

# Agenda

To:

City Council Members, Mayor Chris Frye

From:

Stephanie A. Dean, City Clerk Stephanie A. Dean, City Clerk

Date:

09/04/2020

Re:

September 8, 2020 Caucus Meeting will be held in Council Chambers

# I. Meeting Schedule

There is (1) public hearing scheduled as follows:

1. The Crawford Pension Hearing will begin at 5:30 pm. A separate agenda will be sent to for this hearing prior to the meeting.

The Caucus meeting begin at 6:30 pm (agenda items below).

# II. Opening Exercises

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance & Moment of Silence

Roll Call

# III. Announcements

The minutes of the August 27, 2020 meeting will be provided to you via email prior to the September 10, 2020 Council meeting for your review.

#### **Presentations**

a. None

# IV. Public Comments

Public Comments must be related to items listed on the Caucus agenda and a form must be completed and submitted to the Council President prior to the start of the meeting. Forms are in Council Chambers for public access. Comments shall be limited to five minutes unless otherwise extended by the President of City Council in cases where a reasonable opportunity to comment cannot be provided within six minutes given the complexity of the subject matter.

# V. Planning Commission Reports

a. Preliminary/Final subdivision of Rhonda Thompson

# VI. Request to Bid

a. Sale of Code Enforcement Vehicles

# VII. Bids to Be Received and Opened

a. None

# VIII. Resolutions for Consideration

# a. Mayor's Emergency Proclamation

The Mayor's Emergency Proclamation expired on August 28, 2020. This will need to be extended via Council Resolution for 90 days to mirror the state.

# b. 10,000 Friends of PA and City of New Castle Memorandum of Understanding

I have attached the MOU for year (4) of the Neighborhood Partnership Program (NPP) that includes support of \$7,500 in funding to the City of New Castle to support activities as outlined in the agreement for your review and consideration. This funding will be for the program year of 20-21, through September 30, 2021.

#### c. Pennsylvania American Water Company Grant for the Fire Department

I have attached the grant application that was prepared by the Fire Chief in the amount of \$1,000 for the purchase of fire suppression equipment for your review and consideration.

# d. 2020 Ben Roethlisberger Foundation Grant

I have attached the documentation and guidelines that will need to be submitted no later than December 31, 2020. The application would be for the maximum amount of \$10,000

to purchase a police k9 and required training. Any additional funds needed to will be used from k9 donations and/or forfeiture funds.

# e. MCG Fiber Project Proposed in the City of New Castle

I have attached the correspondence from PennDOT in request of a resolution from City Council to allow the fiber optic cable installation along PennDOT state routes located in the City.

# IX. Resolutions on the Table

#### a. R-2020-117; 2019 Paving Contract with Pro Tech Asphalt

I have attached a change order for the increased costs of the streets above contract in the amount of \$64,055.20 for your review and consideration. This is for additional quantities used for Allen, Monroe & Florence all of which will be reimbursed by Columbia Gas, and in compliance with R-2020-074 as approved by City Council. This was tabled at the 08/27/2020 Council Meeting.

#### b. R-2020-118 Change Order; 2019 Paving Contract with Pro Tech Asphalt

I have attached a change order for the increased costs of the streets above contract in the amount of \$15,419.51 for your review and consideration. This is for additional quantities used for Chestnut Street all of which will be reimbursed by Columbia Gas, and in compliance with R-2020-074 as approved by City Council. This was tabled at the 08/27/2020 Council Meeting.

#### X. Ordinances for Consideration

a. None

# XI. Ordinances on the Table; attached to caucus agenda for review

- a. <u>CB2020-25</u>; Section 1501.10- Open Burning amendment was introduced by Ms. Gavrile at the 8/27/2020 meeting. This ordinance can be acted on at the 09/10/2020 City Council meeting.
- b. <u>CB2020-26</u>; Article 131 Fiscal Procedure, Sections 131.18, amendment was introduced by Mr. Cameron at the 8/27/2020 meeting. This ordinance can be acted on at the 09/10/2020 City Council meeting.
- c. <u>CB2020-27</u>; Creating a handicapped parking zone in front of Shepherd Lighthouse Church on Lyndal Street during service hours was introduced by Mr. Fulkerson at the 08/27/2020 meeting. This ordinance can be acted on at the 09/10/2020 City Council meeting.

# XII. New Business

a. None

# XIII. <u>Executive Session</u>

- a. Personnel
  - i. Resignation of a Part Time Firefighter
  - ii. Consideration to Hire a Part Time Firefighter
- b. Potential Litigation
- c. Threatened Litigation