

CITY COUNCIL - ELIZABETH, N. J.
REGULAR MEETING - TUESDAY, JANUARY 10, 2023

7:30 P. M.

AGENDA

ROLL CALL.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG.

PUBLIC SPEAKING: RESIDENTS AND TAXPAYERS ADDRESS THE CITY COUNCIL.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Organization Meeting: January 4, 2022
Conference Meetings: January 4, 18; February 1, 15; March 1, 15; April 5, 19; May 3, 17; June 8, 21; July 5; August 2; September 6, 20; October 4, 18; November 1, 14; December 6, 20, 2022
Special Conference: November 14, 2022
Regular Meetings: January 11, 25; February 8, 22; March 8, 22; April 12, 26; May 10, 24; June 14, 28; July 26; August 23; September 13, 27; October 11, 25; November 9, 22; December 13, 27, 2022
Special Meetings: July 5, 2022

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- ORD. NO. 5771 - An Ordinance to amend Chapter 8.36 of the Code of the City of Elizabeth, entitled, "Mandatory Recycling Program" specifically to amend Section 8.36.080, entitled "Multi-Family Dwelling Over Three Units" to include condominiums and cooperative apartments.
- ORD. NO. 5772 - An Ordinance to authorize the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Charmaine Franklin, 142 Court Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey.
- ORD. NO. 5773 - An Ordinance to authorize the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Nimia Alvarado, 217 Marshall Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey.
- ORD. NO. 5774 - An Ordinance to authorize the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Endy Floresayala, 538 Marshall Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey.
- ORD. NO. 5775 - An Ordinance to authorize the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Carlos Lora, 155 South Park Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey.
- ORD. NO. 5776 - An Ordinance to authorize the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Octaviano Mencia Martinez, 317 South Park Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey.
- ORD. NO. 5777 - An Ordinance to authorize the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Paula Baez, 322 South Park Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey.
- ORD. NO. 5778 - An Ordinance to authorize the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Ann Marie Pelissier, 1422 Lexington Place Apt. 2R, Elizabeth, New Jersey.

PUBLIC HEARINGS (Cont'd)

ORD. NO. 5779 - An Ordinance to authorize the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Catalina LeonGomez, 757 Ogden Street, Apt. 2R, Elizabeth, New Jersey.

ORD. NO. 5780 - An Ordinance to authorize the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Virginia Garcia, 141 Washington Avenue, Elizabeth, New Jersey.

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 28, 2022, from the Business Administrator recommending awarding a contract to Maffey's Lock & Safe Co., Inc., 1172 East Grand Street, Elizabeth, NJ for the purchase of Surveillance Equipment for various departments for the period of November 8, 2022 through November 13, 2023 at a cost not to exceed \$150,000.00. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 28, 2022, from the Business Administrator request to amend the resolution adopted on July 26, 2022 awarding a contract to Firefighter One Limited, Sparta, NJ for the purchase of Protective Firefighter Clothing and Equipment in the amount not to exceed \$120,000.00, specifically to purchase additional equipment for their new recruits in the amount of \$200,000.00 thereby increasing the amount of the contract to \$320,000.00. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 28, 2022, from the Business Administrator request authorization for the proper City officials to execute a Collective Bargaining Agreement with the International Association of Fire Fighters, I.A.F.F. Local 2040 for a 4-year contract from July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2026; employees covered under this agreement shall receive a two and one quarter percent (2.25%) increase in their respective salary ranges for July 1, 2022, two and one quarter percent (2.25%) for July 1, 2023, two and one quarter percent (2.25%) for July 1, 2024 and two and three quarters percent (2.75%) for July 1, 2025; detail specifics are attached hereto. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 30, 2022, from the Business Administrator request authorization for the issuance of insurance with NFP Insurance Property & Casualty Services Inc., P.O. Box 840801, Los Angeles, CA covering the EMS/Fire & Police Medical Director for the period of December 24, 2022 through December 24, 2023 at an annual premium of \$4,600.00. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 30, 2022, from the Business Administrator request authorization for the proper City officials to renew the insurance policy with Fidelity & Deposit Company & Maryland, 1400 American Lane Schaumburg, IL, through agent-of-record Hughes Plumer Associates covering the Fidelity Blanket bond for public employees' dishonesty for the period of January 1, 2023 to January 1, 2024 at an annual premium of \$3,366.00. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 30, 2022, from the Business Administrator recommending awarding a contract to Skyline Environmental Inc, 740 Highway 34, Suite 3, Old Bridge Township, Matawan, NJ to provide professional services in connection with the Health & Safety Compliance Programs for the Year 2023 from January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023 in an amount not to exceed \$150,000.00. Which was received.

