

**CITY OF SALEM
MINUTES OF THE COMMON COUNCIL MEETING
OF AUGUST 17, 2015**

A regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Salem was called to order by Council President Karen Roots. The meeting took place in the Old County Courthouse located at Broadway and Market Streets at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Present: Council President Karen Roots, Councilpersons, Ruth Carter, Earl Gage, Vaughn Groce, Charles Hassler, and James Waddington. Council President announced that a quorum was present. Also in attendance were Mayor Charles Washington, Jr., Solicitor David Puma, CFO David Crescenzi, and City Clerk Kathleen L. Keen. Councilmen Sherman Hampton and Horace Johnson were absent.

STATEMENT OF THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

NOTICE OF THE REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SALEM, AS REQUIRED BY N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 ET SEQ., THE “OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT”, HAS BEEN PROVIDED BY THE PUBLIC ADVERTISEMENT OF A SCHEDULE ADOPTED BY RESOLUTION ON JANUARY 1ST, 2015 SETTING FOR THE TIME, DATE AND PLACE OF ALL THE REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SALEM.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF BILLS

It was moved by Councilman Hassler to approve the bill list, Councilman Gage seconded and all were in favor. Motion carried 6-0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Councilman Hassler, seconded by Councilman Waddington to adopt the minutes of the July 20, 2015 Council Meeting. Motion carried 6-0.

COMMUNICATIONS/APPLICATIONS/REPORTS:

Councilman Hassler motioned to accept the resignation of Councilman Sherman Hampton, Councilman Waddington seconded and all were in favor. Motion carried 6-0. Councilman Gage spoke fondly of Mr. Hampton, noting he served the city diligently for many years and will be missed. Mayor Washington stated Mr. Hampton was “our own Ted Kennedy” when he speaks everyone stops and listens. The Mayor also said he was very thankful to have been afforded the opportunity to work with Mr. Hampton.

Councilman Hassler motioned to accept correspondence from Congressman LoBiondo supporting the Fire Departments AFG Grant Application, and the City’s USDA Grant Application for repairs to Elkinton Pond Dam. Councilman Gage seconded the motion and all were in favor. Motion carried 6-0.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES FOR SECOND READING/PUBLIC HEARING

ORDINANCE 1504
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 225, SECTION 37
HANDICAPPED PARKING ZONE, FOR A HANDICAPPED PARKING SIGN TO BE
PLACED AT 34 SOUTH FRONT STREET

BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED, by the Common Council of the City of Salem, County of Salem, and State of New Jersey, that Chapter 225, Section 37, Schedule “11” be amended as follows:

A Handicapped Parking Sign be placed at **34 South Front Street**, the residence of **Pamela L. Carney**.

COUNCIL	MOVED	SECONDED	Y	N	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
R. Carter			X			
E. Gage		X	X			
V. Groce			X			
S. Hampton						X
C. Hassler	X		X			
H. Johnson						X
J. Waddington			X			
K. Roots			X			

ORDINANCE 1505
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 225, SECTION 37
HANDICAPPED PARKING ZONE, FOR A HANDICAPPED PARKING SIGN TO BE
PLACED AT 340 EAST BROADWAY

BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED, by the Common Council of the City of Salem, County of Salem, and State of New Jersey, that Chapter 225, Section 37, Schedule “11” be amended as follows:

A Handicapped Parking Sign be placed at **340 East Broadway**, the residence of **James Peyton**.

COUNCIL	MOVED	SECONDED	Y	N	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
R. Carter		X	X			
E. Gage			X			
V. Groce			X			
S. Hampton						X
C. Hassler	X		X			
H. Johnson						X
J. Waddington			X			
K. Roots			X			

ORDINANCE 1506
AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE DONATION OF BLOCK 84, LOT 19
ALSO KNOWN AS 234 SINICKSON STREET

BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED, by the Common Council of the City of Salem, County of Salem and State of New Jersey that pursuant to the authority granted in N.J.S.A. 40A:12-5 (a)(1) the City of Salem shall acquire the real property and premises commonly known as Tax Block 84, Lot 19, also known as 234 Sinnickson Street, Salem, New Jersey, by acceptance of the donation of same by deed transfer from David Goldstein, such acceptance to be effectuated upon review and approval of the City Solicitor as to clear title to same.

