

Regular Meeting of the Suffolk City Council was held in the City Council Chamber, 442 West Washington Street, on Wednesday, June 17, 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

Tracey L. Sanford, Deputy City Clerk

ABSENT

None

CALL TO ORDER/INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Johnson called the meeting to order. Council Member Milteer offered the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Council Member Fawcett, on a motion seconded by Vice Mayor Bennett, moved to approve the minutes from the March 4, 2020, Work Session and Regular Meeting, as presented, by the following vote:

AYES:	Mayor L. Johnson, Vice Mayor Bennett, and Council Members Duman, Fawcett, T. Johnson, Milteer and Ward	7
NAYS:	None	0
ABSTAIN:	Council Member Goldberg	1

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.

Council Member Goldberg, on a motion seconded by Council Member Duman, to adopt the agenda, as presented, 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

AGENDA SPEAKERS

Kelly Hengler, 9345 Eclipse Drive, representing the Crittenden Eclipse and Hobson Heritage Civic League, was not present when called.

CONSENT AGENDA

Deputy City Clerk Sanford presented the following Consent Agenda items:

Consent Agenda Item #7 - An ordinance to accept and appropriate Walmart Community Grants for the City of Suffolk Sheriff’s Department

Consent Agenda Item #8 - An ordinance to accept and appropriate funds from the Virginia Land Conservation Foundation for the Blackwater River Project

Consent Agenda Item #9 - An ordinance to appropriate funds from the Refuse Services Fund Unrestricted Net Position to the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Refuse Fund Budget in an amount not to exceed \$800,000

Consent Agenda #10 - An ordinance to amend and re-ordain the adopted Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Fee Schedule for the City of Suffolk, Virginia to continue to temporarily waive the E-Check and Charge Card Convenience fees and Transit fares

Referring to Consent Agenda Items #7 through #10, City Manager Roberts submitted a review of the background information as printed in the official agenda.

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

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Public Hearing - An ordinance authorizing the issuance and sale of revenue bonds by the City of Suffolk, Virginia, and establishing the terms, details, and provisions for the payment thereof

Utilizing a PowerPoint presentation, David Rose, Senior Vice President, Davenport and Company, LLC, the City’s financial advisors, provided a summary of the background information as printed in the official agenda.

Hearing no speakers, the public hearing was closed.

Referring to the presentation, Council Member Duman requested clarification about the identity of the City representative listed in the proposed ordinance. Mr. Rose replied that the City representative is City Manager Roberts and explained that the included language is standard.

Referring to the presentation, Council Member Duman asked about the disparity between the interest cost of 3% in the presentation and interest cost not to exceed 5.5% in the proposed ordinance. Mr. Rose said the 5.5% rate is standard language included in the ordinance so the City is still able to borrow, should the market not perform as expected. He added that these decisions are made in consultation with City staff.

Referring to the proposed ordinance, Council Member Duman asked for an explanation of “supplemental interest and other charges” found on page four, paragraph (d). Thomas Bruno, McGuire Woods, the City’s bond counsel, said that supplemental interest is a term of art referring to the Virginia Resource Authority’s pooled program, which protects the Authority should borrowers fail to pay on its obligations and causes the Authority to draw on their reserve funds. Mr. Bruno summarized that supplemental interest does not cost the borrower anything unless it fails to pay.

Referring to the presentation, Mayor Johnson called for clarification about any specific recommendations that the bond rating agencies have provided to the City in order to retain favorable ratings. Mr. Rose said the agencies would like organizations to be structurally sound and not rely on unassigned fund balances. Mr. Rose concluded that the City follows those practices.

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

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF REVENUE BONDS BY THE CITY OF SUFFOLK, VIRGINIA, AND ESTABLISHING THE TERMS, DETAILS, AND PROVISIONS FOR THE PAYMENT THEREOF

Public Hearing - An ordinance authorizing the conveyance of certain real property known as Tax Map and Parcel 40A*76

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

J. Witt Harper, Saunders and Ojeda, no address provided, representing the property owner, spoke in support of the proposed ordinance.

Hearing no additional speakers, the public hearing was closed.

