



MINUTES
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
7:00 PM - Tuesday, September 15, 2026
Council Chambers
One South Huron, Ypsilanti, MI 48197

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Brown called the meeting to order at 7:02p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

PRESENT at roll call were Mayor Brown, Mayor Pro Tem Wilcoxon, Council Member Fellows, Council Member McLean, Council Member King, Council Member Simmons and Council Member Tooson.

III. A MOMENT TO CENTER AND FOCUS

IV. AGENDA APPROVAL

Council Member McLean moved to Approve the AGENDA as presented. Council Member Tooson seconded the motion. The motion passed upon a voice vote as follows:

Yes: (7) Michelle King, Roland Tooson, Desirae Simmons, Steve Wilcoxon, Nicole Brown, Patrick McLean, Amber Fellows
No: 0 None
Absent: (0)

V. PUBLIC COMMENT - 60 MINUTES TOTAL (3 MINUTES/EACH SPEAKER)

11 Members of the public spoke.

VI. PRESENTATIONS

A. Presentation by City Planner regarding proposed Data Center Ordinance.

Mayor Pro Tem Wilcoxon left the Chambers at 8:09p.m. and returned at 8:13p.m.

Council Member Simmons left the Chambers at 9:04 and returned at 9:08p.m.

Mayor Brown left the Chambers at 9:27p.m. and returned at 9:31p.m.

Mayor Pro Tem Wilcoxon moved, supported by Council Member Fellows, to extend the meeting until 10:30p.m. The motion passed upon a voice vote.

VII. ORDINANCES FIRST READING

A. Ordinance No. 1473 - Entitled "Planned Unit Developments (PUD)" for the proposed zoning text amendment to Article VII, Division 1, Sections 122-700 through 122-719."

Public Hearing Resolution No. 2026-224, close the public hearing.

Resolution No. 2026-223, determination.

Council Member Tooson moved to Approve Ordinance No. 1473 - Entitled "Planned Unit Developments (PUD)" for the proposed zoning text amendment to Article VII, Division 1, Sections 122-700 through 122-719." Mayor Pro-Tem Wilcoxon seconded the motion.

Public Hearing Resolution No. 2026-224, close the public hearing.

Resolution No. 2026-223, determination.

Yes: (6) Michelle King, Roland Tooson, Desirae Simmons, Steve Wilcoxon, Nicole Brown, Patrick McLean

No: 1 Amber Fellows

Absent: (0)

B. Ordinance No. 1474 - Entitled "Cottages & Townhomes in the Historic Corridor" for the proposed zoning text amendment to Section 122-465(a) of the City of Ypsilanti Zoning Ordinance.

Public Hearing Resolution No. 2026-226, close the public hearing.

Resolution No. 2026-225, determination.

Council Member Fellows moved to Approve Ordinance No. 1474 - Entitled "Cottages & Townhomes in the Historic Corridor" for the proposed zoning text amendment to Section 122-465(a) of the City of Ypsilanti Zoning Ordinance. Council Member King seconded the motion.

Public Hearing Resolution No. 2026-226, close the public hearing.

Resolution No. 2026-225, determination.

Yes: (7) Michelle King, Roland Tooson, Desirae Simmons, Steve Wilcoxon, Nicole Brown, Patrick McLean, Amber Fellows

No: 0 None

Absent: (0)

VIII. PUBLIC HEARING

A. Resolution No. 2026-227 Approving the amendment to Chapter 4, Goal 3, of the Non-Motorized Transportation Plan.

Public Hearing Resolution No. 2026-228, close the public hearing.

Resolution No. 2026-227 determination.

Council Member Simmons moved to Approve Resolution No. 2026-227 Approving the amendment to Chapter 4, Goal 3, of the Non-Motorized Transportation Plan. Mayor Pro-Tem Wilcoxon seconded the motion.

Public Hearing Resolution No. 2026-228, close the public hearing.

Resolution No. 2026-227 determination.

Yes: (7) Michelle King, Roland Tooson, Desirae Simmons, Steve Wilcoxon, Nicole Brown, Patrick McLean, Amber Fellows

No: 0 None

Absent: (0)

Council Member Fellows moved to Extend the meeting until 11p.m. Council Member King seconded the motion. The motion failed upon a roll call vote as follows:

Yes: (3) Michelle King, Nicole Brown, Amber Fellows

No: 4 Roland Tooson, Desirae Simmons, Steve Wilcoxon, Patrick McLean

Absent: (0)

IX. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Resolution No. 2026-229 Approving all items on the Consent Agenda.

Mayor Pro-Tem Wilcoxon moved to Approve Resolution No. 2026-229 Approving all items on the Consent Agenda. Council Member McLean seconded the motion.

Yes: (7) Michelle King, Roland Tooson, Desirae Simmons, Steve Wilcoxon, Nicole Brown, Patrick McLean, Amber Fellows

No: 0 None

Absent: (0)

B. Resolution No. 2026-230 Approving the minutes of the regular meeting of September 1, 2026.

Approved under the Consent Agenda, Resolution No. 2026-229.

C. Resolution No. 2026-231 Approving the request of the SafeHouse Center to tie purple ribbons throughout the city during the month of October to promote and support Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

Approved under the Consent Agenda, Resolution No. 2026-229.

