

CITY OF SALEM
COMMON COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 16, 2020
6:30 PM

A meeting of the Common Council of the City of Salem was called to order by the Council President Gage. The meeting took place at #1 New Market Street at 6:30 PM and participation was available via Zoom. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Councilman Groce did the Invocation. Roll Call was done by Mr. Angeli. **Present:** Councilpersons Ruth Carter, Robert Davis, Vaughn Groce, Timothy Gregory, Sharon Kellum, James Smith, Gail Slaughter and Council President Earl Gage. Also in attendance was, Andrea Rhea-City Solicitor (via Zoom), Deputy Treasurer Kenia Nunez, Director of Commerce Charles Bailey and City Administrator/Clerk Ben Angeli.

Mr. Angeli read the statement of advertisement as follows: Notice of this meeting has been provided to the South Jersey Times and the Elmer Times and is posted on the City Hall Bulletin Board stating the time and the place of the meeting. Notice has also been posted that the meeting can be accessed through Zoom.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A motion was made by Councilman Gregory and seconded by Councilwoman Kellum to approve the minutes listed below. Councilmen Groce and Gregory recused themselves from the 5-18-2020 meeting minutes and Councilwoman Kellum recused herself from the 8-31-2020 regular meeting minutes and the 8-31-2020 executive session meeting minutes. All members present voted in favor in a voice vote and the motion carried.

May18, 2020 Regular meeting minutes
June 1, 2020 Special meeting minutes
June 1, 2020 Executive session minutes
June 15, 2020 Regular meeting minutes
June 15, 2020 Executive session minutes
August 31, 2020 Special meeting minutes
August 31, 2020 Executive session minutes
September 28, 2020 Special meeting minutes
November 2, 2020 Special meeting minutes

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

A motion was made by Councilman Gregory and seconded by Councilwoman Kellum to approve the payment of bills. All members present voted in favor in a voice vote and the motion carried.

PUBLIC PORTION FOR AGENDA ITEMS ONLY:

The public is instructed that this portion of the meeting is provided for comments and questions on Agenda items only. There will be a public portion later in the meeting for general comments and questions. Please state your name and address, street name only.

Councilman Gregory made a motion to open the meeting to the public for Agenda items only. Councilwoman Kellum seconded the motion. All present voted in favor on a voice vote.

There were no questions or comments from the public.

Councilman Gregory made a motion to close the meeting to the public for Agenda items only. Councilwoman Kellum seconded the motion. All present voted in favor on a voice vote.

COMMUNICATIONS/APPLICATIONS/REPORTS:

Approval of a Raffle Application and issuance of a Raffle License for the Salem County Women's Services contingent on the approval of the LGCCC. The raffle will be on 12-17-2020.

A motion was made by Councilman Gregory and seconded by Councilwoman Kellum to approve the application. All members present voted in favor in a voice vote and the motion carried.

SECOND READING OF AND HEARINGS FOR ORDINANCES:

ORD. 2012 ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 109, SECTION 6 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF SALEM SETTING LIMIT ON HOURS OF ENTERTAINMENT ACTIVITY

Motion to open the public hearing on ORD. 2012: Gregory Second: Kellum Voice Vote: 8-0

Motion to close the public hearing on ORD. 2012: Gregory Second: Kellum Voice Vote: 8-0

Motion to adopt ORD 2012 Gregory Second: Kellum RCV: 8-0

**CITY OF SALEM
ORDINANCE 2012**

**ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 109,
SECTION 6 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF SALEM
SETTING LIMIT ON HOURS OF ENTERTAINMENT ACTIVITY**

BE IT HEARBY ORDAINED by the Common Council of the City of Salem, State of New Jersey that Chapter 109, Section 6 of the Municipal Code be amended as follows:

109-6 Limit on hours of entertainment activity

The licensee of any license issued hereunder shall cause the entertainment activity to be concluded on or before 11:00 PM

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this ordinance shall take effect as provided by law.

ATTEST:

CITY OF SALEM

Ben Angeli, RMC

Earl Gage, Council President

COUNCIL	MOVED	SECONDED	Y	N	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
R. Carter			X			
R. Davis			X			

T. Gregory	X		X		
V. Groce			X		
S. Kellum		X	X		
G. Slaughter			X		
J. Smith			X		
E. Gage			X		

I, Ben Angeli, City Clerk of the City of Salem, in the County of Salem, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of an Ordinance introduced by the Common Council of the City of Salem on October 19, 2020 The Public Hearing shall take place on November 16, 2020.

