



**MINUTES
PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF PERTH AMBOY
SEPTEMBER 10, 2014
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

NOTICE OF MEETING

Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Perth Amboy was held on Wednesday, September 10, 2014 in the Council Chambers, City Hall, Perth Amboy, New Jersey at 7:00 p.m.

Presiding Officer of the Council, Joel Pabon, Sr. advised the audience that notice of this meeting has been filed with the Home News Tribune, The Star Ledger, The Amboy Guardian and posted on the bulletin board in the City Clerk's office and on the City's website, indicating that today's meeting is being held at the Council Chambers, City Hall, at 7:00 p.m.

Council President Pabon: At this time, as a courtesy to the Governing Body, I would ask all individuals present, including members of the audience, to please turn off all cell phones and electronic devices. Should you need to make a telephone call, please go out into the hallway and speak in a low voice so as not to disturb the ongoing meeting.

Invocation was given by Council Member Petrick who also led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Council President Joel Pabon called the meeting to order with the following Council Members present: Kenneth Gonzalez, Fernando Irizarry, Lisa Nanton and William Petrick. Absent--none.

Also present at this meeting were: Jillian Barrick, Business Administrator, Mark J. Blunda, Esq., Director of Law, and Elaine M. Jasko, City Clerk.

**ORDINANCE – PUBLIC HEARING
(5 MINUTE MAXIMUM PER SPEAKER/PER ORDINANCE)**

- 1. AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED "POLICE DEPARTMENT" (ORDINANCE NO. C-74 AND AMENDMENTS) ADOPTED OCTOBER 17, 1928 ALSO KNOWN AS CHAPTER 95 ET SEQ OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF PERTH AMBOY.**

Re: Fee Schedule

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Gonzalez to open public hearing on the above Ordinance and was carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Gonzalez, Irizarry, Nanton, Petrick and Pabon. Nay--none. Absent--none.

Council President asked for comments. There were none.

Motion was made by Council Member Irizarry, seconded by Council Member Gonzalez to close public hearing on the above Ordinance and was carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Gonzalez, Irizarry, Nanton, Petrick and Pabon. Nay--none. Absent--none.

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Gonzalez to adopt the Ordinance on second and final passage and was carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Gonzalez, Irizarry, Nanton, Petrick and Pabon. Nay--none. Absent--none.

- 2. AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED "VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC (ORDINANCE NO. 194-78 AS AMENDED)" ADOPTED SEPTEMBER 19, 1978, ALSO KNOWN AS CHAPTER 414 ET SEQ OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF PERTH AMBOY.**

Re: No Parking during Emergency--Additional Streets (SNOW)

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Nanton to open public hearing on the above Ordinance and was carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Gonzalez, Irizarry, Nanton, Petrick and Pabon. Nay--none. Absent--none.

Council President asked for comments. There were none.

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Irizarry to close public hearing on the above Ordinance and was carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Gonzalez, Irizarry, Nanton, Petrick and Pabon. Nay--none. Absent--none.

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Gonzalez to adopt the Ordinance on second and final passage and was carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Gonzalez, Irizarry, Nanton, Petrick and Pabon. Nay--none. Absent--none.

3. AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED "ORDINANCE FIXING AND ESTABLISHING A SCHEDULE OF SALARIES AND SALARY RANGES AND INCREMENTS FOR OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF PERTH AMBOY" (ORDINANCE NO. 218-79 AS AMENDED ADOPTED JULY 3, 1979.)

Re: Non-Union

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Nanton to open public hearing on the above Ordinance and was carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Gonzalez, Irizarry, Nanton, Petrick and Pabon. Nay--none. Absent--none.

Council President asked for comments. There were none.

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Irizarry to close public hearing on the above Ordinance and was carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Gonzalez, Irizarry, Nanton, Petrick and Pabon. Nay--none. Absent--none.

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Gonzalez to adopt the Ordinance on second and final passage and was carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Gonzalez, Irizarry, Nanton, Petrick and Pabon. Nay--none. Absent--none.

4. AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED "PUBLIC CONTRACTING" (ORDINANCE NO. 1417-2008 AND AMENDMENTS) ADOPTED JUNE 25, 2008, ALSO KNOWN AS CHAPTER 98 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF PERTH AMBOY.

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Nanton to open public hearing on the above Ordinance and was carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Gonzalez, Irizarry, Nanton, Petrick and Pabon. Nay--none. Absent--none.

Council President asked for comments. There were none.

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Irizarry to close public hearing on the above Ordinance and was carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Gonzalez, Irizarry, Nanton, Petrick and Pabon. Nay--none. Absent--none.

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Gonzalez to adopt the Ordinance on second and final passage and was carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Gonzalez, Irizarry, Nanton, Petrick and Pabon. Nay--none. Absent--none.

