

## **Allentown**

435 Hamilton Street Allentown, Pa. 18101

#### **Minutes - Final**

# **City Council**

Wednesday, November 1, 2017

7:00 PM

**Council Chambers** 

**Invocation: Councilperson MacLean** 

Pledge to the Flag

Roll Call

Present: 6 - Ray O'Connell, Daryl Hendricks, Candida Affa, Roger MacLean, Julio Guridy, and

Cynthia Mota

Excused: 1 - David McGuire

# Courtesy of the Floor Courtesy and Privilege of the Floor Rules

Mr. Lou Hershman, 405 N. Gilmore Street, asked if the Contract for the city Fleet will be on the Agenda next week. He stated that his concern is Public Safety. He thinks it is a big issue for him as a homeowner. The employees are SEIU. He thinks it will be equal. He doesn't think it will be a savings because the company has to make a profit. Her asked to make the contract public. He stated that his concern is bonding as city employees.

Mr. Ray O'Connell stated that it will be on the Agenda for Contract Approval on November 8th.

Mr. Brent Hartzell stated that we have discovered and this question raised issues. There are not sufficient bonding for a couple of us and we need to get it fixed. It won't be a costly thing.

Mr. Glenn Hunsicker, South Allentown, stated that he handed out some flyers with some information. It is nice to review the contract with Fleet Management with Centerra. Mr. Glazier mildly stated that there were weaknesses in the contract. in 2014, the non-targeted fees went up five percent, plus CPI; 2015 at five percent, 2016 at five percent for non-targeted side. That drove the prices up to \$45 an hour. Towing Service contract higher with Centerra then the city. He stated that he was looking for addendums in the Lease. There is a page that calls for FMIS reports. He asked what does that mean? It calls for the Vehicle Master List monthly and a Management Monthly Report. He asked if those lists exists.

Mr. Craig Messinger stated that they were responded to.

Mr. Daryl Hendricks talked about the Fleet Credit Cards and the motorcycles. We do not have fuel for them so they use credit cards in order to get fuel in the open market out in the street.

Mr. Ray O'Connell stated motorcycle cops.

Mr. Craig Messinger stated that there are three motorcycles and one for trips.

Mr. Ray O'Connell stated that next week when we do the contract review we will have a lively discussion.

Mr. Tom Hahn, 2016 E. Highland Street, stated that you should always air on the side of public safety wherever it is personnel or equipment. He stated that he sent Mr. Hanlon a copy of questions that will be re-asked at the next meeting. He stated that they are on the Procedure Rules and the extension of the contract done.

Mr. Ray O'Connell asked Mr. Hahn if he is talking about the garage contract.

Mr. Tom Hahn stated yes. He stated that if Mr. Glazier needs a copy, Mr. Hanlon can refer to that. He stated that Council has the right to take control of the problem and make the administration responsible for the timely results. He talked about the request of the equipment and if Council wants to spend a couple hundred thousand dollars and oversight. He said that it seems to be an incentive if we save money and the 70/30 money split that was involved.

Mr. Don Ringer, 1801 Liberty Street, asked Mr. Glazier if he presented a list of vehicles that are taken home by city employees.

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Mr. Don Ringer asked if the city showed who was taking home the city vehicles.

Mr. Ray O'Connell stated that was not the request. He stated to Mr. Ringer that Courtesy of the Floor is for any items that are not on the agenda.

Mr. Don Ringer stated that Mr. Glazier has been very disrespectful to Mr. Hershman in particular for not submitting these lists. This could be done overnight.

Mr. Michael Hanlon stated that the list is posted on the agenda so it is on the website.

Mr. Don Ringer asked who is paying for the gas for these vehicles and for the Sirius radios.

Mr. Ray O'Connell stated the city.

Mr. Don Ringer stated that the city is broke and we have people driving 40 - 50 miles away.

Mr. Ray O'Connell asked if there were any other comments from Courtesy of the Floor.

### **Approval of Minutes:**

Yes: 6 - Ray O'Connell, Daryl Hendricks, Candida Affa, Roger MacLean, Julio Guridy, and

Cynthia Mota

Absent: 1 - David McGuire

<u>15-1937</u> October 18, 2017 Contract Review Meeting

<u>Attachments:</u> October 18, 2017 Contract Review Minutes

<u>15-1939</u> October 18, 2017 City Council Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes

Attachments: October 18, 2017 Committee of the Whole Minutes

<u>15-1948</u> October 18, 2017 City Council Meeting Minutes

<u>Attachments:</u> October 18, 2017 City Council Meeting Minutes

**Old Business: NONE** 

### **Communications**

Mr. Ray O'Connell stated that Council had an Executive Session last Tuesday, October 24th, and Informational Session only concerning the contract for the garage.

#### **REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES:**

Outside the Public Works Committee which met this evening, there are no committee meetings scheduled at this time - we will deal with issues during our budget sessions.

15-1931 Budget Schedule

Attachments: Budget Schedule

**APPOINTMENTS:** 

Name Authority/Board/Commission Term to Expire
James Karapelou Electricians Examining Board 01/24/2020
Michael Taylor Electricians Examining Board 01/24/2020
Shalon Buskirk Human Relations Commission 01/05/2019

Ms. Candida Affa stated that we have two applicants for the Electricians Examining Board and one for Human Relations. She asked if there were any comments from her colleagues on Mr. Karapelou or the public.

