



# LEGISLATIVE BRANCH ▪ CITY OF BINGHAMTON

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## CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION MINUTES

City Hall, 38 Hawley St, Binghamton

6pm Monday, December 4, 2023

Called to Order by President Scaringi at 6:04pm

Present: Riley, Friedman, Burns, Scanlon, Scaringi

Absent: Resciniti, Strawn

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

*The Work Session begins at 6pm. Times for RL(s)/Topics are approximate only and items may be considered earlier or later.*

Time	Committee	Chair	RL/Topic	Pages	Presenter
6:00pm	-----	-----	Bonadio Group - Financials		Gregg Evans
6:10pm	Finance	Scanlon	<b>RL23-248:</b> To amend the 2023 General Fund budget for various Police Dept increased line item expenses <b>RL23-262:</b> To authorize the acceptance of the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) FY2023	1-4	Chief Zikuski
6:15pm	Finance	Scanlon	<b>RL23-250:</b> To amend the 2023 General Fund budget for various Fire Dept increased line item expenses <b>*RL23-276:</b> To authorize the Mayor to enter into a Municipal Agreement for Confined Space Emergency Rescue for Frito Lay, Inc	5-9	Al Gardiner
6:20pm	Planning	Resciniti	<b>RL23-264:</b> To request a Public Hearing in compliance with NYS Housing and Community Renewal Grant requirements	10-13	Steve Carson
6:25pm	Finance	Scanlon	<b>*RL23-258:</b> To amend the 2023 BJCSB budget for Personal Services – Hourly CPI increases	14-15	Ed Crumb
6:30pm	Finance	Scanlon	<b>RL23-253:</b> To amend the 2023 Refuse budget to cover retirement and fuel expenses and tipping fees	16-17	Josh Paludi
6:35pm	Finance	Scanlon	<b>RL23-255:</b> To amend the 2023 Water & Sewer Fund budget for additional postage, overtime, and electricity expenses	18-19	Jeff Kruger
6:40pm	Finance	Scanlon	<b>RL23-252:</b> To amend the 2023 General Fund budget for Parks and Recreation Dept to account for year-end extra week of payroll accrual	20-23	Pat McGinnis



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			<b>RL23-265:</b> To amend the 2023 Golf Fund budget for various line item expenses		
6:45pm	Finance	Scanlon	<b>RL23-256:</b> To amend the 2023 Planning and Zoning budget for office supplies expense <b>RL23-257:</b> To amend the 2023 HUD Admin and Housing budget for Legal Ads and Advertising expense	24-27	Steve Carson
6:50pm	Finance	Scanlon	<b>RL23-249:</b> To amend the 2023 Personnel Dept budget for various increased line item expenses <b>RL23-263:</b> To amend the 2023 DPW budget for responsibility adjustments	28-31	Kent Drake-Deese
6:55pm	Finance	Scanlon	<b>RL23-261:</b> To authorize the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Binghamton School District for school resource officers at high/middle schools <b>*RL23-246:</b> To amend the 2023 General Fund budget for increased retirement expenses <b>RL23-247:</b> To amend the 2023 General Fund budget for increased electricity and street light expenses <b>RL23-259:</b> To amend the 2023 General Fund budget for overbudget items at year end <b>RL23-260:</b> To amend the 2023 Ramp Fund budget for overbudget items at year end accruals <b>RL23-268:</b> To amend the 2023 Capital Fund budget to close accounts that are no longer active <b>RL23-272:</b> To amend the 2023 Capital Fund budget to close accounts that are no longer active <b>RL23-273:</b> To authorize the Mayor or his designee to enter into agreement with NYHART for GASB 75 (Accounting and Financial Reporting for Post-employment Benefits Other than Pensions) actuarial services <b>RL23-274:</b> To authorize the Mayor to enter into agreement with Exact Capital for use of \$3 million in American Rescue Plan Act funding to support an affordable housing rehabilitation project at Town & Country Apts	32-100	Megan Heiman



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			<p><b>RL23-271:</b> To amend the General Fund budget for rehabilitation of properties owned by the Binghamton Local Development Corp and use Loss Revenue per the American Rescue Plan Act funds</p> <p><b>RL23-269:</b> To authorize the Mayor to enter into an agreement with the Binghamton Local Development Corp for rehabilitation of 11 Court Street</p> <p><b>RL23-270:</b> To authorize the Mayor to enter into an agreement with the Boscov's Department Store, LLC for parking at the Water Street Parking Garage</p> <p><b>RL23-277:</b> To amend the 2023 budget to allocate ARPA funds to support Greater Opportunity for Broome and Chenango for creation of new units of affordable housing</p> <p><b>RL23-278:</b> To authorize the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Greater Opportunity for Broome and Chenango for use of ARPA funds to support the Munsell Steet project for affordable and senior housing</p>		
7:20pm	Finance	Scanlon	<p><b>RL23-251:</b> To amend the 2023 General Fund budget for Economic Development Dept to account for year-end extra week of payroll accrual</p> <p><b>RL23-266:</b> To authorize the Mayor to enter into an agreement with the Broome County Chamber of Commerce to fund tourism/city marketing/promotions for the next two years (2024-2025)</p> <p><b>RL23-267:</b> To amend the 2023 General Fund budget to allocate American Rescue Plan Act funds to support tourism/city marketing/promotions</p>	101-105	Sarah Glose
7:30pm	Finance	Scanlon	<p><b>RL23-254:</b> To amend the 2023 General Fund budget for a Workers' Compensation buyout</p>	106-107	Brian Seachrist
7:35pm	Rules/SS	Scanlon	<p><b>RL23-275:</b> To authorize Visions FCU and Social on State to conduct a fireworks display on December 31<sup>st</sup> for New Year's Eve</p>	108-119	Janine Faulkner



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7:40pm	-----	-----	<b>Discussion:</b> City Council Separation Paperwork		President Scaringi
7:50pm	-----	-----	<p><b>Pending Legislation:</b>  <i>*Found on the website calendar with the prior Work Session documents.</i></p> <p><b>RL23-236:</b> To amend the City Charter Chapter 327, Rights-of-Way, regarding Outdoor Café Permits</p> <p><b>RL23-238:</b> To amend the 2023 DPW Budget for additional Overtime costs</p> <p><b>RL23-239:</b> To amend the 2023 Water Fund Budget for additional Chemical expenses due to increased costs</p> <p><b>RL23-240:</b> To Void Resolution 23-27 due to changes in the Match percentage</p> <p><b>RL23-241:</b> To authorize the Mayor to accept a NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation Environmental Protection Fund grant</p> <p><b>RL23-242:</b> To amend the 2023 Budget for the demolition of a fire damaged property at 32 Second Street</p> <p><b>RL23-243:</b> To authorize the sale of 24 Stuyvesant Street to Marc A. Mazzei D/B/A Mater Realty, LLC</p> <p><b>RL23-244:</b> To authorize the sale of 56 Holland Street to Karina Monroy Martinez</p> <p><b>RL23-245:</b> To authorize the sale of 22 Charles Street to the Binghamton Local Development Corporation</p>		Janine Faulkner

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

*\*Please Expedite for Next Business Meeting*

Motion called for a 5 minute recess at 7:20pm: Friedman

Second: Burns

All in Favor

Absent: Resciniti, Strawn, Scanlon

Vote to reconvene at 7:35pm

Vote: 4-0-0-3

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### 7:36pm Riley leaves resulting in loss of Quorum: Meeting ends.

Informative clarification – Request for Legislation not reviewed nor signed out during this meeting will be included in the next Work Session scheduled for December 18<sup>th</sup> including the following:

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