

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF WATERTOWN
August 17, 2020
7:00 p.m.**

Mayor Jeffrey M. Smith Presiding

Present: Council Member Sarah V. Compo
Council Member Ryan J. Henry-Wilkinson
Council Member Jesse C. P. Roshia
Council Member Lisa A. Ruggiero
Mayor Jeffrey M. Smith

Also Present: Kenneth A. Mix, City Manager
Robert J. Slye, City Attorney

City staff present: James Mills, Geoffrey Urda

The City Manager presented the following reports to Council:

- Resolution No. 1 - Approving Comprehensive Energy Audit Agreement, Wendel Energy Services, LLC
- Resolution No. 2 - Rejecting Bids for Fairground Baseball Stadium Bleacher Improvements Project
- Resolution No. 3 - Amending the Citizen Participation Plan for the Community Development Block Grant Program, Pursuant to the CARES Act
- Resolution No. 4 - Adopting the Amendment to the City of Watertown's Community Development Block Grant 2020 Annual Action Plan
- Resolution No. 5 - Appointment to the Transportation Commission, Jeph Smith
- Tabled Resolution - Finding That Changing the Approved Zoning Classification of 1348, 1352, and 1356 Washington St., Parcel Numbers 14-21-106.000, 14-21-107.000, and 14-21-108.000 from Residence B to Neighborhood Business Will Not Have a Significant Impact on the Environment
- Tabled Ordinance - Changing the Approved Zoning Classification of 1348, 1352 and 1356 Washington Street, Parcel Numbers 14-21-106.000, 14-21-107.000 and 14-21-108.000 from Residence B to Neighborhood Business
- Grant Street – Summary of Outreach
- Sales Tax Revenue by Category – March-May Quarter Analysis
- Sales Tax Revenue – July 2020
- Sale of Surplus Hydro-electricity – July 2020
- Public Hearing for the Community Development Block Grant Program Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER)

Complete Reports on file in the office of the City Clerk

Meeting opened with a moment of silence.

Pledge of Allegiance was given.

The reading of the minutes of the regular meeting of August 3, 2020 and work session of August 10, 2020, was dispensed and accepted as written by motion of Council Member Ryan J. Henry-Wilkinson, seconded by Council Member Lisa A. Ruggiero and carried with all voting in favor thereof.

COMMUNICATIONS

No communications.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Donnie Lee Barrigar, 134 Union Street, addressed the chair asking the Police Chief and Officers to no longer enforce the mask requirement. He also stated that there is no reason to demolish the Alteri Pool and wanted it to stay open. In regard to his belief that the earth is flat and motionless, he requested that City Engineers go to Thompson Park with him to take measurements that would prove his theory.

Dennis Crowley, 10 South Park Street, Adams, informed Council that he started the North Country Cancer Support Group and requested a waiver for the rental fee of the Park pavilions for the meeting. He advised that the meeting place prior to the Covid-19 pandemic is currently not available and his group would like to meet outside.

Jason Traynor, 142 Mechanic Street, discussed his disbelief in wearing masks during the Covid-19 pandemic, stating people have died from many other things besides Covid-19.

Miranda Peters, 214 South Rutland Street, stated she is a teacher within the School District, as well as a former part-time Parks and Recreation Playground Program employee. She spoke in support of the Fairgrounds Pool and Playground Program, stating the benefits that the Fairgrounds location offers and the other pool locations do not. She submitted a copy of an online petition in opposition to the demolition of the Alteri Pool, along with comments from individuals who signed.

Anna, (no last name given) 207 Wealtha Avenue, said she is a student at Watertown High School and is representing her generation to speak against closing the Alteri Pool. Stating that she goes there a lot in the summer, she noted there are worse things that kids her age could be doing, but attending the pool provides supervision and safety, and she said it provides employment for people her age.

Sarah King, 845 Starbuck Avenue, Apt 1701, spoke in support of keeping the Alteri Pool open, especially during a time when there is less for the children to do due to the restrictions of the pandemic.

