

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

CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION MINUTES City Hall, 38 Hawley St, Binghamton 6pm Monday, December 18, 2023

Called to Order by President Scaringi at 6:00pm

Present: Resciniti, Friedman, Burns (6:26pm), Strawn, Scanlon, Scaringi

Absent: Riley

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

Corporation Counsel)

Motion to enter into Executive Session at 6:13pm: Resciniti

Second: Scanlon All in Favor

Motion to exit executive session and resume the City Council Work Session at 6:52pm: Scanlon

Second: Resciniti

All in Favor

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Absent: Riley

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

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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	Finance	Scanlon	*RL23-280: To amend the 2023 General Fund budget for the fourth round of Healthcare Workers Bonus (HWB) for Fire Department	1-2	Chief Gardiner
6:05pm	Finance	Scanlon	*RL23-283: To correct error in Permanent Ordinance 23-19 to amend the BJCJSF 2023 budget for salary	3-4	Elliot Wagner
6:10pm	Employees Committee	Strawn	*RL23-279: To amend the City Charter Chapter 124 Section 39 to update the title "Executive Assistant to the Mayor" to "Deputy Mayor"	5-7	Megan Heiman
6:15pm	Finance	Scanlon	*RL23-249: To amend the 2023 General Fund budget for Personnel Dept for various overbudget line items *RL23-263: To amend the 2023 Department of Public Works budget for responsibility adjustments	8-11	President Scaringi (Drake- Deese)

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Finance	Scanlon	*RL23-261: To authorize the Mayor to extend an agreement with Binghamton School District for school resource officers at high/middle schools for 2023-2024 *RL23-247: To amend the 2023 General Fund budget for increased electricity and street light expenses *RL23-259: To amend the 2023 General Fund budget for various over-budget line items at year-end *RL23-260: To amend the 2023 Ramp Fund budget for over-budget line items at year end *RL23-268: To amend the 2023 Capital Fund budget to close account lines no longer active *RL23-272: To amend the 2023 Capital Fund budget to close account lines no longer active *RL23-273: To authorize the Mayor or his designee to enter into agreement with NYHART for GASB No. 75 (Accounting and Financial Reporting for Post-employment Benefits Other than Pensions) actuarial services *RL23-274: To authorize the Mayor to enter into agreement with Exact Capital to support an affordable housing rehabilitation project *RL23-271: To amend the General Fund budget to use loss revenue funds per the American Rescue Plan Act for rehabilitation of 11 Court Street *RL23-269: To authorize the Mayor to enter into an agreement with the Binghamton Local Development Corp for rehabilitation of 11 Court Street *RL23-270: To authorize the Mayor to enter into a parking agreement with the Boscov's Department Store, LLC for parking at the Water Street Parking Garage *RL23-251: To amend the 2023 General Fund	12-55	President Scaringi (Heiman)
Finance	Scanlon	budget for Economic Development Dept to account for year-end extra week of payroll accrual	56-60	President Scaringi (Glose)



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			*RL23-266: To authorize the Mayor to enter into an agreement with the Greater Binghamton Chamber of Commerce to support tourism/city marketing/promotions for the next two years (2024-2025) *RL23-267: To amend the 2023 General Fund budget to allocate American Rescue Plan Act funds to support tourism/city marketing/promotions *RL23-254: To amend the 2023 General Fund		President
	Finance	Scanlon	budget to cover a Workers' Compensation buyout	61-62	Scaringi (Seachrist)
	Rules/SS	Scanlon	*RL23-275: To authorize Visions Federal Credit Union and Social on State to conduct a fireworks display on December 31st for New Year's Eve 2023/2024 at midnight	63-74	President Scaringi (Faulkner)
6:30pm	Finance	Scanlon	*RL23-281: To amend the 2023 Joint Sewer Project budget for settlement of lawsuit and create new budget line for payment	75-76	Seachrist / Heiman
6:35pm			*RL 23-282: To amend the 2023 General fund and Capital budgets for purchase of properties by using General Fund – Fund Balance		City Council
			*Found on the website calendar with the prior Work Session documents. RL23-248: To amend the 2023 General Fund budget for the Police Department for various over-budget line items RL23-250: To amend the 2023 General Fund budget for the Fire Department for various over-budget line items RL23-252: To amend the 2023 General Fund budget for Parks and Recreation Department for year-end extra week of payroll accrual RL23-253: To amend the 2023 Refuse budget to cover retirement and fuel expenses and tipping fees RL23-255: To amend the 2023 Water & Sewer Fund budget for additional postage, overtime, and electricity expenses		Janine Faulkner



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RL23-256: To amend the 2023 Planning and	
Zoning budget for office supply costs	
RL23-257: To amend the 2023 HUD Admin and	
Housing budget for Legal Ads and Advertising	
expense	
RL23-262: To authorize the Mayor to accept the	
fiscal year 2023 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice	
Assistance Grant (JAG) FY2023	
RL23-264: To request a Public Hearing in	
compliance with NYS Housing and Community	
Renewal Grant requirements	
RL23-265: To amend the 2023 Golf Fund budget	
for various over-budget line item expenses	
RL23-277: To amend the 2023 budget to	
allocate ARPA funds to support Greater	
Opportunity for Broome and Chenango	
RL23-278: To authorize the Mayor to enter into	
an agreement with Greater Opportunity for	
Broome and Chenango to support affordable	
and senior housing projects on Munsell Street	
COMMITTEE REPORTS	

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*Please Expedite for Next Business Meeting

Motion to adjourn at 6:57pm: Resciniti

Second: Strawn All in Favor Absent: Riley