

CITY COUNCIL - ELIZABETH, N. J.

REGULAR MEETING - TUESDAY, JANUARY 8, 2019

7:30 P. M.

AGENDA

ROLL CALL.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG.

PUBLIC SPEAKING.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

NONE.

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated January 2, 2019, from His Honor the Mayor subject to your advice and consent I am making the following appointments: Norma M. Murgado, Esq., Chief Municipal Prosecutor; Ashton E. Thomas, Esq., Patricia A Mack, Esq., Annette Quijano, Esq., Assistant Municipal Prosecutors; Robert Carroll, Esq., Suzette Cavadas, Esq., William T. Donegan, Esq., Kevin D. Harris, Esq., Anabela Dacruz-Melo, Esq., Christopher Howard, Esq., Jose Rivera-Benitez, Esq., Connie Bentley McGhee, Esq., Shlomo Himmel, Esq. Temporary Municipal Prosecutors for a term of one-year effective January 1, 2019. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 26, 2018, from the Business Administrator request authorization for the proper City officials to renew the policy of insurance with Admiral Insurance Company, 1255 Caldwell Road, Cherry Hill, NJ, through the agent-of-record Hughes-Plumer & Associates, Somerville, NJ covering Public Officials and Employees Liability for the period of January 31, 2019 to January 31, 2020, at an annual premium of \$74,352.54. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 26, 2018, from the Business Administrator recommending awarding a contract to T & M Associates, 11 Tindell Road, Middletown, NJ to provide professional services in connection with the Health & Safety Compliance Programs for the Year 2019 for the period of January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2019 not to exceed \$70,000.00. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 26, 2018, from the Business Administrator recommending awarding a contract to Trinitas Regional Medical Center/CARE EAP Program, 225 Williamson Street, Elizabeth, NJ for the implementation of an Employee Assistance Program and Alcohol Education Program for the period commencing January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019 not to exceed \$40,000.00. Which was received.

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC. (Cont'd)

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 28, 2018, from the Business Administrator recommending awarding a contract to ALES//Applied Labor Employment Studies Institute, 152 Speedwell Avenue, Jackson Suite, Morristown, NJ for the furnishing of Grant Consulting Services for a period of one year from the date of the award with an option to renew for four (4) additional one year periods under the same terms and conditions, not to exceed \$35,000.00 for year one of this contract.
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 28, 2018, from the Business Administrator request to join and participate in the Sourcewell National Co-op, formerly known as NJPA National Co-op to utilize their contract with National Auto Fleet Group, 490 Auto Center Drive, Watsonville, CA to purchase for the Elizabeth Police Department, one (1) 2019 Ford Super Duty F-550 XL 2WD Bucket Truck as a replacement for the 1991 Ford F600 in the total amount of \$136,774.00.
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated January 2, 2019, from the Chief Financial Officer request an ordinance to approve the application for a thirty (30) year Tax Abatement and Financial Agreement with 1180 Associates Urban Renewal LLC Entity for a warehouse/distribution/manufacturing facility and a loading dock corridor between the new building and the existing two story building located at 862-886 Magnolia Avenue (building site) and 859-867 Magnolia Avenue (parking site).
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated January 2, 2019, from the Chief Financial Officer request that your Honorable Body consider approving a tax abatement agreement under the Long-Term Tax Exemption Law for thirty (30) years with 1180 Associates Urban Renewal LLC, 862-886 Magnolia Avenue and 859-867 Magnolia Avenue who will construct a new state of the art warehouse/distribution/manufacturing facility and a loading dock corridor between the new building and the existing two-story building and authorize the Mayor to enter into a financial agreement providing for a payment in lieu of taxes.
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 17, 2018, from the Police Director request to Amend Chapter 10.16.010 of the Code of the City of Elizabeth entitled Four-ton Weight Limit – Streets affected, specifically to include Magnolia Avenue between Fifth Street and Trumbull Street; Court Street between Fifth Street and Trumbull Street; and South Park Street between Fifth Street and Trumbull Street.
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 21, 2018, from the Frank O. Mazza Civic Association, 630 Third Avenue, Elizabeth, NJ request permission to host with the City as a co-sponsor and to waive fees for the Twelfth Anniversary of the Saint Vito Festival/Peterstown Cultural Festival during the evenings of July 24th through July 28th, 2019; closing the portion of High Street beginning at Fourth Avenue and ending at the Elizabeth River as well as a portion of Fourth Avenue from Centre Street to South Seventh Street
Which was received.

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC. (Cont'd)

By the Clerk:

Proposal dated December 26, 2018, from the Elizabeth Shines Foundation, Elizabeth Destination Marketing Organization, 456 N. Broad Street, Elizabeth, NJ request that your Honorable Body consider a resolution for a city-wide arts project of Street Art Murals promoting themes of “Elizabeth’s Rich History & its Development/Innovation” and “Where History Meets Culture” to be illustrated through local Elizabeth artists, the Elizabeth Board of Education and affiliate supporting participants with the overall project management under the direction of the Elizabeth Shines Foundation.
Which was received.

REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS

NONE.

ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING

- ORD. NO. 5114- An Ordinance granting an Encroachment Permit to Environmental Remediation and Financial Services, LLC, 999 Airport Road, Unit 4, Lakewood, New Jersey, to perform environmental work consisting of one (1) groundwater monitoring well and four (4) injection wells within the public right-of-way in front of the property located at 942-944 and 946-948 Van Buren Avenue, Elizabeth, New Jersey.
- ORD. NO. 5115 - An Ordinance to authorize the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Ana Gonzalez, 120 Reid Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey.
- ORD. NO. 5116 - An Ordinance to authorize the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Maria Quinones, 231 John Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey.
- ORD. NO. 5117 - An Ordinance to rescind Ordinance No. 4986, adopted on March 13, 2018, which authorized the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Marbie Menjivar Lima, 608 Norwood Terrace, Elizabeth, New Jersey.
- ORD. NO. 5118 - An Ordinance to rescind Ordinance No. 5061, adopted on September 11, 2018, which authorized the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Euladia Reveron, 325 Washington Avenue, Elizabeth, New Jersey.
- ORD. NO. 5119 - An Ordinance to authorize the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Donna Carter, 827 Rebecca Place, Elizabeth, New Jersey.
- ORD. NO. 5120 - An Ordinance to authorize the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Teresa Santana, 524 Fulton Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey.
- ORD. NO. 5121 - An Ordinance to amend Chapter 10.16.010 of the Code of the City of Elizabeth “Four-Ton Weight Limit - Streets Affected” specifically to Add Magnolia Avenue between Fifth Street and Trumbull Street; Court Street between Fifth Street and Trumbull Street; South Park Street between Fifth Street and Trumbull Street except for the pickup and delivery of materials on these streets.

ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING (cont'd)

- ORD. NO. 5122 - An Ordinance to authorize the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Isaura Morales Ventura, 145 Marshall Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey.
- ORD. NO. 5123 - An Ordinance approving the application and Financial Agreement with 1180 Associates Urban Renewal, LLC, for a Long Term Tax Exemption for Warehouse/Distribution/Manufacturing Facility located at 862-886 Magnolia Avenue and 859-867 Magnolia Avenue.

PUBLIC HEARING AND FUTURE CONSIDERATION OF THE FOREGOING ORDINANCES SHALL TAKE PLACE AT THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING TO BE HELD TUESDAY, JANUARY 22, 2019 AT 7:30 P.M.

ORDINANCES ON FINAL PASSAGE

NONE.

NEW BUSINESS

- Confirm the appointment of Norma M. Murgado, Esq., to serve as Chief Municipal Prosecutor for a one (1) year period, commencing January 1, 2019.
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NEW BUSINESS (cont'd)

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Authorize the proper City Officials to execute all necessary documents to participate in the Sourcewell National Co-Op, formerly known as NJPA National Co-Op to utilize its contract with National Auto Fleet Group, 490 Auto Center Drive, Watsonville, CA, for the purchase of one (1) 2019 Ford Super Duty F-550 XL 2WD Bucket Truck as a replacement vehicle for the Police Department, through the Sourcewell National Co-Op, in the amount of \$136,774.00.

Adopt a resolution approving tax abatement agreement under the Long-Term Tax Exemption Law with 1180 Associates Urban Renewal LLC, and authorize the Mayor to enter into a financial agreement providing for a payment in lieu of taxes on the property located at 862-886 Magnolia Avenue and 859-867 Magnolia Avenue, for the construction of a Warehouse/ Distribution/Manufacturing Facility and loading dock corridor.

Establish a handicapped parking space in front of the premises located at 506 Bond Street Fl.2.

Rescind resolution adopted March 23, 2010, which established a handicapped parking space in front of the premises located at 145 Marshall Street. (now personalized)

Permit the Frank O. Mazza Civic Association, 630 Third Avenue, Elizabeth, N.J., with the City of Elizabeth, as a co-sponsor to host the Twelfth Annual Saint Vito Festival/Peterstown Cultural Festival July 25, 2019 from 6:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.; July 26 and July 27 from 6:30 p.m. to 10:45 p.m. and July 28 from 5:00 p.m. to 9:45 p.m.; also July 24, 2019 for stage set up 12:00 p.m. noon and vendors to set up from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., waiving all fees.

Adopt a resolution for a City-wide arts project of Street Art Murals promoting themes of “Elizabeth Rich History & its Development/Innovation” and “Where History Meets Culture” to be illustrated through local Elizabeth artists, the Elizabeth Board of Education and affiliate supporting participants with the overall project management under the direction of the Elizabeth Shines Foundation on behalf of the Elizabeth Destination Marketing Organization.

Pay Utility Bills

COMMENDATIONS:

MEMORIALS:

Juana Quinones
Teresa Estrada

ADJOURNMENT