

MINUTES FOR COUNCIL MEETING JULY 13, 2022

The Meeting held at South Amboy City Hall, 140 North Broadway, South Amboy, New Jersey, was called to order by Councilwoman Noble at 6:00 P.M. The Clerk read the Opening Prayer and all recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT: Councilwoman Dato, Councilman McLaughlin, Councilwoman Noble, and Councilman Gross(via call in)

ALSO PRESENT: Mayor Fred Henry, Glenn Skarzysnki, Business Administrator, Deborah Brooks, City Clerk, Mark Rasimowicz, City Engineer and Francis Womack, City Attorney.

Clerk Brooks read the Notice of Publication Certification.

DISCUSSION:

1) Easement approval request – Carlos Herrera, 524 John St.

The Council rejected Mr. Herrera’s easement request but suggested he reapply with a plan to turn the steps and landing so as to not encroach on the City Right-Of-Way.

CONSENT AGENDA:

The following items are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be acted upon in one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council member so requests. In this event, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in the normal sequence of the Agenda.

MOVED BY: Ms. Dato of the Council of the City of South Amboy, that Resolution NO. 22-149 through NO. 22-156 are hereby approved. **SECONDED by:** Mr. McLaughlin. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** All in favor.

NO. 22-149 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A FORD INTERCEPTOR FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

NO. 22-150 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A CHEVY TAHOE FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

NO. 22-151 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CANCELLATION OF OLD OUTSTANDING CHECKS AND RECONCILING ITEMS

NO. 22-152 RESOLUTION AWARING CONTRACT FOR 2022 ROAD IMPROVEMENTS – VARIOUS LOCATIONS – BLACK ROCK ENTERPRISES, LLC.

NO. 22-153 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF SOUTH AMBOY TO TERMINATE A REDEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT WITH AMBOY MAIN STREET INDUSTRIAL URBAN RENEWAL, LLC

NO. 22-154 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A FORD F250 FOR THE OEM

NO. 22-155 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL AND EXTENSION OF
AWARD OF A CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL PLANNING SERVICES

NO. 22-156 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A COURT/COUNCIL
AUDIO SYSTEM

RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION NO.157

APPOINTMENT OF MUNICIPAL CLERK

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS, HEREBY RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of South Amboy that consent to the appointment of Deborah Brooks, RMC, CMR, as Municipal Clerk of the City of South Amboy, whose term will run from September 3, 2022 to September 2, 2025 is hereby given.

MOVED by: Mr. McLaughlin of the Council of the City of South Amboy, that Resolution No. 22-157 is hereby approved. **SECONDED by:** Ms. Dato **ROLL CALL VOTE:** All in favor.

RESOLUTION NO. 22-158

APPROVAL AND RELEASE OF MINUTES

BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of South Amboy does hereby approve and release the Council Minutes of the June 1, 2022 Council Meeting.

MOVED by: Mr. McLaughlin of the Council of the City of South Amboy, that Resolution No. 22-158 is hereby approved. **SECONDED by:** Mr. Gross **ROLL CALL VOTE:** Ayes: McLaughlin, Noble, Gross Abstain: Dato

RESOLUTION NO. 22-159

APPROVAL OF BILL LIST

BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of South Amboy does hereby receive and approve the payment of the bill list dated July 7, 2022, as presented by the Chief Financial Officer.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the bill list be appended to the official minutes.

MOVED by: Mr. McLaughlin of the Council of the City of South Amboy, that Resolution No. 22-159 is hereby approved. **SECONDED by:** Ms. Dato. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** All in favor.

ORDINANCE

INTRODUCTION/FIRST READING

ORDINANCE 22-10

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING ORDINANCE NO. 1036 ENTITLED "PARKING AND TRAFFIC REGULATIONS FOR THE CITY OF SOUTH AMBOY" IN THE COUNTY

OF MIDDLESEX AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY – ADD 142 GEORGE ST.- FREEMAN; REMOVE 323 FOURTH ST.

MOVED by: Mr. McLaughlin, that Ordinance #2022-10 be introduced as amended on first reading and advertised for second reading which is scheduled for the August 17th, 2022 meeting.

SECONDED by: Ms. Dato, **ROLL CALL VOTE:** All in favor.

ORDINANCE 22-11

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A 50' WIDE GRADING AND DRAINAGE EASEMENT FOR PURPOSES RELATED TO THE CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANC EOF THE PROPOSED MANHATTAN BEACH DEVELOPMENT AND ADJACENT PROPERTIES

MOVED by: Ms. Dato, that Ordinance #2022-11 be introduced on first reading and advertised for second reading which is scheduled for the August 17th, 2022 meeting.

SECONDED by: Mr. McLaughlin, **ROLL CALL VOTE:** All in favor.

ORDINANCE 22-12

SANITARY SEWER EASEMENTS

MOVED by: Mr. McLaughlin, that Ordinance #2022-12 be introduced on first reading and advertised for second reading which is scheduled for the August 17th, 2022 meeting.

SECONDED by: Ms. Dato, **ROLL CALL VOTE:** All in favor.

COMMENTS:

Mr. McLaughlin:

- Thanked the First responders and Food bank for their continued good work.

Ms. Dato:

- Reported the Fireworks display had been stunning and congratulated everyone involved in the process for a great job.
- Reported the next Lunch and Learn is on July 20th at the Senior Center and will be about changes associated with aging.
- Noted Assemblymen Coughlin's annual Bowl for Hunger fundraiser is on the 25th.
- Urged everyone to come out for this evening's Music in the Park event.
- Requested that the City look into the recycling issues that seem to be prevalent.

Mayor Henry:

- Wished Ms. Noble a Happy Birthday!
- Noted that the Car Show was happening right across the street and reminded people to shop locally.
- Reported that the County will be doing some paving on Main Street and the 2022 schedule of various road improvements is moving forward.
- Thanked Mark Herdman for getting the grant money to purchase the new truck.

Mr. Skarsynski:

- Reported that the newly refurbished ball fields will be open in a few weeks.
- Wished Ms. Noble Happy Birthday.
- Congratulated Ms. Brooks on her appointment.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Greg Babilak, 125 Henry St., requested clarification of the occupancy at Station Bay and how that would impact the PILOT payments.

Dave Szatkowski, Fire Chief, requested the Council look into increasing the LOSAP payments for the volunteers.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Mr. McLaughlin, seconded by Ms. Dato and carried unanimously, the meeting was adjourned at 6:25pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah Brooks
Municipal Clerk
Approved July 13, 2022