AGENDA

NEWPORT NEWS CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

MARCH 12, 2019
City Council Chambers

7:00 p.m.

A. Call to Order

B. Invocation
   • Rabbi Gershon Litt, Adath Jeshurun and Hillel at Christopher Newport University

C. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America

D. Presentations
   1. Resolution in Memoriam: The Honorable J. Warren Stephens

E. Public Hearings
   1. None Advertised

F. Consent Agenda
   1. Minutes of the Work Session of February 26, 2019
   2. Minutes of the Special Meeting of February 26, 2019
   3. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 26, 2019
   4. Resolution to Comply with the Budget Public Hearing Notice Provisions of the Code of Virginia, Chapter 25; Title 15.2, as Amended, Entitled Budgets, Audits, and Reports
   5. Resolution in Support of the Deployment of An Offshore Wind Farm Off the Coast of Virginia

G. Other City Council Actions
1. Receipt of Bids for Granting a Utility Easement on a Portion of City-owned Property at 100 City Farm Road (Riverview Farm Park)
2. Receipt of Bids for Granting a Utility Easement on a Portion of City-owned Property at 6940 Huntington Avenue (Huntington Heights Park)

H. Appropriations

1. Newport News Sheriff's Office (NNSO) - Asset Forfeiture: Law Enforcement Operations and Investigations - $5,000

I. Citizen Comments on Matters Germane to the Business of City Council

J. *New Business and Councilmember Comments

1. City Manager
2. City Attorney
3. City Clerk
4. Woodbury
5. Cherry
6. Harris
7. Jenkins
8. Price
9. Scott
10. Vick

K. Adjourn

*THE BUSINESS PORTION OF THE MEETING WILL BE CONCLUDED NO LATER THAN 10:00 P.M. TO ALLOW PERSONS TO ADDRESS CITY COUNCIL UNDER "CITIZEN COMMENTS ON MATTERS GERMANE TO THE BUSINESS OF CITY COUNCIL."
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1. None Submitted
F. Consent Agenda

1. Minutes of the Work Session of February 26, 2019

  ACTION:  • N/A

  BACKGROUND:  • N/A

  FISCAL IMPACT:  • N/A

ATTACHMENTS:
Description
Minutes of Work Session for February 26, 2019
MINUTES OF WORK SESSION
OF THE NEWPORT NEWS CITY COUNCIL
HELD IN THE 10TH FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM
2400 WASHINGTON AVENUE
February 26, 2019
3:38 p.m.

PRESENT: Tina L. Vick; Patricia P. Woodbury; Saundra N. Cherry, D. Min; Marcellus L. Harris III; David H. Jenkins; McKinley L. Price, DDS; and Sharon P. Scott, MPA

ABSENT: ............................................................................................................................

OTHERS PRESENT: Cynthia Rohlf; Collins L. Owens; Mabel Washington Jenkins; Joye Thompkins; Darlene Bradberry; Shelia McAllister; Flora Chiros; Lisa Cipriano; Cory Cloud; Constantinos Velissarios; Maria Abilar; Keith Ferguson; Susan Goodwin; Florence Kingston; Derek Perry; Marc Rodgers; Karen Wilds; Lisa Wornom-Zahralddin; Lindsey Cutshaw; Danielle Forand; Venerria Thomas; Everett Skipper; Louis Martinez; Jeffrey Johnson; Scott Liebold; Frank James; Sonia Alcantara-Antoine; Eddie Crockett; Chief Steve Drew; John Olson; William H. Mann, Jr.; Cynthia Randall; Alan Archer; David Freeman; Cleder Jones; Kim Lee; Eoghan Miller; Zina Middleton; and Josh Reyes

I. Greater Peninsula Workforce Board Initiatives

City Manager Rohlf introduced Dr. John Olson, Chair, and Mr. William H. Mann, Jr., Executive Director, Greater Peninsula Workforce Board, to provide a review of the mission and vision statement, and to discuss the fourth quarter Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Action (WIOA) performance metrics (a copy of the presentation, “Greater Peninsula Workforce Board Update”, is attached and made a part of these minutes).

Dr. Olson shared that the Greater Peninsula Workforce Board served the Cities of Newport News, Hampton, and Williamsburg; and Counties of James City, Gloucester, York, and Poquoson.

Dr. Olson shared the mission and vision statement:

• Greater Peninsula Workforce Board Mission
  • We advance prosperity and well-being in our community by engaging stakeholders to accelerate workforce and economic development opportunities.
Greater Peninsula Workforce Board **Vision Statement**
  - The premier business centric workforce solutions catalyst.

Dr. Olson advised the Virginia Career Works – Hampton Center was located at 600 Butler Farm Road and provided City Council with a list of Newport News Board Members and Share Network Access Points located within the City:

**GREATER PENINSULA WORKFORCE BOARD**
**CITY OF NEWPORT NEWS REPRESENTATIVES**
**PRIVATE SECTOR REPRESENTATIVES**

Rhonda Bunn, Director  
Human Resources/Public Relations  
Canon Virginia, Inc.  
1200 Canon Boulevard, Newport News

Greg Garrett, Owner  
Greg Garrett Realty  
11864 Canon Boulevard, Suite 103, Newport News

Jesse Goodrich, Vice President  
Human Resources  
Riverside Health System  
701 Town Center Drive, Suite 1000, Newport News

John Olson, Ed.D, Campus President  
ECPI University  
1001 Omni Boulevard, Newport News

Ken Taylor, Executive Vice President  
W. M. Jordan Company, Inc.  
11010 Jefferson Avenue, Newport News

Vince Warren, Manager, Craft Training  
Newport News Shipbuilding  
The Apprentice School  
4101 Washington Avenue, Newport News
Mary M. Williams, Vice President
Human Resources
1st Advantage Federal Credit Union
P. O. Box 2116, Newport News

Nancy Harvin, Training Department Manager
Newport News Shipbuilding
4101 Washington Avenue, Newport News

Robin Nelhuebel, Ph.D., RN, RTR
System Director, Education
Riverside College of Health Careers
316 Main Street, Newport News

LOCAL ELECTED OFFICIAL
The Honorable Tina Vick
Vice Mayor

LEO STAFF REPRESENTATIVE
(NON-VOTING)
Alan Archer
Assistant City Manager

CITY OF NEWPORT NEWS - SHARE NETWORK ACCESS POINTS
- Bridging The Gap in Virginia
  - C. Waldo Scott Center
- Department of Juvenile Justice
  - Family Investment Center
- LINK of Hampton Roads
  - New Beech Grove Baptist Church
- Newport News Department of Human Services
  - Newport News Public Libraries
- Newport News Sheriff’s Office Jail Annex
  - YWCA Virginia Peninsula

Mr. Mann noted that a Share Network Access Point was a faith-based or community organization where people could go in their own neighborhoods or communities to look for jobs, assisted by trained individuals who connect them to the One-Stop system via computer and direct
referrals. It was the training, and the ongoing relationship with One-Stop, that characterized Share Network Access Points as unique.

Mr. Mann further stated that Share Network Access Points provided customers a comfortable place to conduct self-directed job search activities, supported by a trained individual helped them become more comfortable using a computer, completing job applications, creating resumes, and connecting to other services for which they may be eligible.

Mr. Mann advised that the Greater Peninsula Workforce Board worked with individuals 18 years or older and dislocated workers (i.e. individual who was employed but no longer employed due to a plant closure, reduction in force, or some other cause). That dislocated worker was out of work and the likelihood of that individual going back into that occupation was not very good. They needed to be trained for new careers.

Mr. Mann indicated in addition to the provision of labor market information, was a process that involved an assessment, planning, counseling, case management, academy and occupational skills training, support services, placement assistance, and follow-up. He further indicated follow-up was important to ensure once a person had gone through the system, had been trained, earned their credentials, got employed, and remained employed. He hoped to put individuals on solid career paths.

Mr. Mann shared in addition to the work services of the WIOA, the board also funded an integrated youth service delivery system under a contract with New Horizons Regional Education Centers (NHREC). The NHREC provided high quality services for eligible in-school youth, as well as, out-of-school youth. NHREC provided activities involving career exploration and guidance, continued support for academic attainment, opportunities for skills training in on-demand industries and occupations that combined with good employment opportunities and career pathway and/or enrolled in post-secondary education.

Mr. Mann advised the overall goal was to improve career pathways by utilizing both public and private resources to support an integrated job driven workforce, that employed diverse talent and development strategies to meet the needs of area employers for a highly trained and skills workers who possess industry recognized credentials.

Mr. Mann indicated the Greater Peninsula Workforce Board Program realized that everyone could not come to the training facility because of transportation challenges, which was why there was excitement about the new Brooks Crossing location. The Greater Peninsula Workforce Board Program do have shared network access, which was working with community and faith-based organization to provide an outreach and recruitment mechanism in the
communities that needed the people that were eligible for the services available under the WIOA. There would be trained volunteers at the community and faith-based organizations that worked with the staff at One Stop to deliver a variety of services in the community and to provide individuals with an access point to train with the 30 plus vendors, also at the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) locations.

Councilwoman Cherry inquired about the number of individuals being serviced at the different sites (i.e. C. Waldo Scott Center). She stated although it was a Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) site, she would like to know the numbers, because if the community was not utilizing the sites effectively, it was just a site. She requested the information for the Southeast Community site. Mr. Mann replied he did not have those numbers available; however, would get the requested information to Assistant City Manager Alan Archer.

Councilman Harris questioned the hours and days of the week that the SNAP sites were available. Mr. Mann replied that the hours and days of the week varied for the SNAP sites; depending on the availability of the community and faith-based location and the availability of volunteers; however he would be able to provide that requested information to Assistant City Manager Alan Archer. Councilman Harris noted that New Beech Grove Baptist Church was on the SNAP list; but questioned how he would inform the citizens of the hours that this site was available and the resources accessible. Mr. Mann replied he understood the concern and reiterated he would get the requested information to Assistant City Manager Alan Archer.

Vice Mayor Vick indicated to be recognized as a SNAP site, there had to be a computer system available connected to One Stop to share access with the community. The shared access network had been a benefit to the communities. She further shared that people could call the SNAP sites to inquire about the hours and dates of availability. Those sites were not just SNAP sites, but had other activities occurring at that location.

Councilwoman Scott questioned whether the SNAP sites were responsible for doing its own outreach or depending upon Greater Peninsula Workforce Board Program to get the word out. Mr. Mann replied it was a combination of both, that Greater Peninsula Workforce Board Program got the word out in the community and advised people that the services were available and the locations. City Manager Rohlf indicated the City could work with the Department of Communications to work with specific sites, to get that information out to City Council, in order to share with citizens. Councilwoman Scott stated that information would be great because she was unaware of the SNAP site at New Beech Grove Baptist Church and said that information should be in the community centers.
Mr. Mann shared the Greater Peninsula Workforce Board Program Year for 2018 (July 1, 2018 – June 30, 2019) Allocations by Source as follows:

- Federal Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) $4,171,330
- Local Per Capita 255,226
- Grants, Private Sector Contributions, One-Stop Partner Resources Sharing 241,419

TOTAL ALLOCATIONS $4,667,975

Mr. Mann shared there were a number of regulations and restrictions once federal funding was accepted. The Greater Peninsula Workforce Board Program was driven by those federal regulations and restrictions that accompany the WIOA.

Mr. Mann noted the Greater Peninsula Workforce Board Per Capita Allocations by Jurisdictions as follows:

- City of Newport News $92,775
- City of Hampton 74,435
- York County 28,910
- James City County 28,306
- Gloucester County 19,006
- City of Williamsburg 5,947
- County of Poquoson 5,847

TOTAL PER CAPITA CONTRIBUTIONS $255,226

Mr. Mann advised there were Services for Businesses:

- On-site recruitment and placement assistance
- On-the-Job Training (OJT) Subsidies
- Customized Occupational Skills Training
- Incumbent Worker Training
- Work Opportunity Tax Credit Program
- Rapid Response Services
- Transitional Work Experience Program
- Access to Labor Market Information
Mr. Mann shared the Services for Job Seekers:

- Self-Directed Resource Room/Core Services
  - Job search assistance, internet accessible computers, self-assessment tools, unemployment insurance claim filing, labor market information, photocopying, fax and phone service, access to partner programs and services, and more.

- Intensive Services
  - One-on-one and small group assistance provided by a Hampton Center Career Developer

- Training Services
  - Occupational Skills training OJT training; job readiness training; adult education, etc.

Mr. Mann shared the Greater Peninsula Workforce Board Program had embarked upon a new partnership, and were one of 15 Areas with the closest being the Hampton Roads Workforce Council with Mr. Shawn Avery, Executive Director, in Norfolk. In September 2018, the Greater Peninsula Workforce Board Program and Hampton Roads Workforce Council, signed a resolution agreeing to come together and work as one entity, delivering services to the business community. He indicated businesses did not care about geography or jurisdictional boundaries, but wanted hard workers. Greater Peninsula Workforce Board Program and Hampton Roads Workforce worked together to prepare a business engagement strategy, and communication outreach to the business community to address the needs of employers through a collaborative regional approach. He said a contract had been with Hampton Roads Workforce Council and set-up the mechanism to function as one unit. He believed this would be a helpful strategy to pursue in meeting the needs of the employer community throughout the 15 communities in the Southeastern corridor of Hampton Roads region.

