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CITY OF SCRANTON COUNCIL:

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1 (Pledge of Allegiance recited and moment of reflection observed.) 2 3 MR. ROGAN: Roll call, please. 4 MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Perry. 5 MR. PERRY: Here. MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Donahue. 6 7 MR. DONAHUE: Here. 8 MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Evans. 9 MR. EVANS: Here. 10 MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Gaughan. 11 MR. GAUGHAN: Here. MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Rogan. 12 13 MR. ROGAN: Here. 14 MR. EVANS: I make a motion to 15 accept an additional exhibit identified as 16 the escrow agreement for Item 6-C, second 17 amendment to the concession and lease 18 agreement incorporated into the back up of 19 the legislation. 20 MR. PERRY: Second. On the question? 21 MR. ROGAN: The 22 city solicitor notified us that the escrow 23 agreement was inadvertently omitted when the 24 legislation was submitted and requested that 25 it be included at this time. All those in

1 favor of introduction signify by saying aye. MR. PERRY: Aye. 2 3 MR. DONAHUE: Aye. 4 MR. EVANS: Aye. 5 MR. GAUGHAN: Aye. MR. ROGAN: Aye. Opposed? The ayes 6 7 have it and so moved. 8 Please dispense with the reading of 9 the minutes. 10 MS. REED: THIRD ORDER. 3-A. TAX ASSESSOR'S RESULTS REPORT FOR HEARING DATE 11 12 HELD JUNE 6, 2018. 13 MR. ROGAN: Are there any comments? 14 If not, received and filed. MS. REED: 3-B. AGENDA FOR THE 15 BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS MEETING HELD JUNE 16 17 13, 2018. 18 MR. ROGAN: Are there any comments? 19 If not, received and filed. 20 Do any council members have 21 announcements today? 22 MR. PERRY: I have one announcement, 23 it had be time in July for the annual Minora 24 Lion's Club golf tournaments. This is one 25 of their main fundraising events that they

have. It helps generates the money which it funds a lot of local projects for children including holiday parties, Easter party,
Christmas party, Halloween parade with the costumes and they do a lot of great things for the community and this is one area where they generate some of that money that they use. The event this year is going to be the Penn Hills Country Club and it is \$9.00 a golfer, \$360 per team, and the date is going to be July 21, and it will start at 1:30, and I'll make an announcement on this as the date gets closer. Thank you.

MR. GAUGHAN: Yes, I have one.

Final announcement for the benefit for Gage
Lasky at the Keyser Valley Community Center
this Friday, June 22, from two to ten p.m.
The admission is \$10. Gage is a 12-year-old
Northeast Intermediate school student
needing muscle eye surgery at Wilkes Eye
Institute. He was also diagnosed with
autism and seizure disorder and recently
with a congenital brain abnormality and he
has an inoperable aneurism in his brain.

The proceeds from this benefit will

help cover a deductible that is not covered by medical insurance and also travel expenses for his eye surgery in Philadelphia to repair damage caused by a seizure.

For tickets or to make a donation of a gift basket, gift card, food or monetary contribution you can Joyce Spize at 570-955-0253 or Andrew Lasky at 570-497 -- 9532.

Also, June 21, at Rita's Italian

Ice, 919 S. Washington Avenue, please come
out and help support Scranton's Central City
Little League between 5 p.m. and 8 p.m.

Twenty percent of the total sales would be
donated to Scranton City Little League.

MR. ROGAN: I have a number of announcements. First, this Thursday, June 21, is dump the pump day. The public may ride Colts buses for free on all routes on this day. This is an annual event intended to promote the use of public transportation.

Pool season has officially begun with the opening of Nay Aug Pool. Fees start at \$5 for a single pass and \$75 for a family season pass. Nay Aug Pool will

p.m. New this year, children 12 and younger must be accompanied by an adult. The cities other pools Weston Park and Weston Field and Connell Park do not have opening dates due to staffing issues. All of the lifeguards have not yet been hired. The city is still taking applications, which are available in Weston Fieldhouse on Providence Road and at city hall on the third floor of the HR Department, so if you know anyone that wants to be a lifeguard for the city, we are hiring.

operate seven days a week from noon to 6:00

Mary Mother of God parish in North Scranton is holding their annual block party this week June 21 through 23. It's held on the corner of West Market Street and Wayne Avenue by Cole Muffler. Hours are 6:00 p.m. to 11 p.m. on Thursday and Friday, and 5 p.m. to 11 p.m. on Saturday. The block party features homemade food and live entertainment including a salute to our great veterans will be held on Thursday at 6:30 p.m. The picnic will be held rain or shine.

And, finally, during the month of the July council will be meeting at 12:30 in an attempt to accommodate the schedules of other individuals that may not be able to make it to meetings in the evening, so that will run from July 2 to July 30. Following in August, we will go back to our regularly scheduled evening meetings.

MS. REED: FOURTH ORDER. CITIZENS' PARTICIPATION.

(The following speakers offered public comment: Joan Hodowanitz spoke on city business and matters of general concern. Les Spindler spoke on city business and matters of general concern.

Bob Bolus spoke on city business and matters of general concern. Ron Ellman spoke on city business and matters of general concern. Lee Mogan spoke on matters of general concern. Giovanni Piccolino spoke on matters of general concern. Dave Dobrzyn spoke on matters of general concern.)

