

City of Flint, Michigan

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Meeting Minutes - Draft

Monday, July 12, 2021

7:52 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
Jerri 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

Council President Kate Fields called this meeting to order at 7:52 p.m.

ROLL CALL

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

Absent: Councilperson: Winfrey and Councilperson Worthing

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilperson Monica Galloway led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Councilperson Worthing arrived about 8:03 p.m. (in the middle of Agenda Changes).

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

Absent: Councilperson: Winfrey

REQUEST FOR CHANGES AND/OR ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

Councilperson Fields made a motion to postpone Special Orders. The motion passed 7-0. Councilperson Mays asked to have a Discussion Item about the Investigative Hearing/Garbage Contract before Final Council Comments. The vote was 6-2 (No: Fields, Worthing). Councilperson Mays made a motion to discuss Special Order No. 210171 (to schedule a Special Meeting to discuss the American Rescue Plan Act funds). The motion failed 4-4. Councilperson Galloway asked to have an update on a water main break in the College Cultural Area after Changes and/or Additions to Agenda. The vote was 8-0.

SPECIAL ORDERS

The following Special Orders -- 210172, 210171, 210167 and 210070 -- were postponed to the next City Council agenda (7-28-21) after a motion by Councilperson Fields during Agenda Changes. The vote was 7-0.

Special Order/Discussion/Finance Committee Vice Chair

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

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.

Special Order/Special Orders

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

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.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

The administration asked to have Public Hearing No. 210268.6 dropped. Councilperson Worthing, with support from Councilperson Winfrey-Carter, made the motion to drop. The vote was 8-0.

Public Hearing/Rezoning Request/448 South Saginaw Street/From D-4 Metropolitan Business District to D-5 Metropolitan Commercial Services District

A Public Hearing on the rezoning request for 448 South Saginaw Street. [NOTE: Shaltz Acquisitions, LLC requests a rezoning from D-4 Metropolitan Business District to D-5 Metropolitan Commercial Services District at 448 South Saginaw Street to use the property for a Provisioning Center. Provisioning Centers, a Group E Special Regulated Use, require properties to be located in D-5, D-6, E, F or G zoning districts.]

PETITIONS AND UNOFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS

Financial Report/Karegnondi Water Authority (KWA)

Communication received June 17, 2021, re: The Karegnondi Water Authority (KWA) May 2021 Financial Report.

This Matter was Placed on File on the Consent Agenda.

Annual Financial Statements/Auditor's Report/Bishop International Airport Authority (BIAA)/Year Ended December 31, 2020

Communication dated June 23, 2021, from Dionne Griffin, Deputy Airport director, BIAA, to Flint City Clerk, re: Enclosed please find the Financial Statements for Bishop International Airport Authority for the calendar year ended December 31, 2020, and the associated report from independent auditors Plante Moran P.C.

This Matter was Placed on File on the Consent Agenda.

Notice of Public Hearing/Michigan Public Service Commission (MPSC)

Notice of Public Hearing received June 28, 2021, re: Michigan Public Service Commission (MPSC) notice of hearing for the gas customers of Consumers Energy Co., Case No. U-21080, to be held July 7, 2021, at 9:30 a.m., by Video/Teleconferencing.

This Matter was Placed on File on the Consent Agenda.

Notice of Public Hearing/Michigan Public Service Commission (MPSC)

Notice of Public Hearing received July 9, 2021, re: Michigan Public Service Commission (MPSC) notice of hearing for the gas customers of Consumers Energy Co., Case No. U-20865, to be held July 20, 2021, at 9:30 a.m., by Video/Teleconferencing.

This Matter was Placed on File on the Consent Agenda.

Proof of Service and Petition/Michigan Tax Tribunal/Sweco Flint, LLC v City of Flint/MTT Docket No. 21-001191

Communication received July 8, 2021, re: Proof of Service and Petition filed with the Michigan Tax Tribunal by Sweco Flint, LLC regarding Parcel No. 41-04-352-031.

This Matter was Placed on File on the Consent Agenda.

COMMUNICATIONS (from Mayor and Other City Officials)

Memo/Flint Neighborhoods United/Traffic Taming Taskforce/Speeding in Flint Neighborhoods

Memo received July 1, 2021, from Flint Neighborhoods United, re: The Traffic Taming Taskforce has placed radar signs to track the speed of vehicles in nine neighborhoods throughout the city. For more information, call Kate Cole, Traffic Taming Taskforce, at (810) 515-3470.

This Matter was Placed on File on the Consent Agenda.

Traffic Engineering/Closure Permits

Sidewalk, Lane and Street Closure permits (3) dated June and July 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.

