**Monday, October 15, 2018**

At a public hearing of the City Council, in the City of Woonsocket, County of Providence, State of Rhode Island in Harris Hall on Monday, October 15, 2018 at 6:30 P.M.

All members are present.

A public hearing was held on the following ordinances:

18 O 45 An ordinance in amendment of Code of Ordinances, City of Woonsocket, Appendix C entitled “Zoning” regulating licensed marijuana cultivation.

18 O 50 An ordinance in amendment of Code of Ordinances, City of Woonsocket, Appendix C entitled “Zoning” regulating office co-ops.

18 O 51 An ordinance in amendment of Code of Ordinances, City of Woonsocket, Appendix C entitled “Zoning” regulating hotels, motels & bed & breakfast inns.

Garrett Mancieri spoke at the public hearing.

Upon motion of Councilman Fagnant seconded by Councilman Beauchamp it is voted that the public hearing be and it is hereby adjourned at 6:52 P.M.

The regular meeting follows 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: Ronald Thifault, Steven D’Agostino, Mark McQuaid, Jeff Partington, Susan Kirwan, James Williams and Estelle Bubble.

Upon motion of Councilwoman Murray seconded by Councilman Beauchamp it is voted that the minutes of the regular meeting held October 1st be approved as submitted, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

Upon motion of Councilman Beauchamp seconded by Councilman Cournoyer it is voted that the consent agenda be approved, with one exception, as submitted, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

18 CP 60 Monthly odor report from Jacobs Engineering Group is read by title.

The following items were listed on the consent agenda:

18 CO 44 A communication from Planning Board Chairman submitting response to request for advice and recommendation regarding regulating license marijuana cultivation.

18 CO 45 A communication from Planning Board Chairman submitting response to request for advice and recommendation regarding regulating office co-ops.

18 CO 46 A communication from Planning Board Chairman submitting response to request for advice and recommendation regarding hotels, motels and bed & breakfast inns.

18 CO 47 An opinion of City Solicitor regarding property damage claim of Lori T. Rothemich.

18 LC 47 An application for transfer of Class BV license from Carmen Nunez d/b/a Back Street Sport Bar RI to Jaragua Lounge & Nightclub LLC d/b/a Jaragua Lounge & Nightclub at 33 Arnold Street, which was advertised for hearing on this date, is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Fagnant seconded by Councilors Beauchamp and Murray it is voted that the transfer be granted, a voice vote on same being unanimous. Atty. Thomas Hanley and James Williams addressed the council.

18 LC 48 Upon motion of Councilwoman Murray seconded by Councilwoman Sierra it is voted that the following licenses be granted, a voice vote on same being unanimous: 1application for holiday license, 3 applications for renewal of quarterly entertainment license, 1 application for renewal of tattoo license and 17 applications for renewal of first class victualing license.

1 application for amendment to a second hand dealer’s license was approved on a 5-2 vote with Councilors Beauchamp and Cournoyer voting no.

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

18 O 45 An ordinance in amendment of Code of Ordinances, Appendix C entitled “Zoning” regulating licensed marijuana cultivation, which was tabled until this meeting, is read by title, and

A motion is made by Councilman Cournoyer seconded by Councilwoman Murray that the ordinance be passed for the first time, however, before this is voted on

Upon motion of Councilman Cournoyer seconded by Councilman Beauchamp it is voted that the ordinance be amended as follows: In Section 1: 6.16-1.4 (2) delete “300” and in its place insert “225”. In 6.16-1.4 (3) delete “.” and in its place insert “; provided such requirement may be waived, in whole or in part, by the Public Safety Director provided such waiver is in writing. This amendment is voted on and passed unanimously on a roll call vote. The ordinance, as amended, is then voted on and passed for the first time on a unanimous roll call vote.

18 O 50 An ordinance in amendment of Code of Ordinances, Appendix C entitled “Zoning” regulating office co-ops, which was tabled until this meeting, is read by title, and

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

18 O 51 An ordinance in amendment of Code of Ordinances, Appendix C entitled

“Zoning” regulating hotels, motels and bed and breakfast inns, which was tabled until this meeting, is read by title, and

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

18 CP 61 A request of Yevgeniy Mazo to address the City Council regarding Mason Street flea market is read by title. Mr. Mazo was not present.

