**Monday, July 3, 2017**

At a regular meeting of the City Council, in the City of Woonsocket, County o Providence, State of Rhode Island in Harris Hall on Monday, July 3, 2017 at 7 P.M.

All members are present.

The prayer is read by the Clerk. The Pledge of Allegiance is given by the assembly.

The following persons addressed the council under citizens good and welfare:

William Doe, Lisa Baldelli-Hunt, Albert G. Brien, Jill Parrot, Charles Lemoine, Erik Weiner, Scott Thayer, Dan Guernon, John Reynolds Jr., Ronald Thifault, Dan Guernon (2) and Mark Viggiani.

Upon motion of Councilwoman Murray seconded by Councilman Beauchamp it is voted that the minutes of the regular meeting held June 19th be approved as submitted except for one amendment by Councilman Cournoyer seconded by Councilmen Brien and Fagnant to change amount on ordinance 17 O 37 from $63,337,085 to $61,337,085, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

Upon motion of Councilwoman Sierra seconded by Councilwoman Murray it is voted that the consent agenda be approved as submitted except for 17 CO 46, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

Upon motion of Councilman Beauchamp seconded by Councilman Cournoyer it s voted to approve 17 CO 46 on the consent agenda, a voice vote on same being unanimous. Councilwoman Sierra recused herself from this vote.

17 CO 44 A communication from Public Works Director regarding Town of Cumberland water connection.

17 CO 45 A communication from Planning & Development Director regarding RIDOT.

17 CO 46 An opinion of City Solicitor regarding claim of Philakone Phothitay.

17 M 11 A communication from Mayor vetoing some amendments to Ordinance 17 O 33 (appropriation ordinance) is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Cournoyer seconded by Councilman Brien it is voted to override notwithstanding the Mayor’s veto, however, before this is voted upon

Upon motion of Councilman Brien seconded by Councilman Cournoyer it is voted to bundle items 1-6 listed in the Mayor’s veto, a voice vote on same being 5-2 with Councilors Beauchamp and Murray voting no. The ordinance is then voted on and passed on a 5-2 roll call vote with Councilors Beauchamp and Murray voting no.

Upon motion of Councilman Cournoyer seconded by Councilman Brien it is voted to bundle and override notwithstanding the Mayor’s veto and disapproval of 17-O-34, 17-O-36 & 17-O-46, a roll call vote on same being 5-2 with Councilors Beauchamp and Murray voting no.

Upon motion of Councilman Beauchamp seconded by President Gendron it is voted to dispense with the regular order of business and take up the following resolution:

17 R 78 A resolution authorizing the award of and entry into a contract to design, build and operate a new drinking water treatment plant is read title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Beauchamp seconded by Councilman Cournoyer it is voted that the resolution be passed, a roll call vote on same being unanimous.

17 LC 25 An application of North Main Eatery d/b/a Thai Café II and Crazy Wings to hold Class BL License at 206 North Main Street, which was advertised for hearing on this date, is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Beauchamp seconded by Councilmen Cournoyer and Fagnant it is voted that the license be granted, a voice vote on same being unanimous. Raymond Mumford was present and addressed the council.

17 LC 27 A request of Woonsocket High School Wrestling to hold a tag day on Saturday, July 22, 2017 with a rain date of Saturday, July 29, 2017 is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Beauchamp seconded by Councilman Fagnant it is voted that the license be tabled, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

17 LC 28 Upon motion of Councilwoman Murray seconded by Councilman Beauchamp it is voted that the following licenses be granted, a voice vote on same being unanimous: 2 applications for daily entertainment license, 1 application for Class F and entertainment license, 5 applications for holiday sales license, 3 application for street vendor license, 1 application for renewal of holiday sales license, 1 application for renewal of quarterly entertainment license, 5 applications for sale of tobacco license, 1 application for transfer of first class victualing license and 1 application for extension of Class BV license.

