

TO: JOHN P. BOHENKO, CITY MANAGER

FROM: KELLI L. BARNABY, CITY CLERK

RE: ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE PORTSMOUTH CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2016, EILEEN DONDERO FOLEY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MUNICIPAL COMPLEX, ONE JUNKINS AVENUE, PORTSMOUTH, NEW HAMPSHIRE

PRESENT: MAYOR BLALOCK, ASSISTANT MAYOR SPLAINE, COUNCILORS PERKINS, DWYER, LOWN, PEARSON, SPEAR, CYR AND DENTON

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1. At 6:15 p.m., an Anticipated "Non-Meeting" with Counsel was held relative to Potential Litigation regarding Middle School Construction in Accordance with RS 91-A:2, I (b).
2. Presentation – Veterans Count Fundraiser – Representatives from Veterans Count Fundraiser explained the Eagle Parade sponsor opportunities by local businesses whereby each eagle would be decorated by a local artist and displayed from July 1, 2016 through October 31, 2016 then auctioned off.

**Voted** to refer this matter to the City Manager with power as well as Art-Speak for input.

3. LED Streetlight Pilot Program – Jacob Levenson, Recycling Coordinator provided a Presentation and announced that 3 pilot lights will be placed outside City Hall in the Parking Lot. The annual cost of streetlights to the City is \$272,513.00 and the full LED conversion will reduce our annual cost to operate to \$150,265.00 which equates to a savings of \$122,248.00.
4. Update on the Construction of the Peirce Island Wastewater Treatment Facility and Bonding Request – Terry Desmarais, City Engineer and Suzanne Woodland, Deputy City Attorney provided a Presentation on the Wastewater Treatment Facility at Peirce Island. City Engineer Desmarais provided a history and a timeline for the facility. He announced that the cost estimate for the total project would be \$83.8 million dollars. The request this evening is to bring a bond authorization resolution in the amount up to \$75 million dollars to the City Council February 16<sup>th</sup> meeting. Deputy City Attorney Woodland addressed the consent decree negotiations.

**Voted** to bring forward for first reading at the February 16<sup>th</sup> City Council meeting a bond authorization resolution in the amount of \$75,000,000.00.

5. Public Comment Session – There were 14 speakers: David Beadling (Residential Demolitions); Roy Helsel (Density of Buildings); Esther Kennedy (Garage/Wastewater); Rick Becksted (Neighborhood Character); Mark Brighton (Deer Street); Joan Walker (Housing Code); Cliff Lazenby, JoAnn Adinolfi, Sally Stuble, Kathy Malsbendan, Daphne Bureau, Karsten Pohl (Demolition Ordinance); Jerry Zelin (Deer Street Parking Garage); and Nancy Brown (Thornton Street House).
6. Letter from Roy Helsel, President, Riverbrook Condo Association requesting an annual abatement on water/sewer and trash removal costs – **Voted** to refer to the City Manager with power and report back.

7. Request to Renew Seacoast Growers' Association (Farmers' Market) Proposed 2016 License Agreement – **Voted** to authorize the City Manager to enter into a License Agreement with the Seacoast Growers' Association for 2016, as presented.
8. Request for Approval on Teachers' Retirement Incentive – **Voted** to approve the request to offer a retirement incentive to teacher's, as presented.
9. Appointments to be Voted – **Voted** to appoint Nicholas Kirsch to the Cable Television Communication Commission as an regular member until April 1, 2018; appointment of Clayton Emery to the Cable Television Communication Commission as an Alternate until April 1, 2018; appointment of Stefany Shaheen to the Economic Development Commission until April 1, 2017 filling the unexpired term of Josh Cyr; appointment of Lawrence Cataldo to the Citywide Neighborhood Steering Committee until April 1, 2019; reappointments of Francesca Marconi Fernald, Lisa Louttit, Steven Marison, John McVay, Sylvia Olson, Stephen Philp, John Simon, Richard Smith, Marc Stettner, William Townsend and Harold Whitehouse to the Peirce Island Committee until December 31, 2017; appointment of Jody Record to the Planning Board as an Alternate member until December 21, 2018; Reappointment of Elizabeth Moreau to the Planning Board until December 31, 2018; appointment of Thomas Ferrini to the Portsmouth Housing Authority until April 1, 2021; Reappointment of Peter Bresciano to the Transportation Services Commission until December 31, 2017; Appointment of Daniel Umbro and Joan Walker to the Trees and Public Greenery Committee; reappointment of Thomas Watson to the Board of Trustees of the Trust Funds until January 1, 2019; and appointment of Peter McDonell to the Zoning Board of Adjustment as an Alternate member until December 1, 2017 filling unexpired term of Patrick Moretti.
10. An Amendment to Chapter 14 Housing Code – **Voted** to have the City Manager provide an outline to the City Council on how to contain the concerns expressed around the table with a report back the middle of March.
11. Adjournment – **At 9:20 p.m., voted to adjourn.**

Respectfully submitted by:

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City Clerk