

CITY COUNCIL - ELIZABETH, N. J.

REGULAR MEETING - TUESDAY, AUGUST 23, 2005

AGENDA

ROLL CALL.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG.

PUBLIC SPEAKING: RESIDENTS AND TAXPAYERS ADDRESS THE CITY COUNCIL.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Conference, May 3, 2005; Special Meeting, May 10, 2005;
Regular Meeting, May 10, 2005; Conference, May 17, 2005

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- ORD. NO. 3740 - Amend the City's Table of Organization to reflect the City's actual needs for certain positions and to reflect the transfer of the Public Safety Telecommunication positions to the Department of Administration.
- ORD. NO. 3741 - Amend the Table of Organization of the Fire Department, specifically relating to Civilian Personnel, by deleting two (2) Fire Signal System Repairers and adding under Civilian Personnel one (1) Senior Clerk Typist and one (1) Clerk.
- ORD. NO. 3742 - Amend the Table of Organization of the Police Department to reflect the transfer of Public Safety Telecommunicators to the Department of Administration and adjust the number of positions in the other civilian categories to reflect the Police Department's actual needs.
- ORD. NO. 3743 - Require notification and the designation of an appropriate licensed Code official that before a Public Utility places, replaces or removes a utility pole or underground facilities in a public right-of-way, it must notify the appropriately licensed Code official at least twenty-four hours prior to the work.
- ORD. NO. 3744 - Authorize the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Ana F. Balseca, 162 Park Place.
- ORD. NO. 3745 - Authorize the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Judith Rabec, 523 Livingston Street.
- ORD. NO. 3746 - Authorize the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Antonia G. Prieto, 18 Delaware Street.
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- ORD. NO. 3748 - Authorize the adoption of a bond ordinance providing a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$300,000 for the design and construction of the Harding Road storm sewer.

PUBLIC HEARINGS (Cont'd.)

ORD NO. 3749 - Authorize proceeding with the condemnation of 60-90 Broadway; 133-135 First Street; 59-81 Livingston Street; 120-134 Front Street, as part of the Elizabethport Redevelopment Plan.

ORD NO. 3750 - Approve and adopt the Durant Redevelopment Plan.

THE ELIZABETH AVENUE SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2006 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$597,856.00.

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated July 19, 2005, from His Honor The Mayor advising that, subject to confirmation, he has appointed Mr. Arcesio Medina, 14 Dayton Street, Elizabeth, to serve as a member of the Elizabeth Parking Authority to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Nelson Gonzalez (January 1, 2008), who has resigned.

Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated July 19, 2005, from the Business Administrator recommending the award of a contract to First Independent Auto, 410 East Westfield Avenue, Roselle Park, N.J., for transmission repairs for the period July 1, 2004 through May 31, 2006 at a cost not to exceed \$70,000.00.

Which was received.

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Letter dated July 27, 2005, from the Business Administrator requesting authorization to execute a lease agreement between the City of Elizabeth and the Assembly of God Portuguese Ministry of Elizabeth, Inc., 1123-1131 Dickinson Street, for the use of the church property as a parking lot for Municipal employees for the period September 1, 2005 to October 31, 2007, at a cost of \$1.00 per year. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated July 20, 2005, from the Business Administrator requesting an amendment to a resolution adopted June 28, 2005, which authorized the award of a contract to Game Time, c/o Marturano Recreation Company, Inc., P.O. Box 449, Bricktown, N.J., for the purchase of playground equipment at a cost of \$49,940.00, to correct the cost to \$37,549.00 and further requesting the award of a contract to RCP Shelters, c/o Game Time, Marturano Recreation Company, Inc., P.O. Box 449, Bricktown, N.J., to provide a shelter, at a cost of \$11,135.00, and the award of a contract to Peterson Precast Site Furnishings, c/o Game Time, Marturano Recreation Company, Inc., P.O. Box 449, Bricktown, N.J., for the purchase of a drinking fountain, at a cost of \$1,256.00. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated July 29, 2005, from the Business Administrator requesting authorization to accept two (2) Cardiac Science Powerheart AED G3 Automatic Defibrillators, as a donation, from the Emergency Medical Benevolent Association, PO Box 19, Elizabeth. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated August 1, 2005, from the Business Administrator recommending the award of a contract to Plaza Ford/Motors Fleet, P.O. Box 638, 100 East Newman Springs Road, Red Bank, N.J., for the purchase of one (1) 2006 F-250 Super Duty, 4WD, with liftgate, for the Department of Public Works, at a cost of \$26,750.00. Which was received.