THIS ORDINANCE shall take effect according to law.

COUNCIL	MOVED	SECONDED	Y	N	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
R. Carter			X			
E. Gage			X			
V. Groce		X	X			
S. Hampton						X
C. Hassler	X		X			
H. Johnson						X
J. Waddington			X			
K. Roots			X			

ORDINANCE 1507

AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE DONATION OF THREE PROPERTIES ON WESLEY STREET

BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED, by the Common Council of the City of Salem, County of Salem and State of New Jersey that pursuant to the authority granted in N.J.S.A. 40A:12-5 (a)(1) the City of Salem shall acquire said real properties and premises commonly known as: Tax Block 64, Lot 37, also known as 238 Wesley Street, Salem, New Jersey, Tax Block 65, Lot 13, also known as 252 Wesley Street, Salem, New Jersey, and Tax Block 65, Lot 14, also known as 254 Wesley Street, Salem, New Jersey by acceptance of the donation of same by deed transfer from Barry Sheets and Kenneth Waddington, such acceptance to be effectuated upon review and approval of the City Solicitor as to clear title to same.

THIS ORDINANCE shall take effect according to law.

COUNCIL	MOVED	SECONDED	Y	N	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
R. Carter			X			
E. Gage		X	X			
V. Groce			X			
S. Hampton						X
C. Hassler	X		X			
H. Johnson						X
J. Waddington			X			
K. Roots			X			

ORDINANCE 1508
AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE DONATION OF BLOCK 67, LOT 19
ALSO KNOWN AS 31-33 OLIVE STREET

BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED, by the Common Council of the City of Salem, County of Salem and State of New Jersey that pursuant to the authority granted in N.J.S.A. 40A:12-5 (a)(1) the City of Salem shall acquire the real property and premises commonly known as Tax Block 67, Lot 19, also known as 31-33 Olive Street, Salem, New Jersey, by acceptance of the donation of same by deed transfer from Garden State Land Company LLC, such acceptance to be effectuated upon review and approval of the City Solicitor as to clear title to same.

THIS ORDINANCE shall take effect according to law.

COUNCIL	MOVED	SECONDED	Y	N	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
R. Carter			X			
E. Gage		X	X			
V. Groce			X			
S. Hampton						X
C. Hassler	X		X			
H. Johnson						X
J. Waddington			X			
K. Roots			X			

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION:

RESOLUTION 2015-119

A RESOLUTION TO RETAIN PLANNING SERVICES FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS LOCAL PLANNING SERVICES

WHEREAS, the City of Salem is in need of professional planning services in relation to the Salem BDA Redevelopment Zone project (“the project”); and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, Office of Local Planning Services (“LPS”) provides a variety of planning services at no direct cost to eligible municipalities; and

WHEREAS, the City of Salem is an eligible municipality and submitted an application for services signed by the Mayor to Local Planning Services on April 24, 2015; and

WHEREAS, the City of Salem has received and approved the Scope of Services for the project prepared by Local Planning Services; and

WHEREAS, the City of Salem desires to accept the aforementioned services and names David J. Puma, City Solicitor as the contact person for the project; and

WHEREAS, there is no budgetary impact on the City of Salem for the services being provided by LPS; and

WHEREAS, the City of Salem does not have in-house planning capabilities to perform the services being provided by LPS nor is the City of Salem under contract with a professional planner to complete the project; and

WHEREAS, the Council deems the interests of the City of Salem will be best served by accepting LPS Services; and

WHEREAS, the City of Salem has formed or will form a Working Committee to work with LPS; and

WHEREAS, the City of Salem is committed to the completion of this project and will assist LPS as needed.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Salem hereby authorizes, empowers, and directs all City Officials, and employees, including by not limited to City Solicitor, City Engineer, Zoning Officer, City Clerk and City Treasurer to perform all acts necessary to accomplish the intent of this resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the City of Salem as follows:

1. The City of Salem will retain professional services provided by LPS.
2. Progress on the Project shall be supervised by the City’s BDA Steering Committee and a Working Committee consisting of: Mayor; Council President; President Pro Tempore; City Solicitor; and Louis Joyce is hereby formed to guide and provide information to LPS.
3. The City of Salem will provide access to appropriate municipal staff, consultants and officials, meeting space, and other non-monetary resources that may be necessary to complete the identified planning project.
4. The City of Salem agrees to the Scope of Services provided by LPS.

