

REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, MARCH 22, 2016
6:00 P.M.

The Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Vineland was called to order by the President, Anthony R. Fanucci.

The following members were present at roll call:

Councilwoman Angela Calakos
Councilwoman Maritza Gonzalez
Councilman John A. Procopio
Councilman Paul F. Spinelli
President Anthony R. Fanucci

Also present were: Robert E. Dickenson, Jr., Assistant Business Administrator
Richard P. Tonetta, Esq., City Solicitor

President Fanucci led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Clerk stated Public Notice of this meeting, pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, had been given on December 15, 2015 by the City Clerk, in the following manner:

1. Posting written notice on the official bulletin board in the lobby of the City Hall;
2. Providing written notice to the offices of The Daily Journal and The Press of Atlantic City; and;
3. Filing written notice in the office of the City Clerk of the City of Vineland.

The President asked for a moment of silence for one of our law enforcement personnel who has health issues. After the moment of silence President Fanucci extended wishes for a speedy recovery.

The President asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to be heard at this time.

There being no one to be heard, the Clerk presented ORDINANCE NO. 2016-6, which was ready for a First Reading.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that ORDINANCE NO. 2016-6 be taken up for the First Reading.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The Clerk read ORDINANCE NO. 2016-6, ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2015-42 AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR NO PARKING RESTRICTIONS ALONG A PORTION OF TIMBERBROOK DRIVE.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that ORDINANCE NO. 2016-6 be passed for the First Reading and that a Public Hearing be held on Tuesday, April 12, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion.

Councilman Spinelli stated that he was advised e-mail notification was sent today to residents of Timberbrook Drive.

President Fanucci observed that this was a First Reading.

There being no other discussion to be heard, the Clerk called the roll:
YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The Clerk presented ORDINANCE NO. 2016-7, which was ready for a First Reading.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that ORDINANCE NO. 2016-7 be taken up for the First Reading.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The Clerk read ORDINANCE NO. 2016-7, ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY KNOWN AS 818 LANDIS AVENUE, VINELAND, NEW JERSEY FOR PUBLIC PURPOSES.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that ORDINANCE NO. 2016-7 be passed for the First Reading and that a Public Hearing be held on Tuesday, April 12, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion.

There being no discussion to be heard, the Clerk called the roll:

YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2016-88, A RESOLUTION MAKING TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2016 PENDING FINAL ADOPTION OF THE CALENDAR YEAR 2016 BUDGET.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that RESOLUTION NO. 2016-88 be adopted according to law.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2016-89, A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE TRANSFER OF CERTAIN CALENDAR YEAR 2015 RESERVE BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS BALANCES.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that RESOLUTION NO. 2016-89 be adopted according to law.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2016-90, A RESOLUTION RESCINDING RESOLUTION 2015-519, A RESOLUTION AWARDED A CONTRACT TO ACCELA INC., SAN RAMON, CALIFORNIA, FOR ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SOFTWARE.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that RESOLUTION NO. 2016-90 be adopted according to law.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2016-91, A RESOLUTION APPROVING PARTICIPATION WITH THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY FEDERAL GRANT PROGRAM FOR 2016 SAFE AND SECURE COMMUNITIES PROGRAM ADMINISTERED BY THE DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE, DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that RESOLUTION NO. 2016-91 be adopted according to law.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2016-92, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE VINELAND BOARD OF EDUCATION FOR INFLUENZA VACCINES FOR THE 2016-17 SCHOOL YEAR.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that RESOLUTION NO. 2016-92 be adopted according to law.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2016-93, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF VINELAND TO ENTER INTO A SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND TO PROVIDE THE SERVICES REQUIRED TO SUPPORT THE LIVE HEALTHY CUMBERLAND COUNTY CAMPAIGN.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that RESOLUTION NO. 2016-93 be adopted according to law.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2016-94, A RESOLUTION TO AMEND RESOLUTION NO. 2016-53, RESOLUTION ACKNOWLEDGING RECEIPT OF GRANT FUNDING AND APPROVING MEMBERS OF THE VINELAND MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that RESOLUTION NO. 2016-94 be adopted according to law.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2016-95, A RESOLUTION TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT RESOLUTION NO. 2012-475, AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH PENNONI ASSOCIATES, VINELAND, NJ, FOR DESIGN SERVICES FOR THE RESURFACING OF LANDIS AVENUE.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that RESOLUTION NO. 2016-95 be adopted according to law.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2016-96, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF AMENDATORY SUPPLEMENTAL CHANGE ORDER NO. 16, TO CONTRACT NO. RES09-623, ISSUED TO SIEMENS ENERGY, INC., ORLANDO, FL (FORMERLY ROLLS-ROYCE ENERGY, MOUNT VERNON, OH), IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$2,560,010.00.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that RESOLUTION NO. 2016-96 be adopted according to law.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2016-97, A RESOLUTION AWARDED AN OPEN-END CONTRACT TO SOUTH JERSEY WELDING SUPPLY, VINELAND, NJ FOR THE FURNISHING AND DELIVERY OF INDUSTRIAL GASES.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that RESOLUTION NO. 2016-97 be adopted according to law.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2016-98, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CANCELLATION OF TAXES FOR CY 2016 FOR THE REASON RECOMMENDED BY THE CITY OF VINELAND TAX COLLECTOR.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that RESOLUTION NO. 2016-98 be adopted according to law.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2016-99, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE REFUND OF TAXES.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that RESOLUTION NO. 2016-99 be adopted according to law.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2016-100, A RESOLUTION APPROVING SURETY REDUCTION, RELEASE OR RENEWAL AS SUBMITTED BY THE CITY ENGINEER.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that RESOLUTION NO. 2016-100 be adopted according to law.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2016-101, A RESOLUTION PROVIDING AND AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF BILLS AND DEMANDS AGAINST THE CITY OF VINELAND.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that RESOLUTION NO. 2016-101 be adopted according to law.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2016-102, A RESOLUTION TO INTRODUCE THE CALENDAR YEAR 2016 MUNICIPAL BUDGET OF THE CITY OF VINELAND.