**PUBLIC HEARING
RESOLUTION ON THE 2014 PERTH AMBOY BID TRANSITION BUDGET
(5 MINUTE MAXIMUM PER SPEAKER)**

**R-409-9/14 Public hearing and adoption of the
operating budget for the Perth Amboy Business
Improvement District, Inc. for the transition period
commencing on July 1, 2014 to December 31, 2014.**

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Nanton to open public hearing on the above resolution and was carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Gonzalez, Irizarry, Nanton, Petrick and Pabon. Nay--none. Absent--none.

Council President asked for comments.

Stan Sierakowski, 679 Charles St.: Previously, the BID meetings were taped and not shown. Now, the meetings are not even being taped, as per the direction of the Chairman of the BID. BID is an out of control politicized body. Roxana Troche followed me to my car after the last meeting. I advised her not to do that because it can be wrongly interpreted.

Ken Balut, 359 Bruck Ave.: Sergio Diaz was put on the BID and he is a candidate for Council. The downtown is disgusting. An attorney was hired to do things right for the BID.

Alan Silber, 244 Rector St.: Has the money been spent already? Money should not be spent until the Council ratifies it. The city hired a new person for the BID. Is that in the budget?

Jillian Barrick: A new position was created in the BA's office and the individual will work along the BID as support. The employee will be under my supervision.

Council Member Irizarry: We are trying to transition the BID budget to make it January to December. The Council also expends funds before the budget is adopted, correct?

Jillian Barrick: Yes, that is how the city operates until a budget is adopted. The Council, by statute, has to ratify the BID budget.

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Gonzalez to close public hearing on the above resolution and was carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Gonzalez, Irizarry, Nanton, Petrick and Pabon. Nay--none. Absent--none.

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Gonzalez to adopt the above resolution and was carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Gonzalez, Irizarry, Nanton, Petrick and Pabon. Nay--none. Absent--none.

AGENDA

PUBLIC COMMENT – Citizens may address the Council on any matter on the agenda which does not have its own scheduled public hearing. Citizens shall be permitted to speak once for a maximum of five (5) minutes.

R-425

Stan Sierakowski, 679 Charles St.: Who owned Anchor Marine and who gave authorization for Anchor Marine not to pay their taxes? What is the \$54,286.47 for?

Mark Blunda: It is the amount of remaining taxes from when the city took over.

R-433 & R-434

Ken Balut, 359 Bruck Ave.: How many sexual harassment lawsuits were settled while the County Sheriff's office was accredited? What amount are we paying in insurance by becoming accredited? The 911 system should be worked on and corrected before we work on accreditation. Testing of police officers should not be done by way of computer. There needs to be interaction between the officer and a live person. Accreditation is a "scam".

Alan Silber, 244 Rector St.: Mr. Rodgers said he left the State Police to make money. Only 114 Police Depts. are accredited in the State. Only 27 went for reaccreditation. Mr. Rodgers said accreditation will reduce insurance costs by 30%. Where did he get this figure from? Training should have oversight and accountability.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

August 11, 2014 - Closed Session

August 13, 2014 - Regular

August 18, 2014 - Special

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Nanton to accept the minutes and was carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Gonzalez*, Irizarry, Nanton, Petrick and Pabon. Nay--none. Absent--none.

* Council Member Gonzalez abstained on the minutes for August 18th.

BIDS

- Bids were received on July 29, 2014 for the following:
 1. Surveyor General's Office Conversion (Rebid)
 - a. Paragon Restoration Corp. Base Bid \$250,337.00
Less Alternates 2, 3, 4 & 5 \$190,983.00*
 - b. Robert Frizell, Inc. Base Bid \$279,888.00
Less Alternates 2, 3, 4 & 5 \$219,688.00
- Bids were received on August 26, 2014 for the following:
 1. Residential Garbage Containers
 - a. IPL 2000 – 96 Gallons \$134,570.00*
500 – 64 Gallons
500 – 35 Gallons
 - b. Cascade \$138,685.00
 - c. Otto \$144,650.00
 - d. Sanitation Equipment \$148,200.00
 1. 2015 Model Frontloading Refuse Collection System (Cab & Chassis)
 - a. Hunter Jersey Peterbilt \$235,851.00*
 - b. Sanitation Equipment Corp. \$240,000.00

* Recommendation of Bid Award

REPORTS

Jill A. Goldy, CFO/Comptroller submitted the following reports:

1. Investment Report for the month of August 2014.
 2. Water/Wastewater Utility Reports –July 2014.
 3. Budget Status Reports – YTD July 2014.
 4. Check Register Report for the month of August 2014 in the total amount \$9,526,305.80.
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5. Library Board of Trustees – 2013 Annual Report.
 6. USA-PA – Report concerning the investigation into the causes of flooding after the July 2nd and July 14th rain events.

