

CITY OF SALEM
COMMON COUNCIL CAUCUS MEETING AGENDA
OCTOBER 10, 2023
6:30PM

OPENING 6:30PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Council President Earl Gage

INVOCATION: Council President Earl Gage

STATEMENT OF ADVERTISEMENT:

The Deputy Clerk read the following: Notice of this meeting has been provided to the south Jersey Times and the Elmer Times and is posted on the City Hall Bulletin Board stating the time and the place of the meeting.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Cline, Davis, Gregory, Groce, Kellum, Smith, Gage

Also present: Mayor Veler, Admin/Clerk Ben Angeli, Solicitor McCann, CFO Nunez, Commerce Director Bailey, Deputy Clerk Mandy Renner.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

Motion: Gregory and Second: Kellum

All Council Members present voted in favor in a voice vote.

Ben Angeli stated the following: The public is instructed that this portion of the meeting is provided for comments and questions on Agenda items only. There will be a public portion later in the meeting for general comments and questions. Please state your name and address, street name only for the record.

PUBLIC PORTION FOR AGENDA ITEMS ONLY:

Motion to open: Gregory and Second: Kellum

All Council Members present voted in favor in a voice vote.

No questions were asked by the public

Motion to close the public portion on agenda items: Gregory and second: Smith

All Council Members present voted in favor in a voice vote.

Mayor Veler read a Proclamation honoring The Second Baptist Church of Salem

COMMUNICATIONS/APPLICATIONS/REPORTS:

Approval of an Entertainment License for Marvin Ford for community Barbeque on October 14, 2023 at MLK park.

Motion to approve: Gregory and Second: Kellum
All Council Members present voted in favor in a voice vote

APPROVAL OF MINTUES

2/14/2022 Council Caucus Meeting
Motion to approve: Gregory and Second: Kellum
All Council Members present voted in favor in a voice vote. Abstain- Smith

2/14/2022 Executive session
Motion to approve: Gregory and Second: Kellum
All Council Members present voted in favor in a voice vote. Abstain- Smith

2/22/2022 Regular Council Meeting
Motion to approve: Gregory and Second: Kellum
All Council Members present voted in favor in a voice vote. Abstain- Slaughter and Smith

2/22/2022 Executive Session
Motion to approve: Gregory and Second: Kellum
All Council Members present voted in favor in a voice vote. Abstain- Slaughter and Smith

11/29/2022 Special Council Meeting
Motion to approve: Gregory and Second: Kellum
All Council Members present voted in favor in a voice vote. Abstain- Slaughter and Kellum

11/29/2022 Executive Session
Motion to approve: Gregory and Second: Kellum
All Council Members present voted in favor in a voice vote. Abstain- Slaughter and Kellum

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION:

RES. 2023-249 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SIGNING THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ADENDUM FOR CY2023 SUPPEMENTAL TRANSITIONAL ISD IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,100,000.00 BETWEEN THE CITY OF SALEM AND THE DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISON OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES

Motion to adopt: Gregory and Second: Kellum
Roll Call: Davis, Gregory, Groce, Kellum, Gage voted yes.

RES. 2023-250 A RESOLUTION APPROVING AGREEMENT WITH SOUTH JERSEY PORT CORPORATION

Motion to Introduce: Gregory Second: Kellum.
All Council Members present voted in favor in voice vote

RES. 2023-251 AUTHORIZING AN AWARD OF CONTRACT TO HUDCHOICE
PLANNER/COORDINATOR, IN A JOINT PARTNERSHIP WITH THE SALEM
HOUSING AUTHORITY FOR THE RESIDENTS OF THE WESTSIDE COURT
APARTMENT COMPLEX AND RECREATIONAL PARK

Motion to Introduce: Gregory Second: Kellum.
All Council Members present voted in favor in voice vote

RES. 2023-252 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH
FRA TECHNOLOGIES FOR SOFTWARE RENEWAL AND SUPPORT FOR
ANIMAL LICENSING

Motion to Introduce: Gregory Second: Kellum.
All Council Members present voted in favor in voice vote

RES. 2023-253 RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF SALEM CITY RESCINDING
RESOLUTION 2023-227 FOR CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 TO THE NJDOT SMITH
STREET RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT- IN THE AMOUNT OF \$8,250.00

Motion to Introduce: Gregory Second: Kellum.
All Council Members present voted in favor in voice vote

RES. 2023-254 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTIVE SESSION
*(5) Matters relating to the purchase, lease acquisition of real property
or investment of public funds*
(8) Matters relating to the employment relationship

Motion to Introduce: Gregory Second: Kellum.
All Council Members present voted in favor in voice vote

