



# ACTION MINUTES REGULAR COUNCIL Meeting

6:30 PM - Tuesday, November 16, 2021

Zoom Meeting

The REGULAR COUNCIL of the City of Ypsilanti was called to order on Tuesday, November 16, 2021, at 6:30 PM, in the Zoom Meeting, with the following members present:

**PRESENT:** Mayor Lois Richardson (Washtenaw County, City of Ypsilanti), Council Member Steven Wilcoxon (Washtenaw County, City of Ypsilanti), Council Member Anthony Morgan (Washtenaw County, City of Ypsilanti), Council Member Annie Somerville (Washtenaw County, City of Ypsilanti), and Mr. Brian Jones-Chance (Washtenaw County, City of Ypsilanti), Council Member Jennifer Symanns (Washtenaw County, City of Ypsilanti) 7:46 PM

**ABSENT:** Mayor Pro-Tem Nicole Brown

## I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:33 PM.

## II. ROLL CALL

Mr. Brian Jones-Chanced moved, seconded by Council Member Anthony Morgan to excuse Council Member Jennifer Symanns and Mayor Pro-Tem Nicole Brown. On a voice vote, the motion carried.

## III. AGENDA APPROVAL

Council Member Annie Somerville moved to approve the agenda.

Council Member Anthony Morgan moved, seconded by Council Member Wilcoxon to add a 10 minute discussion about Boards and Commissions. On a voice vote, the motion carried.

## IV. CLOSED SESSION 6:30 PM - 7:00 PM

- A. Closed Session to discuss pending litigation - MCL 15.268 (e) Ypsilanti Art Theatre Corp v the City of Ypsilanti.

**Council Member Steven Wilcoxon moved, seconded by Mr. Brian Jones-Chance, to move into a closed session at 6:39 PM.**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>CARRIED.</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Council Member Steven Wilcoxon
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Council Member Brian Jones-Chance

<b>AYES:</b>	Steven Wilcoxon, Lois Richardson, Anthony Morgan, Annie Somerville, and Brian Jones-Chance
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Jennifer Symanns and Nicole Brown

**Council Member Steve Wilcoxon moved, seconded by Council Member Anthony Morgan to reconvene the meeting at 7:23 PM. On a voice vote, the motion carried.**

## V. PUBLIC COMMENT (3 MINUTES)

## VI. PRESENTATIONS

- A. Proclamation in honor of Native American Heritage Month - Mayor Richardson

## VII. ORDINANCES FIRST READING

- A. ~~Ordinance 1384, An Ordinance to amend Chapter 7 — MARIJUANA of the City Code of Ordinances~~
  1. ~~Resolution No. 2021-246, determination~~
  2. ~~Public Hearing~~
  3. ~~Resolution No. 2021-247, closing the public hearing (Removed)~~

## VIII. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Resolution No. 2021-248, approving the Consent Agenda.

**Council Member Steven Wilcoxon moved, seconded by Council Member Anthony Morgan, to approve Resolution No. 2021-248.**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>CARRIED.</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Council Member Steven Wilcoxon
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Council Member Anthony Morgan
<b>AYES:</b>	Steven Wilcoxon, Lois Richardson, Anthony Morgan, Annie Somerville, and Brian Jones-Chance
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Jennifer Symanns and Nicole Brown

- B. Resolution No. 2021-249, approving the minutes of November 2, 2021.
- C. Resolution No. 2021-250, approving appointments to boards and commissions.
- D. Resolution No. 2021-251, approving the appointment of a delegate and alternate to the Washtenaw County Regional Resource Management Authority (WRRMA).

## IX. RESOLUTIONS/MOTIONS/DISCUSSIONS

- A. Resolution No. 2021-252, approving the release of a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) and survey for implementation of the Art Commission Action Plan and Community and Artists Survey.

**Council Member Brian Jones-Chance moved, seconded by Council Member Steven Wilcoxon, to approve Resolution No. 2021-252.**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>CARRIED.</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Council Member Brian Jones-Chance
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Council Member Steven Wilcoxon

<b>AYES:</b>	Steven Wilcoxon, Lois Richardson, Anthony Morgan, Annie Somerville, and Brian Jones-Chance
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Jennifer Symanns and Nicole Brown

- B. Resolution No. 2021-253, approving an agreement between the City of Ypsilanti and the Washtenaw County Prosecutors Office for a marijuana expungement program.

