

CITY COUNCIL - ELIZABETH, N. J.

REGULAR MEETING - TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2017

7:30 P. M.

AGENDA

ROLL CALL.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG.

PUBLIC SPEAKING.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- ORD. NO. 4942 - An Ordinance to amend Chapter 10.04, of the Code of the City of Elizabeth, entitled, "One-Way Streets", specifically to amend Section 10.04.050, Schedule I, to include Erico Avenue from Grove Street to NJ 439 (South Elmora Avenue) and Grove Street from New York Avenue to Erico Avenue.
- ORD. NO. 4943 - An Ordinance to amend Chapter 10.08.090, Schedule II, of the Code of the City of Elizabeth, entitled, "Stop Intersections", specifically to establish a stop sign intersection at New York Avenue and Grove Street and a stop intersection at Erico Avenue and NJ 439 (South Elmora Avenue).
- ORD. NO. 4944 - An Ordinance to amend Chapter 10.08.010, entitled "Four Way Stop Intersections", specifically to add a Four-Way Stop at the intersection of Alina Street and Cross Avenue, and install pavement markings with signage and stop bars.
- ORD. NO. 4945 - An Ordinance to amend Chapter 10.28.030, Schedule I, of the Code of the City of Elizabeth, entitled "No Parking All Times On Certain Streets", specifically to include Puleo Plaza, both sides, from First Street to Atalanta Plaza.
- ORD. NO. 4946 - An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Elizabeth to adopt the South Second Street Redevelopment Plan prepared by Harbor Consultants, Inc., dated August 28, 2017, pursuant to the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 et seq.
- ORD. NO. 4947 - An Ordinance authorizing the City of Elizabeth to enter into a site access agreement with Cornerstone Environmental Group, LLC, 100 Crystal Run Road, Suite 101, Middletown, N.Y., for site access to the Elmora Branch Library property located at 740-750 West Grand Street, Tax Acct #10-1171), in connection with the remedial investigation/action for the former Purepac (currently Actavis) site located across the street at 200 Elmora Avenue.
- ORD. NO. 4948 - An Ordinance to authorize the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Estervina Lorenzo, 413 First Avenue, Elizabeth, New Jersey.

PUBLIC HEARINGS (Cont'd)

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- ORD. NO. 4949 - An Ordinance to authorize the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Brenda Scavino, 23 Dehart Place, Elizabeth, New Jersey.
- ORD. NO. 4950 - An Ordinance to authorize the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Ruben Hernandez, 441-B Livingston Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey.
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PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated November 20, 2017, from the Business Administrator recommending awarding a contract to Xavus Solutions, LLC, d/b/a My Senior Center, P.O. Box 4407 #30713, Boston MA for the purchase of proprietary software for a database for the Department of Health and Senior Services' Senior Centers in the amount of \$24,000.00. Which was received.

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Letter dated November 20, 2017, from the Business Administrator recommending awarding a contract to Witmer Public Safety Group, 104 Independence Way, Coatesville, PA, a Division of Witmer Associates, Inc., for the purchase of Police and Homeland Security equipment and supplies for gas masks, chemical sorbents and other related items for the Police Department, Fire Department and Ambulance Service Bureau for the period of November 17, 2017 through December 26, 2017 at a cost not to exceed \$50,000.00. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated November 20, 2017, from the Business Administrator requesting authorization for the proper City officials to issue a Fidelity Officials Bond with the Hartford Insurance Company, Hartford, CT, through the agent-of-record, Hughes Plumer Associates, 20 West End Avenue, Somerville, NJ covering Paul Lesniak, City Treasurer/Tax Collector for the period December 1, 2017 to December 1, 2018 at an annual premium of \$1,750.00. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated November 21, 2017, from the Business Administrator requests authorization for the proper City officials to file an Accidental Disability Pension on behalf of City employee, Jerry Pridgen who on May of 2013 was involved in an accident deeming him to be totally and permanently disabled and will not return to work. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated November 13, 2017, from the City Attorney requesting that your Honorable Body consider an ordinance to establish Chapter 8.86 of the Code of the City of Elizabeth entitled "Landlord Responsibility for Disorderly Tenants". Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated November 21, 2017, from the Chief Financial Officer advising that additional grants may be appropriated in the 2018 SFY Budget by budget amendments (Chapter 159). Which was received.

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC. (Cont'd)

By the Clerk:

Letter dated November 21, 2017, from the Chief Financial Officer recommending that your Honorable Body hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Finance to make the following estimated corrections in the 2018 Municipal Budget to account for the City's share (local share) of grants (Chapter 159) approved subsequent to the adopted budget: Matching Funds-City's Share from \$1,000,000.00 to \$972,500.00; Local Share: Union County Greening 2017 from – 0 – to \$27,500. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated November 20, 2017, from the Director of Planning & Community Development requesting authorization for the proper City officials to apply, accept, and sign all appropriate documents for the 2018 Volunteer Income Tax (VITA) Program in conjunction with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) which enables tax preparation services to be provided to residents free of charge at the Stephen Sampson Center and Liberty Square Center. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated November 21, 2017, from the Director of Public Works requesting permission to have liens placed against properties listed on Schedule A attached hereto for the boarding up of said properties in the amount of \$2,612.81. Which was received.