Mayor Washington noted this resolution is for an agreement with the state for redevelopment and identifying the Port areas.

COUNCIL	MOVED	SECONDED	Y	N	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
R. Carter			X			
E. Gage		X	X			
V. Groce			X			
S. Hampton						X
C. Hassler	X		X			
H. Johnson						X
J. Waddington			X			
K. Roots			X			

RESOLUTION 2015-120

A RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE CATHEDRAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION “ANOTHER START HOUSING INITIATIVE” PROJECT AND THE APPLICATION TO NJHMFA FOR CHOICE FUNDING IN RELATION THERETO

WHEREAS, the City of Salem desires to approve the development of 10 properties as recited in Exhibit A for the development known as the Cathedral Community Development Corporation’s “Another Start Housing Initiative” Project to be funded under New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency’s (“the Agency”) Choices in Homeownership (“CHOICE”) program; and

WHEREAS, the CHOICE Subsidy will, when applicable, benefit home buyers of the affordable units that will be restricted by the Agency using Uniform Housing Affordability Controls (UHAC) type restrictions with funds to be repaid solely to the Agency at the first unrestricted sale; and

WHEREAS, the CHOICE Subsidy will, when applicable, benefit home buyers of the market priced units that will be restricted by the CHOICE program Emerging Markets Units restrictions, with subsidy funds as the buyers may be required to repay, being repaid solely to the Agency at the first sale; and

WHEREAS, the City of Salem recognizes Cathedral Community Development Corporation as the developer/sponsor of the development; and

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the City of Salem does hereby support the developer/sponsor’s application for such financing and subsidy from the Agency and acknowledges that the processing and expenditure of funds shall be in accordance with the terms of the CHOICE program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Salem does hereby commit to this project and shall negotiate an agreement with Stand Up For Salem, Inc. and Cathedral Community Development Corporation to implement the project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor, City Clerk, City CFO, City Solicitor and all City Officials are hereby authorized and directed to take all actions as are necessary to implement this Resolution and that they or their successors in said titles are authorized to sign any documents necessary in connection therewith.

COUNCIL	MOVED	SECONDED	Y	N	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
R. Carter			X			
E. Gage			X			
V. Groce			X			
S. Hampton						X
C. Hassler	X		X			
H. Johnson						X
J. Waddington		X	X			
K. Roots			X			

**RESOLUTION 2015-121
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING DAVID CRESCENZI, CHIEF FINANCIAL
OFFICER TO SIGN CHANGE ORDER #1 FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION OF
GRIEVES PARKWAY PHASE 2**

WHEREAS, a need exist to modify the Contract Proposal for the Reconstruction of Grieves Parkway Phase 2; in accordance with the project Supplementary Specification, the following changes are to be made to the contract; and

WHEREAS, the Change Order reflects the asbuilt quantities for material/services that were deducted and/or added during the construction project;

NOW, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Salem in the State of New Jersey that David Crescenzi, Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to sign Change Order #1 for the Reconstruction of Grieves Parkway Phase 2, increasing the total cost by \$314.49.

COUNCIL	MOVED	SECONDED	Y	N	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
R. Carter			X			
E. Gage		X	X			
V. Groce			X			
S. Hampton						X
C. Hassler	X		X			
H. Johnson						X
J. Waddington			X			
K. Roots			X			

RESOLUTION 2015-122

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PLAN FOR THE FY 2016 SMALL CITIES PUBLIC FACILITIES GRANT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the City of Salem is applying for Small Cities grants under the Public Facilities Grant Program, and if awarded intends to enter into Grant Agreements with the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs; and

WHEREAS, these Grant Agreements will require the City of Salem to comply with all Federal regulations with respect to citizen participation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Salem, County of Salem and State of New Jersey, that:

The Citizen Participation Plan developed by the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, Small Cities CDBG Program, is adopted by the City of Salem; and

The City of Salem will follow all regulations set forth in that document throughout the term of the Grant Agreement cited above, if awarded.