Mr. Mann provided City Council with the Participant Numbers from July 1, 2018 - December 31, 2018, and Local Workforce Development Area 14 – Fourth Quarter WIOA Performance Metrics for Program Year 2017 (see pages 11 and 12 of the presentation, “Greater Peninsula Workforce Board Update”, is attached and made a part of these minutes).

Referencing the metrics chart, Councilwoman Cherry inquired about age for youth. Mr. Mann replied the age for in-school youth was 14 – 21 years of age and for out-of-school 16 – 24 years of age. He stated adults began at 18 years of age which was an overlap of services.
Mr. Mann shared one of many success stories -- Mr. Shontavia Hall, attended a WIOA Orientation, and was able to pursue occupational skills training and improved his employment situation (see page 13 of the presentation, “Greater Peninsula Workforce Board Update”, attached and made a part of these minutes). The success stories were forwarded to the City of Richmond to make the Governor’s Office aware of what had been accomplished and were also forward to the Department of Labor.

Vice Mayor Vick advised that she had been on the Greater Peninsula Workforce Board Program for a number of years and observed the organization evolve and move forward and saw workforce development in a more positive light. The partnerships (i.e. Thomas Nelson Community Center, Goodwill, etc.) provide training in workplace simulated environments for such careers as plumbing, electrical, etc. Mr. Mann indicated what was great about the success stories was that they inspired employers to invest funds in the board to establish various training programs needed. He shared a great example of Ferguson Enterprises providing over $22,000 to create an entry-level plumbing program because they were subcontractors and were unable to find individuals with that skill set.

Councilman Harris questioned whether 14 and 15 year old students were assisted with obtaining work permits. Mr. Mann replied the Greater Peninsula Workforce Board Program worked with youth of all ages. The program tailored their employable planning to the individual, whether they were in-school, out-of-school, needed a work permit or not, and were very careful about where a youth was placed. He said career exploration was important as the younger individual played a vital role of the overall effort. The program did a great job looking at the individuals and mapping out a plan to help move them forward. Vice Mayor Vick indicated not all 14 year olds were going to a job, that enrollment in the program would allow youth to start the process of career exploration at New Horizons Regional Program. Councilman Harris indicated he was familiar with the New Horizons Regional Program and noted the employment information in the Annual Report, he inquired about the youth who needed a work permit for employment.

Councilwoman Cherry thanked Ms. Patricia Ford, Career Advisory and Ms. Lisa Taylor, Community Relations and Business Services Coordinator, for their assistance with her student’s class assignment. She looked forward to employment and job skills training at the site. She inquired whether there would be volunteers available to help navigate through the process. She looked forward to seeing what would be available at Brooks Crossing, and more important was that it would be staffed.

Mr. Mann thanked City Council for the opportunity to share the updated information on the Greater Peninsula Workforce Board Program and provided City Council with an Annual Report.
II. ACT Work Ready Community Certification

City Manager Rohlf introduced Ms. Lisa Wornom-Zahralddin, Project Manager, Office of the City Manager to provide a briefing on the ACT Work Ready Community Initiative (WRC) and to discuss the City’s participation in the program (a copy of the presentation, “ACT Work Ready Communities Initiative”, is attached and made a part of these minutes).

Ms. Wornom-Zahralddin shared that ACT was a nonprofit organization best known for the ACT – the standardized test designed to assess college readiness. ACT also managed a number of other programs including ACT WorkKeys and the National Career Readiness Certificate (NCRC).

Ms. Wornom-Zahralddin indicated that ACT NCRC was an assessment-based credential that measured and certified the essential work skills needed for success in jobs across industries and occupations. She stated NCRC evaluated individuals on Applied Math, Graphic Literacy and Workplace Documents. ACT NCRC was endorsed by the Commonwealth of Virginia as a statewide workforce credential. She further advised ACT NCRC was used as part of the workforce development efforts by the Greater Peninsula Workforce Board and was a component of the activities supported by the TANF Grant.

Ms. Wornom-Zahralddin shared that Isle of Wight County and the City of Hampton were already ACT Work Ready communities. She noted the ACT Work Ready Communities Initiative (WRC) was a community-based framework that:

- Links workforce development to education
- Aligns with the economic development needs of communities, regions and states
- Matches individuals to jobs based on skill levels

Ms. Wornom-Zahralddin advised that ACT WRC was a certification effort through which localities could identify skill gaps and quantify the skill level of the workforce.

- It provides a framework to link workforce development to education, align workforce development with economic development needs and match individuals to jobs based on skill levels.
- It also helps educators build career pathways aligned to the needs of business and industry, and it also helps a community stand out and be recognized for its workforce development efforts.
Ms. Wornom-Zahralddin indicated the foundation of a community's certification was based on individuals earning an ACT NRCR and employers recognizing ACT NRCR.

Ms. Wornom-Zahralddin advised that City staff had been engaged with staff from the City of Hampton and Isle of Wight County who had already been participating in ACT WRC. Attainment of ACT NRCR by individuals, and recognition by employers, would help defray employer on-boarding costs by proving essential skills capabilities and preparedness of job candidates. She further advised that ACT WRC would help make Newport News an attractive and work-ready location for new and existing businesses alike. There were no fees to participate in the initiative; however, some costs for staff program training would be expected.

Ms. Wornom-Zahralddin advised that ACT was a non-profit organization and an academic assessment, tracking the skills for the City of Newport News for the Work Ready Community, which meant the people who wanted to go to work would sit for an assessment. Those individuals taking the assessment would receive a bronze, silver, gold, or possibly platinum status and receive a National Career Readiness Certificate (NCRC). There would be proctors in the community at Brooks Crossing.

Ms. Wornom-Zahralddin advised, to apply and begin the process with ACT and the Work Ready Communities Initiative, a resolution supporting City participation in ACT WRC was required. She indicated a resolution supporting participation in ACT WRC was on the agenda for the February 26, 2019 Regular City Council meeting.

Councilwoman Cherry stated Ms. Wornom-Zahralddin mentioned Applied Math, Graphic Literacy and Workforce Documents. She questioned, if the City was going to become a work ready community and assessment had to be done on individuals, what happened to those individuals who dropped out of school and did not have a skill. How would that be conveyed to individuals speaking in a language so those individuals understand. How would the City be user friendly while becoming a work ready community? Ms. Wornom-Zahralddin replied according to the website, applied math was still very similar, as was critical thinking, mathematical reasoning and problem solving, identifying errors in calculating, converting systems of measurements, and calculating areas to volume. The Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Action (WIOA) Center would be located in the new Brooks Crossing Opportunity Center on the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th floors. The future was graphics to solve work related problems, high levels of skills of interpreting trends, relationships and patterns, comparing information and trends and using data to make decisions.

Ms. Wornom-Zahralddin indicated workplace documents: reading and comprehending written information to make decisions, to solve high levels of problem solving
included understanding the meaning of words, phrases from context, deciphering the meaning of acronyms, and technical contents. She stated the final piece would be applying the information.

City Manager Rohlf explained it was another way of incorporating the things an individual should be learning in school which was reading, writing and arithmetic and the ACT assessment was a way of evaluating an individual skill level. If there was an individual who did not score well, those wrap around services were available to assist with raising the skills to get a job.

Councilwoman Cherry indicated that she wanted to ensure that everyone knew who the services would be used for in the community. She hoped the assessment would not hinder or scare individuals. City Manager Rohlf replied there would be someone in the community to reach out to individuals and be engaged. Ms. Wornom-Zahralddin assured Councilwoman Cherry that this program would work for everyone.

Councilman Harris shared his experience about the WorkKeys, he stated in the school system, there were students who struggled with the Writing Standards of Learning (SOL), but when the WorkKeys Test was administered, those students scored higher. Ms. Wornom-Zahralddin replied that the City of Chesapeake Public Schools used the WorkKeys Test approximately 10 – 15 years ago for at-risk students to increase their graduation rate.

Vice Mayor Vick indicated, as the City and Workforce Community evolved, she believed that people would begin to discuss WorkKeys, become comfortable with the idea, and not be scared off with all of the large verbiage about the program. City Manager Rohlf replied the program was also be accommodating to businesses. There were different skill sets in the community and the programs were attempting to cover all of those, which would allow individuals to come back and take another assessment to move further, or in another career pathway. There should be no limits. Councilwoman Cherry agreed there should be no limits and did not want there to be any barriers. Ms. Wornom-Zahralddin replied the adult education component would certainly assist with reading, writing, and math through the Newport News Public Schools.

III. Brooks Crossing Briefing

City Manager Rohlf introduced Ms. Florence Kingston, Director, Department of Development, to provide an overview of the Brooks Crossing Initiative (a copy of the presentation, “Brooks Crossing Initiative – Brooks Crossing Innovation and Opportunity Center, STEM Digital Innovation and Fabrication Lab at Brooks Crossing Opportunity Center and Navigating Wealth Building in Newport News (TANF Grant)”, is attached and made a part of these minutes).
Ms. Kingston advised that the Brooks Crossing Office Building was 105,000 square foot office building and was being constructed by Southeast Commerce Center Associates, LLC. Approximately 88,500 square feet of space would be leased by Newport News Shipbuilding. She informed that the Newport News Shipbuilding planned to occupy its space with approximately 600 employees working in the areas of Information Technology (IT), research and development and engineering. There were approximately 16,500 square feet on the 1st Floor that would be leased by the Economic Development Authority (EDA) to house the Brooks Crossing Innovation and Opportunity Center. She stated the construction was in progress with an estimated completion date of May/June 2019.

Ms. Kingston shared that the STEM Digital Innovation and Fabrication Lab would provide continuous STEM learning opportunities for all ages and abilities, encompassing multiple STEM disciplines in hopes of empowering students to have potential careers in STEM fields and digital shipbuilding. The partnership was between Newport News Shipbuilding, Old Dominion University, the City, and the EDA. She noted that ODU had partnered with the Teaching Institute for Excellence in STEM (TIES) to assist with the design of the STEM lab. She further advised, TIES bought together partners in a wide range of fields and industries to reimagine STEM and had a vision and process that was inclusive of all students and addressed the inequity of access to learning.

Ms. Kingston advised that TIES had facilitated stakeholder engagement sessions, included participation from students, community members, educators, and industry and workforce development partners across the region. The stakeholder sessions had framed and guided the development of the space to ensure it met stakeholder and community needs.

Councilman Harris questioned what students were being referenced, are we discussing ODU or Apprenticeship School. Ms. Kingston replied no, in partnership with the NNPS and other youth outreach. The students of the NNPS, Boys & Girls Clubs, Discovery STEM Academy, Booker T. Washington Middle School. The meeting had included Hampton Public Schools and other schools from the surrounding area, the vision was to see this program grow.

Councilman Harris indicated he did not see the details of a partnership with NNPS. Ms. Kingston replied the NNPS were in partnership and Dr. George Parker, III, Superintendent was on board and very excited about the programs.

Councilman Harris noted there was a commuter bus that transported aviation students to the airport. He inquired whether the eligible students would be transported to Brooks Crossing for those programs. Ms. Kingston replied yes.
Ms. Kingston indicated that the STEM Digital Innovation and Fabrication Lab would teach skills and technology that were directly transferable to multiple industries and applications (prototyping, entrepreneurship, manufacturing, industrial design, shipbuilding, etc.). The Lab would include technology and programming for students and adults around:

- 3D Printing
- CAD Instruction
- Wood and Vinyl Cutters
- Laser Cutters
- CNC Routers
- Electronics and Laser Scanning
- Prototyping
- Textiles and Embroidery
- Teacher Professional Development

The Programs included the following:

- Student Fabrication Experiences
- Community Nights
- Summer Camps and Saturday Workshops
- “Start Your Own Business” Workshops
- Digital Fabrication Badging Program
- Shipyard Youth Mentoring Program

Ms. Kingston advised that the Brooks Crossing Opportunity Center (BCOC) would be a convenient centralized hub, located within the community, for customized, flexible, comprehensive, and innovative approaches to career awareness, skill development, wealth building, support services, and case management. The partnership was between the Greater Peninsula Workforce Board, Hampton Roads Community Action Program, Peninsula Regional Education Programs, ODU, the City, and the EDA, as well, as a number of other workforce and industry partners, and training providers. The BCOC would assist career seekers looking for opportunities with:

- Meeting and conference rooms for case management support
- Interviewing and job fair facilities
- Computers for job searches and online training
- Testing location for certificate programs
- Location for career readiness seminars, workshops and training programs
Councilwoman Woodbury inquired about the funding. Ms. Kingston replied space would be leased out. The Newport News Shipyard and ODU had raised $500,000 for equipping the STEM side and computers were being purchased with the TANF Grant on the Workforce side.

Ms. Kingston indicated that the BCOC would be open and available to all career seekers and industry leaders seeking talent.

Ms. Kingston indicated what career seekers could expect at BCOC.

