

**Official Proceedings
Pontiac City Council
147th Session of the Tenth Council**

Call to order

A Formal Meeting of the City Council of Pontiac, Michigan was called to order electronically on Tuesday, April 14, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. by Council President Kermit Williams.

Invocation

Deputy Mayor Jane Bais-DiSessa

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Members Present: Pietila, Taylor-Burks, Waterman, and Williams.

Members Absent: Carter and Miller.

Mayor Waterman was present.

Clerk announced a quorum.

Excuse Council Members

20-138 **Excuse Councilmembers Randy Carter and Gloria Miller for personal reasons.**

Moved by Councilperson Waterman and second by Councilperson Pietila.

Ayes: Pietila, Taylor-Burks, Waterman and Williams

No: None

Motion Carried.

Councilwoman Gloria Miller arrived at 6:05 p.m.

Amendments to the Agenda

20-139 **Motion to add an Emergency Resolution to immediately authorize Mayor to Deep Clean and sanitize all City Buildings at a cost not to exceed \$15,000. (Agenda Add-on item #8A)**

Moved by Councilperson Waterman and second by Councilperson Pietila.

Ayes: Pietila, Taylor-Burks, Waterman, Williams and Miller

No: None

Motion Carried.

20-140 **Motion to remove item #7 (Resolution to appoint Coleman Yoakum to fill District 2 Vacancy for term ending December 31, 2021 and no Election in August 2020) from the agenda.**

Moved by Councilperson Miller and second by Councilperson Pietila.

Ayes: Taylor-Burks, Waterman, Williams, Miller and Pietila

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No: None

Motion Carried.

Motion to add Resolution for Council not to make an appointment but add the vacancy to the August 4, 2020 Primary Election. Moved by Councilperson Miller no second. Motion Failed.

Approval of the Amended Agenda

20-141 **Approve the agenda as amended.** Moved by Councilperson Pietila and second by Councilperson Taylor-Burks.

Ayes: Williams, Pietila, Taylor-Burks and Waterman

No: Miller

Motion Carried.

Approval of the Minutes

20-142 **Approve meeting minutes for April 7, 2020 as amended. Amendment Councilperson Pietila was incorrectly recorded as voting no on resolution 20-136. Councilperson Pietila had left the meeting.** Moved by Councilperson Taylor-Burks and second by Councilperson Waterman.

Ayes: Williams, Miller, Pietila, Taylor-Burks, and Waterman

No: None

Motion Carried.

Councilman Randy Carter arrived at 6:28 p.m.

Discussion

City of Pontiac COVID 19 Preparedness and Response Plan

Resolutions

City Council

20-143 **Resolution to open the appointment process to all residents of District 2 and the Council would select a District 2 resident to fill the vacancy.** Moved by Councilperson Carter and second by Councilperson Pietila.

WHEREAS, the recent death of Councilman George Williams, District 2 has created a vacancy that needs to be filled on the Pontiac City Council, and;

WHEREAS, section 3.118 of the Home Rule Charter of the City of Pontiac states “a vacancy on the Council may be filled by appointment of a registered elector of the district affected by a majority of Council members remaining. The appointee serves out the unexpired term or until a successor is elected. However, the term of a member may not be extended by resignation and subsequent appointment.”, and;

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WHEREAS, the Council has chosen to make an appointment for the unexpired term ending on December 31, 2021; and,

WHEREAS, the Council is allowing any registered voter of District 2 who has resided in District 2 for at least a year before apply to fill the Council vacancy; and

WHEREAS, the Council has instructed the City Clerk publish the notice of the vacancy in the Oakland Press as well as on the City Clerk's website <http://pontiaccityclerk.com>, Facebook page and other venues to promote the vacancy. Also, the Clerk is instructed to ask the I.T. division to post the notice of the vacancy of the City's website <http://pontiac.mi.us>

NOW, THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED, that the City Council approves the process for filling the City Council District 2 vacancy for the term ending December 31, 2021.