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

MR. ROGAN: Mr. Perry, any motions

or comments?

MR. PERRY: Yes, just quickly. I wanted to ask Mr. Spindler while I was here, but he left, about Dorothy Street he had a question about that several times about it not getting taken care of, we didn't hear anything back about Dorothy Street; right? So I'll follow-up on that to see if there has been a more permanent fix.

Mrs. Reed did run into our Parks and Rec director, which we had a couple of questions. We are being promised an update on the tree house shortly, which once I'll be glad to share with everybody, and also, I know I've been kept busy with pool, unfortunately the pool that's not in service at Novembrino Park in West Side which is just -- it's full of water, stagnant water and it's starting to become a breeding ground for insects and there's a lot of requests to get that pool drained and just, you know, to make the area just better for everybody and it was delayed, but we did get Thanks again for Mrs. Reed for an answer. to getting that answer for us from Mr.

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The hold up on the drainage was they are waiting on a treatment for the pool. what's going to happen is they are going to drain the pool and then wash the pool down with an anti-insect treatment, that way even during the summer weather if it does get rain and there is some kind of stagnant water it's not going be a breeding ground for any further this summer and also on a more positive note with that park, we have been in contact with some of the people there, the designers, there will be some demolition starting on Novembrino Park. Ιf you remember, we allocated many grants for that park, for the splash park and that's going to start, actually start seeing the fruits of our labor in the West Side and actually, you know, it will turn that from a negative situation to a positive where the kids are actually going to have somewhere to go and play in the summer months.

Mr. Lockwood, I believe reading the backup, 110 cameras is what is going to be with B-5 and I could talk more on that

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during Fifth Order, but I will be speaking with Mr. Graziano this week and if you want to call me later that week I might have some more answers on the roll out of the program and things of that nature.

But as of that, that's all I have for you today.

MR. ROGAN: Thank you, Mr. Perry. Mr. Donahue, any motions or comments?

MR. DONAHUE: Yes, just to touch on we had Jim Hoover in our caucus tonight from Pennsylvania American Water and,

Mr. Dobrzyn, you brought up a couple of weeks ago the 200 and 300 blocks of Crown Avenue, more specifically the beginning of the 300 block of Crown Avenue, so I asked him about that and there was a brand new valve that broke on it so they made the cut to repair the valve but by the end of this year, by the end of the summer they were going to do a project off Orchard Street that's going to cross Crown Avenue and when they do that they are going to move in about ten feet or 20 feet on Crown Avenue and do the curb to curb so they are just waiting to

get that work done and then they are going to repaving the whole thing.

On Friday I attended the protest of Attorney General Jeff Sessions outside of Lackawanna College. I was in complete awe not only by the nearly 300 people in attendance, but also by the passion and determination to stand up for what they believe in. The images of the children who have been separated from their parents and being warehoused in detention centers like they are animals in chain link cages is not only disturbing, it's utterly disgusting. This is not an American we can all be proud of.

As Congressman Joe Kennedy, III, stated over the weekend, "Humanity does not require citizenship." This policy is being shamelessly embraces by ideological extremists such as Congressman Lou Barletta, who wants the privilege of becoming a United States Senator from Pennsylvania. The Trump administration has used a wide variety of reasons to defend the policy, but the most disturbing is when Jeff Sessions cherry

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picked a passage from Romans 13 that states, "Let everyone be subject to the governing authorities for there is no authority to which God has established." This is the same passage that has been used throughout history by loyalist preachers during the Revolutionary War in defense of the British Crown, by southern preachers in defense of slavery before and during the Civil War, to defend Nazism in World War II, and also Apartheid in South Africa. We must ask ourselves if this is the side of history we want to be on in. If the answer is no, I encourage you to stand up and speak out against these fascists policies so each and every American can once again be proud of their country. Thank you.

MR. ROGAN: Thank you. Mr. Evans, any motions or comments?

MR. EVANS: A brief comment, on many occasions being civil to each other in a public forum while having a public discussion is no longer the norm but the exception, nationally, at the state level and even at the local level, but I will say

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tonight's meeting was actually somewhat encouraging. However, it sometimes seems that we are no longer able to achieve civil discourse in our debates and discussions and that can be a serious blow to the Democratic process. I respect the public right to speak their minds. In fact, I encourage it, but I also respect and follow the basic rules of civil discourse to be respectful and don't make it personal. And, by the way, it also helps to stick to the issues.

In civil discourse you use logic, you use persuasion, you use facts and information to make your point or defend your position. In a civil discourse, you would not attack someone personally. of course, you are entitled to your opinion and if someone disagrees with that opinion they also be treated with respect. reality is that if you really truly believe and want to convince someone that your position or opinion is valid, you can achieve that through civil discourse. You will never convince someone to side with your position by using derogatory terms,

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insults and by ridiculing them. It just won't happen. And I think deep down most people know this, but if you don't practice the basic rules of the civil discourse then the only conclusion I can come up to is this that you may not be interested or you may be more interested in insulting someone than convincing them that your position is really worthy of consideration.

Over my time on council I have debated my colleagues on many issues many In fact, just recently, Councilman times. Gaughan and I had a spirited debate on the residency waiver issue. We disagree with each other's position, and I think both made valid points to our argument. At the end of the meeting we shook hands and moved onto the next task. We debated the issue not the person. That was civil discourse. followed the basic rules. We were respectful and we didn't make it personal. Just some food for thought. That's all I have tonight.