D. Resolution No. 2026-232 Appointing Max Rickard to the Human Relations Commission, with a term ending July 1, 2029.

Approved under the Consent Agenda, Resolution No. 2026-229.

E. Resolution No. 2026-233 Appointing Carl Augustine, Code Enforcement Officer as an employee delegate to the Municipal Employees' Retirement System annual meeting October 8-9, 2026, in Grand Rapids, MI.

Approved under the Consent Agenda, Resolution No. 2026-229.

F. Resolution No. 2026-234 Appointing Tracey Boudreau, City Clerk as an officer delegate to the Municipal Employees' Retirement System annual meeting October 8-9, 2026, in Grand Rapids, MI.

Approved under the Consent Agenda, Resolution No. 2026-229.

G. Resolution No. 2026-235 Postponing the second and final reading of Ordinance No. 1468 and Ordinance No. 1469 Amending Chapter 18 until October 20, 2026.

Approved under the Consent Agenda, Resolution No. 2026-229.

X. RESOLUTIONS/MOTIONS/DISCUSSIONS

A. Tabled Resolution No. 2026-208 either approving or denying the FOIA appeal of Alexander Munro, regarding 24 N. Huron St permit records.

Council Member McLean moved to Extend meeting until 10:45p.m. Council Member Tooson seconded the motion. The motion passed upon a roll call vote as follows:

Yes: (4) Roland Tooson, Nicole Brown, Patrick McLean, Amber Fellows
No: 3 Michelle King, Desirae Simmons, Steve Wilcoxon
Absent: (0)

Council Member King moved to Approve Tabled Resolution No. 2026-208 denying the FOIA appeal of Alexander Munro, regarding 24 N. Huron St permit records. Mayor Pro-Tem Wilcoxon seconded the motion.

Yes: (7) Michelle King, Roland Tooson, Desirae Simmons, Steve Wilcoxon, Nicole Brown, Patrick McLean, Amber Fellows
No: 0 None
Absent: (0)

B. Resolution No. 2026-236 Awarding the 2026 Concrete Repair Project contract to Santos Cement in the amount of \$67,180.

Council Member McLean moved to Approve Resolution No. 2026-236 Awarding the 2026 Concrete Repair Project contract to Santos Cement in the amount of \$67,180. Mayor Pro-Tem Wilcoxon seconded the motion. Council Member McLean moved, supported by Mayor Pro Tem Wilcoxon, to amend the dollar amount to \$80,680, due to a math error on the bid tab. The amended motion passed upon a roll call vote as follows:

Yes: (7) Michelle King, Roland Tooson, Desirae Simmons, Steve Wilcoxon, Nicole Brown, Patrick McLean, Amber Fellows
No: 0 None
Absent: (0)

XI. BOARD AND COMMISSION - LIAISON REPORTS

A. Police Advisory Commission

Council Member Tooson reported that the next meeting is September 24th at 7p.m. in Council Chambers.

B. Human Relations Commission

Council Member King reported that the next meeting is September 28th at 6p.m.

C. Parks and Arts Commission

Council Member McLean reported that the next meeting is October 19th at 6:30p.m.

D. Sustainability Commission

Council Member Simmons reported that they didn't meet last time and that the Chair is stepping down from the commission.

E. Historic District Commission

Council Member McLean reported that they discussed 302 E Cross, which has been an issue for years and is now under demolition by neglect.

F. Planning Commission

Mayor Pro Tem Wilcoxon reported that the next meeting is canceled because they have no applications to review.

G. Zoning Board of Appeals

No report.

XII. LIAISON REPORTS

A. SEMCOG Update

No report.

B. Washtenaw Area Transportation Study

Council Member Simmons reported that there is no meeting yet, but they are taking public input until October 19th for their Long Range Transportation Plan.

C. Urban County

No report.

D. Ypsilanti Downtown Development Authority

Mayor Brown reported that they will meet Thursday.

E. Friends of Rutherford Pool

Mayor Pro Tem reported that they have closed for the season and there was an interesting after dark water polo game with the closing events.

XIII. COUNCIL PROPOSED BUSINESS

Council Member King -

- Chidester Place still having serious issues.
- Wants printed agenda packets.

Council Member Tooson -

- Anthony Williamson and Women and Men Working for Change would like the City to participate in their Domestic Violence Awareness Walk on October 3rd.

Council Member Simmons -

- Commending Officer Cheese for his attention to a resident complaint regarding child safety.
- Residents complaining about solicitor, Home Genius, and their aggressive behavior.
- Went on ride-along with Meals on Wheels and they would like to present to Council, maybe November.
- Wants to bring forward appointments for Ethics & HRC.

Council Member Fellows -

- Thanks to Clerk for additional info to go with our Know Your Rights mailer, which will hopefully be out soon.
- Talked about Sheltering Options with City Manager
- Community Benefits Ordinance (CBO) update coming soon.
- Fall is fun in Ypsi! We have lots of great events going on!

Council Member McLean -

- On going concerns o Washington Street.
- Regarding EMU - it was great that the Marching Band came through the neighborhoods, not so great were the fireworks & loud noise.

XIV. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

XV. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CITY MANAGER

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XVII. PUBLIC COMMENT - CONTINUED (3 MINUTES/EACH SPEAKER)

XVIII. ADJOURNMENT

- A. Please click [here](#) to access the City Council Contact Form. This form can be used to submit any comments/concerns you might have about this agenda.**