Yvonne Gebo, 254 South Hamilton Street, spoke of days when her children learned how to swim at the City pools and how it instilled a lifetime of swimming through competitive teams and lifeguarding as employment. Mentioning that she was heavily involved in the YMCA competitive swim team called the Blue Sharks, she spoke highly of the benefits of swimming as a life skill and sport, especially in children and in later adult years. She said that she does not want to see the neighborhood pool taken away. She advised that she sat on the School Board for many years and understands that difficult decisions need to be made under budget cuts, but asked that the pool not be filled in right away. Lastly, she suggested fundraising for the pools by offering a concession stand, in particular around the baseball fields at North Elementary when evening games are being held.

Shirley Gates, 121 Dorsey Street, spoke in support of the Alteri Pool and wished that it not be filled in right away. She stressed how important swimming is for children and the elderly.

Kevin Crosbie, Brownville, reminisced about days that he attended the pools as a child and said the City needs all three pools because children should have pools that are close to them in which to swim.

Angie Evans, 1406 Gill Street, spoke in support of the Alteri Pool and asked Council to wait before destroying it because it is a City asset. Stating no one can predict what is going to happen in ten years, she suggested that it might be able to be opened back up in the future once the financial crisis of the pandemic subsides.

Elizabeth Smith, 122 South Rutland Street, read from a prepared statement (not on file in the City Clerk's Office) in support of the Alteri Pool and its importance to the people in the Sand Flats.

Abby Berry, 451 Flower Ave East, informed Council that she is 16 years old and was representing others in that age group. She supported keeping the Alteri Pool open and advised that as an Ambassador in the Girl Scouts, which is the highest level, she would bring younger Girl Scouts to the pool during day camp.

Cliff Olney, 847 Washington Street, spoke in support of keeping the Alteri pool and congratulated the City on the completion of the Thompson Park Pool. He suggested "mothballing" the Alteri Pool for now and proposed not making any further decision until the public has a chance to voice their opinion. He also suggested putting this out to a referendum and told Council that they need to invest more in the City in order to have a better quality of life.

Patrick Hickey, 394 Pawling Street, provided Council with an update of his fundraising efforts for the City pools. He indicated that an account has been established at Northern New York Community Foundation (NNYCF) and is ready to receive contributions.

Joe Coffey, 625 Bronson Street, spoke in support of keeping the Alteri Pool. He also expressed concern with the City allowing people to conduct business on City property without collecting taxes from them.

Jonathan Phillips, 735 Mill Street, expressed support for the Alteri Pool and suggested installing solar panels as a way to generate revenue. He also questioned why new sidewalks on Phelps Street were being torn up and replaced. Lastly, he had a complaint about Police vehicles speeding on Mill Street without lights or sirens on.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 1 - Approving Comprehensive Energy Audit Agreement, Wendel Energy Services, LLC

Introduced by Council Member Ryan J. Henry-Wilkinson

WHEREAS the City Purchasing Department has advertised and received sealed proposals for Energy Performance Contract, and

WHEREAS proposals were sent to (4) four service companies, with (3) three proposals submitted to the Purchasing Department, and

WHEREAS on Tuesday, March 17, 2020, at 2:00 p.m., the proposals received were opened, and

WHEREAS City Purchasing Manager Dale Morrow reviewed the proposals received with the City Engineering Department and the Water Superintendent, and it is their recommendation that the City Council accept the proposal submitted by Wendel Energy Services, LLC, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Watertown hereby accepts the proposal from Wendel Energy Services, LLC and approves the Comprehensive Energy Audit Agreement, a copy of which is attached and made part of this resolution, in the amount of \$60,800, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that City Manager Kenneth A. Mix is hereby authorized and directed to execute this agreement on behalf of the City of Watertown.

Seconded by Council Member Jesse C. P. Roshia and carried with all voting yea.

Resolution No. 2 - Rejecting Bids for Fairground Baseball Stadium Bleacher Improvements Project

Introduced by Council Member Ryan J. Henry-Wilkinson

WHEREAS the City Purchasing Department has advertised and received sealed bids for Fairgrounds Baseball Stadium Bleacher Improvements Project, as per City specifications, and

WHEREAS bid invitations were also issued to Bid Net with three (3) sealed bids submitted to the Purchasing Department, and

WHEREAS on Wednesday, August 5, 2020, at 2:00 p.m., the bids received were publicly opened and read, and

WHEREAS it is the City Manager's recommendation that the City Council reject the bids submitted for the Fairground Baseball Stadium Bleacher Improvements Project,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Watertown hereby rejects all bids for the Fairground Baseball Stadium Bleacher Improvements Project.

