



LEGISLATIVE BRANCH ▪ CITY OF BINGHAMTON

Giovanni Scaringi, Ph.D., 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, March 29, 2023

I. CALL TO ORDER

President Scaringi called the meeting to order at 6:01pm

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by President Scaringi

III. ROLL CALL

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

Also Present: Leighton Rogers (City Clerk), Mehtasim Mahfuz (Assistant Corporation Counsel),
Nicole Sabasowitz (Assist. Corporation Counsel)

IV. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS AND RECOGNITIONS

V. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of Minutes

Approve the Minutes from the March 15, 2023 Business Meeting.

Motion: Resciniti

Second: Strawn

Vote: 7-0-0-0

City Council Finance Committee: Scanlon (Chair), Strawn, Friedman

No items to report.

City Council Planning & Community Dev. Committee: Resciniti (Chair), Scanlon, Friedman

No items to report.

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

No items to report.

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

No items to report.

City Council Employees Committee: Strawn (Chair), Resciniti, Burns

No items to report.

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

No items to report.

VI. APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENTS



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VII. PUBLIC HEARING

VIII. SET PUBLIC HEARINGS

IX. 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 or in-person during the meeting.

1. Mike Dervay
2. Tarik Abdelazim

X. REVIEW OF MAYORAL VETO

XI. SECOND READING LEGISLATION

XII. FIRST READING LEGISLATION

A. PREFERRED AGENDA

Introductory Ordinance 23-58. Considered in Planning: Resciniti

An Ordinance accepting the donation of 86 Farview Avenue

Discussion: Riley

Introductory Ordinance 23-59. Considered in Planning: Resciniti

An Ordinance authorizing the sale of 183 Water Street to the Water Street Local Development Corporation

Introductory Ordinance 23-61. Considered in Finance: Scanlon

An Ordinance to amend the 2022 General Fund budget for personal services

Introductory Ordinance 23-63. Considered in Finance: Scanlon

An Ordinance to amend the 2022 Fire budget for various services

Introductory Ordinance 23-66. Considered in Finance: Scanlon

An Ordinance to amend the 2023 budget for demolition and air monitoring of a fire-damaged building at 12 Green Street

Discussion: Friedman

Introductory Resolution 23-18. Considered in Finance: Scanlon

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Bergmann: Architects, Engineers, Planners for phase 1 of the Memorial Bridge Streetscape Improvement Project



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Introductory Resolution 23-19. Considered in Finance: Scanlon

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into supplemental agreement No. 1 with Hunt Engineers for additional engineering services for the Hiner Road FEMA Project

Introductory Resolution 23-20. Considered in PW/Parks: Resciniti

A Resolution to accept a donation of a Little Free Library for Columbus Park from the Broome Tioga NAACP and M&T Bank

Discussion: Riley

Introductory Resolution 23-21. Considered in Finance: Scanlon

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to accept the 2023 Broome County Youth Bureau Grant Funds for youth sports programs and equipment

Motion to approve Preferred Agenda as amended: Scanlon

Second: Friedman

Vote: 7-0-0-0

B. NON PREFERRED AGENDA

Introductory Ordinance 23-57. Considered in Finance: Scanlon

An Ordinance to amend the 2023 Police budget to add and fund a temporary Police Lieutenant position

*Riley unsponsored

Motion: Strawn

Second: Resciniti

Discussion: Riley, Friedman

Vote: 7-0-0-0

Introductory Ordinance 23-60. Considered in Finance: Scanlon

An Ordinance to amend the 2022 General Fund budget for police personal services

*Riley unsponsored

Motion: Strawn

Second: Resciniti

Discussion: Friedman

Vote: 7-0-0-0

Introductory Ordinance 23-62. Considered in Finance: Scanlon

An Ordinance to amend the 2022 General Fund budget for various services in police

*Riley unsponsored



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Motion: Strawn
Second: Resciniti
Discussion: Friedman
Vote: 7-0-0-0

Introductory Ordinance 23-65. Considered in Finance: Scanlon

An Ordinance to amend the 2022 General Fund for gas and diesel

Motion: Strawn
Second: Resciniti
Vote: 7-0-0-0

Introductory Ordinance 23-56. Considered in Planning: Resciniti

An Ordinance to amend the Official Zoning Map of the City of Binghamton to rezone portions of Henry St., Fayette St., Pine St., Lewis St., and Liberty St., in accordance with the Stadium District Master Plan

*Pulled from Preferred Agenda by Scaringi

*Riley unsponsored

Motion to declare City Council as "Lead Agency" under SEQRA: Resciniti

Second: Scanlon

All in Favor

Motion to identify the proposed action as "Type 1" under SEQRA: Resciniti

Second: Riley

All in Favor

Motion to issue a Negative Declaration under SEQRA for the reasons listed in the negative declaration: Resciniti

Second: Scanlon

Vote: 7-0-0-0

Motion: Resciniti

Second: Scanlon

Discussion: Friedman

Vote: 6-1-0-0

Nay: Friedman

Introductory Ordinance 23-64. Considered in Rules/SS: Scanlon

An Ordinance to amend Chapter 26, City Council, of the code of the City of Binghamton to add additional language regarding second read legislation



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*Pulled from Preferred Agenda by Riley

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Motion: Strawn

Second: Resciniti

Discussion: Riley

Vote: 4-3-0-0

Nay: Riley, Friedman, Burns

Introductory Resolution 23-16. Considered in Planning: Resciniti

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to approve and submit the HOME-ARP Grant Plan to HUD

*Pulled from Preferred Agenda by Friedman

*Riley unsponsored

Motion: Resciniti

Second: Scanlon

Discussion: Friedman, Riley

Motion to amend the HOME-ARP Grant Plan to move \$25,000 from Acquisition and Development of Non-Congregate Shelters and move \$25,000 from Tenant Based Rental Assistance to Non-Profit Operating and Non-Profit Capacity Building

Motion: Friedman

Second: Scanlon

Discussion: Riley

Vote: 7-0-0-0

Introductory Resolution 23-17. Considered in Planning: Resciniti

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to amend the agreement with the Tri-Cities Opera for use of FY47 and FY48 CDBG and ESG Funds

*Pulled from Preferred Agenda by Riley

*Riley unsponsored

Motion: Resciniti

Second: Strawn

Discussion: Friedman, Riley

Vote: 7-0-0-0

XIII. COMMUNICATIONS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS

1. Scanlon
2. Resciniti
3. Riley
4. Friedman
5. Burns



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6. Strawn
7. Scaringi

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 7:21pm: Scanlon

Second: Burns

All in Favor