

**CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
NOVEMBER 20, 2018
4:00pm**

ATTENDANCE:

Councilman Edward Bethea
Councilwoman Rosemary DeQuinzio
Councilman Samuel Feinstein

Absent - Councilman Michael Zapolski, Sr

Council President J. Curtis Edwards

Mayor Albert Kelly
Administrator Dr. Stephanie Bush-Baskette
Municipal Solicitor Rebecca Bertram
Deputy Clerk Miriam Garcia

CALLED TO ORDER: Council President Edwards called the meeting to order.

STATEMENT OF MEETING NOTICE: Read by the Deputy Clerk

Notice of this meeting of the City Council of the City of Bridgeton, as required by N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq., the "Open Public Meetings Act", has been provided by a public advertisement to the South Jersey Times and the Daily Journal on February 7th, 2018 of a schedule adopted by resolution setting forth the time, date and place of all the meetings of the City Council of the City of Bridgeton.

J-2 authorizing the execution of an Indemnity agreement in connection with the sale of certain property by the City to River Urban Renewal Housing Partners, LLC.

Councilman Edward Bethea commented that this resolution should be voted separately

J-7 authorizing re-foreclosure of 60 Spruce Street Block 143, Lot 56.01 by the City of Bridgeton.

Councilman Edward Bethea commented that this resolution should be voted separately

J-17 authorizing the City of Bridgeton Planning Board to conduct a Preliminary investigation regarding the possible designation of certain Southeast Gateway Neighborhoods in Census Tract 205.3 an area in need of Redevelopment Council President commented they will vote separate on this resolution also

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COMMITTEE LIAISON REPORTS:

Councilwoman DeQuinzio said the Bridgeton Main Street Association is having the Holiday Parade on November 25, 2019. Councilwoman DeQuinzio also stated there will be a Holiday House Tour on December 1, 2018.

Councilman Edward Bethea commented on upcoming events. Friends of the library are having a presentation of Saint John Pentecostal outreach children gospel choir on December 2, 2018 tickets concert is free. Councilman Edward Bethea also commented Holiday Fun Saturday December 8, 2018. There will also be photo with Santa from 11:00 p.m.to 1:00 p.m all proceeds will benefit the Friends of the Library.

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR/MAYORAL REPORTS:

Mayor Kelly spoke and thanked all the Councilmembers and all staff members who attended the League of Municipalities. Mayor commented on how he went to seven different workshops and that he learned a lot. Mayor also commented on the Ceremony that took place honoring the veterans. A total of 20 veterans that where signed up and was recognized. Mayor is looking forward to it again next year. Mayor thanked Council President for being there. Mayor also congratulated everyone on the victory of the Municipal elections he looks forward to continue doing great things for City of Bridgeton he appreciated hard work and dedications.

OTHER BUSINESS/CONCERNS:

Administrator commented on the best practice worksheets CY2018/SY2019 from the Department of Community affairs each year it's a bit more extensive than it has been previously. They are trying to do a little bit of a survey we needed to get 46 points meaning we don't get a percentage reduction.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Upon a motion by Councilman Bethea and second by Councilman Feinstein:

RESOLUTION NO. 260-18 the City Council has determined that it is necessary to go into an executive session to discuss certain matters relating to the items as permitted by N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b was adopted by a unanimous roll call vote. The original resolution may be found in the Resolution Book.

- 1. Contract-NJ Ethanol, Lease vs. Purchase

ADJOURNMENT:

It was moved by Councilman Bethea and second by Councilman Feinstein the Work Session be adjourned which motion was carried.

Council President Edwards adjourned the Work Session.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved:

Miriam Garcia, Deputy Clerk

J. Curtis Edwards, Council President

Date Approved: _____