

City of Southgate

Regular City Council Meeting

April 2, 2025

A Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Southgate was held on Wednesday, April 2, 2025 in the Southgate City Hall Council Chambers and was called to order at 7:00 PM by Council President Zoey Kuspa.

This meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Victoria Araj, Priscilla Ayres-Reiss, Edward Gawlik, Jr., Karen George, Christian Graziani, Zoey Kuspa, Phil Rauch

Absent:

Also Present: Mayor Joseph G. Kuspa, City Attorney Edward Zelenak, City Administrator Dan Marsh, Assistant City Administrator/Finance Director Doug Drysdale, City Clerk Janice Ferencz, City Engineer John Hennessey, Police Chief Mark Mydlarz, DPS Director Kevin Anderson, Building Inspections Director Tim Leach & Recreation Director Julie Goddard

Minutes:

Moved by George, supported by Ayres-Reiss, RESOLVED, that the minutes of the City Council Work Study Session dated March 19, 2025 be approved as presented. Carried unanimously.

Moved by Rauch, supported by Ayres-Reiss, RESOLVED, that the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting dated March 19, 2025 be approved as presented. Carried unanimously.

Communications "A":

1. Letter from the Mayor; Re: Purchase of Speed Display Sign-Waiver of Bid moved by George, supported by Ayres-Reiss, RESOLVED THAT the Southgate City Council waive the city bid process and approve the purchase of one (1) Speed Display sign from All Traffic Solutions Inc. in the amount of \$5,032.23, under the Sourcwell Contract #090122-ATS. Motion carried unanimously.
2. Letter from the Mayor; Re: Approve Police Training Course Fees moved by Rauch, supported by Araj, RESOLVED THAT the Southgate City Council approve police training course fees in the amount of \$4,475.00 to Command Presence LLC, to be paid with funds provided by the State of Michigan for this required training. Motion carried unanimously.
3. Letter from the Mayor; Re: Agreement with Carlisle Wortman Associates, Inc. moved by Gawlik, supported by George, RESOLVED THAT the Southgate City Council approve the agreement with Carlisle/Wortman Associates, Inc. for building department inspection services at the rate of \$90 per inspection (on an as-needed basis) or \$80 per inspection (if all trade inspections are performed for an extended period), through June 30, 2026. Motion carried unanimously.
4. Letter from the Mayor; Re: Renewal of Online Document Storage Subscription moved by Araj, supported by Rauch, RESOLVED THAT the Southgate City Council approve renewal of subscriptions for document storage platform, employee scheduling platform, and employee training/personnel files platform for a term of one year, from July 6, 2025 to July 5, 2026, to PowerDMS (El Segundo, CA) in the amount of \$15,327.12. Motion carried unanimously.
5. Letter from the Mayor; Re: Purchase of Replacement Engine 81 Radiator-Waiver of Bid moved by George, supported by Ayres-Reiss, RESOLVED THAT the Southgate City Council waive the city bid process and approve the purchase of one (1) radiator from First Due Equipment Sales & Repair Inc. in the amount of \$7,795.99. Motion carried unanimously.

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6. Letter from the Mayor; Re: Purchase of Fitness Equipment for Southgate Tower Park Project-Waiver of Bid moved by Araj, supported by Rauch, RESOLVED THAT the Southgate City Council waive the city bid process and approve the purchase of fitness equipment for the Southgate Tower Park from Penchura, LLC (Brighton, MI) in the amount of \$33,050.90, under the Sourcewell purchasing contract. Motion carried unanimously.

Communications “B” – (Receive and File):

1. Letter from Mayor; RE: Appointment to Water Board moved by George, supported by Ayres-Reiss, RESOLVED, that the Southgate City Council receive and file the Letter from Mayor; Re: Appointment of Adriene Price to the Water Board for a term expiring April 2026. Motion carried unanimously.

Ordinances:

1. Memo from Administrator; Re: Proposed Changes to City Code Chapter 410.04 Moved by Ayres-Reiss, supported by Gawlik, RESOLVED THAT the Southgate City Council hereby approves to waive the second reading and to remove all references of U.T.C 5.15 from Chapter 410.04 of the City Code, and adapt Michigan Compiled Laws 257.625 in its entirety by reference and the penalties commensurate with the same under Chapter 410.04 of the City Code. Motion carried unanimously.

Claims and Accounts:

Moved by Rauch, supported by George, RESOLVED, that Claims and Accounts be paid as outlined on Warrant #1518 for \$6,434,751.28. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment:

Moved by Ayres-Reiss, supported by Gawlik, RESOLVED THAT this Regular Meeting of the Southgate City Council be adjourned at 7:10 P.M. Carried unanimously.

Zoey Kuspa
Council President

Janice M. Ferencz
City Clerk