

COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF SCRANTON

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- WILLIAM GAUGHAN, PRESIDENT
- KYLE DONAHUE, VICE PRESIDENT
- MARK MCANDREW
- JESSICA ROTHCHILD
- THOMAS SCHUSTER

- LORI REED, CITY CLERK
- KATHY CARRERA, ASSISTANT CITY CLERK
- KEVIN HAYES, COUNCIL SOLICITOR

1 (Pledge of Allegiance.)

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3 MR. GAUGHAN: Please remain standing
4 for a moment of silent reflection for our
5 service men and women throughout the world and
6 also for those who have passed away in our
7 community, especially Mr. Louis J. Martini, a
8 South Scranton resident who passed away last
9 week for more than 27 years who was employed as
10 a firefighter for the City retiring with the
11 rank of Chauffeur.

12 Let us also take a special moment of
13 silence for all of the people in our community,
14 country and world who had passed away from the
15 coronavirus. This pandemic has turned our
16 world upside down, but we must remain hopeful
17 and strong.

18 We continue to pray for the
19 doctors, nurses, researchers and all medical
20 professionals who seek to heal and help those
21 affected and who put themselves at risk in the
22 process. May they have protection and peace.

23 Whether we are home or abroad,
24 surrounded by many people suffering from this
25 illness or only a few, let us stick together,

1 endure together, mourn together, persist and
2 prepare together.

3 And in place of our anxiety, let us
4 continue to hope and find peace. Okay. Thank
5 you everyone. Roll call, please.

6 MS. CARRERA: Mr. Schuster.

7 MR. SCHUSTER: Present.

8 MS. CARRERA: Mr. McAndrew.

9 MR. MCANDREW: Present.

10 MS. CARRERA: Dr. Rothchild.

11 DR. ROTHCHILD: Here.

12 MS. CARRERA: Mr. Donahue.

13 MR. DONAHUE: Here.

14 MS. CARRERA: Mr. Gaughan.

15 MR. GAUGHAN: Here. Thank you, Miss
16 Carrera. Mrs. Reed, please dispense with the
17 reading of the minutes.

18 MS. REED: Thank you. THIRD ORDER.

19 3-A. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED FROM
20 OECD EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR DATED SEPTEMBER 21,
21 2020 REGARDING RESPONSES TO CARES ACT FUNDING
22 AND SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENTS TO ACTION PLANS
23 INQUIRIES.

24 3-B. MINUTES OF THE CIVIL SERVICE
25 COMMISSION MEETING HELD AUGUST 6, 2020.

1 3-C. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED FROM
2 COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF THE
3 AUDITOR GENERAL DATED SEPTEMBER 10, 2020
4 REGARDING THE RESULTS OF THE 2020 DISTRESS
5 DETERMINATION.

6 3-D. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED FROM
7 THE HISTORICAL ARCHITECTURE REVIEW
8 BOARD DATED SEPTEMBER 23, 2020 REGARDING THE
9 BROOKS BUILDING AT 436 SPRUCE STREET.

10 3-E. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED FROM
11 OECD DATED SEPTEMBER 24, 2020 REGARDING
12 DEMOLITION OF HAZARDOUS STRUCTURES PROPERTY.

13 MR. GAUGHAN: Thank you, Mrs. Reed.
14 Are there any comments on any of the Third
15 Order items? If not, received and filed. Do
16 any Council members have any announcements at
17 this time?

18 MR. MCANDREW: I have one. So
19 tomorrow night, Wednesday night at Nay Aug
20 Park, it will be the last concert -- outdoor
21 concert for the year. It will be a band called
22 Classic Rock Express. That's all I have.
23 Thank you.

24 MR. GAUGHAN: Thank you, Councilman
25 McAndrew. Anybody else have any announcements?

1 Okay. I have three announcements. The first
2 announcement based on the technical issues that
3 we had tonight, we weren't able to have a full
4 caucus.

5 We did have planned a caucus with
6 the administration with the Mayor, the Business
7 Administrator and the OECD Director to give us
8 a two-pronged update on financial projections
9 for the City and also on the way that the
10 administration is handling blight.

11 Unfortunately because of the
12 technical issues, we weren't able to start
13 until I was able to livestream the meeting.

14 So we're going to reschedule that
15 for next Tuesday, October 6th. And that will
16 be at 5:45 p.m., and hopefully we won't have
17 any technical issues.

18 Also, we have decided to make a
19 slight change to the time of day in which
20 public comment will be received in the office
21 and via e-mail. We're making a change from
22 4:30 p.m., the day of the meeting on Tuesday,
23 to no later than 3 p.m., in order to compile
24 all of the submissions and to enable them to be
25 read aloud during Fourth Order Public

1 Participation.

2 So that will commence next week,
3 October 6th. Again, all public participation
4 comments and questions should be submitted by
5 the new deadline of 3 p.m., on the day of the
6 meeting.

7 Also, please keep in mind that you
8 should keep your written comments -- try to
9 keep them to at least five minutes as if we
10 were in Council Chambers.

11 Also, NDC will attend our caucus on
12 October 20th, 2020 at 5:45 p.m., to provide
13 their third quarter parking update. Mrs. Reed,
14 Fourth Order.

15 MS. REED: Thank you. We have two
16 submissions this week. The first is from Marie
17 Schumacher as follows:

18 0 Please place into Third Order of
19 your next Meeting the analysis on which Council
20 based its decision to transition to the Payroll
21 Preparation Tax.

22 0 When may we expect to see all
23 City Contracts on the City website?

24 0 When will Council return to their
25 City Hall chambers for Meetings? You may

1 have noticed the Senior Centers, who have been
2 designated the most vulnerable citizens have
3 returned to the Senior Centers. Dunmore
4 Borough meet in person as well. It is time to
5 return to City Hall.

6 0 Answers to question have been
7 lagging again. I am hoping you have the
8 Capital Budget question answers to share
9 tonight.

10 0 Last week I believe Mr. Donohue
11 said he believed the Police Code Enforcers have
12 not been called back from furlough. If this is
13 true why were they fuloughed in the first place
14 and why not be called back. The revenue they
15 generated was a contractual commitment to the
16 people of the City. Do we have to sue the City
17 to get the safety and revenue for which we
18 contracted?

19 0 I would request each member of
20 Council read, or re-read the Administration's
21 2020 Budget proposal to which Council agreed.
22 There was much promised that is not being
23 provided and this citizen would like to know
24 why. Again, that was from Marie Schumacher.
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1 The second submission is from Mr.
2 Coyne is as follows:
3 Greetings members of City Council.

