

THE MEETING OF THE CITY OF BURLINGTON COMMON COUNCIL, COUNTY OF BURLINGTON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, WAS HELD ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2019, AT 7:00 PM, IN THE CITY HALL, 525 HIGH STREET, BURLINGTON, NJ, PURSUANT TO THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT.

The Deputy Municipal Clerk advised the public of the location of the two fire exits; one on the left after exiting the Council Chamber and the other being the entrance to the building.

Members present: Mr. Chachis, Ms. Hatala, Ms. Mercuri, Mr. Swan, Ms. Woodard, Ms. Lollar. (6); Absent: Mr. Babula. (1)

Also present: Mayor Conaway, Director of Housing- Bill Harris, Director of Public Works- Bill Curry, Municipal Attorney- Lou Garty (7:55pm), Chief Fine.

The following notice of the meeting was sent:

There will be a Meeting of the Common Council of the City of Burlington held on September 3, 2019 at 7:00 PM, prevailing time at the City Hall Building, 525 High Street, Burlington, N.J. 08016.

Cindy A. Crivaro, RMC
Municipal Clerk

INVOCATION

Rev. Dr. Lonnie Gibbs, III

SALUTE TO FLAG

SWEARING-IN - POSTPONED

Officer Jordan Gorleski & Officer Najah Pruden

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilman Chachis, moved that all Consent Agenda items be approved. It was seconded by Councilwoman Woodard. All were in favor.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS*

Approved by Consent Agenda. All were in favor.

CORRESPONDENCE FOR AUGUST 2019

NOTICES, AGENDAS, MINUTES, REPORTS, ETC. RECEIVED

Reports from various departments received:

Monies collected by the Municipal Clerk's Office for the month of July 2019 \$2,529.40

AGENDAS RECEIVED FROM VARIOUS BOARDS

- 08-01 Historic Preservation Commission Agenda September 4, 2019
- 08-02 Land Use Board Agenda August 28, 2019

PETITIONS OF APPEALS:

- 08-30 Block 32, Lot 44

CORRESPONDENCE TO AND FROM BURLINGTON COUNTY

- 08-500 Board of Chosen Freeholders, re: 2019 Labor Day Holiday Recycling Schedule

CORRESPONDENCE TO AND FROM THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY

- 08-700 State of New Jersey, dated July 29, 2019, re: Local Aid and Economic Development
- 08-701 State of New Jersey, dated August 13, 2019, re: Burlington City Water Department

MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE

- 08-800 PSE&G, dated August 14, 2019, re: issues scam alert
- 08-801 Pastor Dee Ann Waite, re: Thank you note, invitation to do the Invocation August 2019
- 08-802 Endeavor Emergency Squad, Inc., re: Monthly Statistics for July 2019
- 08-803 NJ Transit Public Hearing Notice in Freehold, Westampton and Newark
- 08-804 Southern Jersey Family Medical Center, Inc., dated July 16, 2019, re: National Health Center Week

NOTICES OF FORECLOSURES

- 08-900 Block 104, Lot 58,57,01,59
- 08-901 Block 184, Lot 43,44
- 08-902 Block 213, Lot 19
- 08-903 Block 7, Lot 7

APPROVAL OF INVOICES*

Approved by Consent Agenda. All were in favor.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES*

Approved by Consent Agenda. All were in favor.

RESOLUTIONS / CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTIONS*

Resolution No. 221-2019

RESOLUTION NO. 221-2019 AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF BURLINGTON TO APPLY TO THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS (NJCA) FOR A SMALL CITIES PUBLIC FACILITIES GRANT OF APPROXIMATELY \$400,000 FOR ADA IMPROVEMENTS TO THE WILLIAM R. ALLEN SCHOOL

WHEREAS, the City of Burlington will apply for a Small Cities Community Development Block Grant – Public Facilities from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs (NJCA) for \$400,000 for ADA improvements to the William R. Allen School Building located on Mitchell Avenue; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED;

1. That the City of Burlington does hereby authorize the application for such a grant; and,

Recognizes and accepts that the Department may offer a lesser or greater amount and therefore, upon receipt of the grant agreement from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, does further authorize the execution of the grant agreement; and, also, upon receipt of the fully executed agreement from the Department, does further authorize the expenditure of funds pursuant to the terms of said agreement between the City of Burlington and the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, including the provision of a local match share in the ratio of at least one local dollar for every ten state dollars.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the persons whose names, titles and signatures appear below are authorized to sign the application and that they or their successors in said titles are authorized to sign the agreement and any other documents in connection therewith:

Barry W. Conaway
Mayor

William R. Harris
Director of Housing & Community
Development

Upon the motion of Councilman Chachis, seconded by Councilwoman Woodard, the foregoing resolution was adopted by the following roll call vote: AYES: Mr. Chachis, Ms. Hatala, Ms. Mercuri, Mr. Swan, Ms. Woodard, Ms. Lollar. (6); NAYS: (0); ABSTAIN: (0); ABSENT: Mr. Babula. (1).

Resolution No. 222-2019

RESOLUTION NO. 222-2019 OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BURLINGTON APPROVING THE PROPOSED GRANT MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE 2020 PUBLIC FACILITIES GRANT OF APPROXIMATELY \$400,000.00

WHEREAS, the City of Burlington will apply to the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs (NJDCA) for a Small Cities Public Facilities grant of approximately \$400,000 for ADA improvements to the William R. Allen School building located on Mitchell Avenue; and

WHEREAS, any Grant Agreement between the City of Burlington and the NJDCA will require the City to comply with all federal requirements with regard to grant management; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council of the City of Burlington has reviewed the proposed Grant Management Plan prepared for its Small Cities CDBG grantee application;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Burlington, County of Burlington and the State of New Jersey, that:

Pending the execution of said Grant Agreement, the proposed City of Burlington Grant Management Plan shall be approved by the City of Burlington.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the persons whose names, titles and signatures appear below are authorized to sign the application and that they or their successors in said titles are authorized to sign the agreement and any other documents in connection therewith:

Barry W. Conaway
Mayor

William R. Harris
Director of Housing & Community
Development

Upon the motion of Councilman Chachis, seconded by Councilwoman Woodard, the foregoing resolution was adopted by the following roll call vote: AYES: Mr. Chachis, Ms. Hatala, Ms. Mercuri, Mr. Swan, Ms. Woodard, Ms. Lollar. (6); NAYS: (0); ABSTAIN: (0); ABSENT: Mr. Babula. (1).

Resolution No. 223-2019

RESOLUTION NO. 223-2019 OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BURLINGTON AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF BURLINGTON TO ADOPT THE CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PLAN DEVELOPED BY THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS (NJCA) FOR A 2020 SMALL CITIES PUBLIC FACILITIES GRANT

WHEREAS, the City of Burlington, will enter into a Grant Agreement with the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs for the administration of a 2020 Small Cities Community Development Block Grant; and

WHEREAS, that Grant Agreement requires the City of Burlington to comply with all federal regulations with respect to citizen participation; and

WHEREAS, the City of Burlington has reviewed the Citizen Participation Plan prepared for Small Cities CDBG grantees;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and the Council of the City of Burlington, County of Burlington and State of New Jersey, that:

The Citizen Participation Plan developed by the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, Small Cities CDBG Program, is adopted by the City of Burlington; and

The City of Burlington will follow all regulations set forth in that document throughout the term of the Grant Agreement cited above.

Upon the motion of Councilman Chachis, seconded by Councilwoman Hatala, the foregoing resolution was adopted by the following roll call vote: AYES: Mr. Chachis, Ms. Hatala, Ms. Mercuri, Mr. Swan, Ms. Woodard, Ms. Lollar. (6); NAYS: (0); ABSTAIN: (0); ABSENT: Mr. Babula. (1).

