CITY OF ITHACA CITY COUNCIL MEETING October 1, 2024

7:00 PM

The regular meeting of the City of Ithaca City Council was called to order by Mayor Brett Baublitz at 7:00pm. and followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Present were Mayor Brett Baublitz, Councilpersons James Andrew, Rob Endter, Alison Jerome and Rick Koppleberger. Staff present was City Manager Jamey Conn and City Clerk Cathy Cameron.

Absent were Councilpersons Clark Hubbard and Kristyn Roethlisberger.

Audience in attendance was Matt & Kari Vernon, Wally & Shannon Schneider and Tim Odykirk.

Moved by Andrew, second by Koppleberger to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held September 17, 2024. Motion carried.

Moved by Jerome, second by Koppleberger to excuse Councilpersons Clark Hubbard and Kristyn Roethlisberger. Motion carried.

Mayor Baublitz asked for approval of the agenda and for any items to be removed from the Consent Agenda. Manager Conn requested to add Miller Canfield Agreement to the agenda under New Business. Mayor Baublitz placed it as item 10c.

Moved by Koppleberger, second by Jerome to approve the Agenda (as amended by adding item 10c. Miller Canfield Agreement) including the Consent Agenda. Motion carried.

Public Comment

Mayor Baublitz asked for public comment. Tim Odykirk introduced himself as a candidate for the Michigan House of Representatives 92^{nd} District.

Consent Agenda

Moved by Koppleberger, second by Andrew to approve the consent agenda items as listed:

- City Manager's written report, which included updates and information on Granger Billing, Pre-Construction Meeting, Sidewalk Update, Grant Update, Audit, Water Department, Homecoming Week and Halloween.
- Claims submitted to the Ways and Means Committee by City Treasurer Fandell and recommended for payment: Accounts Payable Checks #50106-50133, #1031(A) and Payroll Checks #16986-16992, DD #3012-3033, EFT #1877-1886 as listed in the Check Register Book.
- Correspondence received was Charter Communications.

Motion carried by Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: (5) Jerome, Koppleberger, Andrew, Endter, Baublitz

Nos: (0) None

Absent: (2) Roethlisberger, Hubbard

Committee/Department Reports

There was none.

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City Manager Comments

Manager Conn reported that both the FY25 DWSRF and FY2025 TEDF grant applications were not approved.

Unfinished Business

There was none.

New Business

Clerk Cameron presented the MML Liability & Property Pool Board of Directors candidate election ballot as presented by the MML Liability and Property Pool Nominating Committee.

Moved by Koppleberger, second by Jerome to cast votes for the candidates listed on the ballot and for the City Clerk to submit. Motion carried.

Mayor Baublitz presented a Certificate of Recognition to Wally Schneider for his quick response, life saving first aid provided to resident Matt Vernon during a medical emergency that occurred at Mr. Schneider's local business.

Manager Conn presented the engagement as counsel agreement from Miller Canfield to serve as legal counsel for the city in various general matters.

Moved by Andrew, second by Endter to approve the Miller Canfield Agreement and authorized Manager Conn to sign. Motion carried.

Public Comment

Mayor Baublitz asked for public comments. There was none.

Announcements

Mayor Baublitz set a Committee of the Whole meeting for November 19th at 6pm for the audit presentation.

Moved by Koppleberger, second by Jerome to adjourn. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:18pm.

Approved 10-15-2024

Cathy Cameron

Cathy Cameron, Recording Secretary