Council Member Duman, on a motion seconded by Council Member Johnson, moved to approve the ordinance, as presented, 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

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CONVEYANCE OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY KNOWN AS TAX MAP AND PARCEL 40A*76

Public Hearing – Consideration of an appeal of the decision of the Historic Landmarks Commission in regard to request for Certificate of Appropriateness HLC2019-0038, for property located at 130 Brewer Avenue, Zoning Map 34G17, Block 2, Parcel B*18*19*20

Utilizing a PowerPoint presentation, Planning and Community Development Director David Hainley gave a synopsis of the background information as printed in the official agenda.

Ben Clay, no address given, property owner, spoke in support of the appeal to reverse the Historic Landmarks Commission’s decision.

Hearing no additional speakers, the public hearing was closed.

Referring to the presentation, Council Member Duman called for clarification about the sameness of vinyl clad and vinyl windows. Planning and Community Development Director Hainley said they are not the same product.

Referring to the presentation, Council Member Duman requested an explanation about the difference between vinyl clad and vinyl windows. Planning and Community Development Director Hainley clarified that vinyl clad windows are vinyl over wood, while vinyl windows are composed of that material.

Council Member Duman inquired whether there is a significant difference in the appearance between vinyl clad and vinyl windows. Planning and Community Development Director Hainley replied that there is a difference in dimensions.

Council Member Duman asked whether there is a difference in cost between the two types of windows. Planning and Community Development Director Hainley advised that vinyl clad windows are more expensive than vinyl windows.

Members of City Council opined about requiring vinyl clad versus vinyl windows.

Council Member Johnson requested information about future changes to the requirements in the historic overlay district. Planning and Community Development Director Hainley estimated that a presentation is likely at a work session in August.

Council Member Johnson inquired about the impact of any future regulations on the current application. Planning and Community Development Director Hainley stated that under current Department of Interior standards, the current recommendation of installing two vinyl clad windows on the front and allowing the rest to be vinyl would probably be made the same way.

Council Member Johnson moved allow the applicant to move forward as outlined in the appeal to the Historic Landmarks Commission.

Mayor Johnson explained that a motion to affirm, deny or modify the decision of the Historic Landmarks Commission would be in order.

Council Member Johnson moved to deny the decision of the Historic Landmark Commission.

City Attorney Holland clarified that City Council would need to consider a motion reverse, modify or affirm the decision of the Historic Landmarks Commission.

Council Member Johnson moved to reverse the Historic Landmarks Commission's decision. The motion failed to receive a second.

Referring to the presentation, Council Member Fawcett asked whether the replacement windows would be the same size as the ones currently in place. Mr. Clay affirmed the replacement windows would be the same size as the ones currently in place.

Referring to the presentation, Council Member Fawcett solicited information on the cost difference between vinyl clad and vinyl windows. Mr. Clay estimated that vinyl clad windows are roughly 2.5 times more expensive than vinyl windows.

Council Member Johnson, on a motion seconded by Council Member Fawcett, moved to reverse the decision of the Historic Landmarks Commission.

Council Member Duman opined about the Historic Landmarks Commission's decision to allow vinyl clad windows only around the front façade versus a previous order, which required windows to be replaced on three sides, and asked the applicant whether he would be opposed to installing vinyl clad windows around four sides of the dwelling. Mr. Clay answered that he would be opposed to installing vinyl clad windows throughout the dwelling and explained that the underlying wood is prone to undetected decay.

Mayor Johnson asked about the material under the vinyl clad windows. Mr. Clay said it is composite wood.

Referring to the presentation, Council Member Goldberg solicited information about the smaller windows in the dwelling. Mr. Clay advised that the smaller windows will be retained, and he would match surrounding vinyl trim.

Council Member Ward asked about the number of windows on the structure. Mr. Clay answered there are 48 windows.

Council Member Ward asked about the number of rooms in the structure. Mr. Clay replied there are eight bedrooms, seven common rooms, and four bathrooms.

Council Member Ward inquired whether there are plans to make the dwelling a bed and breakfast. Mr. Clay said there are no plans to make the dwelling a bed and breakfast.

Council Member Johnson, on a motion seconded by Council Member Fawcett, moved to reverse the decision of the Historic Landmarks Commission, by the following vote:

AYES:	Mayor L. Johnson, Vice Mayor Bennett, and Council Members Fawcett, Goldberg, T. Johnson, and Milteer	6
NAYS:	Council Members Duman and Ward	2

Public Hearing Item #14 - An ordinance vacating and abandoning portions of Maple Street, Appleton Avenue, Walnut Street, and Mulberry Street, otherwise generally identified as being those portion of streets located between Warwick Street and Madison Avenue, East of Factory Street, STV2019-001

City Manager Roberts explained that Public Hearing Item #14 through Public Hearing Item #20 are related, and staff will make combined presentations on these items, although separate public hearings are required.

