

ROANOKE CITY COUNCIL-REGULAR SESSION

July 6, 2021

9:00 a.m.

The Council of the City of Roanoke met in regular session on Tuesday, July 6, 2021 at 9:00 a.m., in the Council Chamber, Room 450, fourth floor, Noel C. Taylor Municipal Building, 215 Church Avenue, S. W., City of Roanoke, with Mayor Sherman P. Lea, Sr., presiding, pursuant to Chapter 2, Administration, Article II, City Council, Section 2-15, Rules of Procedure, Rule 1, Regular Meetings, Code of the City of Roanoke (1979), as amended, and pursuant to Resolution No. 41964-010421 adopted by the Council on Monday, January 4, 2021.

PRESENT: Council Members Joseph L. Cobb, Robert L. Jeffrey, Jr., Stephanie Moon Reynolds, Vivian Sanchez-Jones, Patricia White-Boyd, William D. Bestpitch, and Mayor Sherman P. Lea, Sr.-7.

ABSENT: None-0.

The Mayor declared the existence of a quorum.

OFFICERS PRESENT: Robert S. Cowell, Jr., City Manager; Timothy R. Spencer, City Attorney; and Cecelia F. McCoy, City Clerk.

ITEMS FOR ACTION:

VACANCIES ON CERTAIN AUTHORITIES, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES APPOINTED BY COUNCIL: A communication from Mayor Sherman P. Lea, Sr., requesting that Council convene in a Closed Meeting to discuss vacancies on certain authorities, boards, commissions and committees appointed by Council, pursuant to Section 2.2-3711 (A)(1), Code of Virginia (1950), as amended.

(See communication on file in the City Clerk's Office.)

Vice-Mayor White-Boyd moved that Council concur in the request of the Mayor as abovementioned. The motion seconded by Council Member Jeffrey and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Cobb, Jeffrey, Moon Reynolds, Sanchez-Jones, White-Boyd, Bestpitch, and Mayor Lea-7.

NAYS: None-0.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AT THE JOINT MEETING OF THE COUNCIL AND THE ROANOKE CITY SCHOOL BOARD ON MONDAY, AUGUST 2, 2021, AT 9:00 A.M., FALLON PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, 502 19TH STREET, S. E. Agenda items to be submitted to the City Clerk.

ITEMS LISTED ON THE 2:00 P.M. COUNCIL DOCKET REQUIRING DISCUSSION/CLARIFICATION AND ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO THE 2:00 P.M. AGENDA: NONE.

TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION BY THE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF COUNCIL: NONE.

BRIEFINGS:

Mill Mountain Zoo and Wildlife Conservancy Update

Niki Voudren, Executive Director; Amy Morgan, Operations Director and Jessie Coffman, Development Director, Mill Mountain Zoo briefed the Council on the activities and initiatives of the Zoo.

(See copy of handout on file in the City Clerk's Office.)

Ms. Voudren thanked the City of Roanoke for decades of support and expressed gratitude for the commitment to one of Roanoke's historic gems. She noted that in the last month the Zoo added heritage goats and turkeys, wood turtles; and recently completed the first capital project in 30 years by housing a new black bear born in captivity unable to live in the wild. She advised that by providing the bear a home much like its natural habitat, it will allow for teaching visitors throughout the region about the species and black bear safety.

She continued highlighting accomplishments mentioning that the Zoo was a refuge and conservancy to 150 animals, a tourist destination for 65 years and nationally accredited holding the highest levels of animal safety in the nation. A treasured destination that hosts 50,000 visitors a year throughout the region and, the only Zoo in Virginia's Blue Ridge that provides programming and education; and in a typical year Mill Mountain Zoo and Conservancy reaches 8,000 people in educational training and 7,000 more people, mostly children through outreach programs.

Ms. Coffman showed a video which provided a virtual tour of the Zoo and invited the Council to physically visit the area and experience what the Zoo had to offer. She advised that the hours of operation were seven days a week from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., but the admission gates closed at 4:00 p.m. daily.

In response to inquiry with regard to the reading program, Ms. Coffman advised that thanks to the Kiwanis and the Roanoke library story time occurs at 11:00 a.m. on Monday with guest readers a craft and a song.

