

// A regular meeting of the Council of the City of Lynchburg was held on the 25th day of March, 2008, at 5:00 P.M. in the Council Chamber, City Hall, Joan F. Foster, President, presiding. Council Member Johnson gave the Invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. The following Members were present:

Present: Dodson, Garrett, Gillette, Helgeson, Johnson, Seiffert, Foster 7

Absent: 0

// City Council recognized City employees that were chosen by their peers for distinguished customer service to receive the 2008 Catch A Star Award, i.e., Lynn Fox, Denise Musgrove, Master Firefighter Lincoln Barnes, Firefighter Anthony Andrews, Kelly Anders, Mike Burnley, Alice Colmore, Amanda Collins, Richard Eden, Paul Ernsberger, Mike Halas, Kris Keesee and Charlie Owen.

// Copies of the minutes of the March 11 (two meetings), 2008 meetings, having been previously furnished Council, reading was dispensed with, and on motion of Council Member Gillette, seconded by Council Member Seiffert, Council by the following recorded vote approved the minutes as presented:

Ayes: Dodson, Garrett, Gillette, Helgeson, Johnson, Seiffert, Foster 7

Noes: 0

// In the matter of Finance - Bonds, Resolution #R-08-031 amending the FY 2008 General Fund's Adopted Budget and appropriating \$34,250 from the General Fund Reserve for Contingencies for fifty percent (50%) of the bond issuance costs, laid over from the March 11, 2008 meeting, was again presented and read, and on motion of Council Member Gillette, seconded by Council Member Seiffert, Council by the following recorded vote adopted the Resolution:

Ayes: Dodson, Garrett, Gillette, Helgeson, Johnson, Seiffert, Foster 7

Noes: 0

// In the matter of Community Planning - General, Resolution #R-08-032 amending the FY 2008 City Capital Project Funds and appropriating \$185,000 to install a traffic signal at the intersection of Paulette Circle and Enterprise Drive, laid over from the March 11, 2008 meeting, was again presented and read, and on motion of Council Member Gillette, seconded by Council Member Seiffert, Council by the following recorded vote adopted the Resolution:

Ayes: Dodson, Garrett, Gillette, Helgeson, Johnson, Seiffert, Foster 7

Noes: 0

// In the matter of Finance - Bonds, Resolution #R-08-035 amending the FY 2008 General, Water, Sewer and Solid Waste Management Funds Adopted Budgets and appropriating \$24,250, \$6,790, \$11,155 and \$6,305, respectively, with resources from the refunding bond proceeds for \$48,500 of estimated bond issuance costs, laid over from the March 11, 2008 meeting, was again presented and read, and on motion of Council Member Gillette, seconded by Council Member Seiffert, Council by the following recorded vote adopted the Resolution:

Ayes: Dodson, Garrett, Gillette, Helgeson, Johnson, Seiffert, Foster 7

Noes: 0

// In the matter of Central VA Mental Health, City Council received the list of candidates interested in serving on the Central Virginia Community Services Board.

// In the matter of Police - General, City Council Report #6 was considered. On motion of Council Member Gillette, seconded by Council Member Seiffert, Council by the following recorded vote introduced and laid over to a later meeting for final action Resolution #R-08-037, as presented, amending the FY 2008 General Fund and appropriating \$5,000, fully reimbursable, for the purchase of personal protective equipment in the Police Department:

Ayes: Dodson, Garrett, Gillette, Helgeson, Johnson, Seiffert, Foster 7

Noes: 0

// In the matter of Schools – Board of Trustees, a continuation of the public hearing was held regarding appointment to a vacancy that exists in District III on the Lynchburg School Board. Mayor Foster read the names of two individuals who have applied since the March 11 public hearing and who reside in District III and are interested in filling the vacancy on the School Board: Jason R. Stevens and Treney L. Tweedy. One individual questioned the qualifications of one of the applicants who home schooled her children. There was no one else present who wished to speak to this item. On motion of Council Member Johnson, seconded by Vice Mayor Dodson, Council by the following recorded vote closed the public hearing:

Ayes: Dodson, Garrett, Gillette, Helgeson, Johnson, Seiffert, Foster 7

Noes: 0

// In the matter of Community Planning - General, City Council Report #8 was considered. On motion of Council Member Gillette, seconded by Council Member Johnson, Council by the following recorded vote adopted Resolution #R-08-038, as presented, approving the location and design of the Midtown Connector Phase I project:

Ayes: Dodson, Garrett, Gillette, Helgeson, Johnson, Seiffert, Foster 7

Noes: 0

// In the matter of Community Planning - General, City Council Report #9 was considered. On motion of Council Member Gillette, seconded by Council Member Seiffert, Council by the following recorded vote adopted Resolution #R-08-039, as presented, approving the request to name two (2) private streets “Regents Parkway” and “Research Lab Road” in the Liberty University (LU) campus:

Ayes: Dodson, Garrett, Gillette, Helgeson, Johnson, Seiffert, Foster 7

Noes: 0

// In the matter of Police - General, City Council Report #10 was considered. On motion of Council Member Johnson, seconded by Council Member Garrett, Council by the following recorded vote adopted Ordinance #0-08-040, as presented, authorizing the City Manager to sign a Memorandum of Understand to participate in the Lynchburg Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) Communication Interoperability Project:

Ayes: Dodson, Garrett, Gillette, Helgeson, Johnson, Seiffert, Foster 7

Noes: 0

// Council Member Gillette stated that one of the Committees being considered in the closed meeting is the Central Virginia Community Services Board and since he has a contract with that organization, he plans to excuse himself from participating in the discussion and voting on the appointment to this Board.

// On motion of Council Member Johnson, seconded by Council Member Garrett, Council by the following recorded vote elected to hold a closed meeting to consider appointments to Council-appointed Boards and Commissions, i.e., School Board (District III), Community Services Board and Parking Authority pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(1) of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended:

Ayes: Dodson, Garrett, Gillette, Helgeson, Johnson, Seiffert, Foster 7

Noes: 0

// Council Member Gillette excused himself from the closed meeting during the discussion regarding the appointment of an individual to fill a vacancy on the Central Virginia Community Services Board.

// The meeting was re-opened to the public.

// Council Member Johnson made the following motion:

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Lynchburg has convened a closed meeting on this date, pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provisions of The Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.2-3712 of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by City Council that such closed meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Lynchburg certifies that, to the best of each member's knowledge, (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by Virginia law were discussed in the closed meeting to which this certification resolution applies, and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion convening the closed meeting were heard, discussed or considered by Council.

The Motion was seconded by Council Member Helgeson, and Council by the following recorded vote adopted the motion:

Ayes: Dodson, Garrett, Gillette, Helgeson, Johnson, Seiffert, Foster 7

Noes: 0

// In the matter of Appointments, and on nomination of Council Member Seiffert, Council by the following recorded vote appointed Ripley Owen to serve on the Lynchburg Parking Authority to fill an unexpired term ending October 30, 2009:

Ayes: Dodson, Garrett, Gillette, Helgeson, Johnson, Seiffert, Foster 7

Noes: 0

// City Council asked that the Clerk of Council schedule interviews with the four candidates for the District 3 vacancy on the Lynchburg School Board for April 17, starting at 1:30 p.m.

// The meeting was recessed at 5:55 P.M. to April 1, at 7:00 P.M., Council Chamber, to conduct a public hearing regarding the Proposed FY2009 Budget and FY2009-2013 Capital Improvements Program.

Clerk of Council