Utilizing a PowerPoint presentation, Planning and Community Development Director Hainley gave a synopsis of the background information on these related items as printed in the official agenda:

Public Hearing Item #14 - An ordinance vacating and abandoning portions of Maple Street, Appleton Avenue, Walnut Street, and Mulberry Street, otherwise generally identified as being those portion of streets located between Warwick Street and Madison Avenue, East of Factory Street, STV2019-001

Public Hearing Item #15 - An ordinance to authorize a quitclaim deed between the City of Suffolk and Birdco Energy for portions of Maple Street, Appleton Avenue, and Walnut Street, pertaining to Street Vacation Request STV2019-001

Public Hearing Item #16 - An ordinance to authorize a quitclaim deed between the City of Suffolk and Birdsong Corporation for a portion of Mulberry Street pertaining to Street Vacation Request STV2019-001

Hearing no speakers, the public hearing for Public Hearing Item #14 was closed.

Public Hearing Item #15 - An ordinance to authorize a quitclaim deed between the City of Suffolk and Birdco Energy for portions of Maple Street, Appleton Avenue, and Walnut Street, pertaining to Street Vacation Request STV2019-001

Hearing no speakers, the public hearing for Public Hearing Item #15 was closed.

Council Member Goldberg asked whether City Council should have voted on Public Hearing Item #14 after the previous public hearing. City Attorney Holland advised that the record would be clearer if there were a vote after each public hearing.

Council Member Goldberg, on a motion seconded by Council Member Duman, moved to approve an ordinance vacating and abandoning portions of Maple Street, Appleton Avenue, Walnut Street, and Mulberry Street, otherwise generally identified as being those portion of streets located between Warwick Street and Madison Avenue, East of Factory Street, STV2019-001, as presented, 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

AN ORDINANCE VACATING AND ABANDONING PORTIONS OF MAPLE STREET, APPLETON AVENUE, WALNUT STREET, AND MULBERRY STREET, OTHERWISE GENERALLY IDENTIFIED AS BEING THOSE PORTION OF STREETS LOCATED BETWEEN WARWICK STREET AND MADISON AVENUE, EAST OF FACTORY STREET, STV2019-001

Council Member Goldberg, on a motion seconded by Vice Mayor Bennett, moved to approve an ordinance to authorize a quitclaim deed between the City of Suffolk and Birdco Energy for portions of Maple Street, Appleton Avenue, and Walnut Street, pertaining to Street Vacation Request STV2019-001, as presented, 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

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE A QUITCLAIM DEED BETWEEN THE CITY OF SUFFOLK AND BIRDCO ENERGY FOR PORTIONS OF MAPLE STREET, APPLETON AVENUE, AND WALNUT STREET, PERTAINING TO STREET VACATION REQUEST STV2019-001

Public Hearing Item #16 - An ordinance to authorize a quitclaim deed between the City of Suffolk and Birdsong Corporation for a portion of Mulberry Street pertaining to Street Vacation Request STV2019-001

Hearing no speakers, the public hearing for Public Hearing Item #16 was closed.

Council Member Goldberg, on a motion seconded by Council Member Duman, moved to approve an ordinance to authorize a quitclaim deed between the City of Suffolk and Birdsong Corporation for a portion of Mulberry Street pertaining to Street Vacation Request STV2019-001, as presented, 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

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE A QUITCLAIM DEED BETWEEN THE CITY OF SUFFOLK AND BIRDSONG CORPORATION FOR A PORTION OF MULBERRY STREET PERTAINING TO STREET VACATION REQUEST STV2019-001

Public Hearing Item #17 – An ordinance vacating and abandoning a portion of Mill Street, otherwise generally identified as being that portion of Mill Street located east of County Street and between Van Buren Avenue and Mill Street, STV2019-002

Utilizing a PowerPoint presentation, Planning and Community Development Director Hainley gave a synopsis of the background information on these related items as printed in the official agenda:

Public Hearing Item #17 - An ordinance vacating and abandoning a portion of Mill Street, otherwise generally identified as being that portion of Mill Street located east of County Street and between Van Buren Avenue and Mill Street, STV2019-002

Public Hearing Item #18 - An ordinance to authorize a quitclaim deed between the City of Suffolk and Birdsong Corporation for a portion of Mill Street pertaining to Street Vacation Request STV2019-002

Hearing no speakers, the public hearing for Public Hearing Item #17 was closed.