Resolution No. 224-2019

RESOLUTION NO. 224-2019 OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BURLINGTON AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH HYDRON-MARINE CONSTRUCTION CO., INC., FOR EXTRAORDINARY, UNSPECIFIABLE SERVICES (EUS) IN ORDER TO PERFORM CERTAIN STRUCTURAL REPAIRS TO THE PROMENADE BULKHEAD

WHEREAS, at the request of the Mayor and Administration, the City of Burlington engaged W. J. Castle, P.E. & Associates, P.C., (“Castle”) of Hainesport, NJ, engineering consultants, performed a geophysical investigation of the condition of the Bulkhead at the Promenade utilizing underwater visual apparatus to perform an in-depth investigation of the bulkhead to appraise its condition; and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned investigation revealed that the bulkhead is in overall poor condition due to advanced deterioration and Microbially Induced Corrosion (MIC), which creates a significant risk of further accelerated degradation causing instability of the bulkhead which presents a potential hazard; and

WHEREAS, the consulting engineers have submitted recommendations for repair to areas of the bulkhead; and

WHEREAS, the City’s professional Engineer has reviewed the investigation report of the consulting Engineer, Castle, and concurred with the recommendations for the repair to the identified areas of the bulkhead and recommended that the repairs be performed forthwith in order to avoid further rapid degradation of the bulkhead, resulting in a hazard to the public and a greater cost of the repairs; and

WHEREAS, Castle has obtained a cost proposal from Hydro-Marine Construction Co. Inc., (“Hydro”) of Hainesport, NJ, a qualified construction firm which has personnel with the unique and requisite special training, skills, knowledge and experience necessary to perform said underwater repairs and remediation to the bulkhead consistent with the scope of services recommended by Castle; and

WHEREAS, the City’s professional Engineer has reviewed the cost proposal of Hydro to perform said remediation and has indicated that the cost proposal be accepted as it fairly reflects the scope and cost of the unique type of underwater repairs to be performed. The Engineer has indicated his recommendation that Hydro be utilized to perform the repairs as recommended and consistent with the cost estimate for the scope of services provided with engineering oversight to be provided by Castle; and

WHEREAS, there is need to enter into a contract for these structural repairs to be performed on the bulkhead to the Promenade in which further delay in getting additional proposals and/or in contracting for the performance of the required repairs will affect the health, safety and welfare of the residents and of employees of the City and will likely result in a significant increase in the cost of the repairs; and

WHEREAS, while N.J.S. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(I) provides for the award of a contract without bids where the type of services sought are extraordinary, unspecifiable services, such that it would be impractical to seek quotes; and

WHEREAS, the amount of the appropriation, including the appropriation for these repairs was previously provided for by adoption of a bond ordinance number 04-2019 on June 20, 2019, including funding for engineering oversight; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council of the City of Burlington has determined that it is necessary to immediately authorize this contract in order to protect the health, safety and welfare of the City residents and to prevent further degradation of the bulkhead area so as to necessitate more costly repairs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that in accordance with N.J.S. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(ii):

1. Appropriations for the same are hereby made for:

Improvement Authorization – Promenade Bulkhead Improvements - \$1,378,200.00

2. That a contract with Hydro-Marine Construction Co. Inc. be authorized in the amount of \$1,378,200.00 for the purpose of performing the emergency repairs to the bulkhead, consistent with the scope of services and cost proposal submitted.

Upon the motion of Councilman Chachis, seconded by Councilman Swan, the foregoing resolution was introduced.

On the question, Councilwoman Woodard said we want this done expeditiously; asked for an explanation on the design; spoke of the need to prevent this situation from occurring again; spoke of a sole source bid, Castle related to Hydro-Marine.

Mayor Conaway said Castle is the is Engineering Firm and Hydro-Marine is construction; the project is difficult to bid; it is being done under emergency repairs; if all goes well, work will start October 1, 2019 depending on the weather, and completed by April 1, 2020.

The Resolution was then adopted by the following roll call vote: AYES: Mr. Chachis, Ms. Hatala, Ms. Mercuri, Mr. Swan, Ms. Woodard, Ms. Lollar. (6); NAYS: (0); ABSTAIN: (0); ABSENT: Mr. Babula. (1).

