

REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2020
6:30 P.M.

The Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Vineland was called to order by the President, Paul F. Spinelli.

The following members were present at roll call:

Councilman David Acosta
Councilwoman Dr. Elizabeth A. Arthur
Councilman Ronald J. Franceschini, Jr.
Councilman Albert Vargas
President Paul F. Spinelli

Also present were: Anthony R. Fanucci, Mayor
Robert E. Dickenson, Jr., Business Administrator
Richard P. Tonetta, Esq., City Solicitor

The President led the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Spinelli stated that due to the current COVID-19 crisis, the City of Vineland is following the CDC and State of NJ Guidelines by utilizing a telephone conference system allowing the public access for participation in the meeting. The toll free telephone number for this meeting is 1-833-247-7123, and the conference ID number is: 3308969.

Anyone having difficulty in connecting to the conference call, or they feel they haven't been properly heard, please email me, Council President Paul Spinelli, at pspinelli@vinelandcity.org, so your concerns can be addressed.

The Deputy Clerk stated Public Notice of this meeting, pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, has been given on December 11, 2019 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 Mayor Anthony R. Fanucci to come forward who presented a proclamation to the Salvation Army and Coordinator Steve Plevins for their exceptional work in the community and in helping to feed the community's residents during these troubling times.

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

There being no one further to be heard, the Deputy Clerk ORDINANCE NO. 2020-41, AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CONSENT TO ASSIGNMENT OF THE COMMUNICATIONS ANTENNA SITE LEASE AGREEMENT DATED NOVEMBER 22, 2010, BETWEEN THE CITY OF VINELAND AND CALVARY CHAPEL OF VINELAND, INC., which was ready for a Public Hearing.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that ORDINANCE NO. 2020-41 be taken up for a Public Hearing and opened to the public for discussion.

The Deputy Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilwoman Arthur
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Vargas
President Spinelli

The President asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to be heard on ORDINANCE NO. 2020-41.

There being no one to be heard, the President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that ORDINANCE NO. 2020-41 be closed.

The Deputy Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilwoman Arthur
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Vargas
President Spinelli

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that ORDINANCE NO. 2020-41 be taken up for second and final reading and adopted according to law.

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

There being no discussion to be heard, the Deputy Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilwoman Arthur
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Vargas
President Spinelli

The Deputy Clerk read ORDINANCE NO. 2020-41 by title and declared with a vote of five YEAS and zero NAYS that the Ordinance be adopted.

The President directed the Deputy Clerk to submit ORDINANCE NO. 2020-41 to the Mayor for his approval or disapproval.

The Deputy Clerk presented ORDINANCE NO. 2020-42, which was ready for a First Reading.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini,, that ORDINANCE NO. 2020-42 be taken up for the First Reading.

The Deputy Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilwoman Arthur
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Vargas
President Spinelli

The Deputy Clerk read ORDINANCE NO. 2020-42, AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT ORDINANCE NO. 8, WHICH ESTABLISHED THE CLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION PLANS FOR THE CITY OF VINELAND (POLICEMAN’S BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION, LOCAL 266).

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini,, that ORDINANCE NO. 2020-42 be passed for First Reading and that a Public Hearing be held on Tuesday, September 22, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.

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

There being no discussion to be heard, the Deputy Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilwoman Arthur
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Vargas
President Spinelli

The Deputy Clerk presented ORDINANCE NO. 2020-43, which was ready for a First Reading.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini,, that ORDINANCE NO. 2020-43 be taken up for the First Reading.

The Deputy Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilwoman Arthur
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Vargas
President Spinelli

The Deputy Clerk read ORDINANCE NO. 2020-43, ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2009-43, AS AMENDED, CHAPTER 687, PART II, ARTICLE VIII, SECTION 687-78 A AND B OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF VINELAND ENTITLED WATER-SEWER UTILITY.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that ORDINANCE NO. 2020-43 be passed for First Reading and that a Public Hearing be held on Tuesday, September 22, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.

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

There being no discussion to be heard, the Deputy Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilwoman Arthur
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Vargas
President Spinelli

The Deputy Clerk presented ORDINANCE NO. 2020-44, which was ready for a First Reading.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that ORDINANCE NO. 2020-44 be taken up for the First Reading.

The Deputy Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilwoman Arthur
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Vargas
President Spinelli

The Deputy Clerk read ORDINANCE NO. 2020-44, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 46 ESTABLISHING ANIMAL CONTROL FOR DOGS.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that ORDINANCE NO. 2020-44 be passed for First Reading and that a Public Hearing be held on Tuesday, September 22, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.