Seconded by Council Member Jesse C. P. Roshia

Prior to the vote on the foregoing resolution, Council Member Henry-Wilkinson questioned why the bids came in so high.

Mr. Mix indicated that staff did not know the reason, noting the budget amount was based on an estimate that was done for the grant application. He stated that they were going to look at some alternatives to rebidding.

At the call of the chair, a vote was taken on the foregoing resolution and carried with all voting yea.

Resolution No. 3 - Amending the Citizen Participation Plan for the Community Development Block Grant Program, Pursuant to the CARES Act

Introduced by Council Member Ryan J. Henry-Wilkinson

WHEREAS Section 104 (a) (3) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 and Federal Regulations (24 CFR 91.105) require that the City of Watertown adopt a Citizen Participation Plan for its Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program, and

WHEREAS, the Citizen Participation Plan details how the City plans to involve residents, community organizations and agencies as the City develops its Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plans and the Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) for the CDBG Program, and

WHEREAS the United States Congress adopted the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act, in March 2020, which allocated supplemental Community Development Block Grant (CDBG-CV) funding to grantee communities across the country, and

WHEREAS the CARES Act also contains a provision that enables grantees to amend their Citizen Participation Plans (CPP) to reduce the duration of several required public comment periods, including that for amending the CPP itself, with the intent of expediting municipalities' ability to program and spend CDBG-CV funds, and

WHEREAS the City published a draft amendment to its Citizen Participation Plan on July 24, 2020 that formalized the City's intent to utilize the expedited procedures, as authorized by the CARES Act, and made copies available for public viewing at City Hall, the Flower Memorial Library, the Watertown Housing Authority main office, and on the City's web site, and a five-day public comment period took place from July 27, 2020 to July 31, 2020, and

WHEREAS a digital copy of the draft plan amendment was distributed to local constituency groups and organizations identified in the plan on July 24, 2020 and no comments were received prior to the close of business on July 31, 2020, and

WHEREAS a public hearing notice was published in the *Watertown Daily Times* and the City Council held a public hearing on the proposed plan at its meeting on August 3, 2020, and

WHEREAS during the five-day public comment period and during the public hearing, the City received no public comments on the draft Citizen Participation Plan, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Watertown hereby adopts the attached amendment to its Citizen Participation Plan for its CDBG Program.

Seconded by Council Member Jesse C. P. Roshia and carried with all voting yea.

Resolution No. 4 - Adopting the Amendment to the City of Watertown's Community Development Block Grant 2020 Annual Action Plan

Introduced by Council Member Ryan J. Henry-Wilkinson

WHEREAS the 2020 Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act awarded additional funds to the City's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program, and

WHEREAS in order to utilize the funds, the 2020 Annual Action Plan that the City Council adopted on May 4, 2020 must be amended, and

WHEREAS the proposed amendment identifies how the City intends to use the CARES Act CDBG funds provided by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), and

WHEREAS Staff conducted outreach efforts with local constituency groups and the City Council held a public hearing on August 3, 2020, to solicit public comments regarding the proposed amendment, and

WHEREAS the draft amendment to the 2020 Annual Action Plan was completed and published on July 25, 2020, and was made available to the public for review by requesting a copy and placed on the City's website, and

WHEREAS a 5-day public comment period for the draft amendment to the 2020 Annual Action Plan was held between July 27, 2020 and July 31, 2020, after a notice of the comment period was published in the *Watertown Daily Times*,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council hereby adopts the Amendment to the City of Watertown's CDBG Program Annual Action Plan for Program Year 2020, a copy of which is attached and made part of this resolution, and authorizes the submission of the amendment to HUD.

Seconded by Council Member Lisa A. Ruggiero

Prior to the vote on the foregoing resolution, Mayor Smith thanked staff and Council for the ideas and decisions made and provided an overview of the amendment and the purposes for the additional funding.

At the call of the chair, a vote was taken on the foregoing resolution and carried with all voting yea.

