

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAGINAW, MICHIGAN, WAS HELD MONDAY, MAY 10, 2021, AT 6:30 P.M. VIA VIDEO/TELECONFERENCE PER PUBLIC ACT 267 OF 1976/PUBLIC ACT 228 OF 2020 AND LOCAL EMERGENCY DECLARATION DATED APRIL 8, 2021. THE MEETING WAS STREAMED LIVE VIA THE CITY'S WEBSITE AND ON SGTV.

OPENING PRAYER

Council Member Copeland offered the opening prayer and Council Member Flores led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL

Council Members present: Reggie Williams II, attending remotely from Saginaw, MI, Michael Balls, attending remotely from Saginaw, MI, Annie Boensch, attending remotely from Saginaw, MI, Bill Ostash, attending remotely from Saginaw, MI, Autumn Scherzer, attending remotely from Saginaw, MI, George Copeland, attending remotely from Saginaw, MI, Michael Flores attending remotely from Saginaw, MI, and Brenda Moore, attending remotely from Saginaw, MI: 8. Council Member absent: Monique Lamar-Silvia: 1.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

City Clerk Janet Santos announced that Saturday, May 15 is the community Team Up to Clean Up event beginning at 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. Volunteers will meet at City Hall. Work attire and gloves are recommended and volunteers are asked to RSVP by calling 759.1540.

Council Member Flores left the meeting at 6:35 p.m. and returned at 6:36 p.m.

Mayor Pro Tem Balls presented a proclamation declaring May 2021 as "Mental Health" month. Tim Ninemire accepted the proclamation on behalf of the Saginaw County Community Mental Health Department.

PUBLIC HEARING

Clerk Santos announced the public hearing regarding the Five-Year Consolidated Plan and the Annual Plan for the Community Development Block Grant Program, Emergency Solutions Grant Program, and HOME Investment Partnership Program. Mayor Moore called for public comments. Sarah Traxler of McKenna & Associates spoke in favor of the plans and explained the process in the creation of the plans.

Council Member Flores left the meeting at 6:39 p.m. and returned at 6:41 p.m.

Mayor Moore called for public comments two more times. No additional comments were made.

Moved by Council Member Boensch, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Balls to close the public hearing. 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. Motion approved.

PUBLIC INPUT

There was no public input that addressed the Council.

Council Member Lamar-Silvia entered the meeting at 6:46~~8~~ p.m.

REMARKS OF COUNCIL

Remarks were heard from the following Council Members: Boensch, Ostash, Scherzer,

Copeland, Lamar-Silvia, Flores, Williams, Balls, and Moore.

REPORTS FROM CITY MANAGER

City Manager Morales provided information and updates regarding City projects.

He introduced Yolanda Jones, Director of the Office of Management and Budget, and Bryan Weiss, Budget Analyst II. They gave a presentation of the proposed fiscal year 2022 budget.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Mayor Moore asked if there were any exceptions to the consent agenda. An exception was made to item 13.

1. Approve the April 26, 2021 regular council meeting minutes.
2. Approve Petition #21-01 to approve the capital expenditure items for the 2021-2022 Budget for Operations, Capital Improvement, and Emergency Repair for the Saginaw-Midland Municipal Water Supply Corporation.
3. Approve the amendments to the FY 2021 Approved Budget to recognize changes that have occurred during the March period.
4. Approve to increase the purchase order with Homeland Title Company by \$2,000, for a new total of \$5,800, for title services for the Community Development Block Grant Division.
5. Approve the purchase with I.T.I., Inc. for \$3,304 to upgrade the phone system at the Andersen Enrichment Center.
6. Approve the second amendment to the lease agreement with Alltel Corporation, d/b/a Verizon, to renew the existing lease agreement for maintaining, installing, and operating radio communications facilities located at 1701 North 6th Avenue.
7. Approve to increase the blanket purchase orders issued to various vendors by \$15,000, for a new total of \$66,500, for vehicle parts for the Garage Division.
8. Approve the purchases with Shannon Supply for \$7,982 and Concrete Cutting and Breaking, Co. for \$4,245, for a total of \$12,227, for various sizes of Husqvarna asphalt and concrete saw blades for the Maintenance and Service Division.
9. Approve the purchase with Ferguson Waterworks for \$199,500 for K-Copper tubing for the Maintenance and Service Division.
10. Approve the purchase with JCI Jones Chemicals, Inc. for an annual amount of \$29,400 for FY 2022 through FY 2024, pending budget approval, for sulfur dioxide for the Wastewater Treatment Division.
11. Approve the purchase with Global Environment Consulting, LLC for an annual amount of \$4,050 for FY 2022 and FY 2023, pending budget approval, for laboratory toxicity testing for the Wastewater Treatment Division.

