

# **City of Flint, Michigan**

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## **Meeting Minutes - Draft**

**Monday, May 24, 2021**

**6:41 PM**

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**ELECTRONIC PUBLIC MEETING**

### **CITY COUNCIL**

*Kate Fields, President, Ward 4  
Maurice D. Davis, Vice President, Ward 2*

*Eric Mays, Ward 1  
Jeri Winfrey-Carter, Ward 5  
Monica Galloway, Ward 7*

*Santino J. Guerra, Ward 3  
Herbert J. Winfrey, Ward 6  
Allan Griggs, Ward 8*

*Eva L. Worthing, Ward 9*

*Inez M. Brown, City Clerk*

*Davina Donahue, Deputy Clerk*

## CALL TO ORDER

*City Council President Kate Fields called this meeting to order at 6:41 p.m.*

## ROLL CALL

**Present:** Councilperson: Councilperson Mays, Councilperson Davis, Councilperson Guerra, Councilperson Fields, Councilperson Winfrey-Carter, Winfrey, Councilperson Galloway, Councilperson Griggs and Councilperson Worthing

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

*Councilperson Allan Griggs led the Pledge of Allegiance.*

## REQUEST FOR CHANGES AND/OR ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

*Councilperson Fields asked for a Special Order, before Public Speaking/Council Response, to discuss metal detectors and reopening City Hall. The motion passed 5-4 (No: Mays, Davis, Winfrey-Carter, Galloway). Councilperson Fields made a motion to do all action items (with the exception of the one on metal detectors), before Special Orders. The vote was 6-3 (No: Mays, Winfrey-Carter, Galloway). Councilperson Galloway asked to have all Special Orders (including the one on metal detectors) postponed until after action items. The motion failed 4-5 (No: Guerra, Fields, Winfrey, Griggs, Worthing).*

## SPECIAL ORDERS

**210238** Special Order/Metal Detectors/Opening of City Hall

A Special Order as requested by Council President Fields to discuss metal detectors and the opening of City Hall.

**Presented**

## PETITIONS AND UNOFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS

**210236** Update/Hazard Mitigation Project Requests/Genesee County Metropolitan Planning Commission (GCMPC)

Memorandum dated May 14, 2021 from the Genesee County Metropolitan Planning Commission (GCMPC), GLS Region V Planning and Development Commission, re: A public comment period on the Genesee County Hazard Mitigation Project has been scheduled for May 17, 2021, through June 18, 2021.

**This Matter was Placed on File on the Consent Agenda.**

## COMMUNICATIONS (from Mayor and other City Officials)

**210237** Traffic Engineering/Closure Permits

Sidewalk, Lane and Street Closure permits (5) dated May, 2021, for requested activities/events, with noted responsibility for the placement of the required traffic control devices, and/or personnel, for the protection of traffic and event participants.

**This Matter was Placed on File on the Consent Agenda.**

## RECONSIDERATION (of Appointments)

**210155** Appointment/Water System Advisory Council/James Gaskin

Resolution resolving that Mayor Neeley hereby appoints James Gaskin (41225 Lori Lane, Fenton, MI 48430) to serve on the Water System Advisory Council. [NOTE: Pursuant to the State of Michigan's administrative rules, water suppliers serving a population of 50,000 or more, shall create a Water System Advisory Council. The purpose of the Council is to improve transparency in the City of Flint community by developing materials and advising the water system on public awareness and education efforts.]