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Gonzalez to accept reports #1 - #4 and was carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Gonzalez, Irizarry, Nanton, Petrick and Pabon. Nay--None. Absent--None.

**ORDINANCES – FIRST READING
(No PUBLIC DISCUSSION)**

- 1. AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED "ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES" (ORDINANCE NO. 65-75 AS AMENDED) ADOPTED FEBRUARY 18, 1975, ALSO KNOWN AS CHAPTER 137 ET SEQ OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF PERTH AMBOY.**

Re: Regulation of Security Officers

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, and seconded by Council Member Nanton to adopt the above Ordinance on first reading and public hearing for second and final passage be set down for the meeting of the Council to be held on September 24, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at the Council Chambers, City Hall, and was carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Gonzalez, Irizarry, Nanton, Petrick and Pabon. Nay--none. Absent--none.

2. MURAL ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PERTH AMBOY.

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, and seconded by Council Member Nanton to adopt the above Ordinance on first reading and public hearing for second and final passage be set down for the meeting of the Council to be held on September 24, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at the Council Chambers, City Hall, and was carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Gonzalez, Irizarry, Nanton, Petrick and Pabon. Nay--none. Absent--none.

RESOLUTIONS

R-410-9/14 Authorizing the 2014-2015 renewal of Plenary Retail Consumption Pocket License no. 1216-33-092-002, held in the name of Orca Holdings, LLC, effective September 11, 2014.

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Gonzalez to adopt the above Resolution.

Council President asked for comments. There were none.

The above Resolution was adopted and carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Gonzalez, Irizarry, Nanton, Petrick and Pabon. Nay--none. Absent--none.

R-411-9/14 Authorizing the 2014-2015 renewal of Plenary Retail Consumption License no. 1216-33-101-002, held in the name of Harbor Town Tavern, Inc. at 792 State Street, effective September 11, 2014.

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Nanton to adopt the above Resolution.

Council President asked for comments. There were none.

The above Resolution was adopted and carried by the following vote:
Yea--Council Members Gonzalez, Irizarry, Nanton, Petrick and Pabon.
Nay--none. Absent--none.

R-412-9/14 Authorizing the 2013-2014 and 2014-2015 renewal of certain plenary retail consumption pocket licenses effective September 11, 2014.

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Nanton to adopt the above Resolution.

Council President asked for comments. There were none.

The above Resolution was adopted and carried by the following vote:
Yea--Council Members Gonzalez, Irizarry, Nanton, Petrick and Pabon.
Nay--none. Absent--none.

R-413-9/14 Authorizing the person-to-person transfer of Plenary Retail Consumption License no. 1216-33-006-004 held in the name of Alan I. Gould Receiver for Tropical Corp., t/a Acapulco Tropical, 521 State Street to Ambos Restaurant & Lounge, LLC at the same address, effective September 11, 2014.

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Nanton to adopt the above Resolution.

Council President asked for comments. There were none.

The above Resolution was adopted and carried by the following vote:
Yea--Council Members Gonzalez, Irizarry, Nanton, Petrick and Pabon.
Nay--none. Absent--none.

Consent Agenda R-414-9/14 – R-424-9/14

R-414-9/14 Authorizing a refund for the denial of a handicapped parking space application to Michele M. Hanley-Jones in the amount of \$100.00.

R-415-9/14 Authorizing the refund of tax payment on Blk. 439, Lot 21, 341 Ashley Street in the amount of \$6,801.91 for 2013 and 2014 to Domingo Vargas and authorizing the tax collector to cancel taxes on the 3rd and 4th quarters 20-14 due to Totally Disabled Veteran Allowance.

R-416-9/14 Authorizing the refund of tax overpayment on Blk. 353.02, Lot 1, Otlowski Court, in the amount of \$192,011.00 to Investors Savings Bank.

R-417-9/14 Authorizing the refund of tax overpayment created by tax appeal on Blk. 349, Lot 1, 200 Hall Ave., in the amount of \$8,817.59 to Horn Law Group, Attorney for Halchar LLC.

R-418-9/14 Authorizing the refund of tax overpayment created by tax appeal on Blk. 307, Lot 19, 709 Hommann Ave., in the amount of \$772.38 to Horn Law Group, Attorney for Israel & Lourdes Narvaez.

R-419-9/14 Authorizing the refund of tax overpayment created by tax appeal on Blk. 240, Lot 1.01, Riparian Rights, in the amount of \$20,418.00 to Harbortown Terrace, LLC.

R-420-9/14 Authorizing the refund of tax overpayment created by tax appeal on Blk. 249, Lot 1 483, State St. in the amount of \$4,087.83 to Amboy Investments, LLC.

