CITY OF SALEM
COMMON COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
JULY 20, 2020
6:30 PM

A meeting of the Common Council of the City of Salem was called to order by the Council President. The meeting took place at 17 New Market Street at 6:30 PM and participation was available via Zoom. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Council President Earl Gage did the Invocation. Roll Call was done by Mr. Bailey. Present either in person or through Zoom or Free Conference Call: Councilpersons Ruth Carter, Robert Davis, Timothy Gregory, Sharon Kellum, James Smith, Gail Slaughter and Council President Earl Gage. Also in attendance was Mayor Charles Washington Jr., Andrea Rhea-City Solicitor, Dave Crescenzi-CFO, Deputy Treasurer Kenia Nunez, Director of Commerce Charles Bailey.

Mr. Bailey 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 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 Entertainment License for Stand up for Salem summer events including: Concerts in the Park, Oldies in the Park, Movies in the Park, Block Party and Cow run in September.

Approval of Entertainment License for Claudia Fuse for bible club activities to be held at Westside Court playground area.

SECOND READING AND HEARINGS FOR ORDINANCES:

ORD. 2006 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING VARIOUS CHAPTERS OF THE SALEM CITY CODE TO PROVIDE FOR FINES AND PenALTIES FOR ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS

Motion to open the public hearing on ORD. 2006: Gregory Second: Kellum Voice Vote: 7-0

There were no questions or comments from the public.
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING VARIOUS CHAPTERS OF THE SALEM CITY CODE TO PROVIDE FOR FINES AND PENALTIES FOR ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40:49-5 authorizes a municipality to prescribe fines and penalties for violations of local ordinances; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to update the City code to be consistent with the aforesaid enabling legislation.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Common Council of the City of Salem that the following sections of the Salem City Codes, particularly:
Chapter 59, Shade Tree Advisory Board § 59-9 A. Penalties for offenses;
Chapter 69, Alcoholic Beverages, Article I, Sale and Distribution, §69-15 Violations and Penalties;
Chapter 69, Alcoholic Beverages, Article II, General Provisions, §69-18 Violations and Penalties;
Chapter 71, Amusement Devices, §71-11 Violations and Penalties;
Chapter 79, Bicycles and Skates, Article I, Bicycles § 79-7D. Violations and Penalties;
Chapter 79, Bicycles and Skates, Article II, Restricted Activities §79-11, Violations and Penalties;
Chapter 84, Brush, Grass, Trash and Weeds, Article I Brush, Grass, Weeds and Debris, §84-3 Violations and Penalties;
Chapter 109, Entertainment, Public §109-9 Violations and Penalties;
Chapter 127, Junkyards and Junk Dealers, Article I Junkyards §127-5 Violations and Penalties;
Chapter 127, Junkyards and Junk Dealers, Article II Solicitation and Purchase of Scraps, Violations and Penalties;
Chapter 148, Outdoor Sidewalk Cafes, §148-11 Violations and Penalties;
Chapter 153, Parks and Recreation Areas, §153-13 Violations and Penalties;
Chapter 157, Peace and Good Order, §157-11, Violations and Penalties;
Chapter 160, Peddling and Soliciting, §160-18, Violations and Penalties;
Chapter 163, Property Maintenance, §163-10, Violations and Penalties;
Chapter 172, Rental of Residential Units, §172-8 Violations and Penalties;
Chapter 174, Sales, §174-8, Violations and Penalties;
Chapter 181, Shopping Centers, §181-9 Violations and Penalties;
Chapter 189, Streets and Sidewalks, Article I, Maintaining Sidewalks, Curbs and Gutters §189-15, Violations and Penalties;
Chapter 189, Streets and Sidewalks, Article II, Street Openings, §189-25 Violations and Penalties;
Chapter 189, Streets and Sidewalks, Article III, Encumbrances and Obstructions, §189-30 Violations and Penalties;
Chapter 208, Taxicabs, §208-17, Violations and Penalties;
Chapter 210, Towing, §210-9, Violations and Penalties;
Chapter 212, Trailers and Trailer Parks, §212-4, Violations and Penalties;
Chapter 230-11, Waters and Sewers, §230-11, Violations and Penalties

Shall be amended to read:
Any person violating this Chapter shall, upon conviction, be subject to a fine of not less than one hundred dollars ( $100.00) nor more than two thousand dollars ( $2,000.00); or imprisonment in the County jail for a term not exceeding 90 days or by a period of community service not exceeding 90 days. Any person who is convicted of violating this Chapter within one year of the date of a previous violation of the same ordinance and who was fined for the previous violation, shall be sentenced by a court to an additional fine as a repeat offender. The additional fine imposed by a court upon a person for a repeated offense shall not be less than the minimum or exceed the maximum fine fixed for a violation of the ordinance, but shall be calculated separately from the fine imposed for the violation of the ordinance.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all ordinances or parts of ordinances of the City of Salem heretofore adopted that are inconsistent with any of the terms and provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of any inconsistency.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that if a court of competent jurisdiction shall declare any section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision of this Ordinance invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of this Ordinance as a whole or any part thereof.

