

# LEGISLATIVE BRANCH • CITY OF BINGHAMTON

Giovanni Scaringi, Ph.D., City Council President Janine Faulkner, City Clerk

# COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BINGHAMTON

# Business Meeting Minutes City Hall, 38 Hawley Street, Binghamton, NY 13901 Wednesday, May 24, 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: Janine Faulkner (City Clerk), Nicole Sabasowitz (Assist. Corporation Counsel), Mehtasim Mahfuz (Assist. Corporation Counsel)

# IV. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS AND RECOGNITIONS

# V. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

# Approval of Minutes

Approve the Minutes from the May 10, 2023 Business Meeting.

Motion: Resciniti Second: Scanlon 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

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 The City of Binghamton will hold a Public Hearing regarding Local Law 23-01, "A Local Law amending the Code of the City of Binghamton, Chapter 355, Streets and Sidewalks for regulating utility poles."

This Public Hearing will take place during the June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Business Meeting at 6pm in Council Chambers. 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 or in-person during the meeting.

# 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.

\*No Participants

# X. REVIEW OF MAYORAL VETO

# XI. SECOND READING LEGISLATION

# Intoductory Ordinance 23-78. Considered in Finance: Scanlon

An Ordinance to amend the 2023 Code Enforcement budget to defund 2 code inspectors and increase wages

Motion: Scanlon Second: Resciniti Discussion: Burns

Motion to amend the legislation to (i) strike defund 2 positions and (ii) move \$43,394 from budget line 4999 into budget line A8664.5100

Second: Riley

Discussion: Friedman, Resciniti, Scanlon, Strawn, Riley, Scaringi

\*Burns rescinds motion Discussion: Friedman

Vote on original Legislation: 6-1-0-0

Nay: Riley



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# XII. FIRST READING LEGISLATION

# A. PREFERRED AGENDA

# **B. NON PREFERRED AGENDA**

# Introductory Ordinance 23-82. Considered in Finance: Scanlon

An Ordinance to amend the 2023 Parks & Recreation budget to defund one Senior Parks Maintainer and one Park Technician and fund one Parks Maintainer and one Groundskeeper

Motion: Scanlon Second: Resciniti Vote: 6-0-0-1 Absent: Riley

# Introductory Resolution 23-37. Considered in Finance: Scanlon

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to accept the Community Project Funding Grant for Community Policing and Crime Prevention

Motion: Scanlon Second: Resciniti Discussion: Friedman

Vote: 5-1-0-1 Nay: Friedman Absent: Riley

# Introductory Resolution 23-38. Considered in Finance: Scanlon

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with CHOW for use of CVY46 CDBG funds for cold storage capacity

Motion: Scanlon Second: Strawn Vote: 6-0-0-1 Absent: Riley

# Introductory Resolution 23-39. Considered in Finance: Scanlon

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to accept the NYS Municipal Workers Compensation Alliance Award for a safe workplace

Motion: Scanlon Second: Resciniti Vote: 6-0-0-1 Absent: Riley

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# Introductory Resolution 23-40. Considered in Finance: Scanlon

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to accept a grant from Broome County for landscaping at the State Street stormwater gardens

Motion: Scanlon Second: Resciniti Vote: 6-0-0-1 Absent: Riley

# Introductory Resolution 23-41. Considered in Finance: Scanlon

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with HUNT Engineers, Architects, Land Surveyors for railroad bridges visual inspections

Motion: Scanlon Second: Resciniti Vote: 6-0-0-1 Absent: Riley

# Introductory Resolution 23-42. Considered in Rules/SS: Scanlon

A Resolution authorizing the Binghamton Pride Coalition to conduct fireworks on June 10, 2023

Motion: Scanlon Second: Resciniti Vote: 6-0-0-1 Absent: Riley

# XIII. COMMUNICATIONS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS

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

# XIV. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 7:10pm: Scanlon

Second: Strawn All in Favor