Council Member Fawcett, on a motion seconded by Council Member Goldberg, moved to approve an ordinance vacating and abandoning a portion of Mill Street, otherwise generally identified as being that portion of Mill Street located east of County Street and between Van Buren Avenue and Mill Street, STV2019-002, as presented, 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

AN ORDINANCE VACATING AND ABANDONING A PORTION OF MILL STREET, OTHERWISE GENERALLY IDENTIFIED AS BEING THAT PORTION OF MILL STREET LOCATED EAST OF COUNTY STREET AND BETWEEN VAN BUREN AVENUE AND MILL STREET, STV2019-002

Public Hearing Item #18 – An ordinance to authorize a quitclaim deed between the City of Suffolk and Birdsong Corporation for a portion of Mill Street pertaining to Street Vacation Request STV2019-002

Hearing no speakers, the public hearing for Public Hearing Item #18 was closed.

Council Member Goldberg, on a motion seconded by Vice Mayor Bennett, moved to approve an ordinance to authorize a quitclaim deed between the City of Suffolk and Birdsong Corporation for a portion of Mill Street pertaining to Street Vacation Request STV2019-002, as presented, 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

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE A QUITCLAIM DEED BETWEEN THE CITY OF SUFFOLK AND BIRDSONG CORPORATION FOR A PORTION OF MILL STREET PERTAINING TO STREET VACATION REQUEST STV2019-002

Public Hearing Item #19 – An ordinance vacating and abandoning an unnamed alley, otherwise generally identified as being that portion of unnamed alley located north of Warwick Street and between Factory Street and Mulberry Street, STV2019-003

Utilizing a PowerPoint presentation, Planning and Community Development Director Hainley gave a synopsis of the background information on these related items as printed in the official agenda:

Public Hearing Item #19 - An ordinance vacating and abandoning an unnamed alley, otherwise generally identified as being that portion of unnamed alley located north of Warwick Street and between Factory Street and Mulberry Street, STV2019-003

Public Hearing Item #20 - An ordinance to authorize a quitclaim deed between the City of Suffolk and Birdsong Corporation for a portion of an unnamed alley pertaining to Street Vacation Request STV2019-003

Hearing no speakers, the public hearing for Public Hearing Item #19 was closed.

Referring to the presentation, Council Member Milteer asked whether the action will connect the alley with any streets. Planning and Community Development Director answered in the negative. J. Witt Harper, Saunders and Ojeda, PC, clarified that the entire alley will not be blocked, and the adjacent property owner will have access to it.

Council Member Fawcett, on a motion seconded by Council Member Goldberg, moved to approve an ordinance vacating and abandoning an unnamed alley, otherwise generally identified as being that portion of unnamed alley located north of Warwick Street and between Factory Street and Mulberry Street, STV2019-003, as presented, 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

AN ORDINANCE VACATING AND ABANDONING AN UNNAMED ALLEY, OTHERWISE GENERALLY IDENTIFIED AS BEING THAT PORTION OF UNNAMED ALLEY LOCATED NORTH OF WARWICK STREET AND BETWEEN FACTORY STREET AND MULBERRY STREET, STV2019-003

Public Hearing Item #20 – An ordinance to authorize a quitclaim deed between the City of Suffolk and Birdsong Corporation for a portion of an unnamed alley pertaining to Street Vacation Request STV2019-003

Hearing no speakers, the public hearing for Public Hearing Item #20 was closed.

Council Member Fawcett, on a motion seconded by Council Member Duman, moved to approve an ordinance to authorize a quitclaim deed between the City of Suffolk and Birdsong Corporation for a portion of an unnamed alley pertaining to Street Vacation Request STV2019-003, as presented, 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

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE A QUITCLAIM DEED BETWEEN THE CITY OF SUFFOLK AND BIRDSONG CORPORATION FOR A PORTION OF AN UNNAMED ALLEY PERTAINING TO STREET VACATION REQUEST STV2019-003

Public Hearing – An ordinance to authorize a quitclaim deed between the City of Suffolk and Turlington Properties LLC quitclaiming all rights, title, and interest, if any, the City of Suffolk may possess in an unimproved private 50’ right-of-way, known as Pit Road, and located on the north side of Turlington Road

Utilizing a PowerPoint presentation, Planning and Community Development Director Hainley gave a synopsis of the background information as printed in the official agenda.