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

ATTEST:  

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Ben Angeli, RMC  
Earl Gage, Council President

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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 June 15, 2020. Public Hearing shall take place on July 20, 2020.

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ORD 2007

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTERS 84 AND 185 OF THE SALEM CITY CODE TO PROVIDE FOR FINES AND PENALTIES FOR UNAWFUL SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL

Motion to open the public hearing on ORD. 2007: Gregory Second: Kellum Voice Vote: 7-0

There were no questions or comments from the public.

Motion to close the public hearing on ORD. 2007: Gregory Second: Kellum Voice Vote: 7-0
Motion to adopt ORD 2007 Gregory Second: Kellum RCV: 7-0

CITY OF SALEM
ORDINANCE 2007

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTERS 84 AND 185 OF THE SALEM CITY CODE TO PROVIDE FOR FINES AND PENALTIES FOR UNAWFUL SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40:49-5 authorizes a municipality to prescribe fines and penalties for violations of local ordinances; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to update the City code to be consistent with the aforesaid enabling legislation pertaining to unlawful solid waste disposal.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Common Council of the City of Salem that the following sections of the Salem City Codes, particularly:
Chapter 84, Brush, Grass, Trash and Weeds, Article II Solid Waste, §84-9 Violations and Penalties;
Chapter 185, Solid Waste, Article II, Garbage and Trash, §185-16, Violations and Penalties;

Shall be amended to read:
Any person violating this Chapter shall, upon conviction, be subject to a fine of not less than one hundred dollars ($100.00) nor more than two thousand dollars ($2,500.00); or imprisonment in the County jail for a term not exceeding 90 days or by a period of community service not exceeding 90 days. Any person who is convicted of violating this Chapter within one year of the date of a previous violation of the same ordinance and who was fined for the previous violation, shall be sentenced by a court to an additional fine as a repeat offender. The additional fine imposed by a court upon a person for a repeated offense shall not be less than the minimum or exceed the maximum fine fixed for a violation of the ordinance, but shall be calculated separately from the fine imposed for the violation of the ordinance.

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INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READING:

This is the first reading and introduction. The public hearing for these ordinances will be on August 17, 2020 at 6:30PM

CITY OF SALEM
ORDINANCE 2008

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SALEM AMENDING SECTION 2 OF CHAPTER 43 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF SALEM FIXING THE TITLES, SALARIES AND COMPENSATION RANGES OF EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF SALEM

BE IT ORDAINED by the Common Council of the City of Salem, in the County of Salem and State of New Jersey that Section 22 of Chapter 43 of the Municipal Code, last amended by Ordinance 1307, 1622 and 1907 be amended in part to set the minimum and maximum salary for the position of Deputy Treasurer as follows:

Section 1. The yearly salary of the Deputy Treasurer shall be:

Minimum                Maximum
$40000.                $95000.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all other provisions of Ordinance 1907 shall remain in full force and effect.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all ordinances or parts of ordinances of the City of Salem heretofore adopted that are inconsistent with any of the terms and provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of any inconsistency.

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

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Date

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CITY OF SALEM
ORDINANCE 2009

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT CHAPTERS 130 "LAND USE" AND CHAPTER 135 "LICENSES AND PERMITS" IN THE CITY OF SALEM ESTABLISHING LAND USE REGULATIONS AND LICENSES REQUIREMENTS FOR MEDICAL CANNABIS DISPENSARIES

WHEREAS, the Jake Honig Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Act (the “Act”), N.J.S.A. 24:6I et seq., permits the authorized medical use of cannabis; and

Whereas, the Common Council of the City of Salem wishes to create land use regulations and licensing requirements for medical cannabis dispensaries that can provide medicinal benefits and promote the health, safety and general welfare of the community; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the city of Salem to be proactive in establishing such local land use regulations and licensing requirements for medical cannabis dispensaries in the advance of the issuance of additional licenses by the state to facilitate the opportunity for such businesses to establish operations and provide medical benefits to the City of Salem; and

WHEREAS, the City of Salem further supports and encourages the safe and appropriate siting of marijuana related and supporting businesses within the City of Salem, including Alternative Treatment Centers, and Medical Cannabis Cultivation and/or Medical Manufacturing facilities to allow qualifying patients greater access to cannabis for medicinal use; and