Upon motion of Councilman Beauchamp seconded by Councilmen Brien and Cournoyer it is voted the daily entertainment license for the Downtown Woonsocket Collaborative be granted, a voice vote on same being unanimous with Councilors Murray and Sierra recusing themselves from this vote.

17 CP 38 A request of Zach Robertson to address the City Council regarding dialogue with the City Assessor (Homestead Tax Credit Application) was withdrawn.

17 CP 39 A request of Vice President Brien to address the following item: fiscal year 2018 budget is read by title.

17 CP 40 A request of Councilman Cournoyer to address the following items: FY 2018 budget deliberations and setting of the budget, blight and paving and road reconstruction is read by title.

The following remarks are made under good and welfare:

President Gendron remarked on the administration’s attitude toward budget and expects changes on both sides.

Councilman Beauchamp wished everyone a safe and happy fourth of July. He spoke about events at St. John the Baptist Church on July 22 and July 23rd.

Councilman Brien thanked everyone for attending the council meeting. He wished his wife a happy anniversary on July 9th.

Councilman Cournoyer questioned what department issues certain licenses.

Councilman Fagnant addressed Public Safety Director regarding a public record with his SSN on it. He questioned status of business outreach coordinator position. He announced a wrestling event at the American Legion Post on July 29th.

Councilwoman Murray addressed dinner on the bridge on August 20th and stated that tickets are now available. She also announced an event at St. Joseph’s Veterans for mural dedication on July 9th. She wished everyone a safe & happy 4th of July.

Councilwoman Sierra wished all a happy and safe holiday.

17 O 40 An ordinance establishing the maximum number of employees in each office, department or agency of the City of Woonsocket for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2017 and ending June 30, 2018 in accordance with Chapter IX o the City of Woonsocket Home Rule Charter, which was passed for the first time on June 19th, is read by title, and

Upon motion Councilman Cournoyer seconded by Councilors Brien and Fagnant it is voted that the ordinance be passed, however, before this is voted on

A motion was made by Councilman Cournoyer seconded by Councilors Brien & Fagnant to group the following ordinances:

17 O 47 An ordinance in amendment of Chapter 7345 of the Ordinances of the City of Woonsocket entitled “Salaries of City Officers of the City of Woonsocket”.

17 O 48 An ordinance in amendment of Chapter 7288 of the Ordinances of the City of Woonsocket entitled “Personnel Ordinance”.

Upon motion of Councilman Cournoyer seconded by Councilman Brien it is voted that ordinances 40, 47 & 48 be passed, a roll call vote on same being unanimous.

17 O 44 An ordinance amending Code of Ordinances, Appendix C entitled “Zoning” Section 5.3, which was passed for the first time on June 19th, is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Cournoyer seconded by Councilman Brien it is voted that the ordinance be passed, a roll call vote on same being unanimous.

17 O 49 An ordinance authorizing connection to the City of Woonsocket Water Works System is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Beauchamp seconded by Councilmen Cournoyer and Fagnant it is voted that the ordinance be passed for the first time, a roll call vote on same being unanimous.

17 O 50 An ordinance transferring funds (Health Insurance) is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Cournoyer seconded by Councilman Fagnant it is voted that the ordinance be passed, a roll call vote on same being unanimous.

17 O 51 An ordinance transferring funds (Health Insurance) is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Cournoyer seconded by Councilman Fagnant it is voted that the ordinance be passed, a roll call vote on same being unanimous.

17 O 52 An ordinance authorizing the sale of property located at 46 First Avenue is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Beauchamp second by Councilwoman Murray it is voted that the ordinance be passed for the first time, a roll call vote on same being unanimous.

17 O 53 An ordinance authorizing the sale of property located at 50 First Avenue is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Beauchamp second by Councilors Cournoyer and Murray it is voted that the ordinance be passed for the first time, a roll call vote on same being unanimous.

