

THIS WAS A CONFERENCE MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF CITY HALL, 29 NORTH DAY STREET, ORANGE, NEW JERSEY ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2016 AT 7:00 P.M.

Roll Call:

Present: Councilman Kerry Coley, East Ward
Councilman Christopher Jackson, At-Large
Councilwoman Tency A. Eason, North Ward
Councilman Harold Johnson, Jr. West Ward
Councilwoman Jamie Summers-Johnson., South Ward (arrived @ 7:18)
Councilwoman Adrienne Wooten, At-Large (arrived @ 7:10)
Council-President Donna K. Williams, At-Large (arrived @ 7:25)

Also Present: Joyce L. Lanier, City Clerk
Chris Hartwyk, Acting Business Administrator
Eric Pennington, Acting City Attorney
Renata Wooden, Acting Legislative Research Officer
Margarette Homere, Senior Clerk,
Kenneth Douglas, Acting Fire Director,
Marty Mayes, Acting Director of Planning/Public Work
Adrian Mapp, Acting Director of Finance
Joy Lascari, Chief Financial Officer

The City Clerk asked all to stand for a Moment of Silence.

SPECIAL NOTICE: Please be apprised anyone wishing to discuss Agenda or General item shall sign on (1) book. Each person signing the book will be allowed to speak for maximum of five (5) minutes.

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Sunshine Law

The City Clerk announces that the requirement of N.J. S.A. 10:4-9 et. Seq. "Sunshine Law" has been met. A notice of this meeting was sent to the *Star Ledger* and published in *the Record-Transcript* on 14 July 2016, posted on the Bulletin Board in City Hall and filed in the Office of the Municipal Clerk

MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION

The Matters for discussion was changed to have the Essex County Surrogate speak first.

Mr. Stevens gave a report on what the Surrogate Court does. WWW. Essex. Suergate.com is their new website for current times and locations of their satellite locations.

Plaque Presentation-Orange School District Bridge Club

The Orange Bridge Club students were presented with their own Resolution for their accomplishment at the Bridge League tournament.

Presentation on Domestic Violence-S.O.F I. A - Cynthia Walker**The discussion on domestic violence has been postponed to the November 1st meeting.**

- Vice-President Coley welcomed the representatives from the Board of Education Mr. James, Mr. Griffer and Mr. Carter. Councilwoman Eason commented that they would speak about the new Bond and how important it was for the school system.
- Mr. Carter reported that the furnaces at the Cleveland and Oakland Avenue schools needed to be replaced immediately.
- Mr. James reported that the State had inspected the boilers in the schools and reported that the boilers were outdated and old and needed to be replaced. The Board of Education and the School Board of Estimate have approved the 3.7 million dollar bond. Mr. James reported on other needed projects that the bond would pay for. Mr. James commented on the long term Capital improvements that would be done. He spoke on the 2014 11 million dollar bond of 2014. That bond was for high schools and elementary school projects. Councilman Johnson, Jr. questioned the \$500,000.00 amount to repair the YWCA pool in the new bond. Mr. James reported that the amount had been reduced to \$300,000.00. Council President Williams commented that the new amount for the pool is \$800,000.00 and questioned the leadership in place and the conversations regarding the pool. She wanted to make sure any actions taken was on current information. Acting Business Administrator Hartwyk commented on questions that were raised regarding the pool, the demolition and renovation for the Clarington properties and the buying of 464 Mountain View Terrace. Councilwoman Eason stated that the Board of Education is only requesting \$300,000.00 for the pool. Councilwoman Eason suggested that Acting Business Administrator Hartwyk, the Bond Counsel and the Board of Education have a meeting to discuss the bond. Councilman Jackson commented that the 2014 bond had renovations and many of those items are on the new bond.
- Councilman Jackson commented that the statement that the no public money would be spent on the YWCA (Rec Center) was not true.
- Councilwoman Summers-Johnson commented that accurate information had to be provided before any discussions could be made on the bond. The Council should not have to ask questions at this point. The Council President commented to Mr. James that the Historic Commission had to be at the next facility meeting and be included on future meetings.
- Nishuane Group Presentation on the Master Plan process and the difference in the scope of work for a Master Plan Re-examination and a Comprehensive Master Plan. Mr. George Williams, representing the Nishuane Group reported that the city is in need of a full comprehensive report for the Master Plan. Mr. Williams reported on the differences of the re-examination and comprehensive plan. The comprehensive plan will take 12 months to complete. He explained the process that would take place within the 12 months.
- Mr. Williams answered questions by the Council Members. There will be an e-mail address setup in the Orange Outlook for the Nishuane Group.

The resolutions and ordinances to be presented at tonight's meeting are listed on the attached Regular Meeting Agenda. If any Council Member wishes to discuss any resolution or ordinance, it may be discussed at this time.

Councilwoman Eason - Ordinance 54-2016 felt that the ordinance was pre mature and City Attorney and they should have an opportunity to see what is happening in the city and then move forward. She

will not be voting to approve the ordinance. She would like it tabled until it is reviewed by the Council Members. Councilwoman Wooten preferred to have an attorney review the ordinance.

Councilman Johnson Jr. 331-2016 regarding pages 2 and 9, he noticed that positions and salaries that had been cut are still on the bill list.

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Councilwoman Summers-Johnson, seconded by Councilwoman Eason.

The meeting was adjourned by a unanimous vote at 8:25 P.M.

Approved:

Joyce L. Lanier
City Clerk

Donna K. Williams
Council President