

AUGUST 12, 2020

The regular meeting of the City Council was held on August 12, 2020 in the City Hall 1st Floor Meeting Room, 111 North Main Street at 7:06 p.m. Present: Mayor Zoppo-Sassu; Council Members Barney, Fortier, Hahn, Kelley, and Preleski. Council Member Rosado arrived at 7:15 p.m.

1. MOMENT OF REFLECTION FOR THOSE IMPACTED BY RECENT STORM AND APPRECIATION TO CITY WORKERS ON FRONTLINES.

Mayor Zoppo-Sassu requested a Moment of Reflection for those impacted by the recent storm and for those who were without power or had property damage. She also extended appreciation for those City workers who spent countless hours on the frontlines.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING ON JULY 14, 2020 AND SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING ON JUNE 30, 2020.

On motion of Council Member Barney and seconded, it was unanimously voted: To approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting on July 14, 2020 and the special City Council meeting on June 30, 2020.

3. ADOPTION OF CONSENT CALENDAR.

Council Member Preleski and seconded, it was unanimously voted: To remove the item from the Consent Calendar regarding the Contract with Tabacco & Son Builders, Inc. for ramp and sidewalk improvements.

On motion of Council Member Fortier and seconded, it was unanimously voted: To adopt the three matters as part of the Consent Calendar.

4. AMENDMENT TO CONTRACT 2C20-076 WITH WILLIAM M. LAYDON CONSTRUCTION, LLC TO INSTALL ADDITIONAL PERMANENT PATCHES ON CITY ROADS FOR \$74,050, APPROVED.

Communication from the Director of Public Works regarding an increase to the existing quantity of City patches scheduled to repair City roads.

As part of the Consent Calendar adoption and on motion of Council Member Fortier and seconded, it was unanimously voted: To amend Contract 2C20-076 with William M. Laydon Construction, LLC in the amount of \$74,050 to install additional permanent patches on City roads requested by the Department of Public Works.

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5. CONTRACT 2P20-084 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RELATIVE TO BROADBAND INFRASTRUCTURE FEASIBILITY ANALYSIS TO ENTRYPOINT, LLC FOR UP TO \$36,000, APPROVED.

Communication from the Purchasing Agent regarding the professional services relative to development of a detailed actionable broadband feasibility study.

As part of the Consent Calendar adoption and on motion of Council Member Fortier and seconded, it was unanimously voted: To award Contract 2P20-084 Professional Services Relative to Broadband Infrastructure Feasibility Analysis to EntryPoint, LLC in the amount not exceeding \$36,000 and to authorize the Mayor or Acting Mayor to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate said Contract.

6. CHANGE ORDER TO CONTRACT 2C20-066 BRISTOL FIRE HEADQUARTERS RENOVATION WITH MILLENNIUM BUILDERS, INC. FOR \$54,803.75 FOR A REVISED TOTAL OF \$1,141,803.75, APPROVED.

Communication from the Purchasing Agent regarding a change order for the renovations at the Fire Headquarters.

As part of the Consent Calendar adoption and on motion of Council Member Fortier and seconded, it was unanimously voted: To approve a change order to Contract 2C20-066 Bristol Fire Headquarters Renovation with Millennium Builders, Inc. in the amount of \$54,803.75 for a revised total of \$1,141,803.75 and to authorize the Mayor or Acting Mayor to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate said change order.

7. CONTRACT 2C21-003 COMMUNITY CONNECTIVITY RAMP AND SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENTS TO TABACCO & SON BUILDERS, INC. FOR \$294,715, APPROVED.

Communication from the Purchasing Agent regarding the ramp and sidewalk improvements in the downtown corridor.

On motion of Council Member Fortier and seconded, it was voted: To award Contract 2C21-003 Community Connectivity Ramp and Sidewalk Improvements to Tabacco & Son Builders, Inc. in the amount of \$294,715 and to authorize the Mayor or Acting Mayor to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate said Contract.

(Council Member Preleski recused himself and "Abstained" from voting on this matter due to a conflict of interest related to his job.)

8. AUTHORIZATION FOR MAYOR OR ACTING MAYOR TO ENTER INTO LEASE TO RENT TO D'AMATO ASSOCIATES, LLC A PORTION OF CITY OWNED PROPERTY KNOWN AS 75 BATTISTO ROAD, APPROVED.

As recommended by the Real Estate Committee and on motion of Council Member Hahn, Chairperson and seconded, it was unanimously voted: To authorize the Mayor or

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Acting Mayor to enter into a lease to rent with D'Amato Associates, LLC for a portion of City owned property identified as 75 Battisto Road, Assessor's Map 3, Lot 31, at a rental amount of \$275.00 per month. Said initial lease to be for a period of 10 years, with five, five year renewals with a 10% increase in rent per each renewal. The lease shall also contain a one year termination notice. The Mayor or Acting Mayor shall also negotiate any additional terms deemed to be in the best interest for the City and to refer this matter to the Corporation Counsel's Office to effectuate the same.

