

HARRISBURG CITY COUNCIL
LEGISLATIVE SESSION MINTUES
Tuesday, November 12, 2019

A G E N D A

CALL TO ORDER

- President Williams called the meeting to order at 6:00PM.

ROLL CALL

- City Clerk called the roll and 6 members were present during roll call, namely: Ben Allatt, Danielle Bowers, Shamaine Daniels, Ausha Green, Dave Madsen, and Wanda R. D. Williams. Westburn Majors was excused.

INVOCATION/MOMENT OF SILENCE

- The Moment of Silence was led by Ms. Bowers.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

COMMUNICATIONS

- Ray Zaborney from Maverick Strategies gave an update to City Council on the work they have completed and are working on.
- Ed Myers from Kittelson & Associates, Inc. gave an update on the I-83 Capital Beltway PennDOT Project study.

COURTESY OF THE FLOOR

- Melanie Cook suggested the presenters should provide a physical report so people can follow along. She requested having public meetings such as the ones that were had regarding the “2nd street two-way project” to allow the public to have sufficient notice, where people know what the city is doing. She asked if the city has ever adopted a comprehensive plan. She said for a city of this size to operate without a comprehensive plan is Ludacris. She said it is almost impossible to track everything that is going on and this is how decisions are made that don’t benefit the whole population of residents. She asked for more public meetings specifically related towards transportation. She said we need to develop a strategic plan to approach PennDOT and our elected officials at the state and Federal level to shift a position that would place more value of how people can get in and out of the city to the quality of life for our residents.
- John Wonnor said he supports keeping the water supply public and asked for updates. He said that he is in the process of putting together a petition signing and they have close to 100 signatures who are interested in keeping the water supply public.
- Joseph Link said the residents of the Riverside Neighborhood are against privatizing the Harrisburg Water Authority and CRW’s municipal assets. He submitted a petition to the City Clerk with 250 signatures.
- Tom Leonard followed up on Mr. Link’s comments regarding the Riverside Neighbors did in a short period of time. He said they are against selling or privatizing the Harrisburg Water Authority or CRW. He said the storm water fee is a big deal, but it is happening in a public setting and they are learning as a public. He said that will not happen if our water is sold. He urged City Council not to sell our valuable assets.
- Les Ford said he was able to see what was going on regarding the sound system, he suggested brining in city council as a mock session to get the sound right because it has sucked for 20 years. He congratulated the three individuals who were just re-elected to City Council and wished them well. He said regarding Resolution 75 and Resolution 83 is there a timeline regarding HUD funds. He said he has a sense of urgency and asked if we have a tactic in place.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Approval of the Legislative Session Minutes of October 22, 2019.
- Approval of the Special Legislative Session Minutes of October 29, 2019.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

- Chair Williams reported on the Work Session of October 29, 2019.
- Chair Green reported on the Work Session of October 29, 2019.
- Chair Madsen reported on the Work Session of October 29, 2019.

ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READING

- **The City Clerk read Bill 12-2019 into record-** An Ordinance amending Chapter 7-307.3, entitled “Development Standards,” of the Zoning Code of the City of Harrisburg by removing density restrictions in the Residential Low-Density (RL) and Residential Medium-Density (RM) zoning districts and rescinding the “Minimum Lot Area” calculation for the Commercial Neighborhood (CN) zoning district.
- **The Council President placed this in the Community & Economic Development Committee.**

ORDINANCES FOR AMENDMENT

- There was none.

ORDINANCES FOR FINAL PASSAGE

- There was none.