WHEREAS, the City of Salem Planning Board adopted the 2012 Reexamination Report of the Master Plan which identified a number of issues in need of address including; economic revitalization and a review of zoning and permitted uses; and
WHEREAS, the Medicinal industry can further the goals and objectives of the Master Plan through its ability to become a catalyst for new economic opportunities, including but not limited to; job growth, expansion of the ratable base, and attraction of related businesses that will further spur growth objectives; and

WHEREAS, the legislature of the State of New Jersey recognizes the need to utilize tax revenue from medical cannabis Alternate treatment centers and associated cultivation centers to support drug treatment and education efforts, and community reinvestment initiatives; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council of the City of Salem recognizes that a distinction can be made between medical and non-medical uses of cannabis and by establishing local land use regulations for business activity related to the sale, distribution or cultivation of medicinal cannabis, the City is not endorsing the recreational use of marijuana.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED,

Section 1. Chapter 130 Land Use, Part 1, Article II, § 130-5 Words and Phrases defined is amended to include the following definitions:

**Alternative Treatment Center (ATC) or Medical Cannabis Alternative Treatment Center**
An organization issued a permit, including a conditional permit by the Commission to operate as a medical cannabis cultivator, medical cannabis manufacturer, medical cannabis, dispensary or clinical registrant. For the purposes of zoning, an ATC is the interface between provider and patient and is synonymous with a Medical Marijuana Dispensary. Cultivation and manufacturing, unless within the same structure or property as a dispensary, shall be treated as a separate use category though it may be part of the license issued by the State for a single entity. This term shall include the organization’s officers, directors, board members and employees.

**Commission**
Cannabis Regulatory Commission established to regulate the cannabis industry

**Commissioner**
Commissioner of Health

**Marijuana**

**Medical Cannabis Act or “Act”**
The Jake Honig Compassionate Medical Cannibus Act codified at N.J.S.A. 6I-1 et seq. as amended

**Medical Cannabis Cultivation Center**
A building, structure, or premises used for the cultivation or storage of medical cannabis. Includes the planting, propagating, cultivation, growing, harvesting, labeling or manufacturing, compounding and storing of medicinal cannabis for the limited purpose of this chapter. A cultivation center may be physically separate and off-site from the associated licensee’s ATC medical cannabis dispensary. When connected-to, or part of, the same property by which an ATC dispenses from, it is considered part of the ATC. This includes greenhouses, commercial/industrial warehouse setups, hydroponic systems, etc.

**Medical Cannabis Dispensary or Dispensary**
An organization issued a permit by the commission that authorizes the organization to: purchase or obtain medical cannabis and related supplies from medical cannabis cultivators, purchase or obtain medical cannabis products and related supplies from medical cannabis manufacturers; purchase or obtain medical
cannabis, medical cannabis products, and related supplies and paraphernalia from other medical cannabis dispensaries and from clinical registrants; deliver, transfer, transport, distribute, supply and sell medical cannabis and medical cannabis products to other medical cannabis dispensaries; furnish medical cannabis, including medical cannabis products to designated caregivers, and institutional caregivers. A medical cannabis dispensary permit shall not authorize the permit holder to cultivate medical cannabis, to produce, manufacture, or otherwise create medical cannabis products.

**Medical Cannabis Manufacturer**
An organization issued a permit by the commission that authorizes the organization to: purchase or obtain medical cannabis and related supplies from a medical cannabis cultivator or a clinical registrant; purchase or obtain medical cannabis products from another medical cannabis manufacturer or a clinical registrant; produce, manufacture, or otherwise create medical cannabis products; and possess, deliver, transfer, transport, distribute, supply and sell medical cannabis products and related supplies to other medical cannabis manufacturers and to medical cannabis dispensaries and clinical registrants. A medical cannabis manufacturer permit shall not authorize the permit holder to cultivated medical cannabis or to deliver, transfer, transport, distribute, supply, sell or dispense medical cannabis, medical cannabis products, paraphernalia, or related supplies to registered qualifying patients, designated caregivers or institutional caregivers.

**Medical Use of Cannabis**
The acquisition, possession, transport or use of cannabis or paraphernalia by a registered qualifying patient as authorized by the P.L. 2009, c. 307 (C. 246:1 et al) and P.L. 2015 c. 158 (C.18A:40-12.22) as amended.

**Medical Manufacturing Facility**
Facility that operates as a medical cannabis manufacturer.

**Medical Cannabis Business**
Encompasses all components of the industry as is consistent with the Act. Accordingly, it shall mean any business legally involved in cultivating, manufacturing, distribution, sales, or testing of Medical cannabis.

**Medical Marijuana Program or “MMP”**
The program within the Department of Health, which is responsible for the administration and implementation of activities related to the Act.

