

**MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE NEWPORT NEWS CITY COUNCIL
HELD IN THE 10TH FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM
2400 WASHINGTON AVENUE
September 28, 2010
4:30 P.M.**

PRESENT: Tina L. Vick; Joseph C. Whitaker; Dr. Patricia P. Woodbury; Herbert H. Bateman, Jr.; Madeline McMillan; McKinley L. Price, DDS; and Sharon P. Scott-----7

ABSENT: None-----0

OTHERS PRESENT: Neil A. Morgan; Stuart E. Katz; Mabel Washington Jenkins; Alan Archer; Cynthia Rohlf; Collie Owens; Darlene Bradberry; Lynn Grimsley; Joseph Witt; Karen Wilds; Florence Kingston; Alonzo Bell; Joy Robison; and Jennifer Walker.

After ascertaining that proper meeting notice had been provided to each member of City Council, Mayor Price called the meeting to order and stated the meeting was being held for the following purposes:

(1) To call a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A) of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, subsections: (1) a discussion or consideration of appointments to boards and commissions; and (2) a discussion or consideration of the acquisition of real property for a public purpose in the southern portion of the City and for the disposition of publicly held real property in the southern portion of the City, where discussion in an open meeting would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the City; and (5) a discussion of the expansion of an existing business where no previous announcement has been made of the business' interest in expanding its facility in the community; and (7) consultation with legal counsel and briefings by staff members or consultants pertaining to actual litigation, where such consultation or briefing in open meeting would adversely affect the negotiating or litigating posture of the public body; and consultation with legal counsel employed or retained by a public body regarding specific contractual legal matters requiring the provision of legal advice by such counsel.

(2) To make appointments to fill vacancies on the City's various boards, commissions, and committees.

Councilwoman Woodbury moved for a closed meeting under section and reasons cited above; seconded by Councilman Whitaker.

Vote on Roll Call:

Ayes: Vick, Whitaker, Woodbury, Bateman, McMillan, Price, Scott

Nays: None

(Closed Session 4:31 p.m. -- 6:30 p.m.)

Council engaged in discussion to make appointments to fill vacancies on the following boards:

1. Board of Trustees – Pension and Retirement – Mr. Robert F. Lanier, Mr. Charles W. Higgins, Jr. and Mr. Jeffrey Verhoef (General Public Representative) each for reappointment to serve a two-year term of office.

2. Committee on Investments – Employees Retirement Fund – Mr. Philip Hatchett and Mr. Thomas R. Brooks (General Public Representative) each for reappointment to serve a one-year term of office. Mr. Robert Lanier (General Public Representative) for appointment to serve a one-year term of office. Mr. Charles Spencer, Jr. (General Public Representative) and Ms. Brooke Tiller for reappointment to serve a two-year term of office. Mr. Arthur C. Gundikunst (General Public Representative) for appointment to serve a two-year term of office. Ms. Cynthia Rohlf (City Manager's Designee) for appointment to serve a one-year term of office. (Note: The City Manager, by Ordinance 4386-95 dated December 22, 1995, is appointed to serve an unlimited term of office).

3. Cultural Alliance of Greater Hampton Roads – One Appointment (Council Representative) deferred. City Manager instructed to seek a suitable designee.

4. Downing-Gross Cultural Arts Center Board – Ms. Ethel Hayes Pryor (General Public Representative) for reappointment to serve a three-year term of office. Ms. Queen Esther Marrow (General Public Representative), Mr. Tory Wise (General Public Representative), Mr. William P. Thomas, Jr. (General Public Representative), and Ms. Marjorie-Anne Wallace (General Public Representative) each for appointment to serve a three-year term of office. Mr. David Litzinger (General Public Representative) for appointment to fill the unexpired term of Dr. G. Darryl Waller, term expires October 28, 2011.

5. Hilton Village Architectural Review Board – Two appointments (1-Owners/Operator of Business in Hilton Village, 1-Architect) deferred.

6. Industrial Development Authority – Mr. Alonzo Bell (General Public Representative) for reappointment to serve a four-year term of office. Mr. Evan L. Curbeam (General Public Representative) for appointment to serve a four-year term of office.

7. Insight Enterprises, Inc., Peninsula Center for Independent Living – Ms. Anna H. Yarashus for appointment to serve a one-year term of office.