Mayor Lea thanked the presenters for the great information and received and filed the briefing.

At 9:19 p.m., the Mayor declared the Council meeting in recess for a Closed Meeting in the Council's Conference Room, Room 450, fourth floor, Noel C. Taylor Municipal Building; and thereafter to be reconvened at 2:00 p.m., in the Council Chamber.

At 2:00 p.m., the Council meeting reconvened in the Council Chamber, with Mayor Sherman P. Lea, Sr., presiding.

PRESENT: Council Members Joseph L. Cobb, Stephanie Moon Reynolds, Vivian Sanchez-Jones, Patricia White-Boyd, William D. Bestpitch, and Mayor Sherman P. Lea, Sr.-6.

ABSENT: Council Member Robert L. Jeffrey, Jr.-1.

The Mayor declared the existence of a quorum.

OFFICERS PRESENT: Robert S. Cowell, Jr., City Manager; Timothy R. Spencer, City Attorney; and Cecelia F. McCoy, City Clerk.

The Invocation was delivered by Mayor Sherman P. Lea, Sr.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Mayor Sherman P. Lea, Sr.

PRESENTATIONS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS:

PARKS AND RECREATION MONTH: Mayor Lea declared July 2021 as Park and Recreation Month. Mayor Lea presented the proclamation to Stephanie Long, Marketing Coordinator, Parks and Recreation Department.

(See ceremonial copy of proclamation on file in the City Clerk's Office.)

HEARING OF CITIZENS UPON PUBLIC MATTERS:

City Council sets this time as a priority for citizens to be heard. If deemed appropriate, matters will be referred to the City Manager for response, recommendation or report to the Council

MISCELLANEOUS: Jeanette Morris, 2012 Sanford Avenue, S. W., appeared before the Council with regard to a request for streets, curbs and drain maintenance; and also requested enforcement of City Code and addressing grass cutting issues along Franklin Road and McClanahan Street, S. W.

CONSENT AGENDA

The Mayor advised that all matters listed under the Consent Agenda were considered to be routine by the Members of Council and would be enacted by one motion in the form, or forms, listed on the Consent Agenda, and if discussion were desired, the item would be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately.

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL: Minutes of the regular meeting of City Council held on Monday, June 21, 2021, was before the body.

(See Minutes on file in the City Clerk's Office.)

Council Member Bestpitch moved that the reading of the minutes be dispensed with and approved as recorded. The motion seconded by Council Member Moon Reynolds and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Cobb, Moon Reynolds, Sanchez-Jones, White-Boyd, Bestpitch, and Mayor Lea-6.

NAYS: None-0.

(Council Member Jeffrey was absent.)

RESIGNATION-ROANOKE NEIGHBORHOOD ADVOCATES: A communication from the City Clerk advising of the resignation of Charles Wilson as a member of the Roanoke Neighborhood Advocates, effective immediately, was before the Council.

(See communication on file in the City Clerk's Office.)

Council Member Bestpitch moved that the resignation be accepted and the communication be received and filed. The motion seconded by Council Member Moon Reynolds and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Cobb, Moon Reynolds, Sanchez-Jones, White-Boyd, Bestpitch, and Mayor Lea-6.

NAYS: None-0.

(Council Member Jeffrey was absent.)

VACANCY-PERSONNEL AND EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES COMMISSION: A communication from the City Clerk advising of a vacancy on the Personnel and Employment Practices Commission for a City Employee member, due to the retirement of Jackie Clewis, effective June 30, 2021, was before the Council.

(See communication on file in the City Clerk's Office.)

Council Member Bestpitch moved that the communication be received and filed. The motion seconded by Council Member Moon Reynolds and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Cobb, Moon Reynolds, Sanchez-Jones, White-Boyd, Bestpitch, and Mayor Lea-6.

NAYS: None-0.

(Council Member Jeffrey was absent.)

