

*Special Agenda*

CITY COUNCIL - ELIZABETH, N. J.

REGULAR MEETING - TUESDAY, MAY 8, 2012

7:30 P. M.

AGENDA

ROLL CALL.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG.

PUBLIC SPEAKING.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Conference Meetings: July 3; August 7; September 4, 18; October 2, 16; November 7, 20; December 4, 18, 2011  
Regular Meetings: July 24; August 28; September 11, 25; October 9, 23; November 13, 27; December 11, 26, 2011

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- ORD. NO. 4302 - Authorize a Bond Ordinance in the amount of \$3,000,000.00 with a down payment of \$150,000.00, for the resurfacing of various roads.
- ORD. NO. 4303 - Authorize a Bond Ordinance in the amount of \$1,500,000.00 with a down payment of \$75,000.00, for improvements to the Holland Playground and skate park facility.
- ORD. NO. 4304 - Amend Chapter 10.16.010 of the City Code of the City of Elizabeth, to establish a four ton weight limit for motor vehicles, except for pick-up and delivery, on Lidgerwood Avenue, from Garden Street to South Elmora Avenue.

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated April 19, 2012, from the Business Administrator recommending the award of a contract to General Sales Administration, t/a Major Police Supply, 47 N. Dell Avenue, Kenvil, NJ, for Fixed Automatic License Plate Recognition Camera Systems for the Police Department for the period of April 13, 2012 through June 30, 2013, at a cost not to exceed \$50,000.00.  
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated April 19, 2012, from the Business Administrator recommending the award of a contract to Stertil Koni USA, Inc., 20 Log Canoe Circle, Stevensville, MD., for Portable Lifts for the Department of Public Works Garage at a cost of \$42,682.00 under their State Contract.  
Which was received.

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated April 26, 2012, from the Business Administrator advising that being satisfied that an emergency did exist, recommends the award of a contract to Doma Construction, Inc., 215 North 12<sup>th</sup> Street, Newark, NJ, for the demolition of 595 Monroe Avenue in the amount of \$13,000.00; and with Novatech, Inc., P.O. Box 814, Old Bridge, NJ, for the asbestos abatement in the amount of \$3,500.00. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated April 26, 2012, from the Business Administrator advising that being satisfied that an emergency did exist recommends the award of a contract to Doma Construction, Inc., 215 North 12<sup>th</sup> Street, Newark, NJ, for the demolition of 597 Monroe Avenue in the amount of \$13,000.00; and with Novatech, Inc., P.O. Box 814, Old Bridge, NJ, for the asbestos abatement in the amount of \$3,500.00. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated April 27, 2012, from the Business Administrator requesting that your Honorable Body consider authorizing a policy of insurance with James River Insurance Group, P.O. Box 27648, Richmond, VA, through the agent of record, Hughes-Plumer Associates, covering professional liability for the City Engineer and staff for the period of May 10, 2012 to May 10, 2013, at an annual premium of \$21,996.00. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated April 27, 2012, from the Business Administrator recommending the award of a contract to Industrial Commercial Cleaning Group, 1000 Atlantic Avenue, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Camden, NJ, for the furnishing of graffiti removal for the Department of Planning and Community Development for a period of two years from the date of award in an amount not to exceed \$30,000.00. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated April 30, 2012, from the Business Administrator requesting that your Honorable Body consider authorizing "The City of Elizabeth" to become a member of the North Jersey Sustainable Communities Consortium and further authorization for the proper City officials to sign all appropriate documents pertaining to the Memorandum of Understanding with the North Jersey Sustainable Communities Consortium to work closely with the other members and the public to create a comprehensive and balanced vision for the region's future and to develop a plan that makes the region attractive to both public and private-sector investment that encourages residential and business growth in areas that can support growth and choose to do so; it is anticipated that the City will be eligible to receive annually for three years up to \$20,000.00. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated May 1, 2012, from the Business Administrator requesting authorization for the proper City officials to apply, accept and sign all appropriate documents to the County of Union for Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Youth Programs funding, in collaboration with the Elizabeth Development Company will work with local businesses to train, employ and mentor youth from the City for summer employment, in an amount not to exceed \$60,000.00. Which was received.

