

Regular Meeting of the Suffolk City Council was held in the City Council Chamber, 442 West Washington Street, on Wednesday, June 3, 2020, at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT

Council Members -

Linda T. Johnson, Mayor, presiding

Leroy Bennett, Vice Mayor

Michael D. Duman

Roger W. Fawcett

Donald Z. Goldberg

Timothy J. Johnson

Curtis R. Milteer, Sr.

Lue R. Ward, Jr.

Patrick G. Roberts, City Manager

Helivi L. Holland, City Attorney

Erika S. Dawley, City Clerk

ABSENT

None

CALL TO ORDER/INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Johnson called the meeting to order, offered a statement about police brutality and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

City Clerk Dawley called the roll, and all members of City Council were in attendance.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Vice Mayor Bennett, on a motion seconded by Council Member Fawcett, moved to approve the minutes from the January 15, 2020, Work Session and Regular Meeting, as presented, by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Mayor L. Johnson, Vice Mayor Bennett, and Council Members Duman, Fawcett, Goldberg, T. Johnson, Milteer and Ward	8
NAYS:	None	0

Council Member Fawcett, on a motion seconded by Council Member Goldberg, moved to approve the minutes from the February 5, 2020, Work Session and Regular Meeting and February 19, 2020, Work Session and Regular Meeting, as presented, by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Mayor L. Johnson, Vice Mayor Bennett, and Council Members Duman, Fawcett, Goldberg, T. Johnson, Milteer and Ward	8
NAYS:	None	0

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

There were no items under this portion of the agenda.

REMOVAL OF ITEMS FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA AND ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Mayor Johnson advised that a motion was in order at this time to adopt the agenda, as presented.

Vice Mayor Bennett, on a motion seconded by Council Member Duman, to adopt the agenda, as presented, by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Mayor L. Johnson, Vice Mayor Bennett, and Council Members Duman, Fawcett, Goldberg, T. Johnson, Milteer and Ward	8
NAYS:	None	0

AGENDA SPEAKERS

There were no speakers under this portion of the agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA

City Clerk Dawley presented the following Consent Agenda items:

Consent Agenda Item #7 - An ordinance to accept and appropriate funds from the Commonwealth of Virginia Department of Aviation for the Suffolk Executive Airport

Consent Agenda Item #8 - An ordinance to accept and appropriate funds from the Virginia Department of Forestry for the Playground Shade Tree Project for the Department of Parks and Recreation

Consent Agenda Item #9 - An ordinance to accept and appropriate funds from the Library of Virginia for the Suffolk Public Library

Consent Agenda Item #10 - An ordinance to accept and appropriate funds from Walmart for the Suffolk Public Library

Consent Agenda Item #11 - An ordinance to accept and appropriate funds from the Virginia 9-1-1 Services Board Public Safety Answering Point Grant Program for the Suffolk Police Department

Consent Agenda Item #12 - A resolution requesting the Virginia Department of Transportation make certain additions and deletions to the Urban Highway System

Referring to Consent Agenda Items #7 through #12, City Manager Roberts submitted a review of the background information as printed in the official agenda.

Referring to the Consent Agenda Item #12, Council Member Fawcett asked for a summary of the purpose of the proposed resolution. City Manager Roberts stated that this item was an administrative action where lane miles are added and deleted in order to obtain funding from the Virginia Department of Transportation.

Council Member Fawcett, on a motion seconded by Council Member Goldberg, moved to approve the Consent Agenda, as presented.

Referring to Consent Agenda Item #12, Vice Mayor Bennett asked if streets in new subdivision are required to be constructed to the State’s new standards. Public Works Director Hansen replied in the affirmative.

Referring to Consent Agenda Item #12, Mayor Johnson called for clarification about the schedule for the proposed resolution. Public Works Director Hansen said that the City submits this item annually to the Virginia Department of Transportation.

Council Member Fawcett, on a motion seconded by Council Member Goldberg, moved to approve the Consent Agenda, as presented, by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Mayor L. Johnson, Vice Mayor Bennett, and Council Members Duman, Fawcett, Goldberg, T. Johnson, Milteer and Ward	8
NAYS:	None	0

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Public Hearing - An ordinance authorizing the acquisition of real property in fee simple and/or permanent and temporary easements, either by agreement or condemnation, for the United States Route 460-Pruden Boulevard Water Transmission Main Project

Utilizing a PowerPoint presentation, Public Utilities Director Albert Moor provided a summary of the background information as printed in the official agenda.