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

There being no discussion to be heard, the Deputy Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilwoman Arthur
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Vargas
President Spinelli

The Deputy Clerk presented ORDINANCE NO. 2020-45, which was ready for a First Reading.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that ORDINANCE NO. 2020-45 be taken up for the First Reading.

The Deputy Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilwoman Arthur
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Vargas
President Spinelli

The Deputy Clerk read ORDINANCE NO. 2020-45, ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF EASEMENTS FOR THE GARDEN AND MILL SIGNALIZATION AND ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that ORDINANCE NO. 2020-45 be passed for First Reading and that a Public Hearing be held on Tuesday, September 22, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.

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

There being no discussion to be heard, the Deputy Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilwoman Arthur
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Vargas
President Spinelli

The Deputy Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2020-358, RESOLUTION EXERCISING OPTION TO RENEW CONTRACT FOR GRANT CONSULTING SERVICES FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT/HOME PROGRAMS.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that RESOLUTION NO. 2020-358 be adopted according to law.

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

There being no discussion to be heard, the Deputy Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilwoman Arthur
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Vargas
President Spinelli

The Deputy Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2020-359, A RESOLUTION APPROVING AGREEMENT WITH THE POLICEMEN'S BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION, LOCAL 266 FROM JANUARY 1, 2020 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2023.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that RESOLUTION NO. 2020-359 be adopted according to law.

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

There being no discussion to be heard, the Deputy Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilwoman Arthur
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Vargas
President Spinelli

The Deputy Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO 2020-360, A RESOLUTION GRANTING THE RENEWAL OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSES FOR THE LICENSING PERIOD JULY 1, 2020 TO JUNE 30, 2021.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that RESOLUTION NO. 2020-360 be adopted according to law.

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

There being no discussion to be heard, the Deputy Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilwoman Arthur
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Vargas
President Spinelli

The Deputy Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2020-361, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF AN AMENDATORY SUPPLEMENTAL CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 TO CONTRACT NO. C20-0057, PURCHASE ORDER NO. 20-03102 ISSUED TO CHAPMAN INC., EATONTOWN, NJ, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$18,850.00.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that RESOLUTION NO. 2020-361 be adopted according to law.

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

There being no discussion to be heard, the Deputy Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilwoman Arthur
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Vargas
President Spinelli

The Deputy Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2020-362, A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE INSERTION IN THE CALENDAR YEAR 2020 BUDGET OF THE CITY OF VINELAND A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE MADE AVAILABLE BY REVENUE REALIZED FROM A STATE OF NEW JERSEY, DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY, SAFE & SECURE COMMUNITIES GRANT, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$90,000.00 AND AN APPROPRIATION IN SAID BUDGET FOR LIKE SUM AND PURPOSE.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that RESOLUTION NO. 2020-362 be adopted according to law.

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

There being no discussion to be heard, the Deputy Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilwoman Arthur
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Vargas
President Spinelli

The Deputy Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2020-363, A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE USE OF SECOND GENERATION ENTERPRISE ZONE ASSISTANCE FUNDS FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT LOAN TO GARDEN TRUCK STOP, LLC.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that RESOLUTION NO. 2020-363 be adopted according to law.

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

There being no discussion to be heard, the Deputy Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilwoman Arthur
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Vargas
President Spinelli

The Deputy Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2020-364, A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE USE OF SECOND GENERATION ENTERPRISE ZONE ASSISTANCE FUNDS FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT LOAN TO DAVY REALTY, LLC.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that RESOLUTION NO. 2020-364 be adopted according to law.

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

There being no discussion to be heard, the Deputy Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilwoman Arthur
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Vargas
President Spinelli

The Deputy Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2020-365, A RESOLUTION APPROVING CHARGE AGAINST VARIOUS LAND FOR LAND CLEARANCE AND AUTHORIZING SAID CHARGE TO BECOME A LIEN UPON SUCH LAND AND TO BE ADDED TO AND BECOME A PART OF THE TAXES TO BE ASSESSED AND LEVIED UPON SUCH LAND.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that RESOLUTION NO. 2020-365 be adopted according to law.

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

There being no discussion to be heard, the Deputy Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilwoman Arthur
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Vargas
President Spinelli

The Deputy Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2020-366, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE REFUND OF TAXES.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that RESOLUTION NO. 2020-366 be adopted according to law.

