

**CITY OF RIVER ROUGE, MICHIGAN
IN PERSON MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
CONFERENCE August 15, 2023**

Mayor Campbell in the Chair

Meeting called to order at 7:33 P.M.

Present: Campbell, Folks, Holly, Pierce, Ward

Excused: Cooney

Absent: None

Also Present: City Clerk Patricia Johnson, Deputy Clerk Bridgette Bowdler, Executive Assistant to Mayor Kelli Onufrak, Executive Assistant to Mayor Lisa Givens, Attorney Elizabeth Cacevic, Dept. of Public Works Assistant Director Michael Bowdler Jr., Treasurer Michael D. Bowdler, Finance Director Carl Johnson, Public Safety Director Roberto Cruz, Assessor Kameelah Pasha.

23-210

Moved by Commissioner Ward, supported by Commissioner Campbell, CARRIED to approve Minutes from August 1, 2023.

Yeas: Campbell, Folks, Holly, Pierce, Ward, Mayor Campbell

Nays: None

Abstain: None

23-211

Moved by Commissioner Campbell, supported by Commissioner Folks, CARRIED to approve the renewal and continuation of the City's "self-insured" Health Insurance coverages with Blue Cross Blue Shield, BCBSM Dental and Golden Dental (DenCap). Our Post 65 Retiree BCBSM Medicare Advantage policy runs through January 1, 2024, through December 31, 2024 with no increase to the city.

Yeas: Campbell, Folks, Holly, Pierce, Ward, Mayor Campbell

Nays: None

Abstain: None

23-212

Moved by Commissioner Campbell, supported by Commissioner Ward, CARRIED to approve to accept FDCVT Grant FY 2023 for City Hall HVAC Renovations up to \$350,000 award.

Yeas: Campbell, Folks, Holly, Pierce, Ward, Mayor Campbell

Nays: None

Abstain: None

23-213

Moved by Commissioner Ward, supported by Commissioner Folks, CARRIED to approve the two-year cross-connection control/backflow inspection contract with Hydro Corp in the amount of \$16,704.00.

Yeas: Campbell, Folks, Holly, Pierce, Ward, Mayor Campbell

Nays: None

Abstain: None

23-214

Moved by Commissioner Ward, supported by Commissioner Folks, CARRIED to approve Shady Lane Block Party, August 26, 2023, 10am-10pm located on Frazier, block off Visger to Eaton.

Yeas: Campbell, Folks, Holly, Pierce, Ward, Mayor Campbell

Nays: None

Abstain: None

23-215

Moved by Commissioner Campbell, Commissioner Ward, supported by Commissioner Folks, CARRIED to approve Carnival on the school grounds beginning Friday, August 25th through Sunday, August 27th from 10:00am to 6:00pm.

Yeas: Campbell, Folks, Holly, Pierce, Ward, Mayor Campbell

Nays: None

Abstain: None

23-216

Moved by Commissioner Campbell, supported by Commissioner Folks, Commissioner Ward, CARRIED to approve quote from Décor View for blinds for City Clerk and Treasures Office for security reasons.

Yeas: Campbell, Folks, Holly, Pierce, Ward, Mayor Campbell

Nays: None

Abstain: None

23-217

Moved by Commissioner Campbell, supported by Commissioner Folks, Commissioner Ward, CARRIED to approve to appoint Melissa Collins as an alternate board member to the Downriver Utility Wastewater Authority.

Yeas: Campbell, Folks, Holly, Pierce, Ward, Mayor Campbell

Nays: None

Abstain: None

23-218

Moved by Commissioner Ward, supported by Commissioner Pierce, CARRIED to approve checks 77991-78069. Overtime Figures for 07/30/2023-08/12/2023 in the amount of \$24,503.07. BCBS payment in the amount of \$72,017.10

Yeas: Campbell, Folks, Holly, Pierce, Ward, Mayor Campbell

Nays: None

Abstain: Campbell on 78006. Ward on 78065.

23-219

Moved by Commissioner Ward, supported by Commissioner Campbell, Commissioner Pierce, CARRIED to approve 5 Building Permits, 4 Demolition Permit, 3 Electrical Permits, 1 Fence Permit, 1 Mechanical Permits, and 3 Plumbing Permits for a total of 17 Permits.

Yeas: Campbell, Folks, Holly, Pierce, Ward, Mayor Campbell

Nays: None

Abstain: None

23-220

Moved by Commissioner Ward, supported by Mayor Campbell, CARRIED to approve Homeland Security to install security cameras in Lighthouse, located at Belanger Park and to install new power outlet at their cost to secure border, per Elizabeth Cacevic.

Yeas: Campbell, Folks, Holly, Pierce, Ward, Mayor Campbell

Nays: None

Abstain: None

23-221

Moved by Commissioner Ward, supported by Commissioner Campbell, Commissioner Folks, CARRIED to approve to provide transportation for seniors to the 3rd annual Heath and Fun Fair located in Eastern Market on October 5, 2023, from 10am-2pm.

Yeas: Campbell, Folks, Holly, Pierce, Ward, Mayor Campbell

Nays: None

Abstain: None

23-222

Motion to adjourn at 8:30 P.M.

Patricia Hudson-Johnson - City Clerk

Bridgette Bowdler- Deputy City Clerk