4 Last week you responded to my
5 submission, and from that I submit this.

6 I understand that the 2020 budget
7 has been approved and it done, but nowhere
8 along the road, is it impossible to give
9 direction to the Mayor/executive branch, or
10 evaluate changes to the following years budget.

11 The City home rule charter sets up
12 council as the legislative and purse strings
13 branch and mayor as executive. As part of that
14 in congress in preparation for the budget,
15 congress lets known what it will not approve in
16 the following year, or gives guidance.

17 Has City council evaluated based on
18 last years budget, what may reasonably be
19 excluded or drawn a line at what it will reject
20 if submitted for 2021?

21 Will Council introduce or put to a
22 vote the separation of the trash collection fee
23 from the general funds as a way to audit real
24 costs of collection and disposal?

25 Has council received any response on

1 the annual profit from the recycling center and
2 it's due share of any potential profits?

3 Last. I was shocked and you spoke of
4 Scranton Tomorrow being paid by the University
5 of Scranton's Payment in Lieu of Taxes. No
6 wonder they took up the call to do whatever at
7 the UofS calling.

8 The Payment in Lieu of taxes should
9 not be a pass thru to an outside group, that
10 works to improve land and public spaces
11 directly in the area the U of S owns, but to
12 aid all of the citizens of Scranton. The
13 entire \$200,000 payment in the U of S pays to
14 the city, never goes to the City and retiring
15 debt, since \$225,000 goes to Scranton tomorrow.
16 Why can the University designate the where the
17 taxes go? Can we as taxpayers also do the
18 same.. Designating taxes to projects on my
19 street only?

20 It's concerning city taxes are
21 running a pass-thru from a non profit to a non
22 profit group. Every step of the way.

23 We need a change, this includes the
24 budget.

25 As for the IT items. The request is

1 bloated and undefined. A third party to create
2 and monitor a firewall is more expensive than a
3 one time purchase of equipment and hiring a
4 security professional on budget, who can be
5 used for other tasks when the firewall is set
6 up. The \$300,000 on the first year alone would
7 cover the extra professional in firewalls and
8 equipment.

9 Surface computer/pads are 3 times as
10 expensive as smaller laptops without the easy
11 of making them conform to an internal security
12 and data retention policy. The only possible
13 reason for anyone having one is the desire to
14 have something flashy and upscale. Maybe a
15 License and inspections person would qualify
16 for the use as a tablet, to take pictures and
17 draw on a diagram. For standard work, it's
18 getting a perk wanted but not needed.

19 The overall IT path and budget needs
20 a lot more attached detail before it should be
21 approved.

22 Thanks

23 Tom Coyne

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25 (This concludes letters as submitted

1 to Council for public comment.)

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MR. GAUGHAN: Thank you, Mrs. Reed.

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At this time, I'd like to ask if someone would

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make a motion to accept public comment from

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Miss Shumacher and from Mr. Thomas Coyne.

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MR. SCHUSTER: I'll make a motion to

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accept public comment.

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MR. GAUGHAN: There's been a motion.

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Is there a second?

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MR. MCANDREW: Second.

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MR. DONAHUE: Second.

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MR. GAUGHAN: On the question? On

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the question, I just want to check through a

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couple of these things. To place into -- we'll

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start with Miss Shumacher. To place into Third

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Order the analysis on which Council based its

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decision to transition to the Payroll

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Preparation Tax, there's been no official

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decision on that. No official -- there's been

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no legislation in other words, correct,

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Councilman Donahue?

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MR. DONAHUE: Yeah, so that's --

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that's still in preparation for the court

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hearing that is still yet to be scheduled. I

1 was just trying -- last week I was just given
2 an update on where we stood in terms of getting
3 that information together.

4 MR. GAUGHAN: And I believe there
5 was a whole meeting, an analysis done in public
6 with the former Business Administrator, members
7 of the community, members of different
8 institutions; and I think that's on YouTube if
9 anybody wants to watch it.

10 But I've been on the record on why I
11 think transitioning from a Business and
12 Mercantile Tax to a Payroll Preparation Tax is
13 a good move. It's more fair. I've been on the
14 record multiple times at meetings stating the
15 case on that one.

16 "When may we expect to see all City
17 contracts on the City website?" I was speaking
18 with the City Controller, John Murray. And he
19 is working with the administration to make that
20 happen. So I don't know exactly when, but I'm
21 hopeful in the near future. So the City
22 Controller is working on that.

23 But Council wouldn't have any
24 control over that I don't believe. So it would
25 be up to the administration and now the

1 controller has taken the lead on it.

2 As for when Council will return to
3 chambers for meetings, the cases in Lackawanna
4 County are through the roof. Every day there
5 is 40, 50, 60-some cases. It's not safe to be
6 back in a confined area like chambers with five
7 Council members, the City Clerk, Council
8 Solicitor, Miss Carrera and then you have
9 however many members of the public will come.

10 We've already made that decision as
11 a group that we did not think it was in the
12 best interest, not only to the Council but more
13 importantly to the public to be in those
14 chambers. And I'm certainly not going to put
15 anybody in danger because, you know, one person
16 wants to be back in chambers.

17 I understand, you know, the push to
18 do that. And I think eventually we'll get
19 there. But now is not the time to do it. So
20 that is something that we'll continue to
21 monitor as we move forward. But I don't
22 foresee it being anytime soon based on the
23 conditions.

24 We are still waiting on the capital
25 budget questions. So when we get them,

1 obviously we'll share them. I can't, you know,
2 make them up out of thin air. We've posed them
3 to the administration.

4 And as we heard tonight in the
5 caucus, hopefully by next week we'll get them.
6 And I think those are the only questions and
7 then two comments from Miss Shumacher at the
8 end.

9 Mr. Coyne had a question, "Has City
10 Council evaluated based on last years' budget
11 what may reasonably be excluded or draw a line
12 at what it will reject if submitted for 2021?"

13 Number one, I don't think you could
14 make that evaluation until you've seen the 2021
15 budget because we're not sure yet what exactly
16 the administration, what line items they're
17 going to include that may have been included
18 from last year.

19 So it's difficult to say. But
20 certainly that evaluation is ongoing,
21 especially now within the next few weeks when
22 the administration brings Council in to discuss
23 the budget. And then in talking with the
24 Mayor, we're going to do things a lot
25 differently than they were done in the past

1 where the budget was some kind of nuclear
2 secret.

3 There's going to be public hearings,
4 more than one. The Mayor and the Business
5 Administrator will come to Council caucus and
6 explain the budget, go through the budget. So
7 it will be much more transparent than it has
8 been in the past.

