



City of Flint, Michigan

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Flint, Michigan 48502
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Meeting Agenda – FINAL
Wednesday, May 20, 2026
5:00 PM

City Council Chambers

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

Dennis Pfeiffer, Chairperson, Ward 8

Leon El-Alamin, Ward 1

Ladel Lewis, Ward 2

LaShawn Johnson, Ward 3

Judy Priestley, Ward 4

Jerri Winfrey-Carter, Ward 5

Tonya Burns, Ward 6

Candice Mushatt, Ward 7

Jonathan Jarrett, Ward 9

Davina Donahue, City Clerk

ROLL CALL

READING OF DISORDERLY PERSONS CITY CODE SUBSECTION

Any person that persists in disrupting this meeting will be in violation of Flint City Code Section 31-10, Disorderly Conduct, Assault and Battery, and Disorderly Persons, and will be subject to arrest for a misdemeanor. Any person who prevents the peaceful and orderly conduct of any meeting will be given one warning. If they persist in disrupting the meeting, that individual will be subject to arrest. Violators will be removed from the meetings.

REQUEST FOR AGENDA CHANGES/ADDITIONS

PUBLIC COMMENT

Members of the public who wish to address the City Council or its committees must register before the meeting begins. A box will be placed at the entrance to the Council Chambers for collection of registrations. No additional speakers or slips will be accepted after the meeting begins.

Members of the public shall have no more than three (3) minutes per speaker during public comment, with only one speaking opportunity per speaker.

COUNCIL RESPONSE

Councilmembers may respond once to all public speakers only after all public speakers have spoken. An individual Councilmember's response shall be limited to two (2) minutes.

CONSENT AGENDA

Per the amended Rules Governing Meetings of the Flint City Council (as adopted by the City Council on Monday, April 22, 2024), the Chair may request the adoption of a "Consent Agenda". After a motion to adopt a Consent Agenda is made and seconded, the Chair shall ask for separations. Any agenda item on a Consent Agenda shall be separated at the request of any Councilmember. After any separations, there is no debate on approving the Consent Agenda – it shall be voted on or adopted without objection.

APPOINTMENTS

260165 Appointment/Human Relations Commission/John Papp

Resolution resolving that the Flint City Council approves the appointment of John Papp, 4th Ward, Flint, Michigan 48506, to the Human Relations Commission to fill the remainder of a vacant three-year term ending on October 28, 2028.

SPECIAL ORDERS/DISCUSSION ITEMS

260129 Special Order/Building and Safety Inspection

A 30-minute Special Order as requested by 5th Ward Councilmember Winfrey-Carter and 6th Ward Councilmember Burns concerning the City's processes and policies regarding property inspections, rental inspections, and complaints.

260166 Special Order/DPW Director Position

A Special Order as requested by 2nd Ward Councilmember Lewis concerning the DPW Director position.

ADJOURNMENT

260165

RESOLUTION NO: _____

PRESENTED: 5-20-2026

ADOPTED: _____

**RESOLUTION APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF JOHN PAPP
TO THE HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION**

4th Ward Councilmember Judy Priestley is recommending the appointment of John Papp to the Human Relations Commission to fill the remainder of a vacant term for the 4th Ward ending October 28, 2028.

Per City Charter Section 3-512, the Human Relations Commission has the responsibility of assisting in the elimination of prejudice, hate and discrimination, promoting equality in the treatment of all residents of Flint, promoting positive relationships among residents, and educating the public on City government – among other duties.

IT IS RESOLVED, that the Flint City Council approves the appointment of John Papp, 4th Ward, Flint Michigan, 48506, to the Human Relations Commission to fill the remainder of a vacant three-year term ending on October 28, 2028.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

APPROVED BY CITY COUNCIL:

JoAnne Gurley, City Attorney

JOHN PAPP
Flint, MI | 4th Ward

Professional Summary

Dedicated and highly disciplined professional with a 42-year career in transportation operations, union leadership, and federal service. Proven leader and U.S. Marine Corps veteran with a lifetime of service in high-stakes environments, community advocacy, and large-scale organizational governance. Exceptional record of dispute resolution, strategic oversight, and commitment to community and veteran affairs.

Areas of Expertise

- Operations & Logistics Management
 - Labor Relations & Collective Bargaining
 - Regulatory Compliance & Inspection
 - High-Profile Security Operations
 - Non-Profit Board Governance
 - Veteran Advocacy & Community Service
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Professional Experience

CSX Transportation Corporation (formerly C&O Railroad)

Jacksonville, FL / Flint, MI Railroad Operations Specialist | 1969 – 2010

- Dedicated nearly 42 years of service to the continuous, safe, and efficient operations of a major Class I railroad network.
- Managed logistical challenges, adhered to strict federal transportation safety regulations, and adapted to major corporate transitions and mergers.
- Maintained a seamless career continuity spanning four decades, retiring with an exemplary record of service.

Transportation Communications Union (TCU/IAM)

Regional Chapter District Chairman / Chairman of the Board of Trustees | Elected for 28 Years

- Elected by peers to serve as District Chairman for 28 years, protecting employee rights, interpreting collective bargaining agreements, and resolving workplace grievances.
- Served a 4-year term as Chairman of the Board of Trustees, overseeing financial audits, budget allocations, and fiduciary governance for the union block.
- Selected as a keynote representative to deliver the opening and closing invocations at two major organizational conventions.

Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI)

Washington, D.C. Fingerprint Technician | 1968 – 1969

- Earned official qualification as an FBI Fingerprint Technician directly following high school graduation.
- Analyzed, classified, and archived biometric data to support federal criminal investigations and background screenings.
- Maintained strict confidentiality and data integrity under Department of Justice standards.

Military Service

United States Marine Corps

Non-Commissioned Officer (Corporal, E-4) | 1969 – 1971

- Drafted into service and earned a rare meritorious promotion to Corporal within just 13 months of enlistment.
- Entrusted with high-level security detail for the **Western White House**, protecting the President of the United States and visiting dignitaries.
- Appointed to elite specialized units, including the **General Inspection Team**, **Technical Inspection Team**, and the **Marine Corps Orienteering Team**.
- Executed sensitive duties as a designated Prisoner Escort and maintained combat readiness across all standard-issued assignments.
- Honorably discharged as a disabled Marine following injuries sustained during 81mm mortar training.

Community Leadership & Advocacy

American Veterans Advocate Organization *President (4-Year Term)*

- Led organizational strategy, managed public relations, and directed fundraising initiatives to secure vital resources, legal support, and medical advocacy for military veterans.

The Patriot Guard Riders *Active Member*

- Volunteered to provide dignified motorcycle escorts and physical shields at military funeral services, protecting grieving families from disruptions and honoring fallen service members.

Community Volunteer *Active Participant*

- Consistently dedicate personal time to local veteran affairs and community development initiatives in the Flint area.

Education & Credentials

- **U.S. Marine Corps NCO Leadership Training** – 1970
- **Federal Bureau of Investigation Certification** – Fingerprint Identification, 1968
- **Kearsley High School** – High School Diploma, 1968