**Council Member Steven Wilcoxon moved, seconded by Council Member Anthony Morgan, to approve Resolution No. 2021-253.**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>CARRIED.</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Council Member Steven Wilcoxon
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Council Member Anthony Morgan
<b>AYES:</b>	Steven Wilcoxon, Lois Richardson, Anthony Morgan, Annie Somerville, and Brian Jones-Chance
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Jennifer Symanns and Nicole Brown

- C. Resolution No. 2021-254, approving an extension with Washtenaw County to extend the contract for dispatch services until December 31, 2021.

**Council Member Anthony Morgan moved, seconded by Council Member Steven Wilcoxon, to approve Resolution No. 2021-254.**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>CARRIED.</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Council Member Anthony Morgan
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Council Member Steven Wilcoxon
<b>AYES:</b>	Steven Wilcoxon, Lois Richardson, Anthony Morgan, Annie Somerville, and Brian Jones-Chance
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Nicole Brown

- D. Resolution No. 2021-254A, approving a contract with Washtenaw County to provide dispatch services until June 30, 2022. (added)

**Council Member Anthony Morgan moved, seconded by Council Member Steven Wilcoxon, to approve Resolution No. 2021-254A.**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>CARRIED.</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Council Member Anthony Morgan
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Council Member Steven Wilcoxon
<b>AYES:</b>	Jennifer Symanns, Steven Wilcoxon, Lois Richardson, Anthony Morgan, Annie Somerville, and Brian Jones-Chance
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Nicole Brown

- E. Resolution No. 2021-255, approving an agreement with the Michigan Department of Transportation for a funding commitment for the Huron Pathway Project.

**Council Member Anthony Morgan moved, seconded by Council Member Jennifer Symanns, to approve Resolution No. 2021-255.**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>CARRIED.</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Council Member Anthony Morgan
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Council Member Jennifer Symanns
<b>AYES:</b>	Jennifer Symanns, Steven Wilcoxon, Lois Richardson, Anthony Morgan, Annie Somerville, and Brian Jones-Chance
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Nicole Brown

- F. Resolution No. 2021-256, approving the 2022 City Council Meeting Schedule.

**Council Member Anthony Morgan moved, seconded by Council Member Steven Wilcoxon, to approve Resolution No. 2021-256.**

**Council Member Steve Wilcoxon made a friendly amendment to move the schedule to move the schedule to May 10<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> , July 12<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> , and September 13<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> .**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>CARRIED.</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Council Member Anthony Morgan
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Council Member Steven Wilcoxon
<b>AYES:</b>	Jennifer Symanns, Steven Wilcoxon, Lois Richardson, Anthony Morgan, Annie Somerville, and Brian Jones-Chance
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Nicole Brown

- G. Resolution No. 2021-257, urging the Michigan State Legislature to approve Senate Bill 705, extending a local jurisdiction's ability to hold meetings virtually until March 31, 2022. (added)**

**Mr. Brian Jones-Chance moved, seconded by Council Member Steven Wilcoxon, to approve Resolution No. 2021-257.**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>CARRIED.</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Council Member Brian Jones-Chance
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Council Member Steven Wilcoxon
<b>AYES:</b>	Jennifer Symanns, Steven Wilcoxon, Lois Richardson, Anthony Morgan, Annie Somerville, and Brian Jones-Chance
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Nicole Brown

- H. Discussion regarding a Community Benefits Ordinance request for and affordable housing development on Clark Road. (added)**
- I. Discussion regarding Boards and Commissions (10minutes) (added)**

## **X. BOARD AND COMMISSION - LIAISON REPORTS**

1. Police Advisory Commission.
2. Human Relations Commission.
3. Arts Commission.
4. Parks and Recreation Commission.
5. Sustainability Commission.
6. Historic District Commission.
7. Planning Commission.
8. Zoning Board of Appeals

## **XI. LIAISON REPORTS**

1. SEMCOG Update
2. Washtenaw Area Transportation Study
3. Urban County
4. Ypsilanti Downtown Development Authority
5. Friends of Rutherford Pool

## **XII. COUNCIL PROPOSED BUSINESS**

### **XIII. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR**

### **XIV. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CITY MANAGER**

- A. 2022 City Holiday Closure Schedule

### **XV. COMMUNICATIONS**

- A. Election Commission Meeting Dates for Redistricting - December 1st at 9am, December 12th at 1pm, and December 15th at 5 pm.
- B. City Council and all other City Boards and Commissions will return to in-person meetings starting January 1, 2022.
- C. Washtenaw County Regional Resource Management Authority (WRRMA) Budget and Summary of Activities.

### **XVI. ADJOURNMENT**

- A. Resolution No. 2021-258, adjourning the City Council Meeting.

**The meeting was adjourned at 9:21 PM.**

- B. Please click [here](#) to access the City Council Contact Form. This form can be used to submit any comments/concerns you might have about this agenda.