**Tuesday, September 4, 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 Tuesday, September 4, 2018 at 6:30 P.M.

All members are present.

A public hearing in held on the following resolution:

18 R 83 A resolution for proposed abandonment of a portion of Monroe Street is read by title.

Michael Darveau addressed the council.

Upon motion of Councilman Cournoyer seconded by Councilman Beauchamp it is voted that the public hearing be and it is hereby adjourned at 6:33 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: Bill Legare, Bill Schneck, Adam Brunetti, Maurice Doire, Amber Debole, Michelle Marandola, Alethea Forcier, Jeff Partington, Lynn Kapiskas, John Reynolds Jr., William Doe and Albert G. Brien.

Upon motion of Councilwoman Murray seconded by Councilman Beauchamp it is voted that the minutes of the regular meeting held August 6th, and special meetings held August 16th and August 23rd be approved as submitted, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

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

The following items were listed on the consent agenda:

18 M 15 A communication from Mayor appointing Roji J. Eappen to the City of Woonsocket Planning Board.

18 CO 32 A communication from Public Works Director regarding petition from Verizon and National Grid.

18 CO 33 An opinion of City Solicitor regarding property claim of Raymond F. Sewell.

18 CO 34 An opinion of City Solicitor regarding claim of Debra Jones.

18 CO 35 An opinion of City Solicitor regarding claim of Anne Simko.

18 CO 36 A communication from Police Department regarding 2018 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG).

18 M 14 A communication from Mayor pursuant to Chapter IV, Section 9 of the Home Rule Charter regarding veto message of Ordinances 18-O-37 and 18-O-38 is read by title, and

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

A public hearing was held on the following six applications.

18 LC 34 An application of Petrop, LLC d/b/a Sweet Basil Kitchen and Bar, to hold Class BV license at 2 South Main Street, which was advertised for hearing on this date, is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Fagnant seconded by Councilman Beauchamp it is voted that the license be granted, a voice vote on same being unanimous. Atty. Sciacca and Angelos Petropulos addressed the Council.

18 LC 35 An application of D.V. Thai Restaurant LLC d/b/a D.V. Thai Restaurant 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 Brien seconded by Councilors Beauchamp and Murray it is voted that the license be granted, a voice vote on same being unanimous. Thondy Soundara addressed the Council.

18 LC 36 An application of Shri Ganesh LLC d/b/a Swagat to hold first class victualing license at 476-480 Diamond Hill Road, which was advertised for hearing on this date, is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilwoman Murray seconded by Councilwoman Sierra it is voted that the license be granted, a voice vote on same being unanimous. Nagendra Thatavarthy addressed the Council.

18 LC 37 An application of Triangle Donuts Inc. d/b/a Dunkin Donuts to hold first class victualing license at 246 South Main Street, which was advertised for hearing on this date, is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Brien seconded by Councilman Beauchamp it is voted that the license be granted, a voice vote on same being unanimous. Richard Lynch addressed the Council.

18 LC 38 An application of Woonsocket Palace Pizza Inc. to transfer Class BL license to CIMA, Inc. at 85 B Front Street, which was advertised for hearing on this date, is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilwoman Sierra seconded by Councilors Brien and Murray it is voted that the license be granted, a voice vote on same being unanimous. Alex Biliouris, Nichols Michalopoulos & Andrea Vacca addressed the Council.

18 LC 39 An application of Rincon Latino to hold Class BV license at 587 Willow Street, which was advertised for hearing on this date, is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilwoman Murray seconded by Councilwoman Sierra it is voted that the license be granted, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

18 LC 40 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: 1 applications for Class F and entertainment license, 1 application for holiday license and 1application for renewal of tattoo license.

Upon motion of Councilman Cournoyer seconded by Councilman Beauchamp it is voted that the Class F and entertainment license for Museum of Work and Culture be granted, a voice vote on same being unanimous. President Gendron recused himself from this vote.

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

18 R 93 A resolution for abandonment of a portion of Monroe Street 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.

