

CITY COUNCIL - ELIZABETH, N. J.

REGULAR MEETING - TUESDAY, JANUARY 10, 2006

AGENDA

ROLL CALL.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG.

PUBLIC SPEAKING: RESIDENTS AND TAXPAYERS ADDRESS THE CITY COUNCIL.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- ORD. NO. 3778 - Authorize a bond ordinance in the amount of \$3,800,000.00 for the renovation of the Mack Building in order to house the Elizabethport Health Center.
- ORD. NO. 3779 - Authorize a bond ordinance in the amount of \$1,200,000.00 for renovations to the Miller-Evans-Logan Recreation Center.
- 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.

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated January 3, 2006, 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.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated January 3, 2006, from the Chief Financial Officer recommending the award of a contract to Trinitas Hospital, 225 Williamson Street, Elizabeth, for the implementation of an Employee Assistance Program (EAP) and an Alcohol Education Program, for the period January 1, 2006 through December 31, 2006, at a cost of \$40,000.00.
Which was received.

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 30, 2005, from the Chief Financial Officer requesting a waiver of the residency requirement for Zoning Officer Francis Cameron for a one-year period. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 29, 2005, from the Chief Financial Officer requesting an amendment to the contract awarded to Associated Auto Parts, 300 East Elizabeth Avenue, Linden, N.J., for the purchase of miscellaneous auto parts for all departments at a cost of \$165,000.00, to reflect the correct amount of the contract as \$315,000.00, an increase of an additional \$150,000.00. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated October 17, 2005, from the Director of Planning and Community Development requesting the adoption of an historic preservation ordinance for the Historic Midtown District and to include an Historic Review Board. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 30, 2005, from the Director of Planning and Community Development requesting authorization for the proper City officials to apply, accept and sign all documentation for a grant application to the New Jersey Department of Transportation in the amount of \$2,000,000.00 and also requesting authorization to accept from Baker Center Development, LLC., to serve as matching funds for this project up to a maximum of \$300,000.00. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 20, 2005, from the Director of Planning and Community Development requesting authorization for the proper City officials to accept and sign all documentation for a grant from the New Jersey Department of Transportation for the Elizabeth Historic Gateway Beautification Project (East Jersey Street Streetscape) awarded by the Transportation Enhancement Agreement in the amount of \$550,000.00. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 28, 2005, from the Director of Planning and Community Development requesting authorization to execute an agreement with the YMCA of Eastern Union County, Inc., 144 Madison Avenue, Elizabeth, to provide funds in the amount of \$21,900.00 to administer an after school program for teenagers, an afterschool and summer program for elementary school children, and the agency's Madison House Program for the homeless for the period July 1, 2005 to June 30, 2006. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 22, 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 401-407 Palmer Street. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 20, 2005, from the Director of Public Works requesting the establishment of a lien on the property located at 113 Livingston 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.

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 21, 2005, from the Elizabeth Planning Board requesting an amendment to the Code of the City of Elizabeth, entitled "Land Development Control," specifically to include a Supplementary Zone, Section 17.36.160, Schedule IF, PO, Professional Zone.

Which was referred to Council As A Whole.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated December 30, 2005, from the Deputy Municipal Clerk requesting authorization to refund Bingo and Raffle fees in the amount of \$20.00.

Which was received.

REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS

By the Clerk:

Letter dated January 10, 2006, 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, January 6, 2006.

Which was received.

ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING

- 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 24, 2006, AT 7:30 P.M.

ORDINANCES ON FINAL PASSAGE

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ORDINANCES ON FINAL (Cont'd.)

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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 Community Affairs, Neighborhood Preservation Grant increase in the amount of \$300,000.00.

Authorize an amendment to the Fiscal Year 2006 Budget to insert, as an Item of Revenue, a State of New Jersey, Department of Commerce and Economic Development, Historic Midtown Special Improvement Grant in the amount of \$218,000.00.

Authorize the award of a contract to Trinitas Hospital, 225 Williamson Street, Elizabeth, for the implementation of an Employee Assistance Program and an Alcohol Education Program, for the period January 1, 2006 through December 31, 2006, at a cost of \$40,000.00.

Grant a waiver of the residency requirement for Zoning Officer Francis Cameron for a one-year period.

Authorize an amendment to a resolution adopted February 8, 2005, which awarded a contract to Associated Auto Parts for the purchase of miscellaneous auto parts for all departments at a cost not to exceed \$165,000.00, to reflect an additional \$150,000.00, which will increase the contract cost to \$315,000.00.

Authorize the proper City officials to apply, accept and sign all documentation for a \$2,000,000.00 grant application to the New Jersey Department of Transportation for a Streetscape Project along Newark Avenue, from North Avenue to the Newark border, and authorization to accept up to a maximum of \$300,000.00 from Baker Center Development, LLC., to serve as matching funds for this project.

Authorize the proper City officials to sign all documentation to accept a \$550,000.00 grant from the New Jersey Department of Transportation for the Elizabeth Historic Gateway Beautification Project (East Jersey Street Streetscape) awarded by the Transportation Enhancement Agreement.

Authorize the proper City officials to execute an agreement with the YMCA of Eastern Union County, 144 Madison Avenue, Elizabeth, N.J., to provide funds in the amount of \$21,900.00 to administer Teen Programs, after school and summer programs for elementary school children, and to administer the agency's Madison House Program for homeless families for the period July 1, 2005 to June 30, 2006.

Authorize the postponement of a second mortgage held by the City on the property located at 401-407 Palmer Street.

Establish a lien on the property located at 113 Livingston Street, in order to reimburse the City for the removal and disposal of debris from said property in the amount of \$488.18.

Authorize settlement in the workers compensation litigation matter of Kenneth Gisinger vs. the City of Elizabeth, in the amount of \$24,993.00.

Authorize settlement in the workers compensation litigation matter of Michael Guarino vs. the City of Elizabeth, in the amount of \$14,220.00.

NEW BUSINESS (Cont'd.)

Authorize settlement in the litigation matter of Andy Morales vs. the City of Elizabeth in the amount of \$25,000.00.

Authorize settlement in the litigation matter of Gualdina Billero vs. the City of Elizabeth in the amount of \$150,000.00.

Authorize a refund in the amount of \$10.00 to St. Mary's P.T.O. for a cancelled bingo game.

Authorize a refund in the amount of \$10.00 to the Auxiliary of Trinitas Hospital for a cancelled raffle game.

Commemorate January 16, 2006, as the 21st Anniversary honoring Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Pay utility bills.

COMMENDATIONS

MEMORIALS

Mrs. Frances C. Smith

ADJOURNMENT