R-421-9/14 Authorizing refund of four registration fees for the Office of Recreation trip to the Bronx Zoo in the amount of \$52.00 to Lucia Ortega.

R-422-9/14 Authorizing refund of registration fee for the Perth Amboy Municipal Alliance MAPS Summer Day Camp in the amount of \$301.75 to Gea Rodriguez.

R-423-9/14 Authorizing refund of an overpayment of false alarm fine in the amount of \$150.00 to U.S. Food Service.

R-424-9/14 Authorizing the issuance of a duplicate tax sale certificate on Blk. 378.01, Lot 5 for the fee of \$100.00.

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Gonzalez to adopt Resolutions #414-9/14 - #424-9/14.

Council President asked for comments. There were none.

The above Resolutions were adopted and carried by the following vote:
Yea--Council Members Gonzalez, Irizarry, Nanton, Petrick, and Pabon.
Nay--none. Absent--none.

R-425-9/14 Authorizing the cancellation of 2014 taxes on Anchor Marine Salvage, Inc. properties as a result of city foreclosure in the total amount of \$54,286.47.

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Gonzalez to adopt the above Resolution.

Council President asked for comments. There were none.

The above Resolution was adopted and carried by the following vote:
Yea--Council Members Gonzalez, Irizarry, Nanton, Petrick and Pabon.
Nay--none. Absent--none.

R-426-9/14 Directing the City Tax Collector to place a lien on 284 Water St., Block 53, Lot 10.04, in the amount of \$517.50 for charges incurred by the Department of Public Works.

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Gonzalez to adopt the above Resolution.

Council President asked for comments. There were none.

The above Resolution was adopted and carried by the following vote:
Yea--Council Members Gonzalez, Irizarry, Nanton, Petrick and Pabon.
Nay--none. Absent--none.

R-427-9/14 Accepting the bid and awarding a contract to Paragon Restoration Corp. for the Surveyor General's Office Conversion in the amount of \$250,337.00 (base bid) and not accepting alternates 2, 3, 4 & 5 for a total amount of \$190,983.00.

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Nanton to adopt the above Resolution.

Council President asked for comments. There were none.

The above Resolution was adopted and carried by the following vote:
Yea--Council Members Gonzalez, Irizarry, Nanton, Petrick and Pabon.
Nay--none. Absent--none.

R-428-9/14 VOID

R-429-9/14 Accepting the bid and awarding a contract to IPL Environmental for residential garbage containers in an amount not to exceed \$134,570.00.

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Gonzalez to adopt the above Resolution.

Council President asked for comments. There were none.

The above Resolution was adopted and carried by the following vote:
Yea--Council Members Gonzalez, Irizarry, Nanton, Petrick and Pabon.
Nay--none. Absent--none.

R-430-9/14 Accepting the bid and awarding a contract to Hunter Jersey Peterbilt for one 2015 Front Loading Refuse Vehicle with an option for a body hoist system in an amount not to exceed \$235,851.00.

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Irizarry to adopt the above Resolution.

Council President asked for comments. There were none.

The above Resolution was adopted and carried by the following vote:
Yea--Council Members Gonzalez, Irizarry, Nanton, Petrick and Pabon.
Nay--none. Absent--none.

R-431-9/14 Authorizing settlement of two workers compensation litigations entitled Heriberto Hernandez v. City of Perth Amboy C.P. No. 2012-21344 in the amount of \$47,587.20 and C.P. No. 2013-16226 via Section 20 Settlement with Dismissal in the amount of \$7,500.00 for a total settlement of \$55,087.20.

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Irizarry to adopt the above Resolution.

Council President asked for comments. There were none.

The above Resolution was adopted and carried by the following vote:
Yea--Council Members Gonzalez, Irizarry, Nanton, Petrick and Pabon.
Nay--none. Absent--none.

R-432-9/14 Authorizing settlement of Calixta Mota v. City of Perth Amboy et al, Docket No. MID-L-7136-12 in an amount not to exceed \$45,000.00.

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Irizarry to adopt the above Resolution.

Council President asked for comments. There were none.

The above Resolution was adopted and carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Gonzalez, Irizarry, Nanton, Petrick and Pabon. Nay--none. Absent--none.

R-433-9/14 Authorizing a contract with The Rodgers Group, LLC for consulting services assisting the police department in securing NJSA COP reaccreditation in an amount not to exceed \$39,000.00.

Motion was made by Council Member Irizarry, seconded by Council Member Gonzalez to adopt the above Resolution.

Council President asked for comments. There were none.

The above Resolution was adopted and carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Gonzalez, Irizarry, Nanton, and Pabon. Nay--Council Member Petrick. Absent--none.

R-434-9/14 Authorizing a contract with The Rodgers Group, LLC for the purchase of the 2015 Subscription of the On-Line In Service Training Module Program in an amount not to exceed \$20,672.00.

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Gonzalez to adopt the above Resolution.

Council President asked for comments. There were none.

The above Resolution was adopted and carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Gonzalez, Irizarry, Nanton, Petrick and Pabon. Nay--none. Absent--none.

R-435-9/14 Authorizing a contract with Napa Auto Parts of Colonia under State Contract No. 73767 for the purchase of various truck and automotive parts in an amount not to exceed \$35,000.00.

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Nanton to adopt the above Resolution.

Council President asked for comments. There were none.

The above Resolution was adopted and carried by the following vote:
Yea--Council Members Gonzalez, Irizarry, Nanton, Petrick and Pabon.
Nay--none. Absent--none.

R-436-9/14 Authorizing a contract with Hertrich Fleet Services, Inc. for the purchase of a 2015 Ram 2500 4wd Crew Cab 169" WB Tradesman under State Contract No. A85972 (T2100) in an amount not to exceed \$33,795.00 for the Department of Public Works.

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Irizarry to adopt the above Resolution.

Council President asked for comments. There were none.

The above Resolution was adopted and carried by the following vote:
Yea--Council Members Gonzalez, Irizarry, Nanton, Petrick and Pabon.
Nay--none. Absent--none.

R-437-9/14 Authorizing a contract with B&W Construction Co. for emergency snow plowing for the 2014-2015 snow season in an amount not to exceed \$26,625.00.

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Nanton to adopt the above Resolution.

Council President asked for comments. There were none.

The above Resolution was adopted and carried by the following vote:
Yea--Council Members Gonzalez, Irizarry, Nanton, Petrick and Pabon.
Nay--none. Absent--none.

R-438-9/14 Authorizing an extension of contract with Apruzzese, McDermott, Mastro & Murphy, P.C., for litigation services rendered in 2013 in an amount not to exceed \$37,316.90.

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Gonzalez to adopt the above Resolution.

Council President asked for comments. There were none.

The above Resolution was adopted and carried by the following vote:
Yea--Council Members Gonzalez, Irizarry, Nanton, Petrick and Pabon.
Nay--none. Absent--none.

R-439-9/14 Extending the contract with Simplex Grinnell for fire alarm/sprinkler system preventive maintenance, testing, inspections and repairs at the public safety complex community center in an amount not to exceed \$3,600.00.

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Nanton to adopt the above Resolution.

Council President asked for comments. There were none.

The above Resolution was adopted and carried by the following vote:
Yea--Council Members Gonzalez, Irizarry, Nanton, Petrick and Pabon.
Nay--none. Absent--none.

R-440-9/14 Extending the contract with D&H Alternative Risk Solutions for risk management, third party administration services, managed medical care and PPO access administration and safety training for a one year period retroactive to January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014 for an amount not to exceed \$205,000.00.

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Gonzalez to adopt the above Resolution.

Council President asked for comments. There were none.

The above Resolution was adopted and carried by the following vote:
Yea--Council Members Gonzalez, Irizarry, Nanton, Petrick and Pabon.
Nay--none. Absent--none.

R-441-9/14 Authorizing a contract for professional engineering design and construction administration services with the firm of Hatch, Mott, MacDonald in connection with Florida Grove Road reservoir in an amount not to exceed \$57,750.00.

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Irizarry to adopt the above Resolution.

Council President asked for comments. There were none.

The above Resolution was adopted and carried by the following vote:
Yea--Council Members Gonzalez, Irizarry, Nanton, Petrick and Pabon.
Nay--none. Absent--none.

R-442-9/14 Authorizing change order no. 2 to the contract with Allstate Power Vac, Inc. for sewer main cleaning and lining regarding the following locations: Alpine Street, Bruck Avenue, Grace Street, Watson Avenue, First Street and Sayre Avenue in an amount not to exceed \$120,808.08.

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Nanton to adopt the above Resolution.

Council President asked for comments. There were none.

The above Resolution was adopted and carried by the following vote:
Yea--Council Members Gonzalez, Irizarry, Nanton, Petrick and Pabon.
Nay--none. Absent--none.

R-443-9/14 Authorizing change order no. 3 to the contract with Allstate Power Vac, Inc. to provide for installation of an extension to the 15" PVC sewer main and installation of a 18"-15" transition liner with grouting of transitions between pipes on Alpine Street at a cost not to exceed \$13,500.00.

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Nanton to adopt the above Resolution.

Council President asked for comments. There were none.

The above Resolution was adopted and carried by the following vote:
Yea--Council Members Gonzalez, Irizarry, Nanton, Petrick and Pabon.
Nay--none. Absent--none.

