

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
CITY HALL, COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 3RD FLOOR
155 MARKET STREET – PATERSON, NJ**

Meeting called to Order by Council President Ruby N. Cotton

Date: APRIL 24, 2018 Time: 7:00 p.m.

Present: Council President Ruby N. Cotton, 4th Ward
 Council Vice President Luis Velez, 5th Ward
 Councilman Michael Jackson, 1st Ward
 Councilman Shahin Khalique, 2nd Ward
 Councilman William C. McKoy, 3rd Ward
 Councilman Andre’ Sayegh, 6th Ward
 Councilwoman Maritza Davila, Council-At-Large
 Councilman Kenneth M. Morris, Jr., Council-At-Large
 Councilman Domingo “Alex” Mendez, Council-At-Large

Also Present: Domenick Stampone, Esq., Corporation Counsel
 Marge Cherone, Finance Director
 Sonia L. Gordon, City Clerk
 Sophia Alexander, Secretary

Prayer: Apostle Joseph T. Robinson, Sr., Pastor & Founder
 The Greater Assembly Holy House of Prayer

Flag Salute: Honorable Michael Jackson, 1st Ward Councilman

**A MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR LOST LOVED ONES
AND OUR TROOPS SERVING OVERSEAS**

**STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE
OPEN PUBLIC MEETING ACT READ BY
SONIA L. GORDON, CITY CLERK**

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Councilman Morris introduced the Payment of Bills as \$7,850,647.93 seconded by Councilman Khalique. Upon Roll Call all Council Members voted in the affirmative with the exception of Councilwoman Davila who was absent.

SECOND READING ORDINANCE: (Public Hearing Required)

- 1. Ordinance amending Ordinance #18-008 establishing a Commercial Loading Zone on Main Street between Grand Street and Slater Street.
PUBLIC WORKS (ORD. #18-027)

MOTIONED BY COUNCILWOMAN DAVILA SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN MENDEZ AND COUNCILMAN VELEZ, UPON ROLL CALL ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE WITH THE EXCEPTION OF COUNCILMAN JACKSON, COUNCILMAN KHALIQUE, COUNCILMAN MORRIS AND COUNCILMAN SAYEGH WERE ABSENT.

FIRST READING ORDINANCES: (No Public Hearing Required)

- 2. Refunding Bond Ordinance of the City of Paterson, in the County of Passaic, State of New Jersey (the "City") providing for (i) the refunding of an Emergency Appropriation to provide funds to pay City obligations in connection With Workers' Compensation and General Liability Settlements and Health Insurance Claims, and (ii) authorizing the issuance of not to exceed \$4,370,000 aggregate principal amount of general obligation refunding bonds of the City to effect such refunding and appropriating the proceeds therefor. **FINANCE (TAKEN OFF)**

RESOLUTIONS:

- 3. Resolution of the City of Paterson, in the County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, authorizing a \$4,370,000 Emergency Appropriation pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40a:4-48 to pay City obligations in connection with Workers' Compensation and General Liability Settlements and Health Insurance Claims.
AMENDMENT OF RESOLUTION: MOTIONED BY COUNCILMAN VELEZ SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN SAYEGH, UPON ROLL CALL ON AMENDMENT ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE WITH THE EXCEPTION OF COUNCILMAN KHALIQUE, COUNCILMAN MENDEZ AND COUNCILMAN MORRIS WHO VOTED NAY. COUNCILWOMAN DAVILA WAS ABSENT.

Item # 3 (cont'd.):**RESOLUTION WAS AMENDED ON THE FLOOR TO REFLECT:**

“Resolution of the City of Paterson, in the County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, authorizing a \$2,700,000 Emergency Appropriation pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40a:4-48 to pay City obligations in connection with Health Insurance Claims.”

FINANCE (RES. #18:211) (FAILED)

**MOTIONED BY COUNCILMAN MORRIS
SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN MENDEZ, UPON
ROLL CALL ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS VOTED IN
THE AFFIRMATIVE WITH THE EXCEPTION OF
COUNCILMAN JACKSON, COUNCILMAN
KHALIQUE, COUNCILMAN MORRIS AND
COUNCILMAN SAYEGH WHO ALL VOTED NAY.
COUNCILWOMAN DAVILA WAS ABSENT.
(FAILED)**

4. Resolution of the City of Paterson, in the County of Passaic, State of New Jersey making application to the Local Finance Board, as applicable, pursuant to (a) N.J.S.A. 40a:3-1 et seq. and previous approvals by said board, and (b) N.J.S.A. 40a:2-51 and N.J.S.A. 40a:2-55. **FINANCE (RES. #18:212)
(TAKEN OFF)**
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FIRST READING ORDINANCES (cont'd.): (No Public Hearing Required)

5. Ordinance authorizing the lease of a portion of 165 Fifth Avenue, Block 2007 Lot 1 and 2 commonly known as the “Riverside Vets” to the American Red Cross. **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
MOTIONED BY COUNCILMAN MENDEZ AND
COUNCILMAN SAYEGH SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN
KHALIQUE, UPON ROLL CALL ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS
VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE WITH THE EXCEPTION OF
COUNCILWOMAN DAVILA, COUNCILMAN JACKSON AND
COUNCILMAN MORRIS WHO WERE ALL ABSENT.**
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6. Ordinance designating a school drop-off and pick-up zone on East 23rd Street for Community Child Care Center. **PUBLIC WORKS
MOTIONED BY COUNCILMAN VELEZ SECONDED BY
COUNCILMAN SAYEGH, UPON ROLL CALL ALL COUNCIL
MEMBERS VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE WITH THE
EXCEPTION OF COUNCILWOMAN DAVILA, COUNCILMAN
JACKSON AND COUNCILMAN MORRIS WHO WERE ALL
ABSENT.**
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FIRST READING ORDINANCES (cont'd.): (No Public Hearing Required)