1. Briefing, tour and orientation on available services
   a. EmpowOR intake and plan development
2. Individual case management support and guidance
3. Eligibility determination for extensive services
4. Work skills exploration, and assessments for potential skills training programs
5. Engagement with businesses and industry professionals
6. Analysis of education/training/employment goals with overview of industry clusters
7. Assistance with searches for formal education, jobs, and training

Ms. Kingston described the type of services and resources that would be available to career seekers:

**Training and Certificates**

a. Open access to various workshops
b. Initial computer workshops with self-directed courses identified online for self-improvement and skill-building
c. Funding support for occupational skills training
d. On-the-job training
e. Services offered by numerous community partners on itinerant basis
f. Entrepreneurial training by several providers
g. Grant-funded access to various certificates and credentials on-site:
   i. Workplace Readiness Series Certificate
   ii. Northstar Digital Literacy Certificate
   iii. ACT National Career Readiness Certificate and WorkKey training
   iv. OSHA-10

**Job Search Preparation and Assistance**

a. Support with resume development in workshops
b. Grant-funded background checks when required prior to employment/training

c. Guidance on registering on VA Workforce Connection and other job search services

d. Referral to employers with current job openings

e. Access to registered apprenticeship training programs operated by the private sector

f. Opportunities for skill upgrading and retraining

g. Access to adult education and literacy activities, including English language proficiency activities and integrated education and training programs, provided concurrently or in combination with other training services

Ms. Kingston noted the Partners and Services for Career Seekers Accessible through BCOC:

- ACT National Career Readiness Certificate and WorkKeys
- Career Assessment Tests
- Career Index Plus
- Comprehensive Adult Student Assessment System (CASAS)
- Greater Peninsula Workforce Board
- Goodwill of Central and Coastal Virginia
- Hampton University
- HRCAP
- National Council on Aging
- New Horizons Regional Education Centers
- Northstar Digital Literacy
- Old Dominion University
- Peninsula Regional Education Program
- Thomas Nelson Community College
- United States Department of Labor
- Virginia Department of Education
- Workplace Excellence Series
- Virginia Career Explorer
- Virginia Career View
- Virginia Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services
- Virginia Employment Commission
- Veterans Services
- Youth Services
Navigating Wealth Building in Newport News

Ms. Kingston advised that the Virginia Department of Social Services had awarded an 18-month grant in the amount of $896,802.58 to the City to support a new initiative called Navigating Wealth Building for the Residents of the Marshall Ridley Choice Neighborhood (MRCN). Funding could be extended for an additional four (4) years. This citizen-and-business-focused project was proposed by the City as an effort aligning with the Choice Neighborhood Initiative.

Ms. Kingston noted the purpose of this program would have a laser focus on changing the lives of residents in the MRCN for the better by offering accessible workforce and training services, additional staff support, and wrap-around support services to those who could benefit from these resources.

Ms. Kingston shared that the Strategic Partners were as follows:

- Newport News Department of Development
- Hampton Roads Community Action Program (HRCAP)
- Peninsula Regional Education Programs (PREP)
- Newport News Department of Human Services (NNDHS)
- Economic Development Authority (EDA)
- Greater Peninsula Workforce Board (GPWB)

Ms. Kingston indicated the eligibility for the MRCN and Southeast Community residents that were: TANF participants that received cash assistance who were VIEW-exempt; VIEW-sanctioned individuals; individuals receiving Diversionary Assistance under the TANF Program; TANF participants whose cash assistance had ended and who were in the transitional period up to 24 months after the end of TANF cash assistance; and, individuals with incomes below 200% of the poverty level. She shared the challenges to be Addressed Impacting Employability as Identified by the Department of Human Services:

1. Basic Employability Skills
2. Inconsistent Work History
3. Educational Attainment
4. Lack of High School Diploma
5. Criminal Record
6. Lack of Transportation
7. Lack of Job Search Skills
8. Lack of Training
9. Support for Child with Special Needs
10. Housing Issues and/or Homelessness

Ms. Kingston noted the Navigating Wealth Building services to be provided and service delivery would occur primarily at the Brooks Crossing Opportunity Center (BCOC).

- BCOC would serve residents as a convenient centralized hub for customized, flexible, comprehensive, and innovative approaches to career awareness, skill development, wealth building, support services, and integrated case management.

Ms. Kingston indicated the site coordinators at BCOC would manage data entry into the Virginia Workforce Connection database and the EmpowOR software for shared case management.

- After orientation and intake, coordinators would screen and refer individuals to relevant assessments, including vocational evaluations, to help individuals identify their career interests.

- Following initial assessments, a service plan would be created to coordinate and align training and workforce programs with individual goals and objectives.

Ms. Kingston share at least four (4) unique certificates would be offered:

1. Northstar Digital Literacy
2. Workplace Excellence Series (10 unique modules)
3. National Career Readiness Certificate
4. Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA)-10

Ms. Kingston indicated individuals would have regular engagement with businesses and industry leaders.

Ms. Kingston shared that HRCAP would provide services supported by:

- Utilizing and offering the recently acquired EmpowOR software for shared case management, and providing required reporting information for grant.
- Assisting with resume development to show strength of volunteer experience, work history and skill development.
• Developing and coordinating delivery of four certificates within a six-week period.
• Connecting individuals with partners and employers hiring or serving those with background challenges.
• Providing transportation support to individuals with new employment for 1 to 2 months, as well as transportation to other sites assisting with the development of workforce skills.
• Delivering supportive services to individuals seeking training and employment.

Ms. Kingston indicated that HRCAP would also provide orientations, intake, workshops, case management and facilitated work readiness sessions at BCOC.

Ms. Kingston advised that PREP would facilitate and proctor work readiness programs and support. Services to be provided included:

• Enrolling participants who can benefit from earning a GED or National External Diploma, or receiving training for literacy or numeracy skill development.
• Workplace Excellence Series
  o Results in a soft skills certificate and helps individuals become better acquainted with workforce expectations beyond the job itself and focuses on areas including adaptability, dependability, presentability, respectability and workability.
  o Modules for youth and adults, including Spanish
• Comprehensive Adult Student Assessment System (CASAS)
• Northstar Digital Literacy
• ACT National Career Readiness Certificate / WorkKeys

Projected Outcomes
• BCOC partners would serve 110 participants (90 adults and 20 youth) in the first 18 months.
• 80 individuals would be provided appropriate assessments, credentials, higher education certificates and/or degrees.
• 55 residents would be placed in gainful employment with wages over $9.00/hour or in pre-registered apprenticeship opportunities.

Grant Fund Utilization

In coordination with partners, grant funds would be used for:
• Space in BCOC
• Computer Equipment and Software
• Staff Support for Service Delivery
• Business Training and Recruitment Events
• Individual Assessments
• Costs for Certificates and Credentials
• On-the-job training
• Transportation
• Internships
• GED or National External Diploma
• Pre-registered Apprenticeships
• Skills Training
• Occupational and Vocational Training

Ms. Kingston shared the list of Other Supporting Partners as follows:

• Newport News Shipbuilding
• Riverside Health Systems
• Virginia Department of Aging and Rehabilitative Services
• Bay Electric Company, Inc.
• Fairlead Boatworks
• Virginia Ship Repair Association
• W. M. Jordan Company
• Top Guard Security, Inc.
• Thomas Nelson Community College
• Goodwill of Central and Coastal VA
• New Horizons Regional Education Center/Center for Apprenticeship & Adult Training
• Newport News Redevelopment and Housing Authority (NNRHA)
• CNI Citizens Advisory Committee
• Hampton-Newport News Community Services Board
• Newport News Public Schools
• Redesigned Summer Training and Enrichment Program
• Four Oaks Day Service Center
• Blue Crab Technical Academy
• Faith-based partners
• Many other community organizations
Ms. Kingston noted what was unique and innovative about our successful TANF Grant application and believed it would be impactful and sustainable.

- Progressive and Customized Model for Target Population
- Shared Case Management
- Services Provided Based Upon Individual Goals and Objectives
- Deliberate Connections with Industry Leaders on Job Opportunities
- Stacking Certificates and Credentials that Align with Industry Needs
- Weekly Stipends Provided to Encourage Sustained Participation
- Door-to-Door Transportation to Training/Education Sites

Councilwoman Scott inquired about the individuals with incomes below 200% of the poverty level could participate, and questioned whether this was across the City or targeted for the Southeast Community. Ms. Kingston replied across the City.

Councilwoman Cherry inquired about day care services stipends. City Manager Rohlf replied that would be a part of the assessment. Ms. Kingston advised that the TANF Grant dollars could not be used directly for day care which was why stipends were allowed. Councilwoman Cherry questioned whether someone would be monitoring that during the assessment. City Manager Rohlf replied yes, as the assessment would also inquire about transportation and other concerns, which would be where the referrals began.

Councilwoman Cherry inquired about the 24 months transition period. City Manager Rohlf replied that was associated with the MR CNI and one piece of a bigger piece of the work being done at Brooks Crossing with the TANF Grant.

Councilwoman Cherry indicated that City Council had heard a lot about the NNPS partnership and was not clear on how that would work (i.e. timeframe, transportation, etc.). She was sure has evolving. City Manager Rohlf replied, it was similar to New Horizon Regional Education Center and the details were being worked on. She shared that Dr. Parker was very engaged and excited about the NNPS partnership. She further stated that Dr. Parker was meeting with local businesses.

IV. Newport News Redevelopment and Housing Authority Real Estate Tax Deferral

City Manager Rohlf introduced Ms. Karen Wilds, Executive Director, Newport News Redevelopment and Housing Authority (NNRHA), to provide an overview of the NNRHA Real Estate Tax Deferral. She indicated a resolution supporting the NNRHA Real Estate Tax Deferral was on the agenda for the February 26, 2019 Regular Meeting of City Council.
Ms. Wilds indicated the action requested was precipitated by the extreme competitive nature of the major financing tool for affordable housing development. The Virginia Housing Development Authority (VHDA) administered the Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) program in Virginia, (a federal income tax credit for entities investing in affordable housing).

Ms. Wilds advised that the program was very competitive and applications were scored based on a criteria set forth by VHDA. One of the scoring elements was a tax deferral granted by the local government. She shared that State law allowed for such a deferral when the real estate tax increased over 105% from the previous year. This was most meaningful in year one because all of the sites were vacant and the differential between current and the first year after development was greatest.

Ms. Wilds advised that the ordinance limited the eligible properties to those identified in CNI and funded with LIHTC. This would make the projects in CNI more competitive as it could result in up to a five (5) point increase in scoring and helped with the first year operational costs.

Ms. Wilds indicated, in recent years, the difference between an application receiving an award of tax credits and not, had been as little as one (1) point. She shared some other scoring elements included:

- Percentage back
- USB ports
- Universal Design
- Green Standards
- LED lighting
- Fire suppression features in kitchen
- Community Rooms

Councilwoman Cherry inquired whether the real estate deferral was for owners of housing development. She asked if this was specifically talking about NNRHA. City Attorney Owens replied the LLCs that the City create. That the NNRHA partnered with the developer to seek the tax credits to go below income housing. The Council authorized creation of certain LLCs that would own the property. He stated this was deferral was not an exception, so the taxes were still there and interest would be accumulating.

City Manager Rohlf indicated that was one example as the City got into the redevelopment business, and would need to look at what would make projects more attractive,
bring in new developers. The CNI area was perfect to do so. Ms. Wilds added, with LLCs, the City had the authority to create after the City Council approved.

V. Second Quarter Fiscal Year 2019 Report

City Manager Rohlf indicated the budgetary projections based on actual performance for the first six-months of the fiscal year and a projection of financial activities for the remaining six months. She introduced Ms. Lisa Cipriano, Director, Department of Budget and Evaluation, to provide the presentation (a copy of the presentation, “FY 2019 General Fund Forecast – Based on Second Quarter Results, February 26, 2019,” is attached and made a part of these minutes).

Ms. Cipriano noted the second quarter review as of December 31, 2018 was as follows:

Budget - $487.5 million

- Half of the annual Major Taxes were collected in the 2nd Quarter, beginning in November 2018
- Revenue projections for major taxes based on prior years collection patterns and year-end results
- Unprecedented Federal Government Shutdown
  - Impact on local revenue

Ms. Cipriano noted the City had a large federal workforce and a large Coast Guard population. In the forecasting which cover March, April, and May 2019 that people who did not receive two paychecks and possibly the loss of a third paycheck, which retrenching in their expenditure patterns were consumer sensitive, and in fact, people were interested in paying off credit cards after they received those paychecks and building saving accounts. Those individuals did not just get a paycheck and paying bills; but those were purchases not made in January 2019.

Ms. Cipriano shared the Marie Kondo effect, she was a life–style personality who developed a philosophy of downsizing and living minimalist. She shared a way to clear out the clutter was, if it does not bring joy, get rid of it. People were not making those large additional purchases.

Ms. Cipriano indicated the City was slightly off pace, but had six (6) months to restore the difference.
Ms. Cipriano noted a portion of the shortfall was driven by the increased participation in the Disabled Veteran Tax Exemption program, with that exemption also being passed down to the surviving spouse. Since the inception of this State program in FY 2012, there had been an increase from 168 participants to 570 participant in FY 2018. In FY 2012 the exemption totaled $475,000 and in FY 2018 it grew to $1.4 million. The trend had been increased annually as it was a State constitutional benefit and a permanent benefit to disabled veterans. The City had a large number of military families and retirees that benefitted from the Disabled Veteran Tax Exemption program.

Councilwoman Woodbury questioned whether the States that enacted the Disabled Veterans Tax Exemption program reimbursed localities. Ms. Cipriano replied no, the State did this in a constitutional vote and later amended to include spouses.

