

REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL  
OF THE  
CITY OF DEARBORN

January 14, 2025

The Council convened at 7:01 P.M., President of the Council Michael Sareini presiding. Present at roll call were Councilmembers Abraham, Alsawafy, Enos, Herrick, Paris, and President of the Council Sareini (6); Absent: Hammoud (1). A quorum being present, the Council was declared in session.

Councilmember Hammoud entered the Chambers at 7:04 P.M.

Pastor Marvin Miles of the International Gospel Center delivered the invocation.

All persons that were able stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

By Herrick supported Unanimously.

1-3-25. RESOLVED: Acknowledging the Bryant Branch Library to commemorate their 100-year anniversary with a Council Citation; be it further

RESOLVED: That this resolution be given immediate effect.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

Public comment began at 7:11 P.M.

By Paris supported by Herrick.

1-4-25. RESOLVED: That the time for Public Comment be and is hereby extended; be it further

RESOLVED: That this resolution be given immediate effect.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

Public comment ended at 7:40 P.M.

By Abraham supported by Enos.

1-5-25. RESOLVED: That all items on the Consent Agenda for the meeting of January 14, 2025 be and are hereby approved; be it further

RESOLVED: That this resolution be given immediate effect.

The resolution was adopted as follows: Yeas: Abraham, Alsawafy, Enos, Hammoud, Herrick, Paris, and Sareini (7), Nays: None (0); Absent: None (0).

By Herrick supported by Enos.

1-6-25. RESOLVED: That all bids received for Painting Services at the Dearborn Administrative Center are hereby rejected except the bid of Key Construction in an amount not to exceed \$69,000, that the aforementioned bid is hereby accepted, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute a formal contract upon the approval of the Department of Law; provided however, that all of the specifications and instructions in the bid have been fully complied with; be it further

RESOLVED: That this contract shall be financed from the Facilities Fund, Administration, Capital Project Support, Repair and Maintenance budget; be it further

RESOLVED: That this resolution be given immediate effect.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

By Alsawafy supported by Abraham.

1-7-25. WHEREAS: The City is eligible for contract pricing through The Interlocal Purchasing System (TIPS) cooperative program for Concrete Flooring Services at the Dearborn Administrative Center, and

WHEREAS: The Purchasing Division recommends the purchase via a cooperative contract for the purchase of Concrete Flooring Services at the Dearborn Administrative Center from Partner Haus in the amount of \$53,798; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That Partner Haus, via The Interlocal Purchasing System (TIPS) cooperative program Contract No. 230301 be designated for the purchase of Concrete Flooring Services at the Dearborn Administrative Center, in the amount of \$53,798; be it further

RESOLVED: That this purchase order shall be financed from the Facilities Fund, Public Works, Buildings Repair and Maintenance budget with supplemental funding from the Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Opportunity (LEO) Grant; be it further

RESOLVED: That this resolution be given immediate effect.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

By Herrick supported by Enos.

1-8-25. WHEREAS: The City presently has a contract with HydroCorp (C.R. 9-400-21) for Backflow Inspection Services, and

WHEREAS: The original contract specifications allow for three (3) one-year renewal options beyond the expiration of the present contract, and this is the second of three renewal options, and

WHEREAS: HydroCorp has offered to renew the contract in the amount of \$122,640 through October 11, 2025; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the contract for Backflow Inspection Services is hereby renewed with HydroCorp through October 11, 2025 in the amount of \$122,640; be it further

RESOLVED: That this contract shall be financed from the Water Fund, Backflow Prevention, Contractual Services budget; be it further

RESOLVED: That this resolution be given immediate effect.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

By Herrick supported by Paris.

