

City of Allen Park Regular Council Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, October 24, 2023

Mayor Gail McLeod called the Meeting to order at 6:00 PM in The City Council Chambers
Roll Call showed present: Councilman Felice “Tony” Lalli, Councilman Daniel Loyd, Councilman Charles Blevins and Councilman Dennis Marcos
Absent at Roll: Councilman Gary Schlack arrived at 6:20 PM
Excused: Councilman Matthew E. Valerius

Motion by Marcos
Supported by Lalli
RESOLVED, to approve the Agenda as Presented
MOTION ADOPTED – 23-1024-0209

Motion by Marcos
Supported by Loyd
RESOLVED, to approve the Minutes for the Regular Meeting of October 10, 2023 as Presented
MOTION ADOPTED – 23-1024-210

Motion by Lalli
Supported by Loyd
RESOLVED, to approve the Appointment of APHS Senior Anastasia Gradinaru to the Beautification Commission
MOTION ADOPTED – 23-1024-211

Motion by Lalli
Supported by Blevins
RESOLVED, to Accept and File the City Administrators operational updates/reports/documents and submissions
MOTION ADOPTED – 23-1024-212

Councilman Schlack arrived at the Council Table at 6:20 PM – during Citizen Comments

Motion by Marcos
Supported by Blevins
RESOLVED, to approve the CONSENT AGENDA as follows:
 A. Purchasing Actions
 1. Claims & Accounts 2. Payroll Report
MOTION ADOPTED – 23-1024-213

Motion by Lalli
Supported by Marcos
RESOLVED, to approve waiving the City bid process (APCO 2-824-(4)) as there is no economic benefit to re-bid the Street Sectioning Program contract and Utility Repair Program contract and accept the offer from Savone Cement, Inc. to extend their 2023 contract pricing to the 2024 construction season
MOTION ADOPTED – 23-1024-214

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Motion by Marcos

Supported by Lalli-

RESOLVED, to approve the Fire Department to Remount 1 Braun Express Plus Type 1 Ambulance at a cost of \$244,638.00 with funds from acct #401-000-985-450

MOTION ADOPTED – 23-1024-215

Motion by Blevins

Supported by Loyd

WHEREAS, at the election held November 2022, the electors of the State of Michigan passed Proposal 22-02 which detailed many election related issues and codified them into the State Constitution, and

WHEREAS, the Legislators for the State of Michigan have adopted legislation to enable the many election related issues, and

WHEREAS, the Michigan Election Law, Section 168.720e (2) requires that each Early Voting Site must be designated in the same manner as polling places are designated, and

WHEREAS, Section 168.662 provides that the Legislative Body shall provide a suitable Early Voting Site for each precinct in the Municipality and requires that the location be a publicly owned or controlled building, and

WHEREAS, Section 168.662(8)(a) requires notice of the Early Voting Site location must be provided to the registered electors no later than 45 days before an election, and

WHEREAS, Section 168.662(10) allows for notice to be sent by mail or other method designed to provide actual notice to the registered electors, and

WHEREAS, Section 168.720e requires that the Clerk of a municipality that does not enter into an agreement with another municipality or County for conducting Early Voting is responsible for administering Early Voting in their municipality, and

WHEREAS, Section 168.720b(2) requires Early Voting must be provided for at least 9 consecutive days beginning on the second Saturday before the election and end on the Sunday before the election and must be provided for at least 8 hours each day, and

WHEREAS, Wayne County does not currently offer County agreements with municipalities to conduct Early Voting.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that The City of Allen Park Mayor & City Council decides the following:

1. The Early Voting Site for the City of Allen Park is the Allen Park City Council Chambers, 15915 Southfield Rd., Allen Park, MI, and
2. That the City of Allen Park shall provide Early Voting for all elections held in the Municipality including those that are Statewide or Federal elections, and
3. That the Early Voting Site for State and Federal Elections will be open for nine consecutive

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days beginning the second Saturday before election day through the Sunday before election day during the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; and

4. That the City of Allen Park will send notice of the Early Voting Site location to the registered electors by mail or other methods which includes the City Website, Social Media, and whatever other method Administration determines, and
5. That the City of Allen Park does not wish to enter into an agreement for conducting Early Voting with another municipality and is currently not an available option with the County, therefore the City Clerk is responsible for administering Early Voting in the City of Allen Park, and
6. That the City of Allen Park will provide Early Voting beginning February 2024

MOTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY – 23-1024-216

Motion by Lalli

Supported by Loyd

RESOLVED, to Convene into Closed Session in the Council Conference Room to discuss pending litigation (2018 Basement Flooding Lawsuit) as permitted under MCL 15.268 (e)

Roll Call Vote: YES – 5 - Lalli, Loyd, Marcos, McLeod, & Schlack NO – 1 - Blevins

MOTION ADOPTED – 23-1024-217

Councilman Blevins asked to be excused at 7:15 PM

The door was closed at 7:20 PM

The door was opened at 7:28 PM

Motion by Loyd

Supported by Lalli

RESOLVED, to reconvene into the Regular Council Meeting

MOTION ADOPTED – 23-1024-218

Motion by Marcos

Supported by Loyd

RESOLVED, to accept the Settlement Agreement as presented by Special Counsel regarding the flood litigation case

MOTION ADOPTED – 23-1024-219

Motion by Lalli

Supported by Loyd

RESOLVED, to adjourn the Council Meeting at 7:30 PM

MOTION ADOPTED – 23-1024-220

Gail McLeod – Mayor

Michael I. Mizzi – City Clerk