

REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL
OF THE
CITY OF DEARBORN

October 6, 2026

The Council convened at 7:04 P.M., President of the Council Michael Sareini presiding. Present at roll call were Councilmembers Abraham, Alsawafy, Enos, Hammoud, O'Reilly, and President of the Council Sareini (6); Absent: Paris (1). A quorum being present, the Council was declared in session.

Pastor Sean Myers of St. Paul Lutheran Church delivered the invocation.

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

By Alsawafy supported Unanimously.

10-477-26. WHEREAS: Breast Cancer is the most commonly diagnosed cancer among women worldwide with approximately 2.4 million diagnosed, and

WHEREAS: Breast Cancer Awareness Month is observed every October which aims to raise awareness about breast cancer, promote early screening, and support research and treatment initiatives, and

WHEREAS: October also serves to honor those affected by the disease and advocate for equitable access to care while highlighting the importance of education, motivation, and encouragement for early detection and timely treatment which can significantly improve the survival rates, and

WHEREAS: To further promote awareness and support, this resolution acknowledges the emotional and financial burdens faced by patients and their families, urging collective action to support those affected by breast cancer, and

WHEREAS: To further promote research and innovation, this resolution emphasizes the commitment to advancing cancer research, including initiatives like the Cancer Moonshot aimed at reducing cancer death rates and improving patient experiences, and

WHEREAS: To further promote community engagement in awareness activities throughout October, which is recognized as National Breast Cancer Awareness Month, and

WHEREAS: For 2026, the theme for Breast Cancer Awareness Month is "Every Story is Unique, Every Journey Matters" highlights the individuality of each patient, survivor, caregiver, and family member affected by breast cancer, and

WHEREAS: The Dearborn City Council recognizes the profound and lasting effects Breast Cancer can have on individuals and families, and supports efforts to raise awareness, promote research, and encourages compassion, dignity, and meaningful support throughout all stages of the breast cancer journey; therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That the 35th Dearborn City Council hereby recognize October 2026 as Breast Cancer Awareness Month in the City of Dearborn; be it further

RESOLVED: That this resolution be given immediate effect.

The resolution was adopted as follows; Yeas: Abraham, Alsawafy, Enos, Hammoud, O'Reilly, and Sareini (6); Nays: None (0); Absent: Paris (1).

Public Comment began at 7:07 P.M. and ended at 7:47 P.M.

By Enos supported by Abraham.

10-478-26. RESOLVED: That all items on the Consent Agenda for the meeting of October 6, 2026 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, O'Reilly, and Sareini (6); Nays: None (0); Absent: Paris (1).

By Enos supported by Sareini.

10-479-26. RESOLVED: That all bids received for the Colson-Palmer 12-Foot Storm Line Rehabilitation Project - Dearborn Job No. 2025-19 are hereby rejected except the bid of LGC Global, Inc. in the amount of \$8,975,351, 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 Sewer Fund, Public Works, Sewage Division, Capital Project Support, Undistributed budget; be it further

RESOLVED: That this resolution be given immediate effect.

The resolution was adopted as follows; Yeas: Abraham, Alsawafy, Enos, Hammoud, O'Reilly, and Sareini (6); Nays: None (0); Absent: Paris (1).

By Enos supported by O'Reilly.

10-480-26. RESOLVED: That Divine Child High School be and is hereby granted permission to conduct its Annual Homecoming Parade on Friday, October 9, 2026, beginning at 6:00 P.M., subject to all applicable ordinances and the rules and regulations of the Police Department; be it further

RESOLVED: That the 2026 Divine Child High School Homecoming Parade route will be the same as previous years and is as follows: The parade will start at the circular drive, in front of Divine Child High School and will turn south on N. Silvery Lane, turn east onto Coburn Street, continue straight to N. Denwood, and then turn left onto Wilson until it reaches its destination, the Divine Child High School football field; be it further

RESOLVED: That City Council hereby authorizes assistance from the Police Department with traffic safety/crowd control for the entire duration of the parade route, subject to reimbursement for all City Services; be it further

RESOLVED: That the provisions of the Dearborn Code of Ordinances related to the regulation and control of noise levels be and are hereby waived for the duration of the event; be it further

RESOLVED: That this resolution be given immediate effect.

The resolution was adopted as follows; Yeas: Abraham, Alsawafy, Enos, Hammoud, O'Reilly, and Sareini (6); Nays: None (0); Absent: Paris (1).

By Hammoud supported by Sareini.

10-481-26. WHEREAS: Due to recent departmental changes, the Innovation & Technology Department would like to convert two (2) part-time Intern II positions for the creation of one full-time System Support Specialist, and

WHEREAS: Further requesting authorization to repurpose the vacant funded Senior Network Security Engineer position for an additional System Support Specialist position, and

WHEREAS: The intent of the restructuring is not to grow the department, but rather to eliminate areas or underutilization, and to equip the team with the required skillsets at or below the currently approved staffing budget, and

WHEREAS: This will enable the team to have the required capacity to successfully execute newly defined mission-critical projects to get the City's Information Technology security posture up to an acceptable baseline, and

WHEREAS: These changes will result in an annual budgetary savings of \$44,387 for the department; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Department of Innovation and Technology be and is hereby authorized to consolidate two (2) Part-Time Intern II Positions for the creation of one (1) new Full-Time System Support Specialist position; be it further

RESOLVED: That the Department of Innovation and Technology be and is hereby authorized to utilize the vacant funded Senior Network Security Engineer position for a second-additional Full-Time System Support Specialist position, resulting in annual budgetary savings in the amount of \$44,387; be it further

RESOLVED: That this resolution be given immediate effect.

