// A regular meeting of the Council of the City of Lynchburg was held on the 22nd day of February, 2011, at 4:00 P.M. in the Council Chamber, City Hall, Joan F. Foster, President, presiding. The following Members were present:

Present: Cary, Helgeson, Johnson, Nelson, Perrow, Foster	6
Absent: Gillette	1

// Mayor Foster recognized City Manager Kimball Payne on receiving his 10 year service award with the City.

// Mayor Foster stated that she serves on the Board of the Airshow and believes this does not cause a conflict.

// Jones Stanley, Dave Young and John Barksdale, Airshow organizers, gave a brief presentation on the upcoming Lynchburg Regional Airshow. Mr. Stanley stated that plans are underway to have the U.S. Navy's elite Blue Angels flight squadron perform at the Airshow to be held May 21-22, 2011 at the Lynchburg Regional Airport. However, if the Blue Angels are not able to attend then a one-day show is planned for Saturday, May 21.

After Council discussion, Mayor Foster asked City Manager Payne about obtaining a permit from Campbell County for the Airshow, and on motion of Council Member Helgeson and seconded by Council Member Cary, Council by the following recorded vote approved the motion to obtain a permit from Campbell County for the Airshow:

Ayes: Cary, Helgeson, Johnson, Nelson, Perrow, Foster	6
Noes:	0
Absent: Gillette	1

// Mr. Keith Wright, Neighborhood Program Manager for the Department of Community Development, gave a report on the activities of the Code Enforcement Task Force. Mr. Wright stated in February 1997 the Code Enforcement Task Force was formed, in response to specific property on Federal Street that had been cited for multiple violations by several City departments. The Task Force's purpose was to develop and implement a coordinated and focused long term strategy to improve living conditions through consistent code enforcement, thereby facilitating a positive impact on the quality of life in Lynchburg. Mr. Wright further stated since 2008, the Task Force has conducted fourteen walk-through inspections of various City neighborhoods. The walk-throughs were to identify concerns, as well as raise awareness of local codes and public maintenance needs (i.e. street lights and pot holes).

During Council discussion, Council Member Perrow asked if Council wanted to continue receiving status updates on the Code Enforcement Task Force and it was the consensus of Council to continue receiving status reports.

// Mr. Tim Mitchell, Director of Utilities, gave a summary of the FY 2012 Rate Study and Annual Report. Mr. Mitchell stated that the report contains statistical and financial information that routinely helps enhance performance and track various trends such as water consumption, so that the City can be more responsive to changing conditions. Mr. Mitchell further stated that the FY 2012 Rate Study and Annual Report includes the following:

1. Annual Report
2. Water and sewer fund statistical and financial data.
3. Financial Projections which include the following:
    a. Water and sewer fund key assumptions.
    b. Water and sewer fund capital financing plan.
    c. Water and sewer operating fund and budget projections.
    d. Revenue projections.

Mr. Mitchell stated the utility rate strategy developed for this year continues with the guiding principles of:

1. Equitable sharing of water and sewer costs based on service provided.
2. Ensure rates promote sustainable water and sewer operations and infrastructure.
3. Minimize future rate spikes.
4. Meet the financial obligations related to the CSO Special Order.
5. Ensure compliance with Council's financial policies.

Mr. Mitchell went on to say the recommendations include: a 3% increase in the water volume rate to $2.29 per h.c.f., a 2% increase in the sewer volume rate, and a 1.8% increase in the sewer only rate. As a result, the composite water and sewer bill for the typical residential customer increases by 2.2%.

City Council commended City staff on the good work that has been done on this project.

// Project Manager Jeff Scarano gave a summary of the Amending Rainleader Disconnect Program Policy and Guidelines. Mr. Scarano stated that the goal is to eliminate 75 percent of the area connected to the sewer system via rainleaders that enter the system. Mr. Scarano further stated that while the 75 percent disconnection goal has generally been met in residential areas, urban disconnections are well short of this goal. This has primarily been due to limited pervious areas on downtown properties, which can lead to negative impacts on neighboring properties if the rainleaders are disconnected. Mr. Scarano went on to say in an effort to achieve the goal of 75 percent disconnection throughout the City, an amendment to the original disconnection policy has been developed that reduces peak flows into the combined sewer system from rainleaders through the use of stormwater best management practices. Under the amended policy, these rainleaders would not be disconnected from the sewer system, thus protecting neighboring properties from negative impacts, but peak flows into the sewer system would be reduced, thus helping to reduce overflows.

Council Member Perrow, Physical Development Committee (PDC) Chair made a motion to approve the amendments to the Rainleader Disconnect Program Policy and Guidelines, and Council approved by the following recorded vote:

Ayes: Cary, Helgeson, Johnson, Nelson, Perrow, Foster	6
Noes:	0
Absent: Gillette	1

// During Roll Call Council Member Perrow stated, just for information purposes regarding the sediment being left at the jug handle project between the 460/29 Bypass, that it was a Virginia Department of Transportation project and not the City. Vice Mayor Johnson stated that earlier today he had visited with

R. S. Payne students talking about City Government. Vice Mayor Johnson also stated that he had a visit from a family from our City Sister in Glauchau Germany.

// Copies of the minutes of the February 8, 2011 meeting, having been previously furnished Council, reading was dispensed with, and on motion of Council Member Helgeson, seconded by Council Member Nelson, Council by the following recorded vote approved the minutes as presented:

Ayes: Cary, Helgeson, Johnson, Nelson, Perrow, Foster	6
Noes:	0
Absent: Gillette	1

// In the matter of Human Services – General, Resolution #R-11-010 amending the FY 2011 City/Federal/State Aid Fund and appropriating $14,117 with resources of $12,706 from the federal government's Juvenile Accountability Block Grant program, and $200 from Campbell County to purchase GPS systems and provide additional mentoring and/or family counseling services, laid over from the February 8, 2011 meeting, was again presented and read, and on motion of Council Member Helgeson, seconded by Council Member Nelson, Council by the following recorded vote adopted the Resolution:

Ayes: Cary, Helgeson, Johnson, Nelson, Perrow, Foster	6
Noes:	0
Absent: Gillette	1

// In the matter of Parks and Recreation – General, Resolution #R-11-011 amending the FY 2011 City Capital Projects Fund budget and appropriating $17,261, with resources from a donation from the Friends of Lynchburg Stream Valleys to support the rehabilitation and extension of the Creekside Trail, in accordance with the Creekside Trail Extension Plan, laid over from the February 8, 2011 meeting, was again presented and read, and on motion of Council Member Helgeson, seconded by Council Member Nelson, Council by the following recorded vote adopted the Resolution:

Ayes: Cary, Helgeson, Johnson, Nelson, Perrow, Foster	6
Noes:	0
Absent: Gillette	1

// In the matter of Commonwealth Attorney, Resolution #R-11-012 amending the FY 2011 City/Federal/State Aid Fund budget and appropriating $40,000, fully reimbursable, to support a Family Violence Legal Assistant position and activities related to the Domestic Violence and Intimate Partner Prosecution Unit, laid over from the February 8, 2011 meeting, was again presented and read, and on motion of Council Member Helgeson, seconded by Council Member Nelson, Council by the following recorded vote adopted the Resolution:

Ayes: Cary, Helgeson, Johnson, Nelson, Perrow, Foster	6
Noes:	0
Absent: Gillette	1

// The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 P.M.

Clerk of Council