

City Council Agenda

SAGINAW CITY COUNCIL NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING

Meeting and/or Executive Session Agenda
6:00 PM - Monday, August 22, 2022
Saginaw City Hall Council Chambers
333 West McLeroy Blvd.

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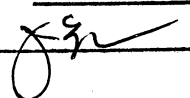
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- (1) **Call to Order--Todd Flippo, Mayor**
- (2) **Audience Participation--On the Video Screen**
- (3) **Public Hearing and Possible Action on Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2022/2023--Kim Quin, Finance Director**
- (4) **Public Hearing on Proposed Tax Rate for Fiscal Year 2022/2023--Kim Quin, Finance Director**
- (5) **Adjournment--Todd Flippo, Mayor**

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Date: 8-19-2022

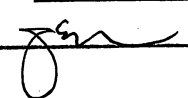
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**CITY OF SAGINAW
MINUTES OF SPECIAL CALLED
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
AND PUBLIC HEARING
HELD AT THE SAGINAW CITY HALL
333 WEST MCCLEROY BLVD.
AUGUST 22, 2022**

Present at the meeting:

Mayor	Todd Flippo
Mayor Pro-Tem	Valerie Junkersfeld
Councilmember	Nicky Lawson
Councilmember	Charles Tucker
Councilmember	Cindy Bighorse
Councilmember	Mary Copeland
City Manager	Gabe Reaume
Asst. City Manager	Lee Howell
Finance Director	Kim Quin
Finance Manager	Jennifer Garrett
City Secretary	Janice England
Police Chief	Russell Ragsdale
Fire Chief	Doug Spears
Director of Public Works	Randy Newsom
Director of Comm. & Eco. Dev.	Keith Rinehart
Director of Human Resources	Melanie McManus
Communications Manager	Pedro Zambrano
Police Officer	P. Montgomery

Absent from the meeting:

Councilmember	Paul Felegy
City Attorney	Bryn Meredith
City Engineer	Trenton Tidwell, P.E.
Library Director	Ellen Ritchie

Visitors at the meeting:

Brack St. Clair	John Peet
J.D. Peet Jr.	Brent Wooten
Trey Harper	Karen Fruhwirth
Jonathan Reames	

(1) Call to Order

Mayor Flippo called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with a quorum present.

(2) Audience Participation

This item was covered on the video screen.

(3) Public Hearing and Possible Action on Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2022/2023

Mayor Flippo declared the public hearing for this item opened at 6:03 p.m. Finance Director Quin gave a brief recap of the proposed budget for fiscal year 2022/2023. Mayor Flippo called for public input. There was none. Mayor Flippo declared the public hearing closed at 6:23 p.m.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Junkersfeld with a second by Councilmember Bighorse to table this item until the September 6, 2022 City Council Meeting. Motion carried unanimously. 6-0-0-1

For: Mayor Flippo, Mayor Pro-Tem Junkersfeld,
Councilmembers Lawson, Tucker, Bighorse, and Copeland

Against: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Councilmember Felegy

(4) Public Hearing on Proposed Tax Rate for Fiscal Year 2022/2023

Mayor Flippo declared the public hearing for this item opened at 6:24 p.m. Finance Director Quin gave a brief recap of the proposed property tax rate. She explained that the current tax rate is \$0.479516 per \$100 of value (Maintenance & Operation .285058 and Debt .194458). The proposed budget is based on the tax rate of \$0.513719 per \$100 of value (Maintenance & Operation .278833 and Debt .234886).

Mayor Flippo called for public input. Mr. John Peet addressed the Council and expressed his opposition to any increase in the tax rate. Mr. Brent Wooten addressed the Council and encouraged them to take a hard look at the proposed budget and tax rate and the potential effects of an increased tax rate to residents on fixed incomes.

Mayor Flippo pointed out that the City Council voted earlier this year to increase the Over 65 Tax Exemption from \$50,000 to \$100,000. This will result in a lower property tax bill for seniors. City Manager Reaume pointed out that the increase in the tax rate is on the debt portion of the rate which is due to the bonds that were approved by voters in 2021. The maintenance and operation portion of the tax rate is lower than the current rate.

There was a discussion regarding the dollar amount that would have to be cut from the proposed budget to not raise the tax rate. Finance Director Quin explained \$897,000 would have to be cut from ongoing items and expenses. A lengthy discussion followed. Several members of the Council requested that the proposed budget be reviewed by the departments for potential items or services that could be cut and a list submitted to the Council for review and consideration.

Mayor Flippo called for any additional public input. There was none. Mayor Flippo declared the public hearing closed at 7:07 p.m. Finance Director Quin stated that action on the proposed budget and tax rate will need to be taken at the September 6th City Council Meeting.

(5) Adjournment

Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Junkersfeld with a second by Councilmember Bighorse to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously. 6-0-0-1

For: Mayor Flippo, Mayor Pro-Tem Junkersfeld,
Councilmembers Lawson, Tucker, Bighorse, and Copeland

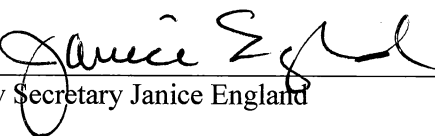
Against: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Councilmember Felegy

Mayor Flippo declared the City Council Meeting of August 22, 2022 adjourned at 7:07 p.m.

ATTEST:



City Secretary Janice England

APPROVED:



Mayor Todd Flippo