MR. ROGAN: Thank you. Mr. Gaughan, any motions or comments?

MR. GAUGHAN: Yes, thank you. I just wanted to remind everyone that the city is participating in the county recycling program. All of the details are on the city's website. They are holding them two days this year, July 13 and July 20, so it would be for electronics recycling, there will be no fee. You can drop off the electronics at DPW 101 West Popular Street from 6 a.m. to 11 a.m. on both days.

The street sweeper will be in the Minooka section of the city Saginaw Street to Wet Pond Avenue this June 18 through June 22.

I did send several e-mails to our city solicitor regarding our shared services meeting and I did run into her and let her know that he we did want to meet with her regarding shared legal services between the school district and the city and I have not heard back from her yet. So, Mrs. Reed, if we can send an official letter and ask her please respond so that we can set up a meeting as soon as possible.

One of the things that was brought

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up tonight that I have heard over the past few weeks is the city's issue with getting lifeguards to man our pools throughout the city, and I was actually approached by a neighbor of mine, who is the president of the North Scranton Neighborhood Watch and I don't believe they are able to open Weston Park at this point for the family fun day which is upcoming because of the lack of lifeguards. So one of the ideas that I had was if the city in the future were to create some kind of a grant program to pay for the certification, because what's happening in my opinion is young people want to be lifeguards, they want to sign up for it, but the registration and the course fee could be a couple of hundred dollars. Even the recertification fee I think is \$150 to \$200, so I think it would be in the city's best interest to set up in the future some kind of program where the city pays for the certification for the new lifeguards or they partially pay for.

I also think, I'm not sure if the city does this at this point, but I would

set up a table similar to how they do it at job fairs at Scranton High School, West Scranton High School, Marywood, Lackawanna College, University of Scranton, letting people know, young people know we are looking for lifeguards. I know they do a lot through the media, but I think their presence in the high schools would also be good, especially if we can set up the grant program to help them pay for the certification fee. So I will ask that we send a letter to the mayor's office and see if the administration would be interested in that.

I did receive quite a few citizens' request for the past week, and I just want to apologize, I think Mr. Perry touched on this two weeks ago, something happened with the city e-mail server and this weekend, as Mrs. Reed knows because I flooded her e-mail box with forwarding requests, I had not been receiving e-mails for quite sometime and then this weekend I received a number of them, so I did not want people to think I was ignoring them, there was something wrong

with the city's e-mail server.

We did receive a letter about 1428-1430 Linden Street. Neighbors are concerned that it's a serious safety and fire hazard so if we could forward that to Licensing and Inspection. A gentlemen has been contacting me twice now about dumping in the 1,000 block of Hitchcock Court. There is several bags and debris that are littering the Court. One is in the area behind 1027 Quincy Avenue, the other is other 1009 Quincy Avenue. We did ask the DPW to pick that debris up and we ask to send a request to them, more neighbors are calling and complaining.

Also, a complaint that I received this weekend from several neighbors about a double home multi-dwelling on the corner of Geraldine Street and Slader. They have called police several times for noise, fighting, and the neighbors are concerned that the home is a sober house so if we can forward that to the police department and Licensing and Inspections.

Also, on Meadow Avenue neighbors in

that area are complaining of several potholes. I received a call about a catch basin that's blocked going over Interstate 81 onto River Street, the bridge there. 800-811 Grandview Street is being renovated at this point by an out-of-town landlord who apparently is planning to put 12 college students there. Neighbors contacted me who are concerned about the potential impact on parking so Mrs. Reed did notify Licensing and Inspection and our zoning officer so will await to hear back from them on that.

Also, high grass in the area of rear 107 Davis Street and some other issues with a house back there so if we can send that to Licensing and Inspections as well.

And I was on the phone with a gentleman yesterday about Kurst Court, which is right behind William Edwards florist in Minooka, apparently there is a major issue with flooding. The gentlemen sent me a video and two pictures and I forwarded those to Mrs. Reed, who sent those to the DPW, I'm hoping that this problem will be taken care of. The gentlemen explained to me that the

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water is flooding, has flooded in his inground pool and he actually had to pay a couple of thousand dollars to get a new liner, so anything the city could do to alleviate that gentleman's problem would be greatly appreciated and I'll follow-up on that next week and that's all I have. Thank you.

MR. ROGAN: Thank you very much. Just following up on a couple of items that were mentioned, I believe Councilman Donahue brought up our caucus that we had with PA American Water. The water company has been very forthcoming with information regarding projects that they have going on and obviously it's the utility that is doing work in your neighborhood but it's certainly that something does need to be done. Thev are hoping to not run into the issues that we're running into in the Hill Section where the water company and the gas company were doing work simultaneously in the same areas and they were running into problems that, you know, on of the wanted to work in one area, they both wanted to be in one area at

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the same time and what was a good idea in practice which was to do both water and gas lines at the same time sounded like a good idea to get it done quickly and get the road paved and move on, in practicality it seems that it really didn't work, you know, especially if two utilities were working in the same area the road was shut down, the street entirely so it caused quite a bit of issues, but we are going to continue to keep lines of communication with the utilities companies, the water and gas company open. As was mentioned numerous times when the water company has been a little bit better to be able and the gas company then we hope that they will send representatives as well. We would love to meet the gas utility contractors to try and get a handle on those issues as well.

