CITY COUNCIL ACTION SHEET - AUGUST 19, 2002

To: John P. Bohenko, City Manager

From: B. Christopher Maxwell, Deputy City Clerk

Date: August 20, 2002

Ref: Actions of the City Council at the August 19, 2002 meeting

COUNCIL PRESENT: Mayor Sirrell, Assistant Mayor Hanson, Councilors Grasso, Lown, Hynes, Pantelakos, Whitehouse, Marconi, and St. Laurent.

MAYOR'S RECEPTION: At 6:00 p.m., Mayor Sirrell held a reception for the unveiling of the Old State House model.

UNVEILING OF OLD STATE HOUSE MODEL: Mayor Sirrell introduced James Garvin, NH Division of Historical Resources, Verne Anderson, model builder, and David Engel, Save the Old State House Committee Member. The model was presented and the history of the old state house was highlighted by the guest speakers.

LITTLE LEAGUE STATE CHAMPIONS: Mayor Sirrell presented a Proclamation to the 11 and 12 year old team along with the 9 and 10 year old team. The team managers and coaches were presented Proclamations and gifts. Each athlete was presented a Mayor's Award along with a gift.

SPIRIT OF AMERICA BY ANN ESTEY: Mayor Sirrell presented a Mayor's Award to Ann Estey, accepted by Mimi Clark on her behalf, for writing the Spirit of America song. Mayor Sirrell asked Wendell Purrington to sing the song.

Mayor Sirrell declared a recess at 7:40 a.m. The meeting was called back to order at 7:55 p.m.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES - AUGUST 5TH CITY COUNCIL MEETING: Moved to accept.

PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION: Wayne Ecker - City Business, Bernie Pelech, Pesce Blue Restaurant, Pawn Hitichan, City Year Opening Day, and Lenore Weiss Bronson, Tree Fund/Night Out.

STORMWATER MAPPING GRANT: Moved to authorize the City Manager to accept and expend the grant of \$40,230 from the NH DES for the 2002 Coastal Storm Drainage System Mapping.

FIRST READING OF RESOLUTION FOR A DISABLED PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION: Moved to pass first reading of a resolution for a Disabled Property Tax Exemption and schedule a Public Hearing and adoption at the September 23rd City Council meeting.

FIRST READING OF RESOLUTION TO INCREASE THE ELDERLY PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION: Moved to pass first reading of a resolution to increase the Elderly Property Tax

Exemption and schedule a Public Hearing and adoption at the September 23rd City Council Meeting. Mayor Sirrell abstained from voting.

THIRD AND FINAL READING OF AMENDMENTS TO CHAPTER 7 – VEHICLES, TRAFFIC PARKING, OMNIBUS PARKING ORDINANCE, APRIL 20, 2001 THROUGH APRIL 19, 2002:

- CHAPTER 7, ARTICLE III, SECTION 7.327 LIMITED PARKING TWO HOURS STATE STREET: NORTHERLY SIDE FROM MIDDLE STREET 250 FEET WESTERLY
- CHAPTER 7, ARTICLE IVA BUS STOPS, TAXICAB STANDS & HORSE DRAWN CARRIAGES – 7-A.402 BUS STOPS DESIGNATED – HANOVER STREET AND SECTION 7A-403 PARKING TIME LIMITS IN BUS STOPS C (2 HOURS)
- CHAPTER 7, ARTICLE IVA BUS STOPS, TAXICAB STANDS & HORSE DRAWN CARRIAGES – 7-A.402 BUS STOPS DESIGNATED – MARKET STREET AND SECTION 7A-403 PARKING TIME LIMITS IN BUS STOPS B (15 MINUTES)
- CHAPTER 7, ARTICLE III, SECTION 7.324 LIMITED PARKING ONE HOUR BY THE DELETION OF WASHINGTON STREET:

Moved to pass third and final reading.

THIRD AND FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 7, ARTICLE VII, SECTION 7.712 – PENALTY – BY THE ADDITION OF ITEM A – THE PENALTY FOR PARKING ON A SIDEWALK IN THE CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT PURSUANT TO SECTION 7.315 SHALL BE \$25.00 PER VIOLATION: Moved to pass third and final reading.

LETTER FROM DONALD COKER, Downtown Resident's Neighborhood Association, regarding Proposal to Block off Market Street: Moved to accept and place on file.

LETTER FROM DENISE GREELEY expressing her opposition to the Proposed Pedestrian Pilot Program: Moved to accept and place on file.

LETTER FROM JILL GALLANT regarding the Proposed Pedestrian Pilot Program: Moved to accept and place on file.

LETTER FROM PAWN NITICHAN, CITY YEAR NEW HAMPSHIRE, requesting permission to hold the 2002-2003 City Year New Hampshire Opening Day on Tuesday, October 1, 2002 from 12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. in Market Square: Moved to refer to the City Manager with power.

LETTER FROM TERRY BENNETT requesting to purchase City owned Barn on Rock Street: Moved to accept and place on file.

LETTER FROM CHESTER KEEFE expressing his opposition to the Proposed Pedestrian Pilot Program: Moved to accept and place on file.

REPORT BACK REGARDING PESCE BLUE RESTAURANT: Moved to ratify the decision of the Manager to execute an Agreement with Pesce Blue as outlined in the City Manager's comments.

REQUEST TO ESTABLISH A WORK SESSION REGARDING SOLID WASTE ORDINANCE: Moved to remove this request from the table. Moved to establish a work session on October 28th at 6:30 p.m. regarding the Solid Waste Ordinance.

POLICE DEPARTMENT BUDGET FY02: Moved to ratify the Manager's action to encumber the \$26,695 from the FY02 Police Department budget, and moved to release the restriction of the \$26,695 from the FY02 contingency account.

REPORT BACK REGARDING DOWNTOWN BUSINESS ASSOCIATION'S PROPOSAL FOR A PEDESTRIAN PILOT PROGRAM ON MARKET STREET: Moved to table the request from Paul Sorli, President, Downtown Business Association, and moved to establish a Public Hearing for the first Council meeting in March, 2003 to discuss downtown street closings for a pilot pedestrian program. Council Lown voted opposed.

RESIGNATION: Moved to accept the resignation of Ernie Carrier, Planning Board Member, with regret and appreciation for his years of service.

APPOINTMENT CONSIDERATIONS: The following applicants were considered and will be voted on at the September 23rd City Council Meeting: Paul Staples and Gia Yannekis, Citizens Advisory Committee.

APPOINTMENTS: Ralph Fabrizio, Lisa Destefano, and Chester Keefe II, appointed to the Building Code Board of Appeals until July 1, 2007.

ADJOURNMENT: Moved to adjourn at 8:55 p.m.