RES. 2023-255 AUTHORIZATION TO CANCEL GRANTS RECEIVABLES AND RESERVES

Motion to Introduce: Gregory Second: Kellum.
All Council Members present voted in favor in voice vote

RES. 2023-256 EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION

Motion to Introduce: Gregory Second: Kellum.
All Council Members present voted in favor in voice vote

RES. 2023-257 AUTHORIZING SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF
SALEM AND THE COUNTY OF SALEM FOR POLICE DISPATCH

Motion to Introduce: Gregory Second: Kellum.
All Council Members present voted in favor in voice vote

RES. 2023-258 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A RETAINER AGREEMENT WITH THE LAW
FIRM OF KEVIN MADONNA, PLLC TO INVESTIGATE AND ASSES POTENTIAL
CLAIMS AGAINST VARIOUS DEFENDANTS RELATED TO PFAS'
CONTAIMINATION AFFECTING CITY WELLS AND TO PROVIDE LEGAL
REPRESENTATION IN ANY CIVIL ACTION AS MAY BE FILED ON BEHALF OF
THE CITY OF SALEM

Motion to table: Gregory Second: Kellum.
All Council Members present voted in favor in voice vote

RES. 2023-259 A RESOLUTION APPROVING ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR DESIGN AND
PERMITTING SERVICES FOR THE TREATMENT PF PFAS

Motion to Introduce: Gregory Second: Kellum.
All Council Members present voted in favor in voice vote

RES. 2023-260 PROVIDING FOR THE INSERTION OF SPECIAL ITEMS OF REVENUE AND
APPROPRIATION IN THE 2023 BUDGET CHAPTER 159 IN THE CITY OF
SALEM, COUNTY OF SALEM, STATE OF NEW JERSEY NJ DCA DLGS LEAD
ASSITANCE GRANT PROGRAM (LGAP)

Motion to Introduce: Gregory Second: Kellum.
All Council Members present voted in favor in voice vote

COMMITTEE REPORTS AND DISCUSSION:

ADMINISTRATION (Gage, Gregory, Kellum, Smith) Gage discussed the Grant Writer position

PUBLIC SAFETY (Gage, Smith, Groce, Davis) Mr. Davis explained how the gun violence across the city has dropped 50% in the last 30 days.

PUBLIC WORKS (Groce, Gregory, Gage, Slaughter) Groce stated that the city is in the design phase for the PFAS treatment. Groce also expressed concern of needing two more employees for the public works department.

ORDINANCE (Cline, Smith, Groce) Cline spoke about trying to complete the five-year road moratorium.

NEIGHBORHOOD INITIATIVES/PARKS AND RECS (Slaughter, Smith, Cline, Davis) Davis stated that another contractor will be giving a quote for the basketball court on Hubble Ave. Davis asked if the vacant lot on Olive Street can be cleaned up and place a bench with a plaque.

ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (Smith, Davis, Gregory, Cline) Mr. Bailey explained the next steps with the Brownfield development areas.

HOUSING (Cline, Gregory, Gage, Davis) Cline advised council and the public that two houses have been looked at for Habitat for Humanity. Cline also reported that No Trespassing signs have been place on city owned property.

QIZ COMMITTEE REPORT (Cline, Gregory, Groce, Gage) Cline stated that a date is being set with the Housing authority and the Mayor. Cline also announced that the Cannabis Committee is complete.

MAYORAL COMMENTS: ADMINISTRATOR REPORT: Noting to report

CFO REPORT: Nothing to report

COMMERCE DIRECTOR REPORT: Bailey spoke about Brownfield doing in person site visits, with 352-354 Broadway being one of the properties they will be looking at.

OLD BUSINESS: Robert Davis asked when the One-Way signs will be up on Carpenter Street. Ben Angeli stated that the signs are currently being made.

NEW BUSINESS: Sharon Cline expressed concerns regarding the middle school kids not having any where to play during school hours.

PUBLIC PORTION:

Motion to open: Kellum Second: Groce

All Council Members present voted in favor in a voice vote

Sonita Johnson asked the current status of the pool. Mandy Renner responded that the city just received the specs. Once the specs are approved the city will move on to the bid process.

Joyce Johnson, asked if there are any updates on the water shut off. Ben Angeli replied not at this time.

Lou Perry, asked is there is any funding for the planning Board members training, Kenia Nunez responded that the city is looking into it.

Motion to close the public portion.

Motion to close: Kellum Second: Groce
All Council Members present voted in favor in a voice vote

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion to go into executive session: Kellum and Second Groce
All Council Members present voted in favor in a voice vote.

Mr. Angeli stated that Executive Session would last about one hour and that no action can be taken in a closed session. He said that action can be taken after executive session.