The only other comments I have are on agenda items so that will be all.

MS. REED: 5-B. FOR INTRODUCTION - A
RESOLUTION - AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF OF POLICE
FOR THE CITY OF SCRANTON POLICE DEPARTMENT
TO EXECUTE AND ENTER INTO A MASTER SERVICES

AND PURCHASING AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN AXON ENTERPRISE, INC. ("AXON") A DELAWARE CORPORATION AND THE SCRANTON POLICE DEPARTMENT ("AGENCY") SETTING FORTH THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR THE PURCHASE, DELIVERY, USE, AND SUPPORT COSTS FOR THE CITY OF SCRANTON POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR THEIR BODY CAMERA PROJECT.

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

MR. PERRY: So moved.

MR. EVANS: Second.

MR. ROGAN: On the question?

MR. PERRY: On the question, as I stated earlier, this is to enter into an agreement to roll out our Go Pro Body Cam Program. Last year we allocated money through the Justice Assistant Grant Program which our police department is very visual in getting money for us to upgrade and get tools for our police department and this is just one of the latest grants coming to fruition.

MR. GAUGHAN: Yes, on the question.

I just wanted to say that I also support this project because, number one, I think it protects the citizens and most importantly it protects the officers. As we have seen over the last few years a number of incidents that have gone in the country with police offers and individuals who say a police officer did something and they didn't actually do it, these body cameras will help keep everyone accountable and I think it's important to keep our police officers safe. Thank you.

MR. ROGAN: I concur with my colleagues and about a year or two years ago there was a rash of incidents all throughout the country. In a few cases, the officers weren't at fault but in my more cases individuals made claims against police officers that may or may not have been true and there was no true way to tell if the officers was in the right or the wrong and other areas of the country are causing -- as far as causing rights in some parts of the country.

So these body cameras will protect

1	our police officers from being falsely
2	accused and it will also protect the
3	residents if there is an incident where a
4	police officer does something that's
5	inappropriate.
6	All those in favor of introduction
7	signify by saying aye.
8	MR. PERRY: Aye.
9	MR. DONAHUE: Aye.
10	MR. EVANS: Aye.
11	MR. GAUGHAN: Aye.
12	MR. ROGAN: Aye. Opposed? The ayes
13	have it and so moved.
14	MS. REED: 5-C. FOR INTRODUCTION -
15	RESOLUTION - APPOINTMENT OF GERALD J. SMURL,
16	300 PROSPECT AVENUE, SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA,
17	18505, AS A MEMBER OF THE SCRANTON MUNICIPAL
18	RECREATION AUTHORITY. MR. SMURL WILL BE
19	REPLACING KRISTEN JENKINS WHOSE TERM EXPIRED
20	MARCH 1, 2016. MR. SMURL'S TERM IS
21	EFFECTIVE MAY 31, 2018 AND WILL EXPIRE MAY
22	31, 2023.
23	MR. ROGAN: At this time, I'll
24	entertain a motion that Item 5-C be
25	introduced into its proper committee.

1	MR. PERRY: So moved.
2	MR. EVANS: Second.
3	MR. ROGAN: On the question? All
4	those in favor of introduction signify by
5	saying aye.
6	MR. PERRY: Aye.
7	MR. DONAHUE: Aye.
8	MR. EVANS: Aye.
9	MR. GAUGHAN: Aye.
10	MR. ROGAN: Aye. Opposed? The ayes
11	have it and so moved.
12	MS. REED: SIXTH ORDER. 6-A.
13	READING BY TITLE - FILE OF THE COUNCIL NO.
14	21 2018 - AN ORDINANCE - CREATING AND
15	ESTABLISHING SPECIAL CITY ACCOUNT NO.
16	02.229630 ENTITLED "LSA GRANTS" FOR THE
17	RECEIPT OF GRANT FUNDS
18	FROM THE LOCAL SHARE ACCOUNT FUNDS THROUGH
19	THE PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND
20	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN ORDER TO PROVIDE
21	FUNDING FOR VARIOUS PROJECTS AS GRANT FUNDS
22	ARE MADE AVAILABLE.
23	MR. ROGAN: You've heard reading by
24	title of Item 6-A, what is your pleasure?
25	MR. PERRY: I move that Item 6-A

1 pass reading by title. MR. EVANS: 2 Second. 3 MR. ROGAN: On the question? A11 4 those in favor signify by saying aye. 5 MR. PERRY: Aye. MR. DONAHUE: Aye. 6 7 MR. EVANS: Aye. 8 MR. GAUGHAN: Aye. 9 MR. ROGAN: Aye. Opposed? The ayes 10 have it and so moved. MS. REED: 6-B. READING BY TITLE -11 12 FILE OF THE COUNCIL NO. 22, 2018 - AN ORDINANCE - CREATING AND ESTABLISHING 13 14 SPECIAL CITY ACCOUNT NO. 02.229631 ENTITLED "STORM WATER" FOR THE RECEIPT OF FUNDS FROM 15 16 THE SEWER SYSTEM ESCROWED SALES PROCEEDS 17 SPECIFICALLY ALLOCATED FOR STORM WATER 18 EXPENSES. 19 MR. ROGAN: You've heard reading by 20 title of Item 6-B, what is your pleasure? 21 MR. PERRY: I move that Item 6-B 22 pass reading by title. 23 MR. EVANS: Second. 24 MR. ROGAN: On the question? All 25 those in favor signify by saying aye.