9 Again, when -- as far as I was
10 concerned in my experience, we didn't get the
11 budget until November. And then it was like
12 pulling teeth trying to get a question answered
13 out of anyone. So I think that will change
14 this year.

15 "Has Council received any response
16 on the annual profit from the Recycling Center
17 and its due share of any potential profits?"
18 We did receive a lengthy response from the
19 Recycling Center. I was talking to Solicitor
20 Hayes about that earlier today. We are still
21 reviewing that.

22 And I think we'll, you know, bring
23 that back up for discussion when we have to
24 vote on selecting a company to engage in our
25 recycling collection moving forward based on

1 the events that have happened.

2 "Will Council introduce or put to a
3 vote the separation of the trash collection fee
4 from the General Funds as a way to audit real
5 cost of collection and disposal?" I'm not sure
6 I understand that question. I don't -- I don't
7 believe that we would need to vote on moving
8 the trash fee into the real estate tax bill.
9 But we'll leave that up to Solicitor Hayes to
10 look into that maybe for next week.

11 And then there's a couple things on
12 Scranton Tomorrow. And I'll address those
13 items in Fifth Order. Anybody else have
14 anything on the question for public comment?

15 MR. SCHUSTER: Yes, on the question,
16 do we know if the new Business Administrator
17 plans on presenting any of the Payroll
18 Preparation Tax information to Council? I'm
19 new to Council, but I'm not sure if Jess had an
20 opportunity to hear any of that presentation.

21 I know Mark did on the School Board.
22 But I don't know if he's heard it on Council.
23 And on the School Board, we're always promised
24 the Berkheimer numbers by the City which never
25 really happened. So, I'm mean, I'd really like

1 to take a good look at those numbers that the
2 City has compiled which I haven't seen yet and
3 get a meeting together sooner than later with
4 the school district to discuss with them. And
5 I think they might still have some barriers.

6 MR. GAUGHAN: Okay. You can request
7 that. Anybody else on public comment?

8 MR. MCANDREW: Well, just to
9 piggyback off of what Mr. Schuster just said, I
10 watched the Scranton School Board meeting last
11 night. And they did touch base under -- during
12 their finance committee meeting about the
13 Payroll Prep Tax.

14 They're still looking at receiving
15 more data before they make their decision. And
16 so they're kind of waiting to hear where we're
17 at and have some type of meeting and have a
18 discussion.

19 MR. GAUGHAN: Well, I know that
20 Councilman Donahue -- I'm sorry, Mark, I
21 didn't mean to cut you off.

22 MR. MCANDREW: No, just that I heard
23 that last night. You know, they're moving in
24 the same direction maybe. But they require a
25 little more discussion and a little more data

1 collection.

2 MR. GAUGHAN: Well, Councilman
3 Donahue, correct me if I'm wrong, but isn't Pat
4 Laffey from the school district, yourself,
5 members of PEL and the administration meeting
6 weekly on this stuff?

7 MR. DONAHUE: Yeah, we haven't met
8 in a couple weeks. But myself, Mr. Deeley and
9 Mr. Laffey talked last week via zoom. And we
10 did a share screen looking over some of the
11 data just trying to marry up what was the work
12 done in 2019 with the list we got then for
13 2020 -- or the work that was done for 2018 but
14 then the list that we got for 2019.

15 And there were just, you know, you
16 know, a business that would have two separate
17 names in two separate years because they
18 changed hands. And it's marrying up that data
19 and making sure that all the nonprofits are
20 excluded. So we're setting a rate on what we
21 can actually collect.

22 And, Mr. Schuster, in terms of, you
23 know, going back to last year, I know Pat
24 Laffey wasn't involved in any of those
25 discussions at that point -- at this point last

1 year. But he is -- he's been in the
2 discussions since the beginning of August.

3 MR. SCHUSTER: That's what I've
4 heard. Since the new administration took over
5 over there, Pat has been now allowed to come to
6 meetings.

7 MR. DONAHUE: Yes.

8 MR. GAUGHAN: Okay. Anyone else on
9 the question for public comment?

10 MR. MCANDREW: That was stated last
11 night that there are ongoing meetings but what
12 was also stated is the board is waiting for,
13 you know, the collection of data from the -- so
14 they could make a decision.

15 So they're still waiting. They're
16 not involved in this process until it comes to
17 them. Do you understand what I'm saying?

18 MR. DONAHUE: Yes. Yes.

19 MR. MCANDREW: Okay. Thank you.

20 MR. DONAHUE: Yeah, because we're
21 still doing a complete analysis. So we're
22 doing what's taxable and then we're also
23 bringing into the fold also what, you know,
24 what was paid in BP and Merc compared to what
25 would be paid in payroll prep and so looking at

1 it a bunch of different ways and compiling all
2 of that information together.

3 MR. GAUGHAN: All those in favor of
4 the motion to accept public comment signify by
5 saying aye.

6 MR. SCHUSTER: Aye.

7 MR. MCANDREW: Aye.

8 MR. DONAHUE: Aye.

9 DR. ROTHCHILD: Aye.

10 MR. GAUGHAN: Aye. Opposed? The
11 eyes have it and so moved. Mrs. Reed?

12 MS. REED: FIFTH ORDER. 5-A.

13 MOTIONS.

14 MR. GAUGHAN: Councilman Schuster,
15 do you have any motions or comments?

16 MR. SCHUSTER: Not at this time.

17 MR. GAUGHAN: Councilman McAndrew,
18 any motions or comments?

19 MR. MCANDREW: Yes, I have two
20 things. So I don't know if everybody realizes
21 it's -- time is running out for the census.
22 Tomorrow is the deadline. It takes 10 minutes
23 to complete.

24 I know prior to tomorrow you could
25 start the process and then log back in. But,

1 you know, it's recommended now that because
2 tomorrow is the deadline to please sit down and
3 do it in one sitting.

4 And then as I mentioned in caucus,
5 next Tuesday I have a contractual obligation as
6 a teacher at the Career Technology Center for
7 back to school night. So I will be unable to
8 attend. I just wanted to explain my absence in
9 advance. But with that said, tonight in caucus
10 we had a problem with some technical
11 difficulties.

12 But Mr. Deeley was presenting a
13 couple different things. One thing that I
14 requested a couple weeks ago is an update from
15 the task force and -- to Council and to see
16 where they're at with their self-assessment
17 with regards to, you know, corrective actions
18 moving forward.

19 But my issue which -- why I brought
20 it up was, so I'm not going to be here next
21 week. Is it at all possible or allowed that I
22 could prepare questions because I wanted to be
23 part of that process because I'm not here maybe
24 have someone read them for me, a colleague on
25 Council because the issue I have still is with

1 Kenneth Bond illegally operating in the City.

2 Like I stated before, you know, the
3 taxpayers that pay their taxes and their
4 garbage fees want answers just like I do. So I
5 want to know where we're at with that. So if
6 someone would -- if that's allowable. I
7 apologize for not being able to attend next
8 week.