Hearing no speakers, the public hearing was closed.

Council Member Duman, on a motion seconded by Council Member Ward, moved to approve the ordinance, as presented, by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Mayor L. Johnson, Vice Mayor Bennett, and Council Members Duman, Fawcett, Goldberg, T. Johnson, Milteer and Ward	8
NAYS:	None	0

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF REAL PROPERTY IN FEE SIMPLE AND/OR PERMANENT AND TEMPORARY EASEMENTS, EITHER BY AGREEMENT OR CONDEMNATION, FOR THE UNITED STATES ROUTE 460-PRUDEN BOULEVARD WATER TRANSMISSION MAIN PROJECT

ORDINANCES

Ordinance – An ordinance to accept and appropriate CARES Act Coronavirus Relief Funds from the Commonwealth of Virginia

Utilizing a PowerPoint presentation, Finance Director Tealen Hansen gave a report of the background information as printed in the official agenda.

Referring to the presentation, Council Member Fawcett queried about the feasibility of using the funding for COVID-19 testing. Finance Director Hansen explained that the funding can be used for such testing, and the Western Tidewater Health Department is the lead agency on this matter. City Manager Roberts added that the City will pay for certain aspects of testing support, and the Western Tidewater Health Department will fund the testing itself.

Council Member Johnson inquired about the inclusion of any funding in the proposed ordinance for the reopening of public schools. Finance Director Hansen advised that the Suffolk Public Schools received its own separate funds under the act.

Referring to the presentation, Council Member Johnson sought information about the timeline to use the funds. Finance Director Hansen stated that the deadline to allocate the funding is December 30, 2020.

Council Member Johnson, on a motion seconded by Council Member Fawcett, moved to approve the ordinance, as presented, by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Mayor L. Johnson, Vice Mayor Bennett, and Council Members Duman, Fawcett, Goldberg, T. Johnson, Milteer and Ward	8
NAYS:	None	0

AN ORDINANCE TO ACCEPT AND APPROPRIATE CARES ACT CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUNDS FROM THE COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

Ordinance – An ordinance authorizing the City Manager to execute a grant agreement with the Virginia Land Conservation Foundation

Utilizing a PowerPoint presentation, Parks and Recreation Director Mark Furlo presented a synopsis of background information as printed in the official agenda.

Referring to the presentation, Council Member Duman called for any contingency plans as it relates to the grant, should there be any issues with the surveys and the environmental studies. Parks and Recreation Director Furlo explained that the City is in the second phase of those studies, which have been submitted to the National Park Service. He added that in order to close on the property, the City would have to receive the clearance from the National Park Service.

Referring to the presentation, Council Member Duman opined the potential impact of the proposed Blackwater River Park on the improvements at Lone Star Lakes Park. Parks and Recreation Director Furlo advised that the proposed Blackwater River Park could begin development for approximately \$100,000 within the required three-year timeframe without any impact on Lone Star Lakes Park.

Referring to presentation, Council Member Duman sought clarification about the City's ability to meet the grant requirements, should the City spend no more than \$100,000 for improvements. Parks and Recreation Director Furlo replied that the City would be in compliance with the grant requirements with that level of investment. He added that amount of funding could be used for playgrounds, trails and parking, which would be in compliance with the grant requirements.

Referring to the presentation, Council Member Fawcett opined about the potential impact of the proposed Blackwater River Park on the improvements at Lone Star Lakes Park. Parks and Recreation Director Furlo advised that the Blackwater River Park could begin development for approximately \$100,000 within the required three-year timeframe without any impact on Lone Star Lakes Park.

Council Member Fawcett, on a motion seconded by Council Member Milteer, moved to approve the ordinance, as presented.

Council Member Ward queried about the feasibility of providing private transit services to the proposed Blackwater River Park. City Manager Roberts said that the City has a contract for transit services.

Council Member Ward opined about the feasibility of providing transit services to the proposed Blackwater River Park. City Manager Roberts indicated that once the proposed park is operational, staff can consider the achievability of providing transportation services similar to those for the Great Dismal Swamp tours.

Council Member Fawcett, on a motion seconded by Council Member Milteer, moved to approve the ordinance, as presented, by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Mayor L. Johnson, Vice Mayor Bennett, and Council Members Duman, Fawcett, Goldberg, T. Johnson, Milteer and Ward	8
NAYS:	None	0

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE VIRGINIA LAND CONSERVATION FOUNDATION

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution – A resolution supporting the Virginia Housing Development Authority’s (VHDA) financing of the PORT 58 @ Hillpoint Multi-Family Apartment Project

Utilizing a PowerPoint presentation, Deputy City Manager D. Scott Mills supplied a summation of the background information as printed in the official agenda.

Council Member Fawcett, on a motion seconded by Council Member Duman, moved to approve the resolution, as presented, by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Mayor L. Johnson, Vice Mayor Bennett, and Council Members Duman, Fawcett, Goldberg, T. Johnson, Milteer and Ward	8
NAYS:	None	0

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE VIRGINIA HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY’S (VHDA) FINANCING OF THE PORT 58 @ HILLPOINT MULTI-FAMILY APARTMENT PROJECT

STAFF REPORTS

Staff Report – Transportation Project Updates

Utilizing a PowerPoint presentation, Public Works Director Leroy Hansen offered an overview of the background information as printed in the official agenda.

Referring to the presentation, Council Member Duman called for clarification about potential impact of the Pitchkettle Road Realignment Concept on properties in the area. Public Works Director Hansen said that at this point that has not yet been determined.

Referring to the presentation, Vice Mayor Bennett sought information about the Wilroy Road Bridge Replacement Project, as it relates to school bus traffic in the area. Public Works Director Hansen reported that staff has been in communication with Suffolk Public Schools, Suffolk Police Department, Suffolk Fire Department and the Army Corps of Engineers and all parties are supportive of the project.

Referring to the presentation, Council Member Fawcett asked if the Wilroy Road Bridge Project is a project that has been previously completed. Public Works Director Hansen stated that this is a new project but there was one similar on Progress Road.

Referring to the presentation, Council Member Fawcett inquired about the detours for the Wilroy Road Bridge Project. Public Works Director Hansen replied that there are two routes under consideration, dependent upon the needs of commuters.

Referring to the presentation, Council Member Fawcett queried about the ability of residents to access their neighborhood, as it relates to the Wilroy Road Bridge Project. Public Works Director Hansen indicated that residents will be able to access their neighborhood, despite the project.

Referring to the presentation, Council Member Duman opined about the feasibility of utilizing Wilroy Road Industrial Park as a detour during the Wilroy Road Bridge Project. Public Works Director Hansen said that route might be feasible, depending on the destination of the commuter.

Coronavirus Update – The City Manager or designee will provide an update related to COVID-19

Utilizing a PowerPoint presentation, Dr. Todd Wagner, Director, Western Tidewater Health District, gave an update on the above referenced item.

Referring to the presentation, Council Member Fawcett asked about antibodies testing. Dr. Wagner explained that antibodies testing is available, but the value of those test results is undermined at this point.

Council Member Goldberg opined about the impact of COVID-19 on the youth. Dr. Wagner reported that it has been difficult to convince younger people about the value of social distancing.

Vice Mayor Bennett called for information about treatment for individuals who have been diagnosed with COVID-19 but do not require hospitalization. Dr. Wagner said that in those cases, strictly supportive care is the best course of action.

Referring to the presentation, Vice Mayor Bennett asked whether cases of COVID-19 were being tracked by race. Dr. Wagner replied in the affirmative.

Mayor Johnson inquired about any reports of children with Kawasaki Disease. Dr. Wagner stated that no cases of Kawasaki Disease have been reported in the district, and three cases have been reported in the Commonwealth.

Referring to the presentation, Mayor Johnson sought clarification about the process of identifying the location of outbreaks in local care term facilities. Dr. Wagner explained that legal counsel has advised the Office of the Governor and the State Medical Director that the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act prohibits reporting outbreaks in long term care facilities. He added that the information on those type of outbreaks will be available on the Center for Disease Control website.

Council Member Goldberg opined about the possibly of catching COVID-19 through the eyes. Dr. Wagner reported while it is possible to catch COVID-19 through the eyes, it is more likely to occur through the nose and mouth.

