

**NORFOLK, VIRGINIA**

**ACTION OF THE COUNCIL**

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**TUESDAY, JULY 10, 2018 – 7:00 P.M.**

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

The opening prayer was offered by Chaplain Terry Haddock, Norfolk Police Department, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

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

**Motion adopted .**

Yes: Doyle, Graves, Johnson, McClellan, Riddick, Smigiel, 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 July 10, 2018.

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

No: None.

Mayor Alexander welcomed Dr. Gail Nicula and her graduate students to the Council meeting. He announced that their group was studying public administration and were observing local government at work.

## PUBLIC HEARINGS

PH-1                    **MATTER OF A PUBLIC** hearing scheduled this day under the State law, public notice having been inserted in the local press by the City Clerk, on the application of **Benne Victor Development**, for a) an amendment to the future land use designation in the **General Plan**, planNorfolk2030, from Office to Commercial; and b) a rezoning from O (Office) to Conditional C-R (Regional Commercial) on property located at **5900 Northampton Boulevard**.

(PASSED BY AT THE JUNE 26<sup>TH</sup> MEETING)

**ACTION:** Continued generally.

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

No: None.

PH-2                    **PUBLIC HEARING** scheduled this day under the State law, public notice having been inserted in the local press by the City Clerk, to hear comments approving a **Lease Agreement** with **TWP - The Youth Movement** for the lease of city owned property located at **700 E. Olney Road** known as the **Vivian C. Mason Arts & Technology Center** .

Deidre Love, 1208 Millstream Way, Chesapeake, was present to answer questions.

Thereupon, an Ordinance entitled, "An Ordinance approving a **Lease Agreement** with **TWP - The Youth Movement** for the lease of city owned property located at **700 E. Olney Road** known as the **Vivian C. Mason Arts & Technology Center**," was introduced and read by its title.

**ACTION:** The Ordinance as introduced was **adopted**, effective August 10, 2018.

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

No: None.

PH-3

**PUBLIC HEARING** scheduled this day under the State law, public notice having been inserted in the local press by the City Clerk, on the application of **City Planning Commission**, for an amendment to Appendix B in the table of Contents within plaNorfolk2030 to adopt the Norfolk Green Infrastructure Plan.

Thereupon, an Ordinance entitled, “An Ordinance to amend the City’s General Plan, plaNorfolk2030, **SO AS TO** adopt the Norfolk Green Infrastructure Plan,” was introduced and read by its title.

**ACTION:** The Ordinance as introduced was **adopted**, effective July 10, 2018.

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

No: None.

PH-4

**PUBLIC HEARING** scheduled this day under the State law, public notice having been inserted in the local press by the City Clerk, to hear comments approving a **Lease Agreement** with **757 Accelerate, Inc.**, for the lease of City owned property located at **501 Boush Street**.

Thereupon, an Ordinance entitled, “An Ordinance approving a **Lease Agreement** with **757 Accelerate, Inc.**, for the

lease of City owned property located at **501 Boush Street,**” was introduced and read by its title.

**ACTION:** The Ordinance as introduced was **adopted** , effective August 10, 2018.

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

No: None.

### CONSENT AGENDA

C-1 Letter from the City Manager and an Ordinance entitled, An Ordinance accepting Grant Funds of \$270,000 from the **Virginia Department of Behavioral Health and Development Services for the Norfolk Community Services Board** and to continue to implement the **Virginia Opioid Prevention, Treatment and Recovery Program** and to appropriate and authorize the expenditure of the funds for the Program.

**ACTION:** The Ordinance as introduced was **adopted** , effective July 10, 2018.

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

No: None.

C-2 Letter from the City Manager and an Ordinance entitled, An Ordinance accepting Grant Funds of \$31,000 from the **Virginia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services from the Norfolk Community Services Board** and to continue to implement the **Virginia Opioid Prevention, Treatment and Recovery Program** and to appropriate and authorize the expenditure of the funds for the Program.

**ACTION:** The Ordinance as introduced was **adopted**, effective July 10, 2018.

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

No: None.

C-3 Letter from the City Manager and an Ordinance entitled, An Ordinance accepting Grant Funds of \$79,964 from the **Virginia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services from the Norfolk Community Services Board** and to continue to implement the **Virginia Opioid Prevention, Treatment and Recovery Program** and to appropriate and authorize the expenditure of the funds for the Program.

