
A REGULAR MEETING AND STRATEGIC PLANNING SESSION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAGINAW, MICHIGAN, WAS HELD MONDAY, JANUARY 31, 2025, AT 8:30 A.M. IN THE MORLEY ROOM OF THE CASTLE MUSEUM, 500 FEDERAL AVENUE, SAGINAW, MICHIGAN.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member Balls offered a prayer and Council Member Seals 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, Eric Braddock Sr., Heidi Wiggins, Carly Hammond, Brenda Moore: 8. Council Members absent: Bill Ostash: 1.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

City Clerk Kristine Bolzman announced that the next City Council Meeting is Monday, February 10, at 6:30 p.m. in Council Chambers.

PUBLIC INPUT

Members of the public that addressed the Council: Joseph Morrison, John Milne, Alexander Griffin, Denzell Small, and Rachel Weidinger.

Moved by Council Member Silvia, seconded by Council Member Balls to waive the Council Rules of Order and change the Order of Business to follow the Strategic Planning Session schedule prepared by the City Manager. 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. Motion approved.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Moved by Council Member Silvia, seconded by Council Member Seals to approve the consent agenda, allowing room for exceptions. An exception was made to item 9. 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. Motion approved.

1. Approve the January 13, 2025 regular council meeting minutes.
2. Approve the insurance policy renewal with Chubb Insurance Company; Hanover Insurance Group; Cincinnati Insurance Company; and Scottsdale Insurance Company effective February 1, 2025 to February 1, 2026, for a total of \$708,470. Further, recommend that I, or my designee, be allowed to make adjustments to said policies, as necessary throughout the policy term, in removing and/or adding coverage on equipment, machinery and buildings, as the City acquires and/or disposes of same.
3. Approve the filing of the 2025 Single Lot Special Assessment Tax Roll in the office of the City Clerk for public examination, and that City Council call a public hearing to be held on February 24, 2025.
4. Ratification of a purchase with Michigan Air Compressor Technologies for \$33,732 for a Sullivan Palatek SP 11-HH30 air compressor for the Public Services Department, Motor Pool Division.
5. Approve to increase the blanket purchase order with Wieland Truck by \$13,000, for a new total of \$35,000 for vehicle parts for the Public Services Department, Motor Pool Division.

6. Approve to increase the blanket purchase order with Michigan CAT by \$7,000, for a new total of \$27,000 for vehicle parts for the Public Services Department, Motor Pool Division.
7. Ratification of a purchase with Michigan Turbo for \$2,100 for a replacement turbocharger for plow truck # 53-0409 for the Public Services Department, Streets Division.
8. Approve the purchase with Scientific Brake and Equipment for \$7,930 for a Western Tornado Ploy Hopper spreader for the Public Services Department, Maintenance and Service Division.
9. Approve the Professional Services Agreement with Cincar Consulting Group LLC for \$352,750 for the development of the City's Safety Action Plan for the Public Services Department, Engineering Division.
10. Approve the purchase with System Specialties Co, a sole source, for \$37,565 for three Rotork actuators for the Water and Wastewater Treatment Services Department, Remote Facilities Division.
11. Approve the purchase with Fishbeck, Inc. for \$1,360,250 for professional engineering services for the final construction services for the Water and Wastewater Treatment Services Department, Wastewater Treatment Plant.
12. Approve the purchase with Xylem Vue, Inc. for \$673,000 for FY 2025; and pending budget approval for \$674,400 for FY 2026, and \$297,000 for FY 2027 for the professional services for the Water and Wastewater Treatment Services Department, Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Moved by Council Member Hammond, seconded by Council Member Silvia to approve consent agenda item 9. 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. Motion approved.

APPOINTMENT OF BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Moved by Council Member Silvia, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Garcia to approve the following appointments:

1. the Council reappointment of Lula Woodard to the Human Planning Commission with a term to expire December 31, 2026.
2. the Council appointment of Janae Bady to the Human Planning Commission with a term to expire December 31, 2026.
3. the Mayoral appointment of Joshua Daniels to the Riverfront Development Commission with a term to expire April 1, 2029.
4. the Mayoral appointment of Steven Gerhardt to the Riverfront Development Commission with a term to expire April 1, 2029.
5. the Mayoral appointment of Kevin Rooker to the Riverfront Development Commission with a term to expire April 1, 2029.
6. the City Manager appointment of Mark Fischer to the Downtown Development Authority with a term to expire December 31, 2028.

8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. Motion approved.

REPORTS FROM CITY MANAGER

City Manager Tim Morales introduced Nancy Ohle, Strategic Planning Facilitator.

City Department Heads each gave a five-minute update on operations with triumphs and challenges applicable to their divisions.

Mayor Moore announced a break. A break was held from 10:07 a.m. to 10:21 a.m.

Ms. Ohle presented a SWOT analysis overview and discussion was held on comments provided during her interviews with Council members. She led discussion on potential revisions to the Mission/Vision Statements and Core Values.

Moved by Council Member Silvia, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Garcia to recess for a lunch break. 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. Motion approved.

A lunch break was taken from 12:23 to 12:49 p.m.

Moved by Council Member Balls, seconded by Council Member Silvia to reconvene the Strategic Planning Session. 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. Motion approved.

Ms. Ohle led a group activity with Council Members and Department Heads collaborating to identify opportunities for improvement in identified areas over the next five years.

Council Member Silvia left the meeting at 2:30 p.m.

Mayor Moore announced a break. A break was held from 2:55 p.m. to 3:10 p.m.

Council Member Balls left the meeting at 3:20 p.m.

Group discussion was held on the criteria for goals and objectives as established by the group activity.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Council Member Wiggins, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Garcia to adjourn the meeting at 4:28 p.m. 6 ayes, 0 nays, 3 absent. Motion approved.

Submitted by,

Kristine Bolzman, MiPMC/CMC
City Clerk

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