### Major Revenues

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*Current RE Taxes only

- Projecting (0.8%) shortfall or ($3.6 million)
- Adjusted for Potential Impact of Federal Shutdown

### Major Expenditures

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- Projected (0.5%) savings or +$2.3 million
Second Quarter Projection Adjusted Deficit – ($1.3 million)

- Short-term, conservative forecast
- Recovery over 3rd Quarter
- Most other Revenues will be collected as estimated, some minor fluctuations
- Will monitor Expenditure as Revenue forecast is more secure to close gap

VI. Comments / Ideas / Suggestions

City Manager Rohlf indicated she sent an email message to City Council about the appointments to the Eastern Virginia Regional Industrial Facility Authority (RIFA). City Council had previously authorized the City’s participation in RIFA. As a member of RIFA, the City would need to make two appointments to the Board and two alternates. She recommended that City Council appoint Mayor Price and the Chairman of the Industrial Development Authority, Mr. Alonzo Bell to initially serve on the Board; and the alternates would be the City Manager Cynthia Rohlf and the Director of Development (Ms. Florence Kingston). These appointments were in keeping with the appointments being made by other localities.

Councilwoman Cherry moved to approve the RIFA appointments cited above; seconded by Councilwoman Scott.

Vote on Roll Call:
Ayes: Vick, Woodbury, Cherry, Harris, Jenkins, Price, Scott
Nays: None

City Manager Rohlf introduced Mr. Eoghan “Owen” Miller to provide an overview of the 5th Annual One City Marathon weekend.

Mr. Miller advised that the One City Marathon weekend of events would be held March 1 – 3, 2019. He provided City Council with a package of information for the One City Marathon activities to include Pasta Dinner VIP tickets for Saturday, March 2, 2019 at Tradition Brewing Company (700 Thimble Shoals Boulevard) at 6:00 p.m.

- The Health and Wellness Expo sponsored by Riverside Health System would be held Friday, March 1, 2019 from 12:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. and Saturday, March 2, 2019 from 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. at the Denbigh Community Center (15198 Warwick Boulevard).
• One City Marathon Women’s Forum would be held on Saturday, March 2, 2019 from 1:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. at the Holiday Inn Newport News (980 Omni Boulevard).

• On Saturday, March 2, 2019 from 12:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. at Brooks Crossing for the Family Fun and Fit Day to be held at Piggly Wiggly (3101 Jefferson Avenue).

• Close out marathon weekend with the One City One Celebration on Sunday, March 3, 2019 from 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. This year’s celebration has been moved from Victory Landing Park to the Superblock on Washington Avenue between 26th and 27th Streets.

Mr. Miller stated the perfect temperatures for runners on Race Day was expected to be 50 degrees.

Councilwoman Scott advised City Manager Rohlf and Council that there was a new group of citizens in attendance at the North District Town Hall meeting on Monday, February 25, 2019, who had concerns and questions about Transportation/Multi-modal Station. She requested an update to provide to citizens at a future meeting. City Manager Rohlf replied that the Department of Engineering would be able to provide an update.

Councilwoman Scott stated a citizen had concerns about a situation on Curtis Tignor Road on the property at Dutrow Elementary School. There was a marsh lane (mud or sinkhole). She requested that the manner be reviewed to see if it was the City’s responsible or the school.

Councilman Jenkins made a request that City Council vote on a resolution supporting the deployment of an off-shore wind farm off the Coast of Virginia. This was a great opportunity for the City and the region. He indicated Virginia Dominion Power would be constructing two (2) wind turbines off the Virginia Beach coast and that wind farm would continue to grow. There was a potential to have 2,000 – 3,000 wind turbines off the East Coast of the United States creating 14,000 jobs in construction, maintenance, manufacturing and other service related industrials. Because this was a City with a lot of construction, it would be a logical move for turbine manufacturers to consider Newport News for establishing a business here. The wind turbines would be coming out of Denmark and they had expressed starting U.S. operations, as a region, the off-shore wind farm with the Hampton Roads Planning Commission but he believed the Council would be well served to endorse this type of activity. Councilwoman Scott replied the
Virginia Municipal League (VML) did it approximately four (4) years ago. Councilman Jenkins requested to bring this resolution back at the March 12, 2019 City Council meeting for action.

City Clerk Washington Jenkins reminded that the 633d ABW Black History Month Luncheon scheduled for Thursday, February 28, 2019 had been cancelled.

Vice Mayor Vick indicated she and her colleagues attended the exhibit, “Say it Loud: A Salute to Heroes in the Southeast Community,” held on Saturday, February 16, 2019, 2:00 p.m., at the Main Street Library (110 Main Street), with over 200 citizens in attendance.

VII. Closed Meeting

(5:45 p.m. – 6:12 p.m.)

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS
ON MOTION, COUNCIL ADJOURNED 6:12 P.M.

Zina J. Middleton, MMC
Chief Deputy City Clerk

McKinley L. Price
Mayor
Presiding Officer

A true copy, testi:

City Clerk
F. Consent Agenda

2. Minutes of the Special Meeting of February 26, 2019

**ACTION:** ● N/A

**BACKGROUND:** ● N/A

**FISCAL IMPACT:** ● N/A

**ATTACHMENTS:**
Description
Minutes of Special Meeting for February 26, 2019
MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE NEWPORT NEWS CITY COUNCIL
HELD IN THE 10TH FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM
2400 WASHINGTON AVENUE
FEBRUARY 26, 2019
5:15 P.M.

PRESENT: Tina L. Vick; Dr. Patricia P. Woodbury; Saundra N. Cherry, D. Min; Marcellus L. Harris III, David H. Jenkins; McKinley L. Price, DDS; and Sharon P. Scott, MPA

ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Cynthia Rohlf; Collins Owens; Mabel Washington Jenkins; Darlene Bradbury; Alan K. Archer; David Freeman; and Zina Middleton.

After ascertaining that proper meeting notice had been provided to each member of City Council, Mayor Price called the meeting to order and stated the meeting was being held for the following purpose:

(1) To call a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A) of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, subsection: (7) A consultation with legal counsel pertaining to actual and probable litigation, where such consultation in open meeting would adversely affect the negotiating posture of the public body, the subjects of which are cases involving anti-trust, tort, tax and contractual claims.

Councilman Harris moved for a closed meeting under section and reason cited above; seconded by Vice Mayor Vick.

Vote on Roll Call:
Ayes:  Vick, Woodbury, Cherry, Harris, Jenkins, Price, Scott
Nays:  None

(Closed Session 5:20 p.m. – 6:07 p.m.)

After reconvening in open session, Councilman Harris moved to certify that to the best of each member’s knowledge (1) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act, and (2) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened were heard, discussed or considered in the closed meeting by the Council. Motion seconded by Vice Mayor Vick.

Vote on Roll Call:
Ayes:  Vick, Woodbury, Cherry, Harris, Jenkins, Price, Scott
Nays:  None

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS,
ON MOTION, COUNCIL ADJOURNED AT 6:07 P.M.
Mabel Washington Jenkins
Mabel Washington Jenkins, MMC
City Clerk

McKinley L. Price, DDS
Mayor
Presiding Officer

A true copy, teste:
City Clerk
CERTIFICATE OF CLOSED MEETING

MEETING DATE: February 26, 2019

MOTION: Councilman Marcellus L. Harris III
SECOND: Vice Mayor Tina Vick

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Newport News has convened a closed meeting on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote as required under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.2-3712.D of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, requires a certification by this City Council that such closed meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Newport News does hereby certify that, to the best of each member's knowledge, (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by Virginia law were discussed in the closed meeting to which this certification resolution applies, and (ii) only such business matters as were identified in the motion convening the closed meeting were heard, discussed or considered by the City Council.

VOTE

AYES: Vick, Woodbury, Cherry, Harris, Jenkins, Price, Scott
NAYS: None
ABSTENTION: None

ABSENT DURING VOTE: None

ABSENT DURING MEETING: None

ATTEST:

[Signature]
Mabel Washington Jenkins, MMC
City Clerk

DRAFT
3. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 26, 2019

**ACTION:**  • N/A

**BACKGROUND:**  • N/A

**FISCAL IMPACT:**  • N/A

**ATTACHMENTS:**
Description
Minutes of Regular Meeting for February 26, 2019
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
OF THE NEWPORT NEWS CITY COUNCIL
HELD IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
2400 WASHINGTON AVENUE
FEBRUARY 26, 2019
7:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Tina L. Vick; Dr. Patricia P. Woodbury; Saundra N. Cherry, D. Min.; Marcellus L. Harris III; David H. Jenkins; McKinley L. Price, DDS; and Sharon P. Scott, MPA

ABSENT: None

A. Call to Order

Mayor Price called the meeting to order, welcomed all. He identified the procedure for citizen participation regarding items on the Council agenda, as well as the opportunity for citizens to address City Council on matters germane to the business of the Council. He explained matters that were germane to the business of Council meant matters that the City Council, by law, were empowered to act upon. This did not include announcements that were personal to an individual, business, or organization. He pointed out copies of the ordinance highlighting citizen participation and encouraged citizens to review the document.

Mayor Price requested that cell phones and/or pagers be silenced or turned off.

B. Invocation

The invocation was rendered by Pastor Ben Rothwell, CrossWalk Church.

C. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Vice Mayor Tina Vick.

D. Presentations

None

E. Public Hearings

1. Ordinance Amending and Reordaining City Code Chapter 45, Zoning Ordinance

   1. Article II, Definitions; Section 45-201., Definitions of Certain Words and Terms, By Deleting the Definition of Communication Tower/Antenna and Adding the Definitions of Communication Towers Fifty (50) Feet in Height or Greater, Communication Towers Less Than Fifty (50) Feet in Height, Small Cell Facility and Wireless Facility, and Amending the Definition of Local Utilities

   AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND REORDAIN CHAPTER 45,
E. Public Hearings

1. Ordinance Amending and Reordaining City Code Chapter 45, Zoning Ordinance Continued

1. Article II., Definitions; Section 45-201., Definitions of Certain Words and Terms, By Deleting the Definition of Communication Tower/ Antenna and Adding the Definitions of Communication Towers Fifty (50) Feet in Height or Greater, Communication Towers Less Than Fifty (50) Feet in Height, Small Cell Facility and Wireless Facility, and Amending the Definition of Local Utilities Continued

ZONING ORDINANCE, OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF NEWPORT NEWS, VIRGINIA, ARTICLE II., DEFINITIONS, SECTION 45-201., DEFINITION OF CERTAIN WORDS AND TERMS, BY DELETING THE DEFINITION OF COMMUNICATION TOWER/ANTENNA, AMENDING THE DEFINITION OF LOCAL UTILITIES AND ADDING THE DEFINITIONS OF COMMUNICATION TOWERS FIFTY (50) FEET IN HEIGHT OR GREATER, COMMUNICATION TOWERS LESS THAN FIFTY (50) FEET IN HEIGHT, SMALL CELL FACILITY AND WIRELESS FACILITY. This ordinance amended the City Code, Chapter 45, Zoning Ordinance, Article II., Definitions; Section 45-201., Definitions of Certain Words and Terms, by deleting the definition of Communications Tower/Antenna and adding the Definition of Communication Tower Towers Fifty (50) feet in height, small cell facility and wireless facility, and amending the definition of local utilities. The types of communication facilities had changed over time; therefore, making it necessary to amend the definitions within the Zoning Ordinance to reflect those changes. The Code of Virginia provided direction on how localities regulated communication towers. This amendment meets those legislative requirements. On February 6, 2019, the City Planning Commission voted unanimously 7:0 to recommend adoption of the amendment. The City Manager recommended approval.

(No registered speakers)

Councilwoman Scott moved closure of the public hearings; seconded by Vice Mayor Vick.

Vote on Roll Call:
Ayes: Vick, Woodbury, Cherry, Harris, Jenkins, Price, Scott
Nays: None

Councilwoman Woodbury moved adoption of the ordinance as shown above; seconded by Vice Mayor Vick.

Vote on Roll Call:
Ayes: Vick, Woodbury, Cherry, Harris, Jenkins, Price, Scott
Nays: None
E. Public Hearings

1. Ordinance Amending and Reordaining City Code Chapter 45, Zoning Ordinance

2. Article IV., Summary of Uses by District; Section 45-402., Summary of Uses by District, By Amending Permitted Use “D” Utilities

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND REORDAIN CHAPTER 45, ZONING ORDINANCE, ARTICLE IV., SUMMARY OF USES BY DISTRICT, SECTION 45-402, SUMMARY OF USES BY DISTRICT, BY AMENDING PERMITTED USES “D” UTILITIES. This ordinance amended the City Code, Chapter 45, Zoning Ordinance, Article IV., Summary of Uses by District; Section 45-402., Summary of Uses by District, by amending permitted uses “D” Utilities. The types of communication facilities had changed over time; therefore, making it necessary to amend the definitions within the Zoning Ordinance to reflect those changes. The Code of Virginia provided direction on how localities regulated communication towers. This amendment meets those legislative requirements. On February 6, 2019, the City Planning Commission voted unanimously 7:0 to recommend adoption of the amendment. The City Manager recommended approval.

