

AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
SEPTEMBER 25, 2007
6:30 P.M.

1. ROLL CALL
2. READING OF MINUTES
3. REPORTS & COMMUNICATIONS FROM MAYOR & HEADS OF DEPARTMENTS AND INTERESTED PARTIES AND CITY CLERK'S NOTES:
 - A. AGENDA FOR THE CITY PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON SEPTEMBER 19, 2007.
 - B. MINUTES OF THE VACANT PROPERTY REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON MARCH 20, 2007.
 - C. AGENDA FOR THE REGULAR AND ANNUAL MEETING OF THE VACANT PROPERTY REVIEW COMMITTEE HELD ON SEPTEMBER 18, 2007.
 - D. CONTROLLER'S REPORT FOR THE MONTH ENDING AUGUST 31, 2007.
4. CITIZENS PARTICIPATION I – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY
5. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS, APPOINTMENTS AND/OR RE-APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS & COMMISSIONS. MOTIONS & REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:
 - A. MOTIONS
 - B. FOR INTRODUCTION – AN ORDINANCE – AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF CITY-OWNED LAND TO THE SCRANTON SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE NEW WEST ELEMENTARY SCHOOL; SAID PARCEL LOCATED AT THE WESTERLY END OF BULWER STREET AND CONSISTING OF 3.7 ACRES OF LAND MORE OR LESS.

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C.

FOR INTRODUCTION – A RESOLUTION – AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND OTHER APPROPRIATE CITY OFFICIALS FOR THE CITY OF SCRANTON TO ENTER INTO A LOAN AGREEMENT AND MAKE A LOAN FROM THE COMMERCIAL INDUSTRIAL REVOLVING LOAN PROGRAM, PROJECT NO. 150.14 IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$70,000.00 TO SECCAS LLC TO ASSIST AN ELIGIBLE PROJECT.

6. CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCES – READING BY TITLE

A.

READING BY TITLE – FILE OF COUNCIL NO. 123, 2007 – AN ORDINANCE – AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND OTHER APPROPRIATE OFFICIALS OF THE CITY OF SCRANTON TO TAKE ALL NECESSARY ACTIONS TO IMPLEMENT THE CONSOLIDATED SUBMISSION FOR COMMUNITY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS TO BE FUNDED UNDER THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM, HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP (HOME) PROGRAM AND EMERGENCY SHELTER GRANT (ESG) PROGRAM.

B.

READING BY TITLE – FILE OF COUNCIL NO. 124, 2007 – AN ORDINANCE – AMENDING FILE OF COUNCIL NO. 33 OF 2000, ENTITLED, “AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND OTHER APPROPRIATE OFFICIALS OF THE CITY OF SCRANTON TO TAKE ALL NECESSARY ACTIONS TO IMPLEMENT THE CONSOLIDATED SUBMISSION FOR COMMUNITY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS (AS AMENDED) TO BE FUNDED UNDER THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM, HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP (HOME) PROGRAM AND EMERGENCY SHELTER GRANT (ESG) PROGRAM”, BY TRANSFERRING \$239,156.45, FROM PROJECT NO. 95-33 CLEARING OF BANKS AND STREAMS AND \$10,843.55 FROM PROJECT NO. 00-212 COMPUTERIZED MAPPING FOR A TOTAL OF \$250,000.00 TO PROJECT NO. 07-150.13 COMMERCIAL INDUSTRIAL LOAN PROGRAM.

7. FINAL READING OF RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES -
CONSIDERATION FOR ADOPTION:

A.

FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE - FOR
ADOPTION - FILE OF COUNCIL NO. 108, 2007 - APPROVING
AND ACCEPTING THE CITY OF SCRANTON CAPITAL BUDGET FOR
THE YEAR 2008 PURSUANT TO SECTION 904 OF THE CITY'S
HOME RULE CHARTER.

B.

FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE COMMITTEE ON COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT - FOR ADOPTION - FILE OF COUNCIL NO. 109,
2007 - AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF A PARCEL OF LAND
ACQUIRED BY THE CITY THROUGH THE FLOOD CONTROL PROJECT
TO JEROME AND SUSAN M. GENOVESE, D/B/A THE GARDEN PATH,
INC. AS PARTIAL COMPENSATION FOR A PROPERTY ACQUISITION
FOR THE LACKAWANNA RIVER FLOOD CONTROL PROJECT.

C.

FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY -
FOR ADOPTION - FILE OF COUNCIL NO. 110, 2007 -
ESTABLISHING PERMIT PARKING ON THE NORTH SIDE OF THE
700 BLOCK OF EAST GIBSON STREET FROM MOIR COURT EAST
FOR NINETY SEVEN (97) FEET.

D.

FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY -
FOR ADOPTION - FILE OF COUNCIL NO. 111, 2007 -
ESTABLISHING A "NO PARKING" ZONE ALONG THE SOUTHERLY
SIDE OF MULBERRY STREET (S.R. 3027) FROM THE NOW
VACATED HITCHCOCK COURT TO MCKENNA COURT, THE SAME
DISTANCE AS MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED ON THE MAP/PLAN
ATTACHED HERETO, TO ALLOW FOR SIGHT DISTANCE FOR THE
DRIVEWAY OF THE NEW UNIVERSITY OF SCRANTON CAMPUS
CENTER.

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E.

FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY -
FOR ADOPTION - FILE OF COUNCIL NO. 112, 2007 -

REMOVING PARKING METERS ON THE SOUTHERLY SIDE OF MULBERRY STREET (S.R.3027) FROM THE NOW VACATED HITCHCOCK COURT TO MCKENNA COURT, THE SAME DISTANCE AS MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED ON THE SITE PLAN ATTACHED HERETO, IN THE "NO PARKING" ZONE ESTABLISHED TO ALLOW FOR SIGHT DISTANCE FOR THE DRIVEWAY OF THE NEW UNIVERSITY OF SCRANTON CAMPUS CENTER.

F.

FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE COMMITTEE ON COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT - FOR ADOPTION - FILE OF COUNCIL NO. 115, 2007 - REGULATING THE USE OF OUTDOOR FURNACES, AS DEFINED HEREIN, ESTABLISHING ZONES FOR THEIR AUTHORIZED USE, PROVIDING REGULATIONS FOR EXISTING OUTDOOR FURNACES, AND PROVIDING FINES FOR VIOLATIONS OF THIS ORDINANCE.

G.

FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE -FOR ADOPTION - FILE OF COUNCIL NO. 116, 2007 - SALE OF TAX DELINQUENT PROPERTY AT 815 ADAMS AVENUE, SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA, TO LACKAWANNA INSTITUTE, 544 JEFFERSON AVENUE, SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA, 18510, FOR THE SUM OF \$4,500.00.

H.

FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE -
FOR ADOPTION - FILE OF COUNCIL NO. 117, 2007 - SALE OF TAX DELINQUENT PROPERTY AT 817 ADAMS AVENUE, SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA, TO LACKAWANNA INSTITUTE, 544 JEFFERSON AVENUE, SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA, 18510, FOR THE SUM OF \$7,000.00.

I.

FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE - FOR ADOPTION - FILE OF COUNCIL NO. 118, 2007 - SALE OF TAX DELINQUENT PROPERTY AT THE CORNER OF LINDEN STREET AND TAYLOR AVENUE, SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA, TO LINDEN TAYLOR L.L.C., 56 LEDGE DRIVE, LAKEVILLE, PENNSYLVANIA, 18438, FOR THE SUM OF \$2,000.00.

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J.

FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE – FOR ADOPTION – FILE OF COUNCIL NO. 119, 2007 – SALE OF DELINQUENT PROPERTY AT 1736 PERRY AVENUE, SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA, TO JAMES HOWELLS, 1740 PERRY AVENUE, SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA, 18508, FOR THE SUM OF \$3,100.00.

K.

FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE –FOR ADOPTION – FILE OF COUNCIL NO. 120, 2007 – SALE OF TAX DELINQUENT PROPERTY AT 2415 HERMANS AVENUE, SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA, TO CLEMENT SKIRPAN, 2416 N. MAIN AVENUE, SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA, 18508, FOR THE SUM OF \$4,000.00.

L.

FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE – FOR ADOPTION – FILE OF COUNCIL NO. 122, 2007 – SALE OF TAX DELINQUENT PROPERTY AT 3 HERTZ COURT, SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA, TO ROBERT F. RIVIELLO, P.O. BOX 13, GOULDSBORO, PENNSYLVANIA, 18424, FOR THE SUM OF \$1,500.00.

M.

FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE COMMITTEE ON COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – FOR ADOPTION – RESOLUTION NO. 170, 2007 – AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND OTHER APPROPRIATE CITY OFFICIALS FOR THE CITY OF SCRANTON TO ENTER INTO A LOAN AGREEMENT AND MAKE A LOAN FROM THE COMMERCIAL INDUSTRIAL REVOLVING LOAN PROGRAM, PROJECT NO. 07-150.13 IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$250,000.00 TO REJUVEN ESSENCE MANAGEMENT SERVICES LLC TO ASSIST AN ELIGIBLE PROJECT.

N.

FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES – FOR ADOPTION – RESOLUTION NO. 171, 2007 – AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND OTHER APPROPRIATE CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE AND ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, BUREAU OF RIDE AND MEASUREMENT STANDARDS REGARDING THE SEALING OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES IN THE

CITY OF SCRANTON.

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O.

FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS –
FOR ADOPTION – RESOLUTION NO. 172, 2007 – AUTHORIZING
THE MAYOR AND OTHER APPROPRIATE CITY OFFICIALS TO
EXECUTE AND ENTER INTO AN INVENTORY AND INSPECTION
REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT NO. 049013 WITH THE
COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, DEPARTMENT OF
TRANSPORTATION (PENNDOT) TO RE-INSPECT THE LOCAL
BRIDGES IN THE CITY OF SCRANTON.

P.

FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE COMMITTEE ON COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT – FOR ADOPTION – RESOLUTION NO. 173, 2007 –
ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE HISTORICAL
ARCHITECTURE REVIEW BOARD (“HARB”) AND APPROVING THE
CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS FOR PROJECT DESIGN ON
THE COLONNADE, LOCATED AT 401 JEFFERSON AVENUE.

Q.

FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE – FOR
ADOPTION – RESOLUTION NO. 174, 2007 – AUTHORIZING THE
SALE OF TAX CLAIMS TO THE REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF
THE CITY OF SCRANTON, AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF
A PURCHASE AND SALES AGREEMENT RELATING THERETO;
AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF MUNICIPAL REVENUE SERVICES,
INC AND THE LAW FIRM OF ELLIOTT GREENLEAF SIEDZIKOWSKI
AND BALABAN RELATING TO THE TRANSACTION.

8. CITIZENS PARTICIPATION II - GENERAL CITY ISSUES

9. ADJOURNMENT:

KAY GARVEY
CITY CLERK
SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA

