

**CITY OF LAWRENCE**  
**Common Council**  
**November 16, 2022**  
**Regular Meeting**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Shawn Denney, Sherron Freeman, Tom Shevlot, William Tyrrell Giles, Maria Rusomaroff, Lauren Russel, and Rick Wells

MEMBERS BY ZOOM: Lisa Chavis, and Deborah Whitfield

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

ALSO BY ZOOM: Attorney Kristina Wheeler (Bose McKinney & Evans LLP)

ALSO PRESENT: Clerk Kathleen Walton

STAFF PRESENT: Deputy Mayor Hofmann, Controller Douthit, Deputy Controller Nagila, Chief of Staff Korn, and Park Superintendent Martin

STAFF BY ZOOM: Director of Engineering Venugopalan

Council Vice President Shawn Denney called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and announced a quorum was present.

COMMENTS OF COUNCIL MEMBERS: Councilor Shevlot expressed gratitude for the responses he has received for the challenges of public safety that he discussed at the November 7, 2022, meeting concerning two areas of our city. He will work with the leadership of LPD and LFD to address the situation and keep everyone informed.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS 11-16-22: There was a lengthy discussion between Controller Douthit, Attorney Wheeler, and councilors concerning the invoice for Mr. Groth in the amount of \$5,000. Following discussion, Councilor Shevlot moved to approve Invoices [for vendors] as presented today [for \$603,140.39]. Councilor Freeman seconded the motion. By a roll call vote, the motion carried by the following vote of the Council: Eight (8) aye votes and one (1) nay vote (Councilor Giles).

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Proposal No. 24, 2022, establishing compensation for elected officials for the year 2023, was read only by title by Clerk Walton. Councilor Denney said Proposal No. 24, 2022 is in the Committee of the Whole.

Proposal No. 28, 2022, authorizing the issuance of general obligation notes for the purpose of providing funds to pay for certain capital projects and incidental expenses in connection therewith and on account of the issuance of the notes; and appropriating the proceeds thereof, was read only by title by Clerk Walton. Following discussion, Councilor Russel moved to accept Proposal No. 28, 2022 in place of the original proposal with the words “or reimbursement” deleted in the third Whereas clause. The motion to accept amended Proposal No. 28, 2022 was seconded by Councilor Shevlot. By a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously. Councilor Russel moved to adopt Amended Proposal No. 28, 2022. The motion was seconded by Councilor Freeman. By a roll call vote, the motion carried by the following vote of the Council: Eight (8) aye votes and one (1) nay vote (Councilor Wells).

Proposal No. 30, 2022, amending the Lawrence Municipal Code to establish an all-way stop intersection at Barksdale Way and Milroy Road, was read only by title by Clerk Walton. Councilor Denney assigned Proposal No. 30, 2022 to the Code Committee.

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Proposal No. 31, 2022, repealing Title 1, Article 1, Chapter 3, Section 2 of the Municipal Code of the City of Lawrence, Indiana regarding governmental structure and administration, was read only by title by Clerk Walton. Councilor Denney assigned Proposal No. 31, 2022 to the Administration, Budget, and Finance Committee.

NEW BUSINESS: None

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:34 p.m., by the unanimous vote of the Council.

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Lisa Chavis, President

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Kathleen A. Walton, Clerk

These minutes are not intended to be verbatim. They are a summary of discussions held, except for the motions.