(No registered speakers)

Vice Mayor Vick moved adoption of the ordinance as shown above; seconded by Councilwoman Woodbury.

Vote on Roll Call:
Ayes:  Vick, Woodbury, Cherry, Harris, Jenkins, Price, Scott
Nays:  None

3. Article V., General Regulations; Section 45-523., Communication Tower/Antenna

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND REORDAIN CHAPTER 45, ZONING ORDINANCE, OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF NEWPORT NEWS, VIRGINIA, ARTICLE V., GENERAL REGULATIONS, SECTION 45-523, COMMUNICATION TOWER/ANTENNA. This ordinance amended the City Code, Chapter 45, Zoning Ordinance, Article V., General Regulations; Section 45-523., Communication Tower/Antenna. The types of communication facilities had changed over time; therefore, making it necessary to amend the definitions within the Zoning Ordinance to reflect those changes. The Code of Virginia provided direction on how localities regulated communication towers. This amendment meets those legislative requirements. On February 6, 2019, the City Planning Commission voted unanimously 7:0 to recommend adoption of the amendment. The City Manager recommended approval.
E. Public Hearings

1. Ordinance Amending and Reordaining City Code Chapter 45, Zoning Ordinance

3. Article V., General Regulations; Section 45-523., Communication Tower/Antenna

(No registered speakers)

Councilwoman Woodbury moved adoption of the ordinance as shown above; seconded by Councilman Harris.

Vote on Roll Call:
Ayes: Vick, Woodbury, Cherry, Harris, Jenkins, Price, Scott
Nays: None

F. Consent Agenda

Councilwoman Woodbury moved adoption of the Consent Agenda, Items 1 through 3, all inclusive, as shown below; seconded by Vice Mayor Vick.

1. Minutes of the Work Session of February 12, 2019

(No registered speakers)

Vote on Roll Call:
Ayes: Vick, Woodbury, Cherry, Harris, Jenkins, Price, Scott
Nays: None

2. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 12, 2019

(No registered speakers)

Vote on Roll Call:
Ayes: Vick, Woodbury, Cherry, Harris, Jenkins, Price, Scott
Nays: None

3. Resolution Consenting to the City Manager’s Appointment of Jeffrey S. Johnson as Coordinator of Emergency Management for the City

A RESOLUTION CONSENTING TO THE APPOINTMENT OF JEFFREY S. JOHNSON AS COORDINATOR OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT. This resolution consented to the City Manager’s appointment of Jeffrey S. Johnson as Coordinator of Emergency Management for the City. Chapter 16, Fire Prevention and Protection; Article VII., Emergency Management; Sections 16-70 thru 16-73, of the City Code, addressed the requirement for the City
F. Consent Agenda Continued

3. Resolution Consenting to the City Manager’s Appointment of Jeffrey S. Johnson as Coordinator of Emergency Management for the City

to maintain an agency of Emergency Management, in compliance with Virginia State Code 44-146.19. The City Code established the Fire Department as the local agency of Emergency Management and the City Manager as the Director of Emergency Management. The City Code stated that the City Manager would appoint a Coordinator of Emergency Management, with consent of City Council, to manage the daily operations of Emergency Management. The City Manager appointed Jeffrey S. Johnson as Coordinator of Emergency Management for the City of Newport News, effective February 25, 2019. The City Manager recommended approval.

(No registered speakers)

Vote on Roll Call:
Ayes: Vick, Woodbury, Cherry, Harris, Jenkins, Price, Scott
Nays: None

G. Other City Council Actions

1. Resolution of Support for the City of Newport News’ Participation in the ACT Work Ready Communities (WRC) Initiative

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEWPORT NEWS, VIRGINIA, IN SUPPORT OF NEWPORT NEWS PARTICIPATION IN THE ACT WORK READY COMMUNITIES INITIATIVE. This resolution expressed support for the City of Newport News’ participation in the ACT Work Ready Communities (WRC) Initiative. ACT WRC was an effort through which cities and counties could identify skill gaps and quantify the expertise level of the workforce. ACT WRC provided a framework to link workforce development to education, align workforce development with economic development needs, and match individuals to jobs based on skill level. Attainment of an ACT National Career Readiness Certificate (NCRC) by individuals, along with recognition by employers, would help defray employer on-boarding costs by providing essential skills, capabilities, and preparedness of job candidates. ACT WRC would help make Newport News an attractive and work-ready location for new and existing businesses alike. There was no fee to participate in the initiative; however, some costs for staff program training was expected. The City Manager recommended approval.

(No registered speakers)

Vice Mayor Vick moved adoption of the above resolution; seconded by Councilwoman Woodbury.
G. Other City Council Actions Continued

1. Resolution of Support for the City of Newport News’ Participation in the ACT Work Ready Communities Initiative Continued

Vote on Roll Call:
Ayes: Vick, Woodbury, Cherry, Harris, Jenkins, Price, Scott
Nays: None

2. Ordinance Authorizing and Directing the City Manager to Execute All Necessary Documents to Execute the Newport News Redevelopment and Housing Authority (NNRHA) Real Estate Tax Deferral

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND REORDAIN CHAPTER 40, TAXATION, OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF NEWPORT NEWS, VIRGINIA, ARTICLE II., REAL ESTATE TAXES, BY ADDING THERETO A NEW DIVISION, NAMELY: DIVISION 5., DEFERRAL FOR HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS ELIGIBLE FOR FEDERAL LOW-INCOME HOUSING CREDITS. This ordinance amended and reordained the City Code, Chapter 40, Taxation; Article II., Real Estate Taxes, by adding Division 5., Deferral for Housing Developments Eligible for Federal Low-Income Housing Credits. An amendment to the City Code was requested to allow for real estate tax deferrals for housing developments eligible for federal low-income housing credits. The proposed amendment allowed for real estate tax deferrals for developments identified in the areas outlined in the Marshall-Ridley Choice Neighborhood Transformation Plan that were eligible for federal low-income housing tax credits. The amendment would become effective immediately upon adoption of the ordinance with the first tax deferral period, starting July 1, 2019. The City Manager recommended approval.

(No registered speakers)

Councilwoman Woodbury moved adoption of the above ordinance; seconded by Councilman Harris.

Vote on Roll Call:
Ayes: Vick, Woodbury, Cherry, Harris, Jenkins, Price, Scott
Nays: None

3. 1 of 2: Resolution Authorizing and Directing the City Manager to Execute All Necessary Documents to Implement the Virginia Department of Social Services Employment (VDSEE) for Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Participants Grant in Support of the “Navigating Wealth Building for the Residents of the Marshall-Ridley Choice Neighborhood Initiative” (CNI)

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEWPORT NEWS, VIRGINIA, ACCEPTING AND SUPPORTING IMPLEMENTATION OF THE VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES EMPLOYMENT FOR TANF PARTICI-
G. Other City Council Actions Continued

3. 1 of 2: Resolution Authorizing and Directing the City Manager to Execute All Necessary Documents to Implement the Virginia Department of Social Services Employment (VDSEE) for Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Participants Grant in Support of the “Navigating Wealth Building for the Residents of the Marshall-Ridley Choice Neighborhood Initiative” (CNI) Continued

PANTS GRANT (RFA NO. BEN-19-024). This resolution authorized and directed the City Manager to execute all necessary documents to implement the Virginia Department of Social Services Employment for Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Participants Grant in support of the “Navigating Wealth Building for the Residents of the Marshall-Ridley Choice Neighborhood Initiative” (CNI). The Commonwealth of Virginia, through its Department of Social Services, awarded an Employment for TANF Participants Grant (TANF Grant) in the amount of $896,802.58 to the City to support a new initiative called “Navigating Wealth Building for the residents of the Marshall-Ridley Choice Neighborhood.” The grant award was supported by a local match in the amount of $385,858.42, comprised of $200,625.00 in cash, and $185,233.42 in in-kind services, which included staff time for grant administration and coordination. This citizen-and-business-focused project would make a significant and positive change in the community through services offered primarily at the Brooks Crossing Innovation and Opportunity Center that would increase employment and education opportunities, and help align workforce with business needs. The City Manager recommended approval.

(No registered speakers)

Vice Mayor Vick moved adoption of the above resolution; seconded by Councilwoman Woodbury.

Vice Mayor Vick extended thanks to all of the partners involved in this edge-cutting initiative for the South District, particularly in Brooks Crossing, where the City had gathered numerous partners, and were able to secure funding to bring workforce development to an area in need. The South District had one of the highest unemployment rates, at 14%. To be able to reduce the unemployment rate would be great for the community, and the City of Newport News.

Councilwoman Woodbury advised that she was pleased this was occurring, after hearing the presentation earlier at the City Council Work Session. She further advised, more important, she was more pleased that the training would be available. The training, and skills received from the training, as well as the assessments, would be important to obtaining and retaining a job.

Vote on Roll Call:
Ayes: Vick, Woodbury, Cherry, Harris, Jenkins, Price, Scott
Nays: None
G. Other City Council Actions Continued

4. 2 of 2: Department of Development – Virginia Department of Social Services (VDSS) Employment for Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Participants Grant Continued

A RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING FUNDS FROM LOCAL REVENUE ($200,625.00) AND FEDERAL REVENUE ($896,803.00) TO CAREER PROGRAM TRAINING ($1,097,428.00). This resolution accepted and appropriated the $896,802.58 Virginia Department of Social Services (VDSS) Employment for Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) participants grant and local cash match of $200,625.00, in support of the “Navigating Wealth Building for the residents of the Marshall-Ridley Choice Initiative Grant (CNI).” The residents of the Marshall-Ridley Choice Initiative Grant (CNI). The Commonwealth of Virginia, through its Department of Social Services, awarded an Employment for TANF Participants Grant in the amount of $896,802.58 to the City to support a new initiative called “Navigating Wealth Building for the Residents of the Marshall-Ridley Choice Neighborhood. The grant award was supported by a local match in the amount of $385,585.42, comprised of $200,625.00 in cash, and $185,233.42 in in-kind services, which included staff time for grant administration and coordination. This citizen-and-business-focused project made a significant and positive change in the community through services offered primarily at the Brooks Crossing Innovation and Opportunity Center that would increase employment and education opportunities, and help align workforce with business needs. The City Manager recommended approval.

(No registered speakers)

Councilwoman Cherry moved adoption of the above resolution; seconded by Vice Mayor Vick.

Vote on Roll Call:
Ayes: Vick, Woodbury, Cherry, Harris, Jenkins, Price, Scott
Nays: None

H. Appropriations

Vice Mayor Vick moved adoption of Appropriations, Item 1, as shown below; seconded by Councilwoman Woodbury.

1. Newport News Public Schools (NNPS) – Reallocation of Existing Capital Project Appropriations: Lee Hall Elementary School Roof

A RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING FUNDS FROM SCHOOL OTHER IMPROVEMENTS – CASEWORK AND LEARNING COTTAGES ($153,057.00), SCHOOL ROOFS – DEER PARK ($122,340.00), SCHOOL ROOFS – GATEWOOD ($51,831.00) AND SCHOOL HVAC – HERITAGE ($12,104.00) TO SCHOOL OTHER IMPROVEMENTS – LEE
H. Appropriations Continued

1. Newport News Public Schools (NNPS) – Reallocation of Existing Capital Project Appropriations: Lee Hall Elementary School Roof Continued

**HALL ELEMENTARY ROOF ($327,228.00) AND SCHOOL HVAC – GILDERSTYLEE ($12,104.00).** This resolution reallocated $339,332.00 of unspent balances from previously appropriated bond funds to Newport News Public Schools (NNPS) for various capital projects to complete two school capital projects for Lee Hall Elementary School and Gildersleeve Middle School. Additional funding was necessary to fully fund the Lee Hall Elementary School roof project. The requested reallocation of funds was from completed projects. The City Manager recommended approval.

(No registered speakers)

Vote on Roll Call:
Ayes: Vick, Woodbury, Cherry, Harris, Jenkins, Price, Scott
Nays: None

I. Citizen Comments on Matters germane to the Business of City Council

Ms. Rena Crabill, 422 Eastwood Drive, Newport News, addressed the following items: (1) the addition of line items, each year, to the Capital Improvements Plan (CIP) to help transform the former City Farm property into the pearl of Riverview Farm Park. Step by step implementation, year by year over the next five years, was needed, beginning with the next fiscal year (FY 2020); and (2) the need for assistance of the Foodbank of the Virginia was ongoing. Ms. Crabill referenced Mayor Price’s successful MLK, Jr. Day of Service Food Drive to benefit the Foodbank of the Virginia Peninsula, held Monday, January 21, 2019, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. She thanked everyone for their participation. She reminded that the need was continuing; and she encouraged citizens to give throughout the year.

