

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAGINAW, MICHIGAN, WAS HELD MONDAY, APRIL 3, 2023, 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, Annie Boensch, William Ostash, Priscilla Garcia, Michael Flores, George Copeland, Brenda Moore: 7. Council Members absent: Reggie Williams, Michael Balls: 2.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

City Clerk Janet Santos made the following announcements:

- Yard Waste pick up begins this week and collection will be on your regular trash day.
- City Hall will be closed Friday, April 7 for the Good Friday Holiday.
- The city's Waste Convenience station will be open this Saturday, April 8 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. City residents can dispose of large-bulky materials, recyclables, building materials, furniture, etc.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Clerk Santos announced the public hearing regarding the request to establish an Obsolete Property Rehabilitation District at 3424 E. Genesee Avenue. Mayor Moore called for comments. Tom Miller of Saginaw Future spoke in favor and explained the benefits of creating the district. Mayor Moore called for comments. Robert Denha of Wall Den Saginaw LLC spoke in favor and provided details of his project to convert the property into a food store. Mayor Moore called for comments. Cassi Zimmermann, Director of Neighborhood Services spoke in favor of the project and the needed benefits it will bring to the community. No further comments were made.

Moved by Council Member Silvia, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Boensch to close the public hearing. 7 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent. Motion approved.

Clerk Santos announced the public hearing regarding the proposed Hancock CSO Basin Rehabilitation project. Mayor Moore called for comments. Paul Reinsch, Director of Water and Wastewater, presented the details and spoke in favor of the project. Mayor Moore called for comments two additional times. No further comments were made.

Moved by Council Member Silvia, seconded by Council Member Copeland to close the public hearing. 7 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent. Motion approved.

Clerk Santos announced the public hearing regarding the proposed Sewer River Crossing project. Mayor Moore called for comments. Paul Reinsch, Director of Water and Wastewater, presented the details and spoke in favor of the project. Mayor Moore called for comments two additional times. No further comments were made.

Moved by Council Member Copeland, seconded by Council Member Flores to close the public hearing. 7 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent. Motion approved.

PUBLIC INPUT

Members of the public that addressed the Council: Tina Swanton, Renee Morris, and Eric Eggleston.

COUNCIL REMARKS

Remarks were heard from the following Council Members: Copeland, Silvia, Ostash, Garcia, Flores, Boensch, and Moore.

REPORTS FROM CITY MANAGER

City Manager Tim Morales reported updates regarding various projects. Manager Morales introduced Michigan State Police, Captain Greg Morenko and Inspector Todd Mapes. They provided an update on their collaboration with the Saginaw Police Department by assisting with patrol services and community engagement efforts.

Council Member Silvia left the meeting at 8:00 p.m. and returned at 8:06 p.m.

Manager Morales introduced Yolanda M. Bland, Director of Office of Management and Budget and Community Services. Ms. Bland presented an update on the Saginaw ARPA Home Rehabilitation Program regarding Phase I – Furnaces, and Phase II – Roofs.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Moved by Council Member Silvia, seconded by Council Member Ostash to approve the consent agenda, allowing room for exceptions. Exceptions were made to items #2, 3, 4, and 13. 7 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent. Motion approved.

1. Approve the March 20, 2023 regular council meeting minutes.
2. Approve the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority By-Laws, as amended.
3. Approve the agreements with I.T.I., Inc. for \$18,306 for the yearly maintenance and support fees for the City's Internet Protocol phone system.
4. Approve to increase the blanket purchase orders with specified vendors by \$10,000, for a new total of \$70,000, for fire apparatus repairs for the Fire Department, Fire Suppression Division.
5. Approve the purchase with National Business Furniture for \$7,063 for furniture for the training room at the Fire Department.
6. Approve the Fiscal Sponsorship Agreement with the Saginaw Community Foundation for the Police Department, Police Reserves Unit Fund.
7. Approve to increase the blanket purchase order with Ritter Technology by \$3,000, for a new total of \$13,600, for vehicle parts for the Public Services Department, Motor Pool Division.
8. Approve the purchase with Andersen Radio, Inc, a sole source, for \$54,282 for five Motorola SLR8000 base station repeaters and two enhanced GPS Data License software upgrades for the Public Services Department, Right of Way Division. Further, approve a budget adjustment to recognize these funds.