7. Ordinance designating a school drop-off and pick-up zone on Paterson Avenue for Tiny Steps Learning Center. **PUBLIC WORKS MOTIONED BY COUNCILMAN VELEZ SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN SAYEGH, UPON ROLL CALL ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE WITH THE EXCEPTION OF COUNCILWOMAN DAVILA, COUNCILMAN JACKSON AND COUNCILMAN MORRIS WHO WERE ALL ABSENT.**
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****PUBLIC PORTION****

CONSENT AGENDA

All matters listed under the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the Council and will be enacted by one motion. The items listed under the Consent Agenda are numbers **8** through **13**. Any item may be removed from the Consent Agenda by the request of any Council Member and if so removed will be treated as a separate matter.

8. Resolution authorizing a schedule for the sale of abandoned cars and hulls at public auction. **ADMINISTRATION (RES. #18:213)**
9. Resolution approving application(s) for Raffle License(s) for St. Joseph's Home for the Elderly of the Little Sisters of the Poor and Passaic County Historical Society. **CITY CLERK (RES. #18:214)**
10. Resolution to purge taxes and refund 3rd party lien holders for various properties within the City of Paterson due to corrections of block and lot designations. **FINANCE (RES. #18:215)**
11. Resolution to purge taxes and refund 3rd party lien holders for various properties within the City of Paterson due to Subdivisions on the properties. **FINANCE (RES. #18:216)**
12. Resolution to purge taxes and refund 3rd party lien holders for various properties within the City of Paterson due to the removal of billboards. **FINANCE (RES. #18:217)**

CONSENT AGENDA (cont'd.):

13. Resolution authorizing an extension of an Interlocal Services Agreement with the Passaic County Water Commission for the provision of emergency and preventive services and consultation relative to confined spaces, for the Fire Department. **FIRE (RES. #18:218)**

ALL MATTERS LISTED ABOVE ON THE CONSENT AGENDA WERE MOTIONED BY COUNCILMAN VELEZ SECONDED BY COUNCILWOMAN DAVILA, UPON ROLL CALL ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE WITH THE EXCEPTION OF COUNCILMAN JACKSON, COUNCILMAN KHALIQUE, COUNCILMAN MORRIS AND COUNCILMAN SAYEGH WHO WERE ABSENT.

NON-CONSENT AGENDA

14. Resolution honoring Pastor Joseph Moore in his pastoral anniversary on his ten (10) years of service. **(Sponsored by Councilman William C. McKoy and Co-sponsored by Council President Ruby N. Cotton)**
CITY COUNCIL (RES. #18:219)

MOTIONED BY COUNCILMAN MCKOY SECONDED BY COUNCILWOMAN DAVILA, UPON ROLL CALL ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE WITH THE EXCEPTION OF COUNCILMAN JACKSON, COUNCILMAN KHALIQUE, COUNCILMAN MORRIS AND COUNCILMAN SAYEGH WHO WERE ABSENT.

15. Resolution authorizing private assignment sales of certain tax certificates pursuant to N.J.S.A. 54:5-113. **FINANCE (RES. #18:220)**
(TAKEN OFF)

16. Resolution acknowledging the Municipal Council's receipt of a completed FY 2018 "Best Practice Checklist", and confirming that it was presented for public discussion. **FINANCE (RES. #18:221) (TAKEN OFF)**

17. Resolution under Paterson Code Chapter 129, "Bazaars," addressing a license for Bronze Heat, Inc. to conduct a Festival in Eastside Park.

FINANCE (RES. #18:222)

MOTIONED BY COUNCILWOMAN DAVILA SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN MENDEZ, UPON ROLL CALL ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE WITH THE EXCEPTION OF COUNCILMAN JACKSON, COUNCILMAN KHALIQUE, COUNCILMAN MORRIS AND COUNCILMAN SAYEGH WHO WERE ABSENT.

NON-CONSENT AGENDA (cont'd.):

18. Resolution under Paterson Code Chapter 129, "Bazaars," addressing a license for Maya Entertainment to conduct a Bazaar in Westside Park.

FINANCE (RES. #18:223).

MOTIONED BY COUNCILWOMAN DAVILA SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN MENDEZ, UPON ROLL CALL ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE WITH THE EXCEPTION OF COUNCILMAN JACKSON, COUNCILMAN KHALIQUE, COUNCILMAN MORRIS AND COUNCILMAN SAYEGH WHO WERE ABSENT.

****COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS****

MOTION TO CLOSE THE REGULAR MEETING

MOTIONED BY COUNCILMAN MORRIS SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN MENDEZ AND COUNCILMAN SAYEGH, UPON ROLL ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE WITH THE EXCEPTION OF COUNCILWOMAN DAVILA WHO WAS ABSENT.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED



SONIA L. GORDON, CITY CLERK