

**Regular Monthly Meeting of the
Mayor and Common Council of Gloucester City
Monday, February 26, 2024, 7:00 P.M.
313 Monmouth Street**

Minutes

1. **Call Meeting to Order:** By Mayor Baile at 7:00 p.m.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:**
3. **Roll Call:** Berglund, Cilurso, Johnson, Timm and Mayor Baile present. Baus arrived at 7:12 pm. Page excused.
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.
5. **Oath of Office:** Nicholas Stewart, Firefighter & Nathan Castagna, Firefighter
6. **Minutes:** January 22, 2024 Monthly Meeting with Closed Session
Motion By: Berglund, **Second By:** Cilurso to approve. All in favor.
7. **Ordinances for Second Reading/Public Hearing this Evening:**
Public Comment for Ordinances Only:
 - Sandy Reid, 637 Hunter Street, questioned the new banner fees and asked by we are amending the fees.
 - Jason Fanning, 115 N. Broadway, questioned the fee banner ordinance and asked if there is an exception for religious-political organizations.

O 01-2024 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

Motion By: Johnson, **Second By:** Cilurso to approve.

Roll Call: Baus, Berglund, Cilurso, Johnson, Timm and Mayor Baile voting in the affirmative.

O 02-2024 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

Motion By: Johnson, **Second By:** Berglund to approve.

Roll Call: Baus, Berglund, Cilurso, Johnson, Timm and Mayor Baile voting in the affirmative.

O 03-2024 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

Motion By: Berglund, **Second By:** Timm to approve carrying 03-2024 to March.

Roll Call: Baus, Berglund, Cilurso, Johnson, Timm and Mayor Baile voting in the affirmative.

Carried to March 25, 2024 for Second Reading/Public Hearing.

O 04-2024 Ordinance Adopting a Redevelopment Plan Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-7 for an Area in Need of Rehabilitation

Motion By: Berglund, **Second By:** Johnson to approve.

Roll Call: Baus, Berglund, Cilurso, Johnson, Timm and Mayor Baile voting in the affirmative.

8. **Resolutions R078 through R081:**

R078 Resolution Designating a Non-Condemnation Redevelopment Area within the City of Gloucester City

R079 Resolution Approving Coin Toss for Gloucester City Knights of Columbus #674

R080 Resolution Authorizing the Ratification of a Memorandum of Agreement Between the City of Gloucester City and Gloucester City PBA Local 40

R081 Resolution Authorizing the Ratification of a Memorandum of Agreement Between the City of Gloucester City and Gloucester City SOA, Local 40

Motion By: Johnson, **Second By:** Berglund to approve.

Roll Call: Baus, Berglund, Cilurso, Johnson, Timm and Mayor Baile voting in the affirmative.

9. **Redevelopment:** Ordinance by Title Only/Second Reading/Public Hearing on March 25, 2024:
O Ordinance Adopting a Redevelopment Plan for Block 50, Lot 1, a Non-Condemnation Redevelopment Area within the City of Gloucester City, County of Camden, State of New Jersey
Motion By: Cilurso, **Second By:** Timm to approve.
Roll Call: Baus, Berglund, Cilurso, Johnson, Timm and Mayor Baile voting in the affirmative.

R082 Resolution Authorizing and Directing the City of Gloucester City Planning & Zoning Board to Review a Proposed Redevelopment Plan for Block 50, Lot 1, a Non-Condemnation Redevelopment Area within the City of Gloucester City, County of Camden, State of New Jersey
Motion By: Berglund, **Second By:** Johnson to approve.
Roll Call: Baus, Berglund, Cilurso, Johnson, Timm and Mayor Baile voting in the affirmative.

R083 Resolution of the City of Gloucester City, Camden County Appointing Conditional Redeveloper and Authorizing Execution of a Memorandum of Understanding
Motion By: Berglund, **Second By:** Timm to approve.
Roll Call: Baus, Berglund, Cilurso, Johnson, Timm and Mayor Baile voting in the affirmative.

10. **Old Business/New Business:**

a) Bills Paid from Jan. 23, 2024 to Feb. 22, 2024 \$1,041,500.89
Bills Approved February 26, 2024 \$776,718.66
Total amount being approved: \$1,818,219.55
Motion By: Johnson, **Second By:** Berglund to approve.
Roll Call: Baus, Berglund, Cilurso, Johnson, Timm and Mayor Baile voting in the affirmative.

b) Block Party Application, Knights of Columbus #674, October 13, 2024 from 11am-6pm. All in favor to approve.

11. **Open Public Forum on any topic:**

The Governing Body has approved the following rules governing the procedures of the Open (General) Public Forum:

- Any citizen or taxpayer wishing to address the Governing Body may do so after approaching the rail, stating his or her name and address and being recognized by the chair. Said citizen or taxpayer will then be permitted to address the Governing Body for five minutes. After all persons wishing to address the Governing Body have had the opportunity, persons may approach the rail for a second and final five-minute interval during this session. 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.
- Sandy Reid, 637 Hunter Street, cleaned Freedom Pier with school students. Stated that there are no trashcans on the pier. Requesting more trashcans around town.

R084 Closed Session

Motion By: Johnson, **Second By:** Baus to enter into Closed Session at 7:31 p.m. All in favor.

Motion By: Baus, **Second By:** Timm to come out of Closed Session at 8:47 p.m. All in favor.

No action was taken after Closed Session.

Motion By: Baus, **Second By:** Timm to adjourn at 8:48 p.m. All in favor.

ATTEST:


VANESSA L. LITTLE, City Clerk