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Letter dated November 21, 2017, from the Director of Public Works requesting 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 \$12,087.02. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated November 6, 2017, from the Police Director requests to amend Chapter 10.28.050 of the Code of the City of Elizabeth, Schedule III entitled No Stopping or Standing specifically, to include Atalanta Plaza and Slater Drive both sides beginning at Puleo Plaza and continuing to the terminus of Atalanta Plaza which then continues as Slater Drive upon reaching First Street. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated November 9, 2017, from the Police Director requests to establish handicapped parking spaces in front of the following locations: 214 South Street (personalized); 520 Franklin Street (personalized); 238 Marshall Street; 935 Flora Street; 546 S. Broad Street (personalized); 223 S. Seventh Street, Flr. 2 (personalized); 523 Franklin Street (personalized); deletions: 436 Niles Street; 210 Marshall Street; 249 Pine Street 1st Flr. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Email dated November 21, 2017, from Sgt. Clancy requests to amend Chapter 10.08.080(b) of the Code of the City of Elizabeth entitled Through Streets specifically to reflect the establishment of the Stop sign on Cross Avenue at Alina Street. Which was received.

REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS

NONE.

ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING

- ORD. NO. 4952 - An Ordinance to establish Chapter 8.86 of the Code of the City of Elizabeth entitled "Landlord Responsibility for Disorderly Tenants", specifically to require certain landlords to post adequate security against the consequences of the disorderly behavior of their tenants.
- ORD. NO. 4953 - An Ordinance to Repeal Chapter 10.08.080 B 11a. of the Code of the City of Elizabeth, entitled "Schedule I, through Streets" specifically to remove yield right of way sign between New Jersey Route 439 and Lower Road on the easterly approach of Cross Avenue and replace with: a. Between New Jersey Route 439 and Durant Street; b. Between Alina Street and Lower Road.
- ORD. NO. 4954 - An Ordinance to amend Chapter 10.28.050, of the Code of the City of Elizabeth, entitled "Schedule III - "No Stopping or Standing," specifically to establish No Stopping or Standing at all times on both sides of Atalanta Plaza and Slater Drive.
- ORD. NO. 4955 - An Ordinance to authorize the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Araceli Esposito, 214 South Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey.
- ORD. NO. 4956 - An Ordinance to authorize the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Delfina Almeida, 964 ½ Dehart Place, Elizabeth, New Jersey.
- ORD. NO. 4957 - An Ordinance to authorize the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Monica Aquino, 715 McKinley Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey.
- ORD. NO. 4958 - An Ordinance to authorize the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Amanda Vidal, 18 Reid Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey.
- ORD. NO. 4959 - An Ordinance to rescind Ordinance No.4806, adopted on February 28, 2017, which authorized the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Celestina Bernaldo, 249 Pine Street, 1st Floor, Elizabeth, New Jersey.

PUBLIC HEARING AND FURTHER CONSIDERATION OF THE FOREGOING ORDINANCES SHALL TAKE PLACE AT THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING TO BE HELD TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2017, AT 7:30 P.M.

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NEW BUSINESS

Authorize an amendment to the Fiscal Year 2018 Budget to insert, as an item of Revenue, an Open Space Trust Fund, County of Union, N.J. Greening Union County Grant 2017 in the amount of \$27,500.00.

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NEW BUSINESS (Cont'd.)

Authorize the award of a contract to Hartford Insurance Company, Hartford, CT, through the agent-of-record, Hughes-Plumer and Associates, for the renewal of the policy of insurance covering the Fidelity Public Officials Bond for City Treasurer/Tax Collector, Paul Lesniak, for the period December 1, 2017 to December 1, 2018 at an annual premium of \$1,750.00.

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Adopt a resolution in support of the continuation of Temporary Protected Status (TPS).

Establish a handicapped parking space in front of the premises located at 1026 East Jersey Street Apt. #25.

Establish a handicapped parking space in front of the premises located at 238 Marshall Street.

Establish a handicapped parking space in front of the premises located at 122 Reid Street.

Establish a handicapped parking space in front of the premises located at 947 Sheridan Avenue.

Establish a handicapped parking space in front of the premises located at 19 Vista Avenue.

Delete the following handicapped parking space from in front of the premises located at: 436 Niles Street; 210 Marshall Street

Authorize settlement in the worker's compensation litigation matter of Conoshenti vs. the City in the total amount of \$45,261.00.

Pay Utility Bills

Approve Bingo and Raffle Licenses

COMMENDATIONS:

MEMORIALS:

Frances Gervase

ADJOURNMENT