

AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
September 10, 2015
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. TAX ASSESSOR'S REPORTS FOR HEARING DATES TO BE HELD SEPTEMBER 30 AND OCTOBER 7, 2015

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. 58, 2014, AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED "GENERAL CITY OPERATING BUDGET 2015" BY TRANSFERRING \$63,477.00 FROM ACCOUNT NO. 01.401.13090.4299 (NON-DEPARTMENTAL EXPENDITURES-CONTINGENCY) TO THE ACCOUNTS LISTED BELOW TO PROVIDE SUFFICIENT FUNDS FOR CADETS TRAINING AT HACC AND EMT TRAINING REIMBURSEMENT AND 10% MATCHING FUNDS FOR THE 2014 AFG GRANT FOR SCBA PURCHASE.

C.

FOR INTRODUCTION - 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 SOLUTIONS GRANTS (ESG) PROGRAM FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2016.

D.

FOR INTRODUCTION - AN ORDINANCE - AUTHORIZING THE INSTALLATION OF A STOP SIGN (R1-1) WITH EXCEPT RIGHT TURN (R1-10P) BELOW IT, BE INSTALLED AT THE NORTHWESTERLY INTERSECTION OF RIDGE AVENUE AND ASH STREET AND THAT THE EXISTING ONE-WAY SIGNS BE REMOVED AT THE INTERSECTION OF RIDGE AVENUE AND MYRTLE STREET AND NEW ONE-WAY (R6-1L) SIGNS BE INSTALLED ON A CHANNEL THERE AND ALSO AN ADDITIONAL ONE-WAY (R6-1L) BE INSTALLED NEAR 927 RIDGE AVENUE.

E.

FOR INTRODUCTION - AN ORDINANCE - AMENDING FILE OF THE COUNCIL NO. 47, 2013 AND FILE OF THE COUNCIL NO. 44, 2014, 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 TO BE FUNDED UNDER THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM, HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP (HOME) PROGRAM AND EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANTS (ESG) PROGRAM BY AMENDING BOTH THE 2014 AND 2015 ACTION PLAN TO ACCEPT, RECEIVE AND DISBURSE GRANT FUNDS FOR BOTH THE "NOVEMBRINO POOL" ACTIVITY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$220,000.00 AND THE "PINE RIDGE SWIMMING COMPLEX" IN THE AMOUNT OF \$45,000.00 THAT TOTALS \$265,000.00 UNDER THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM (CDBG) ADMINISTERED BY THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND TRANSFERRING THESE FUNDS TO THE 2015 ACTIVITY ENTITLED "RECONSTRUCTION OF CITY STREETS TO INCLUDE HANDICAPPED CURB CUTS".

F.

FOR INTRODUCTION - A RESOLUTION - APPOINTMENT OF HAL DONAHUE, 1518 VINE STREET, SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA, AS A MEMBER OF THE HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION, EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 4, 2015. MR. DONAHUE IS BEING APPOINTED TO A THREE (3) YEAR TERM THAT WILL EXPIRE ON SEPTEMBER 4, 2018.

G.

FOR INTRODUCTION - A RESOLUTION - APPOINTMENT OF MICHAEL HANLEY, 800 WOODLAWN STREET, SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA, AS A MEMBER OF THE HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION, EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 4, 2015. MR. HANLEY IS BEING APPOINTED TO A THREE (3) YEAR TERM THAT WILL EXPIRE ON SEPTEMBER 4, 2018.

H.

FOR INTRODUCTION - A RESOLUTION - AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND OTHER APPROPRIATE CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH TRIBEN INSURANCE SOLUTIONS, INC. TO PROVIDE INSURANCE SERVICES FOR THE CITY OF SCRANTON LIFE, DISABILITY AND DENTAL INSURANCE FOR A FOUR (4) YEAR PERIOD FROM MARCH 1, 2015 THROUGH FEBRUARY 28, 2019.

6. CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCES - READING BY TITLE -

A.

READING BY TITLE - FILE OF THE COUNCIL NO. 115, 2015 - AN ORDINANCE - SALE OF TAX DELINQUENT PROPERTY MORE COMMONLY KNOWN AS 1427 CAPOUSE AVENUE, SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA, TO FMP REALTY, LLC, 1110 SAGINAW STREET, SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA, 18505, FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF \$4,001.00.

B.

READING BY TITLE – FILE OF THE COUNCIL NO. 116, 2015 – AN ORDINANCE – AMENDING FILE OF THE COUNCIL NO. 100, 2015, AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED “APPROVING THE TRANSFER OF A RESTAURANT LIQUOR LICENSE CURRENTLY OWNED BY KOSMART ENTERPRISES, INC. NO. R-14852 TO 16TH WARD, LLC. FOR USE AT 306 PENN AVENUE, SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA AS REQUIRED BY THE PENNSYLVANIA LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD” TO CORRECT A TYPOGRAPHICAL ERROR IN THE CAPTION OF THE ORDINANCE TO THE CORRECT RESTAURANT LIQUOR LICENSE NO. R-14902 AS STATED IN THE BODY OF THE ORDINANCE.

7. FINAL READING OF RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES–

A.

FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES– FOR ADOPTION RESOLUTION NO. 170, 2015 – APPOINTMENT OF MARION E. GATTO, 12 FRANK WAY, SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA 18504, AS A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE LACKAWANNA COUNTY LAND BANK TO A FIVE (5) YEAR TERM WHICH WILL COMMENCE ON AUGUST 6, 2015 AND IS SCHEDULED TO EXPIRE ON AUGUST 6, 2020.

B.

FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES– FOR ADOPTION RESOLUTION NO. 171, 2015 – APPOINTMENT OF LINDA B. AEBLI, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, FOR THE CITY OF SCRANTON, 906 SKYVIEW DRIVE, SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA 18505, AS A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE LACKAWANNA COUNTY LAND BANK TO A FIVE (5) YEAR TERM WHICH WILL COMMENCE ON AUGUST 6, 2015 AND IS SCHEDULED TO EXPIRE ON AUGUST 6, 2020.

C.

FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE COMMITTEE ON COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – FOR ADOPTION RESOLUTION NO. 172, 2015 – AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND OTHER APPROPRIATE CITY OFFICIALS FOR THE CITY OF SCRANTON TO EXECUTE AND ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH URBAN DESIGN VENTURES, LLC, 212 EAST SEVENTH AVENUE, HOMESTEAD, PENNSYLVANIA 15120 TO PERFORM AN ANALYSIS OF IMPEDIMENTS TO FAIR HOUSING CHOICE FOR THE CITY OF SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA.

D.

FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS - FOR ADOPTION RESOLUTION NO. 173, 2015 - AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS OF THE CITY OF SCRANTON TO SIGN AND SUBMIT THE PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION ("PENNDOT") APPLICATION FOR TRAFFIC SIGNAL APPROVAL FOR TRAFFIC SIGNAL PERMIT NO. 02007 FOR THE MODIFICATIONS OF THE EXISTING TRAFFIC SIGNAL AT THE INTERSECTION OF GREEN RIDGE STREET (SR 6011) AND CAPOUSE AVENUE.

E.

FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY - FOR ADOPTION RESOLUTION NO. 174, 2015 - AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND OTHER APPROPRIATE CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH A&M ELECTRICAL CONSTRUCTION INC. TO PROVIDE MAINTENANCE OF TRAFFIC SIGNALIZATION FOR THE CITY OF SCRANTON FOR THE PERIOD OF ONE (1) YEAR FROM SEPTEMBER 1, 2015 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 2016.

F.

FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES - FOR ADOPTION RESOLUTION NO. 175, 2015 - APPOINTMENT OF SUSAN BLUM CONNORS, 2630 BIRNEY AVENUE, SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA, AS A MEMBER OF THE HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION, EFFECTIVE AUGUST 24, 2015. MRS. CONNORS IS BEING APPOINTED TO A THREE (3) YEAR TERM THAT WILL EXPIRE ON AUGUST 24, 2018.

G.

FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES - FOR ADOPTION RESOLUTION NO. 176, 2015 - APPOINTMENT OF ROBERT A. JOHNS, 833 NORTH REBECCA AVENUE, SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA, AS A MEMBER OF THE HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION, EFFECTIVE AUGUST 24, 2015. MR. JOHNS IS BEING APPOINTED TO A THREE (3) YEAR TERM THAT WILL EXPIRE ON AUGUST 24, 2018.

H.

FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE COMMITTEE ON COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT - FOR ADOPTION RESOLUTION NO. 177, 2015 - RATIFYING AND APPROVING THE SUBMISSION AND EXECUTION OF THE GRANT APPLICATION BY THE CITY OF SCRANTON (APPLICANT) TO THE COUNTY OF LACKAWANNA (COUNTY) FOR A LACKAWANNA COUNTY COMMUNITY RE-INVEST PROGRAM (CRP) GRANT TO REPAIR AND REPLACE SCRANTON'S "SPIRIT OF AMERICA DOUGHBOY" AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND OTHER APPROPRIATE CITY OFFICIALS TO ACCEPT THE GRANT, IF SUCCESSFUL, TO EXECUTE A GRANT AGREEMENT AND ACCEPT AND DISBURSE THE GRANT FUNDS FOR THE REPAIR AND REPLACEMENT OF THE ORIGINAL VIQUESNEY "DOUGHBOY".

I.

FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY - FOR ADOPTION RESOLUTION NO. 178, 2015 - RATIFYING AND APPROVING THE EXECUTION AND SUBMISSION OF THE GRANT APPLICATION BY THE CITY OF SCRANTON FIRE DEPARTMENT TO THE PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (DCED) FOR A LOCAL SHARE ACCOUNT GRANT (GAMING FUNDS) MONROE COUNTY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$713,435.40 FOR THE CITY OF SCRANTON FIRE DEPARTMENT TO BE USED TOWARD THE PURCHASE OF A NEW KME 100' MID MOUNT AERIAL TRUCK TO REPLACE A 2001 FERRARA TRUCK AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND OTHER APPROPRIATE CITY OFFICIALS TO ACCEPT THE GRANT, IF SUCCESSFUL, COORDINATING AND DISBURSING THE GRANT FUNDS TOWARD THE PURCHASE OF THE NEW AERIAL TRUCK.

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ADJOURNMENT

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