

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAGINAW, MICHIGAN, WAS HELD MONDAY, APRIL 4, 2022, AT 6:30 P.M. IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT CITY HALL, 1315 S. WASHINGTON AVENUE, SAGINAW, MICHIGAN.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member Copeland 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 Lamar-Silvia, Reggie Williams, Annie Boensch, Michael Balls, Autumn Scherzer, William Ostash, Michael Flores, George Copeland, and Brenda Moore: 9. Council Members absent: 0.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

City Clerk Janet Santos made the following announcements:

- the Yard Waste program has started and is collected on the regular trash service day. Residents must use a separate container and Yard Waste stickers are available at the City Clerk's Office.
- City Hall will be closed on Friday, April 15 for Good Friday and the Easter Holiday.

Council Member Scherzer presented a certificate of recognition to Dr. Michael Gavin as president of Delta College. Dr. Gavin appreciated the recognition.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Clerk Santos announced the public hearing regarding the request to establish an Obsolete Property Rehabilitation (OPRA) District at 2138 N. Carolina Street. Mayor Moore called for public comment. Mr. Larry Holman, property owner and contractor spoke in favor of the project and asked for support to establish the district. Mayor Moore called again for public comment. Cassi Zimmerman of Saginaw Future spoke in favor of the project to develop to property. She also explained what the benefits of the district creation will bring to the development and the City. Mayor Moore called for public comments for a third time. There were no additional comments made.

Moved by Council Member Boensch, seconded by Council Member Copeland to close the public hearing. 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent. Motion approved.

PUBLIC INPUT

Members of the Public that addressed the Council: Lance Cope, Jamal Hill, Janey Lamar, and Anna Patton.

Moved by Council Member Flores, seconded by Council Member Lamar-Silvia to extend the time for Anna Patton by forty-five (45) seconds. 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent. Motion approved.

Public Input continued with Jeffrey Bulls, and Lynn Vela.

REMARKS OF COUNCIL

Remarks were heard from the following Council Members: Ostash, Flores, and Copeland.

Moved by Council Member Flores, seconded by Council Member Lamar-Silvia to extend the time for Council Member Copeland by one minute. 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent. Motion approved.

Council remarks continued with Lamar-Silvia, Williams, Boensch, Scherzer, and Balls.

Council Member Flores left the meeting at 7:19 p.m. and returned at 7:21 p.m.

Moved by Council Member Flores, seconded by Council Member Lamar-Silvia to extend the time for Mayor Pro Tem Balls by two minutes. 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent. Motion approved.

Council remarks continued with Mayor Moore.

Moved by Council Member Flores, seconded by Council Member Lamar-Silvia to extend the time for Mayor Moore by two minutes. 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent. Motion approved.

REPORTS FROM CITY MANAGER

Manager Morales provided information and updates regarding City projects. He introduced Delta College President Dr. Michael Gavin. Dr. Gavin presented an update of the downtown Saginaw location and programs offered here and at their main campus.

Council Member Lamar-Silvia left the meeting at 7:58 p.m. and returned at 8:00 p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Moved by Council Member Lamar-Silvia, seconded by Council Member Williams to approve the consent agenda, allowing room for exceptions. No exceptions were made. 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent. Motion approved.

1. Approve the March 21, 2022 regular council meeting minutes.
2. Approve the Professional Services Agreement with Attorney Gary Campbell.
3. Approve the Downtown Development Authority By-Laws, as amended.
4. Approve the purchase with Kent Communications, Inc. for \$3,900 for the printing and mailing of the 2022 summer tax bills; and pending budget approval, for \$7,800 for the printing and mailing of the summer and winter tax bills for FY 2023 through FY 2026 for the Fiscal Services Department, Treasury Division.
5. Approve the amendments to the FY 2022 Approved Budget to recognize changes that have occurred during the January and February periods.
6. Approve the agreement with Saginaw Transit Authority and Regional Services for the use of the City owned parking lot located at 445 Roosevelt Austin Avenue.
7. Approve the purchase with Direct Fitness Solutions, Inc. for \$53,065 for fitness center equipment for the Police Department.
8. Approve the purchase with Stryker, a sole source, for an annual amount of \$4,055.40, a total of \$12,166.20, for a three-year maintenance agreement to service and repair the Lucas III Chest Compressions Systems for the Fire Department.

9. Approve the purchase with Rowley's Wholesale for \$2,560 for two Graco oil dispensing pumps for the Public Services Department, Motor Pool Division.
10. Approve the purchase with Ferguson Waterworks for \$18,600 for manhole blocks for the Public Services Department, Maintenance and Service Division.
11. Approve the Access Agreement with Thomas Township.
12. Approve the contract with Champagne and Marx Excavating, Inc. for \$449,786 for the Andersen Enrichment Center and Fire Training Facility parking lots for the Public Services Department, Engineering Division.
13. Approve the purchase with Mid-Michigan Fire Protection for \$5,352 for the repair and replacement of fire extinguishers for the Water and Wastewater Treatment Services Department, Wastewater Treatment Division.
14. Approve the purchase with Holzberg Communications, Inc. for \$2,785 for an overload board for the Water and Wastewater Treatment Services Department, Remote Facilities Division.

BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE REPORTS

Council Member Scherzer reminded everyone of the Saginaw Economic Development Corporation's Local Small Business Expo on Monday, April 25 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Saginaw County Community Action Committee center located at 2824 Perkins Street.

APPOINTMENT OF BOARD AND COMMISSION MEMBERS

Moved by Council Member Lamar-Silvia, seconded by Council Member Scherzer to approve the reappointments as follows:

1. Council reappointment of Kevin Rooker to the Historic District Commission with a term to expire July 31, 2025.
2. Mayoral reappointment of Brian Dixon to the Hospital Finance Authority with a term to expire June 30, 2027.
3. Mayoral reappointment of Jack Nash to the Local Officers Compensation Commission with a term to expire March 1, 2029.
4. Mayoral reappointment of Kevin Rooker to the Saginaw Economic Development Corporation with a term to expire June 30, 2025.
5. Mayoral reappointment of Charles Shelley to the Saginaw Arts & Enrichment Commission with a term to expire June 30, 2025.
6. Council reappointment of Rollin Carter to the Human Planning Commission with a term to expire December 31, 2023.

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

ORDINANCE INTRODUCTION

Moved by Council Member Scherzer, seconded by Council Member Boensch to introduce an ordinance to amend Chapter 153, "Zoning Code," of Title XV, "Land Usage," by adding §153.534 "Definitions," and amending §153.537 "Regulation of Structures," §153.538 "Historic District Commission," §153.539 "Procedure for the Review of Plans," §153.540 "Appeals," §153.541 "Establishing New Districts and Identifying Historic Resources, Modifying or Eliminating Existing Districts," and by adding §153.545 titled "Violation; Fine; Payment of Costs," and §153.546 "Acquisition of Historic Resources," of the City of Saginaw Code of Ordinances, O-204. 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent. Motion approved.

RESOLUTIONS

Moved by Council Member Boensch, seconded by Council Member Scherzer to adopt the resolution pledging to follow best practices of civility and civil discourse. Discussion held.

Moved by Council Member Flores, seconded by Council Member Lamar-Silvia to amend the motion by amending the resolution to remove the third "Whereas" and add the language of "Whereas: we the Mayor, the council members, commissioners, appointees, and staff of the City of Saginaw in order to ensure the civility and civil discourse in all of our meetings reaffirm and pledge our commitment to follow best practices of civility and civil discourse. Discussion was held. Mayor Moore asked Clerk Santos to conduct a roll call vote.

Ayes: Flores

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

Absent: None

1 aye, 8 nays, 0 absent. Motion denied.

Moved by Flores, seconded by Lamar-Silvia to postpone the resolution to the next meeting of April 18, 2022. Mayor Moore asked Clerk Santos to conduct a roll call vote.

Ayes: Ostash, Flores, Copeland, Lamar-Silvia, Williams, Moore

Nays: Boensch, Balls, Scherzer

Absent: None

6 ayes, 3 nays, 0 absent. Motion approved.

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Balls, seconded by Council Member Scherzer to adopt the resolution to establish of an Obsolete Property Rehabilitation District at 2138 N. Carolina Street. 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent. Motion approved.

Moved by Council Member Lamar-Silvia, seconded by Council Member Boensch to adopt the resolution approving the Cost Agreement with the Michigan Department of Transportation for the rehabilitation of the Genesee Avenue Bridge. 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent. Motion approved.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Council Member Williams, seconded by Council Member Copeland to adjourn the meeting at 8:24 p.m. 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent. Motion approved.

As recorded by,

Janet Santos, MiPMC/MMC
City Clerk