

Regular Council Meeting of the City of Melvindale was held in the Council Chambers, on Wednesday, August 18, 2021 at 7:30 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Wheeler T. Marsee, Jr. and roll call was taken:

PRESENT COUNCIL MEMBERS: Jackson, Rauser, Frederick, Densmore, Cartrette

ALSO PRESENT: Linda Land, City Clerk; Lawrence J. Coogan, Corporation Counsel; Richard S. Ortiz, City Administrator/Finance Director; Dan Jones, Police Chief; Brian Keith, Fire Department Battalion Chief; Larrie Ordus, DPW Director; Brad Burns, Chief Building Official

Councilman Stan Filipowski was absent and excused.

Michel Belch, Treasurer was absent and excused.

21-08-150 Moved by Rauser and supported by Cartrette, to approve the Regular Council meeting minutes dated August 4, 2021.

Yeas: Jackson, Rauser, Frederick, Cartrette

Nays: none

Abstain: Densmore

Motion Passes

Audience Participation

21-08-151 Moved by Rauser and supported by Cartrette, to recess the Regular Council Meeting at 8:06 p.m.

Passed Unanimously

21-08-152 Moved by Rauser and supported by Jackson, to open the Public Hearing at 8:06 p.m. regarding the proposed Ordinance #776 and further three calls were made for public comment.

Passed Unanimously

21-08-153 Moved by Rauser and supported by Cartrette, to close the Public Hearing at 8:12 p.m.

Passed Unanimously

21-08-154 Moved by Jackson and supported by Rauser, to reconvene the Regular Council meeting at 8:12 p.m.

Passed Unanimously

21-08-155 Moved by Cartrette and supported by Rauser, to approve the sewer rehab and cement replacement as follows:

Cora at Harman from alley to alley, Clarence at Harman from alley to alley, Cora at Hanna intersection only, Clarence at Hanna intersection only.

Passed Unanimously

21-08-156 Moved by Cartrette and supported by Densmore, to approve the purchase of an Intimidator 15XP – (15” Drum Style) Brush Bandit from Bandit Chippers, 6750 Millbrook Road, Remus, MI 49340 not to exceed \$60, 000.00 (sixty thousand dollars).

Passed Unanimously

21-08-157 Moved by Cartrette and supported by Rauser, to concur with the City of Dearborn’s appointment of Emergency Management Coordinator; Emergency Management Office and further that the following individuals shall be appointed as follows:

Joseph Murray, Emergency Management Coordinator, Bradley Smith, Successor, Assistant Fire Chief Steven Densmore, Successor

Yeas: Jackson, Rauser, Frederick, Cartrette

Nays: none

Abstain: Densmore

Motion Passes

21-08-158 Moved by Cartrette and supported by Rauser, to enter into closed session at 8:23 p.m. regarding contractual negotiations and pending litigation.

Passed Unanimously

21-08-159 Moved by Rauser and supported by Cartrette, to reconvene the Regular Council meeting at 9:21 p.m.

Passed Unanimously

21-08-160 Moved by Cartrette and supported by Rauser, to approve the extension of the Ulliance contract pursuant to the terms and conditions as presented.

Passed Unanimously

21-08-161 Moved by Rauser and supported by Densmore, to concur with the modification of the Building Department’s contract as presented.

Passed Unanimously

21-08-162 Moved by Rauser and supported by Cartrette, to concur with the City Administrator's contract as presented.

Passed Unanimously

21-08-163 Moved by Rauser and supported by Cartrette, to receive and place on file the July 2021 Treasurer's Report in the amount collected of \$2,753,889.54.

Passed Unanimously

21-08-164 Moved by Densmore and supported by Cartrette, to direct Lawrence J. Coogan, City Attorney to begin the process of reversion of the Dix property.

Passed Unanimously

21-08-165 Moved by Jackson and supported by Rauser, to receive and place on file the letter of resignation from Theresa Kieltyka.

Passed Unanimously

Second Audience Participation

21-08-166 Moved by Rauser and supported by Jackson, to receive and place on file the invoice and cover sheet and to authorize the payment of the approved invoices totaling \$2,071,952.71 and the electronic transfers totaling \$317,235.82.

Passed Unanimously

21-08-167 Moved by Cartrette and supported by Rauser, to adjourn at 9:42 p.m., no objections, so ordered.

Passed Unanimously

Wheeler T. Marsee, Jr., Mayor

Linda Land, City Clerk