
SPECIAL SINGLE-SUBJECT MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAGINAW, MICHIGAN, HELD THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2013, AT 6:30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER OF CITY HALL.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member Fitzpatrick offered a prayer and led the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Branch called the meeting to order. Council Members present: Floyd Kloc, Amos O'Neal, Daniel Fitzpatrick, Mayor Pro Tem Dennis Browning, Andrew Wendt, Norman Braddock, Annie Boensch and Mayor Greg Branch - 8. Council Member absent: Larry Coulouris - 1.

PERSONAL APPEARANCES

City Clerk Janet Santos stated that the single personal appearance contacted the City and stated that he was not able to appear before Council.

MOTIONS AND MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Browning, seconded by Council Member Fitzpatrick to suspend the Rules of Order, per Section 16, and allow discussion regarding the City Manager position. 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. Motion approved.

Moved by Council Member Braddock, seconded by Council Member O'Neal to appoint Dr. Odail Thorns as City Manager effective on the date that the City Manager is no longer with the City. Discussion held.

Moved by Council Member Fitzpatrick, seconded by Council Member Kloc to recess at 7:00 p.m. to allow the City Clerk to verify City Charter, Sections 25 and 27 amendments. 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. Motion approved.

Moved by Council Member Braddock, seconded by Council Member Kloc to reconvene at 7:07 p.m. 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. Motion approved.

Mayor Branch reported that City Charter, Sections 25 and 27 amendments were approved by the voters on November 3, 2009, that requires "a 2/3 majority vote of the elected, appointed and seated members of Council," which means 6 votes of Council, as verified by the City Clerk. Council continued discussion.

Council Member Boensch left the meeting at 7:49 p.m. and returned at 7:50 p.m. Council Member Wendt left the meeting at 7:54 p.m. and returned at 7:55 p.m.

Moved by Council Member Braddock, seconded by Council Member Wendt to amend the main motion by adding "Interim" to clarify the City Manager position appointment.

As advised by City Attorney Andre Borrello, Council consent was given that the main motion is implicit that the appointment of an Interim City Manager is for an indefinite term in compliance with the City Charter, Section 25.

Mayor Branch called for the vote on the amendment. 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. Motion approved.

Mayor Branch asked City Clerk Santos to conduct a roll call vote on the main motion. Roll call:

Ayes: O'Neal, Fitzpatrick, Wendt, Braddock, Boensch

Nays: Mayor Pro Tem Browning, Kloc, Mayor Branch

Absent: Coulouris

Abstain: None

Motion denied.

Council continued discussion. Council consented for the Mayor to meet with the City Manager and propose a written agreement to change his last day to September 30, 2013.

Moved by Council Member Kloc, seconded by Council Member Boensch to schedule a Committee of the Whole meeting, prior to the September 23, 2013 Regular Council meeting, topic to be the City Manager position, and to include the City Manager's recommendation and invite potential candidates to attend. Discussion held.

Moved by Council Member Kloc, seconded by Council Member Braddock to amend the main motion to change from "Committee of the Whole" to the "regular meeting agenda under Unfinished Business." Discussion continued.

Mayor Branch called for the vote on the motion amendment. 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. Motion approved.

Council Member Braddock left the meeting at 8:48 p.m.

Moved by Council Member O'Neal to amend the main motion to change the meeting date from September 23, 2013 to a special meeting on September 25, 2013. No support was offered. Discussion continued. Council Member O'Neal withdrew his motion.

Moved by Council Member Boensch, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Browning to amend the main motion to change the September 23, 2013 Unfinished Business item regarding the City Manager position to the October 7, 2013 regular meeting. 7 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent. Motion approved.

Mayor Branch called for the vote on the main motion. 7 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent. Motion approved.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Browning, seconded by Council Member Kloc to adjourn the meeting at 9:07 p.m. 7 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent. Motion carried.

Janet Santos, CMC/MMC
City Clerk