**Paraphernalia**
The definition as provided in N.J.S.A. 2C:36-1.

**Permit**
The documents issued by the Department of Health pursuant to this chapter granting the legal right to operate as an alternative treatment center for a specified time.

**Qualifying Patient or Patient**
A resident of the State who has been authorized for medical use of cannabis by a health care practitioner.

**Registration with the Commission**
A person has met the qualifications requirements for, and has been registered by the commission as a registered qualifying patient, designated caregiver or institutional caregiver.

**Usable Cannabis**
The dried leaves and flowers of cannabis and any mixture or preparation thereof, but does not include the seeds, stems, stalks, or roots of the plant.
Vertical Integration
The co-location or combination of the following activities related to the production of usable marijuana for qualifying patients within a single corporate entity: cultivation, manufacturing, and dispensing.

Section 2. Chapter 130 Land Use, is hereby amended to Add Part 7, Requirements for Alternative Treatment Centers or Alternative Cannabis Treatment Centers

§ 130-154 General Regulations.

A. Limitation on Alternative Treatment Dispensaries within the City.

(1) The number of Dispensaries permitted within the City is based on population. A maximum of one (1) Dispensary Center shall be permitted for every 5,000 people or fraction thereof. Population shall be determined by the most recent data available from the U.S. Census Bureau and the NJ State Department of Labor, Bureau of Statistics.

(2) Distance between Alternative Treatment Center Dispensaries Drug Free School Zones. ATC’s shall be located at a minimum of one thousand (1,000) feet from Drug Free School Zones as defined in the statute. Measurement to be conducted in a straight line from the nearest property line of the land used for the school to the nearest portion of the building in which the medical marijuana center is located.

a. No marketing or advertisement of the site.

b. No signage other than directional or discrete building identification shall be permitted; unusual odors, smells, fragrances or other olfactory stimulants shall be prohibited; light pollution, glare or brightness resulting from glow lamps must be 0.5 foot candles or less at the property line; noise beyond X decibels from ventilation fans shall be prohibited.

(3) Distance between Alternative Treatment Centers. No ATC shall be located within one thousand-five hundred (1,500) feet from any other Alternative Treatment Center, which shall be measured in a straight line from the nearest portion of the building in which the center is proposed to be located to the nearest portion of the building in which the other center or the retail marijuana store is located. Standalone Cultivation and Manufacturing uses are not included within this prohibition as long as the following conditions are met

a. There is no dispensary component to the facility.

b. It is a fully secured facility and does not contain a Dispensary or have public access.

c. Signage for the facility shall remain innocuous and part of the general directional signage typically found in industrial manufacturing facilities only. Façade signs will be limited to those at the point of entry to the facility and may not be more than six (6) square feet.

(4) In the event more than one (1) Land Use Application for an Alternative Treatment Center, Cultivation or Manufacturing facility of the same classification are submitted to the City in close proximity to one another, and if the applications comply with all the requirements of this Chapter and the NJ State Department of Health and the Board of Medical Examiners, the City is not permitted to approve all of the applications because of the limitations set forth in this subsection. The City shall first review for approval the application that was first submitted and determined to be a complete and compliant application by the City Planner, or Zoning Officer.

(5) The distance restrictions shall not apply to any location where the State previously issued a medical marijuana license under the Act, a licensed dispensary commenced operations at the subject location, and a licensed medical Cannabis dispensary or center has existed in continuous operations at the subject location since the time of original licensing.
B. Permitted Locations.

(1) Alternative Treatment Center (Dispensaries). Alternative Treatment Center dispensaries only shall be permitted to be located within the following zones in accordance with this Chapter and the Redevelopment Plans where applicable. For all properties, adherence to the site design standards of the Town Land Development Ordinances and Redevelopment Plans through a review by the Zoning Official and Salem City Council (Redevelopment Agency), where applicable, is required. Issuance of Zoning Permit and/or Site Plan approval is required. Permitted areas include:

Areas zoned Commercial but not located inside Federal, State or Local Designated Historic Districts.

(2) Stand alone Cultivation, Manufacturing, and/or Testing Facilities. Stand-alone Cultivation, Manufacturing and/or Testing Facilities shall be permitted to be located within the following zones in accordance with this Chapter and the Redevelopment Plans where applicable. For all properties, adherence to the site design standards of the Town Land Development Ordinances and Redevelopment Plans through a review by the Zoning Official and Salem City Council (Redevelopment Agency) where applicable is required. Issuance of Zoning Permit and/or Site Plan approval is required. Allowed Zones limited to the Waterfront Redevelopment Area:

C. Restrictions on Mobile Facilities and Delivery of Cannabis Products to Patients. - No such services shall be permitted unless expressly permitted by the NJ State Department of Health and the Board of Medical Examiners pursuant to the type of licensure the facility processes.