8. Newport News Arts Commission – Mr. Christopher Beal (General Public Representative) for appointment to fill the unexpired term of Mr. John Hightower, term will expire March 31, 2013. Ms. Erin King (Youth-Warwick High School) for appointment to serve a one-year term of office. Ms. Micah Villarreal (Youth-Woodside High School) for reappointment to serve a one-year term of office.

9. Newport News Human Rights Commission – Ms. Elizabeth Casey-Rutland (Youth Warwick High School) and Ms. Nikole Hairston (Youth-Menchville High School) for appointment to serve a one-year term of office.

10. Newport News Mayor's Committee on Disabilities – Ms. Amber Freeman (Provider) for appointment to fill the unexpired term of Ms. Darley Storey, term will expire September 30, 2012. Ms. Lorrie Brantley (Provider), and Ms. Terisa Harris (Provider) each for appointment to serve a three-year term of office.

11. Newport News Public Library Board of Trustees – Ms. La'Brea Bryant (Youth-An Achievable Dream High School) and Ms. Brittini Cogdell (Youth-Menchville High School) each for appointment to serve a one-year term of office.

12. North End/Huntington Heights Architectural Review Board – Ms. Mary Kayaselcuk (Landscape/Artist) and Ms. Deidre Wells, P.E. (Architect) each for reappointment to serve a four-year term of office. One appointment (Resident owner of real estate in North End/Huntington Heights) deferred

13. Transportation Safety Commission – Captain Thomas Phillips (Fire) and Mr. Melvin Bailey (General Public Representative) each for reappointment to serve a four-year term of office). Lieutenant Eric Mansfield (Police), Mr. Stephen W. Klute (General Public Representative), and Mr. Richard A. Richardson (General Public Representative) for appointment to serve a four-year term of office. Mr. Chad Betoney (Army Command at Fort Eustis) for appointment to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Milton Hilliard, term will expire October 13, 2013. One appointment (College Student Representative) deferred.

14. Newport News Efficiency Task Force on City Government – The Honorable Dr. Patricia P. Woodbury (Council Representative) and Mr. Matt Mulherin (Business Leader) each for appointment to serve as Co-Chairs for a one-year term of office. Mr. Neil A. Morgan (City Manager), Mr. Michael Poplawski (City Manager Appointee), Ms. Libby Gooden (City Manager Appointee) and Ms. Sherri Chapman (City Manager Appointee) each for appointment to serve a one-year term of office. Mrs. Pixie Killebrew (Newport News Resident), Mr. Dwight Bryant (Newport News Resident), Ms. Teunsha Diggs (Newport News Resident), Mr. Marvin Harris (Newport News Resident), Ms. Joann Minarik (Newport News Resident), Mr. John Procyson (Newport News Resident), Mr. Paul Tribble (Principle Newport News Business Address), Mr. Mark Hager (Newport News Resident), Mr. David Yancey (Newport News Resident), Mr. Joseph Witt (Newport News Resident), Ms. Faye G , Ms. Beth Smith (Newport News Resident), Ms. Sylvia Berry (Newport News Resident), Mr. Karl Dahlen (Newport News Resident) and Mrs. Fabiola Curran (Newport News Resident) each for appointment to serve a one-year term of office.

Mayor Price advised that potential candidates were subject to a background check conducted by the Virginia State Police.

After reconvening in open session, Vice Mayor McMillan moved to certify that to the best of each member's knowledge (1) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act, and (2) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened were heard, discussed or considered in the closed meeting by the Council. Motion seconded by Councilman Bateman.

Vote on Roll Call:

Ayes: Vick, Whitaker, Woodbury, Bateman, McMillan, Price, Scott
Nays: None

Vice Mayor McMillan moved that appointments discussed in closed meeting be ratified pursuant to receipt of notification that a favorable background check was conducted; seconded by Councilman Whitaker.

Vote on Roll Call:

Ayes: Vick, Whitaker, Woodbury, Bateman, McMillan, Price, Scott
Nays: None

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS,
ON MOTION, COUNCIL ADJOURNED AT 6:30 P.M.



Mabel Washington Jenkins, MMC
City Clerk



McKinley L. Price, DDS
Mayor
Presiding Officer

A true copy, teste:

City Clerk