9 But, you know, it's a work thing so
10 if allowed, President Gaughan, may I prepare a
11 couple questions that could be read on my
12 behalf?

13 MR. GAUGHAN: Yeah, oh, that makes
14 total sense. Yep, and if you want to get those
15 to Lori, she could give them to the
16 administration in advance and then someone will
17 pose them or hopefully they'll come prepared
18 with answers and give those publically at the
19 meeting. But, yep, that makes sense.

20 MR. MCANDREW: Thank you very much.
21 That is all I have.

22 MR. GAUGHAN: Okay. Dr. Rothchild,
23 any motions or comments?

24 DR. ROTHCHILD: I just have one
25 comment. And I don't remember if anyone

1 brought it up in the previous meetings. I
2 don't think that we did.

3 As we get closer to the general
4 election, I think a lot of voters are still
5 choosing to use mail in ballots to vote as
6 opposed to going to vote in person.

7 And I just wanted to remind everyone
8 that you need to include your ballot in the
9 secrecy envelope and then that needs to go into
10 the outer envelope that you then sign in order
11 for your vote to count. It won't count if --
12 my dogs are ready to vote.

13 It won't count if you don't have it
14 inside that inner secrecy envelope and if you
15 just put it in the bigger envelope. So I
16 wanted to make sure that the public was made
17 aware of that.

18 I probably should have made that in
19 the announcements. But I didn't want to forget
20 to say it since some people may already be
21 receiving those mail-in ballots and voting now.

22 MR. GAUGHAN: Okay. Thank you so
23 much. Councilman Donahue, do you have any
24 motions or comments?

25 MR. DONAHUE: Yeah, just one thing.

1 Back in July I had gotten a couple complaints
2 or -- a couple inquiries about the PA American
3 Water project on Birch Street in between South
4 Washington and Cedar Avenue. The street's been
5 closed for about a year and a half now.

6 And back then we were informed that
7 the work was going to be done by the end of
8 September and that full restoration of the road
9 would be done by the end of October. This week
10 we got -- we had Miss Reed forwarded an e-mail
11 from Director Preambo that he got an update
12 from Pennsylvania American Water that the road
13 or the project will continue until at least
14 until the end of the year and that the project
15 will also include Bergen Court from Birch
16 Street to Willow Street.

17 Solicitor Hayes, would you be able
18 to look into and see if the City has anything
19 on the books limiting the amount of time a
20 utility could close down a street?

21 ATTY. HAYES: Absolutely. I don't
22 know off hand, but I'll look into that for you.

23 MR. DONAHUE: Okay. And then if
24 not, you know, what is possible if it's
25 possible to limit the time a utility could shut

1 down a street because, I mean, there's a
2 business at the bottom of that that is a
3 trucking distribution center.

4 You know, and they're there at all
5 hours. There's, you know, many residents on
6 that street that lives have been impacted for,
7 you know, over a year and a half now.

8 ATTY. HAYES: This is at the bottom
9 of Willow Street in South Side?

10 MR. DONAHUE: So it's Birch Street
11 from Cedar Avenue until the South Washington.

12 ATTY. HAYES: Got it. Okay. Oh,
13 yeah, that has been -- a block over from South
14 Intermediate.

15 MR. DONAHUE: Yes.

16 ATTY. HAYES: That has been blocked
17 off for a while. Yeah, I know exactly and
18 there's a moving company on that street. So,
19 yeah, I will look into that, Councilman
20 Donahue.

21 MR. DONAHUE: All right. Thank you.
22 That's all I have for tonight.

23 MR. GAUGHAN: Thank you. I just
24 have a few things. The first thing I want to
25 talk about tonight is the issues or not the

1 issues but questions that have come up from Mr.
2 Coyne about Scranton Tomorrow.

3 So I just want to clear a few things
4 up. The first thing is, there was money
5 budgeted in 2020 for Scranton Tomorrow just as
6 there has been for a number of previous years.
7 And I did speak with Leslie Collins from
8 Scranton Tomorrow.

9 They are going to be coming into a
10 Council caucus at some point either in October
11 or November to give us a quarterly update,
12 which I think should clear up a lot of issues.

13 But they have not received any money
14 or a portion of the money that was allocated
15 from the City yet. They did receive funding
16 from the University of Scranton in the amount
17 of a hundred thousand dollars. That was part
18 of their pilot payment. So the University of
19 Scranton gives a payment in lieu of taxes to
20 the City.

21 The idea behind this from a few
22 years ago was in the past, a nonprofit would
23 give a payment in lieu of taxes to the City.
24 And it would go right into the general fund and
25 into the black hole. I think the previous

1 administration came to an agreement with the
2 local nonprofits to say that if you're going to
3 give us a payment in lieu of taxes, we'd like
4 to partner to allocate that money towards a
5 specific project, towards parks and recreation,
6 a number of different things which I thought
7 was a good idea rather than again, just putting
8 it in the general fund and, you know, letting
9 it float out in the middle of nowhere.

10 So that is the way that it is
11 currently done. The arrangement was that part
12 of the University's pilot payment would go
13 towards Scranton Tomorrow. Now, questioning,
14 you know, Scranton Tomorrow, I think we have to
15 remember that this funding commitment on behalf
16 of the City was part of a larger economic
17 development plan through the National Resource
18 Network.

19 And that was adopted I think back in
20 2015. So the National Resource Network, NRN
21 was hired by the City. NRN is a federally
22 funded economic assistance organization that
23 helps distressed cities like Scranton to create
24 a downtown revitalization plan and more of a
25 strategic vision.

1 So as part of that plan, Scranton
2 Tomorrow is tasked to lead the charge, sort of
3 takeover and to run with all of the
4 recommendations that were in the plan. The NRN
5 plan is available if anybody would like a copy
6 of it. It's in -- I know it's in our file back
7 in our office in the Clerk's Office.

8 So Lori could e-mail that to you if
9 you'd like a copy of it and you would like to
10 take a look at it. I know from looking at it a
11 while ago, there was a three year
12 implementation plan that laid out several
13 initiatives like sanitation, street cleaning.

14 There was an ambassador program that
15 Scranton Tomorrow has championed, trash
16 removal, graffiti removal all in the general
17 area of the downtown, general maintenance
18 upkeep, events, marketing, holiday lighting, so
19 on and so forth, capital improvements.