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PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated August 1, 2005, from the Business Administrator requesting an amendment to the City Code to increase the fee from \$50.00 to \$100.00 for representation in the Municipal Court by the Public Defender.

Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated August 2, 2005, from the Business Administrator requesting authorization for the Mayor to execute the collective bargaining agreement with the Public Health Nurses Association, for the period July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2009.

Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated July 13, 2005, from the Director of Police requesting the deletion of the existing handicapped parking spaces from 128 Court Street and 428 Franklin Street.

Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated July 19, 2005, from the Director of Police requesting authorization to submit an application for a Homeland Security Grant 2004 in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000.00.

Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated July 19, 2005, from the Director of Police requesting authorization to submit an application to the U. S. Department of Justice for an Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant in an amount not to exceed \$119,963.70.

Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated July 22, 2005, from the Director of Neighborhood Services requesting authorization to execute a State-Local Cooperative Housing Inspection Program agreement with the State of New Jersey for the period July 1, 2005 to June 30, 2006.

Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated July 18, 2005, from the Director of Recreation requesting authorization to submit an application to the County of Union for a Kids Recreation Trust Fund Grant in an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00.

Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated July 14, 2005, from the Director of Health and Human Services requesting authorization to submit an application to the City of Newark for grant funds to continue the Housing Opportunities for People With Aids (H.O.P.W.A.) Program for Fiscal Year 2005-2006.

Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated July 14, 2005, from the Director of Health and Human Services requesting authorization to submit an application for grant funds to continue the Elizabeth Municipal Alliance Program.

Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated July 29, 2005, from the Director of Public Works recommending the award of a contract to English Paving Company, Inc., 1087 Edgewater Avenue, Ridgefield, N.J., for Phase IV of the 2005 Road Resurfacing Program at a cost of \$785,480.00.

Which was received.

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated July 19, 2005, from the City Attorney requesting an amendment to the contract awarded to Raymond S. Londa, Esq. , 277 North Broad Street, Elizabeth, N.J., which provided the City with legal services in defense of police officers and other City employees for the period July 1, 2004 to June 30, 2005, at a cost not to exceed \$65,000.00, plus out-of-pocket expenses, to increase the contract award to \$77,517.38. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated July 29, 2005, from the City Attorney requesting the adoption of an ordinance for the acquisition and/or condemnation of the property located at 442-64 Trumbull Street for the construction of an Emergency Response Facility. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated July 26, 2005, from the Second Assistant City Attorney requesting the adoption of an ordinance to allow Sunesys, Inc., 202 Titus Avenue, Warrington, PA., to install fiber optic cabling in the right-of-way on Monmouth Road. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated August 1, 2005, from the City Attorney recommending the award of a contract to the law firm of DiFrancesco, Bateman, Coley, Yospin, Kunsman, Davis and Lehrer, Eqs., 15 Mountain Boulevard, Warren, N.J., to provide legal representation in connection with the acquisition and/or condemnation of the property located at 438-464 Trumbull Street, at a cost not to exceed \$35,000.00, plus costs and expenses. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated August 2, 2005, from the Chief Financial Officer advising that there may be a need for Fiscal Year 2006 Temporary Emergency Municipal and Sewer Utility Budget appropriations. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated August 2, 2005, from the Chief Financial Officer advising that there may be a need for Fiscal Year 2005 Municipal and Sewer Utility budget transfers. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated August 2, 2005, from the Chief Financial Officer requesting the adoption of a bond ordinance in the amount of \$2,200,000.00 for major exterior restoration and structural repairs for the Main Public Library. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated August 2, 2005, from the Chief Financial Officer requesting authorization for the Mayor to enter into an extension of the tax abatement agreement between the City and Danic Urban Renewal Corporation, 64-138 Atalanta Plaza, for a fifteen (15) year period. Which was referred to Council As A Whole.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated August 2, 2005, from the Chief Financial Officer requesting authorization for the Mayor to execute the transfer of the current tax abatement agreement the City has with and from AB Manor Corporation (Alexian Brothers), 674 Livingston Street, Elizabeth, to National Church Residences, 2335 North Bank Drive, Columbus, Ohio. Which was received.