MR. PERRY: Aye. 1 MR. DONAHUE: Aye. 2 MR. EVANS: Aye. 3 MR. GAUGHAN: Aye. 4 5 MR. ROGAN: Aye. Opposed? The ayes have it and so moved. 6 7 MS. REED: 6-C. READING BY TITLE -8 FILE OF THE COUNCIL NO. 23, 2018 - AN 9 ORDINANCE - AMENDING FILE OF THE COUNCIL NO. 37 OF 2016, AN ORDINANCE "AUTHORIZING THE 10 MAYOR AND OTHER APPROPRIATE CITY OFFICIALS 11 12 TO EXECUTE AND ENTER INTO CONCESSION 13 ARRANGEMENTS WITH COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT 14 PROPERTIES, SCRANTON, INC. (THE "CONCESSIONAIRE") WITH RESPECT TO METERED 15 16 PARKING IN THE CITY OF SCRANTON (THE "CITY") 17 AND THE GARAGES OWNED BY THE PARKING 18 AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA (THE "AUTHORITY") PURSUANT TO 19 THE SCRANTON METERED PARKING SYSTEM 20 21 CONCESSION AGREEMENT (THE "METERED SYSTEM 22 CONCESSION AGREEMENT") AND SCRANTON PARKING 23 FACILITIES SYSTEM CONCESSION AND LEASE 24 AGREEMENT (THE "FACILITIES CONCESSION 25 AGREEMENT"), AND TO AUTHORIZE CERTAIN

ACTIONS AND ANCILLARY AGREEMENTS

CONTEMPLATED BY THE METERED SYSTEM

CONCESSION AGREEMENT" TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR

AND OTHER APPROPRIATE CITY OFFICIALS TO

EXECUTE AND ENTER INTO THE SECOND AMENDMENT

TO CONCESSION AND LEASE AGREEMENT.

MR. ROGAN: You've heard reading by title of Item 6-C, what is your pleasure?

MR. EVANS: I make a motion to amend Item 6-C per the following: On page three of the second amendment to concession and lease agreement in the "Now, therefore," clause, Section 3 (c), Subsection (iii) in the first sentence omit the words "Shall be released" and insert "is not to be released until Scranton City Council, as a body, concurs on an improved downtown residential monthly parking program as well as further evaluation and recommendation of the proposed kiosk meter system thereafter up to \$1,804,00.00 shall be released."

MR. PERRY: Second.

MR. ROGAN: There is a motion on the floor and a second to amend 6-C. On the question?

MR. EVANS: On the question, personally I think the importance of incentivizing the downtown residential community into a parking garages has several advantages, one is to increase occupancy, which in the garage system in the evening night hours when occupancy is at it's lowest, bring in new monthly customers to increase the revenue and have a minimal impact on expenses. It also frees up on-street parking spaces in the evening hours for the customers for our many excellent restaurants and shops downtown.

In my opinion, NDC has been honestly to slow to responding to my request to develop plans for downtown residential parking. Many downtown developers have requested the same. Only after our public caucus last week did they finally request an expedited study on this issue. This amendment simply puts some mild pressure on the garage operators to address this issue and the satisfaction of city council, the residents of downtown and the developers of residential living downtown who have

invested millions of dollars and will continue to invest millions more if we can get this right.

Downtown residential development is one of our city's largest growth industries so we cannot allow the momentum we have gained over the last five years or longer to be slowed by a lack of action and innovation in the parking sector. That's all I have on the question.

MR. ROGAN: I'd just like to follow-up with one point that Councilman Evans didn't mention is by pushing more residential parkers into the garages specifically at night that freezes up parking on our city streets for those who use downtown restaurants, bars who come to visit the downtown, so it not only has a benefit to those that live in the downtown but it also has a benefit to business owners downtown and anyone from Scranton or outside of the city that wants to come in our city to park and enjoy a lot of restaurants and shops that we have in the city.

I do plan on talking to -- I did

1 talk to a couple of developers that do plan on talking to a few more of our downtown 2 3 developers and business owners before the 4 final vote on this package to get some more 5 input from them but I do agree with the amendment to hold back some of these funds 6 7 until we get a better handling of 8 residential parking in our downtown. Anyone 9 All those in favor signify by saying 10 aye. 11 MR. PERRY: Aye. 12 MR. DONAHUE: Aye. 13 MR. EVANS: Aye. 14 MR. GAUGHAN: Aye. 15 MR. ROGAN: Aye. Opposed? The ayes 16 have it and so moved. 17 MR. PERRY: I move that Item 6-C, as 18 amended, pass reading by title. 19 MR. EVANS: Second. 20 MR. ROGAN: On the question? 21 MR. GAUGHAN: Yes, on the question. 22 As I mentioned last week, I had several 23 questions about this legislation that I 24 posted regarding the Electric City garage 25 and if and when any capital expenditures

