

// A regular meeting of the Council of the City of Lynchburg was held on the 25th day of January, 2011, at 5:00 P.M. in the Council Chamber, City Hall, Joan F. Foster, President, presiding. The following Members were present:

Present: Cary, Gillette, Helgeson, Johnson, Nelson, Foster 6

Absent: Perrow 1

// Mayor Joan Foster read a resolution recognizing Deputy City Manager Bonnie Svrcek for her role as Acting Director of Community Development and commending her exemplary servant leadership. On motion of Vice Mayor Johnson, seconded by Council Member Cary, Council by the following recorded vote adopted Resolution #R-11-004, as presented, recognizing Deputy City Manager Bonnie Svrcek for her role as Acting Director of Community Development and commending her exemplary servant leadership:

Ayes: Cary, Gillette, Helgeson, Johnson, Nelson, Foster 6

Noes: 0

Absent: Perrow 1

// Mr. Steve Smallshaw, Communications and Marketing/Broadcast Services, briefed Council on the changes to the sound system in Council Chamber.

// Vice-Chair of the Heritage High School Task Force Steering Committee Al Billingsly gave a brief report on the progress of the Committee in developing a Task Force. Mr. Billingsly stated that the Task Force has been completed and the Steering Committee will be absorbed into the Task Force. Council Member Gillette will remain the Chair and Mr. Billingsly will remain the Vice-Chair. Council Member Perrow and School Board Member White will become at-large members and will be joined by Ms. Ingrid Hamlette and Mr. Robert Miller also as at-large members. Mr. Billingsly stated that in addition to the members of the Steering Committee, the Task Force will be comprised of five (5) subcommittees that were agreed upon by the Steering Committee which are (1) Educational Plan Subcommittee (Chairperson Dr. Roger Jones), (2) Facilities Subcommittee (Chairperson Dr. Jim Mundy), (3) Extracurricular Activity Subcommittee (Chairperson Ms. Jenny Poore), (4) Finance Subcommittee (Chairperson Mr. Lyle Schweitzer), and (5) Community Impact Subcommittee (Chairperson Dr. Sally Selden).

//Council Member Gillette left the meeting at 5:17 to attend the School Board meeting to brief School Board Members on the progress of the Steering Committee in developing a Task Force.

// Dr. James Mundy and Mr. Neil Bohnert, Chair and Vice Chair respectively, gave a brief update on the activities of the Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) for 2010 stating that their vision of the HPC and what they feel they should be doing is using the Design Review Guidelines. Dr. Mundy further stated that the HPC attempts to make decisions about applications that come before the HPC from homeowners.

// Council Member Perrow arrived at 6:04 p.m.

// Council Member Gillette returned to the meeting at 6:06 p.m.

// Jeff Scarano, CSO Program Manager and Mr. Jeff Creekmore, Committee Member gave a presentation of Stormwater Advisory Committee (SWAC) Recommendations. Mr. Scarano started off the presentation by stating SWAC's guiding principles and that the existing stormwater infrastructure needs have been

essentially ignored and that new regulations will require significant investment on stormwater and come with increased oversight and accountability and that being proactive will allow the City to qualify for future funding. Mr. Scarano also informed that the purpose of the Stormwater Advisory Committee was to represent a wide cross-section of interest groups; to engage public participation; and to make recommendations on stormwater management priorities, appropriate and affordable level of service, level of interest in public participation in stormwater management program activities; and recommendations of various stormwater management needs, assessments, regulations and policies, financial requirements and funding mechanisms. Mr. Scarano also stated that a Stormwater User Fee is recommended to fund a portion of the stormwater program.

// During roll call Council Member Gillette asked about the paving of Rivermont near the post office just being completed and now its being sliced up again. City Manager Payne informed that the traffic controls loops were now being laid under the asphalt which could not have been done under hot asphalt. Council Member Cary asked that two items be placed on the February 22nd agenda which are (1) report on the small business development centre and (2) the City/Schools consolidation work. Vice Mayor Johnson asked that citizens take a moment out of their day to remember the Arizona Congresswoman Giffords who had been shot and also the police in Detroit and Florida for their public service. Mayor Foster asked that this year everyone do something positive for every month of the year, 12 random acts of kindness.

// City Council recessed the meeting at 7:03 p.m.

// City Council reconvened the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

The following Members were present:

Present: Cary, Gillette, Helgeson, Johnson, Nelson, Perrow, Foster 7

Absent: 0

Council Member Perrow gave the Invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

// Mayor Foster and Vice Mayor Johnson presented a Certificate of Recognition to Lynchburg Garden Club/Gazebo Garden Project.

