CITY COUNCIL - ELIZABETH, N. J.

REGULAR MEETING - WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 26, 2012

7:30 P. M.

AGENDA

ROLL CALL.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG.

PUBLIC SPEAKING.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Conference Meetings: May 1,15; June 6, 19;July 3,
Regular Meetings: May 8, 22; June 12, 26; July 24

PUBLIC HEARINGS

ORD. NO. 4351 - Amend Chapter 2.56, Article IX, Section 340, of the Code of the City of Elizabeth, entitled "Outside Employment", Contracted Off-Duty Employment, specifically to increase the administrative rate to $5.00 per hour.

ORD. NO. 4352 - Amend Ord. No. 3750, adopted August 23, 2005, authorizing the adoption of the Durant Redevelopment Plan, specifically to adopt the revised redevelopment plans in its entirety due to a fire that damaged and destroyed structures in the original plan pursuant to Planning Board recommendation.

ORD. NO. 4353 - Amend Chapter 10.16.010 of the Code of the City of Elizabeth, to establish a four- ton weight limit for motor vehicles, except for pick-up and delivery, on First Street, between Elizabeth Avenue and Trumbull Street.

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 13, 2012, from the Business Administrator recommending the award of a contract to WPCS International Inc., 1981 Swarthmore Avenue, Suite 4, Lakewood, NJ, for the purchase of Radio Communication Equipment and Accessories for the Fire Department for the period of December 10, 2012 through January 31, 2013, at a cost not to exceed $3,000.00.
Which was received.

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

By the Clerk:
Letter dated December 13, 2012, from the Business Administrator recommending awarding a contract to Hertrich Fleet Services, Inc., 1427 Bay Road, Milford, DE, for the purchase of nine (9) 2013 Dodge Avengers SE Sedans at an individual cost of $16,065.00 each, totaling $144,585.00.
Which was received.

By the Clerk:
Letter dated December 13, 2012, from the Business Administrator recommending awarding a contract to Beyer Ford, 170 Ridgedale Avenue, Morristown, NJ for the purchase of one (1) 2013 Ford F-350 Cargo Van at a cost of $23,267.00, under the Morris County Co-Op contract, and two (2) 2013 Ford Focus SE Sedans at a cost of $17,766.00 each, under the Cranford Co-Op contract, at a total cost of $58,799.00.
Which was received.

By the Clerk:
Letter dated December 13, 2012, from the Business Administrator recommending awarding a contract to East Coast Emergency Lighting, 200 Meco Drive, Millstone Twp., NJ, for the purchase of Lights, Sirens, Electrical Wiring, etc., for five (5) 2013 Ford Explorers and nine (9) Dodge Avengers for the Police Department at a total cost of $26,857.70.
Which was received.

By the Clerk:
Letter dated December 4, 2012, from the Chief Financial Officer requesting authorization for the Tax Collector to cancel/refund/credit the overbilling of taxes on the property located at 329 South Park Street for the 2011 and 2012 Tax Years in the total sum of $2,180.06.
Which was received.

By the Clerk:
Letter dated December 18, 2012, from the Chief Financial Officer advising that additional grants may be appropriated in the 2013 SFY Budget by budget amendments.
Which was received.

By the Clerk:
Letter dated December 18, 2012, from the Chief Financial Officer requesting that your Honorable Body consider refunding to the Pepsi Bottling Group, One Pepsi Way, Somers, NY for an overpayment of Franchise Assessment's due to Pepsi Bottling Group, including the sale of their product within the entire City rather than only the Jersey Garden Mall, for the period of December, 2011 through August, 2012 in the amount of $65,398.47.
Which was received.

By the Clerk:
Letter dated December 18, 2012, from the Chief Financial Officer requesting that your Honorable Body consider the financing of the Motorola Trunked Radio System Upgrade to be in compliance with the Federal Communication Commission mandate and for use on the State of New Jersey's Interoperable Communications System.
Which was received.

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

By the Clerk:
Letter dated December 17, 2012, from the Director of Planning and Community Development requesting that your Honorable Body consider approval of the Urban Enterprise Zone (UEZ) proposal for Funding of the Historic Midtown Elizabeth Special Improvement District (SID) in the amount of $57,059.00.
Which was received.

By the Clerk:
Letter dated December 17, 2012, from the Director of Planning and Community Development requesting authorization for the proper City officials to execute any and all documents necessary and appropriate for the First Time Homebuyer Program to provide a down payment and closing cost grant and a deferred payment loan for repairs for the property located at 620 Chetwood Street in the amount of $19,695.00.
Which was received.