OATHS OF OFFICE-VISIT VIRGINIA'S BLUE RIDGE, BOARD OF DIRECTORS-ROANOKE CITY SCHOOL BOARD-YOUTH SERVICES CITIZEN BOARD-MILL MOUNTAIN ADVISORY BOARD: Reports of qualification of the following individuals:

Stephen W. Lemon as a City representative of the Visit Virginia's Blue Ridge, Board of Directors for a one-year term of office commencing July 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2022;

Diane Casola, Mark Cathey and Michael Cherry, II, as Trustees of the Roanoke City School Board for three-year terms of office, each, commencing July 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2024;

Douglas Pitzer as a member (Citizen-at-Large) of the Youth Services Citizen Board, to fill the unexpired term of office of Crystal Hall ending June 30, 2024; and

Jason Morgan as a member of the Mill Mountain Advisory Board for a three-year term of office, commencing July 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2024.

(See Oath or Affirmation of Office on file in the City Clerk's Office.)

Council Member Bestpitch moved that the reports of qualification be received and filed. The motion seconded by Council Member Moon Reynolds and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Cobb, Moon Reynolds, Sanchez-Jones, White-Boyd, Bestpitch, and Mayor Lea-6.

NAYS: None-0.

(Council Member Jeffrey was absent.)

REGULAR AGENDA

PUBLIC HEARINGS: NONE.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS:

VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES (DMV) SELECT PROGRAM:
The City Treasurer submitted a written communication recommending acceptance of the reimbursement as a Licensed Agency of DMV ("DMV Select"); and the City Manager submitted a written communication concurring in the recommendation.

(For full text, see communication on file in the City Clerk's Office.)

Council Member Bestpitch offered the following budget ordinance:

(#42094-070621) AN ORDINANCE to appropriate funding from the U.S. Department of Transportation through the Commonwealth of Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles to be a License Agent called a DMV Select Office, amending and reordaining certain sections of the 2021 - 2022 General Fund and Grant Fund Appropriations, and dispensing with the second reading by title of this ordinance.

(For full text of resolution, see Ordinance Book No. 81, page 734.)

Council Member Bestpitch moved the adoption of Ordinance No. 42094-070621. The motion seconded by Council Member Moon Reynolds and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Cobb, Moon Reynolds, Sanchez-Jones, White-Boyd, Bestpitch, and Mayor Lea-6.

NAYS: None-0.

(Council Member Jeffrey was absent.)

REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS AND COMMENTS OF CITY MANAGER:

CITY MANAGER:

BRIEFINGS: NONE.

ITEM RECOMMENDED FOR ACTION:

HUMAN SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD FUNDING FOR FY 2021 - 2022: The City Manager submitted a written communication recommending approval of Human Services Advisory Board allocation of funding to various non-profit agencies for Fiscal Year 2021 - 2022; and execution of a Contract with the Council of Community Services to conduct performance audits.

(For full text, see communication on file in the City Clerk's Office.)

Council Member Moon Reynolds offered the following resolution:

(#42095-070621) A RESOLUTION approving the recommendations of the Human Services Advisory Board ("Board") for allocation of City funds to various qualified agencies to assist such agencies in the performance of their programs for Fiscal Year 2021 - 2022, and authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute a contract with the Council of Community Services to perform the necessary performance audits to evaluate the effectiveness and efficiency of all the funded programs by such agencies.

(For full text of resolution, see Resolution Book No. 81, page 735.)

Council Member Moon Reynolds moved the adoption of Resolution No. 42095-070621. The motion seconded by Council Member Cobb and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Cobb, Moon Reynolds, Sanchez-Jones, White-Boyd, Bestpitch, and Mayor Lea-6.

NAYS: None-0.

(Council Member Jeffrey was absent.)

Vice-Mayor White-Boyd offered the following budget ordinance:

(#42096-070621) AN ORDINANCE to transfer funding to specific Human Services Committee agencies, amending and reordaining certain sections of the 2021 - 2022 General Fund Appropriations, and dispensing with the second reading by title of this ordinance.

(For full text of ordinance, see Ordinance Book No. 81, page 737.)

Vice-Mayor White-Boyd moved the adoption of Budget Ordinance No. 42096-070621. The motion seconded by Council Member Cobb and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Cobb, Moon Reynolds, Sanchez-Jones, White-Boyd, Bestpitch, and Mayor Lea-6.

NAYS: None-0.

(Council Member Jeffrey was absent.)

