

CITY COUNCIL - ELIZABETH, N. J.

REGULAR MEETING - TUESDAY, JULY 23, 2019

7:30 P. M.

AGENDA

ROLL CALL.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG.

PUBLIC SPEAKING.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

ORD. NO. 5196 - An Ordinance to exceed the State Fiscal Year 2020 Municipal Budget Appropriation Limits and to establish a CAP Bank pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14.

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 28, 2019, from the Business Administrator request authorization to participate in a State Contract with Exemplis Corp., c/o BFI, 6415 Katella Avenue, Cypress, CA for the purchase of furniture for the City Hall Conference Rooms at the cost of \$26,004.16. Which was received.

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Letter dated June 28, 2019, from the Business Administrator request authorization for the proper City officials to execute a contract with Kean University, 1000 Morris Avenue, Union, NJ for computer consulting services for the period commencing July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020 at a cost not to exceed \$50,500.00. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 28, 2019, from the Business Administrator recommending awarding a contract to International Healthcare Services, Inc., c/o Dimensional Management, 333 Earle Ovington Blvd., Suite 300, Uniondale, NY to provide a Dental Insurance Program for City employees for a period of three (3) years commencing July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2022 not to exceed \$245,000.00. Which was received.

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Letter dated June 28, 2019, from the Business Administrator request authorization for the proper City officials to award a contract to William H. Malone, Jr., Inc., 6 East Sand Dune Lane, Long Beach Township, NJ to provide insurance management consulting services for the period of July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020 at a flat fee of \$30,000.00. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 28, 2019, from the First Assistant City Attorney request that your Honorable Body consider authorizing an Easement Agreement with the County of Union for Flood Control Purposes and in connection with the Elizabeth River Trail Project Phase – 4, 52-54 Rahway Avenue. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated July 2, 2019, from the Chief Financial Officer advises that transfers for the 2019 SFY Municipal and Sewer Utility budgets may be necessary. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated July 2, 2019, from the Chief Financial Officer advises that temporary emergency appropriations for the 2020 SFY Municipal and Sewer Utility Budgets may be necessary. Which was received.

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC. (Cont'd)

By the Clerk:

Letter dated July 2, 2019, from the Chief Financial Officer advises 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 July 2, 2019, from the Chief Financial Officer request authorization for the proper City officials to enter into a contract with Acacia Financial Group, Inc., 6000 Midlantic Drive, Suite 410 North, Mount Laurel, NJ to provide financial advisory services to the City in connection with the City's issuance of municipal and sewer utility debt obligations including bonds and bond anticipation notes and any other financial analysis deemed necessary for an amount not to exceed \$40,000.00. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated July 2, 2019, from the Chief Financial Officer request authorization for the proper City officials to enter into a contract with Blau & Blau, 223 Mountain Avenue, Springfield, NJ for the 2020 SFY, to be the primary legal representative of the City in all matters relating to tax appeals including preparation for trials, discovery and motions, and the appearance at trials and other court appearances pertaining to tax appeals at the Union County Tax Board and New Jersey Tax Court and other venues for an amount of \$130,000.00. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated July 2, 2019, from the Chief Financial Officer request authorization for the proper City officials to enter into a contract with DeCotiis, FitzPatrick, Cole & Giblin, LLP, Glenpointe Centre West, 500 Frank W. Burr Blvd., Suite 31, Teaneck, NJ for the 2020 SFY, to provide bond counsel services to the City in connection with the City's issuance of debt obligations and to provide for the terms and the security of such obligations in accordance with the laws of the State of New Jersey for an amount not to exceed \$60,000.00. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated July 2, 2019, from the Chief Financial Officer request authorization for the proper City officials to enter into a contract with Louis C. Mai, CPA & Associates, 6 Moonshadow Court, Kinnelon, NJ, for the 2020 SFY, to provide statutory audits of the General Funds, Sewer Utility Funds, Other Funds, the Single Audit and also for 5 year comparative statements in an amount of \$242,000.00. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated July 2, 2019, from the Chief Financial Officer request authorization for the proper City officials to enter into a contract with Powell Capital Markets, Inc., 280 Corporate Center, 3 Becker Farm Road, Roseland, NJ, for the 2020 SFY, to provide financial advisory services to the City in connection with the City's issuance of municipal and sewer utility debt obligations including bonds and bond anticipation notes and any other financial analysis deemed necessary for an amount not to exceed \$40,000.00. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated July 2, 2019, from the Chief Financial Officer request authorization for the proper City officials to enter into a contract with Stack, Coolahan & Stack, LLC, 90 Hudson Street, P.O. Box 731, Hoboken, NJ, for the 2020 SFY, to provide real estate counseling services with a credible opinion of market value for property tax valuation purposes in an amount of \$84,000.00; also for the preparation of appraisal reports and litigation support including testimony and attendance at conferences scheduled by the Court in connection with State Tax Court appeals in an amount not to exceed \$25,000.00; totaling \$109,000.00. Which was received.