20 So Scranton Tomorrow is the group
21 that took that on. And they've been more than
22 transparent with Council in terms of coming
23 every quarter to give us an update on exactly,
24 number one, how they spent that money and how
25 their -- how the whole plan is going and what

1 they've done in terms of the strategic vision.

2 The other part of that plan was to
3 have Scranton Tomorrow to lead the creation of
4 a downtown business improvement district.

5 Districts in other parts of the country have
6 been real economic drivers for their cities.

7 And business improvement districts
8 in other cities are always usually partially
9 funded by their municipalities, by their
10 cities. So this isn't just like, you know --
11 I understand Mr. Coyne's comments. But it's
12 not like the City is just throwing money at
13 Scranton Tomorrow so three or four people could
14 go sit at an office and stare at each other.

15 They're actually doing things. And
16 it's part of an overall plan that was put
17 together with benchmarks and goals. And it was
18 really comprehensive from what I would
19 remember. So if anybody would like to take a
20 look at that letter, either a member of the
21 public or Council, you could feel free to reach
22 out to us or reach out to Lori and take a look
23 at that.

24 As part of that, there was a
25 downtown master plan. The City a few years ago

1 finally signed onto the Scranton Abington
2 Planning Association, so SAPA. And we were
3 tasked with coming up with a larger
4 comprehensive plan. And there was lot of
5 benefits to that that we discussed a few years
6 ago.

7 But part of that was a downtown
8 master plan. And that is what Scranton
9 Tomorrow took on. So I know that they've been
10 working to help small businesses during the
11 pandemic, so on and so forth. So there is
12 value to this. It's not again, like, you know,
13 we're just throwing money away at
14 organizations.

15 I would not be in favor of that. So
16 hopefully that clears some things up on
17 Scranton Tomorrow. I also wanted to mention
18 that there had been -- I have been contacted
19 about a recent rash of car burglaries and
20 garage break-ins in Minooka. They were hit
21 twice in two weeks.

22 A lot of residents back in Minooka
23 are concerned. They do have a somewhat
24 picture -- not really clear of the people that
25 are involved in this. So I was asked by

1 members of -- or residents of Minooka if we can
2 reach out to the police department and ask if
3 there could be regular patrols over there
4 randomly between midnight and 4 a.m. That
5 seems to be when this is happening.

6 So Chief Namiotka was copied on that
7 and I'm confident that the Police Department
8 will step up patrols there. Also, a gentleman
9 reached out to me about the intersection of
10 Capouse Avenue and Olive Street.

11 Apparently that area is in pretty
12 rough condition in terms of blight including
13 the All-Phase building. So we did send that
14 out to the Licensing and Inspections
15 Department. And this gentleman also brought up
16 the New Jersey Central building on Lackawanna
17 Avenue that's been vacant for years.

18 I know that there was talk a few
19 years ago about something being done with that
20 or some kind of funding being put into it. But
21 it's been quiet ever since. So I'm going reach
22 out to Mrs. Reed and ask if we could try to
23 find out who owns the property and whether or
24 not there is any plans to revitalize that. I
25 think at one point there may have been some

1 OECD involvement. But I'm not sure so we'll
2 look into that.

3 Also, I'd like, Mrs. Reed, if we
4 could send correspondence to our Police Chief
5 and copy Laurel Woods which is a development in
6 the Minooka section of Scranton. I have been
7 contacted by residents living in that
8 development who have been complaining about
9 loud noise, harassment, violence, people
10 threatening them.

11 It's more than one person. And
12 there's been -- police reports have been filed
13 in the past. And they've been dealing with
14 this for about two years now. So if we can
15 have just the Police Chief notified again and
16 we'll copy Laurel Woods on that to let them
17 know that we are not pleased with what's going
18 on over there based on the information that I
19 received. And that's all I have this week.
20 Mrs. Reed?

21 MS. REED: Thank you. 5-B. FOR
22 INTRODUCTION - AN ORDINANCE - AUTHORIZING THE
23 CITY OF SCRANTON TO ALLOW THE R1-1 STOP SIGN
24 WITH A W3-1 STOP AHEAD SIGN PLACED IN ADVANCE
25 OF THE STOP SIGN ON PRICE STREET AT ITS

1 INTERSECTION WITH NEWTON ROAD (S.R.3003) TO
2 REMAIN AS INSTALLED ON AUGUST 27, 2020.

3 MR. GAUGHAN: At this time I'll
4 entertain a motion that Item 5-B be introduced
5 into its proper committee.

6 MR. DONAHUE: So moved.

7 MR. MCANDREW: Second.

8 MR. GAUGHAN: On the question?

9 MR. SCHUSTER: On the question, was
10 it due to the recess in August that the sign
11 was put up before it came over on Council or is
12 that procedural? Any reason why the timeline
13 was kind of off on this one?

14 MR. GAUGHAN: Are you asking me,
15 Councilman Schuster?

16 MR. SCHUSTER: If anyone is aware.

17 MR. GAUGHAN: I don't know. I would
18 reach out to the DPW Director or the Law
19 Department. I'm not sure about that.

20 MR. SCHUSTER: Yeah, I guess maybe I
21 was looking maybe for past history. Some of
22 you guys have been on the Council for a while
23 whether anything else has come up that way.
24 Not a big deal, I'm sure the sign is helpful in
25 the neighborhood.

1 MR. GAUGHAN: Anyone else? Okay.
2 All those in favor of introduction signify by
3 saying aye.

4 MR. SCHUSTER: Aye.

5 MR. MCANDREW: Aye.

6 MR. DONAHUE: Aye.

7 DR. ROTHCHILD: Aye.

8 MR. GAUGHAN: Aye. Opposed? The
9 eyes have it and so moved.

10 MS. REED: 5-C. FOR INTRODUCTION -
11 AN ORDINANCE - AMENDING FILE OF THE COUNCIL
12 NO. 4, 2020, ENTITLED "AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR
13 AND OTHER APPROPRIATE CITY OFFICIALS FOR THE
14 CITY OF SCRANTON TO TAKE ALL NECESSARY ACTIONS
15 TO IMPLEMENT THE CONSOLIDATED SUBMISSION FOR
16 COMMUNITY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS TO
17 BE FUNDED UNDER THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK
18 GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM, HOME INVESTMENT
19 PARTNERSHIP (HOME) PROGRAM AND EMERGENCY
20 SOLUTIONS GRANTS (ESG) PROGRAM FOR THE FIVE
21 YEAR CONSOLIDATED PLAN, ANALYSIS OF IMPEDIMENTS
22 TO FAIR HOUSING CHOICE, AND ANNUAL ACTION PLAN
23 FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2020." BY
24 AMENDING THE 2020 ACTION PLAN PROGRAMMING BY
25 \$522,531.00 IN CDBG-CV FUNDS MADE AVAILABLE BY