Council Member Johnson inquired about any testing requirements for employees at long term facilities. Dr. Wagner said there are no testing requirements for employees at long term facilities.

Referring to the presentation, Council Member Johnson queried the current trend in COVID-19 cases. Dr. Wagner replied that cases are trending down.

Council Member Ward called for information about the life of COVID-19 on surfaces and clothing. Dr. Wagner indicated that most studies say that it lives for 2 to 4 hours on most surfaces, but it depends on environmental conditions.

Mayor Johnson asked if COVID-19 lives longer on metals. Dr. Wagner stated that COVID-19 does not necessarily live longer on metals, but plastics and wood surfaces seem to hold it longer.

Utilizing a PowerPoint presentation, Economic Development Director Kevin Hughes submitted supplementary information on COVID-19 as it relates to the City’s outreach efforts to businesses.

MOTIONS

Motion – A motion to schedule a public hearing for the June 17, 2020, City Council meeting regarding authorizing the issuance and sale of Water and Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2020

Council Member Fawcett, on a motion seconded by Vice Mayor Bennett, moved to schedule a motion to schedule a public hearing for the June 17, 2020, City Council meeting regarding authorizing the issuance and sale of Water and Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2020, by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Mayor L. Johnson, Vice Mayor Bennett, and Council Members Duman, Fawcett, Goldberg, T. Johnson, Milteer and Ward	8
NAYS:	None	0

Motion – A motion to schedule a public hearing on June 17, 2020, to consider the adoption of an ordinance authorizing the conveyance of certain real property known as Tax Map and Parcel 40A*76

Council Member Milteer, on a motion seconded by Council Member Duman, moved to schedule a motion to schedule a public hearing on June 17, 2020, to consider the adoption of an ordinance authorizing the conveyance of certain real property known as Tax Map and Parcel 40A*76, by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Mayor L. Johnson, Vice Mayor Bennett, and Council Members Duman, Fawcett, Goldberg, T. Johnson, Milteer and Ward	8
NAYS:	None	0

Motion – A motion to schedule a City Council Work Session for Wednesday, June 17, 2020, at 4:00 p.m., unless cancelled

Council Member Fawcett, on a motion seconded by Council Member Goldberg, moved to schedule a City Council Work Session for Wednesday, June 17, 2020, at 4:00 p.m., unless cancelled, by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Mayor L. Johnson, Vice Mayor Bennett, and Council Members Duman, Fawcett, Goldberg, T. Johnson, Milteer and Ward	8
NAYS:	None	0

NON-AGENDA SPEAKERS

Kelly Hengler, 9345 Eclipse Drive, representing the Crittenden-Eclipse-Hobson Heritage Civic League, opined about Colonial Road and Crittenden Road.

NEW BUSINESS

Council Member Duman, on a motion seconded by Council Member Ward, moved to direct City Manager Roberts to initiate the formal process to establish “No Thru Truck Traffic” zone on Crittenden Road.

Referring to the motion, Council Member Goldberg asked whether the motion is to begin a study or to limit truck traffic. Council Member Duman stated that the motion is to direct City Manager Roberts initiate the formal process for consideration of “No Thru Truck Traffic” zone on Crittenden Road. City Manager Roberts added that the Public Works Department would refer to the 2008 study on Crittenden Road, update the study to account for new conditions, analyze that information and then provide a recommendation to City Council.

Council Member Ward called for clarification about the use of the 2008 study on Crittenden Road. City Manager Roberts explained that the study would be updated based on current conditions.

Council Member Ward opined about the difference in the information from the 2008 study on Crittenden Road compared to the current conditions. City Manager Roberts said staff can adequately address any changes once the study has been revised.

Council Member Ward opined about the consideration of the impact of the construction of the Amazon facility on the conditions of Crittenden Road. City Manager Roberts reported that all matters will be considered in the updated study.

Council Member Ward queried about the number of trucks that currently use Crittenden Road. City Manager Roberts replied that information will be included in the study.

Council Member Johnson sought information about the potential impact of the prohibition of truck traffic on the existing businesses in the area. City Manager Roberts stated that the prohibition of truck traffic would not apply to the businesses in the area whose trucks currently utilize Crittenden Road.

Council Member Johnson called for clarification about the current use of Crittenden Road by trucks as it relates to the efficiency of the route. City Manager Roberts indicated that currently there are trucks from a couple of temporary projects of varying size using Crittenden Road.