**A motion was made by Councilperson Winfrey, seconded by Councilperson Worthing, that this matter be RECONSIDERED. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 6 - Councilperson Mays, Councilperson Davis, Councilperson Guerra, Councilperson Fields, Councilperson Winfrey and Councilperson Worthing

**No:** 3 - Councilperson Winfrey-Carter, Councilperson Galloway and Councilperson Griggs

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**A motion was made by Councilperson Mays, seconded by Councilperson Winfrey-Carter, that this matter be TABLED. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Councilperson Mays, Councilperson Davis, Councilperson Guerra, Councilperson Winfrey-Carter, Councilperson Winfrey, Councilperson Galloway and Councilperson Griggs

**No:** 2 - Councilperson Fields and Councilperson Worthing

**210157** Appointment/Water System Advisory Council/Nancy Love

Resolution resolving that Mayor Neeley hereby appoints Nancy Love (1351 Beal Avenue, Ann Arbor, MI 48109) to serve on the Water System Advisory Council. [NOTE: Pursuant to the State of Michigan's administrative rules, water suppliers serving a population of 50,000 or more, shall create a Water System Advisory Council. The purpose of the Council is to improve transparency in the City of Flint community by developing materials and advising the water system on public awareness and education efforts.]

**A motion was made by Councilperson Mays, seconded by Councilperson Winfrey, that this matter be TABLED. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 5 - Councilperson Mays, Councilperson Davis, Councilperson Winfrey-Carter, Councilperson Winfrey and Councilperson Galloway

**No:** 4 - Councilperson Guerra, Councilperson Fields, Councilperson Griggs and Councilperson Worthing

**210228** Appointment/Water System Advisory Council/Lawrence Reynolds

Resolution resolving that Mayor Neeley hereby appoints Lawrence Reynolds (2621 Indian Bow Trail, Flint, MI 48507) to serve on the Water System Advisory Council. [NOTE: Pursuant to the State of Michigan's administrative rules, water suppliers serving a population of 50,000 or more, shall create a Water System Advisory Council. The purpose of the Council is to improve transparency in the City of Flint community by developing materials and advising the water system on public awareness and education efforts.]

**A motion was made by Councilperson Mays, seconded by Councilperson Griggs, that this matter be Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 9 - Councilperson Mays, Councilperson Davis, Councilperson Guerra, Councilperson Fields, Councilperson Winfrey-Carter, Councilperson Winfrey, Councilperson Galloway, Councilperson Griggs and Councilperson Worthing

**210229** Appointment/Water System Advisory Council/Shawn P. McElmurry

Resolution resolving that Mayor Neeley hereby appoints Shawn P. McElmurry (2153 Engineering Building, 5050 Anthony Wayne Drive, Detroit, MI 48202) to serve on the Water System Advisory Council. [NOTE: Pursuant to the State of Michigan's administrative rules, water suppliers serving a population of 50,000 or more, shall create a Water System Advisory Council. The purpose of the Council is to improve transparency in the City of Flint community by developing materials and advising the water system on public awareness and education efforts.]

**A motion was made by Councilperson Mays, seconded by Councilperson Winfrey, that this matter be TABLED. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 5 - Councilperson Mays, Councilperson Davis, Councilperson Winfrey-Carter, Councilperson Winfrey and Councilperson Galloway

**No:** 4 - Councilperson Guerra, Councilperson Fields, Councilperson Griggs and Councilperson Worthing

**210230** Appointment/Water System Advisory Council/Benjamin Pauli

Resolution resolving that Mayor Neeley hereby appoints Benjamin Pauli (1213 Beard Street, Flint, MI 48503) to serve on the Water System Advisory Council. [NOTE: Pursuant to the State of Michigan's administrative rules, water suppliers serving a population of 50,000 or more, shall create a Water System Advisory Council. The purpose of the Council is to improve transparency in the City of Flint community by developing materials and advising the water system on public awareness and education efforts.]

**A motion was made by Councilperson Mays, seconded by Councilperson Griggs, that this matter be Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 8 - Councilperson Mays, Councilperson Davis, Councilperson Fields, Councilperson Winfrey-Carter, Councilperson Winfrey, Councilperson Galloway, Councilperson Griggs and Councilperson Worthing

**No:** 1 - Councilperson Guerra

## TABLED APPOINTMENTS

*Councilperson Mays, with support from Councilperson Griggs, made a motion to take 210155 (Gaskins), 210157 (Love) and 210229 (McElmurry) off the table.*

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**A motion was made by Councilperson Winfrey, seconded by Councilperson Mays, that this matter be Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 6 - Councilperson Mays, Councilperson Davis, Councilperson Guerra, Councilperson Fields, Councilperson Winfrey and Councilperson Worthing

**No:** 3 - Councilperson Winfrey-Carter, Councilperson Galloway and Councilperson Griggs

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public awareness and education efforts.]