12. Approve the purchase with Republic Services for \$36,300 for FY 2022; \$37,500 for FY 2023, and \$39,000 for FY 2024, pending budget approval, for the hauling of grit and screenings for the Wastewater Treatment Division.

13. Approve the introduction of the proposed amendments to the Council Rules of Order of the City of Saginaw.

Moved by Council Member Flores, seconded by Council Member Lamar-Silvia to approve consent agenda items 1 through 12, as presented. 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent. Motion approved.

Moved by Council Member Boensch, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Balls to postpone indefinitely consent agenda item 13 as presented. Discussion was held.

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Balls, seconded by Council Member Boensch to call for the question. Mayor Moore asked for a roll call vote.

Ayes: Scherzer, Copeland, Lamar-Silvia, Williams, Balls, Boensch, Ostash, Moore

Nays: Flores

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

Mayor Moore asked for a roll call vote on the motion to postpone indefinitely consent agenda item 13.

Ayes: Copeland, Lamar-Silvia, Williams, Balls, Boensch, Ostash, Scherzer, Moore

Nays: Flores

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

BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE REPORTS

Council Member Boensch reported that the Human Rights Work Group met to review the feasibility of a City ordinance regarding protections for the LGBTQ+ community. It was determined to continue to monitor for legislative action.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Moved by Council Member Scherzer, seconded by Council Member Boensch to approve the 2021-2025 Consolidated Plan and 2021-2022 Annual Action Plan for the Community Development Block Grant Program, Emergency Solutions Grant Program, and HOME Investment Partnership Program, and that it be submitted to HUD for approval.

Mayor Moore asked for a roll call vote.

Ayes: Williams, Balls, Boensch, Ostash, Scherzer, Copeland, Moore

Nays: Lamar-Silvia, Flores

7 ayes, 2 nays, 0 absent. Motion approved.

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Balls, seconded by Council Member Boensch to adopt the resolution approving the Community Development Block Grant Program Submission Program Year for 2021-2022. 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent. Motion approved.

Moved by Council Member Boensch, seconded by Council Member Copeland to adopt the resolution approving the HOME Program Submission Program for 2021-2022. 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent. Motion approved.

Moved by Council Member Copeland, seconded by Council Member Boensch to adopt the resolution approving the HOMELESS Assistance Program Emergency Solutions Grant Submission Program for 2021-2022. 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent. Motion approved.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Discussion was held on regarding the recent removal of the “Bean Bunny” sign from the old bean elevator and its historic significance.

Moved by Council Member Flores to obtain the Historic District Commission’s resolution from their March 2021 meeting regarding the “Bean Bunny” building. City Attorney Lusk advised that the resolution would be on the next Historic District Commission’s agenda for their consideration and would come to Council thereafter, if adopted. No second was offered.

Mayor Pro Tem Balls called for point of order. City Manager Morales reminded Council that this is private property and a Saginaw School District Board issue.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Balls, seconded by Council Member Williams to adjourn the meeting at 8:06 p.m. 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent. Motion approved.

As recorded by,

Janet Santos, MiPMC/MMC
City Clerk