J. Witt Harper, no address provided, Saunders and Ojeda, representing Turlington Properties, LLC, spoke in support of the ordinance.

Hearing no additional speakers, the public hearing was closed.

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

Referring to the presentation, Council Member Milteer asked whether the residents of Turlington Park were notified of this matter. Planning and Community Development Director Hainley replied in the affirmative and reported that there were no objections.

Referring to the presentation, Council Member Goldberg clarified that the property will return to the City as a street. Planning and Community Development Director responded in the affirmative.

Council Member Goldberg, on a motion seconded by Council Member Johnson, moved to approve the ordinance, as presented, 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

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE A QUITCLAIM DEED BETWEEN THE CITY OF SUFFOLK AND TURLINGTON PROPERTIES LLC QUITCLAIMING ALL RIGHTS, TITLE, AND INTEREST, IF ANY, THE CITY OF SUFFOLK MAY POSSESS IN AN UNIMPROVED PRIVATE 50’ RIGHT-OF-WAY, KNOWN AS PIT ROAD, AND LOCATED ON THE NORTH SIDE OF TURLINGTON ROAD

ORDINANCES

Ordinance – An ordinance authorizing the City Manager to accept a Deed Open-Space Easement over the common passive open-space within Phase 1 of the Cluster Subdivision Plat The Preserve at Lake Meade, Tax Map 26, Parcel 69*69A*PT34*6; FSB2020-00003

Deputy City Manager D. Scott Mills provided a report of the background information as printed in the official agenda.

Vice Mayor Bennett, on a motion seconded by Council Member Duman, moved to approve the ordinance, as presented, 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

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ACCEPT A DEED OPEN-SPACE EASEMENT OVER THE COMMON PASSIVE OPEN-SPACE WITHIN PHASE 1 OF THE CLUSTER SUBDIVISION PLAT THE PRESERVE AT LAKE MEADE, TAX MAP 26, PARCEL 69*69A*PT34*6; FSB2020-00003

Ordinance – An ordinance authorizing the City Manager to accept a Deed Open-Space Easement over the common passive open-space within the Cluster Subdivision Plat of Meadows Landing, Tax Map 43, Parcel 21; FSB2020-00002

Deputy City Manager Mills offered a report of the background information as printed in the official agenda.

Vice Mayor Bennett, on a motion seconded by Council Member Ward, moved to approve the ordinance, as presented, 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

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ACCEPT A DEED OPEN-SPACE EASEMENT OVER THE COMMON PASSIVE OPEN-SPACE WITHIN THE CLUSTER SUBDIVISION PLAT OF MEADOWS LANDING, TAX MAP 43, PARCEL 21; FSB2020-00002

Ordinance – An ordinance authorizing the City Manager to accept a Deed Open-Space Easement over the common passive open-space within the Cluster Subdivision Plat of Chuckatuck Cove, Tax Map 5, Parcel 3*OS*B; FS-2009-09

Deputy City Manager Mills supplied a report of the background information as printed in the official agenda.

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

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ACCEPT A DEED OPEN-SPACE EASEMENT OVER THE COMMON PASSIVE OPEN-SPACE WITHIN THE CLUSTER SUBDIVISION PLAT OF CHUCKATUCK COVE, TAX MAP 5, PARCEL 3*OS*B; FS-2009-09

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution – A resolution in support of the redesignation of local workforce developments, the Greater Peninsula Workforce Board and the Hampton Roads Workforce Council, into a new single local workforce development area.

Economic Development Director Kevin Hughes submitted a report of the background information as printed in the official agenda.

Council Member Fawcett, on a motion seconded by Council Member Ward, moved to approve the resolution, as presented, 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

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE REDESIGNATION OF LOCAL WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENTS, THE GREATER PENINSULA WORKFORCE BOARD AND THE HAMPTON ROADS WORKFORCE COUNCIL, INTO A NEW SINGLE LOCAL WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT AREA.