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated July 18, 2005, from the Chief Financial Officer requesting authorization for the Tax Collector to refund/credit an overbilling of taxes for the 2005 Tax Year on the property located at 19-23 Palisade Road in the amount of \$4,244.29.
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated July 18, 2005, from the Chief Financial Officer requesting authorization for the Tax Collector to refund/credit an overbilling of taxes for the 2005 Tax Year on the property located at 420-22 High Street in the amount of \$468.12.
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated July 18, 2005, from the Chief Financial Officer requesting authorization for the Tax Collector to refund/credit an overbilling of taxes for the 2003 and 2004 Tax Years on the property located at 715-17 Bayway in the total amount of \$1,524.82.
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated July 18, 2005, from the Chief Financial Officer requesting authorization for the Tax Collector to refund/cancel the taxes on the property located at 840-842 Spring Street from August 9, 2004 to December 31, 2004, in the amount of \$1,406.14 and \$3,729.36 for the 2005 Calendar Year due to the owner of said property being declared a 100% disabled veteran.
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated July 21, 2005, from the Director of Planning and Community Development requesting authorization to submit an application to the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs for a Livable Communities Grant in an amount not to exceed \$190,000.00.
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated July 25, 2005, from the Director of Planning and Community Development requesting the discharge of a second mortgage and the cancellation of the Affordability Agreement held by the City on the property located at 655 Fulton Street.
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated July 18, 2005, from the Director of Planning and Community Development recommending the award of a contract to the Musial Group, P.A., 191 Mill Lane, Mountainside, N.J., for the design, construction and bidding documents and construction administration services for the Elizabeth Avenue Streetscape Project, at a cost not to exceed \$200,000.00.
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated July 25, 2005, from the Director of Planning and Community Development requesting the postponement of a second mortgage held by the City on the property located at 458 Morris Avenue.
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated July 28, 2005, from the Director of Planning and Community Development requesting the discharge of a second mortgage held by the City on the property located at 126 First Street.
Which was received.

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated August 1, 2005, from the Director of Planning and Community Development requesting authorization to execute a Deferred Payment Loan Program agreement with Selena Newton, 12 Lowden Street, Elizabeth, to provide funds for the rehabilitation of said two family unit in an amount not to exceed \$14,999.00 or 75% of reasonable costs, whichever is less.

Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated August 1, 2005, from the Director of Planning and Community Development requesting authorization to execute an agreement with Future City, Inc., 1139 East Jersey Street, Elizabeth, to provide funds in the amount of \$14,400.00 to provide services in conjunction with lead intervention for children-at-risk for the period October 1, 2003 through December 31, 2006.

Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated July 29, 2005, from the Director of Planning and Community Development requesting the designation of DBF Associates, LLC., 505 North Broad Street, Elizabeth, as the redeveloper for the properties located at 33-37 West Grand Street; 25-31 West Grand Street and 211 Union Street, which are part of the Midtown Redevelopment Plan.

Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated July 29, 2005, from the Director of Planning and Community Development requesting the designation of Baker Center, LLC., as the redeveloper for the properties located at 829-961, 827-907 and 1001-1013 Newark Avenue, which are part of the Durant Redevelopment Plan.

Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated August 1, 2005, from the Director of Planning and Community Development requesting an amendment to the current 5-year tax abatement plan for certain residential properties to include townhouses (owner-occupied) built within a redevelopment area.

Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated August 1, 2005, from the Director of Planning and Community Development requesting authorization to execute an agreement with CLPER, 11 Cherry Place, Maplewood, N.J., to provide funds in the amount of \$203,900.00 for lead intervention for children-at-risk services for the period October 1, 2003 through December 31, 2006.

Which was referred to Council As A Whole.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated August 2, 2005, from the Director of Planning and Community Development requesting naming a new street, Waters Edge Lane, which runs north-south from Bond Street to Magnolia Avenue to Court Street and parallel to First and Front Streets.

Which was referred to Council As A Whole.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated July 27, 2005, from the Elizabeth Latin Chamber of Commerce, 603 Elizabeth Avenue, Elizabeth, in conjunction with Melly Mell Productions, Inc., requesting permission to conduct the 23rd Annual Carnaval Elizabeth to be held on Labor Day Weekend, September 4 and 5, 2005, on Elizabeth Avenue, from New Point Road to Fourth Street, between the hours of 12:00 noon to 8:00 p.m.

Which was received.

REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS

By the Clerk:

Letter dated August 23, 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, August 20, 2005.
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letters dated June 29, 2005, from the Chief Financial Officer submitting the City Treasurer's report of receipts and disbursements for the months of April, 2005 and statements of bank balances and investments as of April 30, 2005.
Which was received.

ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING

- ORD. NO. 3751 - Amend Chapter 2.68 of the Code of the City of Elizabeth to establish a range for the application fee for representation in the Municipal Court by the Municipal Public Defender from \$50.00 to \$200.00.
- ORD. NO. 3752 - Authorize the execution of a lease agreement between the City of Elizabeth and the Assembly of God Portuguese Ministry of Elizabeth, Inc., 1123-1131 Dickinson Street, for the use of church property as a parking lot for City employees for the period September 1, 2005 to October 31, 2007, at a cost of \$1.00 per year.
- ORD. NO. 3753 - Authorize the acquisition and/or condemnation proceedings of the property located at 442-64 Trumbull Street for the construction of an Emergency Response Facility.
- ORD. NO. 3754 - Amend Chapter 3.12 of the Code of the City of Elizabeth, entitled "Tax Abatement for Certain Residential Properties," to include townhouses (owner-occupied) built within a redevelopment area.
- ORD. NO. 3755 - Permit Sunesys, Inc., 202 Titus Avenue, Warrington, PA., to install fiber optic cabling on existing poles owned by Verizon, Public Service Electric and Gas Company and/or Cablevision and in underground conduits already installed in the public right-of-way on Monmouth Road.
- ORD. NO. 3756 - Authorize the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Raquel Cortes, 502 Franklin Street.
- ORD. NO. 3757 - Authorize a bond ordinance in the amount of \$2,200,000.00 for major exterior restoration and structural repairs for the Main Public Library.

PUBLIC HEARING AND FURTHER CONSIDERATION OF THE FOREGOING ORDINANCES SHALL TAKE PLACE AT THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING TO BE HELD TUESDAY EVENING, SEPTEMBER 13, 2005, AT 7:30 P.M.

ORDINANCES ON FINAL PASSAGE

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NEW BUSINESS

Adopt the Elizabeth Avenue Special Improvement District Fiscal Year 2006 budget in the amount of \$597,856.00.

Authorize an amendment to the Fiscal Year 2006 Capital Budget in the amount of \$2,200,000.00.

Authorize Fiscal Year 2006 Temporary Emergency Municipal Budget appropriations in the amount of \$1,654,707.89.