D. Operation Hours. ATC dispensaries shall limit their hours of operation to 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Monday – Friday and Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. ATC dispensaries cannot operate on Sundays. Standalone Cultivation, Manufacturing, and/or Testing Facilities shall limit their hours of operation to 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Monday – Friday and Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Standalone Cultivation, Manufacturing, and/or Testing Facilities cannot operate on Sundays.

E. Specific Requirements for Alternative Treatment Centers.

(1) The cultivation of Medical Cannabis plants shall not be permitted on exterior portions of a lot. The cultivation, production or possession of marijuana plants within a building or unit must not be perceptible from the exterior of the building or unit from a street or residential use. Such use shall adhere to the bulk standards of the underlying zoning.

(2) Samples of Medical Cannabis products offered for sale may be displayed on shelves, counters and display cases. All bulk cannabis products shall be locked within a separate vault or safe (with no other items in this safe) which shall be securely fastened to a wall or floor, as approved by the City of Salem Police Department.

(3) An Alternative Treatment Center may sell “paraphernalia” as that term is defined pertains to Patients only and shall be exempt from the prohibitions contained in any other section of the Zoning Code.

(4) Only persons who are authorized to purchase may enter the dispensary alternative treatment Center to make a purchase.

(5) No person without a MMP card is permitted to pick-up a prescription.
(6) Alternative Treatment Centers must limit signage to text on external signage/labeling and brochures. Use of graphics shall be limited to the logo for the business so long as it does NOT include a cannabis plant leaf and outward glorification of marijuana/ cannabis consumption.

(7) Facilities must comply with all sign regulations set forth in this Chapter.

(8) Alternative Treatment Center signage shall not display on the exterior of the facility or windows advertisements for medicinal cannabis or a brand name except for purposes of identifying the building by the permitted name.

(9) Parking shall be provided as provided for in Chapter 130 (Schedule G). Except that:
   (a) ATC dispensary. Same as Offices, general and professional.
   (b) Cultivation, manufacturing, Testing Facilities. Same as Industrial Manufacturing Use

(10) No Drive through dispensing shall be allowed.

F. Security and Reporting. Security systems must be in place, along with a 24/7 recording system that records for a minimum 30-day archive. This system shall be shared with local law enforcement via web browser. Outside areas of the premises and the perimeter shall be well lit. City Law enforcement shall be provided the name and phone number of a staff person to notify during suspicious activity during or after operating hours. Security staff is required on the premises during all hours of operation. Additionally,

(1) The premises must only be accessed by authorized personnel and free of loitering.

(2) Security personnel must be present during times of operation.

G. Specific Requirements for a Standalone Cultivation, Manufacturing, and/or Testing Facilities Premises. If co-located with a Medical Marijuana Cultivation Premises, the area of the proposed Licensed Marijuana Premises utilized for cultivation shall be physically separated from the area of the premises open to the public or to patients. Walls, barriers, locks, signage and other means shall be employed to prevent the public or patients from entering the area of the Licensed Marijuana Premises utilized for cultivation of marijuana.

H. The operation of any State Licensed Medical Cannabis facility within the City of Salem, the following conditions must be satisfied:

1. No Products to be Visible from Public Places. Marijuana, cannabis plants, products, accessories, and associated paraphernalia contained in any Medical Cannabis Business shall not be visible from a public sidewalk, public street or right-of-way, or any other public place. On-site storage of usable cannabis shall comply with 21 CFR 1301.72.

2. No Beer or Alcohol on Premises. No fermented malt beverages and no alcoholic beverages, shall be kept, served or consumed on the premises of a Medical Marijuana Business.

3. Storage of Products. All products and accessories shall be stored completely indoors and on-site.

4. Consumption of Cannabis Prohibited. No consumption or smoking of any Medical Marijuana/ Cannabis products shall be allowed or permitted on the premises or adjacent grounds of a Medical Cannabis Business.

5. Storage of Currency. All currency over $1,000.00 shall be stored within a separate vault or safe (no marijuana in safe), securely fastened to a wall or floor, as approved by the Salem City Police Department.

a. Sufficient measures and means of preventing smoke, odors, debris, dust, fluids and other substances from exiting the business premises shall be provided at all times. In the event that any debris, dust, fluids or other substances shall exit the business premises, the property owner and operator shall be jointly and severally responsible for the full cleanup immediately.

b. Businesses shall properly dispose of all materials and other substances in a safe and sanitary manner in accordance with State regulations.

c. As applicable, Medical Cannabis Businesses shall be equipped with ventilation systems with carbon filters sufficient in type and capacity to eliminate marijuana odors emanating from the interior to the exterior of the premises discernible by reasonable persons. The ventilation system must be inspected and approved by the Construction Official. If carbon dioxide will be used in any cultivation area, sufficient physical barriers or a negative air pressure system shall be in place to prevent carbon dioxide from moving into the ambient air, into other units in the same building or into an adjacent building in a concentration that would be harmful to any person, including persons with respiratory disease and shall be inspected and approved by the Construction Official and the Fire Marshall.

d. All State regulations concerning ventilation systems shall be followed.

I. Compliance with Other Codes. Any Medical Cannabis Business and the adjacent grounds of the Medical Cannabis Business shall comply with all zoning, health, building, fire, and other codes and ordinances of the Town as shown by completed inspections and approvals by the Town Planner, Construction Division, Fire Safety Division, and the Phillipsburg Health Department, if applicable.

J. No Harm to Public Health, Safety or Welfare. The Licensed facility and adjacent grounds of a Medical Cannabis Business shall be operated in a manner that does not cause any substantial harm to the public health, safety and welfare.

K. Penalty for Violation. Any violation of the provisions of this subsection or the conditions of the Zoning Permit granted, by a Medical Marijuana Business shall be punishable by a civil fine of up to one thousand dollars ($1,000.00). Each day that a violation is committed, exists or continues shall be deemed a separate and distinct offense. In addition, any violation of the provisions of this subsection, or any conditions imposed by the Zoning Permit may result in the revocation of the Zoning Permit.

Section 3. Chapter 135 of the City Code shall be amended, modified, or deleted as follows, and any and all other sections or subsections not explicitly altered herein remaining as written:

§135-6 In order to be granted a business license for the operation of any State Licensed Medical Cannabis facility within the City of Salem, the following conditions, along with all other requirements of this Chapter, must be satisfied:

1. Completion of all forms, checklists, and other submissions as may be required by the City Clerk’s Office;
2. Payment of all applicable local fees, including inspection and licensing fees;
3. Demonstration that all applicable State licenses have been obtained;
4. Passage of all applicable State and local inspections required to be completed prior to the beginning of operations and/or renewal of any State and/or local license;
5. Emergency contact information to be utilized by police, fire, and EMT personnel in the event of an on-site emergency; and,

6. Submission of a full copy of the Application for State Licensure, via hard copy or digitally, with pages prominently marked "CONFIDENTIAL" as appropriate for purposes of compliance with New Jersey’s Open Public Records Act (NOTE: pages not marked as confidential will be disclosed in response to an applicable OPRA request).

In order to be granted a business license for the operation of any State Licensed Medical Marijuana facility within the City of Salem, the following fee scheduled must be agreed to and that license must be renewed every year:

- Alternative Treatment Centers, and Medical Marijuana Cultivation and/or Medical Manufacturing – per location and use $5,000.
- State-licensed medical marijuana dispensary: per location: $5,000.
- State-licensed medical marijuana cultivation, manufacturing and processing and distribution:
  - Cultivation, per location: $10,000.
  - Manufacturing and processing, per location: $10,000
- Alternative Treatment Centers-Distribution per location $10,000
- Vertically Integrated Facility: $15,000

Section 4. Chapter 200 of the City Code shall be amended to create a new Article entitled Local Transfer Tax – Medical Cannabis Dispensary and shall read:

A. As authorized by N.J.S.A., a municipality may, by ordinance N.J.S.A. 24:6I-10 impose a transfer tax on any medical cannabis dispensed by the dispensary, including medical cannabis that is furnished by the dispensary to a medical cannabis handler for delivery to a registered qualifying patient or the patient’s caregiver. The rate of transfer tax to be established by the City of Salem is two percent of the purchase price of the medical cannabis.

B. A medical cannabis dispensary conducting business in the City of Salem shall pay the two percent transfer tax to the City on a quarterly basis every February 1, May 1, August 1 and October 1. The dispensary shall include with its payment certified sales records from its business to the City Administrator. The dispensary shall provide any other documentation as may be required by the City to verify the accuracy of the transfer tax submitted.

c. Section 5. ADMINISTRATION OF ORDINANCE

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the City Clerk and/or his or her designee is hereby granted the administrative authority to amend the numbering of sections and sub-sections herein to ensure correct sequencing with the existing ordinances in the event of any conflicts discovered during codification; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that if any term, part, or provision of this Ordinance is determined to be illegal, unconstitutional, invalid, or otherwise unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, this determination shall not affect the validity of the remaining terms of and provisions of this Ordinance. To
the extent any provision of the Salem City Code is found to conflict with this Ordinance, this Ordinance shall be deemed controlling; and

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED** that the City Departments implicated in or by this Ordinance are hereby authorized to enact and adopt rules, policies, and procedures to assist with implementing and enforcing this Ordinance, to the fullest extent permitted by law; and

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED** that this Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage and publication as provided by law.