1	were to going to be expended there and I
2	also had several questions for NDC that I
3	submitted so I would like those to be
4	answered before final passage next week.
5	Thank you.
6	MR. ROGAN: All those in favor
7	signify by saying aye.
8	MR. PERRY: Aye.
9	MR. DONAHUE: Aye.
10	MR. EVANS: Aye.
11	MR. GAUGHAN: Aye.
12	MR. ROGAN: Aye. Opposed? The ayes
13	have it and so moved.
14	MS. REED: SEVENTH ORDER. 7-A. FOR
15	CONSIDERATION BY THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC
16	SAFETY - FOR ADOPTION - FILE OF THE COUNCIL
17	NO. 19, 2018 - AUTHORIZING MAINTAINING OF
18	THE EXISTING NO PARKING SIGNS ALONG THE
19	SOUTHERLY SIDE OF RIVER STREET FROM SOUTH
20	WASHINGTON AVENUE TO MATTES AVENUE;
21	INSTALLATION OF R7-302 NO PARKING
22	SYMBOL/ARROW SIGN (LEFT) (12" X 18") 276
23	FEET WEST OF MATTES AVENUE; R7-302 NO
24	PARKING SYMBOL/ARROW SIGN (12" X 18") AT 316
25	FEET WEST OF MATTES AVENUE; AND R7-302 NO

1	PARKING SYMBOL/ARROW SIGN (RIGHT) (12" X
2	18") AT 356 FEET WEST OF MATTES AVENUE.
3	MR. ROGAN: What is the
4	recommendation for the Chair for the
5	Committee on Public Safety?
6	MR. PERRY: As Chair for the
7	Committee on Public Safety, I recommend
8	final passage of Item 7-A.
9	MR. EVANS: Second.
10	MR. ROGAN: On the question? Roll
11	call, please?
12	MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Perry.
13	MR. PERRY: Yes.
14	MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Donahue.
15	MR. DONAHUE: Yes.
16	MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Evans.
17	MR. EVANS: Yes.
18	MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Gaughan.
19	MR. GAUGHAN: Yes.
20	MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Rogan.
21	MR. ROGAN: Yes. I hereby declare
22	Item 7-A legally and lawfully adopted.
23	MS. REED: 7-B. FOR CONSIDERATION
24	BY THE COMMITTEE ON COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
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ADOPTION - FILE OF THE COUNCIL NO. 20, 2018 - AN ORDINANCE - AMENDING FILE OF THE COUNCIL NO. 118, 2017 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. 2018" BY AMENDING THE 2018 ACTION PLAN TO ACCEPT THE TWO MILLION SIX HUNDRED NINETY-NINE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED TWENTY SIX DOLLARS (\$2,699,526.00) UNDER THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM; FIVE HUNDRED SIXTY THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED SIXTY FOUR DOLLARS (\$560,864.00) UNDER THE HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM AND TWO HUNDRED TWENTY THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED SIX DOLLARS (\$220,906.00) UNDER THE EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT PROGRAM.

MR. GAUGHAN: I make a motion to further amend Item 7-B by amending the 2018

Action Plan under the Community Block Grant Program per the following changes: To reduce paving 2018 by \$50,000 for a funding total of \$601,671, and transfer \$50,000 to the project McLain Park improvement project by increasing the funding amount to \$150,000.

MR. DONAHUE: Second.

MR. ROGAN: There's a motion and a second, on the question?

MR. GAUGHAN: Yes, on the question. I make this amendment for several reasons: One, this park has not had any money put into it in nearly three decades. A few years ago the North Scranton Neighborhood Association Watch successfully lobbied the city for CDBG funding in the amount of \$150,000. Phase One of that project is currently ongoing and it's very successful at this point.

This park is extremely important to this neighborhood in North Scranton. The softball field is it used every single night. This park before Phase One was started was in shambles to say the least

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equipment wise. The fencing around the softball field was very dangerous, the field itself is dangerous and needs to be updated. The basketball court is dangerous, so right now in Phase One it's going to be ADA accessible and it's going to be really a great park for all of the children in this neighborhood, and one of the things about this neighborhood is there are a large number of children who live here and use this park. So I would ask my colleagues to vote in favor of this amendment so that we can continue to invest in this neighborhood, in all of our parks in the city and in the children of the City of Scranton. Thank you.

MR. ROGAN: Anyone else?

MR. EVANS: On the question, what's important also is we have the opportunity I think to move this project to completion instead of waiting another year and looking for additional funding down the road so it's always important when we are close to finishing a program not to let it twist in the wind and not to get it halfway done but

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1	to complete the project and then move onto
2	the next project so I'll be voting yes on
3	this as well.
4	MR. ROGAN: All those in favor
5	signify by saying aye.
6	MR. PERRY: Aye.
7	MR. DONAHUE: Aye.
8	MR. EVANS: Aye.
9	MR. GAUGHAN: Aye.
10	MR. ROGAN: Aye. Opposed? The ayes
11	have it and so moved.
12	MR. ROGAN: What is the
13	recommendation of the Chairperson for the
14	Committee on Community Development?
15	MR. DONAHUE: As Chairperson for the
16	Committee on Community Development, I
17	recommend final passage of Item 7-B, as
18	amended.
19	MR. EVANS: Second.
20	MR. ROGAN: On the question? Roll
21	call, please?
22	MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Perry.
23	MR. PERRY: Yes.
24	MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Donahue.
25	MR. DONAHUE: Yes.

1 MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Evans. MR. EVANS: Yes. 2 3 MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Gaughan. MR. GAUGHAN: Yes. 4 MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Rogan. 5 MR. ROGAN: Yes. I hereby declare 6 7 Item 7-B, as amended, legally and lawfully 8 adopted. 9 MS. REED: 7-C. FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS FOR ADOPTION 10 - RESOLUTION NO. 46, 2018 - RATIFYING AND 11 APPROVING THE EXECUTION AND SUBMISSION OF 12 THE GRANT APPLICATION BY THE CITY OF 13 14 SCRANTON TO THE PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FOR AN 15 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND COMMUNITY 16 17 DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVES PROGRAM GRANT IN THE 18 AMOUNT OF \$125,000.00 FOR THE MEADOWBROOK 19 CREEK CULVERT IMPROVEMENT PROJECT. 20 MR. ROGAN: What is the 21 recommendation of the Chairperson for the 22 Committee on Public Works? 23 MR. GAUGHAN: As Chairperson for the 24 Committee on Public Works, I recommend final

passage of Item 7-C.

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MR. EVANS: Second.

MR. ROGAN: On the question?

MR. GAUGHAN: Yes, on the question,

Mr. Young was here last week and had a few questions and we did pose those questions to the administration and the answer that we got was that they would not respond to those questions because of the ongoing litigation between Mr. Young and the City of Scranton. I don't really understand, I mean, I can understand it a little bit, but I don't understand it in the sense that we are just asking questions specifically about the legislation and I don't think this is really has anything to do with the lawsuit. think he was just -- he just wanted to know whether or not this money was going to be specifically for the issues that him and Mr. Kennedy were facing. But anyways, I'm going to support this obviously and hope that this project gets started and gets completed before the summer. Thank you. Anyone else? Roll call, please.

MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Perry.

MR. PERRY: Yes.

1 MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Donahue. MR. DONAHUE: Yes. 2 3 MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Evans. MR. EVANS: Yes. 4 5 MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Gaughan. MR. GAUGHAN: Yes. 6 7 MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Rogan. 8 MR. ROGAN: Yes. I hereby declare 9 Item 7-C legally and lawfully adopted. 10 MS. REED: 7-D. FOR CONSIDERATION 11 BY THE COMMITTEE ON COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT -12 FOR ADOPTION - RESOLUTION NO. 47, 2018 -13 AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND OTHER APPROPRIATE 14 CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE AND ENTER INTO THIS GENERAL AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE 15 16 CITY OF SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA THROUGH ITS 17 OFFICE OF ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT 18 (THE "CITY") AND THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE 19 INTERIOR NATIONAL PARK SERVICE, STEAMTOWN NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE (THE "PARK") 20 21 REGARDING THE MAINTENANCE RESPONSIBILITIES 22 FOR THE IMPROVEMENTS MADE TO RENAISSANCE 23 PARK, AND THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF NPS TO 24 OPERATE AND MAINTAIN RENAISSANCE PARK FOR 25 PUBLIC USE AND ENJOYMENT AND FOR THE CITY TO

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1	PROVIDE ACCESS TO RENAISSANCE PARK THROUGH
2	THE PLAZA VIA THE STAIRS, BRIDGE AND
3	ELEVATOR.
4	MR. ROGAN: What is the
5	recommendation of the Chair for the
6	Committee on Community Development?
7	MR. DONAHUE: As Chairperson for the
8	Committee on Community Development, I
9	recommend final passage of Item 7-D.
10	MR. PERRY: Second.
11	MR. ROGAN: On the question? Roll
12	call, please?
13	MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Perry.
14	MR. PERRY: Yes.
15	MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Donahue.
16	MR. DONAHUE: Yes.
17	MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Evans.
18	MR. EVANS: Yes.
19	MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Gaughan.
20	MR. GAUGHAN: Yes.
21	MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Rogan.
22	MR. ROGAN: Yes. I hereby declare
23	Item 7-D legally and lawfully adopted.
24	MS. REED: 7-E. FOR CONSIDERATION BY
25	THE COMMITTEE ON COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FOR

1 ADOPTION - RESOLUTION NO. 48 , 2018 -AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND OTHER APPROPRIATE 2 CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE AND ENTER INTO 3 THIS GENERAL MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT BY AND 4 BETWEEN RENAISSANCE AT 500 CONDOMINIUM 5 ASSOCIATION (THE "ASSOCIATION") AND THE CITY 6 7 OF SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA THROUGH ITS OFFICE 8 OF ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (THE 9 "CITY") REGARDING THE MAINTENANCE 10 RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE IMPROVEMENTS 11 PROPOSED TO THE PLAZA AS WELL AS TO 12 AUTHORIZE THE CITY AND ASSOCIATION TO OPERATE AND MAINTAIN THE PLAZA FOR PUBLIC 13 14 USE AND ENJOYMENT IN COOPERATION WITH EACH OTHER. 15 16 MR. ROGAN: What is the 17 recommendation of the Chair for the 18 Committee on Community Development? 19 MR. DONAHUE: As Chairperson for the 20 Committee on Community Development, I 21 recommend final passage of Item 7-E. 22 MR. EVANS: Second. 23 MR. ROGAN: On the question? Ro11 24 call, please? 25 MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Perry.