The Governing Body, City Solicitor, City Admin/Clerk and Deputy Clerk, CFO, Commerce Director moved into a closed session.

Motion to leave executive session: Kellum and Second: Groce

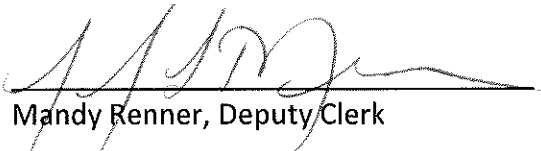
Mr. Angeli stated that no action was taken in Executive Session and that all members that entered the session are still present.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion: Kellum and Second: Groce
All Council Members present voted in favor in a voice vote

THE NEXT COMMON COUNCIL CAUCUS MEETING WILL BE
October 13, 2023 AT 6:30 PM

Minutes respectfully submitted by:


Mandy Renner, Deputy Clerk

10/12/2023
Date

CITY OF SALEM
COMMON COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING AGENDA
OCTOBER 16, 2023
6:30PM

OPENING 6:30PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Council President Gage

INVOCATION: Council President Gage

STATEMENT OF ALLEGIANCE:

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ROLL CALL:

Present: Cline, Davis, Gregory, Groce, Kellum, Slaughter, Smith, Gage

Also present: Mayor Veler, Solicitor McCann, CFO Nunez, Commerce Director Bailey, Admin/Clerk Angeli, Deputy Clerk Renner.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

Motion: Gregory and Second: Kellum

All Council Members present voted in favor in a voice vote.

PRESENTATION AND PROCLAMATION:

Mayor Veler read presentation to Project Legacy for raising \$22,471.47 for the City football field, bleachers and press box.

PUBLIC PORTION FOR AGENDA ITEMS ONLY:

Motion to open: Gregory and Second: Kellum

All Council Members present voted in favor in a voice vote.

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Caleb, New Union St. questioned Resolution 2023-264 as to what it meant. CFO Nunez explained the process of supplemental transitional aid. Caleb also asked why the City is rejecting bid. The City Clerk, Ben Angeli explained that the bid for the basketball court for Hubble Ave. came in over budget and the City is in the process of going out for Re-Bid.

Motion to close the public portion on agenda items: Gregory and second: Kellum
All Council Members present voted in favor in a voice vote.

COMMUNICATIONS/APPLICATIONS/REPORTS

Approval of an Entertainment License for Beautiful Vessels Housing and Family Development for an outreach event on 10-28-2023 from 12:00-2:00pm in MLK Park.

Motion: Gregory and Second: Kellum
All Council Members present voted in favor in a voice vote.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

9-18-23 Regular Meeting

Motion: Gregory and Second: Kellum

All Council Members present voted in favor in a voice vote. Abstain: Smith, Cline

9-11-23 Caucus Meeting

Motion: Gregory and Second: Kellum

All Council Members present voted in favor in a voice vote. Abstain: Kellum

10-10-23 Caucus Meeting

Motion: Gregory and Second: Kellum

All Council Members present voted in favor in a voice vote. Abstain: Slaughter

SECOND READING OF AND HEARING FOR ORDINANCES

ORD. 23-15 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 225, SECTION 37 HANDICAPPED PARKING ZONE, AUTHORIZING A HANDICAPPED PARKING SIGN TO BE PLACED AT 52 NEW MARKET STREET

Motion to open the public hearing on ORD. 23-15

Motion: Gregory and Second: Kellum

All Council Members present voted in favor in a voice vote.

No public comment

Motion to close the public hearing on ORD. 23-15
Motion: Gregory and Second: Kellum
All Council Members present voted in favor in a voice vote

Motion to adopt ORD. 23-15
Motion: Gregory and Second: Kellum
Roll call vote: Cline-yes, Gregory-yes, Groce-yes, Kellum-yes, Smith-yea, Gage-yes

INTRODUSTION OF A RESOLUTION FOR CONSIDERATION

RES. 2023-261 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF SALEM TO ACCEPT THE USDA
533 HOUSING PRESERVATION GRANT AWARD

Motion to Introduce: Gregory and Second: Kellum.
All Council Members present voted in favor in voice vote

RES. 2023-262 A RESOLUTION APPOINTING AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF SALEM
COMMERCE DEPARTMENT TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT A GRANT
APPLICATION TO THE ARMY CORP OF ENGINEERS

Motion to Introduce: Gregory and Second: Kellum.
All Council Members present voted in favor in voice vote

RES. 2023-263 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO ACCEPT A DONATION FROM
PROJECT LEGACY FOR THE CITY FOOTBALL FIELD BLEACHERS AND PRESS
BOX IN THE AMOUNT OF \$22,471.47

Motion to Introduce: Gregory and Second: Kellum.
All Council Members present voted in favor in voice vote

RES. 2023-264 PROVIDING FOR THE INSERTION OF SPECIAL ITEMS OF REVENUE AND
APPROPRIATION IN THE 2023, BUDGET CHAPTER 159 IN THE CITY OF
SALEM, COUNTY OF SALEM, STATE OF NEW JERSEY NJ DCADLGS
SUPPLEMENTL TRANSITONAL AID

Motion to Introduce: Gregory and Second: Kellum.
All Council Members present voted in favor in voice vote

RES. 2023-265 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REJECTION OF BIDS FOR RESURFACING
BASKETBALL COURT ON HUBBLE AVENUE (RE-BID)

Motion to Introduce: Gregory and Second: Kellum.
All Council Members present voted in favor in voice vote

RES. 2023-266 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTIVE SESSION
 (4) *Matters pertaining to a collective bargaining agreement*
 (7) *Matters relating to litigation, negotiations and attorney-client*
 privilege
 (5) *Matters relating to the purchase, lease acquisition of real property or*
 investment of public funds

Motion to Introduce: Gregory and Second: Kellum.
All Council Members present voted in favor in voice vote

RES. 2023-267 A RESOLUTION APPROVING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF SALEM
 AND PRO-TEC FOR INSPECTION SERVICES

Motion to Introduce: Gregory and Second: Kellum.
All Council Members present voted in favor in voice vote

RES. 2023-268 A RESOLUTION TO EMPLOY JERMAINE KEY AS THE PARKING
 ENFORCEMENT OFFICER FOR THE CITY OF SALEM

Motion to Introduce: Gregory and Second: Kellum.
All Council Members present voted in favor in voice vote

RES. 2023-269 A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A FAIR AND OPEN PROCESS FOR THE
 AWARDING OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACTS FOR THE CITY OF
 SALEM

Motion to Introduce: Gregory and Second: Kellum.
All Council Members present voted in favor in voice vote

RES. 2023-270 A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING FAIR AND OPEN PROCESS FOR THE
 AWARDING OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACTS FOR THE CITY OF
 SALEM PLANNING BOARD

Motion to Introduce: Gregory and Second: Kellum.
All Council Members present voted in favor in voice vote

RES. 2023-272 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A NON-FAIR AND OPEN
 CONTRACT FOR LITIGATION

Motion to Table: Gregory and Second: Kellum.
All Council Members present voted in favor in voice vote

RES. 2023-273 AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A PROESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT TO
 BROWNFIELD REDEVEOPMENT SOLUTIONS, INC (BRS), GRANT
 CONSULTANTS, FOR USACOE PILOT PROGRAM FOR WATER RESOURCES

Motion to Introduce: Gregory and Second: Kellum.
All Council Members present voted in favor in voice vote

MAYORAL COMMENTS: Mayor Veler explained different projects the City of Salem would like to do if the City sales the water, with the consent of the state monitor.

NEW BUSINESS- Ben Angeli read a statement to the public and council regarding a statement that was made at a prior meeting,

OLD BUSINESS- Nothing to report at this time.

Motion to open Public Portion: Gregory and Second: Kellum
All Council members present voted in favor in a voice vote

PUBLIC PORTION:

Taj, New Union St, recommended that the city start having more events for Halloween.

Jennifer Jones, discussed the brass plaques and the history of how they were made.

Joyce Johnson, expressed concern regarding an incident with her car being broken into on Broadway and the arrival time of the police was 20 minutes.

Motion to close Public Portion: Gregory and Second: Kellum
All Council members present voted in favor in a voice vote

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion to go into executive session: Gregory and Second Kellum
All Council Members present voted in favor in a voice vote.

Mr. Angeli stated that Executive Session would last about one hour and that no action can be taken in a closed session. He said that action can be taken after executive session.

The Governing Body, City Solicitor, City Admin/Clerk and Deputy Clerk, CFO, Commerce Director moved into a closed session.

Motion to leave executive session: Gregory and Second: Kellum

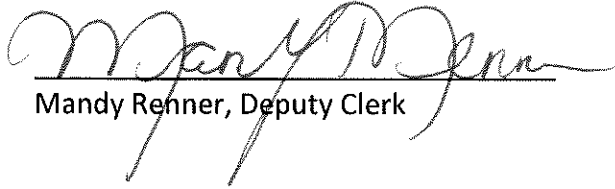
Mr. Angeli stated that no action was taken in Executive Session and that all members that entered the session are still present.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn the meeting: Gregory and Second: Kellum
All Council Members present voted in favor in a voice vote

NEXT COMMON COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING:
November 20, 2023 AT 6:30 PM

Minutes respectfully submitted by:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Mandy Renner", is written over a horizontal line.