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED** after introduction, the Township Clerk is hereby directed to submit a copy of the within Ordinance to the City of Salem Planning Board for its review in accordance with N.J.S.A. 55D-26 and 64. The Planning Board is directed to make and transmit to the City Council within 45 days after referral, a report including identification of any provisions in the proposed Ordinance that are inconsistent with the master plan and recommendations concerning any other matter as the Board deems appropriate.

**ATTEST:**

Ben Angeli, RMC

Earl Gage, Council President

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Date

Ben Angeli, RMC

**INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION:**

**CITY OF SALEM**

**RESOLUTION 2020-139**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHANGING THE OFFICIAL SIGNERS FOR VARIOUS CITY OF SALEM BANK ACCOUNTS**

**WHEREAS**, CFO Dave Crescenzi will be leaving his position as CFO for the City of Salem; and
WHEREAS, Kenia Nunez will be replacing Mr. Crescenzi as CFO; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Crescenzi was designated as the signee on various City of Salem bank accounts that are listed on exhibit “A”

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Salem in the State of New Jersey that David Crescenzi, CFO is hereby removed as official signor on any and all of the City of Salem bank accounts including those listed on exhibit “A”

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Salem in the State of New Jersey that Kenia Nunez and City Administrator/Clerk Ben Angeli, be authorized to sign any and all documents and checks required by Franklin Bank for the accounts listed on exhibit “A”

ATTEST:

CITY OF SALEM

Charles Bailey, Deputy Clerk
Earl Gage, Council President

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Date

RESOLUTION 2020-139
EXHIBIT “A”

City of Salem (Tax ID 2166001146)

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Franklin Bank
Salem City Branch
137 West Broadway
Salem NJ 08079
CITY OF SALEM
RESOLUTION 2020-140

A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR A MEETING NOT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE NEW JERSEY
OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT, N.J.S.A 10:4-12 These items are for
(#7) Matters relating to litigation, negotiations and attorney-client privilege, (#4) Matters pertaining to a
collective bargaining agreement and (#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:
A. (#7) Matters relating to litigation, negotiations and attorney-client privilege  
B. (#4) Matters pertaining to a collective bargaining agreement  
C. (#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.

ATTEST:                                                                                     CITY OF SALEM

Charles Bailey, Deputy Clerk                                                            Earl Gage, Council President

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Date                                                                                     Charles Bailey, Deputy Clerk

CITY OF SALEM  
RESOLUTION 2020-141  

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE RENEWAL OF A PLENARY RETAIL DISTRIBUTION LICENSE FOR ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES  

WHEREAS, the following entity has applied to the City of Salem for renewal of a Plenary Retail Distribution License to sell alcoholic beverages for the year commencing July 1st, 2020 and ending June 30th, 2021 on premises set forth in said application; and

WHEREAS, due to COVID-19 the deadline date for renewal has been extended to September 30, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the hereinafter named entity, the applicant has complied with the requirements provided by law for the obtaining of such Club License; and
WHEREAS, no objections have been made to the granting of such license to said applicant, and the City Clerk has made careful examination of the application for renewal, and finding the same to be in proper order and knowing of no reason why the license 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 Club Licenses, as numbered in this resolution, to sell alcoholic beverages on the premises stated, subject to law and regulations:

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Ben Angeli, 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: $300.00

ATTEST:  

Charles Bailey, Deputy Clerk

CITY OF SALEM

Earl Gage, Council President

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Date

Charles Bailey, Deputy Clerk

CITY OF SALEM
RESOLUTION 2020-142

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SALEM CITY COMMERCE
DEPARTMENT TO ACCEPT THE C.O.P.S GRANT

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Justice has announced the Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) grant; and

WHEREAS, guidelines were published and the application was submitted March 12, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the “COPS” grant program will provide a maximum of $291,396.00 over a three-year period for two (2) officers with NO MATCH requirement; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the grant would be to reimburse the Salem City Police Department for two (2) officers over three-year period, and

WHEREAS, the City of Salem has been awarded and the City of Salem desires to accept the award allowing the “COPS” program to cover $291,396.00 of the payroll of two officers over a three-year period from COPS Award 2020UMWX0051; and

WHEREAS, the city of Salem will cover $0.00 of the payroll of two officers over a three-year period; and

WHEREAS, the City of Salem has identified a need for a consistent/increased police presence within its city limits; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Common Council of the City of Salem, in the County of Salem, New Jersey hereby authorizes the Salem City Commerce Department to accept the above referenced COPS Grant.

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Date                                Charles Bailey, Deputy Clerk

CITY OF SALEM
RESOLUTION 2020-143
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUPPORT FOR THE URBAN AGRICULTURE INNOVATION PRODUCTION (UAIP) GRANT

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) has announced the Urban Agriculture Innovation Production (UAIP) Grant; and

WHEREAS, guidelines were recently published and deadlines set for grant applications, and

WHEREAS, the “UAIP” grant program will award a total of $300,000.00 in UAIP funding and the funds will be used over a three-year period with no “Match” required.

