

AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
NOVEMBER 24, 2009
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. CONTROLLER'S REPORT FOR THE MONTH ENDING OCTOBER 31, 2009.
 - B. MINUTES OF THE POLICE PENSION COMMISSION MEETING HELD ON SEPTEMBER 23, 2009.
 - C. MINUTES OF THE POLICE PENSION COMMISSION EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING HELD ON OCTOBER 23, 2009.
 - D. MINUTES OF THE POLICE PENSION COMMISSION MEETING HELD ON OCTOBER 28, 2009.
 - E. MINUTES OF THE FIREMEN'S PENSION COMMISSION MEETING HELD ON OCTOBER 28, 2009.
 - F. MINUTES OF THE NON-UNIFORM MUNICIPAL PENSION BOARD MEETING HELD ON OCTOBER 28, 2009.
 - G. AGENDA FOR THE NON-UNIFORM MUNICIPAL PENSION BOARD MEETING HELD ON NOVEMBER 18, 2009.
 - H. MINUTES OF THE VACANT PROPERTY REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON SEPTEMBER 19, 2009.
 - I. AGENDA FOR THE VACANT PROPERTY REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON NOVEMBER 19, 2009.
4. CITIZENS PARTICIPATION

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 THE COUNCIL NO. 242, 2003, ENTITLED “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING FILE OF COUNCIL NO. 155, 1999 AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE LICENSING AND REGULATING OF CONTRACTORS DOING BUSINESS IN THE CITY OF SCRANTON INCLUDING REQUIREMENTS FOR THE GRANTING OF PERMITS AND FEES FOR SAME; PROVIDING PENALTIES AND RIGHTS OF APPEAL BY INCREASING THE COST OF PERMIT FEES IN THE CITY OF SCRANTON”.

C.
FOR INTRODUCTION – AN ORDINANCE – AMENDING FILE OF THE COUNCIL NO. 112, 2003, ENTITLED “ESTABLISHING A UNIFORM RATE FOR PARKING METERS IN THE CITY OF SCRANTON AND THEREBY AMENDING FILE OF THE COUNCIL NO. 78, 1994 TO ESTABLISH THE UNIFORM RATE OF \$.50 AN HOUR AT ALL METERS” TO ESTABLISH THE UNIFORM RATE OF \$1.00 AN HOUR AT ALL PARKING METERS.

D.
FOR INTRODUCTION – AN ORDINANCE – AMENDING FILE OF THE COUNCIL NO. 91, 2002 “AN ORDINANCE AS AMENDED PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF PARKING METER ZONES WITHIN THE CITY OF SCRANTON; ESTABLISHING HOURS OF OPERATION; PROVIDING FOR THE INSTALLATION OF METERS AND PARKING METER RATES; AUTHORIZING THE ENFORCEMENT OF PARKING ORDINANCES AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS THEREOF” BY AMENDING SECTIONS 3 (A), SECTION 13 AND SECTION 14 (B).

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E.

FOR INTRODUCTION – AN ORDINANCE – SALE OF TAX DELINQUENT PROPERTY MORE COMMONLY KNOWN AS 1338 EAST ELM STREET, SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA, TAX MAP NO. 16801-010-004 TO WILLIAM J. AND MARLENE GRAHAM, HIS WIFE, 1336 EAST ELM STREET, SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA, 18505, FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF \$5,000.00.

F.

FOR INTRODUCTION – AN ORDINANCE – SALE OF TAX DELINQUENT PROPERTY MORE COMMONLY KNOWN AS COLFAX AVENUE, SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA, TAX MAP NO. 15706-080-045.01 TO MICHAEL BROZZETTI, 407 PALM STREET, SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA, 18505, FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF \$2,900.00.

G.

FOR INTRODUCTION – AN ORDINANCE – SALE OF TAX DELINQUENT PROPERTY MORE COMMONLY KNOWN AS 924 MYRTLE STREET, SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA, MAP NO. 14670-030-014 TO JOHN AND WENDY L. SAGGESE, HIS WIFE, 920 MYRTLE STREET NO. 3, SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA, 18510 FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF \$2,700.00.

H.