R-444-9/14 Authorizing change order no. 9 to the contract with Bird Construction for the City Marina Reconstruction Project due to unforeseen storm damage to the bulkhead that must be repaired in an amount not to exceed \$10,020.00.

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Irizarry to adopt the above Resolution.

Council President asked for comments. There were none.

The above Resolution was adopted and carried by the following vote:
Yea--Council Members Gonzalez, Irizarry, Nanton, Petrick and Pabon.
Nay--none. Absent--none.

R-445-9/14 Authorizing a review of compliance with prior annual continuing disclosure obligations and participation in The Securities and Exchange Commission's Municipalities Continuing Disclosure Cooperation Initiative.

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Irizarry to adopt the above Resolution.

Council President asked for comments. There were none.

The above Resolution was adopted and carried by the following vote:
Yea--Council Members Gonzalez, Irizarry, Nanton, Petrick and Pabon.
Nay--none. Absent--none.

R-446-9/14 Authorizing the City to retain Goldman Beale, LLC, disclosure specialist to conduct a disclosure audit in conjunction with the Securities and Exchange Commission's Municipalities Continuing Disclosure Cooperation Initiative in an amount not to exceed \$4,000.00.

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Nanton to adopt the above Resolution.

Council President asked for comments. There were none.

The above Resolution was adopted and carried by the following vote:
Yea--Council Members Gonzalez, Irizarry, Nanton, Petrick and Pabon.
Nay--none. Absent--none.

R-447-9/14 Authorizing the transfer to the City of Perth Amboy of title to Lot 1.03 in Blk. 93 on the tax map of the City of Perth Amboy.

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Irizarry to adopt the above Resolution.

Council President asked for comments. There were none.

The above Resolution was adopted and carried by the following vote:
Yea--Council Members Gonzalez, Irizarry, Nanton, Petrick and Pabon.
Nay--none. Absent--none.

LATE STARTERS – RESOLUTIONS

R-448-9/14 Ratifying a Memorandum of Agreement with FMBA Local #426, representing public safety telecommunicators and authorizing execution of a collective negotiations agreement for the period July 1, 2012 to December 31, 2017.

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Nanton to place the above Resolution on the agenda as a late starter for consideration and was carried by the following vote: Yea-- Council Members Gonzalez, Irizarry, Nanton, Petrick and Pabon. Nay--none. Absent--none.

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Gonzalez to adopt the above Resolution.

Council President asked for comments. There were none.

The above Resolution was adopted and carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Gonzalez, Irizarry Nanton, Petrick and Pabon. Nay--none. Abstain--none. Absent--none.

R-449-9/14 Ratifying the Memorandum of Agreement between the City of Perth Amboy and the Perth Amboy P.B.A., Local No. 13 and approving a collective negotiations agreement for the period January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2018.

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Nanton to place the above Resolution on the agenda as a late starter for consideration and was carried by the following vote: Yea-- Council Members Gonzalez, Irizarry, Nanton, Petrick and Pabon. Nay--none. Absent--none.

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Gonzalez to adopt the above Resolution.

Council President asked for comments. There were none.

The above Resolution was adopted and carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Gonzalez, Irizarry Nanton, Petrick and Pabon. Nay--none. Abstain--IRIZARRY. Absent--none.

R-450-9/14 Denying a further extension of paid injury leave to fire officer Timothy Simon.

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Gonzalez to place the above Resolution on the agenda as a late starter for consideration and was carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Gonzalez, Irizarry, Nanton, Petrick and Pabon. Nay--none. Absent--none.

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Gonzalez to adopt the above Resolution.

Council President asked for comments. There were none.

The above Resolution was adopted and carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Gonzalez, Irizarry Nanton, Petrick and Pabon. Nay--none. Abstain--none. Absent--none.

R-451-9/14 Authorizing substantial changes to prior years Consolidated Plans, Community Planning and Development Annual Plans and City of Perth Amboy authorizing Resolutions.

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Nanton to place the above Resolution on the agenda as a late starter for consideration and was carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Gonzalez, Irizarry, Nanton, Petrick and Pabon. Nay--none. Absent--none.

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Gonzalez to adopt the above Resolution.

Council President asked for comments. There were none.

The above Resolution was adopted and carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Gonzalez, Irizarry Nanton, Petrick and Pabon. Nay--none. Abstain--none. Absent--none.

COMMUNICATIONS

- 1. NJDEP advising that Governor Christie signed legislation that will provide protection and resiliency to critical water and wastewater infrastructure impacted by Superstorm Sandy. (8/8/14)**
- 2. PSE&G submitted a Notice of Filing regarding the petition filed with the BPU requesting approval to continue the current PSE&G Energy Efficiency Economic Extension Program offering, implement certain changes, and recover costs associated with this extension. (8/8/14)**

3. Pivotal Utility Holdings, Inc. d/b/a Elizabethtown Gas submitted a Notice of Public Hearings in the matter of the 2014/2015 Annual Compliance Filing for the Universal Service Fund and Lifeline Program Components within the Societal Benefits Charge Rate. (8/11/14)
4. Pivotal Utility Holdings, Inc. d/b/a Elizabethtown Gas submitted a Notice of Public Hearings on the Petition filed with the NJBPU to increase the Energy Efficiency Program Rider rate. (8/11/14)
5. Pivotal Holdings, Inc. d/b/a Elizabethtown Gas submitted a Notice of Public Hearings on the petition filed with the NJBPU to review its Periodic Basic Gas Supply Service rate. (8/11/14)
6. Brownfield Science & Technology issued a Response Action Outcome for the remediation of 502 Smith Street, Blk. 100, Lot 3.02. (8/11/14)
7. Dennis Hrehowsik resigning from the Rent Leveling Board. (8/6/14)
8. Alfred J. Petit-Clair, Jr., Attorney for the Board of Adjustment submitted a copy of a Resolution adopted on August 14, 2014, memorializing the Reorganization Meeting's election of officers and other personnel. (8/14/14)
9. Comcast advising of channel changes. (8/15/14)
10. NJDEP submitted a copy of the Soil Remedial Action Permit issued to Amboy Lighting Company, Inc. for the former Sussman Manufacturing site at 220-232 Grant Street. (8/19/14)
11. NJDEP submitted a copy of the Ground Water Remedial Action Permit issued to Amboy Lighting Company, Inc. for the former Sussman Manufacturing site at 220-232 Grant Street. (8/19/14)
12. Ransom Environmental issued a Response Action Outcome for the remediation of 40 and 50 Washington Street, Blk. 238, Lots 1 and 3. (8/19/14)

13. Tom Ward, Chairman of the Board of Adjustment, suggesting that an appointment be made by Resolution appointing a fixed member of the Board to research and report to the Historic Commission any properties that may concern them. (8/21/14)
14. NJDEP issued an Emergency Permit Authorization to Buckeye Terminal, 380 Maurer Road, Blk. 484, Lot 1, to repair Berth No. 3 and advising that a Waterfront Development Permit must be submitted within 10 working days. (8/25/14)
15. NJDEP advising that the Bureau of Solid Waste Permitting is preparing a draft Solid Waste Facility Permit Renewal (tentative approval) for the City's Solid Waste Transfer Station at 599 Fayette Street, Blk. 95, Lot 1. (8/25/14)
16. React Environmental Professional Services Group, Inc. advising that public notification has been initiated at 382 Fayette Street regarding the ongoing remedial investigation addressing MTBE in groundwater at the site. (8/26/14)
17. Carteret Assistant Borough Clerk submitted a certified copy of a resolution adopted on August 21, 2014, supporting the ballot question regarding the establishment of a County Cultural and Arts Trust Fund. (8/28/14)
18. Environ submitted a copy of the Public Notification letter sent to property owners located within 200' of the Mauser USA property at 14 Convery Boulevard, Woodbridge, NJ, required by NJAC 7:26C-1(h) for sites undergoing environmental investigation. (8/29/14)
19. CH2MHILL submitted a copy the NJDEP Emergency Waterfront Development Permit Application Package for the Berth 3 Repair Project at Buckeye Perth Amboy Terminal. (8/29/14)
20. NJ Transit submitted a Public Hearing Notice regarding Senior Citizen and Disabled Resident Transportation Assistance Program. (9/2/14)
21. NJDEP submitted a news release regarding Island Beach State Park Hosting the 17th Annual Beach Plum Festival on September 7, 2014. (9/2/14)

PUBLIC PORTION
(5 MINUTES MAXIMUM PER SPEAKER)

Stan Sierakowski, 679 Charles St.: With regard to R-447, who was the director of PARA when this occurred and who is the director now? What was the money used for? With regard to R-449, what is the starting salary of a police officer?

Jillian Barrick: \$33,500.00.

Ken Balut, 359 Bruck Ave.: Was Tim Simon hurt on a fire scene due to illegal housing? Sgt. Pellot drove the Mayor to NY and got time off the next day. The OPRA response indicates that he did not get any o/t. I put an OPRA asking about 2 locations that had lines painted in front of the homes. How did that happen? There was no work order. Why is the police dept. allowed to get away with misrepresentation on OPRA's? There was a funeral recently with 3 police officers on motorcycles. Why were there so many? There is something wrong here.

Virginia Lugo, 316 State St.: A depressed downtown leads to a depressed city. This BID budget is a charade. This is the first time the budget is advertised but the ad was miniscule. Why does the BID pay \$89,000 for a BID employee?

