

AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
NOVEMBER 13, 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 ZONING HEARING BOARD MEETING TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 14, 2007.
 - B. MINUTES OF THE SCRANTON-LACKAWANNA HEALTH & WELFARE AUTHORITY MEETING HELD ON SEPTEMBER 20, 2007.
 - C. MINUTES OF THE COMPOSITE PENSION BOARD MEETING HELD ON OCTOBER 24, 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 - AMENDING FILE OF COUNCIL NO. 66, 2006 AN ORDINANCE "ENTITLED GENERAL CITY OPERATING BUDGET 2007" BY TRANSFERRING \$5,000.00 TO ACCOUNT NO. 01.401.15311.4299 (SALE LEASEBACK-2004 SERIES) AND \$6,000.00 TO ACCOUNT NO. 01.401.15312.4299 (SALE LEASEBACK-2005 SERIES) TO PROVIDE FUNDING TO COVER THE PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST PAYMENTS ON SERIES OF 2004, \$4,000,000.00 SALES LEASEBACK OF DPW AND SERIES OF 2005, \$5,500,000.00 SEWER AUTHORITY GUARANTEED LEASE REVENUE FOR A TOTAL TRANSFER OF \$11,000.00 FROM ACCOUNT NO. 01.401.13090.4299 (CONTINGENCY).

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C.

FOR INTRODUCTION - AN ORDINANCE - AUTHORIZING THE VACATION OF A PORTION OF THE RIGHT OF WAY KNOWN AS THE 700 BLOCK OF FOREST COURT LOCATED BETWEEN THE 400 BLOCKS OF GIBSON STREET AND PINE STREET.

D.

FOR INTRODUCTION - AN ORDINANCE - IMPOSING A TAX ON THE ADMISSIONS TO VARIOUS AMUSEMENTS HELD WITHIN THE CITY OF SCRANTON.

E.

FOR INTRODUCTION - A RESOLUTION - APPOINTMENT OF STUART RENDA, 1112 WOODLAWN STREET, SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA, 18509, TO THE POSITION OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR. MR. RENDA WILL BE REPLACING LEONARD KRESEFSKI, WHO RESIGNED EFFECTIVE, OCTOBER 26, 2007.

F.

FOR INTRODUCTION - A RESOLUTION - APPOINTMENT OF LINDA AEBLI, 906 SKYVIEW DRIVE, SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA, 18505, TO THE POSITION OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT. MS. AEBLI WILL BE REPLACING SARA HAILSTONE, WHO RESIGNED EFFECTIVE, NOVEMBER 2, 2007.

G.

FOR INTRODUCTION - A RESOLUTION - AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND OTHER APPROPRIATE CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE AND ENTER INTO A PROFESSIONAL SERVICE DESIGN/BUILD CONTRACT WITH PESAVENTO MONUMENTS, INC. FOR THE DESIGN AND INSTALLATION OF THE DOWNTOWN FIRE FIGHTERS MEMORIAL FOR A COST NOT TO EXCEED \$50,000 FROM COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS.

H.

FOR INTRODUCTION - A RESOLUTION - AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND OTHER APPROPRIATE CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE AND APPLY FOR A GRANT FOR HOUSING AND REDEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE THROUGH THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (DCED); ACCEPTING THE GRANT IF THE APPLICATION IS SUCCESSFUL, AND COORDINATING THE USE OF THE GRANT FUNDS FOR THE PROJECT TO BE NAMED AS "SKYVIEW PARK APARTMENTS" WITH THE NATIONAL HOUSING TRUST (NHT) - ENTERPRISE PRESERVATION CORPORATION.

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I.

FOR INTRODUCTION - A RESOLUTION - AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND OTHER APPROPRIATE CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE AND ENTER INTO A MASTER LEASE-PURCHASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF SCRANTON AND JOHN DEERE CREDIT, INC FOR THE PURCHASE OF 2007 JOHN DEERE LOADER/BACKHOE.

J.

FOR INTRODUCTION - A RESOLUTION - ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE HISTORICAL ARCHITECTURE REVIEW BOARD ("HARB") AND APPROVING THE CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS FOR COURTSIDE DOCUMENT SERVICES, INC., 410-412 SPRUCE STREET, SCRANTON FOR STREET-LEVEL ALUMINUM SIGNAGE AT 410-412 SPRUCE STREET.

K.

FOR INTRODUCTION - A RESOLUTION - ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE HISTORICAL ARCHITECTURE REVIEW BOARD ("HARB") AND APPROVING THE CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS FOR REEVES AWNINGS, 623 LINCOLN AVENUE, JERMYN, PA FOR THE INSTALLATION OF AN ALUMINUM FRAME AWNING AT 137 WYOMING AVENUE.

6. CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCES - READING BY TITLE

A.

READING BY TITLE -FILE OF COUNCIL NO. 136, 2007 - AN ORDINANCE - AMENDING FILE OF COUNCIL NO. 66, 2006, AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED "APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE EXPENSES OF THE CITY GOVERNMENT FOR THE PERIOD COMMENCING ON THE FIRST DAY OF JANUARY, 2007 TO AND INCLUDING DECEMBER 31, 2007 BY ADOPTION OF THE GENERAL CITY OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 2007" BY TRANSFERRING \$13,000.00 FROM ACCOUNT NO. 01.401.13090.4299 (CONTINGENCY) TO ACCOUNT NO. 01.020.00000.4201 (CITY COUNCIL - PROFESSIONAL SERVICES).

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

A.

FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE COMMITTEE ON COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT - FOR ADOPTION - FILE OF COUNCIL NO. 134, 2007 - AMENDING FILE OF COUNCIL NO. 68, 2004 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 \$86,000.00, FROM PROJECT NO. 05-154 FRIENDSHIP HOUSE TO PROJECT NO. 05-154.1 FRIENDSHIP HOUSE ENERGY FACILITIES IMPROVEMENTS.

B.

FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE COMMITTEE ON COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT - FOR ADOPTION - FILE OF COUNCIL NO. 135, 2007 - AMENDING FILE OF COUNCIL NO. 155 OF 2005, 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 \$40,000.00, FROM PROJECT NO. 00-212 COMPUTERIZED MAPPING CAPACITY BUILDING TO PROJECT NO. 06-229.5 UNITED NEIGHBORHOOD CENTERS TRANSITIONAL HOUSING.

C.

FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES - FOR ADOPTION - RESOLUTION NO. 182, 2007 - IN SUPPORT OF THE FREE CHOICE ACT (S. 1041) WHICH WOULD AUTHORIZE THE NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD TO CERTIFY A UNION AS THE BARGAINING REPRESENTATIVE WHEN A MAJORITY OF EMPLOYEES VOLUNTARILY SIGN AUTHORIZATIONS DESIGNATING THAT UNION TO REPRESENT THEM; PROVIDE FOR FIRST CONTRACT MEDIATION AND ARBITRATION; AND ESTABLISH MEANINGFUL PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS OF A WORKERS' FREEDOM TO CHOOSE A UNION.

8. CITIZENS PARTICIPATION II - GENERAL CITY ISSUES

9. ADJOURNMENT:

KAY GARVEY
CITY CLERK
SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA

