



LEGISLATIVE BRANCH ▪ CITY OF BINGHAMTON

Giovanni Scaringi, Ph.D., City Council President
Janine Faulkner, City Clerk

COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BINGHAMTON
Business Meeting Minutes
City Hall, 38 Hawley Street, Binghamton, NY 13901
Wednesday, October 18, 2023

I. CALL TO ORDER

President Scaringi called the meeting to order at 6:01pm

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by President Scaringi

III. ROLL CALL

Present: Resciniti, Friedman, Burns (6:03pm), Strawn, Scanlon, Scaringi

Absent: Riley

Also Present: Janine Faulkner (City Clerk), Brian Seachrist (Corporation Counsel), Mehtasim Mahfuz (Asst. Corporation Counsel)

IV. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS AND RECOGNITIONS

V. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of Minutes

Approve the Minutes from the October 4, 2023 Business Meeting, and the October 11, 2023 Special Business Meeting.

Motion: Resciniti

Second: Strawn

Vote: 6-0-0-1

Absent: Riley

City Council Finance Committee: Scanlon (Chair), Strawn, Friedman

No items to report.

City Council Planning & Community Dev. Committee: Resciniti (Chair), Scanlon, Friedman

No items to report.

City Council Municipal & Public Affairs Committee: Strawn (Chair), Resciniti, Riley

No items to report.

City Council Public Works/Parks & Recreation Committee: Resciniti (Chair), Scanlon, Riley

No items to report.

City Council Employees Committee: Strawn (Chair), Resciniti, Burns

No items to report.

City Council Rules & Procedures/Special Studies Committee: Scanlon (Chair), Strawn, Friedman

No items to report.



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VI. APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENTS

VII. PUBLIC HEARING

1. The Binghamton City Council and the Mayor of the City of Binghamton will hold a public hearing regarding the proposed 2024 City of Binghamton budget as amended.

No Participants

Motion to close public hearing: Scanlon

Second: Strawn

Vote: 6-0-0-1

Absent: Riley

2. The Binghamton City Council and the Mayor of the City of Binghamton will hold a public hearing regarding RL 23-218 Bond Ordinance for Water Street Parking Garage.

No Participants

Motion to close public hearing: Scanlon

Second: Strawn

Vote: 6-0-0-1

Absent: Riley

Residents wishing to submit comments may do so electronically by emailing their comments prior to 1:00pm on the day of the meeting to clerk@cityofbinghamton.gov or in-person during the meeting. For any questions, please contact the City Clerk's Office at (607) 772-7005.

VIII. SET PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. The City of Binghamton will hold a public hearing regarding RL23-222 "Rezoning 9 parcels between Robinson Street and Walter Avenue from I-3 Heavy Industrial to C-1 Service Commercial"

This public hearing will take place at the November 1, 2023 Business Meeting at 6pm in Council Chambers. Residents wishing to participate in the Public Hearing(s) may do so electronically by emailing their comments prior to 1:00pm on the day of the meeting to clerk@cityofbinghamton.gov or in-person during the meeting.

IX. PUBLIC COMMENT/COMMUNICATION

Residents wishing to submit public comment may do so electronically by emailing their comments prior to 1:00pm on the day of the meeting to clerk@cityofbinghamton.gov or in-person during the meeting.

1. Marie Franelli
2. Edward



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3. Northside Resident

X. REVIEW OF MAYORAL VETO

XI. SECOND READING LEGISLATION

XII. FIRST READING LEGISLATION

A. PREFERRED AGENDA

B. NON PREFERRED AGENDA

Introductory Ordinance 23-142. Considered in Finance: Scanlon

An Ordinance adopting the tax budget for the year 2024 as amended

Motion: Scanlon

Second: Resciniti

Discussion: Friedman, Burns

Vote: 6-0-0-1

Absent: Riley

Introductory Ordinance 23-130. Considered in Finance: Scanlon

An Ordinance to amend the 2023 General Fund budget for Fire Department Overtime

Motion: Scanlon

Second: Strawn

Vote: 6-0-0-1

Absent: Riley

Introductory Ordinance 23-131. Considered in Finance: Scanlon

An Ordinance to amend the 2023 General Fund budget for Parks related expenses

Motion: Scanlon

Second: Resciniti

Vote: 6-0-0-1

Absent: Riley

Introductory Ordinance 23-132. Considered in Finance: Scanlon

An Ordinance to amend the 2023 General Fund budget for Corporation Counsel for Legal Fees

Motion: Scanlon

Second: Resciniti

Vote: 6-0-0-1

Absent: Riley



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Introductory Ordinance 23-133. Considered in Planning: Resciniti