// Copies of the minutes of the January 11, 2011 meeting, having been previously furnished Council, reading was dispensed with, and on motion of Council Member Gillette, seconded by Council Member Cary, Council by the following recorded vote approved the minutes as presented:

Ayes: Cary, Gillette, Helgeson, Johnson, Nelson, Perrow, Foster 7

Noes: 0

// In the matter of Public Works – Sewer, City Council Report # 7 was considered. On motion of Council Member Gillette, seconded by Council Member Cary, Council by the following recorded vote adopted Resolution #R-11-005, as presented, approving a change order for U0192, Knight Street Small Main Replacement, to increase the total contract amount to \$552,729.51:

Ayes: Cary, Gillette, Helgeson, Johnson, Nelson, Perrow, Foster 7

Noes: 0

// Mayor Foster stated that Item #8 Citizen Participation Plan for the Community Development Block Grant(CDBG) and HOME Program has been pulled from the Agenda and will be brought back at some future date.

// In the matter of Community Development – Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), a public hearing was held regarding City Council Report #9 to receive citizen comments regarding the goals for the development of the 2011-2012 Annual Action Plan and adopt a resolution approving the goals. Deputy City Manager Bonnie Svrcek gave a brief presentation stating that on an annual basis the City needs to hold a public hearing to receive comments from citizens to determine if any changes need to be made to that plan and that is the purpose of this public hearing. One individual spoke representing the Friends of Tinbridge Hill stated that the goals both housing and non-housing, are completely consistent with the goals of the Friends of Tinbridge Hill and endorses the 2011-2012 Housing and Non-housing goals and suggested that a focused effort to dedicate CDBG and HOME funding towards Tinbridge Hill would not only create lasting change but also provide a model by which similar efforts could be conducted in other areas and neighborhoods of the City. There was no one else present who wished to speak to this item, and the public hearing was closed. Council Member Perrow stated that under Housing Goals, item #4, asked that the word “Support” be changed to “Encourage.” After further discussion Council Member Gillette suggested that the word “promote” should be used in the place of “support”. Council Member Perrow moved that the Adopted 2011-2015 Consolidated Plan Goals be approved with the following amendment that item #4 read “Promote programs that assist individuals in retaining their homes in challenging economic times”, seconded by Council Member Cary. After further discussion Council Member Nelson suggested that the word “economic” be taken out of the sentence and it would read “...in challenging times.” City Manager Payne suggested you could put a period after the word “homes” striking out the rest of the sentence and suggested “...assist eligible individuals in retaining their homes”. Council Member Perrow accepted that as a friendly amendment from Council Member Nelson and Council by the following recorded vote adopted Resolution #R-11-006, as amended, approving the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) 2011-2015 goals for the 2011-2012 Annual Action Plan:

Ayes: Cary, Gillette, Helgeson, Johnson, Nelson, Perrow, Foster

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Noes:

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// In the matter of Community Development – Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), a public hearing was held regarding City Council Report #10 to receive public input regarding the reallocation of the CDBG Program Year 2007-2008 funds in the amount of \$100,000 for the Spot Blight Program be reallocated to 2010-2011 Spot Blight Low Interest Loan Program; 2006-2007 HOME Program funds in the amount of \$40,273 for The Housing and Development Corporation be reallocated and redirected to the 2006-2007 HOME Program Lynchburg Covenant Fellowship Lynchburg High Apartments Renovation Project; 2008-2009 HOME Program funds in the amount of \$40,000 for The Housing and Development Corporation be reallocated and redirected to the 2008-2009 Lynchburg Covenant Fellowship Shalom Apartments Rehabilitation Project. Grants Manager Melva Walker provided a brief summary of the request, Council Member Nelson stated that he needs to abstain from this item because he has had a long relationship with the Lynchburg Covenant Fellowship through the years which makes him clearly not impartial in dealing with this matter. There was no one else present who wished to speak to this item, and

the public hearing was closed. On motion of Council Member Gillette, seconded by Council Member Perrow, Council by the following recorded vote adopted Resolution #R-11-007, as presented, reallocating CDBG Program Year 2007-2008 funds in the amount of \$100,000 for the Spot Blight Program to 2010-2011 Spot Blight Low Interest Loan Program; 2006-2007 HOME Program funds in the amount of \$40,273 for The Housing and Development Corporation to the 2006-2007 HOME Program Lynchburg Covenant Fellowship Lynchburg High Apartments Renovation Project; 2008-2009 HOME Program funds in the amount of \$40,000 for The Housing and Development Corporation to the 2008-2009 Lynchburg Covenant Fellowship Shalom Apartments Rehabilitation Project:

Ayes: Cary, Gillette, Helgeson, Johnson, Perrow, Foster 6

Noes: 0

Abstention: Nelson 1

// In the matter of Public Works – Sewer, City Council Report # 11 was considered. On motion of Council Member Perrow, seconded by Council Member Gillette, Council by the following recorded vote adopted Resolution #R-11-008, as presented, approving the Low Pressure Sewer System Policy:

Ayes: Cary, Gillette, Helgeson, Johnson, Nelson, Perrow, Foster 7

Noes: 0

// In the matter of Airport – General, City Council Report #12 was considered. On motion of Council Member Gillette, seconded by Council Member Perrow, Council by the following recorded vote adopted Ordinance #0-11-009, as presented, amending the City Code regarding membership on the Airport Commission:

Ayes: Cary, Gillette, Helgeson, Johnson, Nelson, Perrow, Foster 7

Noes: 0

// The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 P.M.

Clerk of Council