Mandy Renner, Deputy Clerk

CITY OF SALEM
COMMON COUNCIL CAUCUS MEETING AGENDA
NOVEMBER 13, 2023
6:30PM

OPENING 6:30PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Council President Earl Gage

INVOCATION: Council President Earl Gage

STATEMENT OF ADVERTISEMENT:

The Deputy Clerk read the following: Notice of this meeting has been provided to the south Jersey Times and the Elmer Times and is posted on the City Hall Bulletin Board stating the time and the place of the meeting.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Cline, Kellum, Smith, Gage

Also present: Mayor Veler, Admin/Clerk Ben Angeli, Solicitor McCann, Deputy Clerk Mandy Renner.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

Motion: Kellum Second: Smith

All Council Members present voted in favor in a voice vote.

Ben Angeli stated the following: The public is instructed that this portion of the meeting is provided for comments and questions on Agenda items only. There will be a public portion later in the meeting for general comments and questions. Please state your name and address, street name only for the record.

PUBLIC PORTION FOR AGENDA ITEMS ONLY:

Motion to open: Kellum and Second: Smith

All Council Members present voted in favor in a voice vote.

No questions were asked by the public

Motion to close the public portion on agenda items: Kellum and second: Smith

All Council Members present voted in favor in a voice vote.

Mayor Veler appointed Eric Pankok to the free library Board of Trustees for a term that expires 12-31-2023

COMMUNICATIONS/APPLICATIONS/REPORTS:

Approval of an Entertainment License for Salem Little League to use pole barn building for winter training from 2023 to April 2024

Motion to approve: Kellum and Second: Smith
All Council Members present voted in favor in a voice vote

Approval of an Entertainment License for Stand Up for Salem Magic of Christmas Parade 9AM to 12 Noon on 12/2/2023

Motion to approve: Kellum and Second: Smith
All Council Members present voted in favor in a voice vote

APPROVAL OF MINTUES

2/28/2022 Special Council Meeting
Motion to approve: Kellum and Second: Smith
All Council Members present voted in favor in a voice vote. Abstain- Smith

3/14/2022 Caucus Meeting
Motion to approve: Kellum and Second: Smith
All Council Members present voted in favor in a voice vote. Abstain- Smith

3/14/2022 Executive Session
Motion to approve: Kellum and Second: Smith
All Council Members present voted in favor in a voice vote. Abstain- Smith

3/21/2022 Regular Meeting
Motion to approve: Kellum and Second: Smith
All Council Members present voted in favor in a voice vote. Abstain- Groce and Smith

4/11/2022 Caucus Meeting
Motion to approve: Kellum and Second: Smith
All Council Members present voted in favor in a voice vote. Abstain- Smith

4/11/2022 Executive Session
Motion to approve: Kellum and Second: Smith
All Council Members present voted in favor in a voice vote. Abstain- Smith

5/09/2022 Caucus Meeting

Motion to approve: Kellum and Second: Smith

All Council Members present voted in favor in a voice vote. Abstain- Smith

5/09/2022 Executive Session

Motion to approve: Kellum and Second: Smith

All Council Members present voted in favor in a voice vote. Abstain- Gregory and Smith

10/16/2023 Regular Meeting

Motion to approve: Kellum and Second: Smith

All Council Members present voted in favor in a voice vote.

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION:

RES. 2023-274 A RESOLUTION TO AWARDED THE BID FOR THE CITY OF SALEM
MUNICIPAL BUILDING FIRST FLOOR FIT-OUT TO ALIANO BROTHERS
GENERAL CONTRACTORS, INC.

Motion to adopt: Kellum and Second: Smith

All Council Members present voted in favor in voice vote

RES. 2023-275 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF SALEM TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS
FOR CHEMICALS AND WATER METERS FOR THE YEAR 2024 FOR THE
WATER AND SEWER DEPARTMENT

Motion to Introduce: Kellum Second: Smith.

All Council Members present voted in favor in voice vote

RES. 2023-276 A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT THE CITY ROAD/STREET ENGINEER'S COST
PROPOSAL FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICE FOR THE PRELIMINARY
ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE SUPPLEMENTAL TRANSITIONAL AID
ROAD PROJECT PHASE 2

Motion to Introduce: Kellum Second: Smith.

All Council Members present voted in favor in voice vote

RES. 2023-277 RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE REVIEW AND SUBMISSION OF THE BEST
PRACTICES INVENTORY FOR 2023

Motion to Introduce: Kellum Second: Smith.