1 THE CARES ACT.

2 MR. GAUGHAN: At this time I'll
3 entertain a motion that Item 5-C be introduced
4 into its proper committee.

5 MR. DONAHUE: So moved.

6 DR. ROTHCHILD: Second.

7 MR. GAUGHAN: On the question? All
8 those in favor of introduction signify by
9 saying aye.

10 MR. SCHUSTER: Aye.

11 MR. MCANDREW: Aye.

12 MR. DONAHUE: Aye.

13 DR. ROTHCHILD: Aye.

14 MR. GAUGHAN: Aye. Opposed? The
15 eyes have it and so moved.

16 MS. REED: 5-D. FOR INTRODUCTION -
17 A RESOLUTION - APPOINTMENT OF CHRISTINA L.
18 MANUEL, 1801 SANDERSON AVENUE, SCRANTON,
19 PENNSYLVANIA, 18509 AS A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF
20 THE SCRANTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
21 FOR A FIVE (5) YEAR TERM EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER
22 14, 2020. MS. MANUEL WILL BE REPLACING BURT
23 SCHWARTZ WHOSE TERM EXPIRED FEBRUARY 5, 2020
24 AND WAS HELD OVER, MS. MANUEL'S TERM WILL
25 EXPIRE ON FEBRUARY 5, 2025.

1 MR. GAUGHAN: At this time I'll
2 entertain a motion that Item 5-D be introduced
3 into its proper committee.

4 DR. ROTHCHILD: So moved.

5 MR. DONAHUE: So moved.

6 MR. SCHUSTER: Second.

7 MR. GAUGHAN: On the question?

8 DR. ROTHCHILD: Yeah, on the
9 question, I'm sorry, I just wanted to add, Miss
10 Manuel I worked with her in other capacities.
11 And I really respect the work that she's done
12 with UNC over the years. And so I think that
13 she will be a really great fit for the Scranton
14 Redevelopment -- or, yeah, Redevelopment
15 Authority. So I'm happy to see this come to.

16 MR. GAUGHAN: Thank you. Anyone
17 else on the question? All those in favor of
18 introduction signify by saying aye.

19 MR. SCHUSTER: Aye.

20 MR. MCANDREW: Aye.

21 MR. DONAHUE: Aye.

22 DR. ROTHCHILD: Aye.

23 MR. GAUGHAN: Aye. Opposed? The
24 ayes have it and so moved.

25 MS. REED: 5-E. FOR INTRODUCTION -

1 A RESOLUTION – APPOINTMENT OF MICHAEL
2 HANLEY, 800 WOODLAWN STREET, SCRANTON,
3 PENNSYLVANIA, 18509 AS A MEMBER OF THE SCRANTON
4 HOUSING AUTHORITY FOR A FIVE (5) YEAR
5 TERM EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 27, 2020. MR. HANLEY
6 WILL BE REPLACING MARY CLARE KINGSLEY WHOSE
7 TERM EXPIRED SEPTEMBER 27, 2020. MR. HANLEY'S
8 TERM WILL EXPIRE ON SEPTEMBER 27, 2025.

9 MR. GAUGHAN: At this time I'll
10 entertain a motion that Item 5-E be introduced
11 into its proper committee.

12 MR. DONAHUE: So moved.

13 DR. ROTHCHILD: Second.

14 MR. GAUGHAN: On the question?

15 MR. MCANDREW: I would like to say
16 on the question, I would just like to thank
17 Mary Clare Kingsley for her great work with the
18 Housing Authority and on this board and I wish
19 her well.

20 MR. GAUGHAN: Thank you. Anyone
21 else on the question?

22 MR. SCHUSTER: Also, I'd like to say
23 it was nice to see the letter from
24 Mrs. Kingsley come in that, you know, she
25 enjoyed serving on the board and would like

1 another term. But I guess that can't happen at
2 this point in time. But it was nice to see the
3 letter from her. Thank you.

4 MR. GAUGHAN: Thank you. Anyone
5 else on the question?

6 DR. ROTHCHILD: Yes, I'd also like
7 to echo their comments and thank Mrs. Kingsley
8 for previously serving on the board. Thank
9 you.

10 MR. GAUGHAN: Thank you. All those
11 in favor of introduction signify by saying aye.

12 MR. SCHUSTER: Aye.

13 MR. MCANDREW: Aye.

14 MR. DONAHUE: Aye.

15 DR. ROTHCHILD: Aye.

16 MR. GAUGHAN: Aye. Opposed? The
17 ayes have it and so moved.

18 MS. REED: SIXTH ORDER. No business
19 at this time.

20 SEVENTH ORDER. 7-A. FOR
21 CONSIDERATION BY THE COMMITTEE ON COMMUNITY
22 DEVELOPMENT - FOR ADOPTION - FILE OF THE
23 COUNCIL NO. 22, 2020 - AMENDING FILE OF THE
24 COUNCIL NO. 4, 2020, ENTITLED "AUTHORIZING THE
25 MAYOR AND OTHER APPROPRIATE OFFICIALS OF THE

1 CITY OF SCRANTON TO TAKE ALL NECESSARY ACTIONS
2 TO IMPLEMENT THE CONSOLIDATED SUBMISSION FOR
3 COMMUNITY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS TO
4 BE FUNDED UNDER THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK
5 GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM, HOME INVESTMENT
6 PARTNERSHIP (HOME) PROGRAM AND EMERGENCY
7 SOLUTIONS GRANTS (ESG) PROGRAM FOR THE FIVE
8 YEAR CONSOLIDATED PLAN, ANALYSIS OF IMPEDIMENTS
9 TO FAIR HOUSING CHOICE, AND ANNUAL ACTION PLAN
10 FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2020." BY
11 AMENDING THE 2020 ACTION PLAN BY PROGRAMMING
12 \$1,649,621 IN CDBG-CV FUNDS MADE AVAILABLE BY
13 THE CARES ACT AND PROGRAMMING \$1,435,629 (ROUND
14 #1 \$813,478 AND ROUND #2 \$622,150) IN ESG-CV
15 FUNDS MADE AVAILABLE BY THE CARES ACT.