COUNCIL	MOVED	SECONDED	Y	N	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
R. Carter			X			
E. Gage			X			
V. Groce			X			
S. Hampton						X
C. Hassler	X		X			
H. Johnson						X
J. Waddington		X	X			
K. Roots			X			

RESOLUTION 2015-123
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE GRANT MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR
THE FY 2016 SMALL CITIES CITY-WIDE OWNER OCCUPIED HOUSING
REHABILITATION PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the City of Salem is applying for a Small Cities grant from the Public Facilities Fund and if awarded funding will enter into a Grant Agreement and obtain those funds with the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs; and

WHEREAS, the City is required to submit a Grant Management Plan as part of the Small Cities application.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Salem, has reviewed the Grant Management Plan of said Small Cities Rehabilitation Program; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Grant Management Plan prepared by the City and submitted to DCA Small Cities with the application for the Housing Rehabilitation Program is hereby adopted to identify Kathleen Keen as the Program Director and David Crescenzi as the Official Contact Person; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the said foregoing is approved by the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Salem; and shall include and be subject to the appropriate bidding or RFP on Administration Project Coordination, engineering and other such services as may be required under applicable HUD/DCA rules and procedures.

COUNCIL	MOVED	SECONDED	Y	N	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
R. Carter			X			
E. Gage		X	X			
V. Groce			X			
S. Hampton						X
C. Hassler	X		X			
H. Johnson						X
J. Waddington			X			
K. Roots			X			

RESOLUTION 2015-124
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE IDENTIFICATION OF THE SALEM CITY
CDBG FAIR HOUSING OFFICER FOR THE FY 2016 SMALL CITIES
PUBLIC FACILITIES GRANT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the City of Salem is applying for a Small Cities Community Development Block Grant from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs (hereafter NJDCA) under the Public Facilities Grant Program to be used to improve the condition of Oak Street; and

WHEREAS, the City of Salem must make efforts to affirmatively further fair housing; and

WHEREAS, the City of Salem has reviewed various actions that would be acceptable to the New Jersey State Department of Community Affairs and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development; and

WHEREAS, the City of Salem has made assurances in the grant agreement that:

- (1) It will comply with the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, and regulations issued thereto; and
- (2) It will comply with the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and the regulations issued thereto it; and
- (3) It will comply with the Fair Housing Act of 1968 and will affirmatively further fair housing; and
- (4) It will comply with the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 and with the Rehabilitation Act of 1973.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Kathleen L. Keen, shall be designated as the Fair Housing Officer for the City of Salem; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Fair Housing Officer shall contact USHUD Regional Office of Housing and Equal Opportunity and the NJ Division on Civil Rights, inform those agencies of his/her appointment as Fair Housing Officer and request Fair Housing Information, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Fair Housing Officer shall provide fair housing advisory services and assistance and referral advice to persons requesting such assistance from the City of Salem; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Salem will publish in the local newspaper of record and post at the municipal building a public notice announcing the appointment of the Fair Housing Officer and the availability of local fair housing services.

COUNCIL	MOVED	SECONDED	Y	N	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
R. Carter			X			
E. Gage		X	X			
V. Groce			X			
S. Hampton						X
C. Hassler	X		X			
H. Johnson						X
J. Waddington			X			
K. Roots			X			

**RESOLUTION 2015-125
RESOLUTION TO AMEND BUDGET**

WHEREAS, the local municipal budget for the year 2015 was approved on the 2nd day of March, 2015, and

WHEREAS, the public hearing on said budget has been held as advertised, and

WHEREAS, it is desired to amend said approved budget,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Salem, County of Salem, that the following amendments to the approved budget of 2015 be made:

