

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAGINAW, MICHIGAN, WAS HELD MONDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2024, AT 6:30 P.M. IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT CITY HALL, 1315 S. WASHINGTON AVENUE, SAGINAW, MICHIGAN.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Moore offered a prayer and led the pledge of allegiance of the United States of America.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Moore called the meeting to order. Council Members present: Monique Silvia, Jacinta Seals, Michael Balls, Priscilla Garcia, Bill Ostash, Eric Braddock Sr., Heidi Wiggins, Brenda Moore: 8. Council Members absent: Carly Hammond: 1.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

City Clerk Kristine Bolzman made the following announcements:

- This is the last week for yard waste collection. Yard waste in containers or bags may be placed at the curb for collection on your regular trash day through Friday.
- The Convenience Station will be open this Saturday, December 14, from 8:00 a.m. to noon. City residents can drop off items not picked up at the curb and other miscellaneous bulky items.
- The Public Works Building at 1435 S. Washington Avenue is again a drop-off location for recycling old holiday lights. The collection will run through January 15.
- The next City Council meeting is next Monday, December 16 at 6:30 p.m.

PUBLIC INPUT

Members of the public that addressed the Council: Joseph Morrison, John Wisniewski, Lucas Watkins, Melanie Velasco, Rhonda Farrell-Butler, Candis Thomas, Joe Loperena, Tina Swanton, and Michael Thompson.

COUNCIL REMARKS

Remarks were heard from the following Council Members: Balls, Ostash, Braddock, Wiggins, Silvia, Seals, Garcia, and Moore.

REPORTS FROM CITY MANAGER

City Manager Tim Morales reported updates regarding various projects.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Moved by Council Member Silvia, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Garcia to approve the consent agenda, allowing room for exceptions. An exception was made to item 8. 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. Motion approved.

1. Approve the November 25, 2024, regular council meeting minutes.
2. Approve the 2025 council meeting schedule.
3. Approve the purchase with Saginaw Aerial GIS Authority for \$3,780 for Saginaw County aerial photography imagery to be integrated into the City's GIS system for the Technical Services Department.
4. Approve the purchase with Pro-Tech Cabling Systems, Inc. for \$1,363,062 for phase II of the City's fiber optic network line replacement project for the Technical Services Department.

5. Approve the Memorandum of Agreement with the City of Midland and the City of Bay City, to collaborate and apply to the FEMA Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program for self-contained breathing apparatus for the Fire Department.
6. Approve to increase the blanket purchase order with Wieland Truck by \$20,000, for a new total of \$130,000, for vehicle repair services for the Public Services Department, Motor Pool Division.
7. Approve the annual purchase with Kappen Tree Service LLC for \$22,000 for FY 2025, and pending budget approval for FY 2026 and FY 2027, for compost grinding services for the Public Services Department, Streets Division.
8. Approve the contract with Spence Brothers for \$6,094,100 for the Hancock CSO and Parking Structure Rehabilitation Project for the Public Services Department, Engineering Division.
9. Approve the purchase with TSP Services, Inc. for \$72,229 for the replacement of pumps and related equipment at the Ojibway Island Park Lift Station for the Water and Wastewater Treatment Services Department, Remote Facilities Division.
10. Approve the increase to purchase order with Rohde Brothers Excavating, Inc. by \$407,245, for a new total of \$657,245, for removal of blighted homes in the city for the Office of Management and Budget, Community Development Block Grant Division.

Moved by Council Member Balls, seconded by Council Member Silvia to approve consent agenda item 8. 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. Motion approved.

ORDINANCE INTRODUCTION

Moved by Council Member Balls, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Garcia to introduce and ordinance to amend the official city map to rezone, 2419 Mackinaw Street from B-1, Local Business District to R-3, Low Density Multiple Dwelling Residential District.
8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. Motion approved.

Mayor Moore announced that the ordinance will be laid over pursuant to State Law.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Moved by Council Member Balls, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Garcia to approve the Professional Services Agreement with Placer Labs, Inc. for \$23,000 for Placer.ai data software for the Neighborhood Services and Inspections Department, Planning and Economic Development Division.

Mayor Moore asked Clerk Bolzman to conduct a roll call vote.

Ayes: Seals, Balls, Garcia, Ostash, Braddock, Wiggins, Moore

Nays: Silvia

Absent: Hammond

Motion approved.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Moved by Council Member Balls to approve lifting the tax cap. No second was given and Council Member Balls withdrew the motion.

Moved by Council Member Balls, seconded by Council Member Silvia to approve demonstrating support of House Bill 6160 that was recently introduced regarding lifting the tax cap. 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. Motion approved.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Council Member Silvia, seconded by Council Member Balls to adjourn the meeting at 7:34 p.m. 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. Motion approved.

Submitted by,

Kristine Bolzman, MiPMC/CMC
City Clerk

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