

**CITY OF RIVER ROUGE, MICHIGAN
IN PERSON MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
CONFERENCE July 19, 2022**

Mayor Bowdler in the Chair

Meeting called to order at 7:35 P.M.

Present: Campbell, Cooney, Laginess, Holly, Pierce, Ward

Excused: None

Absent: None

Also Present: Treasurer- Dennis Cora, City Clerk-Patricia Johnson, Assessor- Kameelah Pasha, Legal Counsel-Angela Marinno, Finance Director-Carl Johnson, Public Works Director-William Campbell

22-216

Moved by Commissioner Cooney, supported by Commissioner Campbell, CARRIED to approve the minutes for July 7, 2022.

Yeas: Campbell, Cooney, Laginess, Holly, Pierce, Ward, Bowdler

Nays: None

Abstain: None

22-217

Moved by Mayor Bowdler, supported by Commissioner Campbell, Commissioner Cooney, CARRIED to approve Hennessey Engineering to oversee study for water reliability study.

Yeas: Campbell, Cooney, Laginess, Holly, Pierce, Ward, Bowdler

Nays: None

Abstain: None

22-218

Moved by Commissioner Campbell, supported by Commissioner Laginess, Commissioner Ward, CARRIED to approve to Block Party's for 300 Block of Beechwood on August 13, 2022, 312 Block of Campbell on August 27, 2022 and 300 Block of Frazier for July 30, 2022.

Yeas: Campbell, Cooney, Laginess, Holly, Pierce, Ward, Bowdler

Nays: None

Abstain: None

22-219

Moved by Commissioner Campbell, supported by Commissioner Laginess, CARRIED to approve request from Grace Baptist Church to use Memorial Park July 23, 2022 from 1-5 pm for their Community Outreach.

Yeas: Campbell, Cooney, Laginess, Holly, Pierce, Ward, Bowdler

Nays: None

Abstain: None

22-220

Moved by Mayor Bowdler, supported by Commissioner Campbell, Commissioner Ward, CARRIED to approve to increase the Library assistant's pay by \$3.00 with her certification.

Yeas: Campbell, Cooney, Laginess, Holly, Pierce, Ward, Bowdler

Nays: None

Abstain: None

22-221

Moved by Commissioner Ward, supported by Commissioner Campbell, Commissioner Cooney, Commissioner Pierce, CARRIED to approve to sell the vacant lot at 543 Superior to the homeowner, James Frazier of 542 Superior, for \$100.00.

Yeas: Campbell, Cooney, Laginess, Holly, Pierce, Ward, Bowdler

Nays: None

Abstain: None

22-222

Moved by Commissioner Ward, supported by Commissioner Campbell, CARRIED to approve to sell vacant lot at 103 Batavia to Jonathon and Rosa Holly, the neighboring homeowner for \$100.00.

Yeas: Campbell, Cooney, Laginess, Holly, Pierce, Ward, Bowdler

Nays: None

Abstain: None

22-223

Moved by Commissioner Ward, supported by Commissioner Campbell, Commissioner Cooney, CARRIED to approve to sell vacant lot at 175 Richter to the neighboring homeowner, at 173 Richter, Marvin and Patricia Cruz-Martinez, for \$100.00.

Yeas: Campbell, Cooney, Laginess, Holly, Pierce, Ward, Bowdler

Nays: None

Abstain: None

22-224

Moved by Commissioner Campbell, Commissioner Ward, supported by Commissioner Cooney, CARRIED to approve to sell the vacant lot at 44 Stoner to the neighboring homeowner at 46 Stoner, Nicholas and Mary Martinez, for \$100.00.

Yeas: Campbell, Cooney, Laginess, Holly, Pierce, Ward, Bowdler

Nays: None

Abstain: Bowdler

22-225

Moved by Commissioner Ward, supported by Commissioner Pierce, CARRIED to approve to sell vacant lot 381 Polk, parcel number 50009010236000 to Charlene Wilson of 391 Polk for the purpose of an in-fill house. Ms. Wilson has acquired the adjacent two lots (377 and 379 Polk) from the Wayne County Land Bank. The City has a single lot at 381 Polk remaining, which is unbuildable. The homeowner at 383 Polk, Ms. Donna Gaston, has not responded to a letter sent by legal department. The proposed house is a ranch house of approximately 2000 SF to be built on 377 through 381 Polk.

Yeas: Campbell, Cooney, Laginess, Holly, Pierce, Ward, Bowdler

Nays: None

Abstain: None

22-226

Moved by Commissioner Holly, supported by Commissioner Pierce, CARRIED to approve Council to close City Hall August 2, 2022 for Elections and to move Council Meeting to August 4, 2022 at 12pm.

Yeas: Campbell, Cooney, Laginess, Holly, Pierce, Ward, Bowdler

Nays: None

Abstain: None

22-227

Moved by Commissioner Pierce, supported by Commissioner Ward, CARRIED to approve checks 75667-75756.

Yeas: Campbell (except on 75680, 75755) Cooney, Laginess, Holly, Pierce, Ward (except on 75750, 75751), Bowdler

Nays: None

Abstain: Campbell on 75680, 75755, Ward on 75750, 75751

22-228

Moved by Commissioner Pierce, supported by Commissioner Cooney, Commissioner Ward, CARRIED to approve Overtime Figures for 06/26/2022-07/09/2022 in the amount of \$29,080.23.

Yeas: Campbell, Cooney, Laginess, Holly, Pierce, Ward, Bowdler

Nays: None

Abstain: None

22-229

Moved by Commissioner Ward, supported by Commissioner Pierce, CARRIED to approve 12 Building permits, 1 Commercial permit, 8 Electrical permits, 2 Fence permit, 2 Flat Work permits, 15 Mechanical permits, 4 Plumbing permits and 1 Sign Permits for a total of 45 Permits.

Yeas: Campbell, Cooney, Laginess, Holly, Pierce, Ward, Bowdler

Nays: None

Abstain: None

22-230

Moved by Commissioner Campbell, supported by Commissioner Ward, CARRIED to approve the Business License for Elevate Auto and R. R. Auto Wash.

Yeas: Campbell, Cooney, Laginess, Holly, Pierce, Ward

Nays: None

Abstain: None

22-231

Moved by Commissioner Ward, supported by Commissioner Campbell, CARRIED to approve to donate to River Rouge Downriver Junior Panthers League not to exceed \$5,000.00.

Yeas: Campbell, Cooney, Laginess, Holly, Pierce, Ward

Nays: None

Abstain: None

22-232

Motion to adjourn at 9:11 P.M.

Patricia Hudson-Johnson - City Clerk

Bridgette Bowdler- Deputy City Clerk