

CITY COUNCIL - ELIZABETH, N. J.

REGULAR MEETING - TUESDAY, DECEMBER 27, 2005

AGENDA

ROLL CALL.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG.

PUBLIC SPEAKING: RESIDENTS AND TAXPAYERS ADDRESS THE CITY COUNCIL.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- ORD. NO. 3773 - Authorize an ordinance granting municipal consent for the operation of a cable system within the City of Elizabeth to CSC TKR, Inc.
- ORD. NO. 3774 - Authorize the sale of City-owned property located at 801-871 Livingston Street to Trumbull Street Business Center, LLC., at a purchase price of \$520,000.00.
- ORD. NO. 3775 - Grant an encroachment permit to Schoor DePalma , Inc., 200 U.S. Highway 9, Manalapan, N.J., to install three (3) groundwater monitoring wells in the public right-of-way of North Avenue, Division Street and Dowd Avenue, as part of the environmental study for the North Avenue Corridor Improvement Project.
- ORD. NO. 3776 - Authorize the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Isabel A. Vargas, 628 Adams Avenue.
- ORD. NO. 3777 - Authorize the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Robert Hendley, 901 Flora Street.

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 20, 2005, from the Chief Financial Officer requesting an amendment to the contract awarded to Union Square Medical Associates, 824 Elizabeth Avenue, Elizabeth, which provides for the services of a physician for the City at a cost of \$25,000.00, to correct the omission of a portion of the charge for medical services for City employees, which will increase the contract cost to \$40,000.00.
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 6, 2005, from the Chief Financial Officer requesting that the City Council reject all bids received on November 10, 2005, for the furnishing of Lead Hazard Reduction for EHIP and authorize the Purchasing Agent to readvertise with revised specifications.
Which was received.

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 6, 2005, from the Chief Financial Officer recommending the award of a contract to New York Life Insurance Company, 399 Thornhill Street, Edison, N.J., to make available to all City employees a long-term care insurance program through voluntary payroll deductions, for the period January 1, 2006 to January 1, 2009, at no cost to the City.

Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 12, 2005, from the Chief Financial Officer requesting a waiver of the residency requirement for Emergency Medical Technician Patricia Boyle for a one-year period.

Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 20, 2005, from the Chief Financial Officer advising that, being satisfied that an emergency did exist, he concurred with the award of a contract to JPM Demolition, 82 Foundry Street, Newark, N.J., for the demolition of the premises located at 212-214 Third Street, at a cost of \$35,000.00.

Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 16, 2005, from the Chief Financial Officer advising that, being satisfied that an emergency did exist, he concurred with the award of a contract to Big Top Contractors, Inc., 31 Elliot Street, Avenel, N.J., for the demolition of the premises located at 43-45 Cherry Street, at a cost of \$35,000.00.

Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 16, 2005, from the Chief Financial Officer advising that, being satisfied that an emergency did exist, he concurred with the award of a contract to JPM Demolition, 82 Foundry Street, Newark, N.J., for the demolition of the premises located at 544-546 Bond Street, at a cost of \$14,500.00.

Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 8, 2005, from the Chief Financial Officer requesting a waiver of the residency requirement for Emergency Medical Technician Jennifer Montano for a one-year period.

Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 8, 2005, from the Business Administrator requesting a waiver of the residency requirement for Emergency Medical Technician Monika Konopko for a one-year period.

Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 20, 2005, from the Chief Financial Officer advising that there may be a need to amend the Fiscal Year 2006 Municipal Budget to insert, as Items of Revenue, various grants received.

Which was received.