*The motion was to "postpone until more Flint residents are appointed to the WAC."*

**A motion was made by Councilperson Mays, seconded by Councilperson Winfrey, that this matter be POSTPONED for June 9, 2021. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 6 - Councilperson Mays, Councilperson Davis, Councilperson Guerra, Councilperson Winfrey-Carter, Councilperson Winfrey and Councilperson Galloway

**No:** 3 - Councilperson Fields, Councilperson Griggs and Councilperson Worthing

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**No:** 3 - Councilperson Fields, Councilperson Griggs and Councilperson Worthing

## RESOLUTIONS

**210202** CO#1/Contract/Extend Contract/Rowe Professional Services Co./Comprehensive Zoning Services

Resolution resolving that city officials, upon City Council's approval, are authorized to do all things necessary to extend the contract [change order #1] with Rowe Professional Services Co. until October 31, 2021, and add \$60,000.00 to continue their provision of comprehensive zoning services with funds in the amount of \$60,000.00, to be made available from Planning & Development Medical Marijuana Compliance Professional Services Acct. No. 101-371.220-801.000.

**This Matter was ADOPTED BY THE MASTER RESOLUTION on the Consent Agenda.**

**210203** Sale of City-Owned Land/3420 St. John Street/Evergrow, LLC

Resolution resolving that the appropriate city officials are authorized to do all

things necessary to enter into and complete the sale of the property commonly known as 3420 St. John Street, Flint, MI, 48505, Parcel ID 47-31-487-015, and legally described as LOTS 425 THRU 443 AS ORIGINALLY PLATTED; LOT 444 EXC ELY 10 FT OF NLY 75 FT; LOT 445 EXC NLY 75 FT, GENERAL MOTORS PARK; ALSO A CONTIG UNPLATTED PARCEL OF LAND DESC AS FOLLS: THAT PART OF N8 RDS OF 1/2 OF NE 1/4 OF SEC 6, T7N, R7E LYING WLY OF WLY R.O.W. LINE OF JAMES P. COLE BLVD AS DESCRIBED IN DEED LIBER 2183, PAGES 869-873, GENESEE COUNTY RECORDS. EXC THAT PART OF VACATED ST JOHN ST. for a total cost of \$500,000.00 and transfer the property to Evergrow, LLC, in an AS IS condition, according to the terms agreed upon in the Purchase Agreement by means of conveyance of a Warranty Deed. Revenue realized from the sale of this real property will be placed in Revenue Acct. No. 101-371.209-673.100, AND, resolving that the City Clerk shall, within thirty (30) days of this action, record a certified copy of this resolution with the Register of Deeds for Genesee County and forward a certified copy of said resolution to the State Treasurer.

#### SEPARATED FROM MASTER RESOLUTION

- 210233** Setting a Public Hearing/Brownfield Redevelopment Plan/James P. Cole Project (1809 James P. Cole)

Resolution resolving that the Flint City Council will hold a public hearing at 5:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, or electronically in accordance with Gov. Whitmer's Executive Order 2020-75, on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2021, AND, resolving that the governing body shall provide notice of the hearing to the taxing jurisdictions that levy taxes subject to capture under this Act, and shall fully inform the taxing jurisdictions about the fiscal and economic implications of the proposed Brownfield Plan.

#### SEPARATED FROM MASTER RESOLUTION

### RESOLUTIONS - MAY BE REFERRED FROM SPECIAL AFFAIRS

- 210234** CO#4/Contract/BS&A Software/Software Applications

Resolution authorizing the appropriate city officials to do all things necessary to enter into Change Order No. 4 to the contract with BS&A Software to provide software applications for the period of May 1, 2021, through May 1, 2022, in the amount of \$124,752.00, and a total contract amount of \$731,384.00, under the same terms and conditions [Information Services Computer Software Acct. No. 636-228.100-814.600.]