ROANOKE ARTS COMMISSION FUNDING FOR FY 2021 - 2022: The City

Manager submitted a written communication recommending approval of Roanoke Arts Commission allocation of funding to specific arts and culture agencies for Fiscal Year 2021 - 2022.

(For full text, see communication on file in the City Clerk's Office.)

Council Member Bestpitch offered the following resolution:

(#42097-070621) A RESOLUTION concurring with and approving the recommendations of the Roanoke Arts Commission's ("Arts Commission") allocation of City funds to various nonprofit agencies for Fiscal Year 2021 - 2022.

(For full text of resolution, see Resolution Book No. 81, page 739.)

Council Member Bestpitch moved the adoption of Resolution No. 42097-070621. The motion seconded by Council Member Moon Reynolds and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Cobb, Moon Reynolds, Sanchez-Jones, White-Boyd, Bestpitch, and Mayor Lea-6.

NAYS: None-0.

(Council Member Jeffrey was absent.)

Council Member Bestpitch offered the following budget ordinance:

(#42098-070621) AN ORDINANCE to transfer funding to specific Art Commission agencies, amending and reordaining certain sections of the 2021 - 2022 General Fund Appropriations, and dispensing with the second reading by title of this ordinance.

(For full text of ordinance, see Ordinance Book No. 81, page 740.)

Council Member Bestpitch moved the adoption of Budget Ordinance No. 42098-070621. The motion seconded by Council Member Cobb and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Cobb, Moon Reynolds, Sanchez-Jones, White-Boyd, Bestpitch, and Mayor Lea-6.

NAYS: None-0.

(Council Member Jeffrey was absent.)

COMMENTS OF CITY MANAGER:

The City Manager offered the following comments:

Solid Waste Collection Schedule Changes

- City offices were closed on Monday, July 5, to observe the Independence Day holiday. As a result, all residential/commercial solid waste collection will be delayed one day.

Roanoke Neighborhoods to Celebrate National Night Out

- The 38th annual National Night Out will take place on Tuesday, August 3.
- Roanoke will be participating in the celebration, along with other communities and neighborhoods across the nation!
- Neighborhood groups wishing to plan events for this celebration should visit our website at roanokeva.gov/nno, where Block Party Kits Reservations are available under "Planning Your Event."
- For questions, contact Neighborhood Services Coordinator Josh Johnson at joshua.johnson@roanokeva.gov or call 540-853-1643.

Equitable Economic Mobility Initiative

- Last week, the National League of Cities announced that the City of Roanoke has been selected for the Equitable Economic Mobility Initiative.
- This is a 15-month technical assistance and grant project aimed at boosting economic mobility for residents while addressing long-standing racial inequalities.
- Roanoke was selected because of the local government's demonstrated commitment to racial equity and resident economic mobility, along with the strong existing partnerships and the City's capacity for data collection and analysis.
- We are one of seven other cities from across the Country to receive technical assistance and support from NLC's expert staff to help advance the City's efforts in promoting economic mobility for all residents

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES: NONE.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE.

INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDERATION OR ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS: NONE.

MOTIONS AND MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS: NONE.

INQUIRIES AND/OR COMMENTS BY THE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF COUNCIL:

SUGGESTED TITLES FOR RENAMING LEE PLAZA: Vice-Mayor White-Boyd advised that the Equity and Empowerment Advisory Board (EEAB) was deliberating on the renaming of Lee Plaza, with citizen recommendations including Star City Plaza and Henrietta Lacks Plaza. She also reported that the Board anticipated making a recommendation in late July and the subcommittees were working diligently on other initiatives to report to Council in July/August on the progress.

MISCELLANEOUS: Mayor Lea commended Council Member Cobb for his work on the Gun Violence Prevention Commission and recommended that Council Members attend a town hall session such as the recent Downtown Roanoke, Inc., event. Council Member Cobb welcomed other Council Members to upcoming Gun Violence Prevention Commission sessions.

MISCELLANEOUS: Council Member Cobb brought attention to the lack of patrons during lunchtime at downtown restaurants and stated that the COVID-19 pandemic has had an effect on businesses and encouraged citizens to support downtown businesses.

VACANCIES ON CERTAIN AUTHORITIES, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES APPOINTED BY COUNCIL:

CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED MEETING: With respect to the Closed Meeting just concluded, Council Member Bestpitch moved that each Member of City Council certify to the best of his or her knowledge that: (1) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and (2) only such public business matters as were identified in any motion by which any Closed Meeting was convened were heard, discussed or considered by City Council. The motion seconded by Vice-Mayor White-Boyd and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Cobb, Moon Reynolds, Sanchez-Jones, White-Boyd, Bestpitch, and Mayor Lea-6.

NAYS: None-0.

(Council Member Jeffrey was absent.)

ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD: The Mayor called attention to the upcoming expiration of the four-year term of office of Bill Mason as a member of the Architectural Review Board ending October 1, 2021; whereupon, he opened the floor for nominations.

Council Member Bestpitch placed in nomination the name of Bill Mason.

There being no further nominations, Mr. Mason was reappointed as a member of the Architectural Review Board for a four-year term of office commencing October 2, 2021 and ending October 1, 2025, by the following vote:

FOR MR. MASON: Council Members Cobb, Moon Reynolds, Sanchez-Jones, White-Boyd, Bestpitch, and Mayor Lea-6.

(Council Member Jeffrey was absent.)

BLUE RIDGE BEHAVIORAL HEALTHCARE BOARD OF DIRECTORS: The Mayor called attention to the upcoming expiration of the three-year term of office of Lew Bishop as a member of the Blue Ridge Behavioral Healthcare Board of Directors ending December 31, 2021; whereupon, he opened the floor for nominations.

Council Member Bestpitch placed in nomination the name of Lew Bishop.

There being no further nominations, Mr. Bishop was reappointed as a member of the Blue Ridge Behavioral Healthcare Board of Directors for a three-year term of office commencing January 1, 2022 and ending December 31, 2024, by the following vote:

FOR MR. BISHOP: Council Members Cobb, Moon Reynolds, Sanchez-Jones, White-Boyd, Bestpitch, and Mayor Lea-6.

(Council Member Jeffrey was absent.)

BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS: The Mayor called attention to the upcoming expiration of the three-year term of office of Betty Jean Wolfe as a member of the Board of Zoning Appeals ending December 31, 2021; whereupon, he opened the floor for nominations.

Council Member Bestpitch placed in nomination the name of Betty Jean Wolfe.

There being no further nominations, Ms. Wolfe was reappointed as a member of the Board of Zoning Appeals for a three-year term of office commencing January 1, 2022 and ending December 31, 2024, by the following vote:

FOR MS. WOLFE: Council Members Cobb, Moon Reynolds, Sanchez-Jones, White-Boyd, Bestpitch, and Mayor Lea-6.

(Council Member Jeffrey was absent.)

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY: The Mayor called attention to the upcoming expiration of the four-year term of office of Duke Baldrige as a member of the Economic Development Authority ending October 20, 2021; whereupon, he opened the floor for nominations.

Council Member Bestpitch placed in nomination the name of Duke Baldrige.

There being no further nominations, Mr. Baldrige was reappointed as a member of the Economic Development Authority for a four-year term of office commencing October 21, 2021 and ending October 20, 2025, by the following vote:

FOR MR. BALDRIDGE: Council Members Cobb, Moon Reynolds, Sanchez-Jones, White-Boyd, Bestpitch, and Mayor Lea-6.

(Council Member Jeffrey was absent.)

HUMAN SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD: The Mayor called attention to the upcoming expiration of the four-year term of office of Erika J. Bergen, as a member of the Human Services Advisory Board ending November 30, 2021; whereupon, he opened the floor for nominations.

Council Member Bestpitch placed in nomination the name of Erika J. Bergen.

There being no further nominations, Ms. Bergen was reappointed as a member of the Human Services Advisory Board for a four-year term of office commencing December 1, 2021 and ending November 30, 2025, by the following vote:

FOR MS. BERGEN: Council Members Cobb, Moon Reynolds, Sanchez-Jones, White-Boyd, Bestpitch, and Mayor Lea-6.

(Council Member Jeffrey was absent.)

PERSONNEL AND EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES COMMISSION: The Mayor called attention to a vacancy created by the resignation of Savannah Taylor as a member of the Personnel and Employment Practices Commission ended June 30, 2021; whereupon, he opened the floor for nominations.