Resolution No. 5 - Appointment to the Transportation Commission, Jeph Smith

Introduced by Council Member Ryan J. Henry-Wilkinson

RESOLVED that the following individual is appointed to the Transportation Commission for a three-year term, such term expiring on April 1, 2023:

Jeph Smith
142 Mechanic Street, Apt. 506
Watertown, NY 13601

Seconded by Council Member Lisa A. Ruggiero

Prior to the vote on the foregoing resolution, Mayor Smith introduced Mr. Smith and stated he appreciates that he is willing to give his time to this board.

Other members of Council offered similar remarks.

At the call of the chair, a vote was taken on the foregoing resolution and carried with all voting yea.

OLD BUSINESS

Resolution - Finding That Changing the Approved Zoning Classification of 1348, 1352, and 1356 Washington St., Parcel Numbers 14-21-106.000, 14-21-107.000, and 14-21-108.000 from Residence B to Neighborhood Business Will Not Have a Significant Impact on the Environment. *(Introduced on 6/1/2020; tabled; appears in its entirety in the 2020 Minutes Book on page 11-12 of the 6/1/2020 minutes).*

Remained tabled.

Ordinance - Changing the Approved Zoning Classification of 1348, 1352 and 1356 Washington Street, Parcel Numbers 14-21-106.000, 14-21-107.000 and 14-21-108.000 from Residence B to Neighborhood Business. *(Introduced on 5/18/2020; tabled; appears in its entirety in the 2020 Minutes Book on page 5-6 of the 5/18/2020 minutes).*

Remained tabled.

STAFF REPORTS

Grant Street – Summary of Outreach

Mayor Smith summarized the report, stating the City received good feedback.

City Planner Geoffrey Urda explained that 42 letters were sent to residents along Grant Street and six phone calls and two emails with received. He summarized the comments received, stating there were concerns of whether areas of the road would be less than 26 feet wide, whether parking would be allowed, the amount of snow storage and how it would be funded. He provided the explanations that were given for each concern and indicated that the majority expressed gratitude that Grant Street would be resurfaced.

Council Member Ruggiero passed along input that she had received from a constituent and Mr. Urda indicated that the constituent had spoken to him as well.

Sales Tax Revenue by Category – March-May Quarter Analysis

A report was available for Council to review.

Sales Tax Revenue – July 2020

Mayor Smith stated sales tax is down compared to last year but is up a little bit more than the amount budgeted.

Council Member Ruggiero noted the July sales tax showed it was \$300,000 over what was budgeted and wondered if this trend would continue.

City Comptroller James Mills advised that one month is not anything to base an opinion on and it is just an estimate until quarterly results are received, stressing that there is too much uncertainty.

Sale of Surplus Hydro-electricity – July 2020

Mayor Smith stated that hydro is down significantly and asked if changes in this are expected.

Mr. Mills stated that it is hard to predict, but noted the hydro construction project is scheduled to finish at the end of the month, so after that, it is dependent on Mother Nature.

Public Hearing for the Community Development Block Grant Program Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER)

Mayor Smith explained the staff memo indicating that a second public hearing must be held in September after the conclusion of the program year.

Motion was made by Council Member Ryan J. Henry-Wilkinson to schedule a Public Hearing to hear public comments on the City's Community Development Block Grant Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) for Monday, September 21, 2019 at 7:15 p.m. Motion was seconded by Council Member Lisa A. Ruggiero on and carried with all voting in favor thereof.

NEW BUSINESS

Outdoor Dining

Council Member Compo thanked City staff for installing the picnic table for City Dawgz Food Truck.

City Pool Private Fundraising Fund

In response to Council Member Compo's question, Mr. Hickey explained how someone can donate to the City Pool Fund at NNYCF.

Council Member Roshia thanked Mr. Hickey for what he is doing for the community.

Alteri/ Fairgrounds Pool Support – Privilege of the Floor Comments

Council Member Compo mentioned that Miranda Peters submitted a petition in support of keeping the Alteri Pool and she would like to view the petition and the breakdown of where people live. She thanked everyone who showed up to speak in support of the Alteri Pool and defended her position on closing the Alteri Pool. She stressed that a City this size does not need three pools and noted the financial challenges that the City faces now and in the future when the hydro contract expires. She said she is not looking to take away recreational opportunities, but instead, provide more cost-efficient recreation. Regarding the concern that the pools provide an activity to keep children off drugs, she said she finds it ironic that there was not a protest outside when recent Police positions had to be cut due to the budget fall, which she said is more worthy of a protest. Lastly, she said if there is truly a need for a third pool in the City of Watertown, then maybe the City should consider partnering with the City School District.

