

THIS WAS A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL, 29 NORTH DAY STREET, ORANGE, NEW JERSEY ON TUESDAY, JULY 21, 2015, IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE PUBLIC HEARING ON THE 2015 CY BUDGET.

Roll Call:

Present: Councilman Kerry Coley, East Ward
Councilman Elroy A. Corbitt, At-Large
Councilwoman Tency A. Eason, North Ward
Councilman Harold Johnson, Jr. West Ward
Councilwoman Jamie Summers-Johnson., South Ward
Councilwoman Donna K. Williams, At-Large
Council President April Gaunt-Butler, At-Large

Also Present: City Clerk, Joyce L. Lanier
Deputy City Clerk, Madeline Smith
Finance Director, Adrian Mapp
Chief Financial Officer, Ms. Joy Lascari
Assistant City Attorney, James Wolfe

City Clerk announces that the requirement of N.J.S.A. 10:4-9 et. seq., “Sunshine Law” has been met a public notice was sent to the Orange Record and published with the Star Ledger on July 17, 2015, posted on the Bulletin Board in City Hall and filed in the Office of the City Clerk.

CITIZEN COMMENTS:

Mr. Jeffery Feld commented about the Corrective Action Plan also questioned the Council on the Sims settlement. The Council President reported that the resolution regarding the settlement was being postponed.

Seeing no one else, the Chair called for a motion to close citizen comments.

Motion to close Citizens Comments by Councilman Corbitt, seconded by Councilman Johnson, Jr.
The Motion was approved by a unanimous vote.

ORDINANCE INTRODUCTION/FIRST READING:

The City Clerk read Ordinance Number 40-2015 by Title.

40-2015 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP CHAPTER 200, ENTITLED “VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC”, SECTION 200-33 NO PARKING CERTAIN HOURS ON WATCHUNG AVENUE.

Motion that Ordinance 40-2015 be introduced on first reading and that the public hearing would be held August 5, 2015 by Councilman Corbitt, seconded by Councilwoman Williams.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Coley, Corbitt, Eason, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams,
Council President Gaunt-Butler
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

Motion Carries.

CONSENT AGENDA

The City Clerk read the following statement.

All items listed with an asterisk (*) are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council member so request, in which event, the item will be removed from the general order of business and considered in its normal sequence of the agenda.

The Chair commented that on behalf of the Administration, Resolution 208-2015 was being removed.

RESOLUTIONS NO. *193-2015-*208-2015

- *193-2015 A resolution appointing Council Members Elroy A. Corbitt and April Gaunt-Butler to the Board of School Estimate in the City of Orange Township.**
- *194-2015 A resolution appointing Councilwoman Tency A. Eason to the Planning Board of the City of Orange Township.**
- *195-2015 A resolution appointing Council Member Tency A. Eason as a member of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board of the City of Orange Township.**
- *196-2015 A resolution appointing Council Members Kerry J. Coley, Elroy A. Corbitt and Donna K. Williams to the Budget Reconciliation Committee.**
- *197-2015 A resolution appointing Council Members Harold J. Johnson, Jr., Jamie Summers-Johnson, and Donna K. Williams to the Policy and Planning Committee.**
- *198-2015 A resolution appointing Council President April Gaunt-Butler as the Liaison and Council Member Donna K. Williams as Alternate to the Second River Joint Meeting on behalf of the City of Orange Township. (Removed for separate vote)**
- *199-2015 A resolution appointing Council Members Tency A. Eason, Harold Johnson, Jr., and Jamie Summers-Johnson as members of the Human Relations and Personnel Committee.**

- *200-2015** A resolution appointing Council Members April Gaunt-Butler, Tency A. Eason and Donna K. Williams as the Liaisons to the Essex County Municipal Exchange on behalf of the City of Orange Township.
- *201-2015** A resolution appointing Council Member Harold J. Johnson, Jr. as Liaison to the Housing Authority of the City of Orange Township.
- *202-2015** A resolution appointing Council Members April Gaunt-Butler and Kerry J. Coley as Liaisons to the Fire Department of the City of Orange Township.
- *203-2015** A resolution appointing Council Member Jamie Summers-Johnson as the Liaison to the Library of the City of Orange Township.
- *204-2015** A resolution appointing Council Members Elroy A. Corbitt and Kerry J. Coley as Liaisons to the Police Department of the City of Orange Township.
- *205-2015** A resolution appointing Council Members Donna K. Williams and Tency A. Eason as members of the Public Works Committee of the City of Orange Township.
- *206-2015** A resolution appointing Council Members Tency A. Eason, Jamie Summers-Johnson and Kerry J. Coley as Liaisons to the Governmental Operations Committee of the City of Orange Township.
- *207-2015** A resolution authorizing the acceptance of Community Development Block Grant Funds for the year 2015. **(Removed for separate vote)**
- *208-2015** Resolution authorizing settlement of litigation entitled Hakim Sims v. City of Orange Township, et al., **(Removed by Administration)**

Motion to approve the consent agenda (with the corrections as noted) by Councilwoman Eason, seconded by Councilwoman Williams. (Consent Agenda 193 through 197 and 199 through 206)

Roll Call:

Ayes: Coley, Corbitt, Eason, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams,
Council President Gaunt-Butler
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

Motion Carries.

Councilman Corbitt commented on 200-2015 stating that any Council Member can attend those meetings because they are not discussing City business.

Resolutions 198-2015 and 207-2015 removed for separate votes.

198-2015 A resolution appointing Council President April Gaunt-Butler as the Liaison and Council Member Donna K. Williams as Alternate to the Second River Joint Meeting on behalf of the City of Orange Township.

The City Clerk read Resolution 198-2015 by title and stated that the resolution was being amended to exclude Council Member Donna K. Williams as an Alternate to the Second River Joint Meeting. Council President Gaunt-Butler stated that only one person could be appointed.

Motion to approve Resolution 198-2015 as amended by Councilwoman Eason, seconded by Councilwoman Williams.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Coley, Corbitt, Eason, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams,
Council President Gaunt-Butler
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

Motion Carries.

207-2015 A resolution authorizing the acceptance of Community Development Block Grant Funds (CDBG) for the year 2015.

Motion to approve Resolution 207-2015 by Councilman Corbitt, seconded by Councilwoman Eason.

- Councilman Coley had questions about the amounts to the YWCA and asked if the YWCA was still functioning. Councilwoman Eason stated that there were programs being run by the YWCA.
- Councilman Johnson, Jr. asked where the money was disbursed from.
- Mr. Mapp reported that when you accept Grants you expect them to be put into your budget but he was not familiar with this resolution. He also stated that the City does not take CDBG funding and disburse it to those private and nonprofit organizations. The funding goes from the County to those organizations.
- Councilwoman Eason explained how this had been done year after year. Mr. Mapp stated that is not the way it should be done.
- The Council President stated that she had reviewed the resolution and the resolution will be postponed because of those concerns mentioned and also the dollar amount was not correct on the resolution.

Motion to postpone the resolution until the August 5th meeting by Councilwoman Summers-Johnson, seconded by Councilman Johnson, Jr.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Coley, Corbitt, Eason, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams,
Council President Gaunt-Butler

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Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

Motion Carries.

Motion to adjourn by Councilman Corbitt, seconded by Councilwoman Williams.

By consensus the regular meeting adjourned at 7:25 P.M.

Approved:

JOYCE L. LANIER

APRIL GAUNT-BUTLER

**Joyce L. Lanier
City Clerk**

**April Gaunt-Butler
Council President**

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