

City of Southgate

Regular City Council Meeting

September 16, 2026

A Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Southgate was held on Wednesday, September 16, 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 Phil Ferro, Recreation Director Julie Goddard

Minutes:

Moved by George, supported Ayres-Reiss, RESOLVED, that the minutes of the City Council Work Study Session dated September 2, 2026 be approved as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Ayres-Reiss, supported by Gawlik, RESOLVED, that the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting dated September 2, 2026 be approved as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Communications "A":

1. Letter from Mayor; Re: Appointments to Ethics Board moved by Rauch, supported by Price, THAT the Southgate City Council concur with the Mayor's Appointments to the Ethics Board: Melanie Ursing with a term expiring August 2028, Charmaine Whitford with a term expiring August 2027 and John Straub with a term expiring August 2031. Motion carried unanimously.
2. Letter from Mayor; Re: Quote for Municipal Courts Restrooms Lighting (Waiver of Bid) moved by Gawlik, supported by George, THAT the Southgate City Council waive the city bid process and approve the quote from Riney Electric in the amount \$3,500.00 for the installation of interior lighting at the restrooms next to the municipal courts and animal shelter. Motion carried unanimously.
3. Letter from Mayor; Re: Purchase of Sewer Camera Truck (Waiver of Bid) moved by Rauch, supported by Ayres-Reiss, THAT the Southgate City Council waive the city bid process and approve the purchase of a new sewer camera truck from MTECH Company in the amount of \$350,000.00 and approve the short-term note with Republic First National Corporation in the amount of \$18,519.03 with payment deferred until July 2027. Motion carried unanimously.
4. Letter from Mayor; Re: Contingency Increase for Southgate Tower Bridge Enhancements moved by Ayres-Reiss, supported by George, THAT the Southgate City Council approve increase in contract contingency with E.C. Korneffel in the amount of \$630,000.00 for the Southgate Tower Project – Trenton Road Bridge contract for additional bridge and ramp portal frame enhancements, with funding to be provided by non-motorized Act 51 reserves and subsequent reimbursement through the amended brownfield plan property tax captures. Motion carried unanimously.

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Communications "B" – (Receive and File):

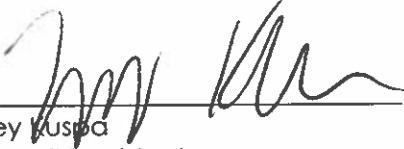
1. Letter from Mayor; Re: Appointments to Parks & Recreation Commission & Commission on Aging moved by George, supported by Rauch, THAT the Southgate City Council receive and file the Letter from the Mayor appointing Brian Buchanan to the Parks & Recreation Commission for a term expiring April 2028 and the Letter from the Mayor appointing Jan Kwiatkowski to the Commission on Aging expiring December 2026. Motion carried unanimously.

Claims and Accounts:

Moved by Rauch, supported by Price, RESOLVED, that Claims and Accounts be paid as outlined on Warrant #1553 for \$3,843,974.70. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment:

Moved by Ayres-Reiss, supported by Gawlik, RESOLVED THAT this Regular Meeting of the Southgate City Council be adjourned at 7:06 P.M. Motion carried unanimously.



Zoey Kuska
Council President



Janice M. Ferencz
City Clerk

City Council

Work Study Session

September 16, 2026

An Informal Meeting of the Council of the City of Southgate was held on August 19, 2026 at 6:30 P.M. and called to order by Council President Zoey Kuspa.

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 Phil Ferro, Recreation Director Julie Goddard, Building Director Tim Leach

Discussed the following agenda items:

- Appointments to Ethics Board
- Municipal Courts Restrooms Lighting-Waiver of Bid
- Sewer Camera Truck-Waiver of Bid
- Contingency Increase for Southgate Tower Bridge Enhancements
- Appointments to Parks & Recreation Commission
- Appointment to Commission on Aging

This meeting ended at 6:43 p.m.