WHEREAS, the “UAIP” supports the development of urban agriculture and innovative production activities by funding Planning Projects (PP) and Implementation Projects (IP) led by nonprofit organizations, local or Tribal governments, and

WHEREAS, the City of Salem has submitted a proposal requesting the “UAIP” program funds and will work with a nonprofit to help support food desert initiatives; and

WHEREAS, the city of Salem has submitted a proposal requesting $300,000.00 to towards food desert project(s) that support the residents in the City of Salem; and

WHEREAS, the City of Salem has identified a need for a food desert program to help Salem residents gain access to fresh food and vegetables; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Common Council of the City of Salem, in the County of Salem, New Jersey hereby provides support to the Salem City Commerce Department for the USDA UAIP Grant program.

ATTEST: 

CITY OF SALEM

Charles Bailey, Deputy Clerk

Earl Gage, Council President

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CITY OF SALEM

RESOLUTION 2020-144
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EMERGENCY TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS

WHEREAS, an emergent condition has arisen in that the City is expected to enter in contracts, commitments or payments prior to the 2020 budget and no adequate provision has been made in the 2020 temporary budget for the aforesaid purposes, and

WHEREAS, N.J.S. 40A:4-20 provides for the creation of an emergency temporary appropriation for said purpose, and

WHEREAS, the total emergency temporary appropriation resolutions adopted in the year 2020 pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 96, P.L. 1951 (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-20) including this resolution total Current Fund $403,628.51.00 and total Utility W/S OPERATING Budget $310,575.00,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Salem, in the County of Salem, State of New Jersey, that in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:4-20:

1. Emergency temporary appropriations be and the same are hereby made in the amount of $714,203.51 as follows:

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0-09-55-523-501  BOND INTEREST  120,600.00

310,575.00

2. Said emergency temporary appropriations will be provided for in the 2020 budget.

3. That one certified copy of this resolution be filed with the Director, Division of Local Government Services.

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COMMITTEE REPORTS:

ADMINISTRATION (Gage, Carter, Kellum, Groce)
No report

PUBLIC SAFETY (Gage, Smith, Carter, Davis)
No report

PUBLIC WORKS (Groce, Gregory, Smith, Slaughter)
No report

CITY PROPERTY/CAPITAL/HUMAN SERVICES (Davis, Kellum, Gage, Slaughter)
Mr. Davis provided updates regarding properties that will go out for bids and discussed Public Works powere washing the playground equipment. He will continue to coordinate with Neighborhood Initiatives Committee to raise money for the playgrounds.

NEIGHBORHOOD INITIATIVES/COMMUNITY SERVICES (Gregory, Slaughter, Carter, Davis)
Mr. Gregory commented that they are working with Stand Up For Salem through the heart and Soul group to work on community initiatives.

REDEVELOPMENT (Smith, Gregory, Kellum, Groce)
No report

MAYORAL COMMENTS:
The Mayor wanted to recognize the Salem Police for solving the most recent homicide and credited the community for their essential help to the police. Regarding the entertainment license approved, the mayor wanted to all to be mindful of COVID-19 compliance.

COMMERCE DIRECTOR REPORT:
Mr. Bailey provided information regarding properties that would be going out to bid, the Historical grant and CDGB small Cities grant. He gave an update on Vacant industrial locations and his outreach to the property owners. He provided an update regarding the Army Core of Engineers and dredging Salem River.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:
The Solicitor provided information regarding the need to discharge a mortgage on a property that participated in an older Housing rehabilitation program with Small Cities grant monies that had been satisfied.

PUBLIC PORTION
Motion to open public portion made by Councilman Gregory.
Seconded by Councilwoman Kellum.
All members present voted in favor.
Motion carried.

No comments or questions from the public.

Motion to close public portion made by Councilman Gregory.
Seconded by Councilwoman Kellum.
All members voted in favor.
Motion carried.

Motion to go into Executive Session made by Councilman Gregory.
Seconded by Councilwoman Kellum

Motion to leave Executive Session made by Councilman Gregory.
Seconded by Councilwoman Kellum

Mr. Bailey stated that no action was taken in Executive Session.

All members that were present before Executive Session were present when Open Session continued.
ADJOURNMENT:
Councilman Gregory motioned to adjourn the meeting and Councilwoman Kellum seconded the motion. All members present voted in favor in a voice vote.

Minutes respectfully submitted by:

[Signature]

Ben Angell, RMC

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING: NOVEMBER 16, 2020 AT 6:30 PM