1-9-25. WHEREAS: The City currently has a contract with SCI Flooring (C.R. 9-458-24) and Industrial Painting Contractors (C.R. 4-206-22) for Common Area Upgrades at Sareini Manor, and

WHEREAS: Purchasing has received a request from the Department of Public Works and Facilities to add funds to the contacts with SCI Flooring in the amount of \$83,083.20 and to Industrial Painting Contractors in the amount of \$132,300, for a total in the amount of \$215,383.20 for Flooring Installation and Painting of Hallways at Sareini Manor; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the additional expenditures to SCI Flooring in the amount of \$83,083.20 and to Industrial Painting Contractors in the amount of \$132,300 be and are hereby authorized in the total amount of \$215,383.20 for Flooring Installation and Painting of Hallways at Sareini Manor; be it further

RESOLVED: That the additional expenditures shall be financed from the Seniors Apartment Operating Fund, Housing, Capital Projects, Undistributed Appropriations budget; be it further

RESOLVED: That this resolution be given immediate effect.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

By Herrick supported by Paris.

1-10-25. WHEREAS: The City of Dearborn fleet consists of over 500 types of light, medium and heavy-duty vehicles and equipment that require both routine maintenance (oil changes, brakes, tires etc.) and non-routine repairs. Due to the staff shortage of mechanics, the vehicle repair services have had to be outsourced, which resulted in unbudgeted costs in the Fleet and Maintenance account, and

WHEREAS: All of the vehicles and equipment are essential to daily operations; Emergency Services (Police, Fire) and DPW vehicles like our sewer vacuators, street sweepers, dump trucks, and loaders used for water breaks, leaf pick up and now snow removal require immediate attention and repairs. Accident damage repairs to police vehicles were and are still necessary as these vehicles are essential to daily operations, and

WHEREAS: Purchasing has received a request from the Department of Public Works and Facilities to appropriate additional funds in the amount of \$250,000 to existing blanket purchase orders, and

WHEREAS: The appropriated funds will be used for vehicle maintenance and repairs with the following existing vendors:

- Cummins Bridgeway -\$30,000
- Wolverine Truck Sales -\$30,000
- Apollo Fire Repair -30,000
- Mission Ford -\$40,000
- Village Ford -\$60,000
- Klochko- \$30,000
- MTech Sweeper- \$30,000;

THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED: That the additional expenditures be and are hereby authorized in the total amount of \$215,383.20 for City Vehicle Repair Services; be it further

RESOLVED: That the additional expenditures shall be financed from the General Fund, Public Works, Fleet Repair and Maintenance Operations, Vehicle R&M account; be it further

RESOLVED: That this resolution be given immediate effect.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

By Enos supported by Paris.

1-11-25. RESOLVED: That Council President has proposed the following Committee of the Whole and Council meeting schedule for the 2025 calendar year:

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE	COUNCIL MEETINGS
January 9	January 14
January 23	January 28
February 6	February 11
February 20	February 25
March 13	March 18
April 3	April 8
April 17	April 22
May 1	May 6
May 15	May 20
June 5	June 10
July 10	July 15
August 7	August 12
September 4	September 9
September 18	September 23
October 2	October 7
October 16	October 21
November 13	November 18
December 4	December 9

BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED: That all meetings are in Council Chambers at the Dearborn Administrative Center, 16901 Michigan Ave., Dearborn, MI 48126. Committee of the Whole meetings are on Thursdays and Council meetings are on Tuesdays. All meetings will begin at 7:00 p.m.; be it further

RESOLVED: That this resolution be given immediate effect.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

By Herrick supported by Enos.

1-12-25. RESOLVED: That the minutes of the previous regular meeting of December 10, 2024 and the same are hereby approved as recorded and published.

The resolution was adopted as follows: Yeas: Abraham, Alsawafy, Enos, Hammoud, Herrick, Paris, and Sareini (7), Nays: None (0); Absent: None (0).

By Abraham supported by Herrick.

1-13-25. RESOLVED: That Ordinance No. 24-1832 be taken from the table and placed upon its final reading.

The Clerk read the Ordinance No. 24-1832, entitled, "An Ordinance to amend the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Dearborn by amending Section 1.03 of Article 1.00, Entitled 'Short Title, Rules of Construction and Definition', Article 3.00, Entitled 'Nonconformities', and Section 29.02 of Article 29.00, Entitled 'Schedule of Regulations'.

The President of the Council announced that this was the final reading of the Ordinance.

The President of the Council then put the question, "Shall this Ordinance pass?"

The Ordinance was adopted as follows: Yeas: Abraham, Alsawafy, Enos, Hammoud, Herrick, Paris, and Sareini (7), Nays: None (0); Absent: None (0).