FOR INTRODUCTION – AN ORDINANCE – SALE OF TAX DELINQUENT PROPERTY MORE COMMONLY KNOWN AS 921-923 EYNON STREET, SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA, TAX MAP NO. 15609-080-037 TO LUTHER AND KRISTINA GRIFFITHS, HIS WIFE, 1001 EYNON STREET, SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA, 18504, FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF \$3,600.00

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FOR INTRODUCTION – AN ORDINANCE – SALE OF TAX DELINQUENT PROPERTY MORE COMMONLY KNOWN AS PALM STREET (REAR FROUDE AVENUE), TAX MAP NO. 16704-030-058, SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA, TO MICHAEL AND JOANNE CASTANZO, HIS WIFE, 1525 FROUDE AVENUE, SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA, 18505, FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF \$6,000.00.

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J.

FOR INTRODUCTION – AN ORDINANCE – SALE OF TAX DELINQUENT PROPERTY MORE COMMONLY KNOWN AS MYRTLE STREET, SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA, TAX MAP NO. 15711-020-012 TO ROBERT P. LABUDI, JR., 2112 MYRTLE STREET, SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA, 18510, FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF \$6,200.00.

K.

FOR INTRODUCTION – AN ORDINANCE – REPEALING FILE OF THE COUNCIL NO. 24, 1963, ENTITLED “PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF AN ANNUAL LICENSE FEE FOR PURPOSES OF INSPECTION UPON ALL PERSONS CONDUCTING OR OPERATING PUBLIC EATING AND DRINKING PLACES WITHIN THE CITY OF SCRANTON, IMPOSING CERTAIN DUTIES UPON THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH OF THE CITY OF SCRANTON AND HIS AGENTS, PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF, AND PROVIDING FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE THEREOF”.

L.

FOR INTRODUCTION – AN ORDINANCE – REPEALING FILE OF THE COUNCIL NO. 14, 1971, ENTITLED “AMENDING AN ORDINANCE ‘PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF AN ANNUAL LICENSE FEE FOR PURPOSES OF INSPECTION UPON ALL PERSONS CONDUCTING OR OPERATING PUBLIC EATING AND DRINKING PLACES WITHIN THE CITY OF SCRANTON, IMPOSING CERTAIN DUTIES UPON THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH OF THE CITY OF SCRANTON AND HIS AGENTS, PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF, AND PROVIDING FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE THEREOF’ TO PROVIDE FOR AN INCREASE IN FEES CHARGEABLE FOR PERMITS”.

M.

FOR INTRODUCTION – AN ORDINANCE – REPEALING FILE OF THE COUNCIL NO. 108, 1992, ENTITLED “PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF AN ANNUAL LICENSE FEE FOR THE PURPOSE OF INSPECTION UPON ALL PERSONS CONDUCTING OR OPERATING PUBLIC EATING AND DRINKING PLACES WITHIN THE CITY OF SCRANTON, IMPOSING CERTAIN DUTIES UPON THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SAFETY OF THE CITY OF SCRANTON AND HIS AGENTS, PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF, AND PROVIDING FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE THEREOF.”

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N.

FOR INTRODUCTION - AN ORDINANCE - REPEALING FILE OF THE COUNCIL NO. 179, 1994, ENTITLED "AMENDING FILE OF THE COUNCIL NO. 24, 1963, ENTITLED 'AN ORDINANCE (AS AMENDED) PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF AN ANNUAL LICENSE FEE FOR PURPOSES OF INSPECTION UPON ALL PERSONS CONDUCTING OR OPERATING PUBLIC EATING AND DRINKING PLACES WITHIN THE CITY OF SCRANTON, IMPOSING CERTAIN DUTIES UPON THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH OF THE CITY OF SCRANTON AND HIS AGENTS, PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF, AND PROVIDING FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE THEREOF' AS AMENDED BY FILE OF THE COUNCIL NO. 14, 1971 SECTION 1-PROVIDING FOR AN INCREASE LICENSE FEE."

O.

FOR INTRODUCTION - AN ORDINANCE - REPEALING CHAPTER 256 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF SCRANTON.

P.

FOR INTRODUCTION - AN ORDINANCE - ESTABLISHING THE DUTIES, RESPONSIBILITIES AND QUALIFICATIONS OF THE CITY HEALTH INSPECTOR, PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF AN ANNUAL LICENSE FEE FOR PUBLIC EATING OR DRINKING ESTABLISHMENTS WITHIN THE CITY OF SCRANTON, ESTABLISHING ANNUAL APPLICATION AND RENEWAL REQUIREMENTS, IMPOSING CERTAIN DUTIES UPON THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND THE CITY HEALTH INSPECTOR, PROVIDING GUIDELINES FOR REVOCATION AND REINSTATEMENT OF LICENSES, AND PROVIDING FOR IMPOSITION OF PENALTIES.