RESOLUTIONS

- **The City Clerk read Resolution 70-2019 into record** - A Resolution confirming the appointment of Mr. Marc Woolley to serve on the LERTA Appeals Board.
- **President Williams called the vote and this passed 6-0.**
- **The City Clerk read Resolution 71-2019 into record** - A Resolution confirming the appointment of Mr. Brian Enterline to serve as a member of the Board of Directors of the Susquehanna Area Regional Airport Authority (SARAA).
- **President Williams called for the vote and this passed 6-0.**
- **The City Clerk read Resolution 73-2019 into record** - A Resolution approving the transfer of the Riverside Firehouse located at 3201 N. 4th Street to the Harrisburg Redevelopment Authority for sale or other disposition.
- **President Williams called for the vote and this passed 6-0.**
- **The City Clerk read Resolution 75-2019 into record** - A Resolution authorizing the City of Harrisburg to negotiate and enter into a professional services agreement with YAG Properties, LLC ("YAG") for the purpose of providing technical assistance with the City's post-award implementation of its 2019 HUD Lead Hazard Reduction Grant and Healthy Homes Program Grant.
- **President Williams called for the vote and this passed 5-1, with Ms. Bowers voting in the negative.**
- **The City Clerk read Resolution 78-2019 into record** – A Resolution authorizing the City of Harrisburg to negotiate and enter into a service contract with Penn Waste, Inc., to continue to serve as the City’s single stream recycling disposal service.
- **President Williams placed this in the Public Works Committee.**
- **The City Clerk read Resolution 79-2019 into record** – A Resolution approving the 2020 Municipal Domestic Animal Protective Services Agreement with the Humane Society of Harrisburg Area to provide services to the City of Harrisburg’s Animal Control Program.

- **President Williams placed this in the Public Safety Committee.**
- **Resolution 80-2019** - A Resolution ratifying an addendum to a professional services agreement with Real Estate Strategies, Inc. for the purpose of providing technical grant assistance services to the City of Harrisburg's Department of Building and Housing Development to support its HUD related programs and reporting requirements.
- **This was removed from the agenda.**
- **The City Clerk read Resolution 81-2019 into record** – A Resolution ratifying an amendment to a professional services agreement with Thomas J. McLane and Associates, Inc. for the purpose of providing NPDES permit preparation and submission professional services.
- **President Williams placed this in the Parks and Recreation Committee.**
- **The City Clerk read Resolution 82-2019 into record** – A Resolution authorizing the City to negotiate and enter into an amendment to a professional services agreement with Thomas J. McLane and Associates, Inc. for the purpose of providing additional professional services for the Chutes and Ladders Playground Area including permit preparation, stormwater management plan creation, and ADA accessibility design.
- **President Williams placed this in the Parks and Recreation Committee.**
- **The City Clerk read Resolution 83-2019 into record** - A Resolution authorizing the City of Harrisburg to negotiate and enter into a professional services agreement with Civitas, LLC for the purpose of providing professional services to the City's Department of Building, Housing, and Development including, but not limited to, technical assistance and general consulting services for: IDIS functions, Compliance Management, Action Plan Assistance, CAPER Assistance, NEPA/ER Technical Assistance, and FFATA Reports.
- **President Williams placed this in the Building & Housing Committee.**
- **The City Clerk read Resolution 84-2019 into record** - A Resolution approving the Lot Consolidation and Preliminary/Final Land Development Plan submitted by Kevin Murphy on behalf of AutoZone Development to construct a new AutoZone retail store.
- **President Williams placed this in the Community and Economic Development Committee.**
- **Resolution 85-2019** - A Resolution approving the disposal or donation of certain personal property owned by the City of Harrisburg which has exhausted its useful life for City operations.
- **This was removed from the agenda.**

OLD BUSINESS

- There was none.

NEW BUSINESS

- Ms. Bowers announced there is a Small Business Resource Event the city is hosting on Thursday, November 21st from 5:30PM – 7:30PM located at (Start UP) 922 North Third Street. She said the event is free, but registration is required. She said more information can be found on the city's website: harrisburgpa.gov/business
- Mr. Allatt said last week the Audit Committee held a meeting and he was in attendance. He said there are some things he wants to highlight. The Audit identified a number of material weaknesses and the administration is supposed to respond. He said he was disappointed with the administrative responses. He requested that in the we provide more of a detailed response to these weaknesses. Additionally, more from the administration on not just responding but the plan of attack or direction we are headed with each noted material weakness.

- President Williams announced that the deadline to nominate an Unsung Hero is Friday, November 15th and for more information contact the City Clerk at 717-255-3060.

ADJOURNMENT

- The meeting adjourned at 7:27PM