Ms. Donna Grubbs, 530 Kerry Lake Drive, Newport News, advised that she represented Citizens United for Action. She was accompanied by other members of the group and acknowledged their presence by asking them to stand. Ms. Grubbs indicated that she was former co-chair of C.R.I.M.E. Group 3, Increasing Youth Success Opportunities, one of six original citizen involvement groups formed to collaborate with the Newport News Police Department on specific issues to reduce crime in the City of Newport News. The group reorganized and revitalized their efforts by combining separate group missions into one cohesive initiative, renamed “Citizens United for Action.” By reorganizing, the group felt they were better positioned to make a positive difference in their communities. They collaborated with Chief Drew and members of the Newport News Police Department. She indicated the groups was thrilled with the positive changes being experienced under Chief Drew’s leadership and the new community-based policing policies. The community walks, social media efforts, and face-to-face interactions with citizens worked to engage citizens, and as a result, citizens were beginning to take back their neighborhoods. Ms. Grubbs advised that Citizens United for Action, a diverse group of citizens
I. Citizen Comments on Matters Germaine to the Business of City Council
Continued

from across the City, met twice monthly at the Newport News Police Headquarters (9710 Jefferson Avenue). The group sought City Council support in their endeavors to increase citizen involvement in identifying ways to support the NNPD to decrease crime in their communities (a copy of Ms. Grubbs remarks are attached and made a part of these minutes).

Vice Mayor Vick applauded Ms. Grubbs and the Citizens United for Action for taking the initiative to take back their communities and help make Newport News a safer place for all. She also thanked Ms. Grubbs for her work on the Denbigh-Warwick Plan. She stated, as a Council, who appointed Board members to the Newport News Redevelopment and Housing Authority, should encourage citizens in the Marshall-Ridley neighborhood to join in the efforts to collaborate with the NNPD to help reduce crime. City Manager Rohlf advised that members of the NNRHA had been in communication with Chief Drew and the NNPD about crime reduction.

Mr. Jodie A. James, 524 Kerry Lake Drive, Newport News, former secretary of C.R.I.M.E. Group 3, Increasing Youth Success Opportunities, one of six original citizen involvement groups formed to collaborate with the Newport News Police Department on specific issues to reduce crime in the City of Newport News. Mr. James advised that the group had restructure and strengthened their efforts to orchestrate a central group to combat the behaviors detrimental to the City of Newport News. He advised that the group’s mandates were as follows: (1) to assist the NNPD in recognizing and enhancing the City’s positive climate; i.e. youth leadership development, senior citizen support, health care concerns, etc.; (2) to assist the NNPD, residents, and others, to identify concerns to that were detrimental to the City; i.e. crime, homelessness; and drug invasion; (3) to generate and implement strategies to rectify these concerns; and (4) to evaluate the success of the aforementioned strategies (a copy of Mr. James’ remarks are attached and made a part of these minutes).

Ms. Lucy Van Tine, 105 Cannon Drive, Newport News, addressed City Council on behalf of the Citizens for Riverview Farm Park. As the weather improved, and Newport News showed signs of spring, the citizens were excited about the prospect of getting on to the former City Farm parcel of Riverview Farm Park. She advised that a large budget would not be required—a simple walking path along the James River and Deep Creek, and/or barriers around the raised building would be all needed to allow citizens onto the riverfront property. In order that the walking path be laid, and the raised building barriers erected on the former City Farm property, it was requested that City Council include funding for this in the CIP, and that monies be allocated for each year of the CIP’s five-year plan in an effort to create a wonderful edition to Riverview Farm Park, and to make the City Farm property a place for all to visit and enjoy.

Dr. Robin Van Tine, 105 Cannon Drive, Newport News, expressed appreciation for the opportunity to address his elected leaders. He urged City Council to put money in the CIP, each year for the five-year period, to work on making the dreams of Newport News a reality, about what to do with the former City Farm property that was a part of Riverview Farm Park.
I. Citizen Comments on Matters Germaine to the Business of City Council Continued

Dr. Robin Van Tine announced that the Citizens for Riverview Farm Park had initiated an art contest for the youth, allowing them to put their dreams on paper, in sculptures, or models, with the creations being judged in April.

Mr. Antonio Thompson, P. O. Box 413, Newport News, quoted Bible scripture from 1 Thessalonians 4:16 alluding to United States President, Donald Trump, being the Trump of God. It was his hope that President Trump be re-elected during the next Presidential Election in 2020.

Mr. Thompson advised that his legal rights had been restored, allowing him to vote, and to seek public office.


He suggested that he be appointed an honorary police officer, with the rank of Captain, answering only to Chief Steve Drew, the City Manager, and the City Council. He also asked that he be issued a badge and a gun.

Mr. Thompson reiterated his recurring themes about Treasury Enrichment, and Public Safety and Security. He further indicated with his legal rights restored, that he would run for public office, and would win, and donate the money earned from his salary for treasury enrichment.

Ms. Pam Hall, a resident of the Southeast Community, indicated, in her opinion, tax dollars from the Southeast Community had been dispersed to other parts of the City, which prospered, while the Southeast Community died from a lack of services and investments; e.g., the closings of Huntington Middle School, the Phyllis Wheatley YWCA, and the deplorable condition of the Hampton Avenue Boys and Girls Club and Doris Miller Community Center. She further indicated, in her opinion, funding for revitalization of the Southeast Community should not be dependent on grants that do what the tax dollars should be doing. Millions of dollars were being spent on projects outside of the Southeast Community, such as free parking garages, and City funds to private companies to build shopping centers, was not the best use of Southeast tax dollars. Ms. Hall indicates, in her opinion, funding for Huntington Middle School should not be delayed for the City’s vision for property they did not own; e.g., #45 (President Donald Trump) shutting down the government to force funding of a border wall, or like her neighbor urging that she wait to build a house until they provided their vision for the neighborhood. Ms. Hall urged City Council to allocate funding immediately so the children could receive the best education possible to prepare them for the future challenges of being citizen, career, or college ready.
J. Old Business, New Business and Councilmember Comments

City Manager Rohlf introduced and acknowledged the presence of the City’s new Fire Chief, Mr. Jeffrey S. Johnson. A formal Swearing-In Ceremony for Chief Johnson was scheduled for Thursday, February 28, 2019, 10:00 a.m. in the City Council Chambers, 2400 Washington Avenue. The public was welcome to attend.

City Manager Rohlf reminded about the upcoming One City Marathon, scheduled for, Sunday, March 3, 2019. She advised there was a weekend of activities planned, March 1 – 3, 2019, and five races associated with the Marathon. She thanked the many volunteers for their participation, and the hard work by the City staff. She indicated this would be a fun opportunity for citizens to participate, i.e. run, walk, dance, volunteer, and join in for the celebration.

Vice Mayor Vick thanked Ms. Donna Grubbs and members of Citizens United for Action for their attendance. She had not heard about the group’s efforts, but was appreciative to learn about what the group was doing in their community to keep the citizens safe.

Regarding remarks about the One City Marathon, Vice Mayor Vick advised that she was excited about the One City Marathon and associated events on March 1- 3, 2019. All activities were listed on the City’s Facebook page. She encouraged citizens to get involved. She and Councilwoman Cherry would participated in the 8K Run/Walk.

Councilwoman Woodbury extended thanks to Ms. Grubbs and Mr. James for their work with the Citizens United for Action.

Councilwoman Woodbury extended thanks to Dr. and Mrs. VanTine for reminded the Council about the importance of planning for the beautiful City Park, Riverview Farm Park, with the extension of the former City Farm property.

Councilwoman Woodbury encouraged citizens to get involved and participate in the One City Marathon and associated events and activities on March 1 – 3, 2019. She advised that her church, St. Andrews Episcopal Church, was situated along the marathon route, and would be waving and encouraging the runners, as well as distributing water.

Councilwoman Woodbury thanked all of the citizens for their attendance and participation. City Council wanted to hear from them.

Councilwoman Cherry thanked the citizens for their attendance and participation, and for sharing their concerns and ideas for the City.

In memory of the late Debbie Wilson, Councilwoman Cherry asked the residents of Southeast Community to show support of the One City Marathon and Celebration, as well as associated activities on March 1 – 3, 2019, particularly the Family Fun and Fit Day scheduled for Saturday, March 2, 2019 at Brooks Crossing. Ms. Wilson was passionate about the City having an event in the Southeast Community.
J. Old Business, New Business and Councilmember Comments Continued

Councilwoman Cherry extended compliments to Ms. Sonia Antoine-Alcantara, Director, Department of Libraries and Information Services, and staff at the Main Street Library, for the exhibit, “Say it Loud: A Salute to Heroes in the Southeast Community,” held on Saturday, February 16, 2019, 2:00 p.m., at the Main Street Library (110 Main Street). She indicated the City had a story to tell of the rich heritage, the trailblazers, and the history from the Southeast Community. She encouraged citizens to visit the Library to view the exhibit.

Councilwoman Cherry extended compliments to Mr. Michael Poplawski, Director, Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism, and staff at the Downing-Gross Cultural Arts Center, for the sold-out crowd for the production of Dreamgirls, at the Downing-Gross Cultural Arts Center (2410 Wickham Avenue), February 8 – 23, 2019. She thanked the team for using local participants – people from the community who were able to showcase their gifts and talents.

Councilwoman Cherry extended congratulations to Mr. Antonio Thompson on having his legal rights restored.

Councilman Harris extended thanks to the Citizens United for Action for their great work in the North District. He applauded them for their efforts, and offered his assistance in any way possible, particularly in the Courthouse Green community.

As was his practice to recognize youth, Councilman Harris acknowledged the presence of the Heritage High School State Championship Track Team. Members in attendance included: Ms. Angela Tubman, a Junior; Ms. Jahniyah Thomas, a Junior; Ms. Jhala Williams, a Senior; and Ms. Shirelle Linzy, a Senior. The girls were accompanied by their principal, Ms. Shameka Gerald, and coaches, Ms. Jacqueline Bateman, who also coached Councilman Harris for a brief period; and legendary coach, Mr. Ray Pollard, a Huntington High School graduate, had a passion for working with youth, and was known for driving youth to practice and to events.

Mayor Price shared that he spoke to the Civic Leadership Class of 2019, 8:30 a.m., on Thursday, February 14, 2019, at the Aviation Academy (902 Bland Boulevard).

Mayor Price and his colleagues attended the exhibit, “Say it Loud: A Salute to Heroes in the Southeast Community,” held on Saturday, February 16, 2019, 2:00 p.m., at the Main Street Library (110 Main Street).

Mayor Price and his colleagues attended the Philippine American Community of the Peninsula Gala held on Saturday, February 16, 2019, 6:00 p.m., at the Newport News Marriott City Center (740 Town Center Drive).
J. Old Business, New Business and Councilmember Comments Continued

Mayor Price advised that a Sister Cities Delegation from Taizhou City (Jiangsu, China) visited Newport News on February 18, 2019, and discussed the Council-Manager form of government. Taizhou had a population totaling approximately five million. He and his colleagues attended a dinner reception at FIN Seafood in Port Warwick, on Monday, February 18, 2019, 6:00 p.m. Members of the delegation included: Mr. Chen Songlin, Deputy Director-General, Taizhou Municipal Committee; Mr. Feng Xinhua, Vice Chairman, Taizhou People’s Association for Friendship with Foreign Countries; Mr. ant Qiang, Deputy Director, Taizhou Municipal Office of Foreign and Overseas Chinese Affairs; Mr. Li Tiejun, Deputy Director, Taizhou Municipal Bureau of Sports; and Mr. Jiang Jianxiong, Director of General Office, Taizhou Municipal Bureau of Tourism.

Mayor Price and colleagues attended the 51st Peninsula Humanitarian Awards Dinner, on Thursday, February 21, 2019, 6:00 p.m., at the Newport News Marriott at City Center (740 Town Center Drive). Over 550 guest were in attendance. Under the leadership of Dinner Co-Chairs, Mr. Bill Downey (President and CEO, Riverside Health System) and Mr. Charlie Hill (President and Co-Founder, Hampton Roads Prostate Health Forum, and Co-Founder, Community Free Clinic of Newport News), the following individuals and organizations were honored: (1) Humanitarian Awards - Mr. Joshua M. David, Ms. Katherine S. Edwards, Mr. Andrew T. “Tom” Olaisen, Mr. Jeffery O. Smith, and Ms. Alexis N. Swann; (2) The Distinguished Merit Citation was awarded to the One Hundred Black Men of America, Inc., Virginia Peninsula Chapter.

Mayor Price and colleagues attended an information session and networking opportunity with local community stakeholders and leaders, sponsored by the Virginia Peninsula Chamber of Commerce and the Newport News/Williamsburg International Airport (NNWIA), on Friday, February 22, 2019, 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m., at NNWIA (900 Bland Boulevard).

Mayor Price and colleagues attended “Celebrating the Legacy of Newport News, on Friday, February, February 22, 2019, 4:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m., at the C. Waldo Center for H.O.P.E. (3100 Wickham Avenue). The children put on a skit, acting as some of the leaders of the Southeast Community and the historical effect.

Mayor Price advised that he attended a Health, Wellness & Education Community Forum, on Friday, February 22, 2019, 6:00 p.m., sponsored by Friendship Baptist Church, 1135-37th Street. He extended thanks to Dr. Beverly Ashburn for hosting the event.

Councilwoman Scott thanked the citizens for their attendance and participation, and for sharing their thoughts and ideas. She shared that she began Town Hall Meetings 17 years prior because she believed in open government. She indicated she always wanted to hear what the citizens had to say.

