

City of Southgate

Regular City Council Meeting

February 18, 2026

A Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Southgate was held on Wednesday, February 18, 2026 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, Edward Gawlik, Jr., Karen George, Christian Graziani, Zoey Kuspa, Adriene Price, Phil Rauch

Absent:

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

Moved by Gawlik, supported by George, RESOLVED THAT the Southgate City Council amend the agenda to add Item #5 to Communications "A": Memo from Administrator; Re: Emergency Water Main Repair Services. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes:

Moved by Ayres-Reiss, supported George, RESOLVED, that the minutes of the City Council Work Study Session dated February 4, 2026 be approved as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Rauch, supported by Price, RESOLVED, that the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting dated February 4, 2026 be approved as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Communications "A":

1. Letter from Mayor; Re: Purchase of Cameras for the Ice Rink & Recreation Center (Waiver of Bid) moved by George, supported by Ayres-Reiss, THAT the Southgate City Council waive the bidding process and approve the purchase of new video cameras for the Ice Arena and Recreation Center from D/A Central in the amount of \$9,711.00. Motion carried unanimously.
2. Letter from Mayor; Re: Authorize Payment for Police Academy Tuition moved by Price, supported by Rauch, RESOLVED THAT the Southgate City Council authorize payment to Schoolcraft College for police academy tuition for police applicant Reed Wilkin in the amount of \$6,975.92, in accordance with the Michigan Public Safety Academy Assistance Grant Program. Motion carried unanimously.
3. Memo from Administrator; Re: 2025 Update of the Wayne County Hazard Mitigation Plan moved by Gawlik, supported by Ayres-Reiss, RESOLVED THAT the Southgate City Council approve the adoption resolution for the 2025 update of the Wayne County Hazard Mitigation Plan and to authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign on behalf of the City. Motion carried unanimously.
4. Memo from Administrator; Re: Right of Way Dedication for 16700 Fort Street moved by Rauch, supported by George, RESOLVED THAT the Southgate City Council approve the Dedication Agreement with Southgate Center LLC, 810 Seventh Ave. 10th Floor, New York, NY 10019, and to authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign on behalf of the City. Motion carried unanimously.

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5. Memo from Administrator; Re: Emergency Water Main Repair Services moved by Price, supported by George, RESOLVED THAT the Southgate City Council approve the emergency purchase of water main repair services from RVP Construction in the amount of \$17,750.00. Motion carried unanimously.

Claims and Accounts:

Moved by Rauch, supported by Ayres-Reiss, RESOLVED, that Claims and Accounts be paid as outlined on Warrant #1539 for \$2,314,199.92. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment:

Moved by Ayres-Reiss, supported by George, RESOLVED THAT this Regular Meeting of the Southgate City Council be adjourned at 7:07 P.M. Carried unanimously.

Zoey Kuspa
Council President

Janice M. Ferencz
City Clerk