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 19, 2005, from the Chief Financial Officer recommending the award of respective contracts for maintenance of proprietary software to the following: Edmunds and Associates, Inc., 301A Tilton Road, Northfield, N.J., for the Financial Tax System at a cost of \$31,700.00; Cort Directions, Inc., 855 SW Yates Drive, Bend, Oregon, for the payroll system, at a cost of \$14,950.00; Archonix Systems, LLC., 14000 Commerce Parkway, Mount Laurel, N.J., for the Police System at a cost of \$39,000.00; Alpine Software Corporation, P.O. Box 281, Pittsford, N.Y., for the Fire CAD System at a cost of \$13,000.00. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 19, 2005, from the Chief Financial Officer recommending the award of a contract with First Occupational Center, 391 Lakeside Avenue, Orange, N.J., for the "boarding of buildings" according to HUD specifications, for the period January 1, 2006 to December 31, 2008, at a cost not to exceed \$40,000.00. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 16, 2005, from the Chief Financial Officer recommending the award of a contract to Dell Marketing, L.P., One Dell Way, Round Rock, Texas, for the purchase of fourteen (14) laptop computers for the Fire Department Training Division at a total cost of \$24,969.00. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 20, 2005, from the Chief Financial Officer recommending the award of a contract to Hartford Steam Boiler Inspection and Insurance Company, 1 State Street, Hartford, CT, to renew a policy of insurance for boiler and machinery coverage for the period January 1, 2006 to January 1, 2007, at a cost of \$10,137.71. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 16, 2005, from the Chief Financial Officer recommending the award of a contract to Bengal Enterprises, Inc., T/A Penn Auto Body & Painting, 527 Pennsylvania Avenue, Elizabeth, for the furnishing of repairs and repainting of City vehicles for the Police Department at a cost of \$13,672.00. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 7, 2005, from the Director of Police recommending the establishment of handicapped parking spaces at 401 Livingston Street; 621 Third Avenue; 551 Court Street; 452 Fulton Street; 50 Marshall Street; 54 1/2 Third Street; 134 Third Street; 450 Third Avenue (personalized); 13 Christine Street (personalized); 133B Marshall Street (personalized); 324 South Park Street (personalized). Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 7, 2005, from the Director of Police recommending the establishment of handicapped parking space at 917 McLain Street; 659 Norwood Terrace (personalized); 736 Eugenia Place (personalized) and 210 Vine Street. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 12, 2005, from the Director of Police recommending the establishment of handicapped parking spaces at 615 North Broad Street; 632 Franklin Street; 816 Monroe Avenue and 716 Thomas Street (personalized); and the deletion of existing handicapped parking space at 131 Alina Street; as well as recommending against the request for a handicapped parking space at 839 Garden Street. Which was received.

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 20, 2005, from the Director of Public Works requesting that the City Council assign the contract for solid waste collection between the City and Waste Management of New Jersey, Inc., to Regional Industries, LLC., 800 East Grand Street, Elizabeth, effective January 1, 2006 and terminating December 31, 2007, at the same terms and conditions.

Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 12, 2005, from the Director of Public Works requesting the establishment of a lien on the property located at 23 Atlantic Street in order to reimburse the City for the removal and disposal of debris from said property in the amount of \$488.18.

Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 12, 2005, from the Director of Public Works requesting the establishment of a lien on the property located at 123 Second Street in order to reimburse the City for the removal and disposal of debris from said property in the amount of \$488.18.

Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 12, 2005, from the Director of Public Works requesting the establishment of a lien on the property located at 960 William Street in order to reimburse the City for the removal and disposal of debris from said property in the amount of \$1,174.27.

Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 12, 2005, from the Director of Public Works requesting the establishment of a lien on the property located at 234-38 Oak Street in order to reimburse the City for the removal and disposal of debris from said property in the amount of \$2,778.70.

Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 15, 2005, from the Director of Public Works requesting the establishment of a lien on the property located at 451 Henry Street in order to reimburse the City for the removal and disposal of debris from said property in the amount of \$488.18.

Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 9, 2005, from the Director of Fire requesting authorization to execute Homeland Security Grant agreements to receive one (1) Dodge Durango, including light sirens and communication equipment, water rescue equipment and emergency shoring equipment for the Fire Department.

Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 16, 2005, from the Director of Fire requesting authorization to execute Homeland Security Grant agreements to receive eighteen (18) laptop computers and equipment to be installed in fire apparatus.

Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 16, 2005, from the Director of Recreation requesting authorization to change the scope of a Fiscal Year 2004 Statewide Livable Communities Grant in the amount of \$33,333.00, from renovations to O'Brien Field to enhancement of the soccer field located near the City's Waterfront.

Which was referred to Council As A Whole.

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 19, 2005, from the City Attorney requesting authorization for the sale of City-owned property located at West Jersey Street and Sterling Place to the Union County Improvement Authority for the use by Union County College to construct an educational building at a sale price in the amount of \$989,310.00.
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 19, 2005, from the Director of Planning and Community Development requesting authorization to execute a Deferred Payment Loan Program agreement with Willie Mae Banks, 1057 Anna Street, Elizabeth, to provide funds in an amount not to exceed \$25,000.00 for lead abatement at said property.
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 9, 2005, from the Director of Planning and Community Development requesting authorization to execute a CDBG contract with Central Jersey Legal Services, Inc., 60 Prince Street, Elizabeth, to provide funds in the amount of \$7,000.00 to be used to prevent homelessness by resolving eviction actions for the period November 1, 2005 until October 31, 2006.
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 9, 2005, from the Director of Planning and Community Development requesting authorization to execute a CDBG contract with Raphael's Life House, Inc., 231 Court Street, Elizabeth, N.J., to provide funds in the amount of \$10,000.00 to provide their clients with the necessary tools for independent living, for the period July 1, 2005 until June 30, 2006.
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 19, 2005, from the Director of Planning and Community Development requesting authorization for the Planning Board to conduct a redevelopment study of the properties surrounding the South Front Street (Borne Chemical) Redevelopment area to determine if the area is in need of redevelopment.
Which was received

