

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL HELD  
FEBRUARY 25, 2008 IN THE ROMULUS CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBER 11111 S.  
WAYNE ROAD, ROMULUS, MICHIGAN 48174.

**The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Pro Tem Randolph Gear.**

**Present:** Ellen Craig-Bragg, LeRoy Burcroff, Harry Crout, Randolph Gear, William Wadsworth.

**Excused: John Barden, William Crova.**

**Administrative Officials in Attendance:**

Alan Lambert, Mayor

Linda R. Choate, Clerk

Pamela Morrison/Kersey, Treasurer

## **Pledge of Allegiance**

### **Roll Call**

#### **1. Agenda**

#### **2. Minutes**

A. Minutes of the Regular Meeting Held February 11, 2008

#### **3. Petitioner**

1. Jason Salhaney, Halecreek Elementary – No-Fee Permit.

#### **4. Chairpersons Report, Randolph Gear, Mayor Pro Tem**

#### **5. Mayors Report - Alan Lambert, Mayor.**

A. Resolution in Opposition of Airport Master Plan.

B. City Wide Yard Sale Weekend-No Fee Permit.

C. Resolution in Response to Michigan Department of Environment Quality Storm Water Regulations.

D. Goddard Road Emergency Repair Request.

#### **6A. Administrative Report - Linda R. Choate, Clerk**

1. Michigan Conference of Seventh-Day Adventist Church Door-to-Door Ministry.

2. City of Romulus code of Ordinance Chapter 3, Article IV, Entertainers and Dancers.

3. Request to Schedule Study Session to Discuss the 2008 Tax Assessments.

### **For Your Information:**

#### **7. Discussion**

#### **8. Unfinished Business**

#### **9. New Business**

#### **10. Communication**

#### **11. Warrant 08-04**

#### **12. Adjournment**

1. Motion by Burcroff, supported by Bragg to approve the agenda as presented.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes –Bragg, Burcroff, Crout, Gear, Wadsworth.

Nays - None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

**08-042**

2. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Burcroff to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held February 11, 2008.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes –Bragg, Burcroff, Crout, Gear,Wadsworth.

Nays - None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

3A1. No Action Taken.

**08-043**

4A. Motion by Crout, supported Wadsworth to adopt a memorial resolution for the family of Rodney T. Pennington.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes – Bragg, Burcroff, Crout, Gear,Wadsworth.

Nays – None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

**08-044**

4B. Motion by Crout, supported by Bragg to adopt a memorial resolution for the family of Hubert G.Gilbert.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes – Bragg, Burcroff, Crout, Gear,Wadsworth.

Nays – None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

4. Motion by Burcroff, supported by Wadsworth to accept the Chairpersons Report.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes – Bragg, Burcroff, Crout, Gear,Wadsworth.

Nays – None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

**08-045**

5A. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Crout to concur with the recommendation of Timothy Keyes, Economic Development Director and adopt the below resolution in opposition of the Detroit Metropolitan Wayne County Airport Authority (WCAA) Master Plan:

**A RESOLUTION** of the City of Romulus, Michigan opposing the Detroit Metropolitan Wayne County Airport Authority (WCAA) Master Plan

WHEREAS, the city supports reasonable expansion of the airport and believes a strong airport is good for the City and the region. We encourage the consideration of safe and efficient alternatives within the current airport boundaries to provide a balance between the demands of meeting future air traffic demands as projected by the WCAA and the quality of life for the

surrounding residents. These factors have been incorporated into the City of Romulus Master Plan; and

WHEREAS, on January 10, 2008 the staff of the Wayne County Airport Authority and their consultants Jacobsen Daniels Associates, during the sixth (6<sup>th</sup>) meeting of the Technical Advisory Committee, distributed the "Preferred Development Plan" for the airport master plan which includes the installation of a 5<sup>th</sup> parallel runway, off site development to the north of Interstate 94 and future development to the south into Huron Township; and

WHEREAS, the preferred development plan being submitted for approval by the WCAA is based solely upon airport operations and fails to take into consideration the direct social and economic impacts outside the airport boundary; and

WHEREAS, the plan as proposed will displace and or eliminate approximately 3,500 citizens or 16% of the City's population; and

WHEREAS, the plan as proposed will eliminate 815 residential properties, 352 multiple family units, 48 improved commercial and industrial properties with an assessed value of over 114 million dollars; and

WHEREAS, the plan as proposed eliminates over 1,700 acres of land area in the City equating to an approximate loss of 7.3% of the City land area, the airport would then encumber over 13 square miles within the City limits; and

WHEREAS, no consideration was given to the severe impacts on non-airport facilities such as schools, roads, and community infrastructure thereby, limiting the ability of the City to efficiently provide public safety and utility services through the City and will also result in the closure of Merriman Park, Merriman school and possibly Hale Creek school; and

WHEREAS, there are other alternatives and operational efficiency's that can be addressed to increase capacity without the impact to the areas beyond the current airport boundaries; and

WHEREAS, the preferred development plan, if approved by the WCAA, will be submitted for acceptance by the Federal Aviation Administration; and

WHEREAS, the obvious impacts of the Airport Authority's master plan are in direct conflict with the best interests of the City of Romulus and its duly adopted master plan

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Romulus City Council opposes the preferred development plan presented at the 6<sup>th</sup> Technical Advisory Committee Meeting and urges its rejection by the Wayne County Airport Authority and the Federal Aviation Administration.

**Motion By:** Wadsworth

**Supported By:** Crout

**Roll Call Vote Showing:** Ayes – Bragg, Burcroff, Crout, Gear, Wadsworth.

Nays – None

**Motion Carried Unanimously**

**08-046**

5B. Motion by Burcroff, supported by Crout to designate May 15 – May 18, 2008, as City of Romulus Annual Yard Sale Weekend with May 29, - June 1, 2008 as rainout dates, and issue no fee permits to interested residents.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes – Bragg, Burcroff, Crout, Gear, Wadsworth.

Nays – None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

**08-047**

5C. Motion by Bragg, supported by Burcroff to adopt the resolution in response to the new Michigan Department of Environmental Quality Storm Water Permit Regulations. Complete Resolution on file in the Clerks' office.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes – Bragg, Burcroff, Crout, Gear, Wadsworth.

Nays – None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

**08-048**

5D. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Crout to authorize the emergency purchase of pavement TR from Cera Tech in the amount of \$2,500 for an emergency repair of potholes on Goddard Road at 5 Points.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes – Bragg, Burcroff, Crout, Gear, Wadsworth.

Nays – None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

6A1. No Action Taken.

**08-049**

6A2. Motion by Burcroff, supported by Bragg to introduce an amendment to the Romulus Code of Ordinance Chapter 3, Article IV, the City of Romulus' Amusements and Entertainments Ordinance to provide more clearly defined restrictions on the scope of permissible sexually-explicit dancing and entertaining licensed under Section 3-101 and 3-116.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes – Bragg, Burcroff, Crout, Gear, Wadsworth.

Nays – None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

**08-050**

6A3. Motion by Bragg, supported by Wadsworth to schedule a study session for March 3, 2008 at 7:00 p.m., to be held in the City of Romulus Council Chambers, located at 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, Michigan 48174, for the purpose of discussing the 2008 Tax Assessments.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes –Bragg, Burcroff, Crout, Gear, Wadsworth.  
Nays – None.  
Motion Carried Unanimously.

**08-051**

9A. Motion by Burcroff, supported by Crout to grant a no-fee permit to Community United Methodist Church for their Church Picnic, to be held on July 20, 2008 in the Elmer Johnson Park.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes – Bragg, Burcroff, Crout, Gear, Wadsworth.  
Nays – None.  
Motion Carried Unanimously.

**08-052**

11. Motion by Bragg, supported by Crout to authorize the Treasurer of the City of Romulus to disburse funds as listed in Warrant 08-04 in the amount of Eight Hundred, Six Thousand, Three Hundred One Dollar and Sixty-One Cents (\$306,301.61).

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes –Bragg, Burcroff, Crout, Gear, Wadsworth.  
Nays – None.  
Motion Carried Unanimously.

12. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Bragg to adjourn the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes –Bragg, Burcroff, Crout, Gear, Wadsworth.  
Nays – None.  
Motion Carried Unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda R. Choate, Clerk  
City of Romulus, Michigan

I, Linda R. Choate, Clerk for the City of Romulus, Michigan do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held on February 25, 2008.

Linda R. Choate, Clerk  
City of Romulus, Michigan