Caucus Meeting of the Mayor and Common Council of Gloucester City Thursday, February 22, 2024 6:00 P.M. 313 Monmouth Street

Minutes

- 1. Call Meeting to Order: At 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Baile.
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance:
- 3. Roll Call: Baus, Berglund, Cilurso, Johnson, Page, Timm and Mayor Baile present.
- 4. Open Public Meetings Act Notice: This meeting is being held in accordance with the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act, otherwise known as the "Sunshine Law." It has been legally noticed in accordance with the law and copies have been given to those requesting the same.

<u>Public Comment Period</u>: The Governing Body, in accordance with P.L. 2002, c. 80, have adopted the following guidelines relative to the Public Comment Period (PCP) at Caucus, Work session, Special and Emergency Meetings of the Mayor and Common Council of Gloucester City: The PCP shall occur at the beginning of each meeting; it shall be no longer than one half-hour in length; every person wishing to speak may do so once during the period for no longer than five minutes. No changes have been made for the PCP of the regular monthly meetings. Our attorneys have advised us that we cannot prevent you from making remarks about our employees. They have requested that we advise you that our employees are not Public Officials and you are not immune from civil actions they may bring as a result of your remarks. No persons wishing to speak.

- 5. Reports: I. Engineer's Report: Joe Rayday of Pennoni gave a report.
 - II. Committees of Council:
 - a) <u>Celebrations</u>: L. Ryan reported that the St. Patrick's Parade will be held on Saturday, March 3rd, the Easter Bunny will be at the Softball Fields on March 23rd and the Citywide Yard Sale will be held on May 18th.
 - b) <u>Community Dev.:</u> L. Ryan provided a report.
 - c) <u>Finance & Administration</u>: B. Morrell is requesting to auction more city properties. He also reported that the PBA Union settled.
 - d) <u>Fire</u>: No report.
 - e) <u>Housing</u>: No report.
 - f) <u>Licensing</u>: Gloucester City LL Bingo #3-2024 & Raffle #4-2024. All in Favor. Approved.
 - g) <u>Police</u>: Reporting that there is a parking issue in Meadowbrook regarding people parking within five feet of their mailboxes.
 - h) Public Works/Water Dept: No report.

Public Comment for Resolutions Only: No persons wishing to speak.

- 6. Resolutions:
- R054 Resolution to Provide for Budget Transfers
- **R055** Resolution to Adjustments to Various Tax Records
- R056 Resolution to Correct Billing Charges on Utility Records
- R057 Resolution Authorizing Senior and Veterans Deductions
- R058 Resolution to Refund Payments on Various Tax Records
- R059 Resolution Authorizing Hiring of Firefighter for the Gloucester City Fire Department
- R060 Resolution Authorizing Triad Associates to Administer the City of Gloucester City's Recaptured Grant Funds for the Purpose of Supporting Ongoing, Owner-Occupied Housing Rehabilitation for Low and Moderate-Income Homeowners in the City of Gloucester City
- R061 Resolution Authorizing the filing of an Application of the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs for Rehabilitation of the Mini Hole Lake Fountain for the City of Gloucester City
- R062 Resolution Approving Coin Toss for Gloucester City Lions Club
- R063 Resolution Authorizing All Plenary Retail Consumption License Establishments to Extend Hours of Operation
- **R064** Resolution Authorizing Change Order No. 1 to the Contract Between Pennoni and the Gloucester City Flood Mitigation Project
- R065 Resolution Awarding a Contract to Triad Associates for Extraordinary Unspecifiable Services for the NJDEP Brownfield Development Area (BDA) Application 2024

- **R066** Resolution Authorizing the Purchase of Two (2) 2023 Chevy Tahoe Pursuit 4WD Vehicles for the Gloucester City Police Department
- R067 Resolution Designating Handicapped Parking Space Adding: 720 Hunter Street
- R068 Resolution Authorizing Disposal of City-Owned Equipment (Police Department)
- R069 Resolution Rescinding R135-2021 LA-2021 LFIF Gloucester City
- **R070** Resolution Rescinding R193-2023 NJ Department of Community Affairs Grant Application \$10,000
- R071 Resolution Authorizing the Submission of an Application to the New Jersey Urban Enterprise Zone Authority for First Generation Enterprise Zone Assistance Funds for Administration of the Urban Enterprise Zone Program #2022-08008-1833 for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2024
- R072 Resolution Authorizing Application to the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs for approximately \$50,000.00 for a project for the UEZ Corridor Beautification Program #2022-08008-1822
- R073 Resolution Authorizing and Ratifying, Nunc Pro Tunc, the Termination of Gloucester City Organic Recycling, L.L.C. and Authorizing the Law Firm of Archer & Greiner to Forward Correspondence Notifying Same and Setting Forth the Basis Thereof

Motion By: Page, Second By: Berglund to approve R054 through R073.

<u>Roll Call</u>: Baus, Berglund, Cilurso, Johnson, Page, Timm and Mayor Baile voting in the affirmative with Johnson abstaining on R062.

7. Ordinances for Second Reading/Public Hearing on February 26, 2024:

- Ordinance of the City of Gloucester City, County of Camden, State of New Jersey Amending and Supplementing Chapter 93-74 of the Land Use Code to Amend Fees Associated with Banners
- Ordinance Confirming and Authorizing the Sale of Lands in Accordance with the Requirements of the Local Lands and Buildings Law for Block 16, Lot 9 (301 Essex Street); Block 59.01, Lot 21 (211 Ridgeway Street); and Block 59.01, Lot 22 (209 Ridgeway Street) in the City of Gloucester City, County of Camden and State of New Jersey
- Ordinance Adopting a Redevelopment Plan Amendment for Block 48, Lots 2, 2.01 and 2.02 Within the City of Gloucester City, County of Camden, State of New Jersey
- Ordinance Adopting a Redevelopment Plan Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-7 for an Area in Need of Rehabilitation
- 8. <u>Correspondence:</u> None for this evening.

R074 Closed Session

Motion By: Page, Second By: Johnson to enter into Closed Session. All in Favor. Entered into Closed Session at 6:31 pm for Personnel, Attorney Client Privilege, Public Safety

Motion By: Baus, Second By: Page to come out of Closed Session at 8:07 pm

After Closed Session the Following Action Was Taken:

R075 Resolution Authorizing the Appointment of Robert Saunders as the City of Gloucester City Office of Emergency Management coordinator Under Certain Terms and Conditions

Motion By: Timm, Second By: Cilurso to approve. All in Favor.

R076 Resolution Authorizing Hiring of Class II Police Officer for the Gloucester City Police Department

Motion By: Page, Second By: Cilurso to approve. All in Favor.

R077 Resolution Authorizing the Appointment of Thomas Quinn as the City of Gloucester City Director of Fire Services

Motion By: Cilurso, Second By: Berglund to approve. All in Favor.

Motion By: Timm, Second By: Cilurso to adjourn. All in Favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:12 pm

ATTEST:

VANESSA L. LITTLE, City Clerk