Vice Mayor Bennett inquired about the timeline for the temporary projects on Crittenden Road. Public Works Director Hansen explained that the Amazon facility will conclude in approximately 90 days.

Referring to the motion, Council Member Goldberg solicited clarification of the motion. City Manager Roberts said that any decision would be done incrementally. He added that the Public Works Department would refer to the 2008 study on Crittenden Road, update the study to account for new conditions, analyze that information and then provide a recommendation to City Council.

Referring to the motion, Council Member Duman asked about the feasibility of rescinding a “No Thru Truck Traffic” zone on Crittenden Road, should City Council decide to establish the restriction. Traffic Engineer Robert Lewis advised that when considering the creation of this type of zone, the first step is a study that would include a recommendation based on the State regulations as established by the Virginia Department of Transportation. He added that creating this type of zone is more than a matter of installing “No Thru Trucks Traffic” signs in an area due to various legal ramifications and other unintended consequences.

Council Member Duman queried about alternative options to mitigate the impact of truck traffic in the area, should the establishment of a “No Thru Truck Traffic” zone on Crittenden Road be impractical. Traffic Engineer Lewis reported that staff examined this area after Kings Highway Bridge was taken out of service and the City assumed responsibility for the roads. He concluded there are no simple solutions, but some options might include a new Crittenden Road alignment, installing more speed limit signs and increased police enforcement in that area could offer some relief.

Council Member Goldberg opined about the existing borrow pit in the area. Traffic Engineer Lewis replied that borrow pit has been in operation for some time.

Mayor Johnson called for a definition of a “No Thru Truck Traffic” zone. Police Chief Thomas Bennett explained that in order for the Suffolk Police Department to issue a citation in a “No Thru Trucks Traffic” zone, officers must witness a truck enter and exit the designated area.

Mayor Johnson queried about the impact on Blair Brothers, Incorporated when the City established the “No Thru Truck Traffic” zone on Nansemond Parkway. Police Chief Bennett stated that officers will permit trucks to use the road under these circumstances in order to enter and exit any existing businesses.

Mayor Johnson sought clarification of the enforceability of a “No Thru Truck Traffic” zone. Police Chief Bennett said that in order for the Suffolk Police Department to issue a citation in a “No Thru Truck Traffic” zone, officers must witness a truck enter and exit the designated area.

Council Member Fawcett opined about the need to identify the weight and size of trucks in the context of the study. City Attorney Holland advised those definitions are outlined in the State Code. Traffic Engineer Lewis added that the State defines any vehicle over 7,500 pounds as a truck.

Mayor Johnson opined the State’s point of view regarding the establishment of temporary no thru truck traffic zones. Traffic Engineer Lewis reported that the guidelines as established by the Virginia Department of Transportation would be considered during the study regarding the “No Thru Truck Traffic” zone.

Vice Mayor Bennett called for clarification about the proposed motion. Council Member Duman said that the motion is to direct City Manager Roberts initiate the formal process to establish “No Thru Truck Traffic” zone on Crittenden Road.

Council Member Goldberg asked for the inclusion of the word “study” in the motion. City Manager Roberts replied that it was his understanding that it was the intent of the motion to start the process that includes a study.

Vice Mayor Bennett opined about the need to vote on a study to establish a “No Thru Truck Traffic” zone on Crittenden Road and then vote on the matter of establishing the zone itself.

Council Member Fawcett queried about the concerns raised by Vice Mayor Bennett about the inclusion of the word “study” in the proposed motion. Vice Mayor Bennett said that he concurred with Council Member Goldberg about the inclusion of the word “study” in the proposed motion and only voting on that matter tonight.

Council Member Fawcett suggested that the proposed motion could be amended to direct the City Manager to bring back a study to City Council. City Manager Roberts recommended the following language in response to the issue raised by Council Member Fawcett: a motion to direct the City Manager to update the 2008 Crittenden Road “No Thru Truck Traffic” study to current conditions, provide City Council with an analysis and a recommendation regarding the establishment of a “No Thru Truck Traffic” zone.

Council Member Fawcett offered a substitution motion to direct City Manager Roberts to update the 2008 Crittenden Road “No Thru Truck Traffic” study to current conditions, provide City Council with an analysis and a recommendation regarding the establishment of a “No Thru Truck Traffic” zone.

