

City of Southgate

Regular City Council Meeting

June 18, 2025

A Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Southgate was held on Wednesday, June 18, 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: Priscilla Ayres-Reiss, Karen George, Christian Graziani, Zoey Kuspa, Phil Rauch

Absent: *Victoria Araj, *Edward Gawlik, Jr. *excused

Also Present: Mayor Joseph G. Kuspa, City Attorney Edward Zelenak, City Administrator Dan Marsh, Assistant City Administrator/Finance Director Doug Drysdale, City Treasurer Chris Rollet, City Engineer John Hennessey, Public Safety Director Joseph Marsh, Police Chief Mark Mydlarz, Fire Chief Justin Graves, DPS Director Kevin Anderson, Recreation Director Julie Goddard

Minutes:

Moved by George, supported by Ayres-Reiss, RESOLVED, that the minutes of the City Council Work Study Session dated June 4, 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 June 4, 2025 be approved as presented. Carried unanimously.

Consideration of Bids:

1. Letter from Mayor; Re: Recommendation to Award Bid for Sanitary Sewer Lining Project moved by Ayres-Reiss, supported by George, RESOLVED THAT the Southgate City Council award the bid for the sanitary sewer lining project to DVM Utilities in the amount of \$736,855.00, plus 10% contingency in the amount of \$73,685.50, for a total amount of \$810,540.50, with funds to be provided from the Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC) through a CDBG grant. Motion carried unanimously.
2. Letter from Mayor; Re: Recommendation to Award Bid for Southgate Tower Pedestrian Bridge Project moved by Ayres-Reiss, supported by George, RESOLVED THAT the Southgate City Council award the bid for the Southgate Tower Pedestrian Bridge Project to E.C. Korneffel Company in the amount of \$3,998,000.00, plus 5% contingency in the amount of \$199,900.00, for a total amount of \$4,197,900.00, subject to scope of work modifications, with funds to be provided from the Wayne County ARPA grant and non-motorized Act 51 funds. Motion carried unanimously.

Communications "A":

1. Memo from ACA/Finance Director; Re: Fiscal Year 2024-25 Budget Amendment #2025-01 moved by Rauch, supported by Ayres-Reiss, RESOLVED THAT the Southgate City Council approve proposed Budget Amendment #2025-01 as detailed on the attached report. Motion carried unanimously.
2. Memo from Administrator; Re: Brownfield Redevelopment Consulting Services moved by George, supported by Rauch, RESOLVED THAT the Southgate City Council approve the AKT Peerless Brownfield Redevelopment Consulting Services Proposal for the Southgate Tower Redevelopment located at 16333 Trenton Rd, Southgate, MI 48195 in the not to exceed amount of \$12,500.00. Motion carried unanimously.
3. Letter from Mayor; Re: Purchase of Cameras for Municipal Building Drives (Waiver of Bid) moved by Rauch, supported by George, RESOLVED THAT the Southgate City Council waive the bidding process and approve the purchase of new video cameras for the municipal building and the drives from D/A Central in the amount of \$7,747.00. Motion carried unanimously.

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4. Letter from Mayor; Re: Purchase of Pressure Washer (Waiver of Bid) moved by Ayres-Reiss, supported by George, RESOLVED THAT the Southgate City Council waive the bidding process and approve the purchase of a pressure washer from Hotsy Midwest Cleaning Systems in the amount of \$13,897.80. Motion carried unanimously.
5. Letter from Mayor; Re: Purchase of John Deere Sub-Compact Utility Tractor (Waiver of Bid) moved by Rauch, supported by George, RESOLVED THAT the Southgate City Council waive the bid process and approve the purchase of a John Deere Sub-Compact Utility Tractor from Hutson, Inc. in the amount of \$34,883.62, under the Sourcwell Contract #112624-DAC. Motion carried unanimously.
6. Letter from Mayor; Re: Purchase of High-End Computer for Mobile Device Data Extraction (Waiver of Bid) moved by George, supported by Rauch, RESOLVED THAT the Southgate City Council waive the bid process and approve the purchase of a high-end Dell computer from CDW-G in the amount of \$6,755.78. Motion carried unanimously.
7. Letter from Mayor; Re: Purchase of Body Worn Cameras (Waiver of Bid) moved by Rauch, supported by Ayres-Reiss, RESOLVED THAT the Southgate City Council waive the bidding process and approve a 5-year agreement with Axon Enterprise, Inc. for the purchase of body worn cameras in the total amount of \$281,400.29. Motion carried unanimously.
8. Memo from Administrator; Re: Street Improvement Millage Renewal Resolution moved by Ayres-Reiss, supported by George, RESOLVED THAT the Southgate City Council adopt a resolution to allow the proposed City of Southgate Street Improvement Millage renewal wording to appear on the November 4, 2025 General Election Ballot. Motion carried unanimously.
9. Letter from Mayor; Re: Approval of Contract for Fire Hose Testing (Waiver of Bid) moved by Rauch, supported by Ayres-Reiss, RESOLVED THAT the Southgate City Council waive the bidding process and approve a contract with FireCatt Precision Service Testing for fire hose testing in an amount not-to-exceed \$6,500.00. Motion carried unanimously.
10. Letter from Mayor; Re: Approval Agreement for Water and Tax Bill Printing (Waiver of Bid) moved by Ayres-Reiss, supported by Rauch, RESOLVED THAT the Southgate City Council waive the bid process and approve the master service agreement with Renkim Corporation for water and tax bill printing for a three-year term. Motion carried unanimously.

Claims and Accounts:

Moved by Rauch, supported by George, RESOLVED, that Claims and Accounts be paid as outlined on Warrant #1523 for \$1,946,002.55. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment:

Moved by Ayres-Reiss, supported by George, RESOLVED THAT this Regular Meeting of the Southgate City Council be adjourned at 7:13 P.M. Carried unanimously.

Zoey Kuspa
Council President

Janice M. Ferencz
City Clerk