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

18 R 96 A resolution authorizing Mayor to purchase the property located at 80 River Street, Woonsocket 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 Councilman Brien it is voted to amend as follows: In 2nd whereas, after “decreasing” insert “building” and delete “of its housing stock”. Also, in Section 1, at the end of the paragraph delete “.” and insert “; provided that such purchase be contingent on the City receiving at least $80,000.00 of grant funding to be applied to this purchase, with the balance of funding to come from account 1-010-098-54-60302 Woonsocket Redevelopment Agency. This amendment is voted on and passed unanimously on a voice vote. The resolution, as amended, is approved unanimously on a voice vote.

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

18 O 49 An ordinance authorizing the sale of building and real property located at 357 Park Place, Woonsocket to Woonsocket Park Place is read by title, and

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

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

18 R 94 A resolution granting permission to use city property is read by title, and

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

18 CP 52 A request of President Gendron to address the following item: Councilman Fagnant’s conduct and comments at the August 6th 2018 City Council meeting.

The following remarks were made under good and welfare:

Councilman Brine thanked Rotary Club for library project at Coleman School. He thanked school administration for their efforts for the playground at Coleman School. He thanked everyone involved in Levitt Amp concert series.

Councilman Cournoyer addressed comments made by citizen regarding road paving. He addressed teachers’ contract.

Councilman Fagnant spoke about adopted budget. He address the teachers. He spoke about status of pending legislation (Fifth Avenue School/Haven of Grace). He spoke about conversation with Lynn Kapiskas and he spoke about apology letter that he googled. He spoke about the teachers’ contract negotiations and the process.

Councilwoman Murray spoke about Levitt AMP concert series. She thanked who participated in DWC dinner on the bridge. She spoke about 10/10 raffle and read letter by David Brezniak.

Councilwoman Sierra passed.

President Gendron commented on remarks by Ms. Marandola regarding teachers’ contract and he thanked the teachers. He spoke about letter from Mayor regarding Fifth Avenue School.

Councilman Beauchamp addressed the Public Works Director regarding start time of activity at the Water Treatment Plant. He also commented on appreciation of teachers’ and appropriation suggestions. He spoke about the members of the negotiating committee and the possibility of continued talk.

18 O 39 An ordinance authorizing connection to the City of Woonsocket Water Works System, which was passed for the first time on August 6th, 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 42 An ordinance in amendment of Chapter 17 entitled “Traffic” of the Code of Ordinances, which was passed for the first time on August 6th, is read by title, and

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

18 O 43 An ordinance granting a petition for underground installation of conduit for communications for 1 CVS Drive in the right of way, which was passed for the first time on August 6th, is read by title, and

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

18 O 44 An ordinance granting a petition for a new joint pole for National Grid and Verizon on Singleton Street is read by title, and

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

18 O 45 An ordinance in amendment of Code of Ordinances, City of Woonsocket, Appendix C entitled “Zoning” regulating licensed marijuana cultivation is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Cournoyer seconded by Councilwomen Murray and Sierra it is voted that the ordinance be tabled, referred to the Planning Board for advice and recommendation and advertised for hearing, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

18 O 46 An ordinance in amendment of Chapter 17 entitled “Traffic” of the Code of Ordinances is read by title, and

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

18 O 47 An ordinance transferring funds from contingencies to Police Division is read by title, and

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

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

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

18 R 95 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

Upon motion of Councilman Cournoyer seconded by Councilors Brien, Fagnant and Murray it is voted that the resolution be tabled for a public hearing, a voice vote on same being 6-1 with Councilman Beauchamp voting no.

18 O 48 An ordinance granting easement to Narragansett Electric Company is read by title, and

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

18 R 90 A resolution authorizing the settlement of a legal dispute with Synagro Woonsocket, which was tabled at the meeting of August 6th, is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Brien seconded by Councilman Beauchamp it is voted that the resolution be passed, however, before this is voted on

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

A motion to reconsider is made by Councilman Brien seconded by Councilman Cournoyer, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

Upon motion of Councilman Brien seconded by Councilman Fagnant it is voted that the resolution be tabled for a work session, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

18 R 92 A resolution authorizing the cancellation of certain taxes is read by title, and

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

Upon motion of Councilman Beauchamp seconded by Councilwoman Sierra it is voted that the meeting be and it is hereby adjourned at 9:40 P.M.

Attest: Christina Harmon-Duarte City Clerk