

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL HELD
MAY 12, 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, William Crova, Randolph Gear,
William Wadsworth.

Excused: John Barden

Administrative Officials in Attendance:

Julie Wojtylko, Administrative Aide

Linda R. Choate, Clerk

Pamela Morrison/Kersey, CMFA, Treasurer

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

1. Agenda

2. Minutes

A. Minutes of the regular Meeting Held May 5, 2008.

3. Petitioner

A. Taste, Inc. Request Tavern/SDM License, Req. #440497.

B. HHJE, Inc. Request to Transfer SDM 2007 Licensed Business.

C. Department of Public Works – Winter Maintenance Presentation.

4. Chairpersons Report, Randolph Gear, Mayor Pro Tem

5. Mayors Report - Alan Lambert, Mayor

A. Juvenile Cases in District Court Program – 34th District Court.

B. Bid Award 07/08-22; Playground Slides-Parks and Recreation Department.

C. Bid Award 07/08-23; Tennis Court Fence – Elmer Johnson Park.

D. Smart Municipal and Community Credit Contract Senior Services Department.

E. Renewal of Brownstown Firearms Range Agreement – Romulus PD.

F. General and Special Appropriations Act Fiscal Year 2008/2009.

G. Retention of Special Legal Counsel – Bankruptcy Representation.

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

1. Request to Schedule a Study Session – Cost Recovery Ordinance Fire and Police
Response to Incidents.

For Your Information – None.

7. Discussion

8. Unfinished Business

9. New Business

10. Communication

11A. Warrant 08-09

11B. Warrant 08-09E

12. Adjournment

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

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

Nays - None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

08-136

2. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Bragg to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held May 5, 2008.

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

Nays - None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

3A. No Action Taken.

08-137

3B. Motion by Wadsworth, supported Crout to approve the request to transfer ownership of 2007 SDM Licensed Business, located at 9899 Wayne Road, Romulus, Michigan 48174, from Janjua, LLC, to HHJE, Inc. Request ID #437613.

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

Nays - None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

3C. Presentation Only.

08-138

4A. Motion by Burcroff, supported by Bragg to adopt a memorial resolution for the family of Marilyn Banks-Lackey.

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

Nays - None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

08-139

4B. Motion by Crova, supported by Wadsworth to adopt a memorial resolution for the family of George Simko Sr., father to City Employee, George Simko Jr.

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

Nays - None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

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

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

Nays – None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

08-140

5A. Motion by Crova, supported by Crout to concur with the recommendation of Chief Judge, Tina Brooks Green and adopt a resolution in support of the 34th District Court’s adoption of the concurrent Jurisdiction Plan, Juvenile Cases in District Court Program (JCDC).

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

08-141

5B. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Crout to concur with the recommendation of Purchasing Coordinator, Lynn Conway and Kristin Irwin, Parks and Recreation Director, and award bid 07/08-22, for the purchase of playground slides for the Parks and Recreation Department to the lowest bidder, Miracle Michigan, in the amount of \$13,132.

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

08-142

5C. Motion by Burcroff, supported by Bragg to concur with the recommendation of Purchasing Coordinator, Lynn Conway, Kristen Irwin, Parks and Recreation Director, and Thomas Wilson, DPW Director to award bid 07/08-23, for removal and replacement of the tennis court fence located in Elmer Johnson park to the lowest bidder, Industrial Fence and Landscaping, in the amount of \$13,091.

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

08-143

5D. Motion by Crova, supported by Crout to concur with the recommendation of Carole elder, Director of Senior Services and legal counsel and to concur with the Administration to adopt a resolution to grant authorization for the Mayor and Clerk to execute the SMART Municipal & Community Credit Contracts for the Fiscal Years 2005/2007, and the current year 2007/2008.

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

08-144

5E. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Burcroff to concur with the recommendation of Public Safety Director Charles Kirby and to concur with the Administration and adopt a resolution to grant authorization for the Mayor and Clerk to enter into the Brownstown Firearms Range Agreement as presented. The agreement is valid for the period of January 1, 2008 through December 31, 2011.

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

08-145

5F. Motion by Bragg, supported by Burcroff pursuant to Section 0.4 of the Romulus City Charter, adopts the following Fiscal Year 2008/2009 General Appropriations Act for the City of Romulus and the 34th District Court which includes the appropriate millage rates:

CITY OF ROMULUS

GENERAL AND SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT

A RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE FOR ADOPTION OF A BUDGET PROPOSED BY THE MAYOR CONTAINING ESTIMATES OF PROPOSED REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2008 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2009 AND MILLAGE RATES TO SUPPORT THIS BUDGET.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROMULUS:

SECTION 1. That for the expenditures of the City Government and its activities for the fiscal year, beginning July 1, 2008 and ending June 30, 2009, the amounts in the following sections are hereby appropriated.

