



# ACTION MINUTES

## REGULAR COUNCIL Meeting

7:00 PM - Tuesday, January 21, 2020  
Council Chambers

The REGULAR COUNCIL of the City of Ypsilanti was called to order on Tuesday, January 21, 2020, at 7:00 PM, in the Council Chambers, with the following members present:

**PRESENT:** Mayor Beth Bashert, Council Member Jennifer Symanns, Council Member Steven Wilcoxon, Council Member Nicole Brown, Mayor Pro-Tem Lois Richardson, Council Member Anthony Morgan, and Council Member Annie Somerville

**ABSENT:**

### I CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

### II ROLL CALL

### III INVOCATION

### IV PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

- a) I pledge allegiance to the flag, of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

### V AGENDA APPROVAL

The agenda was approved as submitted.

### VI INTRODUCTIONS

### VII PUBLIC COMMENT (3 MINUTES)

### VIII CONSENT AGENDA

- a) Resolution No. 2020-012, approving the Consent Agenda

**Council Member Anthony Morgan moved, seconded by Council Member Jennifer Symanns, to approve Resolution No. 2020-012**

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| <b>RESULT:</b>   | <b>CARRIED.</b>  |
| <b>MOVER:</b>    | Council Member Anthony Morgan  |
| <b>SECONDER:</b> | Council Member Jennifer Symanns  |
| <b>AYES:</b>     | Beth Bashert, Jennifer Symanns, Steven Wilcoxon, Nicole Brown, Lois Richardson, Anthony Morgan, and Annie Somerville |

- b) Resolution No. 2020-013, approval of the minutes of January 14, 2020.

- c) Resolution No. 2020-014, approving appointments to Boards and Commissions.
- d) Resolution No. 2020-015, approving the non-resident appointment to Boards and Commissions.

## IX RESOLUTIONS/MOTIONS/DISCUSSIONS

- a) Resolution No. 2020-016, approving the Huron/Hamilton lane reduction plan.

**Council Member Jennifer Symanns moved, seconded by Council Member Nicole Brown, to approve Resolution No. 2020-016**

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| <b>RESULT:</b>   | <b>CARRIED.</b>  |
| <b>MOVER:</b>    | Council Member Jennifer Symanns  |
| <b>SECONDER:</b> | Council Member Nicole Brown  |
| <b>AYES:</b>     | Jennifer Symanns, Nicole Brown, Beth Bashert, Steven Wilcoxen, Lois Richardson, Anthony Morgan, and Annie Somerville |

- b) Resolution No. 2020-017, approving the project agreement for \$60,000 from the Washtenaw County Parks and Recreation Connecting Communities Program.

**Mayor Pro-Tem Lois Richardson moved, seconded by Council Member Steven Wilcoxen, to approve Resolution No. 2020-017**

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| <b>RESULT:</b>   | <b>CARRIED.</b>  |
| <b>MOVER:</b>    | Mayor Pro-Tem Lois Richardson  |
| <b>SECONDER:</b> | Council Member Steven Wilcoxen   |
| <b>AYES:</b>     | Beth Bashert, Jennifer Symanns, Steven Wilcoxen, Nicole Brown, Lois Richardson, Anthony Morgan, and Annie Somerville |

- c) Resolution No. 2020-018, approving *Ordinance 1354* - Michigan Regulation and Taxation of Marihuana Act Zoning Update.

**Council Member Steven Wilcoxen moved, seconded by Council Member Annie Somerville, to approve Resolution No. 2020-018**

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| <b>RESULT:</b>   | <b>CARRIED.</b>  |
| <b>MOVER:</b>    | Council Member Steven Wilcoxen   |
| <b>SECONDER:</b> | Council Member Annie Somerville  |
| <b>AYES:</b>     | Steven Wilcoxen, Annie Somerville, Beth Bashert, Jennifer Symanns, Nicole Brown, Lois Richardson, and Anthony Morgan |

- d) Resolution No. 2020-019, approving updates to the Fee Schedule.

**Council Member Anthony Morgan moved, seconded by Council Member Jennifer Symanns, to approve Resolution No, 2020-019**

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| <b>RESULT:</b>   | <b>CARRIED.</b>  |
| <b>MOVER:</b>    | Council Member Anthony Morgan  |
| <b>SECONDER:</b> | Council Member Jennifer Symanns  |
| <b>AYES:</b>     | Beth Bashert, Jennifer Symanns, Steven Wilcoxen, Nicole Brown, Lois Richardson, Anthony Morgan, and Annie Somerville |

- e) Discussion regarding the Redevelopment Ready Communities Public Participation Plan.