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC. (Cont'd)

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 30, 2022, from the Business Administrator request authorization for His Honor the Mayor or proper City officials to execute the Materials and/or Likeness Release with New Viacom Velocity (the “Company”) in order for the mural located at 313 Morris Avenue to be featured in their anti-vaping programming due to the Company’s infringement on the City’s rights if the images are used commercially without the release. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated January 3, 2023, from the Chief Financial Officer advising that additional grants may be appropriated in the 2023 SFY Budget by budget amendments (Chapter 159). Which was received.

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Letter dated January 3, 2023, from the Chief Financial Officer advising in compliance with the SFY 2016 Appropriations Act requires that your Honorable Body approve all payments related to accumulated/uncompensated absence benefits. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated January 3, 2023, from the Chief Financial Officer recommends that your Honorable Body requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services make changes in the 2023 Municipal Budget to account for the City’s local share of grants (Chapter 159) approved after the adoption of the budget. Which was received.

NONE.

REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS

ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING

ORD. NO. 5781 - An Ordinance to authorize the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Juana Salasbecerra, 1044 Louisa Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey.

PUBLIC HEARING AND FURTHER CONSIDERATION OF THE FOREGOING ORDINANCE SHALL TAKE PLACE AT THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING TO BE HELD TUESDAY, JANUARY 24, 2023 AT 7:30 P.M.

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NEW BUSINESS

Authorize an amendment to the Fiscal Year 2023 Budget to insert, as an item of Revenue, the US HUD, ARP Home Grant, in the amount of \$3,358,343.43.

Authorize an amendment to the Fiscal Year 2023 Budget to insert, as an item of Revenue, the NJ DOT, Federal Highway Safety Grant, in the amount of \$21,000.00.

Authorize an amendment to the Fiscal Year 2023 Budget to insert, as an item of Revenue, the NJ Department of Public Law and Safety, Body Armor Grant, in the amount of \$18,925.01.

Authorize the award of a contract to Maffey's Lock & Safe Co., Inc., 1172 East Grand Street, Elizabeth, N.J., for the purchase of Surveillance Equipment for various departments through the Union County Co-Op for the period November 8, 2022 through November 13, 2023, at a cost not to exceed \$150,000.00.

Amend resolution adopted on July 26, 2022 with Firefighter One Limited, 34 Wilson Drive, Sparta, N.J., for the purchase of Protective Firefighter Clothing and Equipment, for the Fire Department for the period June 15, 2022 through June 14, 2023, in the amount not to exceed \$120,000.00, specifically to purchase additional equipment for the Fire Department's new recruits in the amount of \$200,000.00, for a new total amount not to exceed \$320,000.00.

Authorize His Honor the Mayor to execute the Collective Bargaining Agreement with the International Association of Fire Fighters, I.A.F.F. Local 2040, for a (4) four-year contract term from July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2026.

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Authorize the proper City Officials to execute the Materials and/or Likeness Release in order for New Viacom Velocity to proceed with its anti-vaping programming featuring the mural located at 313 Morris Avenue to move forward.

Authorize the settlement in the worker's compensation litigation matter of Palomino v. the City, in the total amount of \$12,500.00.

Pay Utility Bills

COMMENDATIONS:

Shawn McClain, President
Arnaz Johnson, 1st Vice President
Da'Nae Dunham, Secretary
Monica Green, Assistant Secretary
Lillian Gourdine, Treasurer

) Congratulations on the newly elected 2023-2025
) NAACP Elizabeth Branch
) Executive Board Members

MEMORIALS:

Carlos Alberto SantosDaCruz Raimundo
Edward Thomas
Barbara Alice Williamson
Robert Nathaniel Banks
Charles Edward Blount Jr.
H. Jamil Scott

ADJOURNMENT