## MINUTES CITY COUNCIL CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP NEW JERSEY

THIS IS A CONFERENCE MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP HELD VIA AUDIO-VIDEO CONFERENCING ON TUESDAY, MAY 19, 2020 AT 7:04 P.M.

Roll Call:

Present: Councilman Kerry Coley, East Ward

Councilman Christopher Jackson, At-Large Councilman Harold Johnson, Jr. West Ward

Councilwoman Jamie Summers-Johnson, South Ward

Councilwoman Donna K. Williams, At-Large Arrived at 7:07 p.m.

Councilwoman Adrienne Wooten, At-Large

Council-President Tency A. Eason

Also Present: Joyce L. Lanier, City Clerk

Mayor Dwayne Warren, Esq.

Called in at 7:30 p.m.

Chris Hartwyk, Business Administrator Gracia R. Montilus, City Attorney Kenneth Douglas, Director of Fire Adrian Mapp, Director of Finance

Marty Mayes, Director of Public Works/Planning

Nile Clements, Chief Financial Officer Marlin Townes, Legislative Research Officer Kathrina Nease, Water Superintendent Margarette Homere, City Clerk's Office Tamara Robinson, City Clerk's Office

The City Clerk asked everyone to stand for a moment of silence. Council President Eason dedicated the moment of silence to all of the victims of Covid-19, their grieving families and prayed that everything goes back to normal.

The City Clerk read the following "SPECIAL NOTICE: Please be apprised anyone wishing to discuss Agenda or General Items shall email their statements or questions to <a href="mailto:citycouncil@orangenj.gov">citycouncil@orangenj.gov</a> no later than 7:00 p.m. the day prior to the scheduled public meeting. The City Council reserves the right to respond or not respond during the meeting to any citizen's submission."

The City Clerk also announced that the requirement of N.J.S.A. 10:4-9 et. seq., "Sunshine Law" has been met. A notice of this meeting was published in the Record-Transit on Thursday, April 16, 2020 and sent to the Star Ledger on Thursday, April 2, 2020, posted on the City Council and the City of Orange website and filed in the Office of the City Clerk.

## **MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION**

Mayor Dwayne Warren, Esq. provided an update a COVID-19:

- 95% of the City's workforce employees have been tested.
- Senior buildings are also undergoing testing.
- COVID-19 testing results should back in 2 to 3 days.
- The City is sanitizing our buildings so that we can increase the number of employees that can come back to work.
- OEM and Fire Firefighters are documenting and turning over reports to FEMA to stay in compliance with their requirements.
- As of May 19, 2020, the City of Orange has 884 positive cases and have lost 67 residents to the virus.
- The City is developing signage for stores and has created a taskforce enforcing merchants to follow state rule that says no mask no entrance.
- The City will be doing a deep clean of the City to pick up any masks, gloves and garbage from the streets and will enforce same.
- The Mayor is in discussion with the Board of Education regarding their finalization of guidelines for graduations.
- Two nursing homes have been offered testing but they are already undergoing testing.
- Working on budget numbers and working with the Local Finance Board to have a budget that is viable. City seems to be doing okay so far.
- Expressed his gratitude to the Health Department for all of their great work during COVID-19.
- Aggressive implementation of business owners on Main Street of no mask no entry.

Business Administrator Hartwyk reported the following:

- Additional trash cans have been placed around the City and more have been ordered.
- The Department of Public Works employees have been deployed around the City to pick up trash especially masks and gloves.

The Council Members discussed the following Resolutions:

Resolutions 203-2020, 204-2020 (amended), 205-2020 (amended), 209-2020, 210-2020 (amended), 210-2020, 210-2020 (amended), 216-2020, 217-2020, 218-2020.

The City Clerk announced that there are four (4) walk-on resolutions being considered on tonight's agenda: Resolutions 222-2020(WO), 223-2020(WO), 224-2020(WO) and 225-2020(WO).

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

The meeting was adjourned by a unanimous vote at 7:59 p.m.

Approved:

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Joyce L. Lanier City Clerk

Kerry J. Coley Council President