18 CP 62 A request of Albert G. Brien to address the City Council regarding Cumberland Hill Realty/Northeast re-val/Ethics Commission, Northeast re-val/Synagro & Councilman Fagnant’s remarks at the 9/17/2018 meeting regarding real estate transfers. Mr. Brien was present and addressed the council.

18 CP 63 Request of President Gendron to address the following: status update of drinking water issue at 1027 Logee Street.

The following remarks are made under good and welfare:

Councilwoman Murray wished her father Jerome Smith a happy 75th birthday. She congratulated Autumnfest Steering Committee and Rotary. She addressed domestic violence month and vigil at state house. She asked that people wear purple on Thursday in memory of Domestic Violence.

Councilwoman Sierra thanked Autumnfest Steering Committee for a job well done.

President Gendron spoke about shelter walk event. He spoke about bringing back skating rink and finding a budgetary number.

Councilman Beauchamp commented about Mr. Brien’s earlier comments and addressed revaluation.

Councilman Brien stated an amazing job was done by all Autumnfest Steering Committee and chairman Richard Savaria. He addressed River Island Park and ice rink. He spoke to Public Safety Director regarding drones. He spoke about October being Breast Cancer Awareness Month and Women Strong event at Elks on October 23rd.

Councilman Cournoyer passed.

Councilman Fagnant thanked Autumnfest Steering Committee. He spoke about prayer event he attended. He spoke about unaudited budget report. He read an editorial.

18 O 52 An ordinance granting petition for new joint pole for National Grid and Verizon on Seabury Street, which was passed for the first time on October 1st, is read by title, and

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

18 O 53 An ordinance granting petition for new joint pole for National Grid and Verizon on Lucille Street, which was passed for the first time on October 1st, is read by title, and

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

18 O 54 An ordinance in amendment of Chapter 17 entitled “Traffic” of the Code of Ordinances, City of Woonsocket, which was passed for the first time on October 1st, is read by title, and

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

18 O 56 An ordinance transferring funds (from contingencies to Police Division) was withdrawn.

18 O 57 An ordinance authorizing sale of property located at Plat 1, Lot 291 on the corner of Cherry Hill Avenue and Scotia Street is read by title by title, and

A motion was made by Councilman Beauchamp seconded by Councilwoman Sierra that the ordinance be passed for the first time, however before this is voted on

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

18 R 99 A resolution granting permission to use city property, which was tabled at the meeting of September 17th, is read by title, and

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

18 R 106 A resolution authorizing the cancellation of certain taxes is read by title, and

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

18 R 107 A resolution ratifying the tentative agreement between International brotherhood of Police Officers Local Number 404 and the City of Woonsocket is read by title, and

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

Upon motion of Councilman Cournoyer seconded by Councilors Brien, Fagnant, Murray & Sierra it is voted to remove the position of Deputy Police Chief from Exhibit B, a voice vote on same being unanimous. The resolution, as amended, is then voted on and passed unanimously on a voice vote.

18 R 108 A resolution granting permission to use city property 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.

18 R 109 A resolution authorizing Mayor to purchase property located at 176 River Street is read by title, and

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

Upon motion of President Gendron seconded by Councilman Cournoyer it is voted to amend as follows: Insert “non-utilization” after “outstanding” in Section 1 and in Section 30. 2) of the P & S agreement. This amendment is voted on and passed unanimously on a voice vote. The resolution, as amended, is then voted on and passed on a 5-2 roll call vote with Councilors Brien and Sierra voting no.

18 R 110 A resolution granting permission to the American-French Genealogical Society to gift 11 signs commemorating World War I veterans to the City of Woonsocket is read by title, and

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

18 R 111 A resolution instructing Mayor, by and through her administration, to issue a request for proposal to seek and hire a contractor to construct a roof for the animal shelter is read by title, and

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

Upon motion of Councilman Beauchamp seconded by Councilwoman Sierra it is voted to amend as follows: Change end of title as follows “construct a roof for the outside yard section for the animal shelter.” This amendment is voted on and passed unanimously on a voice vote. The resolution, as amended, is then voted on and passed unanimously.

18 R 112 A resolution recommending a work session to review four potential providers of renewable energy projects in connection with a renewable energy request for proposal is read by title, and

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

Upon motion of Councilman Beauchamp seconded by Councilors Fagnant, Murray and Sierra it is voted that the meeting be and it is hereby adjourned at 9:55 P.M.

Attest: Christina Harmon-Duarte City Clerk