

**ROCHESTER CITY COUNCIL**

**REGULAR MEETING**

**May 23, 2023**

**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT --- MEETING WILL COME TO ORDER AND THE CLERK WILL CALL THE ROLL.**

**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT --- REQUEST COUNCIL TO PAUSE FOR A MOMENT OF SILENCE.**

**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT -- PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG.**  
Councilmember Gruber

**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT --- RECOGNITION CEREMONIES.**

**Special Recognitions:**

**The Asian/Pacific Islander/American Association of Greater Rochester (APAA) Recognitions:**

Mara Ahmed	Hkadin Lahtaw Lee
Marilyn Ajavananda	Lily Lee
Parvatha Chidambaram	Mimi Lee
Edline Chun	Kristin Kaihong Liu
Jeremy Cooney	Deborah McDell-Hernandez
Mar Doromal	Michael D. Mendoza
Rubin M. Garcia	Nannette Nocon
Nancy Gong	Joanna Ra
Brijen K. Gupta	John Ra
Patrick Ho	Moses Robinson
Randy Babara Kaplan	Masanori Seto
Frank Keophetlasy	William and Julie Sun
Bijaya Khadka	Meredith A. Vacca
Ann K. M. Lee	Karina Vattana

**Retirement:**

**DES:**

Patricia Bedard  
Philip School

**ECD:**

Amy Forero

**IT:**

Tricia Tang Chan

**RFD:**

James Geiger  
Richard Liberatore  
James Ryan

**RPD:**

Brian Bannerman  
Herbert McClellan  
Daniel Nowack  
Michael Perkowski  
Kevin Radke

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

By Vice President Lupien

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the Regular Meeting on April 25, 2023 be approved as published in the official sheets of the Proceedings.

**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT --- AYES OR NAYS**

**THE CITY CLERK--THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS ARE HEREBY DIRECTED TO BE RECEIVED AND FILED**

The Council submits Disclosure of Interest Forms from President Meléndez on Int. No. 196; Councilmembers Gruber and Martin on Int. No. 189

**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT --- PRESENTATION AND REFERENCE OF PETITIONS AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS**

**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT --- INTRODUCTION OF AND ACTION UPON LOCAL LAWS, ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

By President Meléndez

Resolution for the purpose of a Home Rule Message regarding State legislation in relation to granting retroactive membership in the New York state and local employees' retirement system to Justin Whitmore Int. No. 215

**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT --- AYES OR NAYS**

**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT --- REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES AND ACTION THEREON.**

**By Councilmember Lightfoot**

**Parks and Public Works Committee Report**

Appropriating funds and authorizing amendatory agreements for the Erie Harbor Enhancements Phase II Project Int. No. 160

**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT --- AYES OR NAYS**

Amending an ordinance and authorizing an agreement relating to  
the Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Playground Renovation  
Int. No. 161

**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT --- AYES OR NAYS**

Amending ordinances, appropriating unspent playground funding  
and amending an agreement for the Playground Resurfacing  
Project Int. No. 162

**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT --- AYES OR NAYS**

Authorizing an agreement relating to the Humboldt Recreation  
Center Water Park Improvements Int. No. 163

**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT --- AYES OR NAYS**

Appropriating and reallocating funds for the Dewey Avenue and  
Emerson Street Improvement Project Int. No. 164

**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT --- AYES OR NAYS**

Appropriating and reallocating funds for the Bull's Head  
Revitalization Project Int. No. 165

**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT --- AYES OR NAYS**

Local Improvement Ordinance – establishing the levy and budget  
for the special work and services related to the Main Street  
improvements of the Downtown Enhancement District for 2023-24  
Int. No. 166

**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT --- ROLL CALL**

Authorizing grant agreement for the Brownfields Job Training  
Program Int. No. 167

**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT --- AYES OR NAYS**

Authorizing an amendatory agreement for drinking water quality  
laboratory services Int. No. 168

**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT --- AYES OR NAYS**

Resolution for the purpose of a Home Rule Message regarding State  
legislation authorizing the City of Rochester to convey to the  
Rochester Pure Waters District an easement in Genesee Valley  
Park for installation and maintenance of sanitary sewer facilities  
Int. No. 213

