

March 15, 2022 Approved Minutes

**Official Proceedings  
Pontiac City Council  
11<sup>th</sup> Session of the Eleventh Council**

**Call to order**

A Meeting of the City Council of Pontiac, Michigan was called to order at the City Hall Council Chambers, 47450 Woodward Ave Pontiac, MI 48342 on Tuesday, March 15, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. by Council President Mike McGuinness.

**Invocation** – Pastor William Parker Jr.

**Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States**

**Moment of Silence**

**Roll Call**

**Members Present** – William Carrington, Mikal Goodman, Kathalee James, Mike McGuinness, Brett Nicholson and William Parker Jr.

Mayor Greimel was present.  
A quorum was announced.

**Excuse Councilmembers**

**Motion to excuse Councilperson Melanie Rutherford for personal reasons.** Moved by Councilperson Nicholson and second by Councilperson Goodman.

Ayes: Goodman, James, McGuinness, Nicholson, Parker and Carrington  
No: None

**Motion Carried**

**Amendments to and Approval of the Agenda**

**Motion to approve the agenda.** Moved by Councilperson Nicholson and second by Councilperson Goodman.

Ayes: James, McGuinness, Nicholson, Parker, Carrington and Goodman  
No: None

**Motion Carried**

**Consent Agenda**

22-81 **Resolution to approve the consent agenda for March 15, 2022.** Moved by Councilperson Goodman and second by Councilperson Nicholson.

Whereas, the City Council has reviewed the consent agenda for March 15, 2022.  
Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved that the City Council approves the consent agenda for March 15, 2022 including the March 8, 2022 Meeting Minutes, March 7, 2022 Economic Development, Housing & Planning Subcommittee Meeting Minutes, March 10, 2022 Finance & Personnel Subcommittee Meeting Minutes and March 10, 2022 Public Safety, Health & Wellness Subcommittee Meeting Minutes.

Ayes: McGuinness, Nicholson, Parker, Carrington, Goodman and James  
No: None

**Resolution Passed.**

**Recognition of Elected Officials – None**

**Agenda Address**

1. Chuck Johnson addressed item # 2
2. H. Bill Maxey addressed item # 2
3. Gloria Miller addressed item #5 & item #7
4. Quincy Stewart addressed item #2

**Agenda Items**

**Resolutions**

Department of Public Works

22-82           **Resolution to Authorize the Department of Public Works to Apply for Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) Local Bridge Program Funds for Expansion Joint Replacement and Capital Preventive Maintenance of the Martin Luther King (MLK) Jr Blvd over the Grand Trunk Western Railroad Bridge, MLK Jr Blvd over the Clinton River Bridge, and Paddock St. over the Clinton River Bridge for Fiscal Year 2025.** Moved by Councilperson Goodman and second by Councilperson Carrington.

WHEREAS, the condition of the bridges listed below has deteriorated to such an extent that preventive maintenance is necessary; and

WHEREAS, the budget of the City of Pontiac will not allow preventive maintenance of these bridges without external funding.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Pontiac City Council authorizes the Department of Public Works to apply for MDOT Local Bridge Program funds for expansion joint replacement and capital preventive maintenance of the MLK Jr Blvd over the Grand Trunk Western Railroad Bridge, MLK Jr Blvd over the Clinton River Bridge, and Paddock St over the Clinton River Bridge for Fiscal Year 2025.

Ayes: Nicholson, Parker, Carrington, Goodman, James and McGuinness

No: None

**Resolution Passed**

22-83           **Resolution to approve for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 position of DPW Superintendent with an annual salary of \$72,000.** Moved by Councilperson Goodman and second by Councilperson Carrington.

Whereas, the City of Pontiac timely approved the FY 2021-22 budget on June 24, 2021 and;

Whereas, the City has previously created the position of Superintendent in the Department of Public Works but this position was not funded for the Fiscal Year 2021-22; and

Whereas, the Fiscal Year 2021-22 provided funding for the currently vacant position of Deputy Director – DPW; and

Whereas, Administration desires to now hire someone for the position of Superintendent - DPW; and

Whereas, in order to fund the position of Superintendent, the Administration proposes to allocate \$30,000 in funding from the Deputy Director – DPW position and transfer those funds for the position of Superintendent - DPW

NOW THEREFORE be resolved that the City Council hereby approves the position of Superintendent-DPW with an annual salary of \$72,000.

