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Highlights from City Council Meetings

July 5, 2022

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Closed Session

3:30pm

1. Roll Call

Councilwoman Wilson-Smith absent.

2. Closed Session:

a. The purpose of this meeting is to convene in the closed session pursuant to §2.2-3711(A)(7) and (8) of the Code of Virginia for the purpose of receiving legal advice and status update from the city attorney and legal consultation regarding the subject of specific legal matter requiring the provision of legal advice by the city attorney, specifically including but not limited to discussion regarding Petersburg Circuit Court Case No.: CL21000495-00; and a contract issue; and under §2.2-3711(A)(1) of the Code of Virginia for the purpose of discussion pertaining to performance, assignment, and appointment of specific public employees of the City of Petersburg specifically including but not limited to discussion of the performance and appointment of a specific public officer.

Motion approved to hire John March Altman as city manager beginning August 15.

Motion approved to contract with John March Altman.

3. Adjournment

City Council Work Session

5:00pm

1. Roll Call
Councilman Wilson-Smith absent.
2. Prayer
Led by Councilman Hill.

Mayor held moment of silence for recent victim of gun violence.
3. Pledge of Allegiance
Led by Mayor Parham.
4. Determination of the Presence of a Quorum
Quorum present.
5. Approval of Consent Agenda (to include minutes of previous meetings):
 - a. Minutes:
 - June 21, 2022 - Special Closed Session City Council Minutes
 - June 21, 2022 - Closed Session City Council Minutes
 - b. Consideration of an appropriation in the amount of \$4,321 from the Office of the Attorney General Crime Prevention for Seniors Grant Program - 1st Reading
 - c. Request to hold a public hearing on July 19, 2022 for the consideration of an Ordinance authorizing the City Manager to execute a purchase agreement between the City of Petersburg and Terry and Cynthia Bradshaw towards the sale of City-owned property at 2902 Nivram Road, parcel ID 080060011 - \$36,500
 - d. A request to schedule a Public Hearing and consideration of the PY2022/FY2023 funding recommendations from the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Advisory Board
Approved.
6. Special Reports
None.
7. Monthly Reports
None.
8. Finance and Budget Report
None.
9. Capital Projects Update
None.
10. Utilities
None.
11. Streets
None.

12. Facilities
None.
13. Economic Development
None.
14. City Manager's Agenda
None.
15. Business or reports from the Clerk
None.
16. Business or reports from the City Attorney
None.
17. Public Comments

Barb Rudolph

Recommended City not “put all eggs” in the casino basket. Other issues need attention.

Michelle Murrills

Talked about gun violence in the City and that City should have used emergency alert system to warn people not to come back to their home during recent gun violence situation near her home. Placed responsibility of violence on City Council.

Arora Rose

Stated Police should have issued a news release the day of the gun violence situation, and that the Transit Center should have been used as a shelter.

Councilman Myers stated he was at the scene of the gun violence situation. He thanked police from neighboring localities for assistance, as well as State Police

Councilman Hill stated all had a right to speak, but people should have facts before accusing others.

18. Adjournment

Special City Council Meeting

6:15pm

1. Roll Call
Councilwoman Wilson-Smith absent.
2. Discussion and/or consideration
 - a. Consideration of a resolution to accept American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding - Second Tranche.
Presenter: Tangela Innis, Deputy City Manager

Barb Rudolph
Open use of money up for citizen input.

Motion to accept ARPA funding approved.

- b. Consideration of an Ordinance Authorizing the Interim City Manager to execute the Commercial Lease Agreement between Marwaha Real Estate, LLC and the City of Petersburg for the property located at 30 Franklin Street, Petersburg, VA.
Presenter: Tangela Innis, Deputy City Manager

Barb Rudolph
Would be helpful to take inventory of all city property that is in use.

Motion for lease agreement approved – Councilman Myers abstained.

3. Adjournment