



# LEGISLATIVE BRANCH ▪ CITY OF BINGHAMTON

*Sophia Resciniti, City Council President*  
*Leighton Rogers, City Clerk*

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## COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BINGHAMTON

### Business Meeting Minutes

2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Atrium, 38 Hawley Street, Binghamton, NY 13901

Wednesday, January 20, 2021

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

President Resciniti called the meeting to order at 6:00pm

#### II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by President Resciniti

#### III. ROLL CALL

Present (via GoToWebinar): Scaringi, Resciniti, Riley, Friedman, Burns, Strawn, Scanlon

Also Present: Leighton Rogers (City Clerk), Ken Frank (Corporation Counsel)

#### IV. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS AND RECOGNITIONS

#### V. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

##### Approval of Minutes

Approve the Minutes from January 6, 2021 Business Meeting

Motion: Scaringi

Second: Strawn

Vote: All in favor

##### **City Council Finance Committee: Strawn (Chair), Scanlon, Burns**

No items to report.

##### **City Council Planning & Community Development Committee: Strawn (Chair), Scaringi, Friedman**

No items to report.

##### **City Council Municipal & Public Affairs Committee: Scanlon (Chair), Strawn, Riley**

No items to report.

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

No items to report.

##### **City Council Employees Committee: Scaringi (Chair), Scanlon, Burns**

No items to report.

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

No items to report.

#### VI. APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENTS

#### VII. PUBLIC HEARING



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1. Introductory Ordinance 21-08. An Ordinance to amend the Bond Ordinance amending the bond ordinance adopted July 22, 2020, to authorize the issuance of bonds to finance the construction of a new fire station in the city

Public Hearing #1 Caller(s):

- A. Tina Chronopolous

Motion to close Public Hearing #1: Scaringi

Second: Scanlon

Voice Vote: All in favor

2. Introductory Ordinance 21-09. An Ordinance to adopt the Bond Ordinance authorizing various capital improvements NTE \$6,525,000

Public Hearing #2 Caller(s):

- A. None

Motion to close Public Hearing #2: Scaringi

Second: Scanlon

Voice Vote: All in favor

## **VIII. SET PUBLIC HEARINGS**

## **IX. PUBLIC COMMENT/COMMUNICATION**

\*Please note: Residents wishing to submit public comment may do so electronically by emailing their comments prior to 5:30pm on the day of the meeting to [clerk@cityofbinghamton.com](mailto:clerk@cityofbinghamton.com) or via telephone during public comment at (607) 772-7101 as City Hall is closed to the public.

Public Comment Letter(s):

- A. Mayor Richard C. David

Public Comment Caller(s):

- A. Olivia Sams
- B. Brian Stewart
- C. Tarik Abdelazim
- D. Tina Chronopolous

Additional Comment: Burns, Frank

## **X. REVIEW OF MAYORAL VETO**

## **XI. SECOND READING LEGISLATION**



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## **XII. FIRST READING LEGISLATION**

### **A. PREFERRED AGENDA**

#### **\*Introductory Ordinance 21-08. Considered in Finance: Strawn**

An Ordinance to amend the Bond Ordinance of the City of Binghamton, New York, adopted January 20, 2021, amending the bond ordinance adopted July 22, 2020, to authorize the issuance of bonds to finance the construction of a new fire station in the city

*\*Strawn pulls from Preferred Agenda for consideration on Non-Preferred Agenda due to SEQRA*

#### **\*\*Introductory Ordinance 21-09. Considered in Finance: Strawn**

An Ordinance to adopt the Bond Ordinance of the City of Binghamton, New York, adopted January 20, 2021, authorizing various capital improvements in and for the City, stating the estimated maximum cost thereof is \$6,525,000, appropriating said amount for such purpose and authorizing the issuance of bonds of the city in the principal amount of not to exceed \$6,525,000 to finance said appropriation

*\*\*Strawn pulls from Preferred Agenda for consideration on Non-Preferred Agenda due to SEQRA*

#### **Introductory Ordinance 21-10. Considered in Finance: Strawn**

An Ordinance to accept a grant from Broome County Government Brownfield Fund in the amount of \$29,017.50 and amend the 2021 Capital Budget for demolition

#### **Introductory Ordinance 21-11. Considered in Finance: Strawn**

An Ordinance to amend the 2020 Binghamton-Johnson City Joint Sewage Treatment Facilities Capital Budget for city debt service

#### **Introductory Ordinance 21-12. Considered in Finance: Strawn**

An Ordinance to amend the 2020 refuse Disposal Budget for the cost of garbage bags

