



**AGENDA
OCTOBER 12, 2016
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

NOTICE OF MEETING

Presiding Officer of the Council, Lisa Nanton wishes to advise the audience that notice of this meeting has been filed with the Home News Tribune, The Star Ledger, The Amboy Guardian and posted on the bulletin board in the City Clerk's office and on the City's website, indicating that today's meeting is being held at the Council Chambers, City Hall, at 7:00 p.m.

At this time, as a courtesy to the Governing Body, I would ask all individuals present, including members of the audience, to please turn off all cell phones and electronic devices. Should you need to make a telephone call, please go out into the hallway and speak in a low voice so as not to disturb the ongoing meeting.

AGENDA

PUBLIC COMMENT – Citizens may address the Council on any matter on the agenda which does not have its own scheduled public hearing. Citizens shall be permitted to speak once for a maximum of five (5) minutes.

REPORTS

Jill A. Goldy, CFO/Comptroller submitted the following reports:

1. Water/Wastewater Utility Report – YTD August 2016.
2. Investment Reports for the month of August 2016.
3. Budget Status Report and Appropriation Status Report for the following as of August 31, 2016:
 - a. Current Fund
 - b. Parking Utility Fund
 - c. Water/Wastewater Utility Fund
 - d. Harborside Marina Utility Fund

4. Check register report for the month of September 2016 in the total amount of \$5,235,768.25.

NJ Dept. of the Treasury – Division of Taxation, submitted the following reports:

5. Certification of the Table of Equalized Valuations – 2016.
6. Certification of the 2016 Average Ratios and Common Level Ranges for use in Tax Year 2017.

ORDINANCES (FIRST READING) **No PUBLIC DISCUSSION**

1. AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE DESIGNATING RESTRICTED PARKING SPACES FOR USE BY HANDICAPPED PERSONS" (ORDINANCE NO. 380-85 AND AMENDMENTS) ADOPTED JULY 2, 1985 ALSO KNOWN AS CHAPTER 255A ET SEQ OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF PERTH AMBOY.

RESOLUTIONS

R-424-10/16 Authorizing the proper city officials to execute a contract with the Boys and Girls Club for the Project Learn Program in the amount of \$30,000.00 in accordance with the forty-second program year of the Community Development Block Grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended.

R-425-10/16 Authorizing the proper city officials to execute a contract with the Intersect Fund for Microenterprise Development in the amount of \$50,000.00 in accordance with the forty-second year Community Development Block Grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended.

R-426-10/16 Authorizing the proper city officials to execute a contract with the Puerto Rican Association for Human Development's senior services center in the amount of \$20,000.00 in accordance with the forty-second program year for the Community Development Block Grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended.

R-427-10/16 Authorizing the proper city officials to execute a contract with the Puerto Rican Association for Human Development tenant-based rental assistance program in the amount of \$65,000.00 in accordance with the forty-second year Community Development Block Grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development under Title I of the Department of Housing and Urban Development under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended.

R-428-10/16 VOID

R-429-10/16 Authorizing the proper city officials to execute a contract with Sheltered Hearts in the amount of \$24,750.00 in accordance with the forty-second year Community Development Block Grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development under Title I of the Department of Housing and Urban Development under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended.

R-430-10/16 Authorizing the person-to-person transfer of inactive plenary retail consumption license #1216-33-032-002 held in the name of Goodwin, Inn, Inc. t/a Carvajal Mexican Restaurant at 319 Goodwin St. to Casa de Cabo, LLC, effective October 13, 2016.

R-431-10/16 Authorizing a settlement agreement and release in the matter of Nalda Capo v. City of Perth Amboy, et al Docket No. MID-L-7267-15 in an amount not to exceed \$150,000.00.

R-432-10/16 Appointing Luis A. Lopez to the Perth Amboy Arts Council as Alternate #2 for an unexpired term ending on December 31, 2016.

R-433-10/16 Appointing Ana Maria Mascenik as a regular member of the Zoning Board of Adjustment for an unexpired term ending on December 31, 2016.

R-433a-10/16 Appointing Jose Amarante as Alternate #1 of the Zoning Board of Adjustment for an unexpired term ending on December 31, 2016.

R-433b-10/16 Appointing Roisin Dowling as Alternate #2 of the Zoning Board of Adjustment for an unexpired term ending on December 31, 2016.

R-434-10/16 Authorizing a refund in the amount of \$50.00 to Bethania Ortiz, Perth Amboy, NJ for the cost of the permit fee for the use of Duffy Park.

R-435-10/16 Authorizing the release of maintenance bond (\$9,168.60), planning escrow balance (\$3,208.70) and inspection escrow balance (\$388.00) to 519-520 Realty Corp., Perth Amboy, NJ for 227 Washington Street, (Block 222, Lot 4.05) Docket No. 2948 in the total amount of \$12,765.30.

R-436-10/16 Authorizing the Tax Collector to submit an application for participation in the pilot program for a 2016 accelerated electronic tax sale promulgated by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

R-437-10/16 Authorizing the City of Perth Amboy Free Public Library to submit a grant application for the Middlesex County Office of Culture & Heritage History co-sponsor program.

R-438-10/16 Authorizing a shared services memorandum of understanding with the Middlesex County Prosecutor's Office for the use of specialized investigative law enforcement equipment.

R-439-10/16 Authorizing an agreement with Alfred's Auction for the disposal by auction of abandoned vehicles and non-running city vehicles.

R-440-10/16 Performing the annual assessment of the Perth Amboy Redevelopment Agency and the Perth Amboy Housing Authority.

R-441-10/16 Authorizing the Perth Amboy Division of Property Assessments to provide both the Chief Financial Officer and Governing Body with the totals of appeals filed and the outcome upon completion of data entry of all County and State appeals filed by April 1st of the tax year no later than June 1st of the tax year.

R-442-10/16 Authorizing refund of fee for use of the Waterfront Gazebo to Magda Loban, Perth Amboy, in the amount of \$50.00.

R-443-10/16 Authorizing the reduction of assessed value in the amount of \$25,000.00 due to a settlement on Block 399.01, Lot 20 (623 Franklin Dr.) and authorizing the adjustment to the 4th quarter in the amount of \$720.00.

R-444-10/16 Extending the contract with Trugreen for the 2016 spraying and fertilization in accordance with the Somerset County Cooperative Price Agreement for an additional \$7,000.00 to an amount not to exceed the sum of \$35,000.00.

R-445-10/16 Authorizing change order No. One to the contract with Z Brothers, for the 2016 road rehabilitation and improvements-various streets in an amount not to exceed \$140,825.90.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. NJDEP submitted a "No Further Action Letter and Covenant Not to Sue" to 142-144 NBA,LLC – Attn: Ali Rada, for removal of one 1000 gallon #2 Heating Oil Underground Storage Tank System for 142-144 New Brunswick Ave. (Block 126, Lot 15). (9/23/16)
2. Elizabethtown Gas submitted two notices of Public Hearings on October 17 and October 19, 2016 regarding Petitions they filed with the NJ Board of Public Utilities to extend the term of their Energy Efficiency Programs and revisions to their Weather Normalization Clause rate, Clean Energy Program rate and On-System Margin Sharing Credit rate. (9/27/16)
3. Larry Cattano, Deputy Police Chief, submitted several responses to questions and comments regarding traffic flow and safety in the areas of various schools in the City. (9/29/16)
4. NJDEP submitted a "No Further Action Letter and Covenant Not to Sue" to Andrew Szaroleta, for removal of one 550 gallon #2 Heating Oil Underground Storage Tank System for 783 Parker St. (Block 424, Lot 16). (9/30/16)

5. Robinson & Cole LLP advising that they represent Chemtura Corp. in the pending acquisition by Lanxess Deutschland GmbH, and submitted four (4) Industrial Site Remediation Act (ISRA) General Information Notices (GIN) for four establishments owned by Chemtura, which includes the former Witco Corp., Perth Amboy Plant, 1000 Convery Blvd., Perth Amboy. (9/30/16)
6. Borough of Sayreville submitted a copy of the resolution urging the ban of the sale of “puppy and kitten mill” dogs and cats from pet shops in the State of NJ and County of Middlesex, which was adopted by the Mayor and Council on Sept. 26, 2016. (9/30/16)
7. JoAnn Jimenez, Tax Assessor, advising that the City is presently assessing at very close to 100% to true value for use in the upcoming tax year, and this will help the City in defending appeals for the upcoming appeal season. This is impressive considering our revaluation is now 10 (ten) years old. (9/30/16)
8. NJDEP submitted a copy of news release in which the Christie Administration announces groundbreaking for nearly \$8 million expansion of Newark’s Riverfront Park. (10/5/16)
9. NJDEP advising that it has scheduled a public hearing on October 20, 2016 at 10:00am in the Millburn Library in Essex County, concerning degraded water supply conditions in the counties comprising the Northeast, Central, and Coastal North drinking-water supply regions. (10/5/16)

**PUBLIC PORTION
(5 MINUTES MAXIMUM PER SPEAKER)**

COUNCIL COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Elaine M. Jasko
City Clerk