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 19, 2005, from the Director of Planning and Community Development recommending the award to Harbor Consultants, Inc., 320 North Avenue East, Cranford, N.J., for the preparation of redevelopment studies and plans for the Durant Redevelopment and the Borne Chemical expansion redevelopment areas at a cost of \$43,570.00.
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 12, 2005, from the Director of Planning and Community Development requesting an amendment to a resolution adopted February 8, 2005, which authorized a Forgivable Deferred Payment Loan to Rosalie Tinnirella, 604 Grier Avenue, Elizabeth, using RCA funds to rehabilitate her home, to provide that only \$8,197.00 be funded with RCA funds and the remaining \$2,000.00, be funded with HOME funds.
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 9, 2005, from the Director of Planning and Community Development requesting authorization to execute an agreement with the Visiting Nurse and Health Services, 354 Union Avenue, Elizabeth, N.J., to provide funds in the amount of \$9,400.00 to administer their Teaching Homemaker Program and \$12,000.00 to administer their Healthy Families Program, for the period January 1, 2006 to December 31, 2006.
Which was received.

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By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 9, 2005, from the Director of Planning and Community Development requesting authorization to execute a CDBG contract with Jefferson Park Ministries, Inc., 477 Madison Avenue, Elizabeth, to provide funds in the amount of \$14,400.00 to administer an after school program for children, ages five to seventeen, and funds in the amount of \$3,600.00 to administer the agency's meals and clothing distribution project, for the period July 1, 2005 to June 30, 2006.
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 20, 2005, from the Director of Health and Human Services requesting authorization accept a grant in the amount of \$775,000.00 from the City of Newark for the continuation of the Housing Opportunities for People With Aids (H.O.P.W.A.) Program for Fiscal Year 2006-2007.
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 20, 2005, from the Director of Health and Human Services requesting authorization to accept a grant in the amount of \$82,923.00 for the continuation of the Elizabeth Municipal Alliance Program.
Which was received.

REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 27, 2005, 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 22, 2005.
Which was received.

ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING

- ORD. NO. 3780 - Authorize the sale of City-owned property located at West Jersey Street and Sterling Place to the Union County Improvement Authority for the use by Union County College to construct an educational building at a purchase price of \$989,310.00.
- ORD. NO. 3781 - Authorize the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Debra A. Grillo, 716 Thomas Street.
- ORD. NO. 3782 - Authorize the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Maajib M. Akbar, 659 Norwood Terrace.
- ORD. NO. 3783 - Authorize the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Patricia V. Mularz, 133B Marshall Street.
- ORD. NO. 3784 - Authorize the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Jose Vazquez, 324 South Park Street.
- ORD. NO. 3785 - Authorize the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Rosalba Robles, 13 Christine Street.

PUBLIC HEARING AND FURTHER CONSIDERATION OF THE FOREGOING ORDINANCES SHALL TAKE PLACE AT THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING TO BE HELD TUESDAY EVENING, JANUARY 10, 2006, AT 7:30 P.M.

ORDINANCES ON FINAL PASSAGE

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NEW BUSINESS

Authorize an amendment to the Fiscal Year 2006 Budget to insert, as an Item of Revenue, a State of New Jersey, Department of Health and Human Services and Elizabeth Board of Education Non-Public School Nursing Grant in the amount of \$213,025.00.

Authorize an amendment to the Fiscal Year 2006 Budget to insert, as an Item of Revenue, a State of New Jersey, Department of Transportation, Elizabeth Historic Gateway Beautification Grant in the amount of \$50,000.00.

Authorize an amendment to the Fiscal Year 2006 Budget to insert, as an Item of Revenue, a State of New Jersey, Division of Criminal Justice, Body Armor Grant in the amount of \$30,588.28.