All Council Members present voted in favor in voice vote

RES. 2023-278 A RESOLUTION APPROVING SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT WITH THE SALEM MANOR, LLC.

Motion to Introduce: Kellum Second: Smith.
All Council Members present voted in favor in voice vote

RES. 2023-279 RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF SALEM CITY RESCINDING RESOLUTION 2023-271

Motion to Introduce: Kellum Second: Smith.
All Council Members present voted in favor in voice vote

RES. 2023-280 RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF SALEM CITY AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 AND FINAL TO THE NJDOT SMITH STREET RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT A DECREASE IN THE AMOUNT OF (\$6,070.66)

Motion to Introduce: Kellum Second: Smith.
All Council Members present voted in favor in voice vote

RES. 2023-281 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE AND MAINTENANCE BOND POSTED BY A.C. SCHULTES INC FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF WELL #9

Motion to Introduce: Kellum Second: Smith.
All Council Members present voted in favor in voice vote

RES. 2023-282 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT WITH HMR ARCHITECTS, PA TO PREPARE CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENTS FOR PHASE 1 EXTERIOR RESTORATION FOR THE SARAH NICHOLSON ALLEN HOUSE, 67 WEST BROADWAY IN SALEM, NEW JERSEY

Motion to Introduce: Kellum Second: Smith.
All Council Members present voted in favor in voice vote

RES. 2023-283 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF A PLAN FOR THE SALEM CITY MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE GRANT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2025

Motion to table: Kellum Second: Smith.
All Council Members present voted in favor in voice vote

RES. 2023-284 PROVIDING FOR THE INSERTION OF SPECIAL ITEMS OF REVENUE AND APPROPRIATION IN THE 2023 BUDGET CHAPTER 159 IN THE CITY OF SALEM, COUNTY OF SALEM, STATE OF NEW JERSEY USDA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Motion to Introduce: Kellum Second: Smith.
All Council Members present voted in favor in voice vote

RES. 2023-285 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN A SETTLEMENT AND RELEASE AGREEMENT

Motion to Introduce: Kellum Second: Smith.
All Council Members present voted in favor in voice vote

RES. 2023-286 A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR A MEETING NOT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE NEW JERSEY OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT, NJSA 10:4-12. These items are for
(4) Matters pertaining to a collective bargaining agreement
(8) Matters relating to the employment relationship

Motion to Introduce: Kellum Second: Smith.
All Council Members present voted in favor in voice vote

RES. 2023-287, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SALEM CITY CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE TO EXECUTE THE LOCAL EFFICIENCY ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAM (LEAP) GRANT AGREEMENT AS AMENDED

Motion to Introduce: Kellum Second: Smith.
All Council Members present voted in favor in voice vote

COMMITTEE REPORTS AND DISCUSSION:

ADMINISTRATION (Gage, Gregory, Kellum, Smith) Gage confirmed Re-Org will take place on January 1, 2023.

PUBLIC SAFETY (Gage, Smith, Groce, Davis) Lt. Michael Brooks stated that the City of Salem will have a shared service agreement for EMT's.

PUBLIC WORKS (Groce, Gregory, Gage, Slaughter) Mayor Veler expressed concern about the slide needing repairs. Ben Angeli suggested looking into a new trash agreement.

ORDINANCE (Cline, Smith, Groce) Cline discussed the five-year road moratorium.

NEIGHBORHOOD INITIATIVES/PARKS AND RECS (Slaughter, Smith, Cline, Davis: Nothing to report.

HOUSING (Cline, Gregory, Gage, Davis) Cline spoke about the October 24, 2023 meeting. The meeting was an ice break that involved different agencies.

QIZ COMMITTEE REPORT (Cline, Gregory, Groce, Gage) Cline stated that Charlie Hassler as well as herself tagged City of properties within the city.

MAYORAL COMMENTS: Mayor Veler stated that Americorp is still assisting with energy repairs.

ADMINISTRATOR REPORT: Nothing to report.

CFO REPORT: Nothing to report.

COMMERCE DIRECTOR REPORT: Bailey spoke about holding interviews for the Grant Writer position.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

PUBLIC PORTION:

Motion to open: Kellum Second: Smith

All Council Members present voted in favor in a voice vote

Jim Cherry, Chestnut St. expressed concerns regarding the loud music, speeding and blocked fire hydrants on Chestnut Street. Ben Angeli replied that he will look into it.

Dawn Puni, suggested that Crossland needs a speedbump.

Joyce Johnson, question the status of the choice grant. Earl Gage updated Ms. Jonson on the status.

Motion to close the public portion.

