
A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAGINAW, MICHIGAN, WAS HELD MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2025, AT 6:30 P.M. IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT CITY HALL, 1315 S. WASHINGTON AVENUE, SAGINAW, MICHIGAN.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Pro Tem Garcia offered a prayer and Council Member Braddock 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, Carly Hammond, Brenda Moore: 9. Council Members absent: 0.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Council Member Braddock read a proclamation recognizing February 2025 as "Black History Month." Council Member Balls accepted the proclamation.

PUBLIC INPUT

Members of the public that addressed the Council: Connie Rousseau, Rene Torres, Julius Tate, Joyce Seals, Chris Pryor, Kathy Geiger, Inez Williams, Tammy Davis, and Melanie Velasco.

COUNCIL REMARKS

Remarks were heard from the following Council Members: Wiggins, Hammond, Silvia, Seals, Balls, Ostash, Braddock, 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 Council Member Seals to approve the consent agenda, allowing room for exceptions. No exceptions were made. 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent. Motion approved.

1. Approve the January 31, 2025, regular council meeting minutes.
2. Approve the revised guidelines for applicants requesting Poverty Exemptions.
3. Approve the grant award of \$11,480 from the 100 Club of Saginaw County for the Police Department, Emergency Services Team. Further, approve a budget adjustment for FY 2025 to recognize these funds.
4. Ratification of a purchase with Environmental Equipment Sales and Service for \$3,627 for an eject cylinder for the Rear Loading Packer for the Department of Neighborhood Services and Inspections, Environmental Division.
5. Approve to increase the blanket purchase order with Michigan Truck and Spring by \$8,000, for a new total of \$10,500, for vehicle parts for the Public Services Department, Motor Pool Division.
6. Approve to increase the blanket purchase order with Truck and Trailer Specialties, Inc. by \$10,000, for a new total of \$30,000, for vehicle parts for the Public Services Department, Motor Pool Division.

7. Approve to increase the blanket purchase order with AIS Equipment Co. by \$15,000, for a new total of \$35,000, for vehicle repair services for the Public Services Department, Motor Pool Division.
8. Approve the blanket purchase with Elite Aerial Compliance for \$4,000 for inspection services for the Public Services Department, Motor Pool Division.
9. Ratification of a purchase with Michigan Turbo for \$2,910 for a replacement turbocharger for plow truck No.53-0412 for the Public Services Department, Streets Division.
10. Approve the agreement with the King Steet Tile Drainage District for access to the south end of Wickes Park to conduct activities related to a possible drainage project for the Public Services Department, Engineering Division.
11. Approve the purchase with 3M for \$14,839 for vinyl sign materials and roadway pavement marking tape for the Public Services Department, Traffic Engineering Division.
12. Approve the purchase with specified vendors for \$41,822 for sign materials for the Public Services Department, Traffic Engineering Division.
13. Approve the purchase with Trace Analytical Laboratories, Inc. for \$8,700 for lead and copper analysis for the Water and Wastewater Treatment Services Department, Water Treatment Division.

BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE REPORTS

Council Member Hammond reported that she attended the Housing Commission meeting where it was reported that the temporary federal grant freeze delayed housing voucher payments.

Council Member Braddock reported that discussion was held at the City-School-County Liaison Committee regarding what challenges students face after the bell rings.

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 appointment of Jacinta Seals to the City-School-County Liaison Committee as Council representative.
2. the Council appointment of Heather Thomas to the Saginaw Transit Authority Regional Services with a term to expire December 31, 2027.

9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent. Motion approved.

ORDINANCE INTRODUCTION

Moved by Council Member Balls, seconded by Council Member Ostash to introduce an ordinance to amend the official city map to rezone all properties within the blocks along N Michigan between Schaefer on the west, CSX Railroad on the east, Union St on the south and Davenport Ave on the north, and also including all properties fronting along N Michigan between Davenport and Cronk, from B-1A, Interchange Business and RMU-RC, Riverfront Mixed Use-Riverfront Commercial to B-2, General Business.

9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent. Motion approved.

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

Moved by Council Member Balls, seconded by Council Member Ostash to introduce an ordinance to amend the official city map to vacate all that part of Congress Avenue lying west of and adjacent to the west line of North Niagara Street, westerly to the west line of the recorded Eddy Plat, except the easterly 246.00' of Congress Ave. 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent. Motion approved.

Mayor Moore announced that the ordinance will be laid over per Charter provision.

Move by Council Member Silvia, seconded by Council Member Hammond to introduce an ordinance to amend the official city map to rezone, entire blks.11 & 14, Fish, Phelon & Remington's addition and that part of Cedar St. lying between blks.11 & 14, Fish, Phelon & Remington's addition from R-1, Single Family Residential to R-3, Low Density Multiple Dwelling Residential District. 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent. Motion approved.

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

RESOLUTIONS

Moved by Council Member Balls, seconded by Council Member Seals to adopt a resolution approving MDOT Cost Agreement 24-5556 for the reconstruction of Hess Avenue from S. Jefferson Avenue to Sheridan Avenue. 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent. Motion approved.

Moved by Council Member Silvia, seconded by Council Member Seals to adopt a resolution establishing a Development Area Citizens Council as an advisory body to the Downtown Development Authority. 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent. Motion approved.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Moved by Council Member Hammond, seconded by Council Member Silvia to direct staff to review a resolution affirming Saginaw as a welcoming community and committing to the protection of all residents regardless of immigration status for Council consideration at the next City Council meeting. Discussion was held.

Moved by Council Member Seals, seconded by Council Member Silvia to postpone the motion to the next City Council meeting.

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

Ayes:

Nays: Silvia, Seals, Balls, Garcia, Ostash, Braddock, Wiggins, Hammond, Moore

Absent:

Motion denied.

Mayor Moore conducted the vote on the main motion, as presented. 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent. Motion approved.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Council Member Silvia, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Garcia to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m. 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent. Motion approved.

Submitted by,

Kristine Bolzman, MiPMC/CMC
City Clerk

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