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC. (Cont'd)

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 25, 2019, from the Director of Health and Human Services recommending awarding a contract to Chana Zablocki, MD, 845 Jerome Avenue, Hillside, NJ for Pediatric Physician Services for the period July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020 at a rate of \$100.00 per hour not to exceed \$80,000.00 unless further authorized by your Honorable Body.
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 25, 2019, from the Director of Health and Human Services recommending awarding a contract to Chana Zablocki, MD, 845 Jerome Avenue, Hillside, NJ for Sexually Transmitted Disease Services for the period July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020 at a rate of \$100.00 per hour not to exceed \$50,000.00 unless further authorized by your Honorable Body.
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 28, 2019, from the Director of Planning and Community Development request authorization for the proper City officials to execute any and all documents necessary and appropriate to provide a Rental Housing Program/RCA Summit Deferred Payment Loan to Magill Real Estate Holdings, LLC, 806 E. Jersey Street, Elizabeth, NJ for the property located at 822-826 East Jersey Street in the amount of \$360,000.00.
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 19, 2019, from the Director of Public Works request authorization for the proper City officials to apply, accept and sign all appropriate documents for the Union County Open Space, Recreation & Historic Preservation Greening Union County Program for 150 Little Leaf Linden Trees which will be planted curbside, with the installation of root barrier for an amount not to exceed \$65,000.00.
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 28, 2019, from the Director of Public Works request permission to have liens placed against properties attached hereto for the boarding up of said properties listed on Schedule A attached hereto in the amount of \$2,040.04.
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 28, 2019, from the Director of Public Works request permission to have liens placed against properties listed on Schedule A attached hereto for the removal and disposal of debris from said properties in the amount of \$2,613.03.
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 18, 2019, from the Acting Police Director request to amend Chapter 10.40.070 entitled No parking of trucks -- portion affected, specifically to include Fifth Street both sides from Broadway to Bond Street and Praise the Lord Plaza both sides from Spring Street to Reid Street.
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 20, 2019, from the Acting Police Director request permission to establish handicapped parking spaces in front of the following premises: 217 Niles Street (personalized); 132 First Street, Apt. 102 (personalized); 120 Smith Street (personalized); 171-177 First Street Apt 1C; 129 First Street; 242 Magnolia Avenue Apt. 1; deletions: 332 Williamson Street.
Which was received.

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC. (Cont'd)

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 14, 2019, from Appalachia Hydrogeologic & Environmental Consulting, LLC, 678 Route 202-206, Building 5, Unit 4, Bridgewater, NJ request an Encroachment Permit to perform environmental work consisting of three (3) groundwater monitoring wells within the right-of-way of Grove Street and South Broad Street. Which was received.

REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 18, 2019, from the City Treasurer submitting the City Treasurer's Report of Receipts and Disbursements for the month of April 2019 and Statement of Bank Balances and Investments as of April 30, 2019.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 27, 2019, from the City Treasurer submitting the City Treasurer's Report of Receipts and Disbursements for the month of May 2019 and Statement of Bank Balances and Investments as of May 31, 2019.

ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING

ORD. NO. 5186-

An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Elizabeth to adopt the 30-34 Bank Street (Block 7, Lot 48) and 731-735 New Point Road (Block 7, Lot 562) Redevelopment Plan pursuant to the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 ET SEQ.

ORD. NO. 5197-

An Ordinance authorizing the City of Elizabeth to execute an easement agreement with the County of Union for flood control purposes and in connection with the Elizabeth River Trail Project - Phase 4, 52-54 Rahway Avenue (Block 6, Lot 921).

ORD. NO. 5198 -

An Ordinance to further amend Ordinance No. 1997 entitled "An Ordinance to authorize a Lease Agreement for the rental of the parking lot adjacent to the Church of the Assembly of God Portuguese Ministry of Elizabeth, Inc., located at 1123-1131 Dickinson Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey, for the term of one year, with options to renew for successive terms of one year each, to be utilized as a parking lot for Municipal employees during normal business hours" as amended, specifically to extend the Lease Term from September 1, 2019 through August 31, 2021, for the nominal consideration of one dollar (\$1.00) per year.

ORD. NO. 5199 -

An Ordinance to amend Section 10.40.070 of the Code of the City of Elizabeth, entitled "No Parking of Trucks - Portion Affected" specifically to add Fifth Street, both sides, Broadway to Bond Street and Praise the Lord Plaza, both sides, Spring Street to Reid Street.

ORD. NO. 5200 -

An Ordinance granting an Encroachment Permit to Appalachia Hydrogeologic & Environmental Consulting, LLC, 678 Route 202-206, Building 5, Unit 4, Bridgewater, New Jersey, to perform environmental work located at 361 South Broad Street, consisting of three (3) groundwater monitoring wells within the public right-of-way in front of Grove Street and South Broad Street (Wells at 364 and 400 South Broad Street and 700 Grove Street).

