511T)

CA-3 21-1748 Enactment No: R-21-399 Approved

Resolution to Accept and Appropriate Michigan Supreme Court State Court Administrative Office Michigan Veterans Treatment Court Grant Award and Approve Grant Contract (\$23,600.00) **(8 Votes Required)**

CA-4 21-1749 Enactment No: R-21-400 Approved

Resolution to Accept and Appropriate Michigan Supreme Court State Court Administrative Office Drug Court Grant Funds and Approve Grant Contract (\$117,000.00) **(8 Votes Required)**

CA-5 21-1750 Enactment No: R-21-401 Approved

Resolution to Accept and Appropriate Michigan Supreme Court State Court Administrative Office Mental Health Court Grant Award and Approve Grant Contract (\$160,223.00) **(8 Votes Required)**

CA-6 21-1789 Enactment No: R-21-402 Approved

Resolution to Accept a Sanitary Sewer Easement at Cloverly Village Condominium from the Cloverly Village Owners Association **(8 Votes Required)**

CA-7 21-1871 Enactment No: R-21-403 Approved

Resolution Authorizing Summary Publication of Ordinance 21-29 - An Ordinance to Amend Section 5.15.2 of Chapter 55 (Unified Development Code) of Title V of The Code of The City of Ann Arbor - Remove Warehousing and Indoor Storage in C2B Districts

PH PUBLIC HEARINGS (3 MINUTES PER SPEAKER)

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PH-1 [21-1825](#) An Ordinance to Amend Sections 1:451 to 1:455 of Chapter 17, Reapportionment of Wards, of Title I of the Code of the City of Ann Arbor (ORD-21-33)

A public hearing was conducted on the proposed amendment to Sections 1:451 to 1:455 of Chapter 17, Reapportionment of Wards, of Title I of the Code of the City of Ann Arbor. Notice of public hearing was published October 21, 2021.

The following person was present to speak at the hearing:

Adam Goodman, resident, expressed concern about the City Charter requirement that the City's wards be designed in a pie-shaped formation from the center of the City.

Seeing no further persons present to speak, Mayor Taylor declared the hearing closed.

Held and Closed

A APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MINUTES

A-1 [21-1869](#) Special Session of October 6, Work and Special Session of October 12, and Regular Session Meeting Minutes of October 18, 2021

A motion was made by Councilmember Ramlawi, seconded by Councilmember Disch, that the Special Session of October 6, Work and Special Session of October 12 and Regular Session Meeting Minutes of October 18, 2021 be approved. On a voice vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

B ORDINANCES - SECOND READING

B-1 [21-1825](#) An Ordinance to Amend Sections 1:451 to 1:455 of Chapter 17, Reapportionment of Wards, of Title I of the Code of the City of Ann Arbor (ORD-21-33)

A motion was made by Councilmember Nelson, seconded by Councilmember Disch, that the Ordinance be adopted on Second Reading. On a voice vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

C ORDINANCES - FIRST READING

None.

D MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

DC New Business - Council:

DC-1 21-1867 Enactment No: R-21-404 Approved

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

Resolution Opposing the Secure MI Vote Petition and Any Other Efforts Aimed at Restricting Voter Access and Voter Rights

DC-2 21-1883 Enactment No: R-21-407 Approved

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

Resolution to Approve the Hiring of Atleen Kaur as City Attorney

DB New Business - Boards and Commissions:

DS New Business - Staff:

CLOSED SESSION UNDER THE MICHIGAN OPEN MEETINGS ACT, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO, LABOR NEGOTIATIONS STRATEGY, PURCHASE OR LEASE OF REAL PROPERTY, PENDING LITIGATION AND ATTORNEY/CLIENT PRIVILEGED COMMUNICATIONS SET FORTH OR INCORPORATED IN MCLA 15.268 (C), (D) (E), AND (H).

None.

E & F CLERK'S REPORT OF COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS AND REFERRALS

Passed on consent agenda

A motion was made by Councilmember Ramlawi, seconded by Councilmember Disch, that the Clerk's Report of Communications, Petitions and Referrals be approved as presented. On a voice vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

E The following communications were referred as indicated:

E-1 [21-1862](#) Communication from Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE), Water Resources Division, regarding the public notice documents for the proposed Reissuance of National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Certificate of Coverage to the 116-120 West Huron, LLC for the Residence Inn-Ann Arbor: COC No. MIG760026 - Ann

Arbor Public Services - Sustainability

F The following minutes were received for filing:

- F-1 [21-1571](#) City Election Commission Meeting Minutes of August 18, 2021
- F-2 [21-1717](#) ICPOC August Meeting Minutes
- F-3 [21-1770](#) Downtown Development Authority Board, Executive, Annual, Affordable Housing/Economic Development, Capital Improvements, Operations, and Finance Committees Minutes of July 2021
- F-4 [21-1771](#) Downtown Development Authority Board, Affordable Housing/Economic Development, and Operations Committees Minutes of September 2021
- F-5 [21-1812](#) Downtown Area Citizens Advisory Council Meeting Minutes of October 5, 2021
- F-6 [21-1816](#) September 14, 2021 Meeting Minutes of the Energy Commission
- F-7 [21-1841](#) Council Administration Committee Minutes - September 14 and October 6, 2021

G COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CITY ATTORNEY

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT - GENERAL (3 MINUTES EACH)

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None.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM COUNCIL

COUNCILMEMBER GRISWOLD

Councilmember Griswold talked about transparency on City Council and changes to the Council orientation process with City staff.

COUNCILMEMBER RAMLAWI

Councilmember Ramlawi spoke about the homeless situation at Liberty Plaza. He stated it is becoming a critical issue.

COUNCILMEMBER SONG

Councilmember Song thanked the staff of Communications for their work on the recent resident newsletter.

COUNCILMEMBER HAYNER

Councilmember Hayner spoke about some of the challenges with the City's website, particularly for accessing police information.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Councilmember Disch, seconded by Councilmember Song, that the meeting adjourn. On a voice vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 8:21 p.m.

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