Council Member Bestpitch placed in nomination the name of Stuart Trinkle.

There being no further nominations, Ms. Trinkle was appointed to replace Savannah Taylor as a member of the Personnel and Employment Practices Commission for a three-year term of office commencing July 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2024, by the following vote:

FOR MS. TRINKLE: Council Members Cobb, Moon Reynolds, Sanchez-Jones, White-Boyd, Bestpitch, and Mayor Lea-6.

(Mayor Lea was absent.)

ROANOKE NEIGHBORHOOD ADVOCATES: The Mayor called attention to the upcoming expiration of the two-year terms of office of Sunni Purviance and Rosheta Chase, as members of the Roanoke Neighborhood Advocates ending September 30, 2021; whereupon, he opened the floor for nominations.

Council Member Bestpitch placed in nomination the names of Sunni Purviance and Rosheta Chase.

There being no further nominations, Ms. Purviance and Ms. Chase were reappointed as members of the Roanoke Neighborhood Advocates for two-year terms of office, each, commencing October 1, 2021 and ending September 30, 2023, by the following vote:

FOR MS. PURVIANCE AND MS. CHASE: Council Members Cobb, Moon Reynolds, Sanchez-Jones, White-Boyd, Bestpitch, and Mayor Lea-6.

(Council Member Jeffrey was absent.)

ROANOKE NEIGHBORHOOD ADVOCATES: The Mayor called attention to a vacancy created by the resignation of Charles Wilson as a member of the Roanoke Neighborhood Advocates for a term of office ending September 30, 2022; whereupon, he opened the floor for nominations.

Council Member Bestpitch placed in nomination the name of Jordan Bell.

There being no further nominations, Mr. Bell was appointed to fill the unexpired term of office of Charles Wilson as a member of the Roanoke Neighborhood Advocates ending September 30, 2022, by the following vote:

FOR MR. BELL: Council Members Cobb, Moon Reynolds, Sanchez-Jones, White-Boyd, Bestpitch, and Mayor Lea-6.

(Mayor Lea was absent.)

ROANOKE PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD: The Mayor called attention to the expiration of the three-year term of office of Jeanne Bollendorf as a member of the Roanoke Public Library Board ended June 30, 2021; whereupon, he opened the floor for nominations.

Council Member Bestpitch placed in nomination the name of Dorothy Yancey.

There being no further nominations, Ms. Yancey was appointed to replace Jeanne Bollendorf as a member of the Roanoke Public Library Board for a three-year term of office ending June 30, 2024, by the following vote:

FOR MS. YANCEY: Council Members Cobb, Moon Reynolds, Sanchez-Jones, White-Boyd, Bestpitch, and Mayor Lea-6.

(Mayor Lea was absent.)

ROANOKE REDEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING AUTHORITY: The Mayor called attention to the upcoming expiration of the four-year term of office of Drew H. Kepley, as a Commissioner of the Roanoke Redevelopment and Housing Authority, Board of Commissioners ending August 31, 2021; whereupon, he opened the floor for nominations.

Council Member Bestpitch placed in nomination the name of Drew H. Kepley.

There being no further nominations, Mr. Kepley was reappointed as a Commissioner of the Roanoke Redevelopment and Housing Authority, Board of Commissioners for a four-year term of office commencing September 1, 2021 and ending August 31, 2025, by the following vote:

FOR MR. KEPLEY: Council Members Cobb, Moon Reynolds, Sanchez-Jones, White-Boyd, Bestpitch, and Mayor Lea-6.

(Council Member Jeffrey was absent.)

ROANOKE VALLEY BROADBAND AUTHORITY: The Mayor called attention to the upcoming expiration of the four-year term of office of Michael McEvoy as a Citizen-at-Large member of the Roanoke Valley Broadband Authority ending December 12, 2021; whereupon, he opened the floor for nominations.

Council Member Bestpitch placed in nomination the name of Michael McEvoy.

There being no further nominations, Mr. McEvoy was reappointed as a Citizen-at-Large member of the Roanoke Valley Broadband Authority for a four-year term of office commencing December 13, 2021 and ending December 12, 2025, by the following vote:

FOR MR. MCEVOY: Council Members Cobb, Moon Reynolds