Authorize Fiscal Year 2005 Municipal Budget transfers in the amount of \$12,000.00.

Authorize Fiscal Year 2005 Sewer Utility Budget transfers in the amount of \$317,000.00.

Confirm the appointment of Mr. Arcesio Medina, 14 Dayton Street, Elizabeth, to serve as a member of the Elizabeth Parking Authority to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Nelson Gonzalez (January 1, 2008), who resigned.

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Authorize the proper City officials to submit an application for a Union County Open Space, Recreation and Historic Preservation Kids Recreation Trust Fund Grant in an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00.

Authorize the proper City officials to submit an application to the County of Union for a Homeland Security Grant in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000.00.

Authorize the proper City officials to submit an application to the County of Union for an Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant in an amount not to exceed \$119,963.70.

Authorize the proper City officials to execute an agreement with Future City, Inc., 1139 East Jersey Street, Elizabeth, to provide funds in the amount of \$14,000.00 for various lead interventions for children at risk services for the period October 1, 2003 through December 31, 2006.

Authorize the award of a contract to the Musial Group, 191 Mill Lane, Mountainside, N.J., to provide for the design, construction bidding documents and construction administration services for the Elizabeth Avenue Streetscape Project, at a cost not to exceed \$200,000.00.

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Authorize the proper City officials to execute a Deferred Payment Loan Program Agreement with Selena Newton, 12 Lowden Street, Elizabeth, to provide funds for the rehabilitation of said property in an amount not to exceed \$14,999.00 or 75% of reasonable costs, whichever is less.

Authorize the discharge of a second mortgage held by the City on the property located at 126 First Street and further authorize the cancellation of the Affordability Agreement.

Authorize the discharge of a second mortgage held by the City on the property located at 655 Fulton Street and further authorize the cancellation of the Affordability Agreement.

Authorize the postponement of a second mortgage held by the City on the property located at 458 Morris Avenue.

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Authorize the Tax Collector to refund/credit an overbilling of taxes for the 2005 Tax Year, on the property located at 19-23 Palisade Road, in the amount of \$4,244.29.

Designate Baker Center Development, LLC., as the redeveloper for the properties located at 829-961 Newark Avenue, 827-907 Newark Avenue and 1001-1013 Newark Avenue, in conjunction with the Durant Redevelopment Plan.

NEW BUSINESS (Cont'd.)

Designate DBF Associates, LLC., 505 North Broad Street, Elizabeth, as the redeveloper for the properties located at 33-37 West Grand Street, 25-31 West Grand Street and 211 Union Street, which are part of the Midtown Redevelopment Plan.

Delete a handicapped parking space from in front of the premises located at 128 Court Street.

Delete a handicapped parking space from in front of the premises located at 428 Franklin Street.

Authorize settlement in the workers compensation litigation matter of William Wiesing vs. the City of Elizabeth in the amount of \$15,120.00.

Permit the Elizabeth Latin Chamber of Commerce, in conjunction with Melly Mell Productions, to conduct their 23rd Annual Carnaval Elizabeth to be held on Labor Day Weekend, September 4 and 5, 2005, on Elizabeth Avenue, from New Point Road to Fourth Street, between the hours of 12:00 noon to 8:00 p.m.

Reappoint Mr. Nicholas Schipani, Jr., 17 Niles Street, Elizabeth, to serve as a Constable in and for the City of Elizabeth for a term of three (3) years.

Authorize the proper City officials to accept two (2) Cardiac Science Powerheart AED G3 automatic defibrillators, as a donation, from the Emergency Medical Benevolent Association.

Pay utility bills.

Approve Bingo and Raffle licenses.

COMMENDATIONS

Home Sweet Home Adult Medical Day Care Center
Pastor Alice Mae Williams, The Shelter Temple True Holiness Church
Miss Stephanie Souza
Miss Liana Valentin

MEMORIALS

ADJOURNMENT