16 MR. GAUGHAN: What is the
17 recommendation of the Chairperson for the
18 Committee on Community Development?

19 DR. ROTHCHILD: As Chair for the
20 Committee on Community Development, I recommend
21 final passage of Item 7-A.

22 MR. MCANDREW: Second.

23 MR. GAUGHAN: On the question? Roll
24 call, please.

25 MS. CARRERA: Mr. Schuster.

1 MR. SCHUSTER: Yes.

2 MS. CARRERA: Mr. McAndrew.

3 MR. MCANDREW: Yes.

4 MS. CARRERA: Dr. Rothchild.

5 DR. ROTHCHILD: Yes.

6 MS. CARRERA: Mr. Donahue.

7 MR. DONAHUE: Yes.

8 MS. CARRERA: Mr. Gaughan.

9 MR. GAUGHAN: Yes. I hereby declare
10 Item 7-A legally and lawfully adopted.

11 MS. REED: 7-B. FOR CONSIDERATION
12 BY THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY - FOR
13 ADOPTION - FILE OF THE COUNCIL NO. 24, 2020 -
14 AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND OTHER APPROPRIATE
15 CITY OFFICIALS TO APPLY FOR AND EXECUTE A GRANT
16 APPLICATION BY THE CITY OF SCRANTON POLICE
17 DEPARTMENT AND, IF SUCCESSFUL, A GRANT
18 AGREEMENT, AND ACCEPT FUNDS RELATED THERETO
19 THROUGH THE BJA FY 18 EDWARD BYRNE
20 JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT ("JAG") PROGRAM-LOCAL
21 SOLICITATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$18,638.00 TO
22 PURCHASE AN AUTOMATED LICENSE PLATE
23 READER (ALPR).

24 MR. GAUGHAN: What is the
25 recommendation of the Chairperson for the

1 Committee on Public Safety?

2 MR. MCANDREW: As -- I'm sorry.

3 MR. GAUGHAN: That's okay.

4 MR. MCANDREW: As Chairperson for
5 the Committee on Public Safety, I recommend
6 final passage of 7-B.

7 MR. DONAHUE: Second.

8 MR. GAUGHAN: On the question? Roll
9 call, please.

10 MS. CARRERA: Mr. Schuster.

11 MR. SCHUSTER: Yes.

12 MS. CARRERA: Mr. McAndrew.

13 MR. MCANDREW: Yes.

14 MS. CARRERA: Dr. Rothchild.

15 DR. ROTHCHILD: Yes.

16 MS. CARRERA: Mr. Donahue.

17 MR. DONAHUE: Yes.

18 MS. CARRERA: Mr. Gaughan.

19 MR. GAUGHAN: Yes. I hereby declare
20 Item 7-B legally and lawfully adopted.

21 MS. REED: 7-C. FOR CONSIDERATION
22 BY THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY - FOR
23 ADOPTION - FILE OF THE COUNCIL NO. 25, 2020 -
24 AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF SCRANTON TO ESTABLISH
25 PARKING RESTRICTIONS FOR A LOADING/UNLOADING

1 ZONE FROM 9:15-9:45 AM; 1:00PM-1:30PM AND
2 6:30PM-7:00PM ALONG 300 LACKAWANNA AVENUE
3 BETWEEN PENN AVENUE AND WYOMING AVENUE FOR THE
4 UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE.

5 MR. GAUGHAN: What is the
6 recommendation of the Chairperson for the
7 Committee on Public Safety?

8 MR. MCANDREW: As Chairman for the
9 Committee on Public Safety, I recommend final
10 passage of Item 7-C.

11 MR. SCHUSTER: Second.

12 MR. GAUGHAN: On the question? Roll
13 call, please.

14 MS. CARRERA: Mr. Schuster.

15 MR SCHUSTER: Yes.

16 MS. CARRERA: Mr. McAndrew.

17 MR. MCANDREW: Yes.

18 MS. CARRERA: Dr. Rothchild.

19 DR. ROTHCHILD: Yes.

20 MS. CARRERA: Mr. Donahue.

21 MR. DONAHUE: Yes.

22 MS. CARRERA: Mr. Gaughan.

23 MR. GAUGHAN: Yes. I hereby declare
24 Item 7-C legally and lawfully adopted.

25 MS. REED: 7-D. FOR CONSIDERATION

1 BY THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY - FOR
2 ADOPTION - RESOLUTION NO. 70, 2020 - OPPOSING
3 THE OVERLAND TRANSPORTATION OF LIQUEFIED
4 NATURAL GAS THROUGH THE CITY OF
5 SCRANTON AND ITS SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES.

6 MR. GAUGHAN: What is the
7 recommendation of the Chairperson for the
8 Committee on Public Safety?

9 MR. MCANDREW: As Chairperson of the
10 Committee on Public Safety, I recommend final
11 passage of 7-D.

12 DR. ROTHCHILD: Second.

13 MR. GAUGHAN: On the question? Roll
14 call, please.

15 MS. CARRERA: Mr. Schuster.

16 MR. SCHUSTER: Yes.

17 MS. CARRERA: Mr. McAndrew.

18 MR. MCANDREW: Yes.

19 MS. CARRERA: Dr. Rothchild.

20 DR. ROTHCHILD: Yes.

21 MS. CARRERA: Mr. Donahue.

22 MR. DONAHUE: Yes.

23 MS. CARRERA: Mr. Gaughan.

24 MR. GAUGHAN: Yes. I hereby declare
25 Item 7-D legally and lawfully adopted.

1 MS. REED: 7-E. FOR CONSIDERATION
2 BY THE COMMITTEE ON COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT -
3 FOR ADOPTION - RESOLUTION NO. 71, 2020 -
4 AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 37, 2020, ENTITLED
5 "AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND OTHER APPROPRIATE
6 CITY OFFICIALS FOR THE CITY OF SCRANTON TO
7 ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH SCRANTON AREA
8 FOUNDATION, INC. TO ESTABLISH THE CITY OF
9 SCRANTON SMALL BUSINESS FUND, A PASS
10 THROUGH FUND WHICH WILL DISTRIBUTE GRANTS IN
11 THE AMOUNT OF \$2,500.00 TO VARIOUS SMALL
12 BUSINESS THROUGHOUT THE CITY OF
13 SCRANTON AS PART OF THE CITY OF SCRANTON'S
14 SMALL BUSINESS RELIEF GRANT PROGRAM DUE TO THE
15 COVID-19 PANDEMIC" TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF
16 GRANTS AUTHORIZED BY RESOLUTION NO. 37, 2020
17 FROM 110 TO 111.

18 MR. GAUGHAN: What is the
19 recommendation of the Chairperson for the
20 Committee on Community Development?

21 DR. ROTHCHILD: As Chair for the
22 Committee on Community Development, I recommend
23 final passage of Item 7-E.

24 MR. DONAHUE: Second.

25 MR. GAUGHAN: On the question? Roll

1 call, please.