Council Member Henry-Wilkinson said he does not feel good about the decision on the Alteri Pool, and he stated that he does not see the harm in mothballing the pool for now. Stating he does not understand the rush to demolish it, he remarked that he would rather wait and put a cover on it and fence off the area.

In regard to Ms. Gebo's suggestion of having a concession stand at the baseball fields, Council Member Roshia agreed that this is a good idea and would be well used by families in the evenings.

Council Member Roshia stressed that this is not a decision that he takes lightly and there are a lot of people on both sides. He advised that he is not on Council to make popular decisions, but to make the best financial decisions possible for the long term and the City cannot afford three pools. He stressed that this is not about picking one group over another and reminded everyone that the decision to close the Alteri Pool was based on staff's recommendation of which pool is in need of less work. Regarding someone's comment that the pool and playground provides free lunches for children, he pointed out that Council just approved providing more funding to the food banks and backpack program by the amendment to the CDBG program. Lastly, he remarked that Council Member Compo made a good point in regard to the drug problem and cutting Police Officers. He said that in place of funding maintenance of a third pool at a cost of \$80,000, he would rather see that money goes towards hiring back the officers that were recently laid off.

Council Member Ruggiero told Council that she has received a lot of outreach from people concerned with the closing of the Alteri Pool, including two County Legislators (Anthony Doldo and Francine Calarco). She advised that Mr. Doldo indicated that the City needs to look at how it does business to save money and questioned how many employees are allowed to take City vehicles home. Council Member Ruggiero also suggested exploring the possibility of leasing the Alteri Pool to the YMCA. She said she thinks the pool is in good condition and has been working so she cannot understand closing it. Reviewing statistics from previous years, she discussed the attendance patterns and suggested charging for admission as a way to fund the pool. Noting the cost of the bus shuttle to bring people to the Thompson Park Pool, she estimated the cost of continuing this shuttle in the future. She offered another suggestion for a funding source, stating a food truck could be located at the pool site and the City could receive a percentage of their sales. She stressed that, going forward, the City needs to look at what can be done to generate more revenue. Lastly, she mentioned the deed to the Kostyk Field and the restriction that a pool must be constructed, and maintained, at that site or the land would revert back to the Kostyk family. She expressed concern that the Alteri Pool which was installed at the Fairgrounds was linked to this deed restriction, and if it was closed, this would go against the deed restriction of not maintaining the pool.

Mayor Smith replied that the question of the deed restriction was addressed in an email by Attorney Slye and asked that, for the record and the public's benefit, Attorney Slye provide a summary of his email.

Attorney Slye pointed out that the deed restriction was on the Kostyk Field property, not the Fairgrounds. He reviewed the language of the deed restriction and advised that there is a statute of limitations on the reversion. Explaining the timeline of the transfer of property and deed restriction, Attorney Slye assured Council the statute of limitations had expired. He also pointed out that if there was a later agreement to have the pool built on the Fairgrounds property instead of Kostyk Field, the covenant only applied to the original land and did not impose a restriction that the Fairground pool could not be torn down. He noted that would be an out-of-record title promise and the purpose of the real property recording statute is to give a person a right to rely upon the real property and what it says without having to look at someone else's deed to see if there is a restriction that applies to their own property. He also discussed the difficulties of binding a future Council and how he warns against it.

Reiterating the timeline of the deed restriction, Mayor Smith pointed out that the statute of limitations expired around 1960 and the pool at the Fairgrounds was built in the 1970's, concluding that they are not connected. Regarding comments alluding to nefarious intent behind this decision by Council, Mayor Smith stated he is unaware of any and those unfounded accusations are unfair. He stressed that he has