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

There being no discussion to be heard, the Deputy Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilwoman Arthur
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Vargas
President Spinelli

The Deputy Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2020-367, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CANCELLATION OF TAXES FOR CY 2020 FOR THE REASON RECOMMENDED BY THE CITY OF VINELAND TAX COLLECTOR.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that RESOLUTION NO. 2020-367 be adopted according to law.

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

There being no discussion to be heard, the Deputy Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilwoman Arthur
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Vargas
President Spinelli

The Deputy Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2020-368, A RESOLUTION DETERMINING AND DIRECTING THE FORECLOSURE OF TAX SALE CERTIFICATES PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. §54:5-104.29 TO §54:5-104.71.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that RESOLUTION NO. 2020-368 be adopted according to law.

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

There being no discussion to be heard, the Deputy Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilwoman Arthur
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Vargas
President Spinelli

The Deputy Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2020-369, A RESOLUTION APPROVING SURETY REDUCTION, RELEASE OR RENEWAL AS SUBMITTED BY THE CITY ENGINEER.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that RESOLUTION NO. 2020-369 be adopted according to law.

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

There being no one to be heard, the Deputy Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilwoman Arthur
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Vargas
President Spinelli

The Deputy Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2020-370, RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE COMBINATION OF CERTAIN ISSUES OF GENERAL IMPROVEMENT BONDS, SERIES 2020, OF THE CITY OF VINELAND, IN THE COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND, NEW JERSEY, INTO A SINGLE ISSUE OF BONDS AGGREGATING \$9,650,000 IN PRINCIPAL AMOUNT.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that RESOLUTION NO. 2020-370 be adopted according to law.

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

There being no discussion to be heard, the Deputy Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilwoman Arthur
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Vargas
President Spinelli

The Deputy Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2020-371, RESOLUTION DETERMINING THE FORM AND OTHER DETAILS OF \$9,650,000 GENERAL IMPROVEMENT BONDS, SERIES 2020, OF THE CITY OF VINELAND, IN THE COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND, NEW JERSEY, AND PROVIDING FOR THEIR SALE.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that RESOLUTION NO. 2020-371 be adopted according to law.

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

There being no discussion to be heard, the Deputy Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilwoman Arthur
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Vargas
President Spinelli

The Deputy Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2020-372, A RESOLUTION PROVIDING AND AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF BILLS AND DEMANDS AGAINST THE CITY OF VINELAND.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that RESOLUTION NO. 2020-372 be adopted according to law.

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

There being no discussion to be heard, the Deputy Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilwoman Arthur
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Vargas
President Spinelli

The Deputy Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2020-373, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COLLECTION OF MONEYS DUE THE CITY BY JESSE PANTALIONE AND MARY PANTALIONE UNDER THE TERMS OF A RESIDENTIAL REHAB PROGRAM MORTGAGE AND NOTE.2

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that RESOLUTION NO. 2020-374 be adopted according to law.

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

There being no discussion to be heard, the Deputy Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilwoman Arthur
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Vargas
President Spinelli

The Deputy Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2020-374, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF ORIGINAL, RENEWAL AND / OR TRANSFER OF TAXICAB LICENSES FOR THE YEAR 2020.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that RESOLUTION NO. 2020-375 be adopted according to law.

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

There being no discussion to be heard, the Deputy Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilwoman Arthur
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Vargas
President Spinelli

The Deputy Clerk presented a COMMUNICATION from Mayor Anthony R. Fanucci appointing Doug Menz to the Planning Board, Alternate #1, for the term commencing September 1, 2020 and expiring August 31, 2022, and requests the communication be received and filed.

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

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There being no one to be heard, the Deputy Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilwoman Arthur
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Vargas
President Spinelli

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

Councilman Franceschini congratulated the Salvation Army for their work. He stated they do a wonderful job in our county and stated he encouraged everyone to donate and or volunteer for them.

Councilman Vargas congratulated Moses and Jackie from the Salvation Army as he volunteers with them during November and December for many years. They work very hard and they and the entire team should be commended.

Councilwoman Dr. Arthur congratulated the Salvation Army.

Councilman Acosta stated he, too, wanted to commend the Salvation Army who do so well and really rally for our community. He also wanted to congratulate Doug Menz who he's known for many years and his anticipated participation in the Planning Board

President Spinelli stated enough cannot be said about the Salvation Army and what they provide to our community. He said our schoolchildren are back in a virtual situation this fall please be careful and keep it under control.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, to adjourn the meeting.

The Deputy Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilwoman Arthur
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Vargas
President Spinelli

Meeting Adjourned at 7:00 P.M.

Paul F. Spinelli
President of Council

ATTEST:

Richard G. Franchetta, E.J.D.
Deputy City Clerk