



LEGISLATIVE BRANCH ▪ CITY OF BINGHAMTON

Sophia Resciniti, City Council President
Leighton Rogers, City Clerk

COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BINGHAMTON
Business Meeting Minutes
City Hall, 38 Hawley Street, Binghamton, NY 13901
Wednesday, August 4, 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: Scaringi, Riley, Friedman, Burns, Strawn, Scanlon, Resciniti

Also Present: Leighton Rogers (City Clerk), Janine Faulkner (Deputy City Clerk), Ken Frank (Corporation Counsel), Maggie Redden (Assistant Corporation Counsel)

IV. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS AND RECOGNITIONS

V. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of Minutes

Approve the Minutes from July 21, 2021 Business Meeting and July 26, 2021 Special Business Meeting.

Motion: Scaringi

Second: Friedman

Vote: 7-0-0-0

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



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VII. PUBLIC HEARING

VIII. SET PUBLIC HEARINGS

Binghamton City Council and the Mayor will hold a Public Hearing regarding a proposed zoning amendment to re-zone the following parcels from R-3 Residential Multi Unit Dwelling District to C-1 Service Commercial District: 20 Mendelssohn Street (160.29-3-5), 22 Mendelssohn Street (160.29-3-6), 28 Mendelssohn Street (160.29-3-9.1), a portion of 151 Laurel Ave (160.29-3-2), and “Inside Lot” (160.29-3-9.2).

This Public Hearing will take place during the next regular City Council Business Meeting at 6pm on Wednesday, August 18, 2021, in the 2nd floor Atrium located in City Hall, 38 Hawley Street, Binghamton, NY. Residents wishing to submit comments may do so electronically by emailing their comments prior to 5:00pm on the day of the meeting to clerk@cityofbinghamton.com or in-person during the meeting. For any questions, please contact the City Clerk’s Office at (607) 772-7005.

IX. PUBLIC COMMENT/COMMUNICATION

*Please note: Residents wishing to submit public comment may do so electronically by emailing their comments prior to 5:00pm on the day of the meeting to clerk@cityofbinghamton.com

1. Salka Valerio
2. Rebecca Rathmell
3. Khamesi Black
4. Sarita Mcleod
5. Tina Chronopoulos
6. Robert Wilson
7. Joanne Baker
8. Jackie
9. Tom Gray
10. Mary Clark
11. Marissa Robinson
12. Manny Griffiths
13. Alia
14. Kristi Musselman
15. Salka Valerio
16. Olami
17. Noah
18. Kim Puddy
19. Pam
20. Becky B.

- a. Motion to suspend rules to allow non-City residents to speak: Scaringi
- b. Second: Scanlon
- c. All in Favor



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21. Teri
22. Autumn
23. Nancy Appelbaum (email)
24. Valerie
25. Daniella
26. John Solak
27. Tarik Abdelazim
28. Barb Donnelly

X. REVIEW OF MAYORAL VETO

XI. SECOND READING LEGISLATION

SEQRA Lead Agency and Type

1. Motion to declare City Council as Lead Agency for the creation of a master plan for a proposed 'Stadium District' surrounding Mirabito Stadium. The goals of the plan include supporting sustainable economic growth in the area, enhancing existing public destinations, and encouraging mixed-use and residential development to serve residents of a wide range of income levels. The plan will include graphic and narrative summaries of how these goals can be realized as well as a list of actionable items that the City can undertake in order to realize the plan.

Motion: Strawn

Second: Scaringi

All in favor

1. Motion to list the Project as a "Type I" action under SEQRA.

Motion: Strawn

Second: Scaringi

All in favor

2. That the Planning Department and the City's consultant, Whitham Planning & Design, PLLC, are directed to provide notice to any involved and interested agencies and to proceed with the SEQRA process.

XII. FIRST READING LEGISLATION

A. PREFERRED AGENDA

Introductory Ordinance 21-73. Considered in Finance: Strawn

An Ordinance to amend the 2021 Risk Management budget for legal services

Introductory Ordinance 21-74. Considered in Finance: Strawn



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An Ordinance to amend the 2021 Engineering budget for personal services

Introductory Ordinance 21-77. Considered in Finance: Strawn

An Ordinance to amend the 2021 Capital budget for the 2021-2022 Consolidated Local Street and Highway Improvement Program and accept funds from the Touring Program - NYSDOT

Introductory Ordinance 21-78. Considered in Finance: Strawn

An Ordinance to amend the 2021 BJCSTF budget to transfer funds for partial funding of an Environmental Benefit Project on Fuller Hollow Creek

Introductory Ordinance 21-79. Considered in Finance: Strawn

An Ordinance amending the 2021 budget to allocate American Rescue Plan Act funds for development of affordable housing by the First Ward Action Council

Introductory Resolution 21-64. Considered in Finance: Strawn

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with GHD Consulting Services, Inc. to pay for laboratory fees for CSO-LTCP post construction monitoring

Introductory Resolution 21-66. Considered in PW/Parks: Scanlon

A Resolution authorizing the City of Binghamton to accept a donation from the Dick's Sporting Goods Foundation to support parks and recreation programming

Introductory Resolution 21-68. Considered in Planning: Strawn

A Resolution amending a Grant from Local Initiative Support Corporation for the remediation and resale of Zombie properties within the City of Binghamton and salary funding for the Vacant Property employees

Motion to approve the Preferred Agenda: Scaringi

Second: Riley

Vote: 7-0-0-0

B. NON PREFERRED AGENDA

Introductory Ordinance 21-71. Considered in Finance: Strawn

An Ordinance amending the 2021 HOME budget to adjust for previous years unused funds and to bring the budget in balance with IDIS reporting system at HUD

Motion: Strawn

Second: Friedman

Vote: 7-0-0-0

Introductory Ordinance 21-72. Considered in Finance: Strawn



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An Ordinance amending the 2021 CDBG budget to adjust for previous years unused funds and to bring the budget in balance with IDIS reporting system at HUD

Motion: Strawn

Second: Scaringi

Vote: 7-0-0-0

Introductory Ordinance 21-75. Considered in Employees: Scaringi

An Ordinance to amend the Code of the City of Binghamton, Chapter 124, Personnel Policies, Article VIII, 124-40.F(2), Salary Increases

Motion: Scaringi

Second: Friedman

Vote: 7-0-0-0

Introductory Ordinance 21-76. Considered in Finance: Strawn

An Ordinance to amend the 2021 Police budget to accept insurance recovery to replace police vehicle damaged in accident

Motion: Strawn

Second: Scaringi

Vote: 7-0-0-0

Introductory Resolution 21-65. Considered in Finance: Strawn

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Bonadio & Co., LLP to assist in compliance and reporting related to the American Rescue Plan Act

Motion: Strawn

Second: Scaringi

Vote: 7-0-0-0

Introductory Resolution 21-67. Considered in MPA: Scanlon

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an extension agreement with the Binghamton City School District for School Resource Officers at the High School and Middle Schools for 2021-2022

Motion: Scanlon

Second: Scaringi

Dicsussion: Friedman, Riley

Vote: 5-2-0-0

Nay: Riley, Friedman

XIII. COMMUNICATIONS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS



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

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 8:24pm: Riley

Second: Scaringi

All in favor