By Herrick supported by Enos.

1-14-25. RESOLVED: That Ordinance No. 24-1833 be taken from the table and placed upon its final reading.

The Clerk read the Ordinance No. 24-1833, entitled, "An ordinance to Amend Section 9.02 of Ordinance No. 06-1111 of the City of Dearborn by Rezoning the Properties Located at 6329 Greenfield Rd., 15600 and 15740 Lundy Parkway from a TR (Technology and Research District) to a BC (General Business District) zoning classification."

The President of the Council announced that this was the final reading of the Ordinance.

The President of the Council then put the question, "Shall this Ordinance pass?"

The Ordinance was adopted as follows: Yeas: Abraham, Alsawafy, Enos, Hammoud, Herrick, Paris, and Sareini (7), Nays: None (0); Absent: None (0).

By Alsawafy supported by Herrick.

1-15-25. RESOLVED: That Ordinance No. 24-1834 be taken from the table and placed upon its final reading.

The Clerk read the Ordinance No. 24-1834, entitled, "An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 10 of the Code of the City of Dearborn by Amending Article II, Section 10-38 and Section 10-38.1, Entitled 'Fire Prevention Code'."

The President of the Council announced that this was the final reading of the Ordinance.

The President of the Council then put the question, "Shall this Ordinance pass?"

The Ordinance was adopted as follows: Yeas: Abraham, Alsawafy, Enos, Hammoud, Herrick, Paris, and Sareini (7), Nays: None (0); Absent: None (0).

Council President Pro Tem Herrick introduced Ordinance No. 25-1835, entitled, "An Ordinance to amend the Code of Ordinances of the City of Dearborn by adding Chapter 20, Sections 20-1 to 20-6, Entitled 'Transition Following an Election'."

The Clerk read the Ordinance by title.

The President of the Council announced that this was the first reading of the Ordinance.

By Enos supported by Paris.

1-16-25. RESOLVED: That proposed Ordinance No. 25-1835 be laid on the table.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

Councilmember Hammoud introduced Ordinance No. 25-1836, entitled, "An Ordinance to amend the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Dearborn by Amending Article 18, Entitled 'I-A, Light Industrial District'."

The Clerk read the Ordinance by title.

The President of the Council announced that this was the first reading of the Ordinance.

By Enos supported by Alsawafy.

1-17-25. RESOLVED: That proposed Ordinance No. 25-1836 be laid on the table.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

Council President Pro Tem Herrick introduced Ordinance No. 25-1837, entitled, "An Ordinance to amend the Nuisances Chapter (Chapter 13) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Dearborn by Amending Section 13-5.3 Entitled, 'Dust Control; Paved, Partially Paved, Unpaved, and Storage Lots'."

The Clerk read the Ordinance by title.

The President of the Council announced that this was the first reading of the Ordinance.

By Alsawafy supported by Enos.

1-18-25. RESOLVED: That proposed Ordinance No. 25-1837 be laid on the table.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

By Alsawafy supported by Enos.

1-19-25. WHEREAS: An emergency has arisen in connection with the purchase of Ladder Truck Repairs for the Fire Department; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council does hereby determine to declare the existence of an emergency and authorizes Ladder Truck Repairs for the Fire Department from Sutphen Corporation in the amount of \$75,084 under emergency provisions of Section 2-568(b) 10; be it further

RESOLVED: That this purchase order shall be financed by the General Fund, Fire, Operating Equipment Repair and Maintenance budget; be it further

RESOLVED: That this resolution be given immediate effect.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

By Paris supported by Alsawafy.

1-20-25. RESOLVED: That all bids received for Demolition and Abatement Services of 5104, 5112, and 5120 Oakman Boulevard, Dearborn 48126 are hereby rejected except the bid of Adamo Demolition in an amount not to exceed \$248,525, that the aforementioned bid is hereby accepted, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute a formal contract upon the approval of the Department of Law; provided however, that all of the specifications and instructions in the bid have been fully complied with; be it further

RESOLVED: That this contract shall be financed from the General Capital Improvement Fund, Economic Development, Capital Project Support, Building Demolition Services budget; be it further

RESOLVED: That this resolution be given immediate effect.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

By Alsawafy supported by Paris.

1-21-25. WHEREAS: In the summer of 2023, the Dearborn Police Department created a multi-jurisdictional Auto- Theft Team, referred to as SMACC (Southeast Michigan Auto Crimes Consortium.); the team is comprised of a Dearborn Sergeant, a Dearborn Corporal, and officers from Michigan State Police, Livonia, Dearborn Heights, Garden City, and Detroit, and

WHEREAS: Each local governmental unit has decided that it is in their best interest to participate in the Auto Theft Team (SMACC) for Automobile Theft, to exercise such additional powers, functions, duties, and responsibilities. The SMACC Team's funding is subsidized by the Auto Theft Prevention Authority (ATPA) grant, and the Team's focus is on crimes involving auto theft, and

WHEREAS: SMACC operates out of the Dearborn Police Department and works under the policies of the Dearborn Police, and

WHEREAS: The Interlocal Agreement was drafted with the assistance of the Dearborn Legal Department and provides guidelines for the participating agencies. These guidelines include terms, scope of service, liability, provisions, forfeiture and equitable sharing procedures, and

WHEREAS: Until now, SMACC has operated under a MOU, which was signed by all of the other agencies. This Interlocal Agreement has more specific guidelines regarding equitable sharing and how the finances are broken down between agencies and once signed, this agreement will remain in effect until it is deemed that SMACC is no longer needed, and

WHEREAS: It is requested that City Council approve the Interlocal Agreement with the Police Department and other agencies participating in the multi-jurisdictional Auto- Theft Team, referred to as SMACC (Southeast Michigan Auto Crimes Consortium); therefore be it

RESOLVED: That this City Council does hereby approve the Interlocal Agreement for multi-jurisdictional Auto- Theft Team, referred to as SMACC (Southeast Michigan Auto Crimes Consortium); be it further

RESOLVED: That this resolution be given immediate effect.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

By Alsawafy supported by Herrick.

1-22-25. WHEREAS: The City of Dearborn has been awarded a State of Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Opportunity (LEO) Grant in the amount of \$6,000,000, and

WHEREAS: The grant initiative focuses on enhancing public safety and community resources through targeted investments, and

WHEREAS: The objectives of the grant funding include: Locker facilities for public safety personnel will be upgraded to provide secure and organized spaces, while law enforcement will receive body cameras to promote accountability and protection, New vehicles will ensure efficient responses to community needs, and City building improvements will enhance security and safety for employees and residents, and

WHEREAS: Additionally, the Esper Library will be transformed into a STEM-focused hub, empowering young residents with innovative tools and skills to address community challenges and contribute to a safer, healthier future, and

WHEREAS: The grant agreement requires no local match and shall be valid from January 1, 2025 through September 30, 2029, and

WHEREAS: The Department of Philanthropy and Grants respectfully requests that the Finance Director be authorized to accept and recognize the State of Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Opportunity (LEO) Grant award in the amount of \$6,000,000 and to appropriate the \$6,000,000 into the appropriate funds as needed: Police Fund, Facilities Fund, Fleet Fund, and Library Fund, and

WHEREAS: It is also requested that the Finance Director be authorized to retain the ability to establish projects as needed; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Finance Director be and is hereby authorized to accept and recognize the State of Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Opportunity (LEO) Grant award in the amount of \$6,000,000; be it further

RESOLVED: That the Finance Director be and is hereby authorized to appropriate the State of Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Opportunity (LEO) Grant funds in the amount of \$6,000,000 into the appropriate funds as needed: Police Fund, Facilities Fund, Fleet Fund, and Library Fund; be it further

RESOLVED: That the Finance Director be and is hereby authorized to establish projects as needed; be it further

RESOLVED: That the State of Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Opportunity (LEO) Grant Agreement shall be valid from January 1, 2025 through September 30, 2029; be it further

RESOLVED: That this resolution be given immediate effect.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

By Sareini supported Unanimously.

1-23-25. RESOLVED: The council has learned with sorrow of the passing of John (Jack) B. O'Reilly Jr.; and

WHEREAS: This departure at the dictation of Divine Providence constitutes an irreplaceable loss to the beloved family and numerous friends and neighbors; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the members of the Council of the City of Dearborn here assembled, hereby sincerely extend and offer in this sad hour of bereavement, heartfelt sympathy and condolences to the family of the deceased.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

By Enos supported by Herrick.

1-24-25. RESOLVED: That City Council hereby certifies the appointment of Councilmember Robert A. Abraham to the Animal Care and Welfare Services for the City of Dearborn Commission with a term ending January 15, 2026; be it further

RESOLVED: That failure of a multi-member body appointee to possess the required qualifications for appointment by this charter or law shall result in that members immediate vacancy from the multi-member body to which they were appointed; be it further

RESOLVED: That this resolution be given immediate effect.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

By Alsawafy supported by Herrick.

1-25-25. RESOLVED: That City Council hereby authorizes the Mayor's Office to renew the city-wide membership with the Conference of Western Wayne (CWW) in the amount of \$12,185 for the 2024/2025 Fiscal Year; be it further

RESOLVED: That this membership renewal shall be financed from the city-wide account of 101-1299-421-65.00; be it further

RESOLVED: That this resolution be given immediate effect.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.



By Alsawafy supported by Herrick.

1-26-25. RESOLVED: That City Council hereby concurs in the appointment of Mayor Abdullah H. Hammoud to the Animal Care and Welfare Services for the City of Dearborn Commission with a term ending January 15, 2028; be it further

RESOLVED: That failure of a multi-member body appointee to possess the required qualifications for appointment by this charter or law shall result in that members immediate vacancy from the multi-member body to which they were appointed; be it further

RESOLVED: That this resolution be given immediate effect.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

By Enos supported by Paris.

1-27-25. RESOLVED: That City Council hereby concurs in the Mayor's appointment of Michael Kennedy to the Animal Care and Welfare Services for the City of Dearborn Commission with a term ending January 15, 2028; be it further

RESOLVED: That failure of a multi-member body appointee to possess the required qualifications for appointment by this charter or law shall result in that members immediate vacancy from the multi-member body to which they were appointed; be it further

RESOLVED: That this resolution be given immediate effect.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

By Herrick supported by Paris.

1-28-25. RESOLVED: That City Council hereby concurs in the Mayor's appointment of Police Chief Issa Shahin to the Animal Care and Welfare Services for the City of Dearborn Commission with a term ending January 15, 2028; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That failure of a multi-member body appointee to possess the required qualifications for appointment by this charter or law shall result in that members immediate vacancy from the multi-member body to which they were appointed; be it further

RESOLVED: That this resolution be given immediate effect.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

By Enos supported by Paris.

1-29-25. RESOLVED: That City Council hereby concurs in the Mayor's appointment of Hassan K. Bazzi to the Local Officials Compensation Commission with a term ending June 30, 2032; be it further

RESOLVED: That failure of a multi-member body appointee to possess the required qualifications for appointment by this charter or law shall result in that members immediate vacancy from the multi-member body to which they were appointed; be it further

RESOLVED: That this resolution be given immediate effect.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

By Herrick supported by Enos.

1-30-25. RESOLVED: That City Council hereby concurs in the Mayor's appointment of Maha Zriek Sabbagh to the Local Officials Compensation Commission with a term ending June 30, 2032; be it further

RESOLVED: That failure of a multi-member body appointee to possess the required qualifications for appointment by this charter or law shall result in that members immediate vacancy from the multi-member body to which they were appointed; be it further

RESOLVED: That this resolution be given immediate effect.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

By Paris supported by Herrick.

1-31-25. RESOLVED: That City Council hereby concurs in the Mayor's appointment of Guadalupe Matta to the Senior Citizens Commission with a term ending June 30, 2028; be it further

RESOLVED: That failure of a multi-member body appointee to possess the required qualifications for appointment by this charter or law shall result in that members immediate vacancy from the multi-member body to which they were appointed; be it further

RESOLVED: That this resolution be given immediate effect.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

Council President opened the floor to public comment.

There being no further business, upon a motion duly made, seconded and adopted, the Council then adjourned at 8:42 P.M.

APPROVED:

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President of the Council

ATTESTED:

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City Clerk