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated May 1, 2012, from the Business Administrator requesting authorization for the proper City officials to reallocate CDBG Year 36 funds in the total amount of \$125,000.00 from the First Street Commercial Construction Project to Brand New Day's Renaissance Apartments Project located at 170-176 First Street as it relates to the approved Elizabethport Neighborhood Revitalization Plan through the Department of Community Affairs.  
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated May 1, 2012, from the Business Administrator requesting authorization for the proper City officials to reallocate CDBG Year 36 funds in the total amount of \$15,000.00 from the First Street Commercial Construction Project to Elizabeth Works Project to launch a Youth & Young Adult Summer Employment Program geared primarily to the Elizabethport.  
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated May 1, 2012, from the Business Administrator requesting that your Honorable Body consider adopting an ordinance designating 720 North Avenue East as a redevelopment area; direct the Planning Board to review the draft redevelopment plan; adopt the redevelopment plan contingent upon the recommendations of the Planning Board.  
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated May 1, 2012, from the Chief Financial Officer advising that additional grants may be appropriated in the 2012 SFY Budget by budget amendments.  
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated May 1, 2012, from the Chief Financial Officer advising that transfers for the 2012 SFY Municipal and Sewer Utility Budgets may be necessary.  
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated May 1, 2012, from the Chief Financial Officer advising that the SFY 2012 Appropriations Act requires that your Honorable Body approve all payments related to accumulated/uncompensated absence benefits payments in the amount of \$18,064.62.  
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated April 23, 2012, from the Acting Director, Neighborhood Services requesting authorization to have a lien placed against the property situated at 414-420 Magie Avenue for the demolition of said property in the amount of \$17,275.00.  
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated April 18, 2012, from the Director of Planning and Community Development recommending the award of a contract to Harbor Consultants, Inc., to oversee environmental work on Petroleum in the Midtown Redevelopment area at a cost not to exceed \$11,000.00, reimbursable under contractual fees.  
Which was received.

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated April 18, 2012, from the Director of Planning and Community Development recommending awarding a contract to Harbor Consultants, Inc. to oversee environmental work on Hazardous Substances in the Midtown Redevelopment area at a cost not to exceed \$11,000.00.  
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated April 18, 2012, from the Director of Planning and Community Development requests that your Honorable Body consider that there is a need for the E'Port Family Homes Urban Renewal, LP low-income housing in the City of Elizabeth; the proposed project involves the new construction of three (3) apartment buildings containing a total of 52 units in the Elizabethport neighborhood consisting of a 40 unit building at 158-168 First Street, an 8 unit building at 200-206 Third Street and a 4 unit building at 212-214 Third Street.  
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated April 24, 2012, from the Director of Public Works recommending the award of a contract to Birdsell Service Group, Inc., 65 Jackson Drive, Cranford, NJ, to provide professional engineering services in connection with the design and construction administration of the 2012 Road Resurfacing Program – Phase 1, at a cost not to exceed \$88,970.00.  
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated April 25, 2012, from the Director of Public Works requesting authorization to have liens placed against properties listed on Schedule A attached hereto and made a part hereof for the removal and disposal of debris from said properties in the total amount of \$6,697.69.  
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated April 27, 2012, from the Director of Public Works recommending the award of a contract to Joseph Jingoli & Son, Inc., 100 Lenox Drive, Suite 100, Lawrenceville, NJ, to provide construction management services for the Elizabeth Avenue Streetscape – Phase 2, at a cost not to exceed \$67,730.00.  
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated April 30, 2012, from the Director of Public Works advising that Honorable Roman Montes, Judge, Elizabeth Municipal Court, signed an order authorizing the City to enter the premises located at 856 Bailey Avenue and remediate the dangerous conditions present on the exterior of the property; and is requesting authorization to have a lien placed on the property for the removal and disposal of debris from said property on April 16, 2012, in the amount of \$584.12.  
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated April 10, 2012, from the Police Director, on behalf of Flamingo Bakery, 120 Third Street, recommending the establishment of a loading zone on the north side of Livingston Street, beginning 61 feet west of Third Street and continuing 50 feet west thereof.  
Which was received.

**PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC**

By the Clerk:

Letter dated April 25, 2012, from the Police Director requesting authorization for the proper City officials to apply, accept and sign all appropriate documents for the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, FEMA-FY 12 Port Security Grant Program for an amount not to exceed \$140,000.00.  
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated April 30, 2012, from the Police Director requesting the establishment of handicapped/personalized parking spaces at: 420 Livingston Street (personalized), 523 Franklin Street #1 (personalized), 308 Spencer Street, 232 Christine Street, 318 Amity Street 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, 402 First Avenue; disapproved: 641 First Avenue, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, 564 Jefferson Avenue, and deletions: 29 Second Street, 553 Maple Avenue, 807 Third Avenue.  
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter received April 18, 2012, from Coco Bongo Productions requesting permission to host the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Colombian Independence Day Festival, Sunday, July 22, 2012, at the corner of Morris Avenue and Westfield Avenue to Julian Place and Union Street, from 12:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.; rain date July 28, 2012.  
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated April 26, 2012, from Arcadis U.S., Inc., 8 South River Road, Cranbury, NJ, requesting an Encroachment Permit to perform environmental work consisting of twelve soil borings and eight monitoring wells within the public right-of-way of Amboy Avenue, Bayway, Burlington Avenue, Krakow Street, South Front Street and Relocated Bayway.  
Which was received.

**REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS**

By the Clerk:

Letter dated May 8, 2012, 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, May 4, 2012.  
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated April 23, 2012, from the Chief Financial Officer submitting the City Treasurer's report of Receipts and Disbursements for the month of January, 2012, and Statement of Bank Balances and Investments as of January 31, 2012.  
Which was received.

**ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING**

- ORD. NO. 4307 - Authorize the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Merici Selva, 523 Franklin Street.
- ORD. NO. 4308 - Authorize the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Jorge Herrera, 420 Livingston Street.

ORDINANCES ON FIRST (Cont'd.)

ORD. NO. 4309 - Grant an encroachment permit to Arcadis U.S., Inc., 8 South River Road, Cranbury, N.J., on behalf of the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey in association with the Goethals Bridge, to perform environmental site assessment within the public right-of-way of Amboy Avenue, Bayway, Burlington Avenue, Krakow Street, South Front Street and Relocated Bayway Avenue to include twelve (12) soil borings and eight (8) monitoring wells.

**PUBLIC HEARING AND FURTHER CONSIDERATION OF THE FOREGOING ORDINANCE SHALL TAKE PLACE AT THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING TO BE HELD TUESDAY, MAY 22, 2012, (YOUTH IN CITY GOVERNMENT DAY) AT 2:00 P.M.**

ORDINANCES ON FINAL PASSAGE

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ORD. NO. 4304 - Amend Chapter 10.16.010 of the City Code of the City of Elizabeth, to establish a four ton weight limit for motor vehicles, except for pickup and delivery, on Lidgerwood Avenue, from Garden Street to South Elmora Avenue.

NEW BUSINESS

Authorize Fiscal Year 2012 Municipal and Sewer Utility Budget transfers in the amount of \$518,757.00.

Authorize City Council to approve all payments related to accumulated/uncompensated absence benefits in compliance with SFY 2012 Appropriations Act.