<u>15-1929</u> Appointment to the Human Relations Commission

Shalon Buskirk Human Relations Commission 01/05/2019

Attachments: Shalon Buskirk - Human Relations Commssion

Ms. Candida Affa asked if there were any comments from her colleagues or the public.

Yes: 6 - Ray O'Connell, Daryl Hendricks, Candida Affa, Roger MacLean, Julio Guridy, and

Cynthia Mota

Absent: 1 - David McGuire

Enactment No: 29572

15-1942 Reappointments to Electricians Examining Board

James Karapelou Electricians Examining Board 01/24/2020
Michael Taylor Electricians Examining Board 01/24/2020

<u>Attachments:</u> <u>James Karapelou and Michael Taylor - Electricians Examining Board</u>

Yes: 6 - Ray O'Connell, Daryl Hendricks, Candida Affa, Roger MacLean, Julio Guridy, and

Cynthia Mota

Absent: 1 - David McGuire

Enactment No: 29571

### ORDINANCES FOR FINAL PASSAGE (To be Voted On):

15-1918 Bill 62

Amending the 2017 Capital Fund Budget to provide for a supplemental appropriation of One Hundred Thirty-Five Thousand (\$135,000) Dollars from the PennDOT TAP Grant for Safe Routes to School. The project includes pedestrian safety improvements to create a safer route for the students, the public, and motorists at Trexler and Raub.

Attachments: BILL 62 Safe Routes to School Grant

Ordinance #15402

Mr. Roger MacLean stated that it was recommended favorably to the full Council.

Mr. Ray O'Connell asked if there were any comments from him colleagues on Bill 62.

Yes: 6 - Ray O'Connell, Daryl Hendricks, Candida Affa, Roger MacLean, Julio Guridy, and Cynthia Mota

Absent: 1 - David McGuire

Enactment No: 15402

#### **RESOLUTIONS FOR FINAL PASSAGE (To be Voted On):**

15-1950 R181

Authorizes encroachment for pedestrian bridge from 520 Hamilton Street to the deck at 18 South 6th Street.

Attachments: R181 Encroachment for Pedestrian Bridge

Bridge plan

520 Hamilton St Application

Mr. Ted Berger stated that this encroachment is for the pedestrian bridge from the new 520 Hamilton Street building. It is the old Croc Rock from the second floor of that building to the second floor of the parking lot along the rear of the property. There is a set of plans that attached with the encroachment. This is going to be for ease of access for office and residential apartment.

Mr. Ray O'Connell asked who is paying for it and for how much.

Mr. Ted Berger stated City Center. He stated that he is not sure what the cost is.

Mr. Ray O'Connell asked if there were any comments from his colleagues or the public.

Yes: 6 - Ray O'Connell, Daryl Hendricks, Candida Affa, Roger MacLean, Julio Guridy, and Cynthia Mota

Absent: 1 - David McGuire

Enactment No: 29573

# ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION (To be referred to Committee with public comment prior to referral)

15-1949 Bill 63 Refer to Human Resources, Administration and Appts

Amending Article 171 Code of Ethics, by adding Article 171.15, Mailers and Communications Prohibited during Election Season, prohibiting elected officials from using city resources for mass mailings and communications during election season.

Sponsors: Hendricks, O'Connell, McGuire, Mota, MacLean, Affa and Guridy

Attachments: Bill 63 Ethics Amendment

60 day rule

**ARTICLE 171 Code of Ethics** 

Mr. Ray O'Connell asked if there were any comments from his colleagues about Bill 63.

Mr. Julio Guridy asked if Bill 63 will be voted on today.

Mr. Ray O'Connell stated no. We are going to send it to committee. He asked if there were any comments from his colleagues or the public.

REFERRED TO THE HUMAN RESOURCES, ADMINISTRATION AND APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE

<u>15-1951</u> Bill 64 Refer to Public Safety

Amending Article 121.05 City Registered Vehicles, by changing the word

sedan to vehicles in two places.

Sponsors: Hendricks, O'Connell, MacLean, Guridy, Mota, Affa and McGuire

Attachments: Bill 64 Vehicle Policy

R3 - Fleet Audit

R4 - Cover Letter Fleet Audit

Fleet Listng

Employee Vehicle Use

604 - Use of City Vehicles Lancaster - revised 3-28-2012 - with Mayor

signature

Vehicle Usage Policy (00000002) - City of Bethlehem

Mr. Ray O'Connell asked if there were any comments from my colleagues on Bill 64.

Mr. Roger MacLean stated that it will make Mr. Glazier's job a little easier.

Mr. Ray O'Connell asked if there were any other comments from my colleagues or the public.

#### REFERRED TO PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

# RESOLUTIONS FOR INTRODUCTION (Can be voted on or Referred to Committee): None

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Mr. Daryl Hendricks stated that he made a request at the last meeting to the Controller's office about doing an audit on those mailings going out relative to the Town Hall meetings being held and I had requested that information be available tonight. I understand it is not. I respectfully request if that could be available by the end of the week.

Mr. Jeff Glazier stated that I will communicate that to the office that is in charge and hope for the best.

Mr. Daryl Hendricks stated that this request was sent to the office back on September 25th. At that time, the information was available pending approval from the Mayor's office. My understanding it was not forthcoming. Your request now is absent the Mayor's request and not needing such an approval. Hopefully, that would be complied with and I thank you.

Mr. Jeff Glazier stated that you are welcome. I will follow up.

**GOOD AND WELFARE: NONE** 

**ADJOURNED: 7:30 PM**