APPOINTMENTS

Appointment/Downtown Development Authority (DDA) Board/Casey Lester

Resolution resolving that the Flint City Council approves the appointment of Casey Lester (1950 Colchester Road, Flint, MI 48503) to serve a four-year term on the Downtown Development Authority (DDA) Board, commencing June 30, 2021, and expiring June 30, 2025. [By way of background, Mr. Lester is replacing Glenn Kelly, whose term expired in August 2016, although he continued to serve, until recently resigning.]

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

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

Absent: 1 - Councilperson Winfrey

RESOLUTIONS

Two-Year Contract/Complete Towing/Towing and Storage Services

Resolution resolving that the appropriate city officials are authorized to do all things necessary to enter into a contract with Complete Towing to provide towing and storage services, in an amount NOT-TO-EXCEED \$185,845.00 for FY2021 and \$242,400.00 for FY2022, pending budget adoption, [for an aggregate total of \$428,245.00], as requested by Police [General Fund Professional Services Acct. No. 101-305.206-801.000.]

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

Contract/SpyGlass/Technology Expense Management Consulting

Resolution resolving that the proper city officials, upon City Council's approval, are authorized to do all things necessary to enter into a contract with SpyGlass to provide technology expense management consulting services for FY2022, in an amount NOT-TO-EXCEED \$846,105.24, as requested by Information Systems Information Systems Communications Acct. No. 636-228.100-850.000.] [NOTE: SpyGlass will perform an audit of the city's primary telecommunications service accounts to seek cost recovery, service elimination and cost reduction recommendations. The initial audit revealed potential annual savings of \$846,105.24.]

SEPARATED FROM MASTER RESOLUTION

Recognition of Revenue/Justice Assistance Grants (JAG)

Resolution resolving that the Flint City Council is authorized to recognize the interest earned from the 2017 Justice Assistance Grants (JAG), in the amount of \$89.64, AND, resolving that the aforementioned \$89.64 be recognized, and appropriation in like amount be made to the appropriate JAG accounts.

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

Settlement/Sewage Backup Events/Damage Claims

Resolution resolving that the Flint City Council approves and consents to the city settling damage claims [from 11 individuals, totaling \$64,600,] with payment to be drawn from appropriated funds in the Litigation and Suits Acct. No. 677-266.200-956.300.

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

RESOLUTIONS (MAY BE REFERRED FROM SPECIAL AFFAIRS)

Settlement/Frank Dotson v City of Flint

Resolution resolving that the City Administrator is hereby authorized to pay the settlement offer in the matter of Frank Dotson v City of Flint, in the amount of \$255.50, in satisfaction of any and all claims arising out of said matter, with payment drawn from appropriated funds in the Litigation and Suits Line Item No. 677-266.200-956.300. [NOTE: An Executive Session was held on this matter on June 23, 2021.]

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

Budget Amendment/Transfer of Funds/General Fund/Police

Resolution resolving that the appropriate city officials, upon City Council's approval, are authorized to do all things necessary to recognize revenue in the amount of \$510,920.00 in General Fund Acct. No. 101-315.100-671.300, and to appropriate budget in the amount of \$304,050.00 to the Police Department Professional Services Acct. No. 101-315.100-801.000, with the difference of \$202,870.00 going to the General Fund's Fund Balance. [NOTE: \$510,092.00 was collected over many years as a Statutory fee that was to be paid to the State of Michigan, which later determined that the money was not owed to them. \$304,050.00 will be used to cover helicopter and pilot service for three months to help assist officers on the ground.]

SEPARATED FROM MASTER RESOLUTION

Passed The Consent Agenda

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

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

Absent: 1 - Councilperson Winfrey

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A motion was made by Councilperson Galloway, seconded by Councilperson Davis, that this matter be REFERRED TO COMMITTEE to the FINANCE COMMITTEE, due back on July 21, 2021. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

No: 2 - Councilperson Griggs and Councilperson Worthing

Absent: 1 - Councilperson Winfrey

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A motion was made by Councilperson Galloway, seconded by Councilperson Winfrey-Carter, that this matter be REFERRED TO COMMITTEE to the FINANCE COMMITTEE, due back on July 21, 2021. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Councilperson Mays, Councilperson Davis, Councilperson Fields, Councilperson Winfrey-Carter, Councilperson Galloway, Councilperson Griggs and Councilperson Worthing

No: 1 - Councilperson Guerra

Absent: 1 - Councilperson Winfrey

ADJOURNMENT

Vice President Maurice Davis adjourned this meeting at 12:05 a.m. after a motion by Councilperson Galloway and support from Councilperson Griggs. The vote was 6-0 (Absent: Fields, Winfrey, Worthing).

Respectfully transcribed & submitted,

Janell Johnson, Administrative Secretary to City Council