Motion to close: Kellum Second: Smith

All Council Members present voted in favor in a voice vote

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion to go into executive session: Kellum and Second Smith

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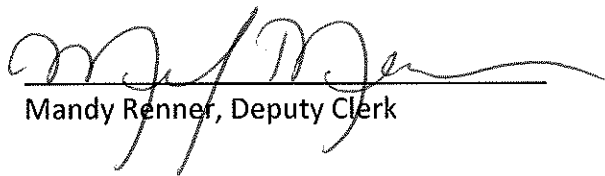
ADJOURNMENT:

Motion: Kellum and Second: Smith

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Minutes respectfully submitted by:



Mandy Renner, Deputy Clerk

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ROLL CALL:

Present: Cline, Davis, Gregory, Kellum, Slaughter, Smith, Gage

Also present: Mayor Veler, Admin/Clerk Angeli Solicitor McCann, CFO Nunez, Commerce Director Bailey, Admin/Clerk Angeli, Deputy Clerk Renner.

INTRODUCTION OF A RESOLUTION FOR CONSIDERATION:

RES 2023-288 A RESOLUTION APPOINTING JAMES RILEY TO THE POSITION OF
SERGEANT OF THE CITY OF SALEM POLICE DEPARTMENT

Motion to Introduce: Kellum and Second: Smith

All Council Members present voted in favor in a voice vote.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

Motion: Kellum and Second: Smith

All Council Members present voted in favor in a voice vote.

Mayor Veler did the swearing in for Sergeant Riley.

PUBLIC PORTION FOR AGENDA ITEMS ONLY:

Motion to open: Kellum and Second: Smith

All Council Members present voted in favor in a voice vote.

Mr. Angeli stated the following: The public is instructed that this portion of the meeting is provided for comments and questions on Agenda items only. There will be a public portion later in the meeting for general comments and questions. Please state your name and address, street name only for the record.

No public comments

Motion to close the public portion on agenda items: Kellum and second: Smith
All Council Members present voted in favor in a voice vote.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READING:

This is the first reading and introduction. The public hearing for ordinance 23-16 will be on December 18, 2023 at 6:30PM.

ORD. 23-16 AN ORDINANCE GRANTING CONSENT AND PERMISSION TO NEW JERSEY-AMERICAN WATER COMPANY, INC. TO FURNISH WATER AND WASTEWATER SERVICE IN THE CITY OF SALEM, NEW JERSEY

Motion to Introduce:

Motion: Kellum and Second: Smith

Roll call vote: Cline-yes, Davis-yes, Gregory-yes, Kellum-yes, Slaughter-absent, Smith-yes, Gage-yes

This is the first reading and introduction. The public hearing for ordinance 23-17 will be on December 18, 2023 at 6:30PM.

ORD. 23-17 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SALEM AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF PROPERTY IDENTIFIED AS BLOCK 68, LOT 25, 42-44 OLIVE STREET, SALEM, NJ TO SALEM FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Motion to Introduce:

Motion: Kellum and Second: Smith

Roll call vote: Cline-yes, Davis-yes, Gregory-yes, Kellum-yes, Slaughter-absent, Smith-yes, Gage-Abstain

This is the first reading and introduction. The public hearing for ordinance 23-18 will be on December 18, 2023 at 6:30PM.

ORD. 23-18 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SALEM AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF PROPERTY IDENTIFIED AS BLOCK 68, LOT 24, 40 OLIVE STREET, SALEM, NJ TO SALEM FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Motion to Introduce:

Motion: Kellum and Second: Smith

Roll call vote: Cline-yes, Davis-yes, Gregory-yes, Kellum-yes, Slaughter-absent, Smith-yes, Gage-Abstain

This is the first reading and introduction. The public hearing for ordinance 23-19 will be on December 18, 2023 at 6:30PM.

ORD. 23-19 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SALEM AUTHORIZING TE TRANSFER OF PROPERTY IDENTIFIED AS BLOCK 68, LOT 42, 61 UNION STREET, SALEM, NJ TO SALEM FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Motion to Introduce:

Motion: Kellum and Second: Smith

Roll call vote: Cline-yes, Davis-yes, Gregory-yes, Kellum-yes, Slaughter-yes, Smith-yes, Gage-Abstain

This is the first reading and introduction. The public hearing for ordinance 23-20 will be on December 18, 2023 at 6:30PM.

ORD. 23-20 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SALEM ESTABLISHING A ROAD OPENING MORATORIUM ON NEWLY PAVED AND CONSTRUCTED ROADWAYS

Motion to Introduce:

Motion: Kellum and Second: Smith

Roll call vote: Cline-yes, Davis-yes, Gregory-yes, Kellum-yes, Slaughter-yes, Smith-yes, Gage-yes

INTRODUSTION OF A RESOLUTION FOR CONSIDERATION

RES. 2023-289 A RESOLUTION TO RETAIN PLANNING SERVICE FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS LOCAL PLANNING SERVICE

Motion to Introduce: Kellum and Second: Smith.