Recorded Vote

Aye RUTH CARTER
EARL GAGE
VAUGHN GROCE
CHARLES HASSLER
JAMES WADDINGTON
KAREN ROOTS

Nay

Abstained

Absent SHERMAN HAMPTON
HORACE JOHNSON

	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
3. Miscellaneous Revenues – Section B: State Aid Without Offsetting Appropriations		
Transitional Aid	-	3000,000.00
Total Section B: State Aid Without Offsetting Appropriations	1,395,939.00	1,695,939.00
Summary of Revenues		
3. Miscellaneous Revenues		
Total Section B: State Aid Without Offsetting Appropriations	1,395,939.00	1,695,939.00
Total Miscellaneous Revenues	2,429,386.29	2,729,386.29
5. Subtotal General Revenues (Items 1, 2, 3, and 4)	3,392,386.29	3,692,386.29
6. Amount to be Raised by Taxes for Support of Municipal Budget:		
a) Local Tax for Municipal Purposes Including Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	4,689,891.00	4,301,154.34
Total Amount to be Raised by Taxes for Support of Municipal Budget	4,750,799.42	4,362,062.76
7. Total General Revenues	8,143,185.71	8,054,449.05

8. GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS

(M) Reserve for Uncollected Taxes

<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
1,179,739.29	1,091,002.63

9. Total General Appropriations

8,143,185.71	8,054,449.05
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8. GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS

Summary of Appropriations

(M) Reserve for Uncollected Taxes

1,179,739.29	1,091,002.63
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Total General Appropriations

8,143,185.71	8,054,449.05
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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that two certified copies of this resolution be filed forthwith in the Office of the Director of Local Government Services for certification of the local municipal budget so amended.

CFO Crescenzi stated the city was awarded \$300,000 in Transitional Aid; when that was added to the Budget as revenue, and adjustments were made it helped with the tax rate. He also noted the problem in the city is ratables, with very few, the tax rates increase. Councilman Gage thanked Mayor Washington, Council President Roots, CFO Crescenzi and the entire Council for applying for Transitional Aid and following it through.

COUNCIL	MOVED	SECONDED	Y	N	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
R. Carter			X			
E. Gage		X	X			
V. Groce			X			
S. Hampton						X
C. Hassler	X		X			
H. Johnson						X
J. Waddington			X			
K. Roots			X			

RESOLUTION 2015-126

**A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE AMENDED 2015 BUDGET FOR
THE CITY OF SALEM**

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Salem, County of Salem and State of New Jersey, that the attached is hereby adopted as the City's 2015 Amended Budget.

COUNCIL	MOVED	SECONDED	Y	N	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
R. Carter			X			
E. Gage		X	X			
V. Groce			X			
S. Hampton						X
C. Hassler	X		X			
H. Johnson						X
J. Waddington			X			
K. Roots			X			

RESOLUTION 2015-127
APPROVING THE RENEWAL OF PLENARY RETAIL CONSUMPTION LICENSES
FOR ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

WHEREAS, the following entities have applied to the City of Salem for renewal of Plenary Retail Consumption Licenses to sell alcoholic beverages for the year commencing July 1st, 2015 and ending June 30th, 2016 on premises set forth in said application; and

WHEREAS, due to a new electronic licensing system recently implemented, the Director of the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control issued an Order to extend the 2014-2015 license term through September 18, 2015 allowing licensees to continue operating until their successful renewal for the 2015-2016 license term; and

WHEREAS, the hereinafter named entities, the applicants have complied with the requirements provided by law for the obtaining of such Plenary Retail Consumption Licenses;

WHEREAS, no objections have been made to the granting of such licenses to said applicants, and the City Clerk has made careful examination of the applications for renewal, and finding the same to be in proper order and knowing of no reason why the licenses should not be granted;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Salem, County of Salem and State of New Jersey, that the hereinafter named applicants be hereby granted Plenary Retail Consumption Licenses, as numbered in this resolution, to sell alcoholic beverages on the premises stated, subject to law and regulations:

<u>APPLICANT</u>	<u>PREMISES</u>	<u>LICENSE NO.</u>
Bravos Famous Pizza 2 LLC	179 West Broadway	1712-33-008-009

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Kathleen L. Keen, City Clerk be and hereby is designated as the person authorized to issue the aforesaid licenses on behalf of the City of Salem, and furthermore shall forward a certified copy of this resolution to the Director of the New Jersey Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control, in accordance with the Director’s instructions.

LICENSE FEE CHARGED: \$600.00-CITY

R15-127 PLENARY RETAIL CONSUMPTION LICENSE

COUNCIL	MOVED	SECONDED	Y	N	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
R. Carter			X			
E. Gage		X	X			
V. Groce			X			
S. Hampton						X
C. Hassler	X		X			
H. Johnson						X
J. Waddington			X			
K. Roots			X			

RESOLUTION 2015-128

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING APPROVAL OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES TO ESTABLISH A DEDICATED TRUST BY RIDER FOR OUTSIDE EMPLOYMENT OF POLICE OFFICERS PURSUANT TO NJ DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS DIVISION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES LOCAL FINANCE NOTICE CFO 2000-14.

WHEREAS, permission is required of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services for approval as a dedication by rider of revenues received by a municipality when the revenue is not subject to reasonable accurate estimates in advance, and

WHEREAS, NJ Department of Community Affairs Division of Local Government Services Local Finance Notice CFO 2000-14 provides for receipt of Outside Employment of Police Officers by the municipality to provide for the operating costs to administer this act; and,

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-39 provides the dedicated revenues anticipated from the Municipal Pool Donations are hereby anticipated as revenue and are hereby appropriated for the purpose to which said revenue is dedicated by statute or other legal requirement:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and the Common Council of the City of Salem, County of Salem, and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The Council hereby request permission of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to pay expenditures for Outside Employment of Police Officers as NJ Department of Community Affairs Division of Local Government Services Local Finance Notice CFO 2000-14.
2. The Municipal Clerk of the City of Salem, County of Salem is hereby directed to forward two certified copies of this resolution to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

COUNCIL	MOVED	SECONDED	Y	N	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
R. Carter			X			
E. Gage		X	X			
V. Groce			X			
S. Hampton						X
C. Hassler	X		X			
H. Johnson						X
J. Waddington			X			
K. Roots			X			

RESOLUTION 2015-129

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING APPROVAL OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES TO ESTABLISH A DEDICATED TRUST BY RIDER FOR MUNICIPAL POOL DONATIONS PURSUANT N.J.S.A. 40A:5-29.

WHEREAS, permission is required of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services for approval as a dedication by rider of revenues received by a municipality when the revenue is not subject to reasonable accurate estimates in advance, and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-29 provides for receipt of Municipal Pool Donations by the municipality to provide for the operating costs to administer this act; and,

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-39 provides the dedicated revenues anticipated from the Municipal Pool Donations are hereby anticipated as revenue and are hereby appropriated for the purpose to which said revenue is dedicated by statute or other legal requirement:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Salem, County of Salem, and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The Council hereby request permission of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to pay expenditures for Municipal Pool Donations as per N.J.S.A. 40A:5-29.
2. The Municipal Clerk of the City of Salem, County of Salem is hereby directed to forward two certified copies of this resolution to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

COUNCIL	MOVED	SECONDED	Y	N	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
R. Carter			X			
E. Gage		X	X			
V. Groce			X			
S. Hampton						X
C. Hassler	X		X			
H. Johnson						X
J. Waddington			X			
K. Roots			X			

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Administration: President Roots reported Market Street Day was discussed, Councilman Gage presented the committee with a possible MOU for ambulance services, CFO Crescenzi gave an update on the new time reporting system and what is needed to fully implement it. Lastly Councilman Hassler gave an update on the Broadway Beautification Project, and Clerk Keen explained what was happening with the project and forthcoming meetings with the contractor, the state, and the engineer. The next Administration meeting will be September 14th at 5:30.

Public Safety: Councilman Gage thanked Council on behalf of the Police Department for moving forward with the grant for 2 new police cars.

Public Works: With Councilman Hampton absent, Councilman Groce reported the committee has been busy with the water plant, noting the NJDEP was at the plant last month doing test, they identified a few deficiencies in the processes and procedures to be corrected, but nothing with the water.

Community Service: President Roots reported on the pool for the season, and the donations that help keep it running for the children. She noted there are volunteers that will be recognized for all their help. The next meeting will be September 14, 5:30 at 17 New Market Street.

Human Services: Councilman Hassler reported the next free rabies clinic for the city will be in January of 2016. He spoke of abandoned and vacant properties, and gave an update on the Broadway Beautification project.

