



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, September 1, 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, Strawn, Scanlon, Resciniti

Absent: Burns (Arrives 6:05pm)

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 August 18, 2021 Business Meeting.

Motion: Scaringi

Second: Scanlon

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 RL21-177: A Local Law amending the residency requirements for employment for the City of Binghamton.

This Public Hearing will take place during the next regular City Council Business Meeting at 6pm on Wednesday, September 22, 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. Thomas Gray
2. Claudia Stallman
3. Marissa Robinson
4. Tina Chronopoulos
5. Teri Renna

X. REVIEW OF MAYORAL VETO

XI. SECOND READING LEGISLATION

Introductory Ordinance 21-81. Considered in Finance: Strawn

An Ordinance to account for lost revenue of \$12,494,152 per the American Rescue Plan Act guidelines

Motion: Strawn

Second: Scanlon

Discussion: Friedman

Motion to amend to \$6,224,200: Friedman

Second: Riley

Vote: 3-4-0-0

Nay: Scaringi, Strawn, Scanlon, Resciniti

Discussion: Riley, Burns

Vote: 4-3-0-0

Nay: Riley, Friedman, Burns

Introductory Ordinance 21-85. Considered in Planning: Strawn



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An Ordinance to amend the official zoning map of the City of Binghamton to rezone four tax lots related to Bates Troy Dry Cleaner (SEQRA)

Motion to allow Resciniti to Abstain: Scaringi

Second: Scanlon

Vote: 7-0-0-0

Motion: Strawn

Second: Second

Discussion: Friedman, Riley, Scaringi

Vote: 6-0-1-0

Abstain: Resciniti

Introductory Resolution 21-72. Considered in Finance: Strawn

A Resolution authorizing the mayor to accept second round funding from the American Rescue Plan Act in the amount of \$23,092,337

Motion: Strawn

Second: Scaringi

Discussion: Friedman, Strawn, Burns, Riley, Scaringi, Burns, Riley, Friedman, Scaringi, Riley, Strawn, Riley, Scaringi, Burns, Friedman

Vote: 4-3-0-0

Nay: Riley, Friedman, Burns

XII. FIRST READING LEGISLATION

A. PREFERRED AGENDA

Introductory Ordinance 21-90. Considered in Finance: Strawn

An Ordinance to amend the 2021 budget to allocate American Rescue Plan Act funds for Broadband improvements with the Southern Tier Network

Introductory Ordinance 21-91. Considered in Finance: Strawn

An Ordinance to amend the 2021 budget to allocate American Rescue Plan Act funds for affordable housing

Introductory Ordinance 21-92. Considered in Finance: Strawn

An Ordinance to amend the 2021 DPW budget for additional funds for vehicle repairs and parts

Introductory Ordinance 21-93. Considered in Finance: Strawn

An Ordinance to amend the 2021 Finance budget for personal services and temporary services

Introductory Resolution 21-73. Considered in PW/Parks: Scanlon

A Resolution authorizing the City of Binghamton to accept a donation of 2 plaques to be displayed at the Recreation Park tennis courts



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Introductory Resolution 21-74. Considered in Finance: Strawn

A Resolution to cancel existing agreements with the Family Enrichment Network and the YWCA and to enter into new agreements with them for use of ESG COVID Funds

Motion to approve the Preferred Agenda: Scaringi

Second: Riley

Vote: 7-0-0-0

B. NON PREFERRED AGENDA

Introductory Ordinance 21-87. Considered in Finance: Strawn

An Ordinance to amend the 2021 budget to allocate American Rescue Plan Act Funds for improvements to the Water Filtration Plant and the Sewer and Water Pump Stations

Motion: Strawn

Second: Scaringi

Discussion: Friedman

Vote: 7-0-0-0

Introductory Ordinance 21-88. Considered in Finance: Strawn

An Ordinance to amend the 2021 budget to use the Fund Balance to purchase equipment for Police and DPW

Motion: Strawn

Second: Scaringi

Discussion: Friedman

Vote: 5-2-0-0

Nay: Riley, Friedman

Introductory Ordinance 21-89. Considered in Finance: Strawn

An Ordinance to amend the 2021 budget to use the Fund Balance to reduce debt cost associated with the new Community Center and park improvements at Columbus Park

Motion: Strawn

Second: Scaringi

Motion to amend to use the ARPA funds instead of Fund Balance: Scanlon

Second: Strawn

Discussion: Riley, Burns, Strawn, Burns, Riley, Scaringi, Riley, Scaringi, Friedman, Burns

Vote: 4-3-0-0

Nay: Riley, Friedman, Burns

Motion to hold over: Scaringi

Second: Strawn



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Discussion: Burns, Riley

XIII. COMMUNICATIONS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS

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

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 8:00pm: Scaringi
Second: Burns
All in favor