Ayes: Carter, Miller, Pietila, Taylor-Burks, Waterman and Williams

No: None

Resolution Passed.

20-144 **Suspend the rules to discuss Timeline for Council Vacancy District 2.** Moved by Councilperson Waterman and second by Councilperson Taylor-Burks.

Ayes: Miller, Pietila, Taylor-Burks, Waterman, Williams and Carter

No: None

Motion Carried.

Department of Public Works

20-145 **Resolution to authorize the Mayor to enter into an Agreement to extend Agreement with North Bay Drywall, Inc. Profit Sharing Plan & trust, for the period of time from April 1, 2020 through November 1, 2020, at a cost of \$9,810 per month, and further purchasing maintenance equipment that will be owned by the City and used to maintain the Phoenix Center at a cost not to exceed \$10,000; for a total cost not to exceed \$78,670.** Moved by Councilperson Pietila and second by Councilperson Waterman.

Whereas, North Bay Drywall, Inc. Profit Sharing Plan & Trust, currently performs certain day-to-day maintenance on the Phoenix Center; and

Whereas, the City is obligated to perform these functions as part of the Settlement Agreement entered into between the City and Ottawa Tower II, LLC; and

Whereas, the agreement expires on April 1, 2020.

Now Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the City of Pontiac City Council approves the Mayor entering into an Agreement to extend that Agreement for the period of time from April 1, 2020, through November 1, 2020, at a cost of \$9,810 per month, and further purchasing maintenance equipment that will be owned by

the City and used to maintain the Phoenix Center at a cost not to exceed \$10,000; for a total cost not to exceed \$78,670.

Ayes: Pietila, Waterman and Williams
No: Taylor-Burks, Carter and Miller
Resolution Failed.

20-146 **Emergency Resolution to Immediately Authorize Mayor to Deep Clean and Sanitize All City Buildings at a cost not to exceed \$15,000.00. (Agenda Ad-on)** Moved by Councilperson Waterman and second by Councilperson Pietila.

Whereas, in an effort to mitigate the spread of COVID-19, Mayor Waterman has directed that all City facilities be deep cleaned, disinfected and sanitized; and

Whereas, in an effort to support the small business community, Administration has further directed to contract with the following qualified businesses: RNA RM, Elite Cleaning Team LLC, and Restoration 1 to provide cleaning, disinfecting and sanitation services; and

Whereas, the following City owned facilities will be professionally cleaned, disinfected, and sanitized: 50th District Court, Ruth Peterson Senior Center, Bowens Senior Center, Pontiac Youth Recreation and Enrichment Center (PYREC), and City Hall offices.

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved, that in an effort to mitigate the spread of the COVID-19, that the Mayor be immediately authorized to contract with RNA FM, Elite Cleaning Team and Restoration 1 in an amount not to exceed \$15,000 for the cleaning, sanitizing and disinfecting of the following City facilities: City Hall, 50th District Court, PYREC, and the Ruth Peterson and Bowens Senior Centers.

Ayes: Taylor-Burks, Waterman, Williams, Carter, Miller and Pietila
No: None
Resolution Passed.

Special Presentations (Presentations are limited to 10 minutes.)

COVID-19; Small Business Support & Referral Program & Individual Labor & Relief Programs
Presentation Presenters: Matt Gibbs, Economic Development Counsel and Mayor Waterman.

IDS Phoenix Center Update

Presentation Presenters: Vince Deleonardis, CEO, AUCH, and Dave DiCiuccio, IDS

Public Comment

Three individuals submitted a public comment that was read by the City Clerk.

Closing Comments

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Mayor Waterman, Interim City Clerk Doyle, Councilwoman Doris Taylor-Burks, Councilwoman Mary Pietila, Councilwoman Patrice Waterman, Councilwoman Gloria Miller, President Pro-Tem Randy Carter and President Kermit Williams made closing comments.

Adjournment

Council President Kermit Williams adjourned the meeting at 8:08 p.m.

GARLAND S DOYLE
INTERIM CITY CLERK