

**HARRISBURG CITY COUNCIL  
LEGISLATIVE SESSION MINUTES  
Tuesday, March 10, 2020**

**A G E N D A**

**CALL TO ORDER**

- President Williams called the meeting to order at 6:08PM.

**ROLL CALL**

- The City Clerk called the roll and 7 members were present during roll call, namely: Ben Allatt, Danielle Bowers, Shamaine Daniels, Ausha Green, Dave Madsen, Westburn Majors (6:31PM Arrival) and Wanda R. D. Williams.

**INVOCATION/MOMENT OF SILENCE**

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

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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

**COMMUNICATIONS**

- There was none.

**COURTESY OF THE FLOOR**

- Mr. Hernandez spoke in support of Resolution 16-2020.
- Geraldo spoke in support of Resolution 16-2020.
- Andrea Grove spoke in support of Resolution 16-2020.
- Katrina Racer spoke in support of Resolution 16-2020.
- Ode spoke in support of Resolution 16-2020.
- Christina spoke in support of Resolution 16-2020.
- Les Ford said something needs to be done as a community about the public safety “gun play” problems that are going on the last few weeks in the city.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- Upon motion by President Williams, with no objections the Legislative Session Minutes of February 25, 2020 were deemed approved.

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

- Chair Allatt reported on the Work Session of March 3, 2020.
- Chair Madsen reported on the Work Session of March 3, 2020.
- Chair Majors reported on the Work Session of March 3, 2020.

**ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READING**

- There were none.

**ORDINANCES FOR AMENDMENT**

- There were none.

**ORDINANCES FOR FINAL PASSAGE**

- There were none.

## OVERRIDE OF MAYORAL VETO

- **The City Clerk read Bill 1-2020 into record** - An Ordinance vacating and striking from the Official Map of the City of Harrisburg various unnamed paper streets within the block bounded by Harris Street, North 7th Street, Boyd Street and Wallace Street; Boyd Street between Wallace Street and North 7th Street; and Cowden Street between Boyd Street and Reily Street pursuant to Chapter 3-109 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Harrisburg.
- Mayor Papenfuse and City Council had a brief discussion concerning the reasoning behind the Mayoral Veto.
- **President Williams called the vote on the motion to override the Mayoral Veto and the motion carried 5-2, with Mr. Madsen and Majors voting in the negative.**

## RESOLUTIONS

- **The City Clerk read Resolution 2-2020 into record** - A Resolution authorizing the City of Harrisburg to enter into a professional services contract with Maverick Strategies for strategic guidance and intelligence gathering for lobbying-related services.
- **Mr. Allatt made a motion to make the following amendment: To change the expiration date on the contract to December 31, 2020 and the option to opt out within 30 days.**
- **President Williams called for the vote on the amendment and this 6-1, with Mr. Madsen voting in the negative.**
- **President Williams called for the final vote as amended and this passed 5-2, with Ms. Daniels and Mr. Madsen voting in the negative.**
- **The City Clerk read Resolution 11-2020 into record** - A Resolution approving the transfer of Strawberry Square Arcade, an elevated walkway connecting Strawberry Square to 30 North 3rd Street, The Whitaker Center for the Science & Arts, Walnut Street Garage and the Harrisburg Hilton, to Strawberry Square Condominium Association.
- **President Williams called for the vote and this passed 6-1, with Ms. Williams voting in the negative.**
- **The City Clerk read Resolution 13-2020 into record** - A Resolution authorizing the City of Harrisburg to negotiate and enter into a professional services agreement with Maher Duessel, PC for the purpose of providing audit preparation services to the City of Harrisburg.
- **President Williams called for the vote and this passed 7-0.**
- **The City Clerk read Resolution 14-2020 into record** - A Resolution authorizing the City of Harrisburg to negotiate and enter into a professional services agreement with Ecological Services, Inc. for the purpose of providing lake management services at Italian Lake.
- **President Williams called for the vote and this passed 7-0.**
- **The City Clerk read Resolution 15-2020 into record-** A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Harrisburg authorizing and approving an Amendment to the Second Amended and Restated Settlement Agreement between the City of Harrisburg and Ambac Assurance Corporation.
- **President Williams placed this in the Budget & Finance Committee.**
- **The City Clerk read Resolution 16-2020 into record** - A Resolution in support of state legislation to allow every resident of Pennsylvania access to a valid driver's license regardless of immigration status.
- **President Williams called for the vote and this passed 7-0.**

- **The City Clerk read Resolution 17-2020 into record** - A Resolution authorizing the City of Harrisburg to enter into an intergovernmental cooperation agreement with the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission for the City's participation in the Certified Local Government Program.
- **President Williams placed this in the Building & Housing Committee.**
- **The City Clerk read Resolution 18-2020 into record** - A Resolution authorizing the City of Harrisburg to negotiate and enter into a professional services agreement with Wallace, Montgomery, & Associates, LLP for the purpose of completing the State Street Rapid Response final design.
- **President Williams placed this in the Public Works Committee.**

#### OLD BUSINESS

- There was none.

#### NEW BUSINESS

- Ms. Williams announced to the subrecipients that letters have been sent out to CDBG applicants, March 24<sup>th</sup> will be introduction and City Council will vote on April 14<sup>th</sup>.
- Mr. Allatt said there has been an uptick in violence throughout the city and he asked if the Administration could respond to the community at our next Legislative Session.
- Ms. Daniels said as a city we are not equipped to handle meetings for residents who do not speak English or are Hearing Impaired. She asked for a Resolution to integrate these changes to be put in the budget.
- Ms. Green announced that the 500 Man reading event is canceled due to COVID-19.
- Ms. Williams announced that we will be getting new voting machines and you are able to practice on these new machines at the Madeline Olewine Library or the East Shore Library in Lower Paxton Township on March 28<sup>th</sup> at 12noon or March 31<sup>st</sup> at 5PM.
- Mr. Majors said if you need more information regarding the Corona Virus, he encouraged all residents to visit the Department of Health website.

#### ADJOURNMENT

- The meeting adjourned at 7:13PM.