All Council Members present voted in favor in voice vote

RES. 2023-290 A RESOLUTION SETTING REORGANIZATION

Motion to Introduce: Kellum and Second: Smith.

All Council Members present voted in favor in voice vote

RES. 2023-291 A RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH A LIEN ON PROPERTY KNOWN AS 2 HANCOCK, BLOCK 2, LOT 16 FOR THE COST OF DEMOLITION

Motion to Introduce: Kellum and Second: Smith.

All Council Members present voted in favor in voice vote

RES. 2023-292 A RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH A LIEM ON PROPERTY KNOWN AS 148 THOMPSON, BLOCK 56, LOT 26 FOR THE COST OF DEMOLITION

Motion to Introduce: Kellum and Second: Smith.

All Council Members present voted in favor in voice vote

RES. 2023-293 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SALEM AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF PROPERTY TO SALEM FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Motion to Introduce: Gregory and Second: Kellum.

All Council Members present voted in favor in voice vote - Gage-abstain

RES. 2023-294 A RESOLUTION TO CANCEL TAX SALE CERTIFICATE

Motion to Introduce: Kellum and Second: Smith.

All Council Members present voted in favor in voice vote

RES. 2023-295 A RESOLUTION TO CANCEL TAX SALE CERTIFICATE

Motion to Introduce: Kellum and Second: Smith.

All Council Members present voted in favor in voice vote

RES. 2023-296 RESOLUTION TO CANCEL TAX SALE CERTIFICATE

Motion to Introduce: Kellum and Second: Smith.

All Council Members present voted in favor in voice vote

RES. 2023-297 A RESOLUTION TO CANCEL TAX SALE CERTIFICATE

Motion to Introduce: Kellum and Second: Smith.

All Council Members present voted in favor in voice vote

RES. 2023-298 RESOLUTION TO CANCEL TAXES ON CITY PROPERTY

Motion to Introduce: Kellum and Second: Smith.

All Council Members present voted in favor in voice vote

RES. 2023-299 AUTHORIZING THE PROCESS OF HIRING FOUR NEW RECRUITS FOR WINTER 2024 GLOUCESTER COUNTY AND CAMDEN POLICE ACADEMY

Motion to Introduce: Kellum and Second: Smith.

All Council Members present voted in favor in voice vote

RES. 2023-300 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MAYOR VELER TO SIGN THE AGREEMENT OF SALE AND ESCROW AGREEMENT PERTAINING TO THE SALE OF THE WATER AND WASTEWATER SYSTEMS TO NEW JERSEY AMERICAN WATER COMPANY, INC.

Motion to Introduce: Kellum and Second: Smith.

All Council Members present voted in favor in voice vote

RES. 2023-301 AUTHORIZING BUDGET TRANSFERS FOR FICAL YEAR 2023
 APPROPRIATIONS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$108,700.00 IN THE
 CURRENTFUND AND \$146,000.00 IN THE UTILITY FUND

Motion to Introduce: Kellum and Second: Smith.

All Council Members present voted in favor in voice vote

RES. 2023-302 AUTHORIZING SUPPLEMENTAL SOFTWARE CONTRSCT WITH EDMUNDS
 GOV TECH

Motion to Introduce: Kellum and Second: Smith.

All Council Members present voted in favor in voice vote

MAYORAL COMMENTS: Nothing to report

NEW BUSINESS- Mr. Davis expressed concerns regarding potholes on Smith Lane.
Mayor Veler stated that the hole where the fire took place on Broadway needs to be repaired.
Kellum recommend that Smith Lane shut off for cars and made into an ally only.

OLD BUSINESS- Nothing to report at this time.

Motion to open Public Portion: Kellum and Second: Smith.

All Council members present voted in favor in a voice vote

PUBLIC PORTION:

No public comments

Motion to close Public Portion: Kellum and Second: Smith

All Council members present voted in favor in a voice vote

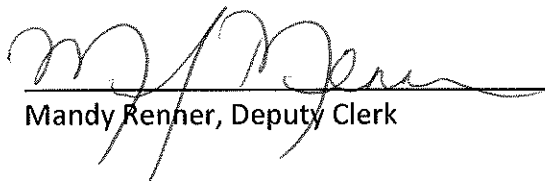
ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn the meeting: Kellum and Second: Smith

All Council Members present voted in favor in a voice vote

NEXT COMMON COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING:
DECEMBER 11, 2023 AT 6:30 PM

Minutes respectfully submitted by:


Mandy Renner, Deputy Clerk