Ayes: Parker, Carrington, Goodman, James, McGuinness and Nicholson

No: None

**Resolution Passed**

Finance

**22-84 Resolution to Approve a Budget Amendment for Fiscal Year 2021-22 to Transfer \$37,000 from General Fund Balance GL Account 101-000-309.000 to the Following General Fund Dept. 171 - Mayor GL Accounts 101-171-702.000- Salaries &Wages \$33,000; 101-171-715.000-F.I.C.A. City Contribution \$2,000; 101-171-716.000 Medical Insurance \$2,000.** Moved by Councilperson Nicholson and second by Councilperson Goodman.  
There was discussion on the resolution.

**Motion to change language in the Resolution to change the title of the Constituent Service Manager to Community Concerns Manager.** Moved by Councilperson Goodman and second by Councilperson James. Discussion. Councilperson Goodman withdrew his motion and Councilperson James withdrew her second.

**Motion to change language in the Resolution to change the title of the Constituent Service Manager to Community Concerns Specialist.** Moved by Councilperson Goodman and second by Councilperson Nicholson.

Ayes: Carrington, Goodman, James, McGuinness, Nicholson and Parker

No: None

**Motion Carried**

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Whereas, the City of Pontiac timely approved the FY 2021-22 budget on June 24, 2021 and;

Whereas, the City Council approved the creation of new positions; and

Whereas, the positions of Executive Office Coordinator and Community Concerns Specialist were not included in the original budget; and

Whereas, in order to ensure that the budgeted appropriations remain in compliance with the City's Charter, the Budget Ordinance and state law, the Administration is proposing a budget amendment for the General Fund; and

Whereas, the Administration is proposing to the City Council to add the positions of Executive Office Coordinator at an annual salary of \$55,000 and Community Concerns Specialist at an annual salary of \$45,000 and, in order to fund these positions, to increase the appropriation for the current year 2021-2022 in the amount of \$33,000 to the General Fund-Mayor's Department Salaries & Wages GL Account 101-171-702-000 and \$2,000 to GL Account 101-171-715-000-FICA City Contributions and \$2,000 to GL Account 101-171-716-000-Medical Insurance; and

Whereas, to fund this addition appropriation, \$37,000 is transferred out of the General Fund-Fund Balance GL account 101-000-390-000 and \$33,000 is transferred to the General Fund-Mayor's Department GL account 101-171-702-000 Salaries & Wages and \$2,000 is transferred to GL account 101-171-715-000 and \$2,000 to GL account 101-171-716-000-Medical Insurance.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the City Council hereby approves the amendment for the Fiscal Year 2021-22 Budget as requested by the Administration transferring \$37,000 out of the General Fund-Fund Balance GL account 101-000-390-000 and \$33,000 is transferred into the General Fund-Mayor's

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Department Salaries & Wages GL account 101-171-702-000 and \$2,000 is transferred to GL account 101-171-715-000 and \$2,000 to GL account 101-171-716-000-Medical Insurance.

Ayes: James, McGuinness, Nicholson, Parker, Carrington and Goodman

No: None

**Amended Resolution Passed**

22-85 **Resolution to Authorize the City Clerk to Publish the Notice of a Proposed Budget Amendment for Fiscal Year 2021-22 Transfer \$15,250 out of the General Fund-Fund Balance GL account 101-000-390.000 and \$12,500 is transferred to the General Fund GL Account 101-171-702.000 Salaries & Wages and \$1,250 is transferred to GL Account 101-171-715.000-FICA and \$1,500 to GL Account 101-171-716.000-Medical Insurance.** Moved by Councilperson Goodman and second by Councilperson Carrington.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved that the City Council hereby authorizes the City Clerk to Publish the Notice of a Proposed Budget Amendment for Fiscal Year 2021-22 Transfer \$15,250 out of the General Fund-Fund Balance GL account 101-000-390.000 and \$12,500 is transferred to the General Fund GL Account 101-171-702.000 Salaries & Wages and \$1,250 is transferred to GL Account 101-171-715.000-FICA and \$1,500 to GL Account 101-171-716.000-Medical Insurance.

