



# LEGISLATIVE BRANCH ▪ CITY OF BINGHAMTON

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*Leighton Rogers, City Clerk*

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**COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BINGHAMTON**  
**Business Meeting Minutes**  
**City Hall, 38 Hawley Street, Binghamton, NY 13901**  
**Wednesday, January 11, 2023**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

President Pro Tempore Strawn called the meeting to order at 6:00pm

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Led by President Pro Tempore Strawn

**III. ROLL CALL**

Present: Riley, Friedman, Burns, Strawn, Scanlon

Absent: Scaringi, Resciniti

Also Present: Leighton Rogers (City Clerk), Janine Faulkner (Deputy City Clerk), Brian Seachrist (Corporation Counsel), Mehtasim Mahfuz (Assistant Corporation Counsel)

**IV. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS AND RECOGNITIONS**

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

**Approval of Minutes**

Approve the Minutes from the December 21, 2022 Business Meeting.

Motion: Scanlon

Second: Friedman

Vote: 5-0-0-2

Absent: Scaringi, Resciniti

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

No items to report.

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

No items to report.

**City Council Municipal & Public Affairs Committee: Scaringi (Chair), Resciniti, Riley**

No items to report.

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

No items to report.

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

No items to report.

**City Council Rules & Procedures/Special Studies Committee: Resciniti (Chair), Scanlon, Friedman**

No items to report.



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## **VI. APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENTS**

1. Planning Commission – Mario Difulvio
2. Community Development Advisory Committee (CDAC) At-Large Position – Nathan Hotchkiss & Jacob Kumpon

Motion to appoint Mario Difulvio: Scanlon

Second: Strawn

Vote: 5-0-0-2

Riley – Difulvio

Friedman – Difulvio

Burns – Difulvio

Strawn – Difulvio

Scanlon – Difulvio

Absent: Scaringi, Resciniti

Motion to appoint Nathan Hotchkiss: Friedman

Second: Riley

Motion to appoint Jacob Kumpon: Scanlon

Second: Strawn

Riley – Hotchkiss

Friedman – Hotchkiss

Burns – Hotchkiss

Strawn – Kumpon

Scanlon – Kumpon

Absent: Scaringi, Resciniti

\*No majority vote of 4/7 was reached. Tabled until the January 25, 2023 Business Meeting\*

Motion to suspend the rules and move Public Comment before the Public Hearing section of the agenda: Friedman

Second: Riley

All in Favor

## **VII. PUBLIC COMMENT/COMMUNICATION**

Residents wishing to submit public comment may do so electronically by emailing their comments prior to 1:00pm on the day of the meeting to [clerk@cityofbinghamton.gov](mailto:clerk@cityofbinghamton.gov) or in-person during the meeting.

1. Salka Valerio
2. Terri Weathers



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3. No name
4. Pastor Rick Barnett
5. Tarik Abdelazim
6. Dr. Barnett
7. Paul Graham
8. No name
9. No name
10. No name
11. No name
12. No name
13. No name
14. No name
15. No name
16. No name
17. Ahmoni Waddell
18. No name
19. Rebecca Rathmel
20. No name
21. No name
22. Asia
23. Terri Renia
24. Quinton Archer
25. No name
26. No name
27. No name
28. No name
29. No name
30. Marrisona
31. No name
32. Messia Andrews
33. Malka Valerio

### **VIII. PUBLIC HEARING**

Residents wishing to participate in the Public Hearing(s) may do so electronically by emailing their comments prior to 1:00pm on the day of the meeting to [clerk@cityofbinghamton.gov](mailto:clerk@cityofbinghamton.gov) or in-person during the meeting.

- 1) The City of Binghamton will hold a Public Hearing regarding RL22-299 entitled "An Ordinance to amend the official zoning map of the City of Binghamton to rezone portions of Conklin Avenue."



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\*No participants\*

Motion to close public hearing: Riley

Second: Burns

Vote: 4-0-0-3

Absent: Scaringi, Resciniti, Scanlon

### **8:45pm Riley leaves resulting in loss of Quorum: Meeting ends.**

- 2) The City of Binghamton will hold a Public Hearing regarding RL22-309 entitled “Bond Ordinance of the City of Binghamton, authorizing various capital improvements in and for the city, stating the estimated maximum cost thereof is \$16,369,000, appropriating said amount for such purpose and authorizing the issuance of bonds of the city in the principal amount of not to exceed \$16,369,000 to finance said appropriation.”
- 3) The City of Binghamton will hold a Public Hearing regarding RL22-311 entitled “Bond Ordinance of the City of Binghamton, authorizing the 6th ward interceptor sanitary sewer project, stating the estimated maximum cost thereof is \$13,000,000, appropriating said amount for such purpose and authorizing the issuance of bonds of the city in the principal amount of not to exceed \$13,000,000 to finance said appropriation.”