**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT --- AYES OR NAYS**

Authorizing the conveyance of an easement in Genesee Valley Park  
and the receipt of park funding and a conservation easement in return  
Int. No. 214

**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT --- AYES OR NAYS**

**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT --- RECEIVED, FILED AND PUBLISHED**

**By Councilmember Patterson**

**Neighborhood & Business Development Committee**

Authorizing the sale of real estate Int. No. 169

**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT --- AYES OR NAYS**

Authorizing a use and operation agreement for City-owned  
riverfront facilities Int. No. 170

**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT --- AYES OR NAYS**

Local Improvement Ordinance authorizing special work and  
services related to the South Avenue/Alexander Street Open Space  
District for 2023-24 Int. No. 172

**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT --- ROLL CALL**

Appropriating funds and authorizing agreements for the Small  
Mixed Use and Commercial Renovation Program Int. No. 173

**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT --- AYES OR NAYS**

Authorizing the amendment of the 2021-22 Annual Action Plan,  
the submittal of the amended plan to HUD and entering into  
agreements relating to Lyell Avenue Neighborhood Planning  
Int. No. 174

**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT --- AYES OR NAYS**

Approving the 2023-24 Annual Action Plan Int. No. 175

**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT --- AYES OR NAYS**

Appropriation of funds for the City Development Fund  
Int. No. 176

**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT --- AYES OR NAYS**

Appropriating 2023-24 Annual Action Plan funds, modifying the  
2019-20 Annual Action Plan and authorizing agreements for the  
Aging in Place project Int. No. 177

**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT --- AYES OR NAYS**

Appropriating 2023-24 Annual Action Plan funds and authorizing  
agreements for the Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS  
program Int. No. 178

**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT --- AYES OR NAYS**

Appropriating 2023-24 Annual Action Plan funds and authorizing  
an agreement for Legal Services for Seniors Int. No. 179

**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT --- AYES OR NAYS**

Appropriating 2023-24 Annual Action Plan funds and authorizing  
agreements for the Business Development Financial Assistance  
Program Int. No. 180

**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT --- AYES OR NAYS**

Appropriating 2023-24 Annual Action Plan funds and authorizing  
agreements for the Neighborhood Commercial Assistance Program  
Int. No. 181

**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT --- AYES OR NAYS**

Appropriating 2023-24 Annual Action Plan funds and authorizing  
agreements for the Demolition Program Int. No. 182

**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT --- AYES OR NAYS**

Appropriating 2023-24 Annual Action Plan funds and authorizing  
agreements for the Emergency Assistance Program      Int. No. 183  
**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT --- AYES OR NAYS**

Appropriating 2023-24 Annual Action Plan funds and authorizing  
agreements for Lead Hazard Control Program      Int. No. 186  
**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT --- AYES OR NAYS**

Appropriating 2023-24 Annual Action Plan funds and authorizing  
agreements for the Emergency Solutions Grant program  
Int. No. 187  
**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT --- AYES OR NAYS**

Appropriating 2023-24 Annual Action Plan funds and authorizing  
agreements for the Homebuyer Assistance Program  
Int. No. 188  
**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT --- AYES OR NAYS**

Appropriating 2023-24 Annual Action Plan funds and authorizing  
agreements for Street Liaison services      Int. No. 189  
**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT --- AYES OR NAYS**

Authorizing agreements and appropriating 2023-24 Annual Action  
Plan funds for Foreclosure Prevention      Int. No. 190  
**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT --- AYES OR NAYS**

Appropriating 2023-24 Annual Action Plan funds and authorizing agreements for the HOME Rochester Program and for the Community Housing Development Organization Reserve program  
Int. No. 191

**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT --- AYES OR NAYS**

Appropriating 2023-24 Annual Action Plan funds and authorizing an agreement for Tenant and Landlord Services  
Int. No. 192

**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT --- AYES OR NAYS**

Amending Chapters 13A, 39, 52 and 90 of the Municipal Code to enhance and clarify the enforcement of the Property Conservation Code and to deter unauthorized demolitions      Int. No. 193

**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT --- AYES OR NAYS**

Amending Chapter 90 of the Municipal Code, Property Conservation Code, to establish a Vacant Building Registry  
Int. No. 194