done his homework on this and it was not an easy decision, and he clarified that this decision was not about any particular part of the City, any religion or national heritage, noting that his nephews are first cousins to the Alteri family. He stressed this is about the City as a whole and its assets and it is not a southside vs. northside vs. westside vs. eastside of the City type of thing. He quoted a newspaper article written in 1950 when the City was considering a third pool in which the National Park and Recreation Association recommended one pool per 30,000 people and stated the current National Park and Recreation Association has published a recommendation for communities to have one pool per 20,000 people. He mentioned this is a matter of financial planning for the future, and not just due to the COVID-19 financial impact, and he reminded everyone that there will still be two pools for a City with just over 25,000 people. He then offered comparisons between other cities the size of Watertown, including Auburn, Troy, Saratoga, Ithaca, Oswego, Poughkeepsie and Peekskill demonstrating those communities have fewer pools than the City of Watertown. Noting the pool season is only 10 weeks per year, he reviewed the cost of operating the pool each year, and he pointed out that in 10 years, when the hydro contract expires, the City will lose a \$6 million revenue source, which calculates to a 60% tax increase, so the City needs to start planning for that now. Lastly, he discussed the possibility of this year's revenue being higher than had been budgeted and the suggestion by others to use it towards operating the third pool. He advised Council's first action should be to hire back the Police Officers that were laid off to help with the drug problem, and Council's second action should be to give back the money to the employees who had to take a pay cut rather than be spent on opening a third pool. He concluded saying it would be irresponsible not to start planning now for the fiscal cliff that will occur in 10 years, and that is the basis of his financial decision.

Thompson Park Pool Ribbon Cutting

Council Member Henry-Wilkinson mentioned the ribbon cutting on Friday and said it was nice to see this finally come to fruition. He thanked staff and vendor partners and discussed how beneficial the zero-grade entry is, especially for the elderly.

Council Member Roshia commented that even though there was a difference of opinion on the need for the pool, the result is something to be proud of for the City.

Council Member Ruggiero also discussed the benefit of the zero-grade entry and commented that this is a beautiful facility. She added that she sees the Thompson Park Pool as a destination place and highlighted the year-round bathroom facilities. Lastly, she thanked Senator Ritchie for the assistance in obtaining a \$200,000 grant for funding this project.

Zoning Re-write Committee

Council Member Henry-Wilkinson stated the first meeting was held and noted it is going to be a long process. He thanked staff and Elan for their work and said it is an honor to serve on the committee on behalf of Council.

Council Member Roshia thanked Council Member Henry-Wilkinson for his participation.

Census

Council Member Henry-Wilkinson thanked Assemblyman Walczyk for sending out a census mailer and urged citizens to complete their census by going online to www.my2020census.gov.

Phelps Street Sidewalk – Mr. Philips' Privilege of the Floor Comments

Council Member Roshia suggested the sidewalk that was being replaced may be due to the installation of an ADA ramp.

Alliance for Better Communities

Council Member Ruggiero announced that there will be a virtual meeting tomorrow and anyone is welcome to sign in to attend. She stated that she appreciates this organization's help with the City's drug problem.

Public Parking Area in Thompson Park Near Watertown Golf Club

Council Member Ruggiero mentioned the recent decision to designate this area for public parking and wondered if a public hearing was required prior to the decision.

Attorney Slye explained that there was a misunderstanding of comments he had made in regard to when Mr. Lundy of Watertown Golf Club was going to construct a public parking lot and that it does not apply to the City.

North Country Cancer Support Group Request for Fee Waiver

Mayor Smith said he understands the struggle of cancer patients and the need for support, noting that his mother is currently undergoing treatments, but it is best that the City stick to the policy of not waiving fees.

Mr. Mix confirmed that the fee is only if there is a reservation made for the pavilion, but the group is welcome to use the pavilion, without a reservation, if it is open and not being used by another group. He added that if another group reserves it though and shows up, that the North Country Cancer Support Group will need to move at that point.

Motion was made by Council Member Ryan J. Henry-Wilkinson to move into Executive Session to discuss pending litigation.

Motion was seconded by Council Member Lisa A. Ruggiero and carried with all voting in favor thereof.

Council moved into Executive Session at 9:05 p.m.

Council reconvened at 9:35 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

At the call of the chair, meeting was duly adjourned at 9:35 p.m. until Monday, August 24, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. by motion of Council Member Ryan J. Henry-Wilkinson, seconded by Council Member Lisa A. Ruggiero and carried with all voting in favor thereof.

Ann M. Saunders
City Clerk