City Property/Capital: Councilwoman Carter reported on properties that had fires and were currently being demolished. She noted the roof at 17 New Market Street is finished, and now the air conditioning system at 1 New Market Street is not working. The next meeting will be September 14, 6:15 at 17 New Market.

Redevelopment: Councilman Waddington reported the committee is very supportive of CCDC, Java Dog is trying to find a new location in the city, and there is a new restaurant that needs a location also, as the one they were interested in was too close to a church for them to have a liquor license. The Farmers Market is not doing as well as hoped. There is a new worker for Main Street/SUFS Jody Veler will be the Economic and Workforce Development Manager. The next NRTC application is due in October. The next Redevelopment meeting will be September 21, at 5:15.

Neighborhood Initiatives: Councilman Groce said there was a brief meeting last week, they are currently on track for utilizing the trailer and getting properties cleaned up in the city.

MAYORAL COMMENTS:

Mayor Washington informed everyone of what was happening with the Broadway Beautification project; he apologized for the “plates” in the city, noting the city did not intend to have the plates/noise within the city during the farmers market, but it was not our call. Mayor Washington spoke of working on permanent revenue streams for the city, and redevelopment in the port area. Lastly he reminded everyone of the upcoming Literacy Program at the City Pool on August 22nd 11am-2pm.

PUBLIC PORTION:

Robert Lanard of West Broadway said he was very pleased with the Police Department for apprehending three individuals quickly in connection with a beating, a robbery at gunpoint, and an assault. He noted as a resident it feels good knowing the Police Department is getting these people off the streets.

Lucille Simons of Kent St addressed council regarding trash she continually picks up on her street and loitering in her neighborhood at all hours. Ms. Simons said the noise and traffic are constant at all times of the night. Mayor Washington urged Ms. Simons to call the Police Department when she sees these things happening, and try to get license plate number of the cars for the police.

Joy Coleman of Van Meter Terrace said she has the same issues in her neighborhood, and would like to have No Littering and No Loitering signs put up. She inquired about the street sweeper for the city, questioned the hiring of two new police officers, and if the police department is fully staffed now. Councilman Gage replied no. Ms. Coleman asked if money was the issue; Councilman Gage replied yes, as well as finding qualified candidates also. Ms. Coleman noted

she would like to see some council members “knock on her door sometime”. She questioned the “house ordinances”, Councilman Groce explained the houses are in the NRTC zone and will be redeveloped by CCDC. Ms. Coleman asked if Mr. Hampton’s position will be replaced, Councilman Gage explained the process.

With no further requests for public comment, Councilman Hassler made a motion to close the Public Portion of the meeting. Councilman Gage seconded the motion and all were in favor. Councilman Hassler motioned to convene into Executive Session, Councilman Gage seconded the motion and all were in favor. The regular portion of the meeting ended at 8:00pm.

RESOLUTION 2015-130
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CLOSED SESSION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF SALEM

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b permits a public body to go into a closed session during a public meeting to discuss certain matters;

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that it is necessary to go into a closed session to discuss certain matters relating to the items as permitted by N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Salem that the Council will go into closed session to discuss the following, in accordance with the aforesaid provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act, after which it will reconvene in the public:

a. CONTRACTS

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the minutes of the closed session will be made available to the public when the need for privacy no longer exists.

COUNCIL	MOVED	SECONDED	Y	N	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
R. Carter			X			
E. Gage		X	X			
V. Groce			X			
S. Hampton						X
C. Hassler	X		X			
H. Johnson						X
J. Waddington			X			
K. Roots			X			

With a Motion by Councilman Hassler, seconded by Councilman Gage, and all in favor, Council came out of Closed Session at 8:20; the following took place. Councilman Gage motioned to support an MOU between Fenwick Ambulance and the American Legion Ambulance. Councilman Hassler Seconded, all were in favor. With no further business before Council, Councilman Hassler made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Councilman Groce seconded. Motion carried unanimously. The council meeting ended at 8:25pm

Respectfully submitted:

Approved: September 21, 2015

Kathleen L. Keen
 Kathleen L. Keen, RMC City Clerk