17 R 61 A resolution authorizing & empowering Mayor and Planning & Development Director to enter into an agreement with the Town of Cumberland for professional services implementing and administering a Home Repair Program, which was tabled at the meeting of June 5th, is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Beauchamp seconded by Councilwoman Murray it is voted that the resolution be passed, a roll call vote on same being unanimous.

17 R 66 A resolution granting permission to use city property, which was tabled at the meeting of June 19th, is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilwoman Murray seconded by Councilman Beauchamp it is voted that the resolution be passed, however this motion is defeated on a 5-2 roll call vote with Councilors Beauchamp and Murray voting yes.

17 R 71 A resolution authorizing the cancellation of certain taxes is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilwoman Murray seconded by Councilman Beauchamp it is voted that the resolution be passed, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

17 R 72 A resolution designating the Call as the official newspaper for the publication of all legal notices for the City of Woonsocket is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Beauchamp seconded by Councilman Fagnant it is voted that the resolution be passed, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

17 R 73 A resolution authorizing a purchase and sales agreement for the sale of Woonsocket Assessor’s Plat 5, Lot 79 to First Bristol Corporation is read by title, and

A motion is made by Councilman Cournoyer seconded by Councilman Beauchamp that the resolution be passed, however, before this is voted on

Upon motion of Councilman Cournoyer seconded by Councilmen Fagnant and Beauchamp it is voted that the resolution be amended as follows: Delete sections 1 and 2 and its place insert the following sections: Section 1. Mayor Lisa Baldelli-Hunt is empowered and authorized to execute an agreement with First Bristol Corporation in connection with the request for proposal for the subject property to allow First Bristol Corporation the exclusive rights to conduct due-diligence on the subject property for a period of up to ninety (90) days to determine and to present to the City within the ninety day period their specific proposed use of the subject property. Section 2. Subject to and upon approval by the City Council of the specific proposed use of the property as presented by First Bristol Corporation pursuant to Section 1, the Mayor shall be empowered to negotiate a purchase and sale agreement with First Bristol Corporation for the sale of the subject property, provided that such purchase and sale agreement shall be subject to the acceptance and approval of the City Council. Section 3. This resolution shall become effective upon its passage. The resolution, as amended, is then voted on and passed unanimously.

17 R 74 A resolution granting permission to use city property is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Beauchamp seconded by Councilman Cournoyer it is voted that the resolution be passed, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

17 R 75 A resolution authorizing Mayor to execute agreements with the Rhode Island Department of Transportation relative to the Blackstone River Bike Path is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Brien seconded by Councilwoman Murray it is voted that the resolution be passed, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

17 R 76 A resolution authorizing the rededication of “Dupre Field” within Cass Park is read by title, and

A motion is made by Councilman Cournoyer seconded by Councilman Fagnant that the resolution be passed, however, before this is voted on

Upon motion of Councilwoman Murray seconded by Councilman Beauchamp it is voted that the resolution be amended as follows: In Section 1. delete “Public Works” and in its place insert “Planning”, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

The resolution, as amended, is then voted on and passed unanimously.

17 R 77 A resolution authorizing & empowering Mayor and Police Chief to submit an application to the U.S. Department of Justice under the FY 2017 Cops Hiring Program is read by title, and

A motion is made by Councilwoman Murray seconded by Councilman Beauchamp that the resolution be passed, however, before this is voted on

Upon motion of Councilman Fagnant seconded by Councilman Cournoyer it is voted that the resolution be tabled, a voice vote on same being 5-2 with Councilors Beauchamp and Murray voting no.

17 R 79 A resolution appointing Matthew Wilson as a member of the Personnel Board of the City of Woonsocket is read by title, and

Councilman Beauchamp made a motion that the resolution be passed, however, the motion died for lack of a second.

Upon motion of Councilman Cournoyer seconded by Councilman Fagnant it is voted that the meeting be and it is hereby adjourned at 10:15 P.M.

Attest: Christina Harmon-Duarte City Clerk