2 MS. CARRERA: Mr. Schuster.

3 MR SCHUSTER: Yes.

4 MS. CARRERA: Mr. McAndrew.

5 MR. MCANDREW: Yes.

6 MS. CARRERA: Dr. Rothchild.

7 DR. ROTHCHILD: Yes.

8 MS. CARRERA: Mr. Donahue.

9 MR. DONAHUE: Yes.

10 MS. CARRERA: Mr. Gaughan.

11 MR. GAUGHAN: Yes. I hereby declare

12 Item 7-E legally and lawfully adopted.

13 MS. REED: 7-F. FOR CONSIDERATION
14 BY THE COMMITTEE ON COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT -
15 FOR ADOPTION - RESOLUTION NO. 72, 2020 -
16 RATIFYING AND APPROVING THE EXECUTION AND
17 SUBMISSION OF THE GRANT APPLICATION
18 BY THE CITY OF SCRANTON TO PENNSYLVANIA
19 DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC
20 DEVELOPMENT, CENTER FOR BUSINESS FINANCING -
21 GRANTS OFFICE, FOR A MULTIMODAL TRANSPORTATION
22 FUNDS GRANT TO BE UTILIZED FOR THE LACE VILLAGE
23 MULTIMODAL PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF
24 \$334,366.45.

25 MR. GAUGHAN: What is the

1 recommendation of the Chairperson for the
2 Committee on Community Development?

3 DR. ROTHCHILD: As Chair for the
4 Committee on Community Development, I recommend
5 final passage of Item 7-F.

6 MR. SCHUSTER: Second.

7 MR. GAUGHAN: On the question? On
8 the question, Mrs. Reed, I know this is -- the
9 grant deadline is tomorrow. So if we can just
10 make sure that this gets signed by the Mayor
11 and gets to the appropriate people I would
12 appreciate it.

13 MS. REED: Yes, will do. I've
14 already spoken to the Mayor's Office. It will
15 be done first thing in the morning.

16 MR. GAUGHAN: Okay. Thank you.

17 MS. REED: Thank you.

18 MR. GAUGHAN: Roll call, please.

19 MS. CARRERA: Mr. Schuster.

20 MR. SCHUSTER: Yes.

21 MS. CARRERA: Mr. McAndrew.

22 MR. MCANDREW: Yes.

23 MS. CARRERA: Dr. Rothchild.

24 DR. ROTHCHILD: Yes.

25 MS. CARRERA: Mr. Donahue.

1 MR. DONAHUE: Yes.

2 MS. CARRERA: Mr. Gaughan.

3 MR. GAUGHAN: Yes. I hereby declare
4 Item 7-F legally and lawfully adopted.

5 MS. REED: 7-G. FOR CONSIDERATION
6 BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES - FOR ADOPTION -
7 RESOLUTION NO. 73, 2020 - APPOINTMENT OF JOHN
8 JUDGE, 915 ELECTRIC STREET, SCRANTON,
9 PENNSYLVANIA, 18509 TO THE POSITION
10 OF INTERIM FIRE CHIEF EFFECTIVE JULY 21, 2020.

11 MR. GAUGHAN: As Chairperson for the
12 Committee on Rules, I recommend final passage
13 of Item 7-G.

14 MR. SCHUSTER: Second.

15 MR. GAUGHAN: On the question? Roll
16 call, please.

17 MS. CARRERA: Mr. Schuster.

18 MR. SCHUSTER: Yes.

19 MS. CARRERA: Mr. McAndrew.

20 MR. MCANDREW: Yes.

21 MS. CARRERA: Dr. Rothchild.

22 DR. ROTHCHILD: Yes.

23 MS. CARRERA: Mr. Donahue.

24 MR. DONAHUE: Yes.

25 MS. CARRERA: Mr. Gaughan.

1 MR. GAUGHAN: Yes. I hereby declare
2 Item 7-G legally and lawfully adopted.

3 MS. REED: 7-H. FOR CONSIDERATION
4 BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES - FOR ADOPTION -
5 RESOLUTION NO. 74, 2020 - APPOINTMENT OF MARY
6 JO SHERIDAN, 1213 SCHLAGER STREET, SCRANTON,
7 PENNSYLVANIA, 18504 AS CITY TREASURER FOR THE
8 CITY OF TREASURY DEPARTMENT EFFECTIVE
9 SEPTEMBER 8, 2020.

10 MR. GAUGHAN: As Chairperson for the
11 Committee on Rules, I recommend final passage
12 of Item 7-H.

13 MR. SCHUSTER: Second.

14 MR. GAUGHAN: On the question? Roll
15 call, please.

16 MS. CARRERA: Mr. Schuster.

17 MR SCHUSTER: Yes.

18 MS. CARRERA: Mr. McAndrew.

19 MR. MCANDREW: Yes.

20 MS. CARRERA: Dr. Rothchild.

21 DR. ROTHCHILD: Yes.

22 MS. CARRERA: Mr. Donahue.

23 MR. DONAHUE: Yes.

24 MS. CARRERA: Mr. Gaughan.

25 MR. GAUGHAN: Yes. I hereby declare

1 Item 7-H legally and lawfully adopted.

2 MS. REED: 7-I. FOR CONSIDERATION
3 BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES - FOR ADOPTION -
4 RESOLUTION NO. 75, 2020 - APPOINTMENT OF
5 LEONARD NAMIoTKA, 1130 PHILO STREET, SCRANTON,
6 PENNSYLVANIA, 18508 TO THE POSITION OF
7 INTERIM POLICE CHIEF EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 12,
8 2020.

9 MR. GAUGHAN: As Chairperson for the
10 Committee on Rules, I recommend final passage
11 of Item 7-I.

12 MR. SCHUSTER: Second.

13 MR. GAUGHAN: On the question? Roll
14 call, please.

15 MS. CARRERA: Mr. Schuster.

16 MR SCHUSTER: Yes.

17 MS. CARRERA: Mr. McAndrew.

18 MR. MCANDREW: Yes.

19 MS. CARRERA: Dr. Rothchild.

20 DR. ROTHCHILD: Yes.

21 MS. CARRERA: Mr. Donahue.

22 MR. DONAHUE: Yes.

23 MS. CARRERA: Mr. Gaughan.

24 MR. GAUGHAN: Yes. I hereby declare
25 Item 7-I legally and lawfully adopted. If

1 there is no further business, I'll entertain a
2 motion to adjourn.

3 MR. MCANDREW: Motion to adjourn.

4 MR. GAUGHAN: This meeting's
5 adjourned. Thanks everyone. Have a good
6 night.

7 MR. SCHUSTER: Good night.

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