

**Official Proceedings
Pontiac City Council
250th Session of the Tenth Council**

Call to order

A Study Session of the City Council of Pontiac, Michigan was called to order at the Bowens Senior Center, 52 Bagley Pontiac, MI 48342 on Tuesday, August 24, 2021 at 6:06 p.m. by Council President Kermit Williams.

Roll Call

Members Present – Carter, Miller, Pietila, Taylor-Burks and Williams

Mayor Waterman was present.

A quorum was announced.

Authorization to Excuse Councilmembers Shramski and Waterman. Moved by Councilperson Pietila and second by Councilperson Taylor-Burks.

Ayes: Miller, Pietila, Taylor-Burks, Williams and Carter

No: None

Motion Carried

Amendments to and Approval of the Agenda

21-261 **Motion to move item #3 (City Council Parliamentarian) after the minutes.**

Moved by Councilperson Miller and second by Councilperson Taylor-Burks.

Ayes: Pietila, Taylor-Burks, Williams, Carter and Miller

No: None

Motion Carried

21-262 **Motion to approve the agenda as amended.** Moved by Councilperson Pietila and second by Councilperson Taylor-Burks.

Ayes: Taylor-Burks, Williams, Carter, Miller and Pietila

No: None

Motion Carried

Approval of the Minutes

21-263 **Motion to approve meeting minutes for August 17, 2021.** Moved by Councilperson Taylor-Burks and second by Councilperson Pietila.

Ayes: Taylor-Burks, Williams, Carter, Miller and Pietila

No: None

Motion Carried

Special Presentation

City Council Parliamentarian

Presentation Presenter: Eleanor “Coco” Siewert

Public Comment

Seven (7) individuals addressed the body during public comment

Special Presentations

Code Enforcement Illegal Dumping Campaign

Presentation Presenters: Mayor Waterman and Patrick Brzozowski, Code Enforcement Manager

Pontiac Youth Recreation and Enrichment Center (PYREC) Extended Summer Program

Presentation Presenters: Mayor Waterman and Robert Burch, PYREC

Suspend the Rules to Vote

Motion to suspend the rules to vote on item #6. Moved by Councilperson Miller and second by Councilperson Pietila. **Councilperson Miller withdrew her motion and Councilperson Pietila withdrew her second**

21-264 **Motion to suspend the rules to vote on item #6 (Adoption of an Emergency Ordinance for Extension of Supplemental Pension Payment for City of Pontiac Police and Fire Retirees.) and item #7 (Adoption of an Emergency Ordinance for Extension of Supplemental Pension Payment for City of Pontiac General Employees' Retirement System Retirees.)**
Moved by Councilperson Pietila and second by Councilperson Taylor-Burks.

Ayes: Williams, Carter, Miller, Pietila and Taylor-Burks

No: None

Motion Carried

Ordinances

Ordinance 2385 **Adoption of an Emergency Ordinance for Extension of Supplemental Pension Payment for City of Pontiac Police and Fire Retirees.** Moved by Councilperson Taylor-Burks and second by Councilperson Pietila.

An ordinance to provide for a limited increase in pension payments for certain members of the Police & Fire Retirement System ("PFRS").

The City of Pontiac ordains:

Section 1. Amendments.

The Police & Fire Retirement System ordinance shall be amended to read as follows:

a. Section 92-122.2 shall be amended to add the following language: Temporary Pension Increase: *"All persons who retired before August 22, 1996, and who are receiving retirement benefits as of August 1, 2021 and who enter pay status through December 1, 2021, shall be entitled to receive an increase in their monthly allowance of four hundred dollars (\$400.00) per month beginning September 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021, or when the New VEBA begins providing the health care benefits to the eligible retirees, whichever comes first."*

Section 2. Severability.

If any section, or provision of this Ordinance shall be declared to be unconstitutional, void, illegal, or ineffective by any Court of competent jurisdiction, such section, clause or provision declared to be unconstitutional, void or illegal shall thereby cease to be a part of this Ordinance, but the remainder of the Ordinance shall stand and be in full force and effect.

Section 3. Repealer.

All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect.

Section 4. Publication.

The Clerk shall publish this Ordinance in a newspaper of general circulation.

Section 5. Emergency Declaration and Effective Date.

This Ordinance is declared an emergency of health and safety to allow the pension recipients to collect the increase authorized in this Ordinance on the date identified in this Ordinance and shall be effective immediately upon adoption by the City Council.

Ayes:, Carter, Miller, Pietila, Taylor-Burks and Williams

No: None

Ordinance Adopted

Ordinance 2386 **Adoption of an Emergency Ordinance for Extension of Supplemental Pension Payment for City of Pontiac General Employees' Retirement System Retirees**
Moved by Councilperson Pietila and second by Councilperson Miller.

An ordinance to provide for a limited increase in pension payments for certain members of the General Employee Retirement System ("GERS").

The City of Pontiac ordains:

Section 1. Amendments.

The General Employee Retirement System ordinance shall be amended to read as follows:

a. Section 17 .6 shall be amended to add the following language: Temporary Pension Increase: *"All persons who are receiving retirement benefits as of August 1, 2021 and who enter pay status through December 1, 2021, shall be entitled to receive an increase in their monthly allowance of four hundred dollars (\$400.00) per month beginning September 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021, or when the New VEBA begins providing the health care benefits to the eligible retirees, whichever comes first."*

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If any section, or provision of this Ordinance shall be declared to be unconstitutional, void, illegal, or ineffective by any Court of competent jurisdiction, such section, clause or provision declared to be unconstitutional, void or illegal shall thereby cease to be a part of this Ordinance, but the remainder of the Ordinance shall stand and be in full force and effect.

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The Clerk shall publish this Ordinance in a newspaper of general circulation.

Section 5. Emergency Declaration and Effective Date.

This Ordinance is declared an emergency of health and safety to allow the pension recipients to collect the increase authorized in this Ordinance on the date identified in this Ordinance and shall be effective immediately upon adoption by the City Council.

Ayes: Miller, Pietila, Taylor-Burks, Williams and Carter

No: None

Ordinance Adopted

Adjournment

Council President Kermit Williams adjourned the meeting at 7:40 p.m.

Garland Doyle
Interim City Clerk