1 MR. PERRY: Yes. MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Donahue. 2 3 MR. DONAHUE: Yes. MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Evans. 4 5 MR. EVANS: Yes. MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Gaughan. 6 7 MR. GAUGHAN: Yes. 8 MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Rogan. 9 MR. ROGAN: Yes. I hereby declare 10 Item 7-E legally and lawfully adopted. 11 MS. REED: 7-F. FOR CONSIDERATION 12 BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES FOR ADOPTION -RESOLUTION NO. 49, 2018 - RE-APPOINTMENT OF 13 14 PAUL DEANTONA, 333 NORTH SUMNER AVENUE, 15 SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA 18504, AS A MEMBER 16 OF THE SCRANTON MUNICIPAL RECREATION 17 AUTHORITY EFFECTIVE MAY 17, 2018. MR. 18 DEANTONA'S PRIOR TERM EXPIRED ON JUNE 17, 19 2016, AND WAS HELD OVER TO MAY 17, 2018, AND 20 HIS NEW TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 17, 2019. 21 MR. ROGAN: As Chairperson for the 22 Committee on Rules, I recommend final 23 passage of Item 7-F. 24 MR. PERRY: Second. 25 MR. ROGAN: On the question? Ro11

call, please? 1 MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Perry. 2 3 MR. PERRY: Yes. MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Donahue. 4 MR. DONAHUE: Yes. 5 MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Evans. 6 7 MR. EVANS: Yes. 8 MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Gaughan. 9 MR. GAUGHAN: Yes. 10 MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Rogan. 11 MR. ROGAN: Yes. I hereby declare 12 Item 7-F legally and lawfully adopted. MS. REED: 7-G. FOR CONSIDERATION 13 BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES - FOR ADOPTION -14 RESOLUTION NO. 50, 2018 - RE-APPOINTMENT OF 15 16 EMANUEL JOHNSON, 1007 SCRANTON STREET, SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA 18504, AS A MEMBER 17 18 OF THE SCRANTON MUNICIPAL RECREATION 19 AUTHORITY EFFECTIVE MAY 17, 2018. 20 JOHNSON'S PRIOR TERM EXPIRED ON DECEMBER 31, 21 2017, AND WAS HELD OVER TO MAY 17, 2018, AND 22 HIS NEW TERM WILL EXPIRE DECEMBER 31, 2022. 23 MR. ROGAN: As Chairperson for the 24 Committee on Rules, I recommend final 25 passage of Item 7-G.

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1	MR. PERRY: Second.
2	MR. ROGAN: On the question? Roll
3	call, please?
4	MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Perry.
5	MR. PERRY: Yes.
6	MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Donahue.
7	MR. DONAHUE: Yes.
8	MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Evans.
9	MR. EVANS: Yes.
10	MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Gaughan.
11	MR. GAUGHAN: Yes.
12	MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Rogan.
13	MR. ROGAN: Yes. I hereby declare
14	Item 7-G legally and lawfully adopted.
15	MS. REED: 7-H. FOR CONSIDERATION
16	BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES - FOR ADOPTION -
17	RESOLUTION NO. 51, 2018 - RE-APPOINTMENT OF
18	MICHAEL WILLIAMS, 1505 COURT STREET,
19	SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA 18508, AS A MEMBER OF
20	THE SCRANTON MUNICIPAL RECREATION AUTHORITY
21	EFFECTIVE MAY 17, 2018. MR. WILLIAMS PRIOR
22	TERM EXPIRED ON DECEMBER 31, 2017, AND
23	WAS HELD OVER TO MAY 17, 2018, AND HIS NEW
24	TERM WILL EXPIRE DECEMBER 31, 2022.
25	MR. ROGAN: As Chairperson for the

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1	Committee on Rules, I recommend final
2	passage of Item 7-H.
3	MR. PERRY: Second.
4	MR. ROGAN: On the question? Roll
5	call, please?
6	MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Perry.
7	MR. PERRY: Yes.
8	MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Donahue.
9	MR. DONAHUE: Yes.
10	MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Evans.
11	MR. EVANS: Yes.
12	MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Gaughan.
13	MR. GAUGHAN: Yes.
14	MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Rogan.
15	MR. ROGAN: Yes. I hereby declare
16	Item 7-H legally and lawfully adopted.
17	MS. REED: 7-I. FOR CONSIDERATION
18	BY THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY - FOR
19	ADOPTION - RESOLUTION NO. 52, 2018 -
20	ACCEPTING A FIVE HUNDRED (\$500.00) DOLLAR
21	DONATION FROM KANE WAREHOUSING GIVEN TO THE
22	CITY OF SCRANTON POLICE DEPARTMENT SPECIAL
23	OPERATIONS GROUP.
24	MR. ROGAN: What is the
25	recommendation of the Chair for the

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1	Committee on Public Safety?
2	MR. PERRY: As Chairperson for the
3	Committee on Public Works, I recommend final
4	passage of Item 7-I.
5	MR. EVANS: Second.
6	MR. ROGAN: On the question? Roll
7	call, please?
8	MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Perry.
9	MR. PERRY: Yes.
10	MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Donahue.
11	MR. DONAHUE: Yes.
12	MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Evans.
13	MR. EVANS: Yes.
14	MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Gaughan.
15	MR. GAUGHAN: Yes.
16	MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Rogan.
17	MR. ROGAN: Yes. I hereby declare
18	Item 7-I legally and lawfully adopted. If
19	there is no further business, I'll entertain
20	a motion to adjourn.
21	MR. PERRY: Motion to adjourn.
22	MR. ROGAN: Meeting adjourned.
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CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the proceedings and evidence are contained fully and accurately in the notes of testimony taken by me at the hearing of the above-captioned matter and that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the same to the best of my ability.

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