

CITY COUNCIL - ELIZABETH, N. J.

REGULAR MEETING - TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2018

7:30 P. M.

AGENDA

ROLL CALL.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG.

PUBLIC SPEAKING.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- ORD. NO. 4977 - An Ordinance authorizing the transfer of City owned property located at 118 Fulton Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey to the Habitat for Humanity Greater Elizabeth Area Inc., for construction of low income housing.
- ORD. NO. 4978 - An Ordinance authorizing the sale of City Owned property located at 30-34 Bank Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey to the United Home Foundation, for construction of six (6) affordable two (2) bedroom units for low income housing.
- ORD. NO. 4979 - An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Elizabeth to amend the Midtown Elizabeth Redevelopment Plan pursuant to the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 ET Seq. to include the Hersh Tower at 125 Broad Street.
- ORD. NO. 4980 - An Ordinance to rescind Ordinance No. 4467, adopted on June 24, 2014, which authorized the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Jerry Szocik, 73 Westfield Avenue, Elizabeth, New Jersey.
- ORD. NO. 4981 - An Ordinance to rescind Ordinance No. 4291, adopted on March 13, 2012, which authorized the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Amparo Loreda, 414 Marshall Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey.
- ORD. NO. 4982 - An Ordinance to rescind Ordinance No. 4446, adopted on January 14, 2014, which authorized the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Richard Kucmyda, 210 Fulton Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey.
- ORD. NO. 4983 - An Ordinance to authorize the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Eletice Silva, 632 Fourth Avenue, Elizabeth, New Jersey.
- ORD. NO. 4984 - An Ordinance to authorize the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Mirna Cabrera, 608 Marshall Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey.

**THE MIDTOWN ELIZABETH SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT CALENDAR YEAR
2018 BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$225,000.00.**

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated February 15, 2018, from the Business Administrator request authorization for the proper City officials to appoint, enter into and execute an agreement with the Law Firm of Lum, Drasco & Positan, LLC, 103 Eisenhower Parkway, Roseland, NJ to provide Employment Counsel services for the period of February 15, 2018 through February 14, 2019 at a rate of \$175.00 per hour for attorneys, \$75.00 per hour for paralegals and \$25.00 per hour for secretarial overtime, if authorized by the City Attorney for a total cap of \$60,000.00.
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated February 15, 2018, from the Business Administrator request authorization for the proper City officials to enter into and execute a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Elizabeth and United Airlines, Inc., United Summer Associate Program at Newark Liberty International Airport to facilitate college student internship opportunities for neighborhood residents; effective date will occur upon full execution of same.
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated February 16, 2018, from the Business Administrator recommending awarding a contract to Power Place, Inc., 297 Route 22 East, Whitehouse, NJ for the purchase of grounds equipment parts for the period of February 19, 2018 through February 19, 2019 at a cost not to exceed \$150,000.00.
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated February 16, 2018, from the Business Administrator recommending awarding a contract to Jesco, Inc., 118 St. Nicholas Avenue, South Plainfield, NJ for the purchase of parts, repairs, new equipment and rentals for grounds equipment for the period of February 19, 2018 through February 19, 2019 at a cost not to exceed \$250,000.00.
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated February 16, 2018, from the Business Administrator recommending awarding a contract to Community Champions, 767 N. Wickham Road, Melbourne, FL for an Administrator of Records for Abandoned, Foreclosed and Vacant Properties in the City of Elizabeth for a period of six months from the date of the execution of the contract with an option to renew for the third year of the four one year renewals; to be paid for each registration fee collected; per registered property at a rate of \$100.00; will not be paid if fees are not collected.
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated February 9, 2018, from the Director of Planning and Community Development request authorization for the proper City officials to execute any and all documents necessary to discharge the Home Rental Housing Program Forgivable Loan on the property located at 81 First Street in the amount of \$60,000.00.
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated February 13, 2018, from the Director of Planning and Community Development request authorization for the proper City officials to execute any and all documents necessary to discharge the HOME Rental Housing Program loan, cancellation of the Deed of Easement and Restrictive Covenant on the property located at 266-268 Second Street in the amount of \$255,000.00.
Which was received.

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC. (Cont'd)

By the Clerk:

Letter dated February 14, 2018, from the Director of Planning and Community Development request authorization for the proper City officials to execute the redevelopment agreement with Newpark Estates of Elizabeth, LLC, 1945 Morris Avenue, Suite 5, Union, NJ for the property located at 200-238 South Second Street. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated February 20, 2018, from the Director of Public Works request authorization for Pasquale Vella, the City of Elizabeth Municipal Recycling Coordinator, to endorse the submission of the recycling tonnage grant application to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection to ensure that the application is filed properly. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated February 20, 2018, from the Director of Public Works request permission to have liens placed against properties listed on Schedule A attached hereto for the boarding up of said properties in the amount of \$1,569.78. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated February 20, 2018, from the Director of Public Works request permission to have liens placed against properties listed on Schedule A attached hereto for the removal and disposal of debris from said properties in the amount of \$1,114.22. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated February 20, 2018, from the Director of Public Works request permission to have liens placed against properties listed on Schedule A attached hereto for the removal of snow and ice on said properties in the amount of \$120.70. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated February 20, 2018, from the Director of Public Works recommending awarding a contract to Mott MacDonald, 111 Wood Avenue South, Iselin, NJ to provide professional engineering services on a time and material basis in connection with the Tier A Municipal separate storm sewer system at a cost not to exceed \$378,300.00 plus reimbursables. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated January 16, 2018, from the Frank O. Mazza Civic Association request to amend the resolution adopted February 13, 2018 granting permission to host their eleventh year anniversary Saint Vito Festival/Peterstown Cultural Festival to be held July 26th through July 29th, 2018 specifically, to respectfully request that your Honorable Body consider co-sponsoring the event. Which was received.

REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS

NONE.

ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING

- ORD. NO. 4985 - An Ordinance to authorize the proper City officials to execute a Redevelopment Agreement with Newpark Estates of Elizabeth LLC which includes the conveyance of 200-238 South Second Street.
- ORD. NO. 4986 - An Ordinance to authorize the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Marbie Menjivar-Lima, 608 Norwood Terrace, Elizabeth, New Jersey.
- ORD. NO. 4987 - An Ordinance to authorize the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Dennis Flores, 223 South Seventh Street, Fl. 2, Elizabeth, New Jersey.

PUBLIC HEARING AND FURTHER CONSIDERATION OF THE FOREGOING ORDINANCES SHALL TAKE PLACE AT THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING TO BE HELD TUESDAY, MARCH 13, 2018, AT 7:30 P.M.

ORDINANCES ON FINAL PASSAGE

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NEW BUSINESS

Adopt the Midtown Elizabeth Special Improvement District Calendar Year 2018 Budget in the amount of \$225,000.00.

Authorize the proper City officials to execute an agreement with the Law Firm of Lum, Drasco and Positan, LLC., 103 Eisenhower Parkway, Roseland, N.J., to provide the City with Employment Counsel Services for the period February 15, 2018 through February 14, 2019, at a cost not to exceed \$60,000.00.

Authorize the proper City officials to enter into and execute all documents pertaining to a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with United Airlines, Inc., in order to facilitate college student internship opportunities for Elizabeth residents through the United Summer Associate Program (USA Program) at Newark Liberty International Airport.

Authorize the award of a contract to Power Place, Inc., 297 Route 22 East, Whitehouse Station, N.J., for the purchase of grounds equipment parts for the period of February 19, 2018 through February 19, 2019, at a cost not to exceed \$150,000.00.

Authorize the award of a contract to Jesco, Inc., 118 St. Nicholas Avenue, South Plainfield N.J., for the purchase of parts, repairs, new equipment and rentals for grounds equipment for the period February 19, 2018 through February 19, 2019 at a cost not to exceed \$250,000.00.

Authorize the award of a contract to Community Champions, 767 N. Wickham Road, Melbourne, Florida, to serve as Administrator of Records for Abandoned, Vacant and Foreclosed properties within the City of Elizabeth for the Department of Planning and Community Development, authorizing the extension of the agreement to renew for the third year of four annual renewals for the period March 16, 2018 through March 15, 2019, under the same terms and conditions.

Authorize the proper City officials to execute all necessary documents to discharge the City's mortgage, given to DBF Properties, LLC, 475 Lehigh Avenue, Union, N.J. on the property located at 81 First Street, Elizabeth, N.J. in the amount of \$60,000.00.

Authorize the proper City officials to execute all necessary documents to discharge the City's second mortgage and the cancellation of an affordability agreement, further authorize the cancellation of the Deed of Easement and Restrictive Covenant, given to Porthaus Renewal, LLC, 230 Halsted Road, Elizabeth, N.J., on the property located at 266-268 Second Street, N.J., in the amount of \$255,000.00.

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

Establish liens for the boarding up of properties listed on Schedule A on file in the City Clerk's Office in the total amount of \$1,569.78.

Establish liens for the removal and disposal of debris on properties listed on Schedule A on file in the City Clerk's Office in the total amount of \$1,114.22

Establish liens for the removal of ice and snow on properties listed on Schedule A on file in the City Clerk's Office in the total amount \$120.70

Authorize the award of a contract to Mott MacDonald, 111 Wood Avenue South, Iselin, N.J., to provide professional engineering services on a time and material basis in connection with the Tier A Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System Permit Compliance Assistance, at a cost not to exceed \$378,300.00 plus reimbursables.

Establish a handicapped parking space in front of the premises located at 401 East Jersey Street, 3rd Floor.

NEW BUSINESS (Cont'd.)

Establish a handicapped parking space in front of the premises located at 935 Flora Street.

Establish a handicapped parking space in front of the premises located at 72 Hillside Road.

Delete the following handicapped parking space from in front of the premises located at: 608 Norwood Terrace.

Amend resolution adopted February 13, 2018, permitting the Frank O. Mazza Civic Association to host the Annual Saint Vito Festival/Peterstown Cultural Festival to be held July 26th through July 29th, 2018 requesting that the City of Elizabeth co-sponsor the event, waiving all fees.

Pay Utility Bills

Approve Bingo and Raffle Licenses

COMMENDATIONS:

MEMORIALS:

William Gaddy Sr.
Clara Torres Rivera

ADJOURNMENT