ORD. NO. 5201 -

An Ordinance to authorize the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Samirah Houston, 554 Jackson Avenue, Fl. 2, Elizabeth, New Jersey.

ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING (cont'd)

ORD. NO. 5202 - An Ordinance to authorize the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Gloria Hernandez, 568 Monroe Avenue, Elizabeth, New Jersey.

PUBLIC HEARING AND FUTURE CONSIDERATION OF THE FOREGOING ORDINANCES SHALL TAKE PLACE AT THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING TO BE HELD TUESDAY, AUGUST 27, 2019 AT 7:30 P.M.

ORDINANCES ON FINAL PASSAGE

ORD. NO. 5196 - An Ordinance to exceed the State Fiscal Year 2020 Municipal Budget Appropriation Limits and to establish a CAP Bank pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14.

NEW BUSINESS

Authorize transfers for the Fiscal Year 2019 Municipal & Sewer Utility Budgets in the amount of \$309,171.96.

In compliance with SFY 2016 Appropriations Act (Best Practices Requirement), City Council is requested to approve all payments related to accumulated/uncompensated absence benefits.

Authorize the award of a contract to National Fuel Oil, Inc., 175 Orange Street, Newark, N.J., for the purchase of diesel fuel for the Public Works Marina for the period June 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019, at a cost not to exceed \$50,000.00.

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Authorize the renewal of a contract for a second year with Highway Service Corporation, 548 Trumbull Street, Elizabeth, N.J., for the furnishing of Police Authorized Towing and Storage Services for the Police Department for the second year commencing August 25, 2019 through August 24, 2020, under the same terms and conditions as the current contract.

Confirm the appointment of the following to serve as Municipal Public Defenders for the Elizabeth Municipal Court for the period July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020, at a rate of \$300.00 per session and \$500.00 per session for Driving While Intoxicated (DWI) matters, for a total amount not to exceed \$175,000.00: Chanima Odums, Esq., Jersey City; Vernita E. Sias-Hill, Esq. Scotch Plains; Celeste Dudley-Smith, Esq., Union; Nidara Y. Rourk, Esq., East Orange; Maria M. Dias, Esq., Hillside; David W. Kuhrt, Esq. Elizabeth, New Jersey.

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Authorize the proper City officials to execute an Indemnification Agreement to the Elizabeth Board of Education, covering the City's utilization of the Board of Education facilities during the 2019-2020 fiscal year.

Authorize the proper City officials to execute a contract with Equifax Workforce Solutions (Formerly TALX Employer Services), 11432 Lakeland Road, St. Louis, MO, to provide unemployment cost control services for the period July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2021 at a total cost of \$3,760.00. per year for two years, total cost of the two-year contract is \$7,520.00.

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Authorize the renewal of a contract with Safety National Casualty Corporation, 1832 Schuetz Road, St. Louis, MO, through the agent-of-record, Sirocco Group, to obtain Excess Insurance on Workers' Compensation Coverage and excess General Liability insurance for the period July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020, at an annual premium of \$240,676.00 per year.

NEW BUSINESS (cont'd)

Authorize the proper City officials to execute an agreement with the Elizabeth Parking Authority for the rental of thirty (30) parking spaces in Lot #6 and three hundred thirty (330) parking spaces in Lot #2 at a rate of \$100.00 per parking space per month for a period of one year from July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020, total monthly cost will be \$36,000.00 or \$432,000.00 for one year and authorize the proper City officials to execute any and all documents regarding funds made available in connection with fiscal years July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018 and July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019.

Authorize the proper City officials to enter into a contract with Acacia Financial Group, Inc., 6000 Midlantic Drive, Mount Laurel, N.J., to provide financial advisory services to the City in connection with the City's issuance of municipal and sewer utility debt obligations, including bonds and bond anticipation notes and any other financial analysis deemed necessary for the period July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020, at a cost not to exceed \$40,000.00.

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NEW BUSINESS (cont'd)

Authorize the proper City officials to apply for, accept and sign all appropriate documents for the Union County Open Space, Recreation & Historic Preservation – Greening Union County Grant Program, with anticipated grant funds the City of Elizabeth will purchase one hundred fifty (150) Little Leaf Linden Trees to be planted throughout the City, in an amount not to exceed \$65,000.00.

Establish liens for the boarding up of properties listed on Schedule A on file in the City Clerk's Office in the total amount of \$2,040.04.

Establish liens for the removal and disposal of debris on properties listed on Schedule A on file in the City Clerk's Office in the total amount of \$2,613.03.

Delete the following handicapped parking space from in front of the premises located at 332 Williamson Street.

Authorize settlement in the worker's compensation litigation matter of Pronto vs. the City in the total amount of \$124,883.00.

Pay Utility Bills

Approve Bingo and Raffle Licenses

COMMENDATIONS:

MEMORIALS:

Eivira Di Pietro
Mary Renda
Joseph P. Cajuste
Fernando F. Lopes

ADJOURNMENT