The resolution was adopted as follows; Yeas: Abraham, Alsawafy, Enos, Hammoud, O'Reilly, and Sareini (6); Nays: None (0); Absent: Paris (1).

By Enos supported by Sareini.

10-482-26. RESOLVED: That the minutes of the previous regular meeting of September 22, 2026 and the same are hereby approved as recorded and published.

The resolution was adopted as follows; Yeas: Abraham, Alsawafy, Enos, Hammoud, O'Reilly, and Sareini (6); Nays: None (0); Absent: Paris (1).

Councilmember Enos introduced Ordinance No. 26-1874 - "An Ordinance to Amend the Traffic and Motor Vehicles Chapter (Chapter 18) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Dearborn by Amending Section 18-507, Entitled 'Responsibility of Parent, Guardian', and by Adding Section(s) 18-508, Entitled 'Operation of Electric Bicycles and Scooters within downtown commercial corridors', Section 18-509, Entitled 'Sidewalk Operation of electric bikes and scooters outside downtown commercial corridors', Section 18-510, Entitled 'Enforcement of non-compliant vehicles ('E-Motos')', Section 18-511, Entitled 'Penalties and Fines' and Section 18-127, Entitled 'Electric Bicycles, Skateboards, and Scooters'."

The Clerk read the Ordinance by title.

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

By Sareini supported by O'Reilly.

10-483-26. RESOLVED: That proposed Ordinance No. 26-1874 be laid on the table.

The resolution was adopted as follows; Yeas: Abraham, Alsawafy, Enos, Hammoud, O'Reilly, and Sareini (6); Nays: None (0); Absent: Paris (1).

By Sareini supported by Enos.

10-484-26. RESOLVED: That City Council hereby concurs in the 19th District Court's appointment of Mohamad Bazzi, as a part-time attorney magistrate for the 19th District Court; 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 adopted as follows; Yeas: Abraham, Alsawafy, Enos, Hammoud, O'Reilly, and Sareini (6); Nays: None (0); Absent: Paris (1).

By Hammoud supported by O'Reilly.

10-485-26. WHEREAS: The Census Bureau on September 10, 2026, published a proposed rule in the Federal Register that would change how data is collected in the decennial U.S. Census, including the removal of all race and ethnicity questions and the collection and use of citizenship or immigration status to exclude most noncitizens from the apportionment count, and

WHEREAS: The U.S. Census counts every person living in this country by asking each household to fill out the census form every ten years and the next decennial Census count is in 2030, and

WHEREAS: Census data plays a critical role in determining yearly population estimates, congressional representation, and the distribution of more than \$2.8 trillion a year across roughly 350 federal programs, including Medicaid, SNAP, highway planning, and Title I school funding, and

WHEREAS: Removing race and ethnicity questions and collecting citizenship and immigration status could lead to significant miscounts and undercounts of communities, making already underrepresented communities invisible in the data that drives funding, civil rights enforcement, and political representation, and

WHEREAS: Data on race and ethnicity is a critical tool for communities to advocate for protection under the Voting Rights Act of 1965, assistance under the Small Business Act of 1953, health care services under the Public Health Service Act of 1944, and enforcement of the Civil Rights Act of 1964; and
WHEREAS: This proposed rule would suppress data outputs for Black, Hispanic/Latino, Native American, Middle Eastern and North African, and other communities, and

WHEREAS: Removing the collection of race and ethnicity data prevents the 2030 Census from implementing the 2024 revisions to Statistical Policy Directive No.15 (SPD 15), the federal standard that sets new and updated combined race and ethnicity categories, including American Indian or Alaska Native, Asian, Black or African American, Hispanic or Latino, Middle Eastern or North African, Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander, and White, and

WHEREAS: Collection of citizenship or immigration status would suppress participation and increase fear among immigrant families, including non-citizens and naturalized citizens, and produce less accurate data for apportionment, redistricting, and funding formulas, and

WHEREAS: The proposed rule would count only U.S. citizens and lawful permanent residents toward the apportionment of seats in the U.S. House of Representatives, excluding all other residents, contrary to the Fourteenth Amendment's requirement that apportionment be based on "the whole number of persons in each State", and

WHEREAS: The proposed rule would also redefine "usual residence" as the place a person lawfully spent the most days between January 3 and April 1, as evidenced by tax records, and contains no specific provisions for college students, low-income residents, people experiencing homelessness, or people living in group homes, nursing homes, or shelters, risking miscounts of residents who do not file taxes or whose records do not reflect where they live, and

WHEREAS: Michigan stands to lose \$1,800 in federal funding per person each year for a decade, for each person that is not counted in the 2030 Census, and

WHEREAS: Federal funding cannot be directed to the communities and areas where it is needed most if population counts are not complete and accurate, resulting in a lack of investment in those communities; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That the members of the 35th City Council of the City of Dearborn hereby urge the U.S. Census Bureau to withdraw proposed rule 91 FR 57524 (Sept. 10, 2026) to remove race and ethnicity data or collect information on citizenship or immigration status; be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and is hereby authorized to submit this resolution as a public comment on Docket No. USBC-2026-0628 at www.regulations.gov no later than October 13, 2026; be it further

RESOLVED: That this resolution be given immediate effect.

The resolution was adopted as follows; Yeas: Abraham, Alsawafy, Enos, Hammoud, O'Reilly, and Sareini (6); Nays: None (0); Absent: Paris (1).

The Council President opened the floor to public comment.

Public Comment began at 8:06 P.M. and ended at 8:13 P.M.

There being no further business, upon a motion duly made, seconded and adopted, the Council then adjourned at 8:14 P.M.

APPROVED:

President of the Council

ATTESTED:

City Clerk