

CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
SEPTEMBER 25, 2007

ATTNENDANCE:

Councilman Kelly
Councilwoman Riley
Councilman Salvatore
Councilman Thompson
Council Pres. Spence
Mayor Begley
Admin. Liston
Assist. Admin. Jackson
Mun. Solicitors Baker/Bertram

CALLED TO ORDER: Pres. Spence

INVOCATION: Mun. Clerk Richmond

TOPICS:

RESOLUTIONS

Upon motion by Mr. Kelly and second by Mr. Salvatore the following resolutions were adopted by unanimous roll call vote. The original resolutions may be found in the Resolution Book.

Resolution No. 102-07, appointing Assistant Prosecutor

Resolution No. 103-07, submit request UEZ funding for additional equipment for UEZ Sanitation/Maintenance Officer.

JURISDICTION AGREEMENT WITH STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Clerk brought to Council's attention that the Route 49 Cohansey River Bridge Replacement Project would be commencing October 12, 2007 and the Jurisdictional Agreement needs to be signed prior to the work and in order for that to happen a Resolution is needed authorizing the agreement and should be placed on October 2, 2007 Meeting.

Administrator stated he would look into it. The Resolution is to be placed on October 2 meeting.

CERTIFICATION OF PETITIONS PROTESTING ORDINANCE 07-9

Clerk stated petitions having been certified and sufficient that she has ordinance requesting referendum with respect to ordinance 07-9 for first reading if Council so desires to introduce must be done tonight.

Mun. Solicitor Baker explained the process and Council's choices in regard to the matter and if Council dose not act the ordinance remains inoperable.

Councilman Kelly posed question concerning the article in the paper regarding Mayor being appointed Public Safety Director that Council should know in advance so they could respond to questions asked by the public. The matter will be discussed under executive session, Public Safety.

Sex Offender Resolution/Petition Placed on Ballot

Clerk stated that Solicitor was to have prepared Resolution or Petition opposing the placement of offenders in South Wood Prison.

Mun. Solicitor stated he would have Resolution for October 2, 2007 meeting.

Councilman Salvatore stated that it should state or any other prisoners to be added to South Wood Prison.

El Rodeo Alcoholic Beverage License Renewal

Clerk brought to Council's attention El Rodeo renewal as the Ad Interim Permit will expire September 28.

Mun. Solicitor stated this should be discussed under Executive Session, Public Safety.

Sale Of City Owned Properties (668)

Councilman Kelly inquired about the Ordinance authorizing sale of City owned Properties.

Mun. Solicitor Bertram explained that the list attached to the ordinance would be amended as all city owned properties were listed but not all are for sale. There would be a corrected list prior to second reading of the Ordinance.

Administrator Liston also further explained that these properties would be handled differently rather by an auction, individuals would contact the City if interested in a property and price and condition of sale would be negotiated.

Historic District Commission

Councilwoman Riley expressed concern over standards of the Commission for applicants as being frustrating and presentation of applications are difficult.

Discussion was entered into at the conclusion of which Admin. Liston was directed to look into obtaining a proposal from Mr. McCabe so that he may address some of the issues of the Commission.

PUBLIC PORTION

Upon motion by Mr. Thompson and second by Mr. Kelly to open the Work Session to the public for anyone desiring to be heard, which motion was carried.

Pres. Spence opened the Work Session to any one desiring to be heard.

No one desiring to be heard, it was moved by Mr. Kelly and second by Mr. Thompson to close the public portion of the Work Session which motion was carried.

Pres. Spence closed the public portion of the Work Session.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Upon motion by Mr. Thompson and second by Mr. Kelly RESOLUTION NO. 104-07, authorizing executive session to discuss contract, litigation and public safety which motion was carried by unanimous roll call vote. The original resolution may be found in the Resolution Book.

Upon motion by Ms. Riley and second by Mr. Salvatore that

RESOLUTION NO. 105-07, authorizing the renewal of El Rodeo Alcoholic Beverage License was adopted by roll call vote with Mr. Thompson abstaining. The original resolution may be found in the Resolution Book.

BUDGET

Administrator Liston presented the 2008 SFY Budget and gave a summary of various changes, and stated should be introduced at October 16, 2007 meeting.

There being no further items of discussion to come before Council at this time, it was moved by Mr. Thompson and second by Ms. Riley to adjourn the Work Session which motion was carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Darlene J. Richmond, RMC
Municipal Clerk

APPROVED:

William D. Spence
Council President
Date: _____