

City of Haverhill **City Council Minutes**

Tuesday, October 3, 2017 at 7:00 PM Theodore A. Pelosi, Jr. Council Chambers, Room 202 **4** Summer Street

Present - President Michitson, Councillors Barrett, Vargas, McGonagle, Bevilacqua, LePage, Daly O'Brien, Macek and Sullivan. City Clerk - Linda L. Koutoulas

- 1. Opening Prayer
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance
- Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting 3.
 - Minutes were approved for September 26 meeting and for Special City Council meeting held on Yeas 9, Nays 0 September 30

4. Assignment of the minutes review for the next Meeting Councillor Vargas was assigned the minutes

PRESIDENT MICHITSON REQUESTED A MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR THE VICTIMS AND THEIR FAMILIES OF THE HORRIFIC SHOOTINGS IN LAS VEGAS.

5. Communications from the Mayor

Communication from Mayor Fiorentini requesting to address the Council regarding the Amazon Proposal. THE MAYOR'S OVERVIEW INCLUDED THAT AMAZON IS LOOKING TO BUILD A SECOND HEADQUARTERS WHICH WILL EMPLOYEE UP TO 50,000 EMPLOYEES. HAVERHILL IS SUBMITTING A REGIONAL APPLICATION TO BOSTON WITH NORTH ANDOVER, ANDOVER, METHUEN AND LAWRENCE. NATE ROBERTSON OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OFFICE GAVE POWER POINT PRESENTATION. SUBSIDIARY SITES WILL ALSO BE CONSIDERED. THE MAYOR REQUESTED A LETTER OF SUPPORT FROM THE CITY COUNCIL* 11L

ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR BARRETT TO SUSPEND THE RULES TO VOTE ON A CONSER-VATION RESTRICTION PREPARED FOR JANIS BAILEY FROM ESSEX COUNTY GREENBELT ASSOCIATION, INC BTA/BOLT, INC. RULES SUSPENDED Yeas 9, Nays 0

ORDERED: That the Mayor and City Council hereby approve the foregoing Conservation Restriction on a 21.7 +/- acre unique parcel of land on Kingsbury Avenue, Haverhill, MA (Assessor's Map 772, Block 793, Lots 41 & 41 and more specifically shown on a plan of land entitled "Plan of Land in Haverhill, MA prepared for Janis Bailey Trs." Prepared by County Land Surveys, Inc., dated December 13, 2016) from Essex County Greenbelt Association, Inc. to BTA/BOLT, INC., a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein, for the preservation of the natural resources of said City and being in the public interest pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 184, Section 32. PASSED Yeas 9, Nays 0 111

Communication from Mayor Fiorentini requesting to have Police Chief Alan DeNaro address the Council regarding the \$45,000.00 Order for Parking Enforcement Services that was presented at the last City Council meeting

MOTION TO POSTPONE TO OCT 17 2017

Yeas 9, Nays 0 11M

6. Communications and Reports from City Officers and Employees

Communication from Building Inspector submitting the following Orders to demolish the buildings at: ORDERED: Pursuant to Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 139, Section 1, after hearing, it is hereby adjudged that the building (s) at 20 Arlington Street, Assessor's Map 204, Block 47, Lot 32-2 in Haverhill MA, is a nuisance to the neighborhood and is dangerous, in accordance with the authority bestowed upon us by said Chapter, it is hereby ordered that said Building (s) be demolished or repaired.

In the event the owner fails to take steps to rehabilitate or remove said building(s) within 30 days, the Mayor or his agent is authorized to proceed with demolition of said building(s) and may place a lien, suit and/ or attachment on the owner or properties you own to the extent of damage incurred. HEARING SCHEDULED FOR NOV 14 2017 Yeas 9, Nays 0 107A

ORDERED: Pursuant to Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 139, Section 1, after hearing, it is hereby adjudged that the building (s) at 21 Dustin Ave., Assessor's Map 524, Block 327, Lot 20 in Haverhill MA, is a nuisance to the neighborhood and is dangerous, in accordance with the authority bestowed upon us by said Chapter, it is hereby ordered that said Building (s) be demolished or repaired.

In the event the owner fails to take steps to rehabilitate or remove said building(s) within 30 days, the Mayor or his agent is authorized to proceed with demolition of said building(s) and may place a lien, suit and/ or attachment on the owner or properties you own to the extent of damage incurred. HEARING SCHEDULED FOR NOV 14 2017 Yeas 9, Nays 0 107B