The President recognized Mayor Bermudez who said there are many challenges in this budget...salary increases, a 53rd week of pay, health insurance and tax appeals. He reported that revenue has stabilized, and stated that there will be no increase in the tax rate for 2016, no reduction of services, and no layoffs. He concluded by commenting that better days are ahead of us. The Mayor had to leave immediately after his brief presentation.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that RESOLUTION NO. 2016-102 be adopted according to law.

The President asked there was any discussion by Council members on this motion.

President Fanucci asked several questions:
How exactly was a zero tax increase achieved?
How much fund balance was utilized?
Has the fund balance been this low in the past 10 years?

Councilman Spinelli questioned if the fund balance being used have any effect on our bond rating. He also wanted to know what our auditor has to say about the use of fund balance.

Councilwoman Calakos commented that it was a shame the Mayor could not stay for five minutes longer to answer questions.

Councilman Procopio recommended that City Council supply written questions to the Mayor.

There being no other discussion to be heard, the Clerk called the roll:

YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2016-103, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF SCRAP STREET LIGHTS AND MIXED METALS, FROM THE VINELAND MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC UTILITY, NOT NEEDED FOR PUBLIC USE, AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT OF SALE.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that RESOLUTION NO. 2016-103 be adopted according to law.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The Clerk presented the reports of the various departments for the month of January 2016 and requested the report be received and filed.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, to receive and file the reports of the various departments for the month of January 2016, as presented by the Clerk.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, to approve the street lighting report for March 2016.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, to authorize the City Clerk to advertise for bids to be received by the Purchasing Board on Tuesday, April 26, 2016, at 10:30 A.M. for the following items:

1. Wells 2 & 3 Radium Removal Treatment Units Media Replacement
2. Insertion Valves 4" to 12"

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, to authorize the City Clerk to advertise for Request for Proposals to be received by the Purchasing Board on Tuesday, April 26, 2016 at 10:30 a.m. for acquisition or administration and management of Home Health Care Service License for Vineland residents.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The President asked if any Council Members wished to be heard.

Councilwoman Gonzalez announced the Health Department's Spring Park Hop activities. Mondays – yoga; Tuesdays – kickball; Wednesdays – yoga and volleyball; Thursdays – family Zumba. She also commented that by not raising the tax rate minimally, that equates into no improvements. It is disappointing.

Councilwoman Calakos extended sympathy and prayers for the bombing victims in Europe.

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Councilman Spinelli congratulated the PAL traveling basketball team and noted that the spring youth baseball and softball season is starting.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, to adjourn the meeting.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

Anthony R. Fanucci
President of Council

ATTEST:

Keith Petrosky, RMC
Municipal Clerk