Authorize the award of a contract to General Sales Administration, t/a Major Police Supply, 47 N. Dell Avenue, Kenvil, N.J., for Fixed Automatic License Plate Recognition Camera Systems for the Police Department for the period April 13, 2012 through June 30, 2013, at a cost not to exceed \$50,000.00.

Authorize the award of a contract to Sterfil Koni USA, Inc., 20 Log Canoe Circle, Stevensville, MD, for the purchase of portable lifts for the Department of Public Works Garage at a cost of \$42,682.00 under their State contract.

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NEW BUSINESS (Cont'd.)

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Authorize the award of a contract to Harbor Consultants, 320 North Avenue East, Cranford, N.J., to oversee environmental work on petroleum in the Midtown Redevelopment area, at a cost not to exceed \$11,000.00, reimbursable under contractual fees.

Authorize the award of a contract to Harbor Consultants, 320 North Avenue East, Cranford, N.J., to oversee environmental work on hazardous substances in the Midtown Redevelopment area, at a cost not to exceed \$11,000.00, reimbursable under contractual fees.

Authorize the award a contract to the Birdsall Service Group, Inc., 65 Jackson Drive, Cranford, N.J., to provide professional engineering services in connection with the design and construction administration of the 2012 Road Resurfacing Program – Phase I, at a cost not to exceed \$88,970.00.

Authorize the award of a contract to Joseph Jingoli and Son, Inc., 100 Lenox Drive, Lawrenceville, N.J., to provide construction management services for the Elizabeth Avenue Streetscape - Phase 2, at a cost not to exceed \$67,730.00.

Authorize the proper City officials to execute all appropriate documents for the City of Elizabeth to become a member of the North Jersey Sustainable Communities Consortium to create a comprehensive and balanced vision for the regions' future in which economy, housing market, transportation and infrastructure systems advance and encourage residential and business growth wherein the City will be eligible to receive up to \$20,000.00 annually for three (3) years.

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Authorize the proper City officials to execute all appropriate documents for a U.S. Department of Homeland Security – FEMA - FY 2012 Port Security Grant Program funds in an amount not to exceed \$140,000.00 for the purchase of specialized equipment for the Police Department enabling improved preparation and safety services.

Authorize the proper City officials to reallocate CDBG YR 36 funds in the amount of \$125,000.00 from the First Street Commercial Construction Project to Brand New Day's Renaissance Apartments Project, located at 170-176 First Street, as it relates to the approved Elizabethport Neighborhood Revitalization Plan through the Department of Community Affairs.

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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 \$6,697.69.

Establish a lien on property located at 856 Bailey Avenue to remediate the dangerous conditions present on the exterior of the property and for the removal and disposal of debris from said property in the amount of \$584.15.

Establish a handicapped parking space in front of the premises located at 232 Christine Street.

Establish a handicapped parking space in front of the premises located at 17 Sayre Street.

Delete the following handicapped parking spaces from in front of the premises located at: 29 Second Street, 553 Maple Avenue and 807 Third Avenue.

Authorize settlement in the workers compensation litigation matter of Cox vs. the City of Elizabeth, in the total amount of \$15,582.00.

Authorize settlement in the workers compensation litigation matter of Romero vs. the City of Elizabeth, in the total amount of \$19,080.00.

Permit Coco Bongo Productions, 294 Morris Avenue, Elizabeth, to conduct their ninth annual Colombian Independence Day Festival, on Sunday, July 22, 2012, (rain date July 28, 2012), at the corner of Morris Avenue and Westfield Avenue to Julian Place and Union Street, from 12:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Pay utility bills.

COMMENDATIONS

200 Club of Union County, 2012 Valor Award Recipients:

Captain Brian Santos, Elizabeth Fire Department  
Police Officer Paul Camarinha  
Police Officer Howard Decker  
Detective Raul DeLaPrida

MEMORIALS

*ANNA WOOTEN  
MARY A. SCHIPANI  
GERARDO "JERRY" MALGIERI  
EMANUELA MARIA FIERRO*

ADJOURNMENT

*8:25 P.M.*