7. Utility Hearing(s) and Related Order(s)

8. Hearings and Related Order 111

Document 96 Application for Special Permit from Attorney William Faraci representing Richard P Early Sr; Trustee of D & D Realty Trust; Aida and Carl Khalil owners; requesting to build 4 buildings with 4 townhouse style units (16 units total) at unnumbered Orchard st; Assessor's Map 303, Block 62, Lots 4-8 Favorable Conditional recommendation from Planning Board & Planning Director HEARING OPENED Attorney Faraci represented the applicant. He stated the same project was before the Council in 2010 and was approved. There will be parking garage under units for 2 cars. Sprinklers and snow removal was addressed. Councillors stated their interest in having the units priced to attract first time homebuyers. ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR BARRETT TO APPROVE THE SPECIAL PERMIT HEARING CLOSED ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR MACEK TO AMEND THE MOTION TO INCLUDE THE CONDITIONS AND STIPULATIONS IN BILL PILLSBURY'S LETTER DATED OCT 3 2017 TO THE PRESIDENT AND CITY COUNCIL PASSED Yeas 9, Nays 0 PASSED AS AMENDED Yeas 9, Nays 0 96 9. Public Participation- Requests under Council Rule 28 No Schedule 10. Appointments: **Confirming Appointments :** Katrina Gomez, 30 Morningside dr, to the Cultural Council; commission to expire July 31 2018 CONFIRMED Yeas 9, Nays 0 1K **11.** Petitions: No Schedule Annual License Renewals: Limousine/Livery License: Bon Voyage Limo, 695 Main st, Raif Wakim; 1 Vehicle; Has Police approval GRANTED Yeas 9, Nays 0 109 **12.** Motions and Orders Order – Authorize payment of bills of previous/current year departmental appropriations as listed: Vendor Account Amount Bruce Fraser, Arbitrator/Mediator \$ 3,540.00 Law Department Blatman, Bobrowski & Haverty LLC \$ 100.00 Law Department Blatman, Bobrowski & Haverty LLC Law Department \$ 925.00 WB Mason \$ 609.50 Purchasing **BWC Salmon Brook LLC** \$ 2,915.29 Wastewater Wastewater Spencer Meadow Solar LLC \$46,584.35 PASSED Yeas 9, Nays 0 17K 13. ORDINANCES (File 10 days) MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE CHAPTER 240 An Ordinance Relating to Parking 5 Dustin Street – Delete Handicapped Parking (see document for complete text) Yeas 9, Nays 0 PLACED ON FILE for at least 10 days 9Z Monthly Reports No Schedule **14.** Communications from Councillors Communication was received from Council President Michitson and Councillor Vargas requesting to introduce MBA students from the Heller School for Social Policy & Management at Brandeis University to present the results of their study, "A Prospect for Haverhill: Performance-Based Budgeting for a Better Tomorrow". The Team researched an alternative budget process which is based on performance data, strategic goals and measurable objectives. TEAM MEMBERS ARIELA LOVETT, MARIA BENNETT, BIRUCTAIT MENGESHA, LENA MUNTEMBA, AND ELAINE THERIAULT GAVE A POWER POINT PRESENTATION OF THEIR FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS. * ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR MCGONAGLE TO SEND THANK YOU LETTER TO HELLER SCHOOL & REFERRED TO ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE COMMITTEE Yeas 9, Nays 0 103Z Communication was received from Councillors Barrett, LePage and Vargas requesting to introduce Chris Bullock of *ClearGov* for a presentation on updated features to budget-data program. ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR VARGAS TO POSTPONE TO OCT 17 2017 POSTPONED TO OCT 17 2017 Yeas 9, Nays 0 110 Communication was received from Councillors Bevilacqua and Sullivan requesting to recognize the Gale Park Volunteers

KATHY FITZ & JOAN CRANTON SPOKE ABOUT PARK IMPROVEMENTS AND THANKED THE SHERRIF'S OFFICE FOR MANPOWER ASSISTANCE WITH CLEANUP. THE FOUNTAIN NEEDS TO **BE REPLACED.*** CITATION PRESENTED 110B

Communication was received from Councillor Joseph Bevilacqua requesting a discussion regarding Mass **Development Site Readiness Program** FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE FROM THE STATE TO ASSIST CITIES AND TOWNS WITH PREDEVELOP-MENT PLANNING FOR SITES THAT ARE READY TO BE DEVELOPED. PLANNING DIRECTOR IS AWARE OF PROGRAM. DEADLINE TO SUBMIT APPLICATION IS NOV 3. COUNCILLOR MCGONAGLE SUGGESTED HAVING MR. PILLSBURY GIVE AN UPDATE TO COUNCIL ON OCT 24 PLACED ON FILE Yeas 9, Nays 0 110C 15. Unfinished Business of preceding Meetings Document 29-Z ORDERED - That the sum of \$45,000 be transferred from the following accounts in the amounts stated to the General Fund Account, Municipal Parking to pay for Parking Enforcement Services: Budget Reserve \$4,000.00 Police Salaries \$41,000.00 ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN TO POSTPONE TO OCT 17 2017 POSTPONED TO OCT 17 2017 29Z Yeas 9, Nays 0 **16.** Resolutions And Proclamations No Schedule 17. Council Committee Reports and Announcements Councillor LePage announced there will be no City Council meeting next week, Oct. 10th, due to the Special Election for the 3rd Essex Representative seat and encouraged registered voters to vote. 18. Documents Referred To Committee Study Meeting adjourned at 8:45 o'clock P.M. Yeas 9, Nays 0

Attest: <u>Linda Koutoulas</u> City Clerk

*Doc. 11-L – Handout from Nate Robertson – Amazon HQ2 Proposal

*Doc. 103-Z- Handout from The Heller School Team Presentation "A Prospect for Haverhill"

*Doc. 110-B– Handout from Kathy Fritz – Gale Park Newsletter