By the Clerk:
Letter dated December 17, 2012, from the Director of Planning and Community Development requesting to amend the resolution dated October 23, 2012, with the American National Red Cross to provide Emergency Solution Grant Funding to purchase a trailer for disaster relief, specifically to correct the scope of service which is to provide temporary shelter to City of Elizabeth residents who are victims of a disaster.
Which was received.

By the Clerk:
Letter dated December 17, 2012, from the Director of Planning and Community Development requesting to rescind the November 13, 2012 resolution amending the scope of service for the American National Red Cross, specifically to maintain the scope of service of the original resolution dated September 11, 2012, which was to purchase a trailer to store emergency medical supplies.
Which was received.

By the Clerk:
Letter dated December 12, 2012, from the Director of Public Works requesting permission to have liens placed against properties listed on Schedule A attached hereto and made a part hereof for the boarding up of said properties in the amount of $1,178.10.
Which was received.

By the Clerk:
Letter dated December 14, 2012, from the Director of Public Works advising that pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 2.52.030 of the Code of the City of Elizabeth, effective January 1, 2013, herewith appoints Mr. Daniel J. Loomis, P.E., 322 Clinton Place, South Plainfield, NJ, to serve as Municipal Engineer for the term of my office.
Which was received.

By the Clerk:
Letter dated December 14, 2012, from the Director of Public Works recommending awarding a contract to Hatch Mott MacDonald, 2[illegible] Bleeker Street, Millburn, NJ, to provide civil engineering services on a time and material basis for actual time and expenses spent in connection with the Hurricane Sandy Disaster Recovery Public Assistance Program at a cost not to exceed $75,000.00.
Which was received.

REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 26, 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, December 21, 2012.
Which was received.

ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING

NONE.

ORDINANCES ON FINAL PASSAGE

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NEW BUSINESS

Authorize an amendment to the Fiscal Year 2013 Budget to insert, as an Item of Revenue, a U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development HOP Spring Street Mixed Use Project in the amount of $850,000.00.

Authorize the award of a contract to WPCS International, Inc., 1985 Swarthmore Avenue, Lakewood, N.J., for the purchase of radio communication equipment for the Fire Department for the period December 10, 2012 through January 31, 2013, at a cost of $3,000.00.

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Authorize the award of a contract to Beyer Ford, 170 Ridgedale Avenue, Morristown, N.J., for the purchase of one (1) 2013 Ford F-350 Cargo Van at a cost of $23,267.00, under the Morris County CO-OP, and two (2) 2013 Ford Focus SE Sedans at a cost of $17,766.00, under the Cranford CO-OP, for the Department of Police, in the total amount of $58,799.00.

NEW BUSINESS (Cont'd.)

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Authorize the Tax Collector to cancel/refund/credit an overbilling of taxes on the property located at 329 South Park Street for Tax Years 2011 and 2012, in the total amount of $2,180.06.

Authorize the Tax Collector to refund an overpayment of the Franchise Assessment Tax for the period January, 2012 through August, 2012, to the Pepsi Bottling Group, Somers, N.Y., in the total amount of $65,398.47.

Authorize the proper City officials to finance the Motorola Trunked Radio System Upgrade to be in compliance with the Federal Communication Commission mandate and for use on the State of New Jersey's Interoperable Communications System.

Authorize the proper City officials to submit a proposal to the New Jersey Urban Enterprise Zone Authority for the use of City of Elizabeth Zone Assistance Funds in the amount of $57,059.00 to provide funding for the Historic Midtown Special Improvement District for the period January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2013.

Authorize the proper City officials to execute all necessary documents for the First Time Homebuyer Program to provide for a down payment, closing cost grant and a deferred payment repair loan for the property located at 620 Chetwood Street in the amount of $19,695.00.

Rescind the resolution adopted November 13, 2012, amending the scope of service with the American National Red Cross for Community Block Grant Funding .

Amend a resolution adopted October 23, 2012, granting Emergency Solution Grant Funding to the American National Red Cross for the purchase of a trailer for disaster relief, specifically to correct the scope of service to provide temporary shelter to victims of a disaster to Elizabeth residents.

Authorize the award of a contract to Hatch Mott MacDonald, 27 Bleeker Street, Millburn, N.J., to provide civil engineering services for time and expenses spent in connection with the Hurricane Sandy Disaster Recovery Public Assistance Program at a cost not to exceed $75,000.00.

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 $1,178.10.

Adopt a resolution in support of legislation declaring violence a public health crises, expanding mental health courts, recommending federal adoption of gun control measures and establishing a Study Commission on Violence.

Pay utility bills.

Approve Bingo and Raffle licenses.

COMMENDATIONS

Cleo Wooten, 90th Birthday

MEMORIALS

ADJOURNMENT