Date

Ben Angeli, RMC

COUNCIL	MOVED	SECONDED	Y	N	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
R. Carter			X			
R. Davis			X			
T. Gregory	X		X			
V. Groce			X			
S. Kellum		X	X			
G. Slaughter			X			
J. Smith			X			
E. Gage			X			

Date

Charles Washington Jr, Mayor

I, Ben Angeli, Municipal Clerk of the City of Salem, in the County of Salem, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of an Ordinance adopted by the Common Council of the City of Salem after a second reading and public hearing on November 16, 2020.

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION:

**CITY OF SALEM
RESOLUTION 2020-194**

A RESOLUTION CERTIFYING THE 2019 ANNUAL AUDIT

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-4 requires the governing body of every local unit to have made an annual audit of its books, accounts and financial transactions; and

WHEREAS, the Annual Report of Audit for the year ended December 31, 2019 has been filed by a Registered Municipal Accountant with the Municipal Clerk pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:5-6, and a copy has been received by each member of the governing body; and

WHEREAS, R.S. 52:27BB-34 authorizes the Local Finance Board of the State of New to prescribe reports pertaining to the local fiscal affairs; and

WHEREAS, the Local Finance Board has promulgated N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.5, a regulation requiring that the governing body of each municipality shall by resolution, certify to the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey that all members of the governing body have reviewed, as a minimum, the sections of the annual audit entitled Findings and Recommendations; and

WHEREAS, the members of the governing body have personally reviewed as a minimum the Annual Report of Audit, and specifically the sections of the Annual Audit entitled Findings and Recommendations, as evidenced by the group affidavit form of the governing body attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, such resolution of certification shall be adopted by the governing body no later than forty-five days after the receipt of the annual audit, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.5; and

WHEREAS, all members of the governing body have received and have familiarized themselves with, at least, the minimum requirements of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey, as stated aforesaid and have subscribed to the affidavit, as provided by the Local Finance Board; and

WHEREAS, failure to comply with the regulations of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey may subject the members of the governing body to the penalty provisions of R.S. 52:27BB-52 - to wit:

R.S. 52:27BB-52 - A local officer or member of a local governing body who, after a date fixed for compliance, fails or refuses to obey an order of the director (Director of Local Government Services), under the provisions of this Article, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, may be fined not more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) or imprisoned for not more than one year, or both, in addition shall forfeit his/her office."

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and City Council of the City of Salem, hereby states that it has complied with N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.5 and does hereby submit a certified copy of this resolution and the required affidavit to said Board to show evidence of said compliance.

ATTEST:

CITY OF SALEM

Ben Angeli, RMC

Earl Gage, Council President

COUNCIL	MOVED	SECONDED	Y	N	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
R. Carter			X			
R. Davis			X			
T. Gregory	X		X			
V. Groce			X			
S. Kellum		X	X			
G. Slaughter			X			

J. Smith			X			
E. Gage			X			

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Date

Ben Angeli, RMC

**CITY OF SALEM
RESOLUTION 2020-195**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF TWO CROWN VICTORIA
VEHICLES BY THE CITY OF SALEM FOR USE BY THE POLICE DEPARTMENT**

WHEREAS, the City of Salem Police Department currently has two vehicles that have extensive mileage and wear on them and are in need of expensive repairs; and

WHEREAS, the Chief of police has concerns about the safety of the officers operating those vehicles; and

WHEREAS, given the condition of the vehicles and safety concerns, the City of Salem has determined that there is a need for two reliable vehicles for use by the Police Department; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Pennsville has two crown Victoria vehicles for sale for the sum of \$1,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the City’s mechanic has inspected both of the cars that are available and determined that both are in better condition than the cars currently being used; and

WHEREAS, if the two vehicles cannot be used safely in another City Department, the City will seek to offer its current vehicles for sale to help offset the purchase price of the vehicles from Pennsville; and

WHEREAS, the CFO has certified that funds are available to make the purchase.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, by the Common Council of the City of Salem that the purchase of two Crown Victoria vehicles from the Township of Pennsville for the sum of \$1,000.00. is authorized.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the sale of the Police Department’s two vehicle that are being replaced, along with other City vehicles which are no longer needed for the City’s purposes are authorized in any manner pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:12-13 et seq.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, Council will re-assign other City owned vehicles, if necessary, as appropriate for efficiency and economy.