Council Member Ward queried about the timeline for the completion of the study. City Manager Roberts said that Traffic Engineer Lewis estimated a study would take approximately 60 days.

Council Member Fawcett, on a substitute motion seconded by Vice Mayor Bennett, moved to direct City Manager Roberts to update the 2008 Crittenden Road “No Thru Truck Traffic” study to current conditions, provide City Council with an analysis and a recommendation regarding the establishment of a “No Thru Truck Traffic” zone.

Mayor Johnson called for clarification about the next steps, should the results of the study report that it is not feasible to establish a “No Thru Truck Traffic” zone on Crittenden Road. City Manager Roberts indicated that at that point, no action would be required of City Council.

Council Member Fawcett, on a substitute motion seconded by Vice Mayor Bennett, moved to direct City Manager Roberts to update the 2008 Crittenden Road “No Thru Truck Traffic” study to current conditions, provide City Council with an analysis and a recommendation regarding the establishment of a “No Thru Truck Traffic” zone.

Mayor Johnson asked Council Member Fawcett to restate the substitute motion. Council Member Fawcett called on City Manager Roberts to provide the verbiage. City Manager Roberts said that it is his understanding that it is City Council’s intent to consider a motion to direct the City Manager to update the 2008 Crittenden Road “No Thru Truck Traffic” study to current conditions, provide City Council with an analysis and a recommendation regarding the establishment of a “No Thru Truck Traffic” zone.

Council Member Fawcett, on a substitute motion seconded by Vice Mayor Bennett, moved to direct City Manager Roberts to update the 2008 Crittenden Road “No Thru Truck Traffic” study to current conditions, provide City Council with an analysis and a recommendation regarding the establishment of a “No Thru Truck Traffic” zone, by the following vote:

AYES:	Mayor L. Johnson, Vice Mayor Bennett, and Council Members Duman, Fawcett, Goldberg, T. Johnson, Milteer and Ward	8
NAYS:	None	0

Council Member Duman, on a motion seconded by Council Member Ward, to direct City Manager Roberts to provide City Council with a report to address the feasibility of establishing passing zones on Crittenden Road, by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Mayor L. Johnson, Vice Mayor Bennett, and Council Members Duman, Fawcett, Goldberg, T. Johnson, Milteer and Ward	8
NAYS:	None	0

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMENTS

Council Member Johnson about recent social justice demonstrations and the need to expand the availability of broadband service.

Council Member Ward commended City Administration for its efforts during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Council Member Ward called for information about the feasibility of using CARE Act Coronavirus Relief Funds for COVID-19 testing in African-American communities.

Council Member Ward opined about the need to expand the availability of broadband service.

Council Member Ward opined about the shooting of George Floyd and commended the Suffolk Police Department for its support of recent social justice demonstrations.

Council Member Duman commended City Administration, area businesses and Suffolk Public Schools for their efforts during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Council Member Duman opined about the shooting of George Floyd and recent social justice demonstrations.

Council Member Milteer opined about the shooting of George Floyd.

Council Member Milteer reported that there have been incidents of motorbikes racing in the South Suffolk area.

Council Member Fawcett opined about the COVID-19 pandemic and police brutality.

Council Member Goldberg opined about the following items: the need to expand availability of broadband service, the COVID-19 pandemic and police brutality.

Vice Mayor Bennett thanked Dr. Wagner for the update on the COVID-19 pandemic.

Vice Mayor Bennett opined about the shooting of George Floyd.

Mayor Johnson opined about the COVID-19 pandemic and the shooting of George Floyd.

Mayor Johnson commended the Suffolk Police Department for their support of recent social justice demonstrations.

Council Member Fawcett, on a motion seconded by Vice Mayor Bennett, moved to adjourn, by the following vote:

AYES:	Mayor L. Johnson, Vice Mayor Bennett, and Council Members Duman, Fawcett, Goldberg, T. Johnson, Milteer and Ward	8
NAYS:	None	0

There being no further business to come before City Council, the regular meeting was adjourned at 10:25 p.m.

Teste: _____
Erika S. Dawley, MMC, City Clerk

Approved: _____
Linda T. Johnson, Mayor

APPROVED: SEPTEMBER 2, 2020