An Ordinance authorizing the sale of 32 and 34 Munsell Street & 75 and 77 Liberty Street to Greater Opportunities for Broome and Chenango, Inc. for \$1 per parcel

Motion to declare City Council as “Lead Agency” under SEQRA: Resciniti

Second: Strawn

All in Favor

Motion to identify the proposed action as “Unlisted” under SEQRA: Resciniti

Second: Scanlon

All in Favor

Motion to issue a Negative Declaration under SEQRA for the reasons listed in the Negative Declaration: Resciniti

Second: Scanlon

Vote: 6-0-0-1

Absent: Riley

Motion: Resciniti

Second: Strawn

Vote: 6-0-0-1

Absent: Riley

Introductory Ordinance 23-134. Considered in Finance: Scanlon

An Ordinance authorizing the Sale of a portion of the Parlor City Commons to Confluence Properties II, LLC

Motion to declare City Council as “Lead Agency” under SEQRA: Resciniti

Second: Scanlon

All in Favor

Motion to identify the proposed action as “Unlisted” under SEQRA: Resciniti

Second: Scanlon

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Motion to issue a Negative Declaration under SEQRA for the reasons listed in the Negative Declaration: Resciniti

Second: Strawn

Vote: 6-0-0-1

Absent: Riley



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Motion: Scanlon

Second: Strawn

Vote: 6-0-0-1

Absent: Riley

Introductory Ordinance 23-135. Considered in Planning: Resciniti

An Ordinance amending the Code of the City of Binghamton, Chapter 18, Boards, Commissions, and Committees

Motion: Resciniti

Second: Scanlon

Vote: 6-0-0-1

Absent: Riley

Introductory Ordinance 23-136. Considered in Finance: Scanlon

An Ordinance to solely increase the total cost of the Conlon Field Turf Project but not the amount of the Bond

Motion: Scanlon

Second: Resciniti

Vote: 6-0-0-1

Absent: Riley

Introductory Ordinance 23-137. Considered in Finance: Scanlon

An Ordinance to void Permanent Ordinance O23-51 regarding the support of Debt Service agreements

Motion: Scanlon

Second: Strawn

Vote: 6-0-0-1

Absent: Riley

Introductory Ordinance 23-138. Considered in Finance: Scanlon

A Bond Ordinance authorizing the construction of the Water Street Parking Garage

Motion: Scanlon

Second: Resciniti

Discussion: Friedman

Motion to hold over Introductory Ordinance 23-138: Friedman

Second: Burns

Introductory Ordinance 23-138 Held Over



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Introductory Ordinance 23-139. Considered in Finance: Scanlon

An Ordinance to amend Chapter 127 Procurement Policy

Motion: Scanlon

Second: Resciniti

Vote: 6-0-0-1

Absent: Riley

Introductory Ordinance 23-140. Considered in Finance: Scanlon

An Ordinance to amend the 2023 General Fund and Insurance budgets for Legal expenses

Motion: Scanlon

Second: Resciniti

Vote: 6-0-0-1

Absent: Riley

Introductory Ordinance 23-141. Considered in Finance: Scanlon

An Ordinance to amend the 2023 General Fund budget for the Fire Department Tier 6 agreement

Motion: Scanlon

Second: Resciniti

Vote: 6-0-0-1

Absent: Riley

Introductory Resolution 23-82. Considered in Finance: Scanlon

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with WFD Designs

Motion: Scanlon

Second: Resciniti

Vote: 6-0-0-1

Absent: Riley

Introductory Resolution 23-83. Considered in Finance: Scanlon

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to increase the awarded Bid Job agreement amount with Underwater Screening Services, LLC

Motion: Scanlon

Second: Resciniti

Vote: 6-0-0-1

Absent: Riley

Introductory Resolution 23-84. Considered in Finance: Scanlon

A Resolution authorizing the BLDC to provide a \$150,000 revolving loan to Puerta Roja, LLC for renovations to 59 Court Street



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Motion: Scanlon

Second: Strawn

Vote: 6-0-0-1

Absent: Riley

Introductory Resolution 23-85. Considered in Finance: Scanlon

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a supplemental agreement with CJS Architects for the Water Street Parking Garage

Motion to hold over Introductory Resolution 23-85: Scanlon

Second: Strawn

Introductory Resolution 23-85 Held Over

XIII. COMMUNICATIONS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS

1. Resciniti
2. Friedman
3. Burns
4. Strawn
5. Scanlon
6. Scaringi

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 7:08pm: Resciniti

Second: Scanlon

All in Favor