9. AUTHORIZATION FOR MAYOR OR ACTING MAYOR TO RESCIND LEASE WITH BRISTOL HOSPITAL, INC. FOR CITY OWNED PROPERTY KNOWN AS 51 HIGH STREET, APPROVED.

As recommended by the Real Estate Committee and on motion of Council Member Hahn, Chairperson and seconded, it was unanimously voted: To authorize the Mayor or Acting Mayor to rescind the lease recently entered into with Bristol Hospital, Inc. for the City owned property known as 51 High Street. Said property was to be utilized for the benefit of the Bristol Parent and Children Center. It was also voted to refer this matter to the Corporation Counsel's Office to effectuate the same.

10. APPROVAL TO DISCONTINUE WILLIS STREET, NORTH OF SOUTH STREET, IN ACCORDANCE WITH AGREEMENTS WITH BARNES GROUP INC.

On motion of Council Member Fortier and seconded, it was unanimously voted: To bring to the table a recommendation by the Hearing and Assessment Committee regarding Willis Street.

Mayor Zoppo-Sassu stated a Public Hearing and Assessment hearing was held prior to the City Council meeting regarding the approval to discontinue Willis Street.

On motion of Council Member Fortier and seconded, it was unanimously voted: To approve the discontinuance of Willis Street north of South Street, in accordance with the agreements made with the Barnes Group Inc. and that the land revert to the City of Bristol.

(Council Member Rosado arrived at 7:15 p.m. and voted on this item.)

11. NEW HIRE REPORT FOR JULY, PLACED ON FILE.

On motion of Council Member Fortier and seconded, it was unanimously voted: To bring to the table the New Hire Report for July.

Communication presented from the Human Resources Department.

As part of the Consent Calendar adoption and on motion of Council Member Fortier and seconded, it was unanimously voted: To place on file the New Hire Report for the month of July, 2020.

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12. APPROPRIATION UP TO \$20,000 FOR YOUTH AND COMMUNITY SERVICES PART-TIME WAGES ACCOUNT FOR THREE TEMPORARY EMPLOYEES OF PARENT AND CHILD CENTER REFERRED TO BOARD OF FINANCE.

Mayor Zoppo-Sassu stated Bristol Hospital lost grants and exhausted their funds to keep the Parent and Child Center operating. She proposed keeping the three employees on a temporary basis to allow time to identify other funds to continue the programs.

On motion of Council Member Fortier and seconded, it was unanimously voted: To refer to the Board of Finance for appropriation up to \$20,000 to the Youth and Community Services part-time wages account for three temporary non-benefited employees for the Parent and Child Center to December 31, 2020.

13. AGREEMENT BETWEEN CITY OF BRISTOL AND NEW COLONY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, APPROVED.

On motion of Council Member Fortier and seconded, it was unanimously voted: To bring to the table an agreement with New Colony Development Corporation.

Council Member Preleski explained that the agreement would be used for the Sessions Building project on Riverside Avenue.

On motion of Council Member Preleski and seconded, it was unanimously voted: To approve the agreement between the City of Bristol and New Colony Development Corporation, subject to the review and approval by the Corporation Counsel, and to authorize the Mayor or Acting Mayor to execute the agreement on behalf of the City of Bristol.

14. APPOINTMENTS.

The following appointments were presented:

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Alfred Radke, III – Reappointment – term to July, 2023.

Confirmation motion by Council Member Fortier.

Motion passed in voice vote.

Jeffrey P. Twombly – Reappointment – term to July, 2023.

Confirmation motion by Council Member Fortier.

Motion passed in voice vote.

David Pecevich – Reappointment – term to July, 2023.

Confirmation motion by Council Member Fortier.

Motion passed in voice vote.

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Jeffrey Hayden, alternate member – Reappointment – term to July, 2025.
 Confirmation motion by Council Member Fortier.
 Motion passed in voice vote.

BRISTOL BURLINGTON DISTRICT BOARD OF HEALTH

Shannon Mulz – Reappointment – term to July, 2023.
 Confirming motion by Council Member Fortier.
 Motion passed in voice vote.

BUILDING CODE BOARD OF APPEALS

Edward D’Amato, Jr. – Reappointment – term to August, 2025.
 Confirming motion by Council Member Barney.
 Motion passed in voice vote.

DIVERSITY COUNCIL

William Stortz – Reappointment after Sec. 2-9 res. – no term.
 Confirmation motion by Council Member Fortier.
 Motion passed in voice vote.

Mohammad Aziz – Reappointment after Sec. 2-9 res. – no term.
 Confirmation motion by Council Member Fortier.
 Motion passed in voice vote.

Alicia Washington – Appointment – no term.
 Replaced Rochelle Denise Miller.
 Confirmation motion by Council Member Fortier.
 Motion passed in voice vote.