**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT --- AYES OR NAYS**

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**By Councilmember Harris**

**Recreation and Human Services Committee Report**

Appropriating 2023-24 Annual Action Plan funds and authorizing an agreement for the International Plaza      Int. No. 196

**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT --- AYES OR NAYS**

Appropriating STEAM Engine funds from the 2023-24 Annual  
Action Plan and authorizing an agreement for the ROCmusic  
program Int. No. 197

**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT --- AYES OR NAYS**

Appropriating 2023-24 Annual Action Plan funds for the Roc Paint  
Division Mural Arts Project Int. No. 198

**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT --- AYES OR NAYS**

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**By President Meléndez**

**Public Safety Committee Report**

Appropriating 2023-24 Annual Action Plan funds for smoke and  
carbon monoxide detectors installation program Int. No. 199

**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT --- AYES OR NAYS**

Authorizing an agreement and amending the 2022-23 Budget in  
relation to a Project Safe Neighborhoods – Group Violent Dispute  
Intervention Program Int. No. 200

**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT --- AYES OR NAYS**

Authorizing an agreement for an Officer Assistance Program for the  
Police Department Int. No. 201

**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT --- AYES OR NAYS**

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**By Councilmember Gruber**

**Finance Committee Report**

Approving the apportionment of taxes and charges                      Int. No. 202  
**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT --- AYES OR NAYS**

Local Improvement Ordinance - Establishing the operating and  
maintenance costs of neighborhood commercial and residential  
parking areas for 2023-24                      Int. No. 203  
**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT --- ROLL CALL**

Continuation of Local Improvement Ordinance No. 1517 relating to  
the Woodside/Goodwill Neighborhood Commercial Parking Lot  
Int. No. 204  
**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT --- ROLL CALL**

Continuation of Local Improvement Ordinance No. 1651 relating to  
the Mt. Hope Avenue Neighborhood Commercial Parking Lot  
Int. No. 205  
**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT --- ROLL CALL**

Authorizing an amendatory agreement for upgrades to the 311 Call  
Center system                      Int. No. 206  
**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT --- AYES OR NAYS**

Authorizing an amendatory agreement for change management  
training for the Project Management Office                      Int. No. 207  
**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT --- AYES OR NAYS**

Authorizing an agreement for conflict counsel services for Police  
Department disciplinary hearings Int. No. 208  
**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT---AYES OR NAYS**

Approving the commitment of tax relief and retirement reserves  
Int. No. 209  
**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT --- AYES OR NAYS**

Determining and certifying base proportions, current percentages,  
and base percentages for the 2023 Assessment Roll Int. No. 210  
**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT---AYES OR NAYS**

Determining and certifying adjusted base proportions, assessed value,  
and net changes in assessed value for the 2023 Assessment Roll  
Int. No. 211  
**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT---AYES OR NAYS**

Authorizing an amendatory agreement with General Code, LLC for  
indexing Council Proceedings Int. No. 212  
**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT---AYES OR NAYS**

**THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT --- RECEIVED, FILED AND PUBLISHED**

**Adjourned**

**ITEMS HELD IN COMMITTEE**

- Int. No. 235      Authorizing the sale of real estate      NBD (7/19/22)
- Int. No. 461      Local Law amending the City Charter with respect to establishing  
the Police Accountability Board      (12/20/22)
- Int. No. 67      Authorizing intermunicipal agreement with Monroe County and  
amending the 2022-23 Budget in relation to traffic and crowd control  
services      PS (02/21/23)
- Int. No. 171      Approving the Amended Marketview Heights Urban Renewal  
District Plan      NBD (05/23/23)
- Int. No. 184      Appropriating 2023-24 Annual Action Plan funds and authorizing  
agreements for the Owner-Occupant Housing Rehabilitation  
Program      NBD (05/23/23)
- Int. No. 185      Appropriating 2023-24 Annual Action Plan funds and authorizing  
agreements for the Rental Housing Rehabilitation Program  
NBD (05/23/23)
- Int. No. 195      Establishing a Landlord-Tenant Bill of Rights and  
Responsibilities for residential dwellings      NBD (05/23/23)