**This Matter was ADOPTED BY THE MASTER RESOLUTION on the Consent Agenda.**

- 210235** Settlement Agreement/Herbert Biggs v City of Flint/Damage Claim

Resolution resolving that the City Administrator is hereby authorized to pay the settlement offer in the matter of Herbert Biggs v City of Flint, in the amount of \$30,000.00, in satisfaction of any and all claims arising out of said matter, with payment drawn from appropriated funds in Litigation & Suits Acct. No.

677-266.200-956.300. [NOTE: An Executive Session was held on this matter on May 19, 2021.]

**This Matter was ADOPTED BY THE MASTER RESOLUTION on the Consent Agenda.**

### **Passed The Consent Agenda**

**A motion was made by Councilperson Guerra, seconded by Councilperson Worthing, including all the preceding items marked as having been adopted on a Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Councilperson Mays, Councilperson Davis, Councilperson Guerra, Councilperson Fields, Councilperson Winfrey-Carter, Councilperson Winfrey and Councilperson Worthing

**No:** 2 - Councilperson Galloway and Councilperson Griggs

### **SEPARATED FROM MASTER RESOLUTION**

**210203** Sale of City-Owned Land/3420 St. John Street/Evergrow, LLC

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**A motion was made by Councilperson Guerra, seconded by Councilperson Winfrey, that this matter be Adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 5 - Councilperson Guerra, Councilperson Fields, Councilperson Winfrey, Councilperson Griggs and Councilperson Worthing

**No:** 4 - Councilperson Mays, Councilperson Davis, Councilperson Winfrey-Carter and Councilperson Galloway

### **ROLL CALL**

*Councilperson Winfrey-Carter left the meeting at 11:30 p.m.*

### **SEPARATED FROM THE MASTER RESOLUTION CONTINUED**



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**A motion was made by Councilperson Guerra, seconded by Councilperson Worthing, that this matter be Adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 6 - Councilperson Davis, Councilperson Guerra, Councilperson Fields, Councilperson Winfrey, Councilperson Galloway and Councilperson Worthing

**No:** 1 - Councilperson Griggs

**Abstain:** 1 - Councilperson Mays

**Absent:** 1 - Councilperson Winfrey-Carter

**SPECIAL ORDERS CONTINUED****210218**      Special Order/Republic Services/Composting & Trash

A Special Order as requested by Councilperson Monica Galloway to discuss composting and trash with Republic Services.

**Presented**

**210181**      Special Order/Plaque for COVID-19 Victims

A Special Order as requested by Council President Fields to discuss having the City Council pay for a plaque to honor employees who have died of COVID-19.

**Presented**

*The remaining Special Orders were postponed to 6-14-21.*

**210172**      Special Order/Discussion/Finance Committee Vice Chair

A Special Order as requested by Councilperson Worthing to discuss the Finance Committee Vice Chair.

**210171**      Special Order/Special Meeting/\$99 Million/COVID-19 Relief Funds

A Special Order as requested by Councilperson Mays to discuss having a special meeting to talk about the \$99 million in COVID-19 relief funds.

**210167** Special Order/Special Orders

A Special Order as requested by Council President Fields to discuss Special Orders.

**210124** Special Order/Bone Scans & Lead Measurement/Dr. Lawrence Reynolds

A Special Order as requested by Council President Fields to allow Dr. Lawrence Reynolds to present his findings on bone scanning equipment and their use in measuring lead exposure.

**210070** Special Order/Hatch Act

A Special Order as requested by Council President Fields to discuss the Hatch Act of 1939, which prohibits some forms of political activity.

**ADJOURNMENT**

*Vice President Maurice Davis adjourned this meeting at 12:24 a.m. due to lack of a quorum.*

*Respectfully transcribed & submitted,*

*Janell Johnson, Administrative Secretary to City Council*