Kelley Browning – Appointment – no term.
 Replaced Georgianna Roy.
 Confirmation motion by Council Member Fortier.
 Motion passed in voice vote.

BRISTOL SCHOOL READINESS COUNCIL

Azra Redzik – Reappointment – 2 yr. term to August, 2022.
 Donna Osuch – Reappointment – 2 yr. term to August, 2022.
 Donna Koser – Reappointment – 2 yr. term to August, 2022.
 Karen Lombardi – Reappointment – 2 yr. term to August, 2022.
 Alyssa McPhee – Reappointment – 2 yr. term to August, 2022.
 Peter Kelley – Reappointment – 2 yr. term to August, 2022.
 Brenda Moore – Reappointment – 2 yr. term to August, 2022.
 Valerie Pelletier – Reappointment – 2 yr. term to August, 2022.
 Valerie Toner – Reappointment – 2 yr. term to August, 2022.
 Kristen Peck – Reappointment – 2 yr. term to August, 2022.
 Catherine Plourde – Reappointment – 2 yr. term to August, 2022.

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Jennifer St. John – Reappointment – 2 yr. term to August, 2022.

Joyce Voisine – Reappointment – 2 yr. term to August, 2022.

Pam Testa – Reappointment – 2 yr. term to August, 2022.

Susan Lee – Reappointment – 2 yr. term to August, 2022.

Maureen Eaton – Reappointment – 2 yr. term to August, 2022.

Cecile Garary – Reappointment – 2 yr. term to August, 2022.

Confirming motion by Council Member Rosado.

Motion passed in voice vote.

15. RESOLUTION REGARDING GRANT APPLICATION TO NEGLECTED CEMETERY ACCOUNT GRANT PROGRAM FOR \$2,000, ADOPTED.

Communication presented from the Grants Administrator regarding a Neglected Cemetery Grant with the State Office of Policy and Management.

Council Member Hahn moved and it was seconded: That the following Resolution be adopted –

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the City Council of Bristol, Connecticut, that the filing of a grant application to the Neglected Cemetery Account Grant Program for \$2,000 to support the ongoing reclamation activities by the Bristol Cemetery Commission and its volunteers, is hereby approved, and that the Chief Elected Official, Mayor Ellen Zoppo-Sassu, is authorized to apply for and accept, on behalf of the City of Bristol, a grant from the Neglected Cemetery Account, and that said official is authorized to enter into and execute any and all agreements, contracts and documents necessary to obtain said grant should the town be selected for a grant award;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this matter be referred to the Board of Finance for any necessary action.

A roll call vote was taken.

<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>
Council Member Barney		
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Fortier		
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Kelley		
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Hahn		
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Preleski		
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Rosado		
Mayor Zoppo-Sassu		

RESOLUTION ADOPTED: *YES* – 7; *NO* – 0; *ABSTAIN* – 0.

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16. AUTHORIZATION FOR MAYOR OR ACTING MAYOR TO ENTER INTO LETTER OF INTENT FOR PURCHASE OF LOT #6 IN SOUTHEAST BRISTOL BUSINESS PARK WITH R. PELTON BUILDERS, INC. – DBA ECOSMART HOME SERVICES.

Communication presented from the Economic and Community Development Executive Director regarding a Letter of Intent with R. Pelton Builders, Inc. dba EcoSmart Home Services to purchase Lot #6 Southeast Bristol Business Park.

On motion of Council Member Kelley and seconded, it was unanimously voted: To allow Mayor Ellen Zoppo-Sassu, or Acting Mayor, to execute a Letter of Intent with R. Pelton Builders, Inc. dba EcoSmart Home Services – or its assigns for the sale of Lot #6 in the Southeast Bristol Business Park for purposes of constructing an approximately 12,000 square foot corporate headquarters for EcoSmart subject to the approval of Corporation Counsel.

17. AUTHORIZATION FOR MAYOR OR ACTING MAYOR TO ENTER INTO LETTER OF INTENT FOR PURCHASE OF LOT #2 IN SOUTHEAST BRISTOL BUSINESS PARK WITH BHF LOGISTICS, INC.

Communication presented from the Economic and Community Development Executive Director regarding a Letter of Intent with BHF Logistics, Inc. to purchase Lot #2 Southeast Bristol Business Park.

On motion of Council Member Preleski and seconded, it was unanimously voted: To allow Mayor Ellen Zoppo-Sassu, or Acting Mayor, to execute a Letter of Intent with BHF Logistics, Inc. or its assigns for the sale of Lot #2 in the Southeast Bristol Business Park for purposes of constructing an approximately 9,000 square foot corporate headquarters/trucking terminal facility subject to the approval of Corporation Counsel.

18. ADJOURNMENT.

At 7:55 p.m., on motion of Council Member Fortier and seconded, it was unanimously voted: To adjourn.

ATTEST: _____

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Town & City Clerk**