

Official Agenda

CITY COUNCIL - ELIZABETH, N. J.

REGULAR MEETING - WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9, 2010

7:30 P. M.

AGENDA

ROLL CALL.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG.

PUBLIC SPEAKING: RESIDENTS AND TAXPAYERS ADDRESS THE CITY COUNCIL.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

ORD. NO. 4137 - Authorize a Capital Ordinance in the amount of \$300,000.00 for the rehabilitation of Kellogg Park, Jackson Park, Jefferson Park, Carteret Park and other prioritized parks according to need.

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated May 21, 2010, from the Business Administrator requesting permission to sell at public auction the following City-owned properties to be held June 22, 2010, at 6:45 p.m. : Vacant Land: 827-831 Pearl Street (Triangle) 96' x 100' x 108' (irr.), minimum bid \$25,000.00; 179 Spring Street, 25' x 40', minimum bid \$30,000.00; 1161 Anna Street, 35'x 98.5' x 15.4' (irr.), minimum bid \$50,000.00; Properties with Structures: 217 Third Street, 25' x 100', minimum bid \$75,000.00.
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated May 27, 2010, from the Business Administrator recommending the award of a contract to Public Service Electric & Gas Co., 472 Weston Canal Road, Somerset, N.J., for construction costs, engineering time, manhole break-in, street light cable, labor, and traffic control for the Broad Street Streetscape in the amount of \$127,807.55.
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated May 27, 2010, from the Business Administrator recommending the award of a contract to Avaya, Inc., 161 Clivedon Drive, Newtown, PA, for the purchase of Telecommunications Wired for various departments for the period June 1, 2010 through November 30, 2010, at a cost not to exceed \$70,000.00.
Which was received.

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated May 27, 2010, from the Business Administrator recommending the award of a contract to Guard Line Fire & Safety, 75 Main Avenue, Elmwood Park, N.J., for the purchase of MSA SCBA Parts at a cost not to exceed \$40,000.00; Personal Protection Items & Equipment for Emergency Personnel at a cost not to exceed \$50,000.00, under the Morris County Cooperative Purchasing Contract #40, for a total cost not to exceed \$90,000.00 for the period May 25, 2010 through June 30, 2011. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated May 27, 2010, from the Business Administrator recommending the award of a contract to EPLUS Technology, 4 Crossroads Drive, Suite 108, Hamilton, N.J., for Hardware for Computers, Printers, Servers, Media, Software Upgrades and other Computer Equipment for various City buildings for the period June 1, 2010 through May 31, 2012, at a cost not to exceed \$40,000.00. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated May 28, 2010 from the Business Administrator requesting authorization for the renewal of insurance with Western World Insurance Company, 48 South Franklin Turnpike, Ramsey, N.J., through agent-of-record Hughes-Plumer Associates, covering accident insurance for the Ambulance Drivers & Attendants for the term of June 15, 2010 to June 15, 2011, at an annual premium of \$7,850.00. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated May 28, 2010, from the Business Administrator requesting to rescind the resolution adopted March 9, 2010, awarding a contract to Office Depot for the purchase of Office Supplies at a cost not to exceed \$550,000.00 and grant permission for the Purchasing Agent to rebid for same with revised specifications. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated May 14, 2010, from the Chief Financial Officer requesting authorization for the Tax Collector to credit said individuals entitled to a Senior Citizen, Disability and/or a Veteran Deduction for the 2010 Tax Year in the amount of \$250.00 as per a delineated list in the total amount of \$2,250.00. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated May 20, 2010, from the Chief Financial Officer requesting authorization for the Tax Collector to refund/cancel an over-billing of taxes for the 2009 Tax Year on the property located at R210-R230 Bayway in the amount of \$3,326.07. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 1, 2010 from the Chief Financial Officer advising that transfers for the 2010 SFY Municipal and Sewer Utility Budgets may be necessary. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 1, 2010, from the Chief Financial Officer advising that additional grants may be appropriated in the 2010 SFY Budget by budget amendments. Which was received.

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 1, 2010, from the Chief Financial Officer recommending that City Council consider approving the resolution for the Certification of the Preliminary 2011 State Fiscal Year Tax Levy in order that tax bills for the second half of Calendar Year 2010 be issued in a timely manner in accordance with State statutes, in order to meet payments due the Board of Education, County of Union and major debt service payments.

Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 1, 2010, from the Chief Financial Officer recommending City Council's approval to request permission of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services for approval as a Dedication by Rider for donations-acceptance of bequests and gifts from Gail and James Kellogg Family Fund to provide for operating costs to administer the Gun Buy Back Program.

Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 1, 2010, from the Chief Financial Officer requesting that your Honorable Body consent to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services making a Change of Title or Text of Appropriation appearing in the FY2010 Municipal Budget.

Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated May 20, 2010, from the Department of Neighborhood Services requesting permission to have a lien placed against the property located at 450 East Jersey Street for the demolition of said premises in the amount of \$18,500.00.

Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated April 28, 2010, from the Department of Planning and Community Development requesting authorization for the proper City officials to execute an agreement with the Free Public Library of Elizabeth to provide funds to be used for the external restoration of its facility in the amount of \$548,608.00.

Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated May 17, 2010, from the Department of Planning and Community Development requesting authorization for the proper City officials to rescind the resolution adopted February 9, 2010, which authorized a grant to the Flynn Christian Fellowship Houses of NJ, Inc., under the Emergency Program, to assist them with sewer line repairs in an amount not to exceed \$8,375.00; inasmuch as the sewer line was not broken but only clogged.

Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 1, 2010, from the Department of Planning and Community Development requesting to amend the resolution adopted May 11, 2010, which authorized the execution of documents to provide a Rental Housing Program Loan to 205 First Street Urban Renewal LP, specifically to change the terms of the loan from a 4.27% interest repayable non-recourse loan to a 0% interest repayable non-recourse loan.

Which was received.

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated May 28, 2010, from the Department of Public Works recommending the award of a contract to USA Architects, 20 Doughty Avenue, Somerville, N.J., to provide for the preparation of plans, technical specifications, bidding documents and inspection services required for the roof replacement at Erxleben Recreation Center at a cost not to exceed \$30,000.00.

Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated May 28, 2010, from the Department of Public Works recommending the award of a contract to Netta Architects, 25 Route 22, East, Suite 290, Springfield, N.J., to provide for the preparation of plans, technical specifications, bidding documents and inspection services required for the roof replacement at Mickey Walker Recreation Center at a cost not to exceed \$30,000.00.

Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 1, 2010, from the Director of Public Works requesting authorization for Pasquale A. Vella, the City's Acting Recycling Coordinator, to endorse the submission of the recycling tonnage grant application to the N.J. Department of Environmental Protection to ensure that the application is properly filed.

Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 1, 2010, from the Director of Public Works requesting permission to have liens placed against the properties listed on Schedule A attached hereto and made a part hereof in the amounts indicated for the removal and disposal of debris from said properties in the total amount of \$4,944.78.

Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated May 24, 2010, from the Fire Director requesting authorization for the proper City officials to apply, accept and sign all appropriate documents for the 2010 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program to fund the purchase of items to include an oxygen generator and filling system as well as a foam pumper vehicle, total grant amount not to exceed \$1,275,000.00 with a 20% match from the City.

Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated May 19, 2010, from The Elm Group, 2475 Baglyos Circle, Bethlehem, PA, on behalf of Burnham LLC, requesting an Encroachment Permit to perform environmental work in the public right-of-way of Woodruff Lane.

Which was received.

REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS

By the Clerk:

Letter June 9, 2010, from the Finance Department submitting a list of all bills, claims and vouchers which have been paid as of the close of business on Friday, June 4, 2010.

Which was received.

REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS (Cont'd.)

By the Clerk:

Letter dated April 20, 2010, from the Chief Financial Officer submitting the City Treasurer's report of Receipts and Disbursements for the month of January, 2010, and Statement of Bank Balances and Investments as of January 31, 2010.
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated May 17, 2010, from the Chief Financial Officer submitting the City Treasurer's report of Receipts and Disbursements for the month of February, 2010, and Statement of Bank Balances and Investments as of February 28, 2010.
Which was received.

ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING

- ORD. NO. 4138 - Grant an encroachment permit to The Elm Group, 2475 Baglyos Circle, Bethlehem, PA, on behalf of Burnham, LLC,, to perform environmental work within the public-right-of way of Woodruff Lane.
- ORD. NO. 4139 - Authorize the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Jose F. Sierra, 218 Delaware Street.

PUBLIC HEARING AND FURTHER CONSIDERATION OF THE FOREGOING ORDINANCES SHALL TAKE PLACE AT THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING TO BE HELD TUESDAY, JUNE 22, 2010, AT 7:30 P.M.

ORDINANCES ON FINAL PASSAGE

- ORD. NO. 4137 - Authorize a Capital Ordinance in the amount of \$300,000.00 for the rehabilitation of Kellogg Park, Jackson Park, Jefferson Park, Carteret Park and other prioritized parks according to need.

NEW BUSINESS

Authorize Fiscal Year 2010 Municipal and Sewer Utility Budget transfers in the amount of \$15,500.00.

Authorize an amendment to the Fiscal Year 2010 Budget to insert, as an Item of Revenue, a State of New Jersey, Department of Commerce & Economic Development, UEZ CCTV Public Security Project Grant in the amount of \$2,134,856.00 (Local Share - \$91,590.00).