Ana Mascenik, 710 Franklin Dr.: People in the area of the Delaney Homes are concerned about the possible placement of a new high school. It's already a congested area. You should consider a central area for the high school.

William Langford, 437 Broadhead Pl.: Garbage trucks can go down my street the wrong way, but why can't a snow plow go down the opposite way. People are leaving trash cans in the street on my block to save parking spaces.

Linda Ferreira, 394 Bruck Ave.: Who was hired for the BID and at what was the salary?

Jillian Barrick: It is an entry level clerk position.

Mark Blunda, Esq.: The particular information can be obtained if you file an OPRA request.

Linda Ferreira: The quality of life in the city has gone down. It is filthy and disgusting. The Council is not working for the people. The democratic headquarters that was recently opened for the council candidates is not the true democratic headquarters.

Arthur Brewton, 442 Convery Blvd.: I would like to see auxiliary police officers in the downtown area. There is a hotel across from the Richardson school that is a problem. There was recently a shooting on Watson Ave. We need to see more police presence on the streets.

David Caba, 139 Lewis St.: There were 6 shootings in the city recently. Why were there no press releases about that?

Mirta Carde, 108 Rector St.: My daughter was employed by the city as a 911 dispatcher and moved out of town. She came back into town and she thought she would get rehired by the city. I spoke with the Mayor and we are still waiting for a reply from the Mayor, even though she promised to get back to me.

Alan Silber, 244 Rector St.: Wouldn't you like to know about shootings in town? You need to vote from your heart.

Daniel Gonzalez, 178 Long Ferry Rd.: Daethyn Nelson, who recently passed away, was a great person. I would like to commend Juan Rivera who raised \$14,000 to bring his body back to Perth Amboy from Florida. I commend Perth Amboy for sticking together when needed. There are a lot of wonderful people in the City.

Fernando Gonzalez, 129 High St.: There's a sewer on Catherine St. that smells and has mosquitos. You should look at it. Something should be done about it.

Council Member Petrick: I was not aware of this condition.

Council President Pabon: We'll get someone out there to address that.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Council Member Irizarry to Jillian Barrick, BA: What is the status of Mary Street and what about the ballplaying near the waterfront?

Jillian Barrick: We hope to discuss this at the next meeting. We met with residents of the area of Mary St. We will have a solution.

Council Member Gonzalez: What about Amboy Ave.?

Jillian Barrick: We met with people in the area and we found alternative parking locations for the teachers of the charter school. We'll see how that works out.

Council President Pabon: I go throughout the city regularly. There are neighborhoods and many businesses that take care of their properties and some that don't. The downtown is clean in the morning but by the afternoon it's dirty. People should take some responsibility.

Council Member Gonzalez: All councilmembers go to different parts of the city. Some people in this town are inconsiderate. We ask residents to have pride and clean up their own properties. Our noise issues are getting worse. It's time for enforcement of the noise ordinance.

Council Member Gonzalez to Police Chief Ben Ruiz: How many auxiliary police officers do we have and what are they used for?

Ben Ruiz: We have 25 auxiliary officers and they are all volunteers. They are dedicated, but they all have full time jobs. We use them for city events. We currently have 5 people in the academy. There has been a mass exodus of police officers throughout the State. We have three Alternate 1 officers that deal with quality of life issues. We have four Alternate II officers that are retired police officers. There's a process and we are working on it and building up our staffing.

Council President Pabon: Have we received anything from the AG's office on the shooting yet?

Ben Ruiz: No.

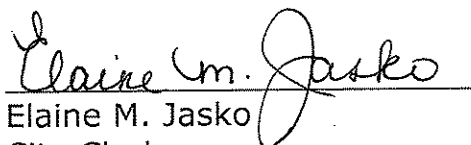
Council Member Irizarry: Is crime up?

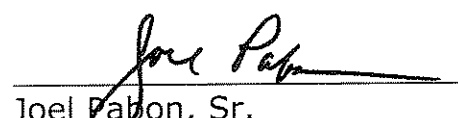
Ben Ruiz: The stats change weekly and monthly. Serious crime puts us in a better place than where we were in the past, even with a lower number of officers per shift. I can't discuss the shootings because they are active investigations. The officers are entitled to vacation/sick time and they must attend court. We need to prioritize the calls and therefore it's hard to put people out in walking beats. Special 1 Officers can only work 20 hours per week.

Council Member Nanton: It was a pleasure to listen to the applicants for the Arts Council on Monday and I'm looking forward to the next batch of applicants at the next Caucus.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Gonzalez to adjourn the meeting at 9:20pm, and was carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Gonzalez, Irizarry, Nanton, Petrick and Pabon. Nay--none. Absent--none.


Elaine M. Jasko
City Clerk


Joel Pabon, Sr.
Council President