Councilwoman Scott also thanked the citizens for their attendance and participation at the North District Town Hall Meeting, held on Monday, February 25, 2019, 7:00 p.m., at the Denbigh Community Center (15198 Warwick Boulevard). She thanked Mr. Louis
J. Old Business, New Business and Councilmember Comments Continued

Martinez, Director, Department of Waterworks, to share about a new initiative, using a portal, allowing citizens to connect and view and pay their water bills on-line. He shared how meters would be transformed, via Automated Meter Infrastructure (AMI), which would allow the reading automated/electronic meter reading. There was a great deal of conversation and dialogue which was what open government was about – learning what was occurring and how citizens were impacted, individually and collectively.

Councilwoman Scott advised that one of her favorite event was the Annual Patient Advocate Foundation’s “A Promise of Hope” Gala, held on Saturday, February 23 2019, 6:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m., at the Newport News Marriott at City Center (740 Town Center Drive). The Patient Advocate Foundation (PAF) raised money for people with extreme health conditions, and could not afford to pay their medical bills. The PAF also provided scholarships to students impacted by various health conditions.

Mayor Price reminded citizens about the One City Marathon, and associated activities and events. He advised that most of the events were free and open to the public. He urged citizens to come out and show their support.

Councilwoman Scott encouraged citizens to attend the One City Marathon Health & Wellness Expo, on Friday and Saturday, March 1-2, 2019, at the Denbigh Community Center (15198 Warwick Boulevard).

Councilwoman Woodbury extended congratulations to Mr. Antonio Thompson, a regular attendee to City Council Meetings, and an ardent supporter of the NNPD, on having his legal rights restored, allowing him the right to vote.

K. Adjourn

Mayor Price adjourned the meeting by addressing the citizens. He stated, “May what you say and do uplift the City of Newport News.”

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, ON MOTION, COUNCIL ADJOURNED AT 7:45 P.M.

Mabel Washington Jenkins, MMC McKinley L. Price, DDS
City Clerk Mayor

A true copy, test:

City Clerk
F. Consent Agenda

4. Resolution to Comply with the Budget Public Hearing Notice Provisions of the Code of Virginia, Chapter 25; Title 15.2, as Amended, Entitled Budgets, Audits, and Reports

ACTIONS: A REQUEST TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION THAT ALLOWS THE CITY TO COMPLY WITH THE STATE CODE ON SETTING A SEVEN (7) DAY PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE FOR THE FY 2020 PROPOSED OPERATING BUDGET.

BACKGROUND: • Section 6.09 of the City Charter requires that the proposed budget public hearing notice be advertised fifteen (15) days prior to the hearing date.

• Section 15.2-2506 of the State Code requires that the proposed budget public hearing notice be advertised seven (7) days prior to the hearing date.

• The City Manager intends to submit the FY 2020 Recommended Budget at City Council's March 26, 2019 Work Session.

• The proposed Public Hearing dates for the FY 2020 Recommended Budget are April 9, 2019 and April 11, 2019.

• There are insufficient number of days between the proposed budget submission date of March 26, 2019 and the public hearing date of April 9, 2019 to advertise the public hearings, as required by City Charter.

• In order to avoid the necessity of holding a special meeting of City Council, this Resolution allows the City to comply with the State Code advertising timeframe.

• The City Manager recommends approval.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

ATTACHMENTS:
Description
Memo to HCC re FY20 Proposed Budget Public Hearing Date Advertisment 3 6 19
sdm16781 Reso to Comply with the State Code Budget Public Hearing Notice Provisions
CITY OF NEWPORT NEWS

OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

March 6, 2019

TO: The Honorable City Council

FROM: City Manager

SUBJECT: FY 2020 Proposed Budget Public Hearing Date Advertisement

As has been the practice in the past, the FY 2020 Recommended Operating Budget will be submitted to City Council at the second regularly scheduled meeting in March. At this same meeting, City Council will approve a resolution setting the dates for the public hearings on the proposed budget.

For this budget cycle, the tentative dates for the Recommended Budget Public Hearings are Tuesday, April 9, 2019 and Thursday, April 11, 2019. Generally, the first Public Hearing is held at a regularly scheduled City Council meeting in City Council Chambers (at the first meeting in April) and the second Public Hearing is held at a northern location, and is planned for Denbigh Community Center. While State Code requires only one Public Hearing on the proposed budget, the City customarily holds two in order to accommodate citizens.

The State Code and the City Charter differ on the number of days prior to the Public Hearings on the proposed budget that the statutory hearing must be advertised. The State Code requires seven (7) days notice while the City Charter requires fifteen (15) days prior to the hearing. With the proposed budget planned to be submitted at the second City Council meeting in March, there are not sufficient days between March 26, 2019 and April 9, 2019 to meet the City Charter’s advertising requirement. The attached resolution allows for the City to comply with the State Code notice requirement of seven (7) days, and thereby allows the sufficient time for the Budget Public Hearings to be advertised, and avoids the necessity of holding a special meeting to submit the proposed budget.

Approval of the resolution is recommended.

Cynthia D. Rohlf

CDR:LJC
RESOLUTION NO. __________________

A RESOLUTION TO COMPLY WITH THE BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 25 OF TITLE 15.2 OF THE CODE OF VIRGINIA, 1950, AS AMENDED, ENTITLED BUDGETS, AUDITS AND REPORTS.

WHEREAS, Section 6.09 of the City Charter requires that notice of a public hearing on the budget be published not less than 15 days prior to the date of the public hearing; and

WHEREAS, Section 15.2-2506 of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, requires that notice of a public hearing on the budget be given at least 7 days prior to the date set for hearing; and

WHEREAS, the Newport News City Manager has scheduled for the March 26, 2019 work session an opportunity for her to submit the budget and budget message as required by the aforesaid section of the City Charter and for City Council to determine the place and time of the public hearing on the budget, which time shall be at least 30 days prior to the beginning of the 2019-2020 budget year; and

WHEREAS, to avoid scheduling a special meeting just for the purpose of the aforesaid Charter requirements, should City Council select April 9, 2019 for such a budget public hearing, there are not enough days between City Council’s regularly scheduled meetings of March 26, 2019 and April 9, 2019 to meet the advertising requirements for providing 15 days notice of the public hearing; and

WHEREAS, Section 15.2-2513 of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, authorizes the City Council, by resolution, to comply with the budget provisions of Chapter 25 of Title 15.2 of the Code of Virginia rather than its own Charter provisions; and

WHEREAS, Section 15.2-2506 of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, is one of the budget provisions found in the aforesaid Chapter 25 of Title 15.2 of the Code of Virginia; and

WHEREAS, the City Council deems it to be expedient and in the public interest to comply with the 7 day notice requirement found in Section 15.2-2506 of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of Newport News, Virginia:

1. That it desires to and hereby does choose to comply with the 7 day public hearing notice requirement prescribed by Section 15.2-2506 of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended.
2. That this resolution shall be in effect on and after the date of its adoption, March 12, 2019.
ACTION: A REQUEST TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE DEPLOYMENT OF AN OFFSHORE WIND FARM OFF THE COAST OF VIRGINIA.

BACKGROUND: 
- Electricity generated from offshore wind farms can provide significant economic, environmental, and consumer benefits to the City of Newport News and the Commonwealth of Virginia.
- Offshore wind development will drive capital investment, create both temporary and permanent jobs, and help attract a supply chain that can diversify and grow the economies of Newport News and Hampton Roads.
- The City of Newport News is well-placed to host portions of the supply chain with its high-quality port assets, metal fabricating capabilities, and skilled workforce.
- The City of Newport News must work with its regional partners to signal to the offshore wind industry that it has the capabilities and assets to facilitate the timely, efficient, and large-scale deployment of offshore wind turbines in the Commercial Wind Energy Area.
- The City Manager recommends approval.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

ATTACHMENTS:
Description
Memo to HCC re Offshore Wind Farm Support 3.6.19
sdm16777 Supporting Deployment of an Offshore Wind Farm
TO: The Honorable City Council

FROM: City Manager

SUBJECT: Resolution in Support of the Deployment of an Offshore Wind Farm Off the Coast of Virginia

March 6, 2019

In 2018, the Virginia General Assembly passed, and the Governor signed, the Grid Transformation and Security Act. The Act sets forth a path for Virginia to invest in grid modernization and long-term sustainable energy technologies such as wind; it is the objective of the Commonwealth to place in service by 2028 5,000 megawatts of clean energy.

To support that goal, the Virginia Department of Mines Minerals and Energy is developing an 113,000-acre Commercial Wind Energy Area 27 miles off the coast of Virginia. This site will host Virginia’s first two-turbine Coastal Virginia Offshore Wind (CVOW) project, targeted for installation in 2020.

The development of offshore wind has tremendous potential to drive capital investment, create jobs, and cultivate a supply chain that will grow and diversify our regional economy. The City of Newport News has a plethora of resources such as high-quality port assets, a skilled workforce, and metal fabricating capabilities, that will enable us to attract the offshore wind industry and subsequently provide significant environmental, economic, and consumer benefits to our residents.

I recommend approval.

Cynthia D. Rohlf

CDR:jgw
RESOLUTION NO. ____________________

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEWPORT NEWS, VIRGINIA IN SUPPORT OF THE DEPLOYMENT OF AN OFFSHORE WIND FARM OFF THE COAST OF VIRGINIA.

WHEREAS, electricity generated from offshore wind farms can provide significant economic, environmental, and consumer benefits to the City of Newport News and the Commonwealth of Virginia; and

WHEREAS, offshore wind development will drive capital investment, create both temporary and permanent jobs, and help attract a supply chain that can diversify and grow the economies of Newport News and Hampton Roads; and

WHEREAS, the City of Newport News is well-placed to host portions of the supply chain with its high-quality port assets, metal fabricating capabilities, and skilled workforce; and

WHEREAS, legislation recently passed by the Virginia General Assembly and signed by Governor Ralph Northam states that it is the objective of the Commonwealth to place 5,000 megawatts of clean energy, including offshore wind, in service by 2028; and

WHEREAS, the Virginia Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy is developing a site and business inventory for Virginia and a strategy to attract the offshore wind supply chain; and

WHEREAS, the 113,000-acre Commercial Wind Energy Area located 27 miles off the coast of Virginia can accommodate at least 2,000 megawatts of offshore wind; and

WHEREAS, utilizing renewable energy sources to combat the effects of climate change will protect important existing economic assets in Newport News and the Hampton Roads region, including military and other mission critical assets, transportation infrastructure, and vulnerable neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, the City of Newport News must work with its regional partners to signal to the offshore wind industry that it has the capabilities and assets to facilitate the timely, efficient, and large-scale deployment of offshore wind turbines in the Commercial Wind Energy Area; and

WHEREAS, an important step in that process is the installation of the two-turbine Coastal Virginia Offshore Wind project (CVOW); and

WHEREAS, if installed by the target date of 2020, CVOW will be the first turbines installed in federal waters in the United States.
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Newport News, Virginia, that it supports the deployment of both the Coastal Virginia Offshore Wind project and a larger offshore wind farm off the coast of Virginia in a timely and efficient manner.
G. Other City Council Actions

1. Receipt of Bids for Granting a Utility Easement on a Portion of City-owned Property at 100 City Farm Road (Riverview Farm Park)

**ACTIONS:** A REQUEST TO CITY COUNCIL TO RECEIVE AND OPEN BIDS FOR GRANTING A UTILITY EASEMENT ON A PORTION OF CITY-OWNED PROPERTY LOCATED AT 100 CITY FARM ROAD (RIVERVIEW FARM PARK) FOR THE INSTALLATION OF FACILITIES TO PROVIDE ELECTRICAL SERVICE TO PICNIC SHELTERS.

**BACKGROUND:**
- A request has been received to grant a 15-foot wide utility easement on City-owned property located at 100 City Farm Road (Riverview Farm Park).
- The easement request will enable installation of underground electrical facilities to provide service to three (3) existing picnic shelters.
- The required Public Notice was properly advertised.
- The City Manager recommends approval.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** N/A

**ATTACHMENTS:**
- Memo to HCC re Utility Easement 100 City Farm Rd 3.6.19
- Plat 22-18-0108 Identifying location of easement
- sdm16764 Authorizing re Deed of Easement (100 City Farm Rd)
CITY OF NEWPORT NEWS

OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

March 6, 2019

TO: The Honorable City Council

FROM: City Manager

SUBJECT: Receipt of Bids for Utility Easement - 100 City Farm Road (Riverview Farm Park)

The Department of Parks, Recreation & Tourism would like to provide electric service to the three (3) group picnic shelters at Riverview Farm Park. In order to run the required service, a 15-foot-wide utility easement will need to be located inside the park, as shown on plat 22-18-0108.

The proposed utility easement will enable the installation of underground electrical service via horizontal directional drilling and no overhead facilities will be installed. All appropriate City departments have reviewed and approved this request, and the required public notice was properly advertised.

I recommend that City Council receive and open bids for the above described utility easement with follow-up action referred to my office. Formal action, to authorize the referenced easement be granted to the successful bidder, will be placed on City Council’s March 26, 2019 meeting agenda.

Cynthia D. Rohlf

CR: MDP: wjr

Attachment

cc: Florence G. Kingston, Director, Department of Development
PROPERTY OWNER: 
CITY OF NEWPORT NEWS 
Parcel ID: 190000101

Note:
Location of facilities as installed determine the centerline of the right-of-way herein granted on the property owner.