Authorize an amendment to the Fiscal Year 2010 Budget to insert, as an Item of Revenue, a State of New Jersey, Department of Commerce & Economic Development, UEZ North Broad Streetscape Project Grant in the amount of \$148,080.00 (Local Share - \$3,520.00).

Authorize an amendment to the Fiscal Year 2010 Budget to insert, as an Item of Revenue, a New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, Municipal Alcohol Ed, Rehab & Enforcement Fund in the amount of \$2,262.29.

NEW BUSINESS (Cont'd.)

Request permission from the Director of Local Government Services for a Dedication by Rider in the Fiscal Year 2010 budget for donations/acceptance of bequests and gifts from the Gail and James Kellogg Family Fund to administer the Gun Buy Back Program.

Authorize the proper City officials to submit a request to the Director, Division of Local Finance, to make corrections in the City's 2010 Fiscal Year Municipal Budget to account for Change of Title and/or Text of Appropriation approved subsequent to the adopted budget.

Certify the preliminary 2011 State Fiscal Year tax levy for the second half of Calendar Year 2010.

Authorize the sale of the following City-owned properties at public auction to be held June 22, 2010, at 6:45 p.m. in City Hall Council Chambers: Vacant Land: 827-831 Pearl Street (triangle), minimum bid \$25,000.00; 179 Spring Street, minimum bid \$30,000.00; 1161 Anna Street, minimum bid \$50,000.00; Properties with Structures: 217 Third Street, minimum bid \$75,000.00.

Authorize the proper City officials to execute all appropriate documents for the Year 2010 Assistance to Firefighters Program Grant in an amount not to exceed \$1,275,000.00, with a 20% match from the City, to fund the purchase of an oxygen generator and filling system, as well as a foam pumper vehicle.

Authorize the award of a contract to Public Service Electric and Gas Company, 472 Weston Canal Road, Somerset, N.J., for construction costs, engineering time, manhole break-in, street light cable, labor and traffic control for the Broad Street Streetscape Project in the amount of \$127,807.55.

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Authorize the award of a contract to Guard Line Fire and Safety Company, 75 Main Avenue, Elmwood Park, N.J., under the Morris County CO-OP, for the purchase of MSA SCBA parts, personal protection items and equipment for the Fire Department at a total cost not to exceed \$90,000.00 for the period May 25, 2010 to June 30, 2011.

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Authorize the proper City officials to execute an agreement with the Elizabeth Free Public Library, 11 South Broad Street, Elizabeth, to provide Community Development Block Grant Recovery funds in the amount of \$548,608.00 for external restoration of the facility for the period May 1, 2010 through April 30, 2012.

Authorize the award of a contract to USA Architects, 20 North Doughty Avenue, Somerville, N.J., to provide architectural services at a cost not to exceed \$30,000.00 for the complete roof replacement at Erxleben Recreation Center, 513-515 Richmond Street.

Authorize the award of a contract to Netta Architects, 25 Route 22 East, Springfield, N.J., to provide architectural services at a cost not to exceed \$30,000.00 for the complete roof replacement at Mickey Walker Recreation Center, 830-860 Anna Street.

NEW BUSINESS (Cont'd.)

Authorize the award of a contract to Western World Insurance Company, 48 South Franklin Turnpike, Ramsey, N.J., through the agent-of-record, Hughes-Plumer and Associates, Somerville, N.J., covering accident insurance for ambulance drivers and attendants for the period June 15, 2010 to June 15, 2011, at an annual premium of \$7,850.00.

Authorize Pasquale Vella, Recycling Coordinator, to endorse the submission of the Recycling Tonnage Grant application to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection.

Rescind a resolution adopted March 9, 2010, authorizing the award of a contract to Office Depot, for the furnishing of office supplies in an amount not to exceed \$550,000.00 and permit the Purchasing Agent to rebid for same with revised specifications.

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Amend a resolution adopted May 11, 2010, which authorized a Rental Housing Program Loan to 205 First Street Urban Renewal, LLP., specifically to change the terms of the loan from a 4.27% interest repayable non-recourse loan to a 0% interest repayable non-recourse loan.

Authorize the Tax Collector to credit senior citizen, disability and/or veteran tax deductions for the Tax Year 2010, pursuant to a delineated list submitted May 15, 2010, in the total amount of \$2,250.00.

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Establish a lien on the property located at 450 East Jersey Street, in order to reimburse the City for the demolition of said property in the amount of \$18,500.00.

Establish liens for the removal and disposal of debris on properties listed on Schedule A in the total amount of \$4,944.78.

Pay utility bills.

COMMENDATIONS

MEMORIALS

Edith D'Antico
Zeferino Rodrigues
Maria Tedeschi
Charlene Davis

ADJOURNMENT