A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAGINAW, MICHIGAN, WAS HELD MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2023, AT 6:30 P.M. IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT CITY HALL, 1315 S. WASHINGTON AVENUE, SAGINAW, MICHIGAN.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member Balls offered a prayer and Council Member Garcia led the pledge of allegiance of the United States of America.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Moore called the meeting to order. Council Members present: Michael Balls, Annie Boensch, William Ostash, Priscilla Garcia, Michael Flores, George Copeland, Brenda Moore: 7. Council Members absent: Monique Silvia, Reggie Williams: 2.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

City Clerk Kristine Bolzman made the following announcements:

- City Offices will be closed this Thursday and Friday, November 23 and 24, for the Thanksgiving Holiday.
- Yard waste collection for 2023 has been extended by one week. Your last day to place yard waste at the curb will be the week of December 4, on your regularly scheduled collection day.
- There was a typo in consent agenda item 1. The regular council minutes on the agenda for approval are for the November 6 meeting.

Council Member Ostash read a proclamation recognizing December 1, 2023, as “World AIDS Day.” Alberto Jiminez, HIV Intervention & Outreach Coordinator of Great Lakes Bay Health Centers, accepted the proclamation.

PUBLIC INPUT

Members of the public that addressed the Council: Lisa Ingram, Shatoris Jackson.

Council Member Williams entered the meeting at 6:39 p.m.

Public input continued with Corneathia Harvey, Fatoumata Carthron, Denita Dorsey, Julian Morris, Lisa Purchase-Kelly.

Council Member Flores left the meeting at 6:56 p.m.

Public input continued with Latrice Robbins.

Council Member Flores returned to the meeting at 6:59 p.m.

Public input continued with Jamal Robbins.

COUNCIL REMARKS

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

REPORTS FROM CITY MANAGER

City Manager Tim Morales reported updates regarding various projects.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Moved by Council Member Copeland, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Boensch to approve the consent agenda, allowing room for exceptions. An exception was made to item 5. 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. Motion approved.

1. Approve the November 6 regular council meeting minutes and the November 9, 2023 single subject special meeting minutes.

2. Approve the Legal Services Agreement with SL Environmental Law Group PC, the Law Office of Kevin Madonna PLLC, Douglas and London, P.C., Taft Stettinius & Hollister, LLP, and Levin Papantonio Rafferty Proctor Buchanan O'Brien Barr Mougey P.A. for the purpose of investigating and assessing potential claims arising out of the presence of per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances contaminants in water supply wells

   and/or surface water sources affecting the City's water systems and for representation of the City in any legal action involving such matters. Further, approve to grant the City Manager the authority to review and, if deemed appropriate, execute any and all documents related to the proposed settlements with 3M and DuPont, and any other subsequent settling defendants in the multi-district litigation.

3. Approve the 2024 City Council meeting schedule.

4. Approve the polling place agreements with Bethel A.M.E. Church, First Presbyterian Church, and Peace Lutheran Church.

5. Approve the purchase with Shaffer Distributing Company for $9,098 for an outdoor harm reduction vending machine and its donation to the Public Libraries of Saginaw. Further, authorize the City Manager to make additional purchases and donations of necessary products to keep the vending machine appropriately stocked.

6. Approve the purchase with Plante & Moran, PLLC for an amount not to exceed $313,600 for controller services for calendar year 2024 for the Finance Department.

7. Approve the purchase with Magnum K9 for $11,500 for a police canine for the Police Department, Patrol Services, K9 Unit.

8. Accept and approve the donation of a digital sign from Friends of Hoyt Park Foundation and a limited Adopt-A-Park agreement for the Public Services Department, Parks and Facilities Division.

9. Approve the proposed traffic regulation changes for the Public Services Department, Engineering Section of the Right of Way Division.

10. Approve the contract with RAM Construction Services of Michigan, Inc. for $769,332 for the Water Treatment Plant – Train Shed improvements project for the Public Services Department, Engineering Division.

11. Approve the purchase with System Specialties Co., a sole source, for $26,774 for three Rotork actuators for the Water and Wastewater Treatment Services Department, Remote Facilities Division.

12. Approve the purchase with Dell Technologies for $8,185 for computers for the Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition systems for the Water and Wastewater Treatment Services Department, Instrumentation and Process Controls Division.

Moved by Council Member Flores, seconded by Council Member Copeland to postpone consent agenda item 5 until a greater report is received from the County. Discussion was held.

Mayor Moore asked Clerk Bolzman to conduct a roll call vote.
Ayes:
Nays: Williams, Balls, Boensch, Ostash, Garcia, Flores, Copeland
Absent: Silvia
Motion denied.

Moved by Council Member Flores, seconded by Council Member Ostash to approve consent agenda item 5. 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. Motion approved.

APPOINTMENT OF BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Boensch, seconded by Council Member Williams to approve appointments as follows:

1. the Mayoral reappointment of Ronald Wheatley to the Housing Board of Appeals with a term to expire December 31, 2025.
2. the Mayoral reappointment of Grady Holmes, Jr. to the Housing Board of Appeals with a term to expire December 31, 2025.
3. the Council reappointment of Dennis Morrison to the Human Planning Commission with a term to expire December 31, 2025.
4. the City Manager reappointment of Eric Tankersley to the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority with a term to expire December 31, 2026.
5. the City Manager reappointment of Eric Tankersley to the Downtown Development Authority with a term to expire December 31, 2027.

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

RESOLUTIONS

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Boensch, seconded by Council Member Copeland to adopt the resolution objecting to the transfer of tax reverted properties from Saginaw County. 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. Motion approved.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Moved by Council Member Flores to not pay all council members for this meeting with the exception of Council Member Balls. No second was given.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Boensch, seconded by Council Member Garcia to adjourn the meeting at 7:39 p.m. 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. Motion approved.

Submitted by,

Kristine Bolzman, MiPMC/CMC
City Clerk

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