#### **\*\*\*Introductory Resolution 21-03. Considered in Finance: Strawn**

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into Supplemental Agreement No. 3 for USACOE/NYSDEC pipe/conduit inspection and maintenance/ rehabilitation work

*\*\*\*Friedman pulls item from Preferred Agenda for consideration on Non-Preferred agenda*

#### **\*\*\*\*Introductory Resolution 21-04. Considered in Finance: Strawn**

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into Supplemental No. 2 Agreement with Barton & Loguidice DPC for additional design, construction inspection, and construction management services for the 6th Ward Sewer Interceptor Project

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#### **\*\*\*\*\*Introductory Resolution 21-05. Considered in Municipal & Public Affairs: Scanlon**



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A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with the John F. Finn Institute for Public Safety, Inc. To provide technical assistance for the Binghamton Police Reform and Reinvention Collaborative

*\*\*\*\*\*Friedman pulls item from Preferred Agenda for consideration on Non-Preferred agenda*

**\*\*\*\*\*Introductory Resolution 21-06. Considered in Finance: Strawn**

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into Supplemental Agreement No. 1 with Barton & Loguidice DPC for additional services for the DECO District Streetscape Improvements Project

*\*\*\*\*\*Friedman pulls item from Preferred Agenda for consideration on Non-Preferred agenda*

**Introductory Resolution 21-07. Considered in Finance: Strawn**

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for the submittal of a Regional Assistance to Firefighters Grant for extrication tools for the city of Binghamton Fire Bureau

Motion to approve the items on the (amended) Preferred Agenda: Scaringi

Second: Riley

Vote: 7-0-0-0

**B. NON-PREFERRED AGENDA**

**\*Introductory Ordinance 21-08. Considered in Finance: Strawn**

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Motion to declare City Council as Lead Agency under SEQRA: Strawn

Second: Scaringi

Voice Vote: All in favor

Motion to identify the proposed action as unlisted under SEQRA: Strawn

Second: Scaringi

Voice Vote: All in favor

Motion to issue a negative declaration under SEQRA: Strawn

Second: Scaringi

Vote: 7-0-0-0

Motion to approve Intro Ordinance 21-08: Strawn

Second: Scaringi



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Vote: 7-0-0-0

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Motion to declare City Council as Lead Agency under SEQRA: Strawn

Second: Scaringi

Voice Vote: All in favor

Motion to identify the proposed action as a Type II action under SEQRA: Strawn

Second: Scaringi

Voice Vote: All in favor

Motion to issue a negative declaration under SEQRA: Strawn

Second: Scaringi

Vote: 7-0-0-0

Motion to approve Intro Ordinance 21-08: Strawn

Second: Scaringi

Vote: 7-0-0-0

**\*\*\*Introductory Resolution 21-03. Considered in Finance: Strawn**

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into Supplemental Agreement No. 3 for USACOE/NYSDEC pipe/conduit inspection and maintenance/ rehabilitation work

*\*\*\*Friedman pulled item from Preferred Agenda for consideration on Non-Preferred agenda*

Discussion: Friedman

Motion to Hold Over: Friedman

Second: Riley

*Resciniti instructs Clerk to take a roll call to determine availability of Councilmembers for a Special Business Meeting at 7pm on Thursday, January, 21, 2021. All Councilmembers but Friedman stated they were available at that time for a meeting. Resciniti announced the Special Business Meeting would take place at 7pm on Thursday, January, 21, 2021 to consider held over legislation.*

**\*\*\*\*Introductory Resolution 21-04. Considered in Finance: Strawn**



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Discussion: Friedman

Motion to Hold Over: Friedman

Second: Burns

**\*\*\*\*\*Introductory Resolution 21-05. Considered in Municipal & Public Affairs: Scanlon**

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with the John F. Finn Institute for Public Safety, Inc. To provide technical assistance for the Binghamton Police Reform and Reinvention Collaborative

*\*\*\*\*\*Riley pulled item from Preferred Agenda for consideration on Non-Preferred agenda*

Discussion: Riley, Friedman, Burns

Motion to Hold Over: Riley

Second: Friedman

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Discussion: Friedman

Motion to Hold Over: Friedman

Second: Riley

**XIII. COMMUNICATIONS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS**

Riley, Friedman, Burns, Strawn Scanlon, Scaringi, Resciniti

**XIV. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:46pm: Scanlon

Second: Scaringi

Voice Vote: All in favor