STAFF REPORTS

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

Utilizing a PowerPoint presentation, Deputy Chief of Technical Services Brian Spicer, Economic Development Director Hughes and City Manager Roberts gave an update on the above referenced item.

MOTIONS

Motion – A motion to move the start time, for City Council Meetings in July and August 2020, to 6:00 p.m., unless cancelled

City Manager Roberts advised that changing the start time of the meetings will allow City Council to address many issues that have accumulated since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Council Member Fawcett, on a motion seconded by Council Member Johnson, moved to change the start time for City Council meetings in July and August 2020, to 6:00 p.m. unless cancelled, 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

Motion – A motion to schedule a City Council Work Session for Wednesday, July 1, 2020, at 4:00 p.m., unless cancelled

Council Member Milteer, on a motion seconded by Council Member Goldberg, moved to schedule a Work Session for Wednesday, July 1, 2020, at 4 p.m., unless cancelled, 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

NON-AGENDA SPEAKERS

Carl Jackson, 106 Rochdale Lane, representing self, opined about the community responses to the death of George Floyd and police accountability.

Anthony Myers, 102 Greenleaf Crescent, representing self, offered comments on firearm legislation enacted by the Commonwealth.

Kelly Hengler, 9345 Eclipse Drive, representing Crittenden-Eclipse-Hobson Heritage Civic League, offered comments about the Chuckatuck Cove easement and response to planning concerns related to aquatic resources.

Catrina Mitchell, 3605 Preakness Circle, representing self, asked for assistance regarding the Pitchkettle Road project as it relates to impacts on her family’s.

NEW BUSINESS

There were no items under this portion of the agenda.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMENTS

Mayor Johnson recognized the retirement of Deputy City Manager Mills, who offered brief remarks.

Utilizing a PowerPoint presentation, Media and Community Relations Assistant Director Timothy Kelley reported on the following: upcoming COVID-19 testing sites; the retirement of Deputy City Manager Mills; interim appointment of Major Alfred Chandler as Interim Police Chief, Albert Moor as Interim Deputy City Manager and Paul Retel as Interim Public Utilities Director; and the City's observance of Juneteenth

Council Member Goldberg congratulated Deputy City Manager Mills on his retirement and the interim appointees on new their duties.

Council Member Fawcett said he went to the COVID-19 testing event at Bennett's Creek Park.

Council Member Fawcett congratulated Deputy City Manager Mills on his retirement and the interim appointees on new their duties.

Council Member Milteer congratulated Deputy City Manager Mills on his retirement.

Council Member Milteer opined about the Juneteenth observance and social justice.

Council Member Duman congratulated Deputy City Manager Mills on his retirement and the interim appointees on new their duties.

Council Member Duman offered remarks about the social justice demonstrations.

Council Member Ward congratulated Deputy City Manager Mills on his retirement and the interim appointees on new their duties.

Council Member Ward reported his attendance at a demonstration for social justice.

Council Member Ward recognized his grandsons' graduations from Nansemond River High School and Kempsville High School.

Council Member Johnson thanked staff for assistance.

Council Member Johnson invited increased community participation in civic affairs.

Council Member Johnson congratulated Deputy City Manager Mills on his retirement and the interim appointees on new their duties.

Vice Mayor Bennett congratulated Deputy City Manager Mills on his retirement and the interim appointees on new their duties.

Vice Mayor Bennett offered comments on the upcoming 5-year anniversary of the shooting at Emanuel African Methodist Episcopal Church in Charleston, South Carolina.

Vice Mayor Bennett offered remarks about the social justice demonstrations.

Vice Mayor Bennett requested the policies of the Suffolk Police Department be disseminated to the public. City Manager Roberts advised that a public education piece could be made available.

Vice Mayor Bennett opined about public vigilance regarding COVID-19.

Mayor Johnson congratulated Deputy City Manager Mills on his retirement and the interim appointees on new their duties.

Mayor Johnson reported that she attended several meetings regarding social justice.

Mayor Johnson also requested information regarding the Suffolk Police Department.

Council Member Fawcett, on a motion seconded by Council Member Ward, 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 9:30 p.m.

Teste: _____
Tracey L. Sanford, CMC, Deputy City Clerk

Approved: _____
Linda T. Johnson, Mayor

APPROVED: SEPTEMBER 16, 2020