Q.

FOR INTRODUCTION - AN ORDINANCE - ADOPTING TITLE 7, CHAPTER 46 OF THE PENNSYLVANIA CODE, KNOWN AS THE PENNSYLVANIA FOOD CODE, AND TITLE 7, CHAPTER 76 OF THE PENNSYLVANIA CODE, TITLED "FOOD EMPLOYEE CERTIFICATION".

R.

FOR INTRODUCTION - A RESOLUTION - AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR

AND OTHER APPROPRIATE CITY OFFICIALS FOR THE CITY OF SCRANTON TO EXECUTE AND ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT TO PERFORM HOUSING INSPECTIONS FOR THE HOMEBUYER'S PROGRAM WITH THOMAS J. KANE AND ASSOCIATES, INCORPORATED.

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S.

FOR INTRODUCTION - A RESOLUTION - AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND OTHER APPROPRIATE OFFICIALS OF THE CITY OF SCRANTON TO ENTER INTO A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH THE COHEN LAW GROUP FOR LEGAL SERVICES - COMMUNICATIONS/CABLE FRANCHISING COUNSEL/CONSULTANT FOR THE CITY OF SCRANTON.

6. CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCES - READING BY TITLE -

A.

READING BY TITLE - FILE OF COUNCIL NO. 96, 2009 - AN ORDINANCE - SALE OF TAX DELINQUENT PROPERTY MORE COMMONLY KNOWN AS BROOK STREET, TAX MAP NO. 16803-010-031, SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA, TO THOMAS O'CONNOR, 1420 BROOK STREET, SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA, 18505, FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF \$3,500.00.

B.

READING BY TITLE - FILE OF COUNCIL NO. 97, 2009 - AN ORDINANCE - APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE EXPENSES OF THE CITY GOVERNMENT FOR THE PERIOD COMMENCING ON THE FIRST DAY OF JANUARY, 2010 TO AND INCLUDING DECEMBER 31, 2010 BY THE ADOPTION OF THE GENERAL CITY OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 2010.

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

A.

FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES - FOR ADOPTION - FILE OF COUNCIL NO. 94, 2009 - PROVIDING FOR THE ACCEPTANCE AND DEDICATION OF JAMESTOWN WAY CIRCLE AND PARK EDGE LANE; AS WELL AS ALL THE STORM DRAINAGE SYSTEM UNDERLYING SAID STREETS AND RIGHTS-OF-WAY; ALL OF THE AFOREMENTIONED IMPROVEMENTS BEING LOCATED IN THE PARK EDGE SUBDIVISION IN THE CITY OF SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA; ALSO AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND OTHER APPROPRIATE CITY OFFICIALS TO ACCEPT FOR THE SUM OF ONE

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THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER OF
COUNTY A DEED FOR THE AFORESAID
IMPROVEMENTS.

IN THE OFFICIAL RECORDS AT
DEEDS FOR LACKAWANNA
PUBLIC STREETS AND

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FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE – FOR
ADOPTION – RESOLUTION NO. 186, 2009 – AUTHORIZING THE
MAYOR AND OTHER APPROPRIATE CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE
AND ENTER INTO AMENDED AGREEMENT NO. 4 WITH THE
COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, DEPARTMENT OF
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION REGARDING THE FLOOD CONTROL
PROJECT TO ALLOW THE CITY TO ACCEPT INCREASE FUNDING IN
THE AMOUNT OF \$1,000,000.00 FOR THE PROJECT IN THE PLOT
AND GREEN RIDGE SECTIONS OF THE CITY.

C.

FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE COMMITTEE ON COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT – FOR ADOPTION – RESOLUTION NO. 187, 2009 –
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) IN THE
AMOUNT OF \$450,000.00. IF THE GRANT APPLICATION IS
SUCCESSFUL, THE CITY WILL COORDINATE THE USE OF THE GRANT
FUNDS WITH THE UNITED NEIGHBORHOOD COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (UNCDC) FOR A PROJECT TO BE
CALLED THE “CEDAR AVENUE NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSING
REVITALIZATION INITIATIVE” (“CEDAR-NHRI”).

8. ADJOURNMENT:

KAY GARVEY
CITY CLERK
SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA

