



Inter Department Correspondence Sheet

TO: Members of Council

FROM: Richard Allan Bull, City Clerk

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SUBJECT: Minutes of City Council Meeting

January 3, 2019

Attached are the minutes from the Council meeting held on December 18, 2018.

Richard Allan Bull
City Clerk

NORFOLK, VIRGINIA

MEETING OF COUNCIL

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2018

Mayor Alexander called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. with the following members present: Mrs. Courtney R. Doyle, Mrs. Angelia Williams Graves, Mrs. Mamie B. Johnson, Mrs. Andria P. McClellan and Mr. Martin Thomas Jr., Mr. Paul R. Riddick and Mr. Tommy Smigiel were absent.

He then called on the City Manager to proceed with the agenda.

A. POP-UP

EXTENET SYSTEMS

Presenter: Freda Burns, Public Works, Right-of-Way Administrator

Ms. Burns reported that small cells are smaller versions of cell towers that provide additional bandwidth and coverage for areas and hold anywhere from 50 to 200 cell phones at a time. The city currently has three companies with franchises, and Extenet Systems, if approved, will make four. We have Guidelines in place to regulate aesthetics as much as possible. A new ruling by the FCC concerning fees will be effective January 14th, 2019. If the FCC is overturned, our rates will already be in place.

Councilwoman McClellan stressed the need to come together regionally to explore how we might bring 5G to Hampton Roads.

PROCESSING OF PAYMENTS FOR OUTSIDE AGENCIES

Presenter: Catheryn Whitesell, Deputy City Manager

Ms. Whitesell explained that due to a lot of attrition in the HUD unit and some miscommunications that happened, some of our nonprofit agencies have not been paid in a timely fashion. To address this immediately, we transferred the HUD unit out of Neighborhood Development into the Budget office, which will allow us to address some of these financial process concerns swiftly. We're working with the city auditor and the external auditor to do a turnover audit of

the entire program to identify any other issues we may have, which will be completed in early spring. We are meeting with all nonprofit organizations in the program to ensure that HUD requirements are met and get them paid as quickly as possible. We recognize that the current staffing level in the HUD entitlement unit is not sufficient to efficiently administer the program and comply with the complexity of the HUD requirements, so we are moving forward to increase staff.

B. LIFELONG LEARNING COMMISSION

Presenter: Dr. Theresa W. Whibley, Commissioner, Mayor's Commission on Lifelong Learning

Dr. Whibley reported as follows: Council established the Lifelong Learning Commission last year to make sure that lifelong learning would be a part of the culture of our diverse and thriving city, promoting inclusion, prosperity, and sustainability, and offering opportunities for all residents.

Lifelong learning is regarded as a valuable tool to provide new employment opportunities and tackle social exclusion, as well as to strengthen civil society and enhance participation in public decision making. It improves our abilities to act as responsible citizens and increases our range of perspectives so we can be better neighbors.

In developing recommendations, they looked at the work done by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO). They also conducted a citizen survey in October of 2018 and had over 200 residents respond that they want and support lifelong learning for everyone.

Adopted the following UNESCO principles:

- Promoting inclusive learning from basic to higher education
- Revitalizing learning in our families and communities
- Facilitating learning for and in the workplace
- Extending the use of modern learning technologies
- Enhancing quality and excellence in learning and fostering a culture of learning throughout life

Recommendation and Next Steps:

- Convene focus groups with potential community partners to socialize plan and recruit stakeholders
- Establish a Lifelong Learning Steering Committee
- Fund a city staff position to coordinate initial implementation

Council comments:

Mayor Alexander thanked Dr. Whibley and the Commission for their dedication and hard work.

Councilwoman Johnson asked that the report and recommendations be made a top priority.

Councilwoman Graves noted that the staff position is an important connector between available programs and the people who need them.

C. SUPERINTENDENT'S UPDATE

Presenter: Dr. Melinda Boone, Superintendent, Norfolk Public Schools

Dr. Boone reported on the four focus areas and cited examples of what's happening in each.

Leadership: A principal preparation program has been established. Leadership is also instilled in students. For example, Norview High School's NJROTC Program earned the Most Outstanding Unit designation out of 538 units in the country. There is a superintendent-student advisory council and students from all five high schools participate. The students return to their schools and engage other students, as well as work closely with their principals.

Literacy: The Virginia Preschool Initiative and Virginia Preschool Initiative Plus (VPI+) Program have been recognized by the Virginia Department of Education. A video clip is now available for everyone statewide that shows a VPI+ classroom and the fine work going on and how we're leveraging and implementing a strong curriculum for early literacy. Within the last few weeks, Norfolk Public Schools hosted teachers and administrators from across Virginia as part of the showcased Pre-K in Virginia. Norfolk Public Schools

also launched the full implementation of the District Literacy Model that was developed in conjunction with William & Mary and the University of Virginia.

Rigor: Rigor focuses on how we take leadership, literacy and innovation to the next level. Over the next five years, the national Math and Science Initiatives Grant, which is more than \$600,000, will allow the increase of students enrolled in advanced placement courses to increase the number of students who accomplish the qualifying score of three or better. Lake Taylor High School and Booker T. Washington High School are the focus schools for this grant going forward.

Innovation: They are very close to a one-to-one device initiative. They have been working to rebuild and strengthen infrastructure for technology, as well as implementation of devices and what's the appropriate technology to be able to support learning. They continue with the Sprint 1-Million Initiative to increase student connectivity between the school and home. This is designed for students who may not have internet service in their homes, and Sprint has provided support for those families. The Backpack initiative at Booker T. Washington and Lake Taylor High Schools continues, allowing students to have Apple devices and/or tablets that they are taking home.

Additional progress includes:

- 2018-2019 began nearly fully staffed
- First two phases of wage and compensation study implemented
- Strong IT partnership with the City, NPS benefitting from Cox Cable franchise agreement renewal
- Norfolk schools recognized by the Elizabeth River Project for implementing conservation, restoration and/or habitat enhancement projects
- Strong community partnerships developed/renewed with military, police, NRHA and many others
- Houston "Hu" Odom scholarship award, supports students studying restaurant management at TCC

CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION CTE HIGH SCHOOL:

Ms. Kenyetta Goshen, Senior Director, Career and Technical Education, reported as follows:

Approximately nine years ago they began looking at the concept for a Comprehensive Career and Technical High School for Norfolk Public Schools, to bring forth opportunities and positive impact, not only for the students of

Norfolk Public Schools and what they will do beyond high school, but for the entire community, the economy of Norfolk, and businesses and industries for our region and beyond.

Ms. Goshen presented a video featuring Worcester Technical High School, in Worcester, Massachusetts. One of the top high schools in the country, Norfolk Public Schools' framework is modeled after the Worcester Technical High School.

CTE HIGH SCHOOL OVERVIEW

Concept: Full time, comprehensive CTE High School/Advanced Career Pathway Center that meets the city's current/future educational and economic (Workforce) demands.

Curriculum: Rigorous academics integrated with high demand, high quality CTE programs. Dual Enrollment and Advanced Placement. Industry Credential/Licensure. Co-Curricular Activities, Athletics, and Work Based Learning.

Enrollment: 1400 – 1600 students, grades 9-12. Adult Education Services/Workforce Development (600 adults). Application based enrollment.

Ms. Goshen stated that not only are we enriching the educational lives and career connections of school-aged students, we're doing the same for adult workforce development. Norfolk Public Schools has collaborated with many partners such as the Virginia Department of Labor, Opportunity, Inc., various agencies within the city, the Greater Norfolk Corporation, representatives of higher education from many states, the community, and Hampton Roads employers.

CTE High School Programming Components include: advanced academics, high-quality CTE, work-based learning that includes internships and apprenticeships, industry credentials and licensure for students and adults, flexible scheduling, virtual learning, and dual enrollment. The integrated curriculum is work-based learning, technical education, and academic instruction. The Academies include: Regional Maritimes Trades, Governor's Health Sciences, Business and Information Technology, and Governor's STE(A)M.

CTE students are more engaged, perform better, and graduate at higher rates. The average graduation rate for CTE concentrators is 93 percent. Investing in CTE yields big returns for state and local economies.

Council comments:

Councilwoman McClellan asked what has been accomplished since 2010 and what is planned moving forward?

Dr. Boone answered that since its development, core CTE delivery is at all five high schools and the Norfolk Technical Center. Time has been spent strengthening those programs and aligning them with today's profile of a Virginia graduate. There are now three dual enrollment classes. Two are English classes; one is a computer applications course. NPS, along with Tidewater Community College, are developing additional math course options; culinary dual enrollment classes; early childhood options; and, in addition, expanding computer science options.

There are also over 300 students annually participating in job shadowing, internships, apprenticeships, clinicals and mentorship. This year NPS was the first in Tidewater to have an official youth-registered apprenticeship program in partnership with the Virginia Department of Labor.

Councilwoman Graves emphasized that financial planning, budgeting skills and "soft" skills are very important and should be included in the curriculum.

Councilwoman Johnson asked NPS to go to the communities and inform the citizenry about the progress of the CTE program.

Mayor Alexander requested that as the City Manager starts preparing for budget deliberations that Dr. Boone provide real numbers in terms of costs for a new CTE school.

D. FEDERAL PRIORITIES

Presenter: Morgan Whayland, Intergovernmental Relations Officer
Christopher DeLacy, Partner, Holland & Knight

Ms. Whayland introduced Mr. DeLacy who reported on legislative priorities as follows:

Congress has been working on finalizing the FY19 appropriations process. There are seven Bills still outstanding. There is a threat of a government shutdown as of this coming Friday at midnight. Another major development is the change of control in the House of Representatives; the Democrats will be in charge as of January 3rd.

Education - Congressman Scott will shift from being the reigning member to the Chairman of the Education and Labor Committee. He will be one of the top people on Capitol Hill negotiating education issues. Senator Kaine is also on the education committee in the Senate and he is a member of the CTE Caucus.

Coastal Resilience - The most recent development was the Army Corps of Engineers including \$400,000 in the FY19 work plan for the flood control project. These funds allow the Corps to complete the study phases of the project. The next phase would be moving towards preliminary engineering and then construction.

Strong and Safe Neighborhoods – Opportunity zones were part of the tax package passed last year. This is a program designed to incentivize private sector investment in local communities. Mayor Alexander has been at the forefront of this program and he has met with many including Secretary Carson, Secretary Mnuchin, and others in Washington, D. C., and they see Norfolk as a leader, which is a positive sign for investments from this program.

E. UPCOMING MULTI-FAMILY PROJECTS

Presenter: George Homewood, Director of Planning

Mr. Homewood reported on three multi-family developments that will be presented to City Council in January 2019. The applications were reviewed by the City Planning Commission on December 13, 2018 and all received a 7-0 recommendation for approval. The city's urban design consultant has been tasked with creating design principles that should be expected of all multifamily development. These principles should help guide developers to design projects that will be more cohesive and in turn with our desire for quality multifamily development projects.

Upcoming projects:

- Riverside Apartments, 5827 & 5845 Curlew Drive, 236 apartments
- American Cigar Factory, 1140 & 1148 E. Princess Anne Road, 118 apartments
- 630 Tidewater Drive Apartments, 160 apartments

F. CLOSED SESSION

Motion for closed session was approved for purposes which are set out in Clause 3 of subsection (A) of Section 2.2-3711 of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act, as amended:

- (3) Discussion or consideration of the disposition of publicly held real property in the downtown area.

Yes: Doyle, Graves, Johnson, McClellan, Thomas and Alexander.

No: None.

Absent: Riddick and Smigiel.

NORFOLK, VIRGINIA
ACTION OF THE COUNCIL
CITY COUNCIL MEETING

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2018 – 7:00 P.M.

Mayor Alexander called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Prayer offered by Elder Lashawnda Williams, City of Refuge Kingdom Church, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following members were present: Mrs. Courtney Doyle, Mrs. Angelia Graves, Mrs. Mamie Johnson, Mrs. Andria McClellan, Mr. Martin Thomas Jr., and Mr. Kenneth Alexander.

Mayor Alexander moved to excuse Mr. Paul Riddick and Mr. Tommy Smigiel from tonight's meeting.

Motion adopted.

Yes: Doyle, Graves, Johnson, McClellan, Thomas, and Alexander.

No: None.

Mayor Alexander moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting.

Motion adopted.

Yes: Doyle, Graves, Johnson, McClellan, Thomas, and Alexander.

No: None.

CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED MEETING

A Resolution entitled, "A Resolution certifying a closed meeting of the Council of the City of Norfolk in accordance with the provisions of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act," was introduced in writing and read by its title.

ACTION: The Resolution as introduced was **adopted**, effective December 18, 2018.

Yes: Doyle, Graves, Johnson, McClellan, Thomas, and Alexander.

No: None.

INVITATION TO BID

IB-1

INVITATION TO BID scheduled this day under the State law, public notice having been inserted in the local press by the City Clerk to accept bids for a **Long Term Wireless Facilities Franchise Agreement**, with a term of ten years with up to three renewal terms of five years each in the City's rights-of-way.

A bid was submitted from **Extenet Systems, LLC** and was marked for identification. The City Manager recommended continuing the matter to the January 8, 2019 council meeting.

ACTION: This matter was continued to January 8, 2019.

Yes: Doyle, Graves, Johnson, McClellan, Thomas, and Alexander.

No: None.

REGULAR AGENDA

R-1 Letter from the City Manager and an Ordinance entitled, “An Ordinance amending and reordaining Section 1 of Ordinance No. 47,229 and Section 1 of Ordinance No. 47,314, and Section 1 of Ordinance No. 47,432 effective July 1, 2018, appropriating funds for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019, **SO AS TO** conform with increases to debt service as a result of additional cash from fund balance being allocated to the Capital Improvement Plan,” was introduced in writing and read by its title.