LEGEND

District
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PLAT TO ACCOMPANY
RIGHT-OF-WAY AGREEMENT

Virginia Electric and Power Company
doing business as
Dominion Energy Virginia

DATE 10.30.2018
BY SHUKHRAT SABIROV

Page ___ of ___
ORDINANCE NO. ________

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AND THE CITY CLERK TO ATTEST, ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF NEWPORT NEWS, VIRGINIA, THAT CERTAIN DEED OF EASEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF NEWPORT NEWS, VIRGINIA, AND ________________________, DATED THE 26TH DAY OF MARCH, 2019, FOR AN EASEMENT ACROSS CITY-OWNED PROPERTY LOCATED AT 100 CITY FARM ROAD, NEWPORT NEWS, VIRGINIA.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Newport News, Virginia:

1. That it hereby authorizes and directs the City Manager to execute and the City Clerk to attest, on behalf of the City of Newport News, Virginia, that certain Deed of Easement by and between the City of Newport News, Virginia, and ________________________, dated the 26th day of March, 2019, for an easement across City-owned property located at 100 City Farm Road, Newport News, Virginia.

2. That a copy of the said Deed of Easement is attached hereto and made a part hereof.
THIS DEED OF EASEMENT, made this 26th day of March, 2019, between the CITY OF NEWPORT NEWS, a municipal corporation of the Commonwealth of Virginia, hereinafter called "GRANTOR" and ________________________________, hereinafter called "GRANTEE," whose mailing address is 902 G. Street, Hampton, Virginia 23661.

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WITNESSETH:

That for the sum of One Dollar ($1.00), cash in hand paid, and other valuable consideration, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, GRANTOR grants unto GRANTEE, its successors and assigns, for a period of forty (40) years from the date of recordation of this deed of easement, the non-exclusive right, privilege and easement, approximately fifteen (15) feet in width, as shown on the Plat referenced below and attached hereto, to construct, operate and maintain one or more underground lines, and one or more lighting supports and lighting fixtures, as GRANTEE may from time to time deem expedient or advisable, located on the easement hereinafter described, for the
purpose of transmitting and distributing electric power by one or more circuits to GRANTOR, for provision of electric power to its facilities and for lighting and such other purposes as requested by GRANTOR; together with all wires, cables, transformers, transformer enclosures, concrete pads, manholes, handholes, connection boxes, ground connections, meters, attachments, equipment, accessories and appurtenances desirable in connection therewith (hereinafter referred to as "facilities").

The said rights, privilege and easement extends over, under, through and across certain lands of GRANTOR, situated in the City of Newport News, Virginia, as shown on Plat No. 22-18-0108 attached hereto and made a part of this Deed of Easement; the location of said easement being shown in broken lines on said Plat, to which plat reference is made for a more particular and accurate description of the easement.

The facilities constructed hereunder shall remain the property of GRANTEE. GRANTEE shall have the right to inspect, rebuild, remove, repair, improve, relocate on the easement, and make such changes, alterations, substitutions, additions to or extensions of its facilities as GRANTEE may from time to time deem advisable.

GRANTEE shall at all times have the right to keep the easement clear of all buildings, structures, and other obstructions (except fences), trees, roots and undergrowth. All trees and limbs cut by GRANTEE shall, except as hereinafter provided, remain the property of GRANTOR. Trees cut by GRANTEE with merchantable trunks six (6) inches or more in diameter will be cut into lengths of not less than four (4) feet when requested by GRANTOR and will be placed in piles separate from other trees, limbs, and undergrowth cut by GRANTEE. All trees, limbs, roots and
other growth removed during the periodic maintenance of the easement by GRANTEE shall be disposed of by GRANTEE, and after which GRANTEE shall restore the surface area affected by the removal to a level grade safe for pedestrian travel.

For the purpose of constructing, inspecting, maintaining or operating its facilities on the easement on the property of GRANTOR or on its easement on any other property, GRANTEE shall have the right of ingress and egress over, upon and along such easement. If GRANTEE is unable reasonably to exercise the right of ingress and egress over, upon and along the easement on the property of GRANTOR, GRANTEE shall have such right of ingress and egress over the property of GRANTOR adjacent to the easement. GRANTEE shall have the further right of ingress to and egress from the easement over such private roads as may now or hereafter exist on the property of GRANTOR. The right, however, is reserved to GRANTOR to shift, relocate, close or abandon such private roads at any time. If there are no public or private roads reasonably convenient to the easement, GRANTEE shall have such right of ingress and egress over the lands of GRANTOR adjacent to the easement and lying between public and private roads and the easement in such manner as shall occasion the least practicable damage and inconvenience to GRANTOR.

GRANTEE shall repair damage to roads, fences or other improvements and shall pay GRANTOR for other damage done in the process of the construction, inspection, or maintenance of GRANTEE's facilities, or in the exercise of its right of ingress and egress; GRANTEE shall be liable for all damages resulting from its exercise of the right of ingress and egress across such adjacent lands, provided GRANTOR gives written notice thereof to GRANTEE within sixty (60) days after any property damage occurs.

GRANTOR, its successors and assigns, may use the easement for any purpose not
inconsistent with the rights hereby granted, provided such use does not interfere with or endanger the construction, operation and maintenance of GRANTEE's facilities and provided that no buildings, structures or other obstructions (except fences) may be constructed on the easement.

In the event that GRANTEE fails or ceases to use the entire easement for a continuous period of two (2) or more years, then all rights and privileges hereby granted to GRANTEE shall forever cease and revert to GRANTOR by operation of law.

The rights, privileges, and easement conveyed pursuant to this Deed of Easement are in addition to, and not in substitution of, any other rights which may be available to GRANTEE to install its facilities on the property.

GRANTOR covenants that it is seized of and has the right to convey the said easement, rights and privileges; that GRANTEE shall have quiet and peaceable possession, use and enjoyment of the aforesaid easement, rights and privileges; and that GRANTOR shall execute such further assurances thereof as may be required.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, GRANTOR has caused its corporate name to be signed hereto by its City Manager and its corporate seal to be hereunto affixed and attested by its City Clerk.

[SIGNATURE PAGE FOLLOWS]
CITY OF NEWPORT NEWS

By: ________________________________
    City Manager

ATTEST:                                APPROVED AS TO FORM:

By: ________________________________    By: ________________________________
    City Clerk                        City Attorney

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA
City of Newport News, to wit:

I, ________________________________, a Notary Public in and for the City and Commonwealth aforesaid, whose commission expires on the ___ day of _________________, ____, do hereby certify that the CITY OF NEWPORT NEWS, by Cynthia D. Rohlf, its City Manager, and attested by Mabel Washington Jenkins, its City Clerk, whose names are signed to the foregoing writing, hereto annexed, have each acknowledged the same before me in my City and Commonwealth aforesaid.

GIVEN under my hand this ___ day of ______________, 2019.

________________________________________
Notary Public
Registration No.: _________________________

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PROPERTY OWNER:
CITY OF NEWPORT NEWS
Parcel ID: 190000101

Note:
Location of facilities as installed determine the centerline of the right-of-way herein granted on the property owner.

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BY SHUKHAT SABIROV
OWNER INITIALS ____________
G. Other City Council Actions

2. Receipt of Bids for Granting a Utility Easement on a Portion of City-owned Property at 6940 Huntington Avenue (Huntington Heights Park)

ACTION: A REQUEST TO CITY COUNCIL TO RECEIVE AND OPEN BIDS FOR GRANTING A UTILITY EASEMENT ON A PORTION OF CITY-OWNED PROPERTY LOCATED AT 6940 HUNTINGTON AVENUE FOR THE INSTALLATION OF A POWER POLE TO PROVIDE OVERHEAD ELECTRICAL SERVICE.

BACKGROUND: A request has been received to grant a 10-foot by 10-foot utility easement on a portion of City-owned property located at 6940 Huntington Avenue.

- The easement request will enable the installation of a utility pole to support overhead electrical service.
- The required Public Notice was properly advertised.
- The City Manager recommends approval.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

ATTACHMENTS:
Description
- Memo to HCC re Utility Easement 6940 Huntington Ave 3.6.19
- Plat 22-18-0113 Identifying the location of easement
- sdm16758 Authorizing re Deed of Easement (6940 Huntington Ave)
CITY OF NEWPORT NEWS

OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

March 6, 2019

TO: The Honorable City Council

FROM: City Manager

SUBJECT: Receipt of Bids for Utility Easement - 6940 Huntington Avenue (Huntington Heights Park)

A request has been received to grant a utility easement across a portion of City-Owned Property located at 6940 Huntington Avenue (Huntington Heights Park) in order to relocate a utility pole, as shown on the attached Plat Number 22-18-0113.

The proposed non-exclusive utility easement will allow for improved maintenance access and ensure continued electric service for the residents in the area as well as continue to provide electric service to the park. All appropriate City departments have reviewed and approved this request, and the required public notice was properly advertised.

I recommend that City Council receive and open bids for the above described utility easement with follow-up action referred to my office. Formal action, to authorize the referenced agreement be granted to the successful bidder, will be placed on City Council’s March 26, 2019 meeting agenda.

[Signature]
Cynthia D. Rohlf

CDR:MDP:wjr

Attachments (2)

cc: Florence G. Kingston, Director, Department of Development
ORDINANCE NO. __________

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, GRANTOR has caused its corporate name to be signed hereto by its City Manager and its corporate seal to be hereunto affixed and attested by its City Clerk.

[SIGNATURE PAGEey,
CITY OF NEWPORT NEWS

By: ____________________________
   City Manager

ATTEST:

By: ____________________________
   City Clerk

By: ____________________________
   City Attorney

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA
City of Newport News, to wit:

I, ____________________________, a Notary Public in and for the City and Commonwealth aforesaid, whose commission expires on the ___ day of ____________, _____, do hereby certify that the CITY OF NEWPORT NEWS, by Cynthia D. Rohlf, its City Manager, and attested by Mabel Washington Jenkins, its City Clerk, whose names are signed to the foregoing writing, hereto annexed, have each acknowledged the same before me in my City and Commonwealth aforesaid.

GIVEN under my hand this ___ day of ____________, 2019.

__________________________
Notary Public
Registration No.: ____________________

sdm16759
H. Appropriations

**ACTION:** A REQUEST FOR A MOTION OF CITY COUNCIL TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING APPROPRIATION.

1. Newport News Sheriff’s Office (NNSO) – Asset Forfeiture: Law Enforcement Operations and Investigations - $5,000
H. Appropriations

1. Newport News Sheriff's Office (NNSO) - Asset Forfeiture: Law Enforcement Operations and Investigations - $5,000

A REQUEST TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING $5,000 FROM THE NEWPORT NEWS SHERIFF'S OFFICE ASSET FORFEITURE FUNDS.

BACKGROUND:
- Asset Forfeiture funds are funds that are transferred to the Sheriff's Office as a result of officers participating in state and federal criminal cases where the defendant's assets are seized.
- The Sheriff's Office will use the funds to support investigations and operations that further the law enforcement goals and missions.

FISCAL IMPACT:
- The Sheriff's Office current balance in unappropriated asset forfeiture funds is $184,326.
- This appropriation will reduce the asset forfeiture account by $5,000, leaving a balance of $179,326.
- The City Manager recommends approval.

ATTACHMENTS:
Description
Memo to HCC re NNSO Asset Forfeiture Appropriation 3.6.19
sdm16782 Appropriation re NN Sheriff's Office - Asset Forfeiture Funds
TO: The Honorable City Council
FROM: City Manager
SUBJECT: Asset Forfeiture Appropriation – Sheriff’s Office

The Sheriff Department is requesting a $5,000 appropriation from their asset forfeiture funds to use for law enforcement operations and investigations.

Asset forfeiture funds are funds that are transferred to the Sheriff Department as a result of officers participating in state and federal criminal cases where the defendant’s assets are seized. The current asset forfeiture balance in unappropriated funds is $184,326.

The Newport News Sheriff’s Office will use the funds to support investigations and operations that further the law enforcement goals and missions. Examples include reward money for information that assist in solving a specific case, payments to informants, and purchase of evidence.

I recommend approval.

Cynthia D. Rohlf

CDR:ctc

cc: Gabriel Morgan, Sheriff, Newport News Sheriff’s Office
RESOLUTION NO. _____________

A RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING FUNDS FROM USE OF FUND BALANCE - FEDERAL TO SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Newport News:

That it hereby appropriates funds from Use of Fund Balance - Federal to Special Investigations, as follows:

Appropriation From:

Use of Fund Balance - Federal
2651-000-26-0000-453000-000000-0000-26B19-26B19 $ 5,000.00

Appropriation To:

Special Investigations
2651-000-26-0000-530102-000000-0000-26B19-26B19 $ 5,000.00
*I. Citizen Comments on Matters Germane to the Business of City Council

J. Old Business, New Business and Councilmember Comments

   City Manager
   City Attorney
   City Clerk
   Woodbury
   Cherry
   Harris
   Jenkins
   Price
   Scott
   Vick

K. Adjourn

*THE BUSINESS PORTION OF THE MEETING WILL BE CONCLUDED NO LATER THAN 10:00 P.M. TO ALLOW PERSONS TO ADDRESS CITY COUNCIL UNDER “CITIZEN COMMENTS ON MATTERS GERMANE TO THE BUSINESS OF CITY COUNCIL.”