**ACTION:** The Ordinance as introduced was **adopted**, effective July 10, 2018.

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

No: None.

C-4 Letter from the City Manager and an Ordinance entitled, An Ordinance granting a **Conditional Use Permit** to authorize the operation of a nightclub named "**Plaza Azteca Mexican Restaurant**" on property located at **411 Granby Street, Suite 10**.

**ACTION:** The Ordinance as introduced was **adopted**, effective July 10, 2018.

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

No: None.

## **REGULAR AGENDA**

R-1 Matter of a letter from the City Clerk and an Ordinance entitled, “An Ordinance to amend and reordain **Section 2-326.3** of the Norfolk City Code, 1979, as amended, **SO AS TO** eliminate the membership limit upon the **Norfolk Criminal Justice Board**” was introduced in writing and read by its title.  
(PASSED BY AT THE JUNE 26<sup>TH</sup> MEETING)

**ACTION:** The Ordinance as introduced was **adopted**, effective July 10, 2018.

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

No: None.

R-2 Letter from the City Manager and an Ordinance entitled, “An Ordinance authorizing the City Manager to negotiate an **Agreement** in substantial conformity with the terms and conditions of the attached Purchase and Sale Agreement, for the purpose of purchasing certain property known as **725 Sedgewick Street**, in the City of Norfolk, for the **Ohio Creek Watershed Improvement Project**, authorizing the Purchase of said property, and authorizing the expenditure of a sum of up to \$160,000 for such purpose from funds heretofore appropriated,” was introduced in writing and read by its title.

**ACTION:** The Ordinance as introduced was **adopted**, effective July 10, 2018.

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

No: None.

R-3 Letter from the City Manager and an Ordinance entitled, “An Ordinance approving the conveyance of those certain parcels of property located at **1911 Johnstons Road, S S Winn Lane and 7001 Winn Lane** by the **Larrymore Lawns Community Park Association** to the City of Norfolk; authorizing the City Manager to accept the **Deed of Gift** on behalf of the City; and authorizing the expenditure of a sum of up to \$5,000.00 for all related transactional costs,” was introduced in writing and read by its title.

**ACTION:** The Ordinance as introduced was **adopted**, effective July 10, 2018.

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

No: None.

R-4 Letter from the City Manager and an Ordinance entitled, "An Ordinance dedicating certain city owned property located at **814 Little Bay Avenue** for public use as an **Open Green Space**," was introduced in writing and read by its title.

**ACTION:** The Ordinance as introduced was **adopted**, effective July 10, 2018.

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

No: None.

R-5 A Resolution entitled, "A Resolution appointing 4 persons to 2 Commissions for certain terms," was introduced in writing and read by its title.

**ACTION:** The Resolution as introduced was **adopted**, effective July 10, 2018.

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

No: None.

R-6 An Ordinance entitled, "An Ordinance creating an emeritus membership for the **Norfolk Airport Authority Board** and appointing Father Cobb as the emeritus commissioner," was introduced in writing and read by its title.

**ACTION:** The Ordinance as introduced was **adopted**, effective July 10, 2018.

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

No: None.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Danny Lee Ginn, 3844 Dare Circle, welcomed Councilwoman Doyle to council and offered personal advice on becoming an effective council member.
2. Michael Muhammad, 1216 Curie Court, commented Granny's Country Kitchen's request for a conditional use permit which was denied by the Planning Commission. He stated the city was making it hard on African Americans to do business in Norfolk.
3. The following persons expressed concerns about the closing of the Hershee Bar, stating that it is more than a bar, it is a home to the LGBT community, where they are accepted, loved and not judged for being different. Also, they asked Council to reconsider their decision to purchase the property.
  - Beth Brooker, 5432 Douglas Street
  - Frankie Busitzky, 901 Central Avenue
  - Barbara James, 5729 Azalea Garden Road
  - Hannah Dominquez, 5729 Azalea Garden Road,
  - Mary James, 5729 Azalea Garden Road
  - Alma Kesling, 4535 Bank Head Avenue
  - William Kesling, 4535 Bank Head Avenue
  - John T. Leitch, 3851 Wayne Circle
  - Robin Love, 6401 Natrona Avenue
  - Sandra Pryor, 314 Berghwestra, Hampton
  - Cathleen Rhodes, 6401 Natrona Avenue
  - Susan Russell, 1349 Hilton Street
  - Helen Sharpe, 6429 Garland Circle.