ACTION: The Ordinance as introduced was **adopted**, effective December 18, 2018.

Yes: Doyle, Graves, Johnson, McClellan, Thomas, and Alexander.

No: None.

R-2 Letter from the City Manager and an Ordinance entitled, “An Ordinance to amend and reordain Sections 1 and 2 of the Capital Improvement Plan Budget for the Fiscal Year 2019, **SO AS TO** establish funding in the amount of \$500,000 for the improvement of **Educational and Governmental Access Programing** and authorizing the expenditure of \$500,000 in cash,” was introduced in writing and read by its title.

ACTION: The Resolution as introduced was **adopted**, effective December 18, 2018.

Yes: Doyle, Graves, Johnson, McClellan, Thomas, and Alexander.

No: None.

R-3 Letter from the City Manager and an Ordinance, “An Ordinance approving a Memorandum of Agreement with the **Meadowbrook Dog Park Association, Inc.** for the operation, finance and maintenance of the Dog Park at **1625 West Little Creek Road**,” was introduced in writing and read by its title.

ACTION: The Ordinance as introduced was **adopted**, effective December 18, 2018.

Yes: Doyle, Graves, Johnson, McClellan, Thomas, and Alexander.

No: None.

R-4 Letter from the City Manager and an Ordinance entitled, “An Ordinance approving a Non-Exclusive Conduit Construction Franchise Agreement with **Extenet Systems (Virginia), LLC,**” was introduced in writing and read by its title.

ACTION: The Ordinance as introduced was **adopted**, effective January 18, 2019.

Yes: Doyle, Graves, Johnson, McClellan, Thomas, and Alexander.

No: None.

R-5 Letter from the City Manager and an Ordinance entitled, “An Ordinance to **amend the schedule of fees** related to the *Norfolk Zoning Ordinance* in order to provide a reduced fee for applications seeking to amend operational limitations for an existing restaurant,” was introduced in writing and read by its title.

ACTION: The Ordinance as introduced was **adopted**, effective January 1, 2019.

Yes: Doyle, Graves, Johnson, McClellan, Thomas, and Alexander.

No: None.

R-6 Letter from the City Attorney and a Resolution entitled, “A Resolution supporting the **2019 Legislative Priorities for the City of Norfolk,**” was introduced in writing and read by its title.

Ellis James, 2021 Kenlake Place, spoke in favor of this matter.

ACTION: The Ordinance as introduced was **adopted**, effective December 18, 2018.

Yes: Doyle, Graves, Johnson, McClellan, Thomas, and Alexander.

No: None.

R-7

Letter from the City Attorney and an Ordinance entitled, "An Ordinance to schedule **council meeting dates for 2019**," was introduced in writing and read by its title.

ACTION: The Ordinance as introduced was **adopted**, effective December 18, 2018.

Yes: Doyle, Graves, Johnson, McClellan, Thomas, and Alexander.

No: None.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Demetrias Page, 3008 Sweet Cherry Circle, Virginia Beach, introduced himself of the CEO of the Hampton Roads Warriors semi-professional basketball team and requested that the City of Norfolk to support his team.
2. Michael Henson, 2916 Middle Towne Crescent, public address announcer of the Hampton Roads Warriors introduced his team.
3. Nikki Curry, 3196 Stonewood Drive, Virginia Beach, Media Director for the Hampton Roads Warriors, asked council to embrace the team.
4. Randy Baker, 636 W. 35th Street, asked that the application for a Conditional Use Permit at Granny's Country Kitchen be on the agenda for council to take a vote.
5. Kim Miller, 315 Middlesex Drive, spoke against Virginia Natural Gas Pipeline's easements in the Berkley area.
6. Regina Tadesse, 1003 East Liberty Street, commented on the dangers that the pipeline could bring if Virginia Natural Gas moves forward with their plan.
7. Danny Lee Ginn, 3844 Dare Circle, wished the council Happy Holidays.

The following people spoke on the non-payment of owed funding to their non-profit agencies.

8. Mary Kate Andris, 517 Fordmere Road, Chesapeake, YMCA Director.
9. Angela Kellam, 5365 Robin Hood Road, Director of the Planning Council.
10. Thaler McCormick, 517 Fairfax Avenue, CEO of ForKids, Inc.
11. Stacie Walls-Beegle, 9338 Willow Court, CEO of the LGBT Life Center.

12. Paul Davis, 120 Kidd Boulevard, commented that there was no impact study done when interstate 64 was built and he believes this should be looked into to make sure pylons driven to build the interstate have not impeded the water in the River Forest Shore neighborhood.