

CITY OF RIVER ROUGE, MICHIGAN
IN PERSON MEETING THE CITY COUNCIL
March 4, 2025

Mayor Campbell in the Chair Meeting called to order at 7:35 P.M.

Present: Campbell, Folks, Holly, Pierce, Ward

Excused: Cooney

Absent: None

Also Present: Patricia H. Johnson City Clerk, Elizabeth Cacevic City Attorney,
Carl Johnson Finance Director, Sotirios Arapakis Acting Public Safety Director,
Michael Bowdler Jr. Dept. of Public Works, Michael Bowdler Sr. Treasurer

25-041

Moved by Commissioner Campbell, supported by Commissioner Pierce,
CARRIED to approve February 18, 2025, regular meeting minutes.

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

Nays: None

Abstain: None

25-042

Moved by Commissioner Ward, supported by Commissioner Pierce, CARRIED to
approve the city council to close regular council meeting to enter closed session
under section 8 (h) of the Open Meetings Act and Section 13(1)(g) of the Freedom
of Information Act to discuss attorney-client privileged communication.

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

Nays: None

Abstain: None

25-043

Moved by Commissioner Ward, supported by Commissioner Campbell,
CARRIED to approve to end the closed session and to re-open the regular council
meeting.

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

Nays: None

Abstain: None

25-044

Moved by Commissioner Ward, supported by Commissioner Campbell,
CARRIED to approve the enclosed resolution entitled City of River Rouge and
Wayne County approving Water Main Agreement-West Jefferson Avenue as the
Water Main as recommended by Hennessey Engineers.

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

Nays: None

Abstain: None

25-045

Moved by Commissioner Ward, supported by Commissioner Campbell,
CARRIED to approve the March 4, 2025, closed session meeting minutes.

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

Nays: None

Abstain: None

25-046

Moved by Commissioner Folks, supported by Commissioner Campbell,
CARRIED to ratify and approve the enclosed Settlement and General Release
Agreement regarding Maliyah Clary vs. City of River Rouge, Olivito, and
Alfatlawy.

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

Nays: None

Abstain: None

25-047

Moved by Commissioner Ward, supported by Commissioner Campbell,
CARRIED to ratify and approve the enclosed Settlement and General Release
Agreement regarding April Weems as Next of Friend of Neveah Anderson, a
Minor vs. City of River Rouge, Olivito, & Alfatlawy.

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

Nays: None

Abstain: None

25-048

Moved by Commissioner Ward, supported by Commissioner Campbell, CARRIED to extend the effective period of the Contract for Signing Bonus for Lateral Officers and Repayment Agreement for 6 months from today. This shall amend resolution 24-247.

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

Nays: None

Abstain: None

25-049

Moved by Commissioner Folks, supported by Commissioner Campbell, CARRIED to amend resolution 23-083 to change the designee/authorized project representative on the Drinking Water and Wastewater System Improvements project FROM Kelli Onufrak, former Purchasing Director/Water Superintendent, TO Melissa Collins, Water Department Secretary.

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

Nays: None

Abstain: None

25-050

Moved by Commissioner Ward, supported by Commissioner Pierce, CARRIED to authorize Mayor William L. Campbell to execute a 2-year extension to the agreement with IPS regarding a Frost Law Exemption originally executed on February 21, 2023, via resolution 23-050

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

Nays: None

Abstain: None

25-051

Moved by Commissioner Ward, supported by Commissioner Campbell, CARRIED to sell the full lot at 115 E. Henry to Michael Thomas and LaToiya Mitchell of 117 E. Henry for \$100.00.

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

Nays: None

Abstain: None

25-052

Moved by Commissioner Pierce, supported by Commissioner Ward, CARRIED to approve the General Fund checks #81349-#81435 in the amount of \$1,184,882.11, and overtime figures for the pay period of 02/09/2025 through 02/22/2025 in the amount of \$16,857.71.

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

Nays: None

Abstain: Pierce (ck#81413), Ward (ck# 81431,81405)

25-053

Moved by Commissioner Ward, supported by Commissioner Pierce CARRIED to approve Twenty-four (24) Building Permits.

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

Nays: None

Abstain: None

25-054

Moved by Mayor Campbell, supported by all to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 pm.

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

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Patricia H. Johnson – City Clerk

