

**HARRISBURG CITY COUNCIL
LEGISLATIVE SESSION MINUTES
Wednesday, February 15, 2017
A G E N D A**

CALL TO ORDER

- President Williams called the meeting to order at 6:15PM.
- President Williams asked all City Council members to put their phones away during the meetings unless it is an emergency.

ROLL CALL

- The City Clerk called the roll and all 7 members were present during roll call, namely: Ben Allatt, Shamaine Daniels, Jeff Baltimore, Destini Hodges, Cornelius Johnson, Westburn Majors and Wanda R. D. Williams.

INVOCATION/MOMENT OF SILENCE

- The Moment of Silence was led by Mr. Baltimore.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

- The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Ms. Hodges.

COURTESY OF THE FLOOR

- President Williams announce the departure of Assistant City Clerk, Lance Claiborne. She said she was very sad to see him go, but she understands because it was for a better opportunity.
- Mr. Johnson said that Lance has been a great addition to the office. He said not only was he the Assistant City Clerk, but he was a great friend as well and we are all sad to see him go.
- Jean Greco thanked the city for putting a Police Sub-Station in front of her building. She asked for a follow up on the transportation/comprehensive plan.
- Les Ford said that he got very excited with Bill 2-2017, but he was mixed up. He said he automatically thought it read South 18th Street between Derry and Mulberry, which has been an ongoing problem with unattached tractor trailers parking on the street. He said that there is a garage/shop in that area that has been a nuisance. He said on the West Side you have a garage and they have cars parked all over the street. He said that parking enforcement couldn't do anything because the VIN numbers are scratched off. He said that children walk down that street on 19th and Derry and cannot walk on the sidewalk. He said that it is a nuisance and he can't believe why it has taken so long to be addressed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Upon motion by President Williams, with no objections the Legislative Session Minutes of January 24, 2017 were deemed approved.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

- Chair Allatt reported on the Budget & Finance Committee Meeting of February 1, 2017.

ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READING

- **The City Clerk read Bill 2-2017 into record** - An Ordinance amending the City of Harrisburg's Official Traffic Control Map under Chapter 3-109 of the Codified Ordinances, by restricting parking on the West Side of South 18th Street between Derry and Berryhill Streets and authorizing the posting of No Parking signage consistent with the regulations of the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation.
- **President Williams placed this in the Public Safety Committee.**

ORDINANCES FOR AMENDMENT

- There were none.

ORDINANCES FOR FINAL PASSAGE

- **The City Clerk read Bill 26-2016** – An Ordinance amending Title 8 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Harrisburg by deleting the existing Chapter 8-511 titled "Residential Rental Unit Permit Program" in its entirety, including associated permit fees and penalties, and replacing it with a new Chapter 8-511 titled "Residential Rental Unit Registration Program," requiring the registration of all residential rental units throughout the City, providing for fees and penalties related to the administration of the program.
- **Mr. Grover stated that there were a few minor administrative changes that were made to re-letter the Bill so that it makes sense.**
- **President Williams called for the vote and this passed 7-0.**
- **The City Clerk read Bill 29-2016 into record** – An ordinance amending the traffic control maps of the City of Harrisburg in the vicinity of the Broad Street Market pursuant to Section 3-109.2(A) of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Harrisburg, amending Section 3-131.2 of the Codified Ordinances, entitled Parking Limited in Designated Areas, and amending Section 3-139.2 of the Codified Ordinances, entitled Residential Permit Parking.
- **President Williams called for the vote and this passed 7-0.**

RESOLUTIONS

- **The City Clerk read Resolution 3-2017 into record** - A Resolution approving the First Proposed 2017 Budget Reallocations in order to reclassify certain allocations and authorize the roll forward of certain 2016 Budget Year commitments.
- **Mr. Allatt moved, seconded by Mr. Baltimore to add Appendix D to these reallocations.**
- **President Williams called for the vote on the amendment and this passed 7-0.**
- **President Williams called for the final vote and this Resolution passed As Amended 7-0.**
- **The City Clerk read Resolution 4-2017 into record** - A Resolution approving the Preliminary/Final Land Development Plan submitted by Brian Zaver to construct a 192 space commercial parking lot at Wildwood Drive L2 & 2A (Tax Parcel I.D. # 10-071-100)
- **President Williams placed this in the Community & Economic Development Committee.**
- **The City Clerk read Resolution 5-2017 into record** - A Resolution approving a professional service agreement with MaherDuessel, Certified Public Accountants, to audit the City's Annual Audit and Financial Report for the year ended December 31, 2016.
- **President Williams placed this in the Budget & Finance Committee.**
- **The City Clerk read Resolution 6-2017 into record** - A Resolution approving a professional services agreement with Trout, Ebersole & Groff, LLP, CPAs and Business Advisors, to conduct a reconciliation of the Compensated Absences Liability, Post-Employment Benefit Obligations and Neighborhood Fund Receivable accounts.
- **President Williams placed this in the Administration Committee.**

- **The City Clerk read Resolution 7-2017 into record** - A Resolution appointing Thomas Whye, PE to serve on the Building and Housing Code Board of Appeals of the City of Harrisburg.
- **President Williams placed this in the Administration Committee.**
- **The City Clerk read Resolution 8-2017 into record** - A Resolution approving a request for a formal proposal for transit regionalization with the Central Pennsylvania Transportation Authority.
- **President Williams placed this in the Public Safety Committee.**
- **The City Clerk read Resolution 9-2017 into record** - A Resolution authorizing the City to negotiate and enter into a professional services agreement with Navarro & Wright Consulting Engineers, Inc. for project management services in connection with the sinkhole mitigation project in the 1400 block of South 14th Street.
- **President Williams placed this in the Public Works Committee.**
- **The City Clerk Resolution 10-2017 into record**– A Resolution appointing Neil Heffelfinger to serve on the Harrisburg Architectural Review Board.
- **President Williams placed this in the Administration Committee.**
- **The City Clerk read Resolution 11-2017 into record** - A Resolution approving the transfer of 22 nonconforming or otherwise irregular properties to the Harrisburg Redevelopment Authority for sale or other disposition.
- **President Williams placed this in the Administration Committee.**
- **The City Clerk read Resolution 12-2017 into record** - A Resolution appointing Roy Christ, Steve Howe and Jim Thompson to serve on the LERTA Appeals Board.
- **President Williams placed this in the Administration Committee.**

OLD BUSINESS

- There were none.

NEW BUSINESS

- Mr. Johnson asked for an update on LERTA.
- Ms. Daniels said that the Mayor and City Council owes the gentleman who fell off the roof an apology. She said that she has been trying to deal with blight in the city for a really long time. She said that the housing unit involved failed inspection and no one ever followed up with it. She said that last year when she introduced bills and the administration constantly said that the city codes were at higher standards than federal standards, and in this particular example it shows that our city code standard wouldn't require a secure railing, whereas the federal standard would have. So, this gentleman died because of two things: 1. There was no follow up on a failed inspection. 2. We haven't been as aggressive on blight. She said it is very unfortunate and she intends to reintroduce her legislation. She said the Mayor added three individuals to the staff and that allows for extra inspections for the year. She said that she would like to see Council and the Mayor be more aggressive to hold properties to meet the standard.
- Mr. Majors announced that Feb. 25th at Scott Elementary School there will be an African American Read-In, "Discovering our hidden figures". Secondly, he asked for a follow up on information related to Bill 4-2016.
- Ms. Williams announced that she will be having an Administration Committee meeting on February 16th at 5:30PM. She also announced that City Council will be having an Executive Session on March 14th at 5PM with outside counsel and immediately following this meeting to discuss a contract dispute.
- Mr. Baltimore said that he wants to discuss the Comprehensive Plan in the near future to hash out what is going on there to get an update from the Administration.
- Ms. Williams announced that the next Legislative Session will be on March 14th at 6PM.

ADJOURNMENT

- The meeting was adjourned at 6:48PM.