Ayes: James, McGuinness, Nicholson, Parker, Carrington and Goodman

No: None

**Resolution Passed**

Mayor's Office

22-86 **Resolution to approve a New Position for Fiscal Year 2021-22 within the Mayor's Office; Public Relations/Event Specialist at an annual salary of \$50,000.** Moved by Councilperson Parker and second by Councilperson James. Discussion.

**Motion to postpone Resolution to approve a New Position for Fiscal Year 2021-22 within the Mayor's Office; Public Relations/Event Specialist at an annual salary of \$50,000 for one week.** Moved by Councilperson Nicholson and second by Councilperson Goodman.

Ayes: Nicholson, Parker, Carrington, Goodman, James and McGuinness

No: None

**Motion Carried**

Planning

22-87 **Resolution to approve Zoning Map Amendment [ZMA 22-01] at 788 E. Walton Blvd, PIN 64-14-16-226-015 from R-3 Multiple Family Dwelling to C-3 Corridor Commercial Zoning District.** Moved by Councilperson Goodman and second by Councilperson James. Discussion.

**Motion to postpone Resolution to approve Zoning Map Amendment [ZMA 22-01] at 788 E. Walton Blvd, PIN 64-14-16-226-015 from R-3 Multiple Family Dwelling to C-3 Corridor Commercial Zoning District for one week.** Moved by Councilperson Parker and second by Councilperson Goodman.

Ayes: Carrington, Goodman, James, McGuinness, Nicholson and Parker

No: None

**Motion Carried**

Youth Recreation

~~22-88~~ **Resolution to approve the increase of the Youth Recreation Manager's maximum annual salary for fiscal year 2021-2022 up to \$65,000.** Moved by Councilperson Goodman and second by Councilperson James. Discussion.

**Motion to postpone Resolution to approve the increase of the Youth Recreation Manager's maximum annual salary for fiscal year 2021-2022 up to \$65,000 for one week.** Moved by Councilperson Goodman and second by Councilperson Carrington.

Ayes: None

No: James, McGuinness, Nicholson, Parker, Carrington and Goodman

**Motion Failed**

22-88 **Resolution to approve the increase of the Youth Recreation Manager's maximum annual salary for fiscal year 2021-2022 up to \$65,000.** Moved by Councilperson Goodman and second by Councilperson James. Discussion.

Whereas, The City of Pontiac Youth Recreation Manager position is currently vacant, and  
Whereas, The City will be recruiting to fill the Youth Recreation Manager position, and  
Whereas, in an effort to offer competitive wages to attract qualified talent, it is recommended to increase the Youth Recreation Manager's maximum annual salary for the current fiscal year,  
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Pontiac City Council hereby approves the increase of the Youth Recreation Manager's maximum annual salary for fiscal year 2021-2022 up to \$65,000.

Ayes: Goodman, James, McGuinness, Nicholson, Parker and Carrington

No: None

**Resolution Passed**

**Public Comment**

Seven (7) individuals addressed the body during public comment.

1. Quincy Stewart
2. Chuck Johnson
3. H. Bill Maxey
4. Martha Easley
5. Billie Swazer
6. Lisa Leonard
7. Gloria Miller

**Mayor, Clerk and Council Closing Comments**

Mayor Greimel, Clerk Doyle, Councilman Nicholson, Councilwoman James, Councilman Parker, Pro Tem Carrington and Council President McGuinness made closing comments.

**Adjournment**

**Motion to adjourn the meeting.** Moved by Councilperson Parker and second by Councilperson Goodman.

Ayes: McGuinness, Nicholson, Parker, Carrington, Goodman and James

No: None

**Motion Carried**

Council President Mike McGuinness adjourned the meeting at 7:55 p.m.

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Garland S. Doyle  
Interim City Clerk