ATTEST:

CITY OF SALEM

Ben Angeli, RMC

Earl Gage, Council President

COUNCIL	MOVED	SECONDED	Y	N	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
R. Carter			X			
R. Davis			X			
T. Gregory	X		X			
V. Groce			X			
S. Kellum		X	X			
G. Slaughter			X			
J. Smith			X			
E. Gage			X			

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Date

Ben Angeli, RMC

CITY OF SALEM
RESOLUTION 2020-196
RESOLUTION APPOINTING A CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:9-140.10 requires that “in every municipality there shall be a chief financial officer appointed by the governing body of the municipality”; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:9-140.10 further provides that the term of office of the chief financial officer “shall be four years, which shall run from January 1 in the year in which the chief financial officer is appointed”; and

WHEREAS, the CFO for the City of Salem has retired effective December 1, 2020 and the City of Salem is in need of a Chief Financial Officer;

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

1. Kenia Nunez is hereby appointed as the Chief Financial Officer at an annual salary of \$85,000.00 with such other benefits as are provided to City of Salem employees who are not part of a collective negotiations unit.

2. Kenia Nunez is hereby appointed as Chief Financial Officer with the starting date of December 2, 2020 for a four (4) year term of appointment, pursuant to N.J.S.A 40A:9-140.10 commencing January 1 of 2020, the year of the appointment and ending December 31, 2023.

ATTEST:

CITY OF SALEM

Ben Angeli, RMC

Earl Gage, Council President

COUNCIL	MOVED	SECONDED	Y	N	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
R. Carter			X			
R. Davis			X			
T. Gregory	X		X			
V. Groce			X			
S. Kellum		X	X			
G. Slaughter			X			
J. Smith			X			
E. Gage			X			

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Date

Ben Angeli, RMC

**CITY OF SALEM
RESOLUTION 2020-197**

RESOLUTION REJECTING BID FOR PURCHASE OF 33 EIGHTH STREET, BLOCK 19, LOT 22 TO GILBERTO QUINONES

WHEREAS, the City of Salem authorized the sale of 33 Eighth Street, Block 19, Lot 22 by Resolution 2020-196 by public auction pursuant to the Local Land and Building Laws; and

WHEREAS, after publication as required by law an auction was held on November 10, 2020 with the highest bid received as follows:

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Gilberto Quinones	\$2000.00

And

WHEREAS, the Ordinances of the City of Salem prohibit the governing body from authorizing a sale of municipal property to any bidder who owes taxes to the City of Salem; and

WHEREAS, bidder has delinquent taxes for other properties he owns in the City.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Salem that the bid from the highest bidder, Quinones, received at the auction held on November 10, 2020 for purchase of 33 Eighth Street, Salem New Jersey, Block 19, Lot 22 is rejected for the reasons set forth above.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the deposit of \$200.00 Shall be returned to the bidder.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the property may be offered for sale at an auction scheduled for a date to be determined.

ATTEST:

CITY OF SALEM

Ben Angeli, Clerk

Earl Gage, Council President

COUNCIL	MOVED	SECONDED	Y	N	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
R. Carter			X			
R. Davis			X			
T. Gregory	X		X			
V. Groce			X			
S. Kellum		X	X			
G. Slaughter			X			
J. Smith			X			
E. Gage			X			

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Date

Ben Angeli, Clerk

**CITY OF SALEM
RESOLUTION 2020-198**

**RESOLUTION REJECTING OFFERS FOR 12 PINE AVENUE AND
AUTHORIZING RE-BID OF PROPERTY KNOWN AS 12 PINE AVENUE,
BLOCK 99, LOT 37**

WHEREAS, the City of Salem authorized the sale of 12 Pine Avenue by Resolution 2020-196 by public auction pursuant to the Local Land and Building Laws; and

WHEREAS, after publication as required by law, an auction was held on November 10, 2020; and

WHEREAS, subsequent to the auction and after all other potential bidders were excused, it was discovered that the bidder declared to be the successful bidder was ineligible to bid pursuant to Paragraph 2 of the Sale Terms and Conditions adopted and published with the Notice of Sale; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Salem that the bid received for sale of property commonly known as 12 Pine Avenue, Salem, New Jersey and designated as Block 99, Lot 37 received at the November 10, 2020 auction is rejected for failing to comply with the sale terms and conditions in paragraph 2 as advertised in accordance with law and further distributed at the auction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in order to ensure compliance with the sale terms and conditions, the property shall be offered for bid at a public auction of City properties to be scheduled at a later date.

ATTEST:

CITY OF SALEM

Ben Angeli, RMC

Earl Gage, Council President

COUNCIL	MOVED	SECONDED	Y	N	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
R. Carter			X			
R. Davis			X			
T. Gregory	X		X			
V. Groce			X			
S. Kellum		X	X			
G. Slaughter			X			
J. Smith			X			
E. Gage			X			

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Date

Ben Angeli, RMC

**CITY OF SALEM
RESOLUTION 2020-199**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SALE OF 11 VAN METER TERRACE,
BLOCK 79, LOT 16 TO MICHAEL TAYLOR**

WHEREAS, the City of Salem authorized the sale of 11 Van Meter Terrace, Block 79, Lot 16 by Resolution 2020-186 by public auction pursuant to the Local Land and Building Laws; and

WHEREAS, after publication as required by law an auction was held on November 10, 2020 with the highest bid received as follows:

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Michael Taylor, Bridgeton, NJ	\$5,000

And

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Salem that sale of property commonly known as 11 Van Meter Terrace, Salem New Jersey and designated as Block 79, Lot 16 to Michael Taylor of Bridgeton, NJ for the sum of \$5000.00 is hereby authorized.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor is authorized to execute an agreement of sale with Michael Taylor setting forth the restrictions outlined in Resolution 2020-186 and that he is further authorized to execute a deed transferring the property with said restrictions.

ATTEST:

CITY OF SALEM

Ben Angeli, RMC

Earl Gage, Council President

COUNCIL	MOVED	SECONDED	Y	N	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
R. Carter			X			
R. Davis			X			
T. Gregory	X		X			
V. Groce			X			
S. Kellum		X	X			
G. Slaughter			X			

J. Smith			X			
E. Gage			X			

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Date

Ben Angeli, RMC

**CITY OF SALEM
RESOLUTION 2020-200**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SALE OF 79 WEST BROADWAY,
BLOCK 48, LOT 21 TO ELIZABETH NEWTON**

WHEREAS, the City of Salem authorized the sale of 79 West Broadway, Block 48, Lot 21 by Resolution 2020-186 by public auction pursuant to the Local Land and Building Laws; and

WHEREAS, after publication as required by law an auction was held on November 10, 2020 with the highest bid received as follows:

Bidder	Amount
Elizabeth Newton, Newark, NJ	\$5,000

And

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Salem that sale of property commonly known as 79 West Broadway, Salem New Jersey and designated as Block 48, Lot 21 to Elizabeth Newton of Newark, NJ for the sum of \$5000.00 is hereby authorized.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor is authorized to execute an agreement of sale with Elizabeth Newton setting forth the restrictions outlined in Resolution 2020-186 and that she is further authorized to execute a deed transferring the property with said restrictions.

ATTEST:

CITY OF SALEM

Ben Angeli, RMC

Earl Gage, Council President

COUNCIL	MOVED	SECONDED	Y	N	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
R. Carter			X			
R. Davis			X			
T. Gregory	X		X			
V. Groce			X			
S. Kellum		X	X			

G. Slaughter			X			
J. Smith			X			
E. Gage			X			

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Date

Ben Angeli, RMC

**CITY OF SALEM
RESOLUTION 2020-201**

**A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A FAIR AND OPEN PROCESS FOR THE
AWARDING OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACTS FOR THE CITY OF
SALEM**

WHEREAS, the City requires or may require the services of **Litigation Counsel and Municipal Animal Shelter Services; and**

WHEREAS, retaining the services of qualified professionals for such positions has long been exempt from “public bidding” by State Law N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(a) due to the important policy consideration of allowing a body of elected officials to appoint candidates they deem to be most qualified and advantageous to the needs and goals of the municipality; and

WHEREAS, state Law N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20-5 permits municipalities to establish a “fair and open process” that allows for public solicitation of qualifications of persons interested in providing such services; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council has determined that establishing such a process protects its right to appoint the most qualified candidates while making the process more open and competitive; now therefore

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Salem in the County of Salem and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The qualifications evaluation criteria, attached hereto as Exhibits “A and B”. is hereby adopted in accordance with N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.7.
2. The City Clerk shall advertise a notice of solicitation of qualifications for such positions in a form substantially similar to Exhibits “A” and “B” attached hereto. The City Clerk shall publish said notice at least 10 calendar days in advance of the date set forth therein as the deadline to submit proposals.
3. The City Clerk shall make the necessary arrangements to publicly open and announce all proposals received. The City Clerk or his designee shall forthwith thereafter review all proposals received and transmit them to the City Council with a report and recommendations.

4. Award of any contracts based on the submissions received shall be made by Resolution of the City Council, after receipt of the materials from the City Clerk, at an open public meeting.

ATTEST:

CITY OF SALEM

Ben Angeli, RMC

Earl Gage, Council President

COUNCIL	MOVED	SECONDED	Y	N	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
R. Carter			X			
R. Davis			X			
T. Gregory	X		X			
V. Groce			X			
S. Kellum		X	X			
G. Slaughter			X			
J. Smith			X			
E. Gage			X			

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Date

Ben Angeli, RMC

**CITY OF SALEM
RESOLUTION 2020-202**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ACCEPTING PROPOSAL FROM REMINGTON
AND VERNICK TO PROVIDE CONSULTING ENGINEERING SERVICES
RELATED TO THE POSSIBLE PRIVATIZATION OF THE WATER AND
SANITARY UTILITY SYSTEMS**

WHEREAS, the City on September 14, 2020 adopted resolution 2020-171 to authorize the City Engineer to provide a proposal for providing services if needed for the City to privatize the water and sanitary systems through the WIPA program; and

WHEREAS, the City Engineers, Remington and Vernick provided the proposal for Consulting Engineering Services for the City of Salem pertaining to the WIPA process; and

WHEREAS, that proposal is included as attachment "A"; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to accept a proposal presented by the City Engineer, Remington and Vernick to provide the work necessary throughout the WIPA process and possible privatization of the water and sanitary utility systems; and

WHEREAS, the City agrees to the not to exceed amount of Nine Thousand Three Hundred and Fifty Dollars and no cents (\$38,000.00); and

WHEREAS, the City will receive a direct reimbursement from the bidding utility in the form of a separate check to cover the above fee plus bond counsel and attorney fees.

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 Mayor is authorized to accept the proposal presented by Remington and Vernick (Attachment A) proposal for Consulting Engineering Services for the City of Salem pertaining to the WIPA process

ATTEST:

CITY OF SALEM

Ben Angeli, RMC

Earl Gage, Council President

COUNCIL	MOVED	SECONDED	Y	N	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
R. Carter			X			
R. Davis			X			
T. Gregory	X		X			
V. Groce			X			
S. Kellum		X	X			
G. Slaughter			X			
J. Smith			X			
E. Gage			X			

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Date

Ben Angeli, RMC

**CITY OF SALEM
RESOLUTION 2020-203**

**A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE COUNTY OF SALEM TO ADDRESS DRAINAGE
ISSUE FOR AREA LOCATED AT KEASBY CREEK DRAINAGE DITCH AS IT
BORDERS KEASBY STREET**

WHEREAS, it had come to the attention of the City Council of the City of Salem that the drainage ditch known as Keasby Creek drainage ditch, located at Keasby Street is not properly draining which causes flooding, areas of standing water and associated concerns of mosquito breeding; and

WHEREAS, the County has the resources and personnel to undertake a project necessary to address the drainage concerns.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Salem, County of Salem and State of New Jersey, that a copy of this Resolution shall be sent to the County of Salem, mosquito control division to formally request their assistance in undertaking a project necessary to resolve the drainage concerns at the location of

ATTEST:

CITY OF SALEM

Ben Angeli, RMC

Earl Gage, Council President

COUNCIL	MOVED	SECONDED	Y	N	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
R. Carter			X			
R. Davis			X			
T. Gregory	X		X			
V. Groce			X			
S. Kellum		X	X			
G. Slaughter			X			
J. Smith			X			
E. Gage			X			

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Date

Ben Angeli, RMC

**CITY OF SALEM
RESOLUTION 2020-204**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REJECTION OF ALL QUOTES FOR THE
CLEANUP PROJECT AT 63 MARKET STREET IN THE CITY OF SALEM**

WHEREAS, the City advertised for quotes for the cleanup project at 63 market Street; and

WHEREAS, there were three quotes received; and

WHEREAS, the quotes were not accompanied by the required documentation as to Business Registration and insurance; and

WHEREAS, the city desires to again solicit informal quotes for the cleanup project at 63 Market Street.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Salem that the quotes for the cleanup project at 63 market Street are rejected.

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the QPA is authorized to again solicit informal quotations for the cleanup project at 63 Market Street in the City of Salem.

ATTEST:

CITY OF SALEM

Ben Angeli, RMC

Earl Gage, Council President

COUNCIL	MOVED	SECONDED	Y	N	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
R. Carter			X			
R. Davis			X			
E. Gage			X			
T. Gregory	X		X			
V. Groce			X			
S. Kellum		X	X			
G. Slaughter			X			
J. Smith			X			

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Ben Angeli, RMC

**CITY OF SALEM
RESOLUTION 2020-205**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REASSIGNING A RETIRED AMBULANCE
TO THE WATER DEPARTMENT**

WHEREAS, the City of Salem has the need for a reliable vehicle for use by the Water department; and

WHEREAS, the City Code provides that vehicles utilized by the ambulance department be acquired in name of the City; and

WHEREAS, in January of 2019, the 1996 Ford Econoline E350 Ambulance was replaced and moved into storage for sale or future use; and

WHEREAS, the City mechanic has determined that the vehicle is safe and reliable for use; and

WHEREAS, in January of 2019 the Common Council of Salem adopted Resolution 2019-50 stating that Council will re-assign the other EMS vehicle and other City owned vehicles, if necessary as appropriate for efficiency and economy; and

WHEREAS, the City seeks to reassign the 1996 Ford Econoline E350 Ambulance to the Water Department; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, by the Common Council of the City of Salem that the 1996 Ford Econoline E350 Ambulance be reassignment to the Salem City Water Department is authorized

ATTEST:

CITY OF SALEM

Ben Angeli, RMC

Earl Gage, Council President

COUNCIL	MOVED	SECONDED	Y	N	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
R. Carter			X			
R. Davis			X			
T. Gregory	X		X			
V. Groce			X			
S. Kellum		X	X			
G. Slaughter			X			
J. Smith			X			
E. Gage			X			

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Ben Angeli, RMC

CITY OF SALEM

RESOLUTION 2020-206

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ACCEPTING THE PROPOSAL FROM J. GUY PAVING TO REFURFACE THE BASKETBALL COURTS AT WESTSIDE COURTS

WHEREAS, the City of Salem has requested bids for the resurfacing of basketball courts at Westside Courts in the City of Salem; and

WHEREAS, the City received one proposal from J. Guy Paving from Swedesboro, NJ in the amount of \$12,150.00 to resurface the courts without lining; and

WHEREAS, the City seeks to enter into an agreement with J. Guy Paving to resurface the basketball courts according to the specifications outlined in the "Notice to Bidders"; and

WHEREAS, provided that J. Guy Paving of Swedesboro, NJ provide proof of the required insurance coverage; and

WHEREAS, the CFO has certified that the funds (\$12,150.00) are available under "Recreation and Other Expenses" (0-01-28-370-299) to make the purchase.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, by the Common Council of the City of Salem that accepting the proposal from J. Guy Paving to resurface the basketball courts at Westside Courts in the City of Salem and move forward with the work is authorized.

ATTEST:

CITY OF SALEM

Ben Angeli, RMC

Earl Gage, Council President

COUNCIL	MOVED	SECONDED	Y	N	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
R. Carter			X			
R. Davis			X			
T. Gregory	X		X			
V. Groce			X			
S. Kellum		X	X			
G. Slaughter			X			
J. Smith			X			
E. Gage			X			

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**CITY OF SALEM
RESOLUTION 2020-207**

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING PAYMENT OF UNUSED VACATION /
SICK TIME UPON RETIREMENT**

WHEREAS, an employee is retiring from their employment with the City of Salem effective December 2, 2020; and

WHEREAS, upon his retirement they will have accumulated unused vacation time allowance; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the employment policy, employees who do not use their vacation allowance may add their unused allowance for the following year; and

WHEREAS, due to his retirement, he will not be able to use or carry the balance of unused time into the following year; and

WHEREAS, the employee is entitled, pursuant to the personnel policy, to receive one-half number of unused accumulated sick leave subject to the cap established by statute.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Common Council of the City of Salem, County of Salem State of New Jersey that payment of 10 days vacation allowance to the employee upon his retirement in addition to the accumulated unused sick leave as permitted by state statute and the City's personnel policy.

ATTEST:

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**CITY OF SALEM
RESOLUTION 2020-208**

**A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A PROCESS AND PROCEDURE FOR
PROVIDING TRASH STICKERS TO A PARKERS JEWELERS THAT THEY CAN
SELL WITHOUT PREPAYMENT**

WHEREAS, the City Council is desirous to advance the sale of City Trash stickers, to vendors and merchants to accommodate City residents to purchase stickers after hours when the City Administration Building is closed to the public after hours, holidays and weekends; and

WHEREAS, the City of Salem has had a relationship with Parker's Jewelers (Parkers) in the past where they would sell trash stickers to City residents; and

WHEREAS, the city would forward the stickers to Parkers and Parkers would sell the stickers at the same price that stickers were available at other locations in the City and at City Hall and bring in payment for the stickers when all were sold; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has advised City Council that the sale of Garbage and Trash Stickers in this manner does not meet the criteria of Dedicated by Rider per NJSA 40A:4-39, Dedicated revenues included in accordance with this section shall be available for expenditure by the local unit as and when received in cash during the fiscal year. The inclusion of such dedicated revenues shall be subject to the approval of the director, who may require such explanatory statements or data in connection therewith as the director deems advisable for the information and protection of the public; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has advised City Council that Garbage and Trash Cash collections is miscellaneous revenues under NJSA 40A:4-45h Special Item of Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written Consent of the Director of Local Government Services; and

WHEREAS, The Common Council of the City of Salem understands the statement by the CFO and does desire to continue the relationship and with Parkers.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Common Council of the City of Salem, County of Salem State of New Jersey that the City establish a process and procedure whereby accurate accounting of monies involved in this transaction with Parker's Jewelers be created that will allow Parkers to receive trash stickers to sell without pre-payment will be created

ATTEST:

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**CITY OF SALEM
RESOLUTION 2020-209**

**A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR A MEETING NOT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE NEW JERSEY
OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT, NJSA 10:4-12 These items are for**

- (7) *Matters relating to litigation, negotiations and attorney-client privilege*
- (8) *Matters relating to the employment relationship*

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 as follows:

- (1) *Matters Required by law to be confidential*: Any matter which by express provision of the Federal law or State statute or rule of court shall be rendered confidential or excluded from the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act.
- (2) Any matter in which the release of information would impair the right to receive federal funding.
- (3) *Matters involving individual privacy*: Any matter, the disclosure of which constitutes an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy such as records, data, reports, recommendations or other personal material of any education, training, social service, medical, health, custodial, child protection, rehabilitation, legal defense, welfare, housing relocation, insurance and similar program or institution operated by a public body pertaining to any specific individual admitted to or served by such institution or program, including, but not limited to information relative to the individual's personal and family circumstances, and any material pertaining to admission, discharge, treatment, progress or condition of any individual, unless the individual concerned .

(4) *Matters pertaining to a collective bargaining agreement:* Any matter involving a collective bargaining agreement, or the terms and conditions which are proposed for inclusion in any collective bargaining agreement, including the negotiation of the terms and conditions thereof with employees or representatives of employees of the public body.

(5) *Matters relating to the purchase, lease acquisition of real property or investment of public funds:* Any matter involving the lease, purchase or acquisition of real property with public funds, the setting of banking rates or investment of public funds, where it could adversely affect the public interest if discussion of such matters were disclosed.

(6) *Matters of public protection:* Any tactic and techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public, provided that their disclosure could impair such protection.

(7) *Matters relating to litigation, negotiations and attorney-client privilege:* Any matter of pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiation other than in (4) above in which the Board is or may become a party. Any matters falling within the attorney-client privilege, to the extent that confidentiality is required for the attorney to exercise ethical duties as a lawyer.

(8) *Matters relating to the employment relationship:* Any matter involving the employment, appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of the performance of , promotion or disciplining of any specific prospective public officer or employee or current public officer or employee employed or appointed by the public body, unless all of the individual employees or appointees whose rights could be adversely affected request in writing that such matter or matters be discussed in public.

(9) *Deliberations after public hearing.* Deliberations by the Board occurring after a public hearing that may result in a civil penalty or the suspension or loss of a license or permit of a responding party; and

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:

(7) *Matters relating to litigation, negotiations and attorney-client privilege*

(8) *Matters relating to the employment relationship*

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.

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COMMITTEE REPORTS:

ADMINISTRATION (Gage, Carter, Kellum, Groce)

Mr. Gage requested that there be an executive session added to the agenda.

PUBLIC SAFETY (Gage, Smith, Carter, Davis)

Mr. Gage spoke about the Ambulance service in the City. he said that he had visited the firehouses with a representative from the State and they would be offering some suggestions on consolidating the buildings.

PUBLIC WORKS (Groce, Gregory, Smith, Slaughter)

Mr. Groce gave some updates on various projects. He mentioned that there may be a change order for additional work to be done at Well #9. Also mentioned was that Sickels Engineering was preparing a cost assessment for the Well #8 project that Mr. Liu was suggesting for the City.

CITY PROPERTY/CAPITAL/HUMAN SERVICES (Davis, Kellum, Gage, Slaughter)

Mr. Davis stated that his committee and Mr. Bailey would be putting together another list of properties for auction. He spoke about the City doing some work on Hedge street. Said that in the past the City had scrapped the street and filled it in. he spoke about a trailer on West Broadway and that the Chief had been notified. He emphasized the need to get help for Carol in code enforcement. Ms. Kellum stated her concern about the gas tanks at the Sunoco station on Market Street.

NEIGHBORHOOD INITIATIVES/COMMUNITY SERVICES (Slaughter, Gregory, Carter, Davis)

Mr. Gregory spoke about reaching out to the community to see what we needed for the City. he was looking for input on what we can do better in the City.

REDEVELOPMENT (Smith, Gregory, Kellum, Groce)

Mr. Smith said that the committee received an update from Mr. Bailey on projects he was working on. The Committee would look into the need to do an ordinance on Marijuana.

MAYORAL COMMENTS:

Mayor Washington stated that the City was close to finalizing a major project that would have a huge impact on the City. He stated that he had been working on it for one and a half years. He was looking for something to happen very soon. He spoke about a potential buyer for the grocery store.

ADMINISTRATOR REPORT:

Mr. Angeli spoke about the WIPA hearing date and that RFP's for professional appointments would be due on 12-1-2020. He said that RFP's for litigation counsel and dog pound services would be due on 12-2-2020 and for EMS services on 12-3-2020. He said that there were 198 people on the key communicator's email list.

COMMERCE DIRECTOR REPORT:

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OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

PUBLIC PORTION

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Seconded by Councilwoman Kellum. All members present voted in favor. Motion carried.

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Motion to close public portion made by Councilman Gregory.

Seconded by Councilwoman Kellum. All members voted in favor. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion to go into Executive Session made by Councilman Gregory.

Seconded by Councilwoman Kellum. All members voted in favor. Motion carried.

Motion to leave Executive Session made by Councilman Gregory.

Seconded by Councilwoman Kellum. All members voted in favor. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

Councilman Gregory motioned to adjourn the meeting and Councilwoman Kellum seconded the motion. All members present voted in favor in a voice vote.

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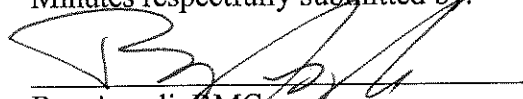
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NEXT COUNCIL MEETING: DECEMBER 7, 2020 AT 6:30 PM