#### **IX. SET PUBLIC HEARINGS**

The City of Binghamton will hold a Public Hearing regarding RL23-07, “Authorizing the Mayor to submit an application for funding from the Empire state Development Corporation Restore New York Communities Initiative Round 7”

This public hearing will take place at 6pm during the January 25, 2023 regular City Council Business Meeting in City Council Chambers, 38 Hawley Street, Binghamton, NY. Residents wishing to participate in the Public Hearing(s) may do so electronically by emailing their comments prior to 1:00pm on the day of the meeting to [clerk@cityofbinghamton.gov](mailto:clerk@cityofbinghamton.gov) or in-person during the meeting.

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

#### **XI. SECOND READING LEGISLATION**

#### **XII. FIRST READING LEGISLATION**

##### **A. PREFERRED AGENDA**

##### **Introductory Ordinance 23-01. Considered in Employees: Resciniti**

An Ordinance to amend various sections of Chapter 124, Personnel Policies, of the Code of City of Binghamton



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**Introductory Ordinance 23-02. Considered in Employees: Resciniti**

An ordinance to amend various sections of the Code of the City of Binghamton to reflect increases in stipends for various boards and commissions

**Introductory Ordinance 23-04. Considered in Finance: Scaringi**

An ordinance to amend the 2022 DPW budget for overtime and equipment

**Introductory Ordinance 23-05. Considered in Finance: Scaringi**

An ordinance to amend the 2022 General Fund budget for temporary services in parks & recreation

**Introductory Ordinance 23-06. Considered in Finance: Scaringi**

An ordinance to amend the 2022 General Fund budget for retirement payout

**Introductory Ordinance 23-07. Considered in Finance: Scaringi**

An ordinance to amend the 2022 General Fund budget for unemployment

**Introductory Ordinance 23-08. Considered in Finance: Scaringi**

An ordinance to amend the 2022 General Fund budget for bond principal

**Introductory Ordinance 23-09. Considered in Finance: Scaringi**

An ordinance to amend the 2022 General Fund budget for temporary services

**Introductory Ordinance 23-10. Considered in Finance: Scaringi**

An ordinance to amend the 2022 General Fund budget for various services

**Introductory Ordinance 23-11. Considered in Finance: Scaringi**

An ordinance to amend the 2022 General Fund budget for holiday pay

**Introductory Ordinance 23-14. Considered in Finance: Scaringi**

An ordinance to amend the 2023 Binghamton-Johnson City Joint Sewage Treatment Facilities budget to defund an operator III and fund an operator II position

**Introductory Ordinance 23-15. Considered in Employees: Resciniti**

An ordinance to amend Chapter 26, City Council, of the Code of the City of Binghamton

**Introductory Ordinance 23-16. Considered in Rules/Special Studies: Resciniti**

An ordinance to amend the Binghamton-Johnson City Joint Sewage IMA

**Introductory Ordinance 23-17. Considered in Finance: Scaringi**

An ordinance to amend the 2023 Fire budget to accept the second round of the NYS health care workers bonus for personal services



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## **B. NON PREFERRED AGENDA**

### **Introductory Ordinance 23-03. Considered in Planning: Scanlon**

An ordinance to amend the official zoning map of the City of Binghamton to rezone multiple properties on Conklin Avenue

### **Introductory Ordinance 23-12. Considered in Finance: Scaringi**

An ordinance authorizing various capital improvements in and for the City, stating the estimated maximum cost thereof is \$16,369,000, appropriating said amount for such purpose and authorizing the issuance of bonds of the City in the principal amount of not to exceed \$16,369,000 to finance said appropriation

### **Introductory Ordinance 23-13. Considered in Finance: Scaringi**

An ordinance authorizing the 6th ward interceptor sanitary sewer project, stating the estimated maximum cost thereof is \$13,000,000, appropriating said amount for such purpose and authorizing the issuance of bonds of the City in the principal amount of not to exceed \$13,000,000 to finance said appropriation

### **Introductory Ordinance 23-17. Considered in Finance: Scaringi**

An ordinance to update the contract of sale for 72 Court Street

## **XIII. COMMUNICATIONS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS**

## **XIV. ADJOURNMENT**