

# FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES

## NOVEMBER 4, 2020

Meeting began: 5:40 PM

**Attendees:** Council Vice President Tency A. Eason (TE), Council Member Weldon M. Montague III (WM), Council Member Clifford R. Ross, (CR), Christopher Hartwyk (CH) Business Administrator, Nile Clements, (NC) Chief Finance Officer; Joyce L. Lanier, (JLL) City Clerk; Vaughn Parchment, (VP) Assistant Attorney, Marlin Towns (MT) Legislative Research Officer; Adrian Mapp (AM) Finance Director, Carol Perkins (CP) Citizen Representative, Tom Boran (TB) Citizen Representative, Lydell Carter (LC) Citizen Representative, Charles Pryor II (CP II) Citizen Representative, Tamara Robinson, Clerk's Office (TR)

### ORDINANCES-SECOND READING/PUBLIC HEARING

- 47-2020 **Amending and supplementing Chapter 88 "Fees" Department of Planning and Development and Zoning Information Request Fees** – CR asked if this fee is comparable as surrounding towns. CH confirmed that it is. Move forward
- 48-2020 **Repealing Chapter 210, "Development Regulations"** – CH confirmed that this is the new Zoning ordinance; necessary to implement the Master Rezoning Plan. Move forward

### ORDINANCES-INTRODUCTION/FIRST READING:

- 55-2020 **Amending Chapter 200 "Vehicles and Traffic" Residential Permit (Berryman Place)** – TE confirmed the parking crisis in Orange. Move forward.

### RESOLUTIONS

- \*427-2020 **Appointing Laquana Best as Director of Planning and Economic Development** – WM asked if this position exist. CH explained that it does but originally is was under Marty Mayes' duties. Ms. Best won't see a salary increase; lateral job position moves. Move forward.
- \*428-2020 **Authorizing a contract for services with Vincent B. Bryant for portrait photographs** – CR asked if this vendor was used in the past. JL confirmed that she worked with vendor in the past during tenure in Newark. JL will make correction change to resolution as it has irrelevant language in it. Move forward
- \*429-2020 **Awarding of a contract to Allan Briteway Electrical Utility Contractors, Inc. to provide traffic signal maintenance and repairs** – CR asked if vendor was used in the past. NC confirmed that this if the first time using vendor; Jen Electric was used in the past. TB asked if funds are budgeted; CH confirmed that it is. Move forward
- \*430-2020 **Authorizing an addendum to Resolution 66-2020 to Remington & Vernick Engineers to provide supplemental professional services for the Public Works facility** – Move forward
- \*431-2020 **Authorizing a contract to Custom Bandag, Inc. to purchase tires for fleet vehicles under Cooperative Pricing Council Contract #20-145** – Move forward.
- \*432-2020 **Honoring Carmen "Guy" Juliano** – Move forward

- \*433-2020 **Celebrating the life of Jimmie Lee Walker.** – Move forward
- \*434-2020 **Authorizing the purchase of mineral rock salt for the Department of Public Works through Essex County Cooperative Purchasing #20-110** – CR asked if salt was left from last year as we did not have a bad winter in 2019. NC advised that money not spent last year was in escrow and moved to purchase salt this year. Move forward
- \*435-2020 **Authorizing the execution of a redevelopment agreement, a funding agreement and an escrow agreement, each between the City and D&R Orange Renewal II, LLC** – CH confirmed that this is the second phase of the Russo Project. Move forward
- \*436-2020 **Transfer of appropriations** – Move forward
- \*437-2020 **Celebrating the life of Brenda Jean Shields** – Move forward
- \*438-2020 **Authorizing a contract with Lewis Consulting Group to provide site remediation services for the Central Fire House Headquarters** – Move forward
- \*439-2020 **Honoring the life of Mrs. Arnetta Jones** – Move forward
- \*440-2020 **Naming the month of November 2020 as National Diabetes Month** – Move forward
- \*441-2020 **Naming November 25th as International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women** – Move forward
- \*442-2020 **Observing November 11, 2020 as Veterans Day** – Move forward
- \*443-2020 **Authorizing a contract with Pennoni Associates to provide engineering, services for the NJDOT 2020 Roadway improvements** – Move forward
- \*444-2020 **Combining certain bond ordinances and authorizing the sale and issuance of \$7,200,000 redevelopment area bond anticipation notes** – Move forward
- \*445-2020 **Approving the bill list (Grand Total: \$3,284,761.88)** – CP II asked about police uniform items. CH confirmed that in two of the four collective bargaining agreements, the City is responsible for providing and cleaning uniforms for police. Move forward
- \*446-2020 **Ratifying and authorizing the award of an emergency contract for traffic signal maintenance and repairs to Jen Electric, Inc.** – Move forward
- \*447-2020 **Ratifying and authorizing the extension of the agreement for traffic signal maintenance and repairs with Jen Electric, Inc.** – CR asked if Jen Electric was in the Morris County Co-Op? CH confirmed that they were but did not renew so they are not in the Co-Op anymore. Move forward
- \*448-2020 **Authorizing settlement in the matter of Kenneth Duff and Sandy Duff V. City of Orange** – Move forward
- 449-2020 (WO) **Temporarily freezing discretionary salary increases for all positions.** – CR asked for clarification on discretionary. CH explained that this means anything not covered

by a collective bargaining agreement. Discussion on language of resolution either stating “whichever occurs first” vs. “whichever is longer”. CH confirmed that the draft sent used the “whichever is longer” language, which is not the resolution in front of Council. TE advised that language can also be amended. AM suggested for the Finance Committee to recommend the amendment to the language and will replace on agenda when walk-on introduced in Regular session. Move forward

**Adjournment Time: 6:50 PM**