## X BOARDS AND COMMISSION - NOMINATIONS

- a) **YPSILANTI DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY - NEW MEMBER**  
 Brian Jones-Chance - Exp. 7/1/2023  
 107 Ferris St.  
 Ypsilanti, MI 48197
- b) **PLANNING COMMISSION - NEW MEMBER**  
 Michael Borellino - Exp. 5/1/2023  
 200 W. Michigan Ave #2F  
 Ypsilanti, MI 48197

**XI BOARD AND COMMISSIONS - RECOMMENDATIONS**

- a) Human Relations Commission Resolution No. 2019-013

**XII LIAISON REPORTS**

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

**XIII COUNCIL PROPOSED BUSINESS**

**XIV COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR**

**XV COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CITY MANAGER**

- a) Council Goals for 2020.
- b) Freighthouse transition plan.

**Lois Richardson moved, seconded by Council Member Wilcoxen to form a special focus committee to address relationship with the Friends of the Freight House Group.**

**Council Member Nicole Brown moved, seconded by Council Member Jennifer Symanns, to Call the Question**

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| <b>RESULT:</b>   | <b>CARRIED.</b>  |
| <b>MOVER:</b>    | Council Member Nicole Brown  |
| <b>SECONDER:</b> | Council Member Jennifer Symanns  |
| <b>AYES:</b>     | Beth Bashert, Jennifer Symanns, Steven Wilcoxen, Nicole Brown, Lois Richardson, and Annie Somerville |
| <b>NAYS:</b>     | Anthony Morgan   |

**Mayor Pro-Tem Lois Richardson moved, seconded by Council Member Steven Wilcoxen, to form a special focus committee to address relationship with the Friends of the Freight House Group.**

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| <b>RESULT:</b> | <b>CARRIED.</b>               |
| <b>MOVER:</b>  | Mayor Pro-Tem Lois Richardson |

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| <b>SECONDER:</b> | Council Member Steven Wilcoxon   |
| <b>AYES:</b>     | Beth Bashert, Jennifer Symanns, Steven Wilcoxon, Lois Richardson, and Annie Somerville |
| <b>NAYS:</b>     | Nicole Brown and Anthony Morgan  |

**Council Member Nicole Brown moved, seconded by Council Member Jennifer Symanns, to limit the length of the Committee to 60 days**

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| <b>RESULT:</b>   | <b>CARRIED.</b>   |
| <b>MOVER:</b>    | Council Member Nicole Brown   |
| <b>SECONDER:</b> | Council Member Jennifer Symanns   |
| <b>AYES:</b>     | Beth Bashert, Jennifer Symanns, Nicole Brown, Lois Richardson, Anthony Morgan, and Annie Somerville |
| <b>NAYS:</b>     | Steven Wilcoxon   |

**Council Member Annie Somerville moved, seconded by Council Member Anthony Morgan, to include Council Members representing each Ward on the Committee**

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| <b>RESULT:</b>   | <b>CARRIED.</b>   |
| <b>MOVER:</b>    | Council Member Annie Somerville   |
| <b>SECONDER:</b> | Council Member Anthony Morgan   |
| <b>AYES:</b>     | Beth Bashert, Jennifer Symanns, Steven Wilcoxon, Nicole Brown, Anthony Morgan, and Annie Somerville |
| <b>NAYS:</b>     | Lois Richardson   |

**Council Member Annie Somerville moved, seconded by Council Member Nicole Brown, to include implementation of the transition plan to the focus of the committee.**

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| <b>RESULT:</b>   | <b>CARRIED.</b>  |
| <b>MOVER:</b>    | Council Member Annie Somerville                                  |
| <b>SECONDER:</b> | Council Member Nicole Brown                                      |
| <b>AYES:</b>     | Beth Bashert, Nicole Brown, Anthony Morgan, and Annie Somerville |
| <b>NAYS:</b>     | Jennifer Symanns, Steven Wilcoxon, and Lois Richardson           |

## **XVI COMMUNICATIONS**

a) 2020 Taskforce Presentation

**Mayor Pro-Tem Lois Richardson moved, seconded by Council Member Anthony Morgan, to include a presentation of the 2020 Task force on a future agenda**

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| <b>RESULT:</b>   | <b>CARRIED.</b>  |
| <b>MOVER:</b>    | Mayor Pro-Tem Lois Richardson  |
| <b>SECONDER:</b> | Council Member Anthony Morgan  |
| <b>AYES:</b>     | Beth Bashert, Jennifer Symanns, Steven Wilcoxon, Nicole Brown, Lois Richardson, Anthony Morgan, and Annie Somerville |

## **XVII PUBLIC COMMENT (3 MINUTES)**

## **XVIII REMARKS FROM THE MAYOR**

## **XIX ADJOURNMENT**

- a) Resolution No. 2020-020, adjourning the City Council Meeting.

**The meeting adjourned at 10:41 p.m.**