

CITY COUNCIL - ELIZABETH, N. J.

REGULAR MEETING - TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2020

7:30 P. M.

AGENDA

ROLL CALL.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG.

PUBLIC SPEAKING.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

ORD. NO. 5295 - An Ordinance to amend Chapter 10.28.030, Schedule I, of the Code of the City of Elizabeth, entitled "No Parking All Times on Certain Streets", specifically to amend Lyon Place, east side, from the intersection of Rahway Avenue for a distance of 233 feet northerly thereof and to add Lyon Place, west side, from the intersection Rahway Avenue for a distance of 150 feet northerly thereof.

**THE HISTORIC MIDTOWN ELIZABETH SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT FISCAL YEAR 2020 BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$225,000.00.**

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated January 24, 2020, from the Business Administrator request authorization for the proper City officials to apply, accept and sign all appropriate documents for the New Jersey Healthy Town Designation application in coordination with the Mayors Wellness Campaign through workshops, service delivery and innovative programs. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated January 30, 2020, from the Business Administrator recommending awarding a contract to David Weber Oil Co., 601 Industrial Road, Carlstadt, NJ for automotive lubricants, oils, grease and hydraulic oils for various departments for the period of January 24, 2020 through September 29, 2020 at a cost not to exceed \$50,000.00. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated January 30, 2020, from the Business Administrator request that your Honorable Body reject the sole bid received from Visiting Nurse & Health Services, d/b/a Holy Redeemer Home Care, NBJ-North, 354 Union Avenue, Elizabeth, NJ for the furnishing of Senior Health Promotion/Risk Reduction for the Health Department as they did not address the standard requirements of the technical proposal and authorize the Purchasing Agent to re-advertise with revisions to the Request for Proposal (RFP). Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated January 30, 2020, from the Business Administrator recommending awarding a contract to Emergency Accessories & Installations, 770 Cuthbert Blvd., Cherry Hill, NJ for the purchase of vehicle electronics and equipment for the Police Department for the period of January 27, 2020 through March 15, 2020 at a cost not to exceed \$325,000.00. Which was received.

**PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC. (Cont'd)**

By the Clerk:

Letter dated January 30, 2020, from the Business Administrator recommending awarding respective contracts to Richard P. Cevasco, Ed.D, 52 Stratford Drive, Manalapan, NJ; Lewis Z. Schlosser, PhD, ABPP, Institute for Forensic Psychology, 5 Fir Court – Suite 2, Oakland, NJ; Matthew E. Guller, JD, PhD, ABPP, Institute for forensic Psychology, 5 Fir Court – Suite 2, Oakland, NJ; Krista L. Dettle, PhD, Institute for Forensic Psychology, 5 Fir Court – Suite 2, Oakland, NJ for Psychological Services for the City of Elizabeth Fire and Police Departments for the period of March 1, 2020 through February 28, 2021; total cost not to exceed \$75,000.00 per each practice unless further authorized by your Honorable Body.  
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated January 30, 2020, from the Business Administrator request that your Honorable Body reject the sole bid received from Visiting Nurse & Health Services, d/b/a Holy Redeemer Home Care, NBJ-North, 354 Union Avenue, Elizabeth, NJ for the furnishing of a Health Educator for the Health Department as they did not address the standard requirements of the technical proposal and authorize the Purchasing Agent to re-advertise with revisions to the Request for Proposal (RFP).  
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated January 30, 2020, from the Business Administrator recommending awarding a contract to Atlantic Uniform Co., Inc., 468 Washington Avenue, Belleville, NJ for the purchase of uniforms, helmets and body armor for the Police Department for the period of January 27, 2020 through May 1, 2021 at a cost not to exceed \$200,000.00.  
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated January 31, 2020, from the Business Administrator request to amend Chapter 2.56.110 (B) of the Code of the City of Elizabeth in regard to the Table of Organization entitled Civilian Personnel of the Elizabeth Police Department, specifically to add and delete positions as per the delineated list attached hereto.  
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated January 31, 2020, from the Business Administrator request to amend Chapter 2.60.090 of the Code of the City of Elizabeth in regard to the Table of Organization entitled (A) Firefighting Personnel and (B) Civilian Personnel of the Elizabeth Fire Department, specifically to add and delete positions as per the delineated list attached hereto.  
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated January 31, 2020, from the Business Administrator request to amend Ordinance No. 1747 establishing certain classified and unclassified positions in the City of Elizabeth, specifically to amend certain titles of the Table of Organization as per the delineated list attached hereto.  
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated January 31, 2020, from the City Attorney request that your Honorable Body consider approving the execution of a proposed Community Service Contribution Agreement between Trinitas Regional Medical Center and the City of Elizabeth for a voluntary payment of \$250,000.00 for the Tax Year 2020 and \$300,000.00 for the Tax Year 2021.  
Which was received.

**PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC. (Cont'd)**

By the Clerk:

Letter dated January 31, 2020, from the First Assistant City Attorney request to amend Section 10.40.020, of the Code of the City of Elizabeth entitled “No Parking of Certain Vehicles from 9:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m. – Exceptions” and Section 10.40.050 of the Code of the City of Elizabeth entitled “Violations and Penalties”, specifically to prohibit the parking of commercial vehicles on City streets between the hours of 7:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m.; amendment to Section 10.40.020 also increases the penalty to an amount not less than three hundred dollars (\$300.00); Section 10.40.50 increases the penalty to not more than one hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00).

WHICH WAS REFERRED TO CITY COUNCIL AS A WHOLE.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated February 3, 2020, from the City Attorney request that your Honorable Body consider authorizing tax appeals by the City for the following properties which are substantially under-assessed: 1000 Jefferson Avenue, 941-951 Julia Street, 301-415 South First Street; 429-459 Schiller Street; 459-485 Division Street. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated January 30, 2020, from the Director of Public Works request authorization for the proper City officials to apply, accept and sign all appropriate documents for the Diesel Emissions Reductions Act (DERA) National Grants Program which intends to reduce diesel emissions and exposures in the amount not to exceed \$300,000.00; with these anticipated funds, the City seeks to replace Class 8, heavy duty highway vehicles in order to reduce emissions efficiently and cost effectively; allowed expenditure is 50% for Dayage Truck Replacement; therefore, requiring a 50% match by the municipality. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated January 30, 2020, from the Director of Public Works request authorization for the proper City officials to sign all appropriate documents including a “Treatment Release Form” to allow for the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) treatment of the spotted lanternfly host tree on City property; there is no charge for this service. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated January 31, 2020, from the Director of Public Works recommending awarding a contract to Netta Architects, 1084 Route 22 West, Mountainside, NJ to provide professional architectural services in connection with the design, bidding and construction administration for the sound proofing of four (4) interview rooms at Police Headquarters at a lump sum cost not to exceed \$16,500.00 plus reimbursables. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Memo dated January 31, 2020, from the City Engineer wherein Joseph A. Paparo, Esq., of Porzio Bromberg & Newman, P.C., 100 Southgate Parkway, Morristown, NJ, on behalf of JP Management, LLC, submitted a request for the proposed street vacation of Coakley Circle to construct a new multi-family development consisting of one hundred twenty (120) units and related improvements. Which was received.

**PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC. (Cont'd)**

By the Clerk:

Letter dated January 21, 2020, from the Police Director request to establish handicapped parking spaces in front of the following premises: 406 First Avenue (personalized); 335 Court Street (personalized); 1024 Bond Street (personalized); 523 Franklin Street (personalized); 759 Eaton Street (personalized); 412 Livingston Street (personalized); 210 Rankin Street (personalized); 32 Prospect Street; 90 Marshall Street; 438 Rosehill Place Apt. A; 319 John Street FL 2 (change measurements); 321 John Street (change measurements); deletions: 200 Geneva Street; 316 Pine Street; 540 Fulton Street; 221 Clark Place; 1029 Louisa Street; 447 Catherine Street; 746 Fairbanks Street; 14 Spencer Street; 1019 Emma Street; 325 Amity Street; 208 Rankin Street; 113 Port Avenue; 948 Meredith Avenue; 328 Loomis Street; 244 E. Jersey Street. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated July 29, 2019, from Elizabeth Destination Marketing Organization, 456 N. Broad Street, Elizabeth, NJ request permission to be the host city of the New Jersey Flag Football Tournament to be held Sunday July 12, 2020 at 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. at Todd Bowles Sports Complex, in accordance with Section 12.56.050 (A) Exemption from fees. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated February 3, 2020, from Melly Mell Promotions, 812 East Jersey Street, Suite 10, Elizabeth, NJ request permission to host the 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Elizabeth Waterfront Latin Festival to be held on May 23 and 24, 2020 with set-up date of May 22nd, from 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the "Veterans Memorial Waterfront Park: located on Front Street, from Elizabeth Avenue to Broadway; Elizabeth Avenue, from First Street to Front Street; and Broadway, from First Street to Front Street; music from both stages and beer will cease at 8:00 p.m., following with vendors closing a 9:00 p.m.; also request for the City of Elizabeth to co-sponsor this event in providing additional resources as needed, including but not limited to waiving all respective festival fees. Which was received.

**REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS**

By the Clerk:

Letter dated January 23, 2020, from the City Treasurer submitting the City Treasurer's Report of Receipts and Disbursements for the month of October 2019 and Statement of Bank Balances and Investments as of October 31, 2019.

**ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING**

- ORD. NO. 5296 - An Ordinance to amend Article II, Administration and Personnel, Chapter 2.56.110 (B), Civilian Personnel, of the Code of the City of Elizabeth specifically relating to the Table of Organization of the Elizabeth Police Department.
- ORD. NO. 5297 - An Ordinance to amend Article II, Administration and Personnel, Chapter 2.60.090 (A), Firefighting Personnel and Chapter 2.60.090 (B), Civilian Personnel, of the Code of the City of Elizabeth specifically relating to the Table of Organization of the Elizabeth Fire Department.
- ORD. NO. 5298 - An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 1747, entitled an Ordinance to establish certain classified and unclassified positions in the City of Elizabeth and to set the annual compensation for said positions to be paid from April 1, 1984, except as otherwise provided, as provided by the Municipal Budget to be paid as other employees are paid and as provided on attached schedules.
- ORD. NO. 5299 - An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 5207, adopted September 24, 2019 which authorized the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Jason Medina, 319 John Street, Floor 2, Elizabeth, New Jersey, specifically to amend metes and bounds.

**ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING (cont'd)**

- ORD. NO. 5300 - An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 5278, adopted December 10, 2019 which authorized the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Madelin Seoanes, 321 John Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey, specifically to amend metes and bounds.
- ORD. NO. 5301 - An Ordinance to rescind Ordinance No. 5108, adopted on December 26, 2018 which authorized the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Aladino Class Jr., 200 Geneva Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey.
- ORD. NO. 5302 - An Ordinance to rescind Ordinance No. 5113, adopted on December 26, 2018 which authorized the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Qamar Syed, 540 Fulton Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey.
- ORD. NO. 5303 - An Ordinance to rescind Ordinance No. 5158, adopted on April 9, 2019 which authorized the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Neleyshka Pastor, 221 Clark Place, Elizabeth, New Jersey.
- ORD. NO. 5304 - An Ordinance to rescind Ordinance No. 5247, adopted on October 8, 2019 which authorized the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Pedro Soto, 316 Pine Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey.
- ORD. NO. 5305 - An Ordinance of the City of Elizabeth vacating Coakley Circle, to construct a new multi-family development consisting of 120 units and related improvements.
- ORD. NO. 5306 - An Ordinance to authorize the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Elba Class, 335 Court Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey.
- ORD. NO. 5307 - An Ordinance to authorize the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Ivonne Miguelena, 406 First Avenue, Elizabeth, New Jersey.
- ORD. NO. 5308 - An Ordinance to authorize the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Rolando Quezada, 412 Livingston Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey.
- ORD. NO. 5309 - An Ordinance to authorize the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Hector Rodriguez, 523 Franklin Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey.
- ORD. NO. 5310 - An Ordinance to authorize the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Nestor Suarez, 210 Rankin Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey.

**PUBLIC HEARING AND FUTURE CONSIDERATION OF THE FOREGOING ORDINANCES SHALL TAKE PLACE AT THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING TO BE HELD TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2020 AT 7:30 P.M.**

**ORDINANCES ON FINAL PASSAGE**

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NEW BUSINESS

Adopt the Historic Midtown Elizabeth Special Improvement District SFY 2020 Budget in the amount of \$225,000.00.

Authorize the proper City officials to apply, accept and sign all appropriate documents for the New Jersey Healthy Town Designation application in coordination with the Mayors Wellness Campaign.

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Approve the execution of the proposed Community Service Contribution Agreement between Trinitas Regional Medical Center and the City of Elizabeth for a voluntary payment of \$250,000.00 for the Tax Year 2020 and \$300,000.00 for the Tax Year 2021.

Authorize the City Attorney to file tax appeals on the following substantially under assessed properties: 1000-1108 Jefferson Avenue; 941-951 Julia Street; 301-337 South First Street; 405-415 South First Street; 429-459 Schiller Street (Rear); and 459-485 Division Street.

Authorize the proper City Officials to apply, accept and sign all appropriate documents for the Diesel Emissions Reductions Act (DERA) National Grants Program, in the amount not to exceed \$300,000.00.

Authorize the proper City Officials to sign all appropriate documents including a "Treatment Release Form" to allow for the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) treatment of the spotted lanternfly host tree on City property, at no cost to the City.

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**NEW BUSINESS (cont'd)**

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Permit the Elizabeth Cubanos Lions Club along with the Elizabeth Destination Marketing Organization (EDMO), in partnership with Melly Mel, Productions, Inc. , 812 East Jersey Street, Suite 10, Elizabeth, N.J, to host their 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Elizabeth Waterfront Latin Festival at the Veterans Memorial Waterfront Park on May 23 and May 24, 2020, from 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., with set-up on May 22<sup>nd</sup> and for the City of Elizabeth to Co-Sponsor this event in providing additional resources as needed, including by not limited to waiving all respective festival fees.

Establish a handicapped parking space in front of the premises located at 90 Marshall Street.

Delete the following handicapped parking spaces from in front of the premises located at 1029 Louisa Street; 447 Catherine Street; 746 Fairbank Street; 14 Spencer Street; 1019 Emma Street; 325 Amity Street; 208 Rankin Street; 113 Port Avenue; 948 Meredith Avenue; 328 Loomis Street; 244 East Jersey Street.

Pay Utility Bills

**COMMENDATIONS:**

Freeholder Chairman Alexander Mirabella

Gary S. Horan, FACHE

Sal Garcia

Kevin Kiniery

Carmen Rivera

Barbara Field

)Groundwork Elizabeth

) Winter-Green Gala

) 2020 Distinguished

) Honorees

) February 19, 2020

Sara Rivas

)New Jersey's Microsoft Champion

**MEMORIALS:**

Hilda Grace Body

Derrick S. Taylor Sr.

Earnest Smith

**ADJOURNMENT**