

CITY COUNCIL - ELIZABETH, N. J.

REGULAR MEETING - TUESDAY, MARCH 24, 2015

7:30 P. M.

AGENDA

ROLL CALL.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG.

PUBLIC SPEAKING.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- ORD. NO. 4557 - Amend Chapter 10.28.040 of the Code of the City of Elizabeth, entitled "No Parking Certain Hours," specifically to remove on the east side of North Broad Street, between 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., from the Arch to 150 feet south of Westfield Avenue and remove on the west side of North Broad Street, between 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., from Westfield Avenue to Railroad Place, Street Cleaning signs remain the same.
- ORD. NO. 4558 - Amend Chapter 10.28.030 of the Code of the City of Elizabeth, entitled "No Parking All Times," specifically to add on the west curb line of Hazard Place, between Clinton Place and North Avenue, except for Street Cleaning signs remain the same.
- ORD. NO. 4559 - Amend Chapter 10.16.010 of the Code of the City of Elizabeth, entitled "Weight Limits," specifically to establish a four- ton weight limit for motor vehicles, except for pick-up and delivery, on Bonnet Street, between Bayway Avenue and Myrtle Street.
- ORD. NO. 4560 - Amend Chapter 10.64.040 of the Code of the City of Elizabeth, entitled "Prohibition of Parking, Standing, Loading and Unloading of Trucks, Tractor Trailers, or Vans on Certain Streets.

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated March 13, 2015, from the Business Administrator requesting authorization for the proper City officials to enter into and execute an agreement with emsCharts, Inc., 125 Warrendale Bayne Road, Suite 100, Warrendale, PA, to continue to create, maintain, access, manage and report information relating to emergency medical care transport and other medical services regarding billing issues from 2013 and 2014 for a one year period from the date the agreement is executed in the amount of \$1,129.00.  
Which was received.

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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Letter dated March 13, 2015, from the Business Administrator recommending the award of a contract to Allied Oil, LLC, 25 Old Campain Road, Hillsborough, NJ, for the purchase of gasoline for the Public Works Marina for the period of February 28, 2015 through February 29, 2016, at a cost not to exceed \$125,000.00. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated March 16, 2015, from the Business Administrator requesting that City Council reject all bids received February 27, 2015, for the demolition of a structure located at 206 South Second Street for the Construction Department and authorize the Purchasing Agent to re-advertise with revised specifications. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated March 16, 2015, from the Business Administrator requesting authorization for the proper City officials to apply, accept and sign all appropriate documents for the New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety, Highway Traffic Safety Distracted Driving Crackdown Grant to crack down on motorists, who text and drive, etc. for an amount not to exceed \$5,000.00. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated February 24, 2015, from the Chief Financial Officer requesting authorization for the Tax Collector to cancel/refund/credit an over billing of taxes for 2014 Tax Year on the property located at 113-115 Elizabeth Avenue in the sum of \$1,367.06. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated March 17, 2015, from the Chief Financial Officer advising that additional grants may be appropriated in the 2015 SFY Budget by budget amendments. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated March 17, 2015, from the Chief Financial Officer advising that in compliance with the SFY 2012 Appropriations Act requires that your Honorable Body approve all payments related to accumulated/uncompensated absence benefits. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated March 17, 2015, from the Chief Financial Officer advising that in compliance with the SFY 2012 Appropriations Act requires that your Honorable Body discuss once annually an assessment of the authorities the City has created, namely, the Elizabeth Parking Authority and the Elizabeth Housing Authority, whether they have addressed a public need and fulfilled their mission. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated March 17, 2015, from the Chief Financial Officer recommending to reintroduce and approve a resolution that would have allowed the City to fund \$5.4 million through the 2015 New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust (NJEIT) Financing Program at interest rates lower than market rates in respect of the Joint Meeting of Essex and Union Counties Capital Assessment Program. Which was received.

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated March 17, 2015, from the Director of Health and Human Services requesting to declare April 6, 2015 to April 11, 2015 as National Public Health Week. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated March 16, 2015, from the Director of Planning and Community Development authorizing the proper City officials to execute any and all documents necessary and appropriate to provide a Rental Housing Program Deferred Payment Loan on the property located at 1014 Anna Street in the amount of \$120,000.00. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated March 11, 2015, 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 properties in the amount of \$344.30. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated March 11, 2015, from the Director of Public Works requesting permission to have liens placed against properties listed on Schedule A attached hereto for the removal of ice and snow from said properties in the amount of \$960.49. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated March 13, 2015, from the Director of Public Works recommending awarding a contract to ANS Consultants, Inc., 4405 South Clinton Avenue, South Plainfield, NJ to provide material testing and inspection services on a time and material basis for actual time and expenses in connection with Engine Company No. 6 construction at 472 Catherine Street at a cost not to exceed \$52,110.00, plus reimbursable. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated March 13, 2015, from the Director of Public Works recommending the award of a contract to Hatch Mott MacDonald, 111 Wood Avenue South, Iselin, NJ, to provide engineering and field services during construction, including conducting meetings, review of submittals and shop drawings, full time inspection and administrative services on a time and materials basis in connection with the Trumbull Street Flood Control Project, Phase III, Construction Phase Engineering Services at a cost not to exceed \$325,000.00 and a lump sum of \$8,050.00 to prepare the Preliminary Assessment for a total contract award of \$333,050.00 plus reimbursable. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated March 16, 2015, from the Director of Public Works recommending the award of a contract to Hatch Mott MacDonald, 111 Wood Avenue South, Iselin, NJ, to provide professional engineering services in connection with the review of sewer applications for a one year period at no cost to the City. Which was received.

REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS

By the Clerk:

Letter dated March 11, 2015, from the Chief Financial Officer submitting the City Treasurer's Report of Receipts and Disbursements for the month of October, 2014, and Statement of Bank Balances and Investments as of October 31, 2014. Which was received.

ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING

- ORD. NO. 4561 - Amend Chapter 6.04 of the Code of the City of Elizabeth entitled "Dogs and Other Animals," specifically to establish Section 6.04.380, a fee schedule for the Animal Shelter.
- ORD. NO. 4562 - Amend Chapter 10.28.030 of the Code of the City of Elizabeth, entitled "No Parking All Times," specifically to add on the east side curb line of West End Place, except for Street Cleaning signs will remain the same.
- ORD. NO. 4563 - Authorize the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Gaby Verissimo, 227 Pine Street.

REINTRODUCTION:

- ORD. NO. 4459 - Bond Ordinance providing for the resurfacing of various road located in the City and appropriating \$5,000,000 therefor and providing for the issuance of \$4,750,000 in Bonds or Notes to finance same.
- ORD. NO. 4522 - Bond Ordinance providing for a supplemental appropriation of \$1,000,000 for the reconstruction of a fire house in the City and appropriating \$1,000,000 therefor and providing for the issuance of \$950,000 in Bonds or Notes to finance same.

**PUBLIC HEARING AND FURTHER CONSIDERATION OF THE FOREGOING ORDINANCES SHALL TAKE PLACE AT THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING TO BE HELD TUESDAY, APRIL 14, 2015, AT 7:30 P.M.**

ORDINANCES ON FINAL PASSAGE

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NEW BUSINESS

In compliance with SFY 2012 Appropriations Act (Best Practices Requirement), City Council is requested to approve all payments related to accumulated/uncompensated absence benefits.

In compliance with the SFY 2012 Appropriations Act, City Council review and discuss the annual assessment of the Parking Authority and the Housing Authority, fulfilling their public need.

Reintroduce a resolution authorizing the execution and delivery of loan agreements and an escrow agreement; the issuance of not to exceed \$5,400,000 of the City's General Obligation Bonds in connection with the City's participation in the Fiscal Year 2015 New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust Financing Program for funding the City's Capital Improvement Assessment in respect of the Joint Meeting of Essex and Union County at an interest rate lower than market rates.

Authorize the Tax Collector to cancel/refund/credit an overbilling of taxes on the property located at 113-115 Elizabeth Avenue for Tax Year 2014, in the amount of \$1,367.06.

Authorize the proper City officials to enter into an agreement with emsCharts, Inc., 125 Warendale Bayne Road, Warendale, PA., to manage and report information relating to emergency medical care transport and services regarding billing issues from 2013 and 2014 for a one year period in the amount of \$1,129.00.

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Reject all bids received on February 27, 2015, for the demolition of a structure located at 206 South Second Street for the Construction Department and authorize the Purchasing Agent to readvertise for same with revised specifications.

Authorize the proper City officials to execute appropriate documents for the New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety, Highway Traffic Safety Distracted Driving Crackdown Grant in an amount not to exceed \$5,000.00, to crack down on motorists who text and drive, etc.

NEW BUSINESS (Cont'd.)

Authorize the proper City officials to execute all necessary documents to provide a Rental Housing Program Deferred Payment loan to NJ Community Development Group, LLC, 2444 Morris Avenue, Elizabeth, N.J., for the acquisition and rehabilitation of a vacant two (2) unit building located at 1014 Anna Street, in the amount of \$120,000.00

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 \$344.30.

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 of \$960.49.

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Authorize the award of a contract to Hatch Mott MacDonald, 111 Wood Avenue South, Iselin, N.J., to provide professional engineering and field services in connection with the construction phases of the Trumbull Street Flood Control Project, Phase II, at a cost not to exceed \$325,000.00 and the sum of \$8,050.00 to prepare the preliminary assessment for a total contract award of \$333,050.00, plus reimbursables.

Authorize the award of a contract to Hatch Mott MacDonald, 111 Wood Avenue South, Iselin, N.J., to provide professional engineering services in connection with the review of sewer applications for a one year period at no cost to the City for said service.

Establish a handicapped parking space in front of the premises located at 1009 Kilsyth Road.

Establish a handicapped parking space in front of the premises located at 1071 Anna Street.

Authorize the proper City officials to execute a Memorandum of Understanding for Mutual Aid Response between the Elizabeth Fire Department and the Civil Airport Operator of Newark Liberty International Airport .

Adopt a resolution of continuing support for the goals and purposes of the 2004 Highlands Water Protection and Planning Act.

Authorize the settlement agreement with Novus Port Apartments Urban Renewal, LLC., regarding 105-109 First Street (107 First Street Urban Renewal, Inc.) and 111-113 First Street (Burnett Investors Urban Renewal, Inc.)

Authorize settlement in the workers compensation litigation matter of Partazana vs. the City of Elizabeth, in the total amount of \$30,000.00.

Declare April 6-11, 2015 as National Public Health Week.

Pay utility bills.

Approve Bingo and Raffle licenses.

COMMENDATIONS

Darcy Del Castillo, for her hard work and dedication at the Elizabeth Animal Center

Elizabeth Police Officer Howard Decker, Found autistic boy missing in Linden

Tina Cedeno  
Margarita Gonzalez

(Business Owners of Fantasy Novelty Shop  
(Recognized for Women's History Month

MEMORIALS

ADJOURNMENT