

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL  
OF THE  
CITY OF DEARBORN

April 20, 2022

The Council convened at 6:05 P.M., President of the Council Michael Sareini presiding. Present at roll call were Councilmembers Abraham, Alsawafy, Byrnes, Hammoud, Paris and President of the Council Sareini; Absent: Herrick. A quorum being present, the Council was declared in session.

DATE : April 18, 2022  
TO : City Clerk  
FROM : City Council  
SUBJECT : Special Meeting of the City  
Council

Please be advised that a Special Meeting of the City Council has been called by Councilman Abraham and Councilwoman Herrick to be held on Wednesday, April 20, 2022 at 6:00 p.m., in Council Chambers, at the Dearborn Administrative Center, 16901 Michigan Ave., Dearborn, Michigan, for the following purposes:

1. To consider and take action on a companion resolution to Council Resolution 03-176-22 related to the translation of election materials into the Arabic Language using Modern Standard Arabic, and
2. To consider such other items of business that may properly come before the Council in relation to this matter.

S// Robert Abraham  
Councilman

S// Leslie Herrick  
Councilwoman

By Hammoud supported by Alsawafy.

04-228-22. WHEREAS: On March 22, 2022, Council passed Resolution 03-176-22, which provided language access for election materials shall be provided in the English Language and any language(s) that are the language spoken at home by a minimum of 10,000 or 5% of the city's residents (whichever criterion is met first) as reported by the most recent American Community Survey, and

WHEREAS: The Arabic language met the voluntary threshold contained in Council Resolution 03-176-22, and

WHEREAS: Council Resolution 03-176-22 provided that the Clerk shall provide for the timely translation of the official ballots, notices, absentee ballot applications, registration forms, appropriate signage, and affidavits, and

WHEREAS: Council Resolution 03-762-22 further provided that the timely translation for all election materials shall be completed for the August 2022 primary election, and

WHEREAS: On April 15, 2022, the City of Dearborn held a meeting with the Secretary of State concerning the process with regard to the translation of the official ballot and voter assist terminal into the Arabic language; therefore be it

RESOLVED: The Arabic language met the voluntary threshold contained in Council Resolution 03-176-22, be it further

RESOLVED: The translation of all the election materials, including the official ballots and voter assist terminal, for Arabic language shall be completed using Modern Standard Arabic, be it further

RESOLVED: That this resolution be given immediate effect.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

There being no further business, upon a motion duly made, seconded and adopted, the Council then adjourned at 6:19 P.M.

APPROVED:

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President of the Council

ATTESTED:

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City Clerk