

Agenda

Council Meeting

Monday, March 4, 2024

Council Chambers

6:30 p.m. Caucus – Meeting to immediately follow the Caucus

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Meeting Called to Order/Pledge of Allegiance.

NB: Meeting being recorded.

Roll Call: Council: Muflahi, Anderson, Moretti, Surdyke, Marrano
Dept. Heads: Law, Development/Marketing, Public Works, Public Safety, Comptroller, Recreation (E)

Hearings from Citizens:

Approval of Minutes: of the regular meeting of February 20, 2024.

Departmental Reports:

1. **City Comptroller** – A/P Check Listing #22, dated 2/14/2024 – 2/15/2024.
2. **City Comptroller** – A/P Check Listing #23, dated 2/16/2024 – 2/22/2024.

Communications from the Mayor:

3. **Mayor Iafallo** – Requests the City Council approve the resolution requesting the Governor increase the 2024-2025 adopted State Budget for additional state aid.

3(A) Resolution urging Governor Hochul to work with the leaders of the Senate and Assembly and increase AIM funding in the 2024-2025 adopted State Budget.

Communications from the Council:

4. **Council President Marrano** – Requests the use of the Senior Center on behalf of ACCESS of WNY on April 13, 2024 for a “Taste of the Middle East” event in recognition of Arab American Heritage month.

Communications from Division/Department Heads:

5. **Director of Public Safety** – Requests the City Council approve the detour of traffic onto Ridge Road and then Abbott Road from Route 5 for the closure of the Skyway for the GObike annual ride.
6. **Sr. Foreman, Public Works** – Requests the City Council approve discarding the following DPW vehicles: 2004 Ford dump truck, 2008 Ford pickup, 2005 Ford E350 van and a 2001 Elgin street sweeper. The vehicles are inoperable and hold no resale value. Salvageable parts were removed.
7. **City Comptroller** – Requests the City Council approve an additional 182 hours at an additional cost of \$17,290 for Sapphire Business Systems to complete the reconciliation process for the 2022-2023 Fiscal Year (32 hours) and the 2023-2024 fiscal year (150 hours).

8. **City Comptroller** – Requests the City Council approve the ordinance for the budget transfer regarding the Kirby Street bridge repair expenditures related to FEMA submissions and to advertise for bids for said project.

8(A) An ordinance amending the 2023-2024 budget ordinances to accommodate a General Fund transfer in the amount of \$42,223.31 from the “contingent Account” to “Contractual Expenses (FEMA).
9. **City Comptroller** – Requests approval of an ordinance regarding the dog/animal control officer position within the department of Animal Control.

9(A) An ordinance amending the 2023-2024 budget ordinances increasing the number of animal control officers from 1 to 2 officers and splitting the existing salary of #35,000 between the 2 officers (\$17,500 each).
10. **City Assessor** – Requests the City Council approve the waiving of the interest in the amount of \$2,689.67 for the property located at 23 Fisher (rear). The original deed was recorded properly for this property, but the City failed to properly name the new owner and properly bill the taxes to the new owner.

Business Registrations:

Bryan Covey, dba Against the Grain Barbershop, 734 Ridge Road.

Joseph Georges, dba Queen City Auto Repair, 2600 Hamburg Tpke.

Entertainment Licenses:

Class I – Live Music and/or Mechanical Reproduction:

Matthew Glab Post, 1865 Abbott Road.

Ice House Pub, Lanette Welch, 715 Ridge Road.

Curley's Grille & Banquet Center, Athena Kouimanis, 647 Ridge Road.

Col. John B Weber VFW Post 898, 2909 South Park Avenue.

Class II – Coin Operated Mechanical Reproduction:

Daggerty's/Cagney's Too, Alvin Zells, 1254 Electric Avenue.

Tabled Items:

Old Business:

Adjournment:

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