Resolution No. 225-2019

RESOLUTION NO. 225-2019 OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BURLINGTON AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH PENNONI ASSOCIATES, INC. FOR ENGINEERING SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE DEMOLITION OF CITY-OWNED PROPERTY AT 107 EAST FEDERAL STREET

WHEREAS, the City of Burlington engaged the Professional Services of Pennoni Associates, Inc. to prepare engineering specifications for the demolition of the structure located at 107 East Federal Street within the City of Burlington on January 22, 2019; and

WHEREAS, based upon the City's prior experience with Pennoni Associates, Inc., and pursuant to a proposal received January 8, 2019, authorized a contract with Pennoni Associates, Inc., on January 22, 2019 to prepare specifications and bid documents for the demolition of 107 East Federal Street; and

WHEREAS, Pennoni Associates, Inc., prepare said specifications and bid documents which were publicly advertised with a bid deadline date of April 30, 2019; and

WHEREAS, three firms purchased bid documents but none submitted a bid by the above-referenced deadline; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Housing & Community Development recommended that the demolition of 107 East Federal Street be re-advertised which necessitated a change in the original bid specifications; and

WHEREAS, Pennoni Associates, Inc., submitted a proposal to prepare a new bid package at a cost of \$1,500.00; and

WHEREAS, the City re-advertised for bids on this project with a deadline of June 5, 2019, and revived one bid.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Common Council of the City of Burlington as follows:

1. The City authorizes the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to execute an amendment to the Professional Services the \$18,500.00 (eighteen thousand five hundred dollars and zero cents) contract with Pennoni Associates, in the amount of \$1,500.00 (One-thousand Five hundred dollars and zero cents), for a revised total contract amount of \$20,000.00 (Twenty Thousand Dollars and zero cents), subject to the availability of funds, in order to prepare revised bid specifications and Project Manual for the demolition of the structure located at 107 East Federal Street within the City of Burlington ("the Contract").
2. The Contract term shall be effective as of the date this Resolution is passed, and shall terminate upon the earlier of the completion of the Professional Services, or December 31, 2019, whichever may occur first.

3. Pursuant to the requirements outlined within N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(1), the Clerk for the City of Burlington shall cause to be published once in the *Burlington County Times* a notice indicating the nature, duration, service, and amount of this contract, and that this Resolution and the associated Contract are on file and available for public inspection in the office of the City Clerk; and
4. The City's Administrative Staff and Professionals, as applicable, are hereby authorized to carry out such other actions which may be necessary to place this Resolution and the associated Contract into effect.

Upon the motion of Councilman Chachis, seconded by Councilwoman Woodard, the foregoing resolution was adopted by the following roll call vote: AYES: Mr. Chachis, Ms. Hatala, Ms. Mercuri, Mr. Swan, Ms. Woodard, Ms. Lollar. (6); NAYS: (0); ABSTAIN: (0); ABSENT: Mr. Babula. (1).

Resolution No. 226-2019

RESOLUTION NO. 226-2019 OF THE CITY OF BURLINGTON AUTHORIZING A REDUCTION OF THE PERFORMANCE BOND FOR ON-SITE IMPROVEMENTS FOR PERON DEVELOPMENT/PEARL POINTE REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT

WHEREAS, the City of Burlington has received a request for a Performance Bond (LOC No. 1370001504101) Reduction for On-Site Improvements for the Peron Development Pearl Pointe Redevelopment Project; and

WHEREAS, the City Engineer has performed a site inspection and recommends Performance Bond Reduction No. 1 for this project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Common Council of the City of Burlington hereby approves the reduction of the Performance Bond in the amount of \$463,785.23, resulting in a remaining bond amount of \$559,663.09.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution be served to the party requesting acceptance, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40:55D-53.

Upon the motion of Councilman Chachis, seconded by Councilwoman Woodard, the foregoing resolution was adopted by the following roll call vote: AYES: Mr. Chachis, Ms. Hatala, Ms. Mercuri, Mr. Swan, Ms. Woodard, Ms. Lollar. (6); NAYS: (0); ABSTAIN: (0); ABSENT: Mr. Babula. (1).

Resolution No. 227-2019

RESOLUTION NO. 227-2019 OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BURLINGTON AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH REALAUCTION.COM, LLC IN THE PARTICIPATION OF A 2019 ELECTRONIC TAX SALE

WHEREAS, NJSA 54:5-19.1 authorizes electronic tax sales pursuant to rules and regulations to be promulgated by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services; and

WHEREAS, the City of Burlington has authorized the Tax Collector to participate in an Electronic Tax Sale by Resolution of the Governing Body; and

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector has solicited 2 quotations as required by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services; and

WHEREAS, Realauction.com, LLC with ROK Industries, Inc. d/b/a NJ Tax Lien Investor.com has responded with the full services required to properly conduct an Electronic Tax Sale; and

WHEREAS, the Director of the Division of Local Government Services has approved Real Auction.com, LLC with ROK Industries, Inc. d/b/a NJ Tax Lien Investor.com serving as its administrative agent for purposes of invoicing, collecting payment and other ancillary services in furtherance of such services, all in accordance with the Electronic Tax Sales.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Common Council of the City of Burlington, New Jersey, hereby authorizes the City of Burlington to enter into contract and authorizes the Tax Collector to conduct the 2019 Electronic Tax Sale with Real Auction.com, LLC.

Upon the motion of Councilman Chachis, seconded by Councilwoman Woodard, the foregoing resolution was adopted by the following roll call vote: AYES: Mr. Chachis, Ms. Hatala, Ms. Mercuri, Mr. Swan, Ms. Woodard, Ms. Lollar. (6); NAYS: (0); ABSTAIN: (0); ABSENT: Mr. Babula. (1).

Resolution No. 228-2019*

RESOLUTION NO. 228-2019 OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BURLINGTON AUTHORIZING THE CANCELLATION OF 2018 TAXES ON BLOCK 226, LOT 1

WHEREAS, Block 226, Lot 1 was subdivided into two lots which are Lot 1.09 and 1.10; and

WHEREAS, the subdivision was not reflected in the 2018 tax duplicate; and

WHEREAS, Lot 1.10 was transferred to the City of Burlington as part of a Redevelopment Agreement between the City of Burlington and Matrix as of October 23, 2018; and

WHEREAS, the amount of taxes allocated to Lot 1.10 and charged to Lot 1 for the period of 10/23/18 through 12/ 31/2018 needs to be cancelled as it was owned by the City of Burlington; and

WHEREAS, as a political subdivision of the State of New Jersey, the City of Burlington is not subject to taxation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Burlington that the following 2018 taxes and any interest thereon are hereby cancelled in accordance with N.J.S.A. 54:4-3.3 laws of the State of New Jersey as follows:

BLOCK 226
LOT 1

1101 E. Pearl Street

TAXES \$ 27,137.22 plus Interest

Approved by Consent Agenda. All were in favor.

Resolution No. 229-2019*

RESOLUTION NO. 229-2019 OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BURLINGTON AUTHORIZING THE CANCELLATION OF 2019 TAXES ON BLOCK 226, LOT 1

WHEREAS, Block 226, Lot 1 was subdivided into two lots which are Lot 1.09 and 1.10; and

WHEREAS, the subdivision was not reflected in the 2019 tax duplicate; and

WHEREAS, Lot 1.10 was transferred to the City of Burlington as part of a Redevelopment Agreement between the City of Burlington and Matrix as of October 23, 2018; and

WHEREAS, the improvements on Lot 1.09 were removed by demolition during 2018, but were not removed on the 2019 Tax Duplicate; and

WHEREAS, the amount of taxes allocated to Lot 1.10 and charged to Lot 1 for 2019 Tax Year needs to be cancelled as it is owned by the City of Burlington; and the taxes due on Lot 1.09 should be for land only; and

WHEREAS, the City's Tax Assessor has advised that the taxes on the entire Lot 1 should be cancelled by resolution and that the taxes that are due on Lot 1.09 will be added for 2019 as an omitted tax.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Burlington that the following 2019 taxes and any interest thereon are hereby cancelled in accordance with N.J.S.A. 54:4-3.3 laws of the State of New Jersey as follows:

BLOCK 226
LOT 1

1101 E. Pearl Street

TAXES \$ 188,743.50 plus Interest

Approved by Consent Agenda. All were in favor.

Resolution No. 230-2019*

Common Council of the City of Burlington hereby amends Resolution No. 156-2019 authorizing the issuance of a Mercantile License to Stacey D. Waller and Ian Thorn to operate a business at 304-306 High Street changing the Trade Name from “Serenity Café & Lounge” to “Serenity Café & Juice Bar”.

Approved by Consent Agenda. All were in favor.

Resolution No. 231-2019*

RESOLUTION NO. 231-2019 OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BURLINGTON, COUNTY OF BURLINGTON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, APPOINTING WILLIAM HARRIS AS THE FAIR HOUSING OFFICER FOR THE 2020 SMALL CITIES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the City of Burlington is applying for a Small Cities Community Development Block Grant from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs (hereafter NJDCA); and

WHEREAS, the Small Cities Public Facilities grant of approximately \$400,000 will provide for ADA improvements to the William R. Allen School building located on Mitchell Avenue; and

WHEREAS, the City of Burlington must make efforts to affirmatively further fair housing; and

WHEREAS, the City of Burlington has reviewed various actions that would be acceptable to the NJDCA and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (hereafter USHUD); and

WHEREAS, the City of Burlington has made assurances that:

- (1) It will comply with the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, and regulations issued thereto; and
- (2) It will comply with the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and the regulations issued thereto it; and
- (3) It will comply with the Fair Housing Act of 1968 and will affirmatively further fair housing; and
- (4) It will comply with the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 and with the Rehabilitation Act of 1973.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that, William Harris, shall be designated as the Fair Housing Officer for the City of Burlington; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Fair Housing Officer shall contact the USHUD Regional Office of Housing and Equal Opportunity and the NJ Division on Civil Rights, inform those agencies of his/her appointment as Fair Housing Officer and request Fair Housing Information; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Fair Housing Officer shall provide fair housing advisory services and assistance and referral advice to persons requesting such assistance from the City of Burlington; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Burlington will publish in the local newspaper of record and post at City Hall, 525 High Street, Burlington, New Jersey, a public notice announcing the appointment of the Fair Housing Officer and the availability of local fair housing advisory services.

Approved by Consent Agenda. All were in favor.

Resolution No. 232-2019*

Common Council of the City of Burlington hereby authorizes the temporary closure of E. Second Street, between High Street and James Street for a Block Party on Tuesday, October 31, 2019 from 5:00 pm to 10:00 pm.

Approved by Consent Agenda. All were in favor.

Resolution No. 233-2019*

A resolution providing for a meeting not opened to the public in accordance with the provisions of the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act. N.J.S.A. 10:4-12: Therefore be it resolved by the Common Council of the City of Burlington, assembled in public session on September 3, 2019, that an Executive Session Closed to the Public shall be held on September 3, 2019, in the Council Meeting Room for discussion of matters relating to the specific items designated in this resolution:

- Real Estate/Contracts N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(7) 200 York Street

The nature of the discussion conducted in closed session and or the result thereof may be disclosed to the public in an open public meeting held in September of 2019 or shortly there after.

Approved by Consent Agenda. All were in favor.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Karen Bloom, 934 Wood Street- spoke in support of the proposed water park in town; spoke of high taxes.

Mayor Conaway said the developer has 1 year and 3 months to put together a project plan; spoke of Memorandum of Understanding.

ADMINISTRATION REPORT

None. Mr. Ballard is absent this evening.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilman Chachis spoke of the upcoming Ward 1 Town Hall meeting; spoke of Petal Parade.

Councilman Swan requested the streets be swept prior to the Wood Street Fair.

Councilwoman Hatala spoke of the “No Parking” signs needing to be placed in advance of the Fair.

Councilwoman Mercuri spoke of the 25 speed limit reduction for Route 130; asked when new signs will be posted and when it will be enforced.

Mayor Conaway said that the State will contact the school, the City is not aware.

President Lollar asked for an update on the Traffic Report for Rutgers Avenue.

Councilwoman Hatala spoke of the Fishing Derby to be held on September 14th; asked for prayers for those in the path of hurricane Dorian and the family and friends of passing of Fireman Thomas Johnson of the Mitchell Fire House, we express our sympathy.

CONFERENCES

- Levy Mitigation Plan - Ken Shine, Assoc. DBIA CFM of Pennoni Associates, Inc.
- 2020 Census - Lorraine Alda Harris-Copeland, U.S. Census Bureau

EXECUTIVE CONFERENCES

- 200 York Street - Bill Harris, Director of Housing & Community Development

ADJOURNMENT

Upon the motion of Councilman Chachis, seconded by Councilman Swan, this meeting of September 3, 2019 was adjourned.

Cindy A. Crivaro, RMC
Municipal Clerk