Authorize the award of respective contracts for maintenance (licensing) of proprietary software to Edmunds and Associates, Inc., 301A Tilton Road, Northfield, N.J., in the amount of \$31,700.00; Cort Directions, Inc., 855 S.W. Yates Drive, Bend, Oregon, in the amount of \$14,950.00; Archonix Systems, LLC., 14000 Commerce Parkway, Mount Laurel, N.J., in the amount of \$39,000.00 and Alpine Software Corporation, P.O. Box 281, Pittsford, N.Y., in the amount of \$13,000.00.

Authorize the award of a contract to First Occupational Center, 391 Lakeside Avenue, Orange, N.J., for the "boarding" of buildings, according to HUD specifications, for a two year period, commencing January 1, 2006 to December 31, 2008, at a cost of not to exceed \$20,000.00 per year, for a total contract price not to exceed \$40,000.00.

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Authorize the award of a contract to Bengal Enterprises, Inc., t/a Penn Auto Body & Painting, 527 Pennsylvania Avenue, Elizabeth, N.J., for the furnishing of repairs and repainting of City vehicles for the Police Department at a cost of \$13,672.00.

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Authorize the award of a contract to Hartford Steam Boiler Inspection and Insurance Company, 1 State Street, Hartford, CT., through the agent of record, Hughes-Plumer Associates, for the renewal of a policy of insurance for boiler and machinery insurance coverage for the period January 1, 2006 to January 1, 2007, at a cost of \$10,137.71.

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Authorize the Elizabeth Planning Board to conduct a redevelopment and plan study of the properties surrounding the South Front Street (Borne Chemical) Redevelopment to determine if it is an area in need of redevelopment, and, if so, further authorize the Planning Board to prepare an amendment to the plan which was adopted by Ordinance No. 3520.

Authorize the City of Elizabeth, Department of Health and Human Services, to accept grant funds in the amount of \$775,000.00 for Fiscal Year 2005-2006 from the City of Newark to continue the Housing Opportunities for People With Aids (H.O.P.W.A.) Program.

Authorize the Department of Health and Human Services to accept an Elizabeth Municipal Alliance Program grant funds in the amount of \$82,923.00 for Fiscal Year 2006.

Amend a resolution adopted February 8, 2005, which authorized a Forgivable Deferred Payment Loan, using RCA funds to Rosalie Tinnirella, 604 Grier Avenue, for the rehabilitation of said property, to provide that \$8,197.00 be funded with RCA funds and the remaining \$2,000.00 be funded with HOME funds.

Authorize the assignment of the contract for solid waste collection between the City of Elizabeth and Waste Management of New Jersey, Inc., to Regional Industries, LLC., 800 East Grand Street, Elizabeth, effective January 1, 2006 and terminate December 31, 2007.

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Authorize the proper City officials to execute a Deferred Payment loan agreement with Willie Mae Banks, 1057 Anna Street, to provide funds in an amount not to exceed \$25,000.00 for Lead Abatement of said property.

Establish a lien on the property located at 451 Henry Street, in order to reimburse the City for the removal and disposal of debris from said property in the amount of \$488.18.

Establish a lien on the property located at 234-238 Oak Street, in order to reimburse the City for the removal and disposal of debris from said property in the amount of \$2,778.70.

Establish a lien on the property located at 960 William Street, in order to reimburse the City for the removal and disposal of debris from said property in the amount of \$1,174.27.

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Establish a lien on the property located at 23 Atlantic Street, in order to reimburse the City for the removal and disposal of debris from said property in the amount of \$488.18.

Establish a handicapped parking space in front of the premises located at 632 Franklin Street.

Establish a handicapped parking space in front of the premises located at 816 Monroe Avenue.

Establish a handicapped parking space in front of the premises located at 54 1/2 Third Street.

Establish a handicapped parking space in front of the premises located at 621 Third Avenue.

Establish a handicapped parking space in front of the premises located at 401 Livingston Street.

Establish a handicapped parking space in front of the premises located at 210 Vine Street.

Delete a handicapped parking space from in front of the premises located at 131 Alina Street.

Grant a waiver of the residency requirement for Emergency Medical Technician Patricia Boyle for a one-year period.

Grant a waiver of the residency requirement for Emergency Medical Technician Jennifer Montano for a one-year period.

Grant a waiver of the residency requirement for Emergency Medical Technician Monica Konopko for a one-year period.

Reject all bids received on November 10, 2005, for the furnishing of Lead Hazard Reduction for Elizabeth Home Improvement and authorize the Purchasing Agent to readvertise with revised specifications.

Pay utility bills.

Approve Bingo and Raffle licenses.

COMMENDATIONS

MEMORIALS

ADJOURNMENT