9. Approve to increase the purchase with Pomp's Tire Service by an annual amount of \$2,000, for a new total of \$8,000 annually for FY 2023, and pending budget approval for FY 2024, for the recycling of tires for the Public Services Department, Right of Way Division.
10. Approve the purchase with Standard Electric for \$8,681 for Lumecon Ring of Fire decorative LED light fixtures for the Public Services Department, Traffic Maintenance Section.
11. Approve the purchase with Carrier and Gable, Inc., a sole source, for \$15,840 for pedestrian hand man countdown inserts for the Public Services Department, Traffic Maintenance Section.
12. Approve the purchase with Technology International, Inc. for \$7,250 for Windmaster portable sign stands for the Public Services Department, Traffic Maintenance Section.
13. Approve the Maintenance Agreement with the Saginaw County Convention and Visitor's Bureau, Inc. to maintain improvements to the underneath of the I-675/Washington Avenue overpass, known as the Henry Marsh Bridge, for the Public Services Department.
14. Approve the Electrical Facilities Easement Agreement with Consumers Energy for the Engineering Section, Right of Way Division.
15. Approve the contract with Lois Kay Contracting Co. for \$1,867,671 for the Water and Sewer Road Patch Restoration project for the Public Services Department, Engineering Division.
16. Ratification of a purchase with Michigan CAT, a sole source, for \$8,620 for repairs to the Water Treatment Plant generator for the Water and Wastewater Treatment Services Department, Water Treatment Division.

Moved by Council Member Silvia, seconded by Council Member Flores to approve consent agenda item #2 as presented. 7 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent. Motion approved.

Moved by Council Member Copeland, seconded by Council Member Silvia to approve consent agenda item #3 as presented. 7 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent. Motion approved.

Moved by Council Member Silvia, seconded by Council Member Copeland to approve consent agenda item #4 as presented. 7 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent. Motion approved.

Moved by Council Member Flores, seconded by Council Member Copeland to approve consent agenda item #13 as presented. 7 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent. Motion approved.

BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mayor Pro Tem Boensch reported that the City/County/School Liaison Committee is looking at project ideas and agreed to resume the "Hot Times in the City" pamphlet in a digital format.

Council Member Copeland reported that the Housing Commission is reviewing their practices regarding the residents.

Council Member Copeland reported that the Food & Security Analysis survey has been received from Guidehouse. It will be made available to the public on the city website.

Council Member Ostash reported that the Planning Commission will receive an update on the street projects.

APPOINTMENT OF BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Moved by Council Member Silvia, seconded by Council Member Copeland to approve the Mayoral reappointment of Aaron Bedford to the Riverfront Development Commission with a term to expire April 1, 2028. 7 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent. Motion approved.

ORDINANCE INTRODUCTION

Moved by Council Member Copeland, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Boensch to introduce an ordinance to amend §153.021 "Definitions," and §§153.197, 153.282, 153.317, and 153.347 all Titled "Permitted Uses After Special Approval," and by adding a new Section Titled, "Solar Energy Systems," by adding §§153.625 "General," 153.626 "Definitions," 153.627 "Roof-Mounted And Accessory Ground-Mounted SES," and 153.628 "Principal-Use Solar Power Systems," of Chapter 153, "Zoning Code," of Title XV, "Land Usage," of the City of Saginaw Code of Ordinances, O-204. 7 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent. Motion approved. Mayor Moore announced that the ordinance will be laid over for 30 days per the Zoning Act.

RESOLUTIONS

Moved by Council Member Silvia, seconded by Council Member Flores to adopt the resolution establishing an Obsolete Property Rehabilitation District at 3424 E. Genesee Avenue. 7 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent. Motion approved.

Moved by Council Member Flores, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Boensch to adopt the resolution authorizing to seek FY 2026 Local Bridge Program Funds from the Michigan Department of Transportation. 7 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent. Motion approved.

Moved by Council Member Copeland, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Boensch to adopt the resolution adopting a final project planning document for Hancock CSO Basin Wastewater system improvements and designating an authorized project representative. 7 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent. Motion approved.

Moved by Council Member Flores, seconded by Council Member Copeland to adopt the resolution adopting a final project planning document for sewer river crossing Wastewater system improvements and designating an authorized project representative. 7 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent. Motion approved.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Council Member Copeland, seconded by Council Member Silvia to adjourn the meeting at 8:32 p.m. 7 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent. Motion approved.

As recorded by,

Janet Santos, MiPMC/MMC
City Clerk