



# LEGISLATIVE BRANCH ▪ CITY OF BINGHAMTON

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*Janine Faulkner, City Clerk*

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**COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BINGHAMTON**  
**Business Meeting Minutes**  
**City Hall, 38 Hawley Street, Binghamton, NY 13901**  
**Wednesday, September 20, 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(6:02pm), Strawn, Scanlon, Scaringi

Also Present: Janine Faulkner (City Clerk), John Sperduti (Deputy City Clerk), Nicole Sabasowitz (1st Asst. Corporation Counsel)

**IV. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS AND RECOGNITIONS**

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

**Approval of Minutes**

Approve the Minutes from the September 6, 2023 Business Meeting.

Motion: Resciniti

Second: Strawn

All in Favor

**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

Binghamton City Council and the Mayor of the City of Binghamton will hold a public hearing regarding RL23-196 Entitled “Amending the Bond Ordinance adopted November 19, 2021 relating to construction of various improvements to Mirabito Stadium to comply with the mandates of Major League Baseball”.

This Public Hearing will take place during the October 4, 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](mailto: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](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 23-122. Considered in Finance: Scanlon**

An Ordinance to amend the 2023 Department of Public Works budget for responsibility adjustments until November 25, 2023

#### **Introductory Resolution 23-73. Considered in Planning: Resciniti**

A Resolution declaring the intent of the City of Binghamton to act as lead agency for environmental review of the Terminal Pumping Station located on Gates Road in Vestal, New York

#### **Introductory Resolution 23-74. Considered in Planning: Resciniti**

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to extend the contract period with the Volunteers of America until September 30, 2023

#### **Introductory Resolution 23-75. Considered in Finance: Scanlon**

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to amend the contract with Outreach Ministries to increase the contract amount



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## **Introductory Resolution 23-76. Considered in Finance: Scanlon**

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to amend the contract with the YWCA to increase the contract amount

Motion to approve the Preferred Agenda: Friedman

Second: Riley

Vote: 7-0-0-0

## **B. NON PREFERRED AGENDA**

### **Introductory Ordinance 23-120. Considered in Finance: Scanlon**

An Ordinance to allocate American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds to support an affordable housing project at 187 Clinton Street with acquisition costs and pre-development activities including environmental testing and engineering services

Motion: Scanlon

Second: Resciniti

Discussion: Friedman, Riley

Motion to hold over Introductory Ordinance 23-120: Riley

Second: Friedman

\*Introductory Ordinance 23-120 held over\*

### **Introductory Ordinance 23-121. Considered in Planning: Resciniti**

An Ordinance to authorize the sale of 9 Slauson Avenue to Metro Group Properties Inc

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

Second: Scanlon

All in Favor

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

Second: Scanlon

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: Scanlon

Second: Resciniti

Discussion: Friedman



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Vote: 7-0-0-0

**Introductory Ordinance 23-123. Considered in Finance: Scanlon**

An Ordinance to amend the 2023 Police Budget to defund 1 Police Officer – Grade 1 position and fund 1 Police Lieutenant position until December 31, 2023

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

**Introductory Ordinance 23-124. Considered in Planning: Resciniti**

An Ordinance to authorize the sale of 92 Park Avenue to Erica Farber

Motion to declare City Council as “Lead Agency” under SEQRA: Resciniti  
Second: Strawn  
All in Favor

Motion to identify the proposed action as “Unlisted” under SEQRA: Resciniti  
Second: Scanlon  
All in Favor

Motion to issue a Negative Declaration under SEQRA for the reasons listed in the negative declaration: Resciniti  
Second: Strawn  
Vote: 7-0-0-0

Motion: Resciniti  
Second: Scanlon  
Discussion: Riley, Friedman, Burns, Strawn, Scanlon, Resciniti, Scaringi

Motion to hold over Introductory Ordinance 23-124: Scanlon  
Second: Strawn

\*Introductory Ordinance 23-124 held over\*

**Introductory Ordinance 23-125. Considered in Finance: Scanlon**

An Ordinance to authorize the Mayor to accept a grant from the Broome County Government Brownfield Fund and amend the 2023 Capital Budget

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



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## **Introductory Ordinance 23-126. Considered in Finance: Scanlon**

An Ordinance to amend the 2023 Police Budget for the purchase of Glock 9mm handguns

Motion: Scanlon

Second: Resciniti

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

Vote: 5-2-0-0

NAY: Riley, Friedman

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

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

### **XIV. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn at 7:16pm: Riley

Second: Friedman

All in Favor