SECTION 2. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the General Fund on an activity basis, the following:

COUNCIL	74,720
MAYOR	438,004
LEGAL	355,000
COMMUNITY SERVICE	15,300
PUBLIC RELATIONS	14,900
CLERK	486,058
ELECTIONS	181,526
TREASURER	521,748
ASSESSOR	539,182
BOARD OF REVIEW	1,938
CITY OWNED PROPERTY	15,500
COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	26,852
FINANCE	655,601
HUMAN RESOURCES	321,315
UNALLOCATED	350,544
TRANSFERS TO OTHER FUNDS	899,525
POLICE	9,259,819
ORDINANCE	293,144
ANIMAL SHELTER	247,401
FIRE	2,513,273
EMERGENCY	
MANAGEMENT	102,022
PLANNING & ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS	278,677
BUILDING	1,191,939
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS	138,125

DRAINS-AT-LARGE	126,500
BUILDING & GROUNDS	2,448,722
CEMETERY	101,530
RECREATION	755,552
LIBRARY	350,931
HISTORICAL COMMISSION	650
SENIOR SERVICES	244,221
UNRESOLVED CLAIMS	<u>50,000</u>

TOTAL EXPENDITURES 23,000,219

CONTINGENCIES 1,128,970

TOTAL EXPENDITURES & CONTINGENCIES 24,129,189

General Fund cont....

REVENUES	
TAXES	10,903,705
BUSINESS LICENSES & PERMITS	248,350
NON-BUSINESS LICENSES & PERMITS	681,500
INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES	3,948,104
CHARGES FOR SERVICES	1,829,123
MISCELLANEOUS	1,300,000
FINES & FORFEITS	<u>3,000,000</u>

TOTAL REVENUES 21,910,782

APPROPRIATED SURPLUS 2,218,407

TOTAL REVENUES & APPROPRIATED SURPLUS 24,129,189

SECTION 3. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Major Roads Fund on an activity basis, the following:

MAJOR ROADS FUND EXPENDITURES	966,225
TRANSFER TO BEVERLY ROAD	159,295
TRANSFER TO LOCAL STREETS	346,802

TOTAL EXPENDITURES & CONTINGENCIES 1,472,322

REVENUES	
INTEREST ON INVESTMENTS	51,752
REIMBURSEMENTS & OTHER	2,500
STORM DRAIN INSPECTION FEES	20,000

STATE SHARED REVENUES	1,093,604
TOTAL REVENUES	1,167,856
APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	<u>304,466</u>
TOTAL REVENUES & APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	<u><u>1,472,322</u></u>

SECTION 4. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Local Streets Fund on an activity basis, the following:

LOCAL STREETS FUND	<u><u>998,493</u></u>
REVENUES	
INTEREST ON INVESTMENTS	7,500
REIMBURSEMENTS	2,000
PERMITS AND FEES	30,250
STATE SHARED REVENUES	396,835
TRANSFER IN - GENERAL FUND	50,000
TRANSFER IN - MAJOR STREETS FUND	346,802
TOTAL REVENUES	<u><u>833,387</u></u>
APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	<u>165,106</u>
TOTAL REVENUES & APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	<u><u>998,493</u></u>

SECTION 5. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Romulus Athletic Center Fund on an activity basis, the following:

ROMULUS ATHLETIC CENTER	<u><u>1,957,587</u></u>
REVENUES	1,888,137
APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	69,450
TOTAL REVENUES & APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	<u><u>1,957,587</u></u>

SECTION 6. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Cable Television Fund on an activity basis, the following:

CABLE TELEVISION	<u><u>197,523</u></u>
REVENUES	154,250

APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	43,273
TOTAL REVENUES & APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	<u>197,523</u>

SECTION 7. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Merriman Road Special Assessment Fund on an activity basis, the following:

MERRIMAN RD SPECIAL ASSESSMENT	<u>84,000</u>
REVENUES	71,532
APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	12,468
TOTAL REVENUES & APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	<u>84,000</u>

SECTION 8. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Street Lighting Fund on an activity basis, the following:

STREET LIGHTING	<u>415,809</u>
REVENUES	<u>448,159</u>

SECTION 9. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Sanitation Fund on an activity basis, the following:

SANITATION	<u>905,231</u>
REVENUES	<u>1,023,157</u>

SECTION 10. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Community Development Grants Fund on an activity basis, the following:

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GRANTS	<u>549,200</u>
REVENUES	<u>549,200</u>

SECTION 11. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the 9 1 1 Fund on an activity basis, the following:

9 1 1 FUND	<u>530,400</u>
REVENUES	179,000
APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	351,400
TOTAL REVENUES & APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	<u>530,400</u>

SECTION 12. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Federal Law Enforcement Fund on an activity basis, the following:

FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT	<u>44,000</u>
REVENUES	<u>55,000</u>

SECTION 13. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the State Law Enforcement Fund on an activity basis, the following:

STATE FORFEITURE	<u>371,100</u>
REVENUES	521,000
APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	-149,900
TOTAL REVENUES & APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	<u>371,100</u>

SECTION 14. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Special Assessment - Beverly Road Fund on an activity basis, the following:

SPECIAL ASSESSMENT - BEVERLY ROAD	<u>302,965</u>
REVENUES	<u>309,708</u>

SECTION 15. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Building Authority Debt Service Fund on an activity basis, the following:

BUILDING AUTHORITY DEBT SERVICE	<u>262,275</u>
REVENUES	261,775
APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	500
TOTAL REVENUES & APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	<u>262,275</u>

SECTION 16. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Sewer Debt Service Fund on an activity basis, the following:

SEWER DEBT SERVICE	<u>8,884</u>
REVENUES	<u>106,000</u>

SECTION 17. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Water Debt Service Fund on an activity basis, the following:

WATER DEBT SERVICE	<u>131,980</u>
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REVENUES	49,000
APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	82,980
TOTAL REVENUES & APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	<u>131,980</u>

SECTION 18. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Senior Center Construction Fund on an activity basis, the following:

SENIOR CENTER CONSTRUCTION	<u>398,930</u>
REVENUES	<u>398,930</u>

SECTION 19. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Animal Shelter Construction Fund on an activity basis, the following:

ANIMAL SHELTER CONSTRUCTION	<u>-0-</u>
REVENUES	<u>125,286</u>

SECTION 20. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Sewer and Water Fund on an activity basis, the following:

SEWER AND WATER	<u>12,841,813</u>
REVENUES	<u>13,232,462</u>

SECTION 21. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Vehicle and Equipment Fund on an activity basis, the following:

VEHICLE AND EQUIPMENT	<u>2,364,430</u>
REVENUES	2,277,879
APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	86,551
TOTAL REVENUES & APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	<u>2,364,430</u>

SECTION 22. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Technology Services Fund on an activity basis, the following:

TECHNOLOGY SERVICES	<u>677,476</u>
REVENUES	485,113
APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	192,363
TOTAL REVENUES & APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	<u>677,476</u>

SECTION 23. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Retirement Insurance Benefit Fund on an activity basis, the following:

RETIREE INSURANCE BENEFITS	<u><u>1,059,396</u></u>
REVENUES	<u><u>1,511,642</u></u>

SECTION 24. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Property and Liability Self-Insurance Fund on an activity basis, the following:

PROPERTY AND LIABILITY SELF INSURANCE	<u><u>661,605</u></u>
REVENUES	589,780
APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	71,825
TOTAL REVENUES & APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	<u><u>661,605</u></u>

SECTION 25. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Long Term Disability Self-Insurance Fund on an activity basis, the following:

LONG-TERM DISABILITY SELF-INSURANCE	<u><u>15,000</u></u>
REVENUES	<u><u>16,700</u></u>

SECTION 26. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Economic Development Corporation Special Revenue Fund on an activity basis, the following:

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION	<u><u>392</u></u>
REVENUES	10
APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	382
TOTAL REVENUES & APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	<u><u>392</u></u>

SECTION 27. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Downtown Development Authority Special Revenue Fund on an activity basis, the following:

DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY - SPECIAL REVENUE	<u><u>808,322</u></u>
REVENUES	752,963
APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	55,359
TOTAL REVENUES & APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	<u><u>808,322</u></u>

SECTION 28. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the

Tax Increment Finance Authority Funds on an activity basis, the following:

TIFA DISTRICT II -	<u>16,727,661</u>
REVENUES	11,512,625
APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	5,215,036
TOTAL REVENUES & APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	<u>16,727,661</u>

SECTION 29. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated the following Capital Budget expenditures:

CAPITAL BUDGET	4,146,000
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SECTION 30. That amounts budgeted for specific items or purposes and not required to be utilized for such items or purposes may be spent by the Mayor for other items or purposes within the same activity for which such allocations are made.

SECTION 31. Be it further resolved that the following millage rates as provided by charter or statute be assessed:

OPERATING MILLAGE	9.4063
SANITATION MILLAGE	0.9500
EPA LEVY MILLAGE	1.2724

SECTION 32. Be it further resolved that the Property Tax Administration Fee and any type of late penalty charge as provided for by charter or statute be assessed.

Approved: City Council Meeting 5/12/07

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

08-146

5G. Motion by Burcroff, supported by Wadsworth to concur with the recommendation of Debbie Hoffman, Finance Director, legal counsel to authorize the mayor and Clerk to enter into a contract with Allard & Fish, P.C. for special bankruptcy counsel.

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

08-147

6A1. Motion by Crova, supported by Burcroff to schedule a study session to discuss a Cost

Recovery Ordinance for Fire and Police responses to incidents on June 2, 2008 at 6:30 p.m. in the City of Romulus Council Chambers, located at 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, Michigan 48174.

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

08-148

11A. Motion by Burcroff, supported by Bragg to authorize the City Treasurer to disburse funds as listed on Warrant 07-08 in the grand total amount of Four Hundred Forty Four Thousand, Five Hundred Ninety Dollars and Zero Cents (\$444,590.00).

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

08-149

11B. Motion by Burcroff, supported by Crout to authorize the City Treasurer to disburse funds as listed on Warrant 07-08E (schoolboard election workers), in the grand total amount of Twelve Thousand, Two Hundred Ninety Five Dollars and Zero Cent (\$12,295.00).

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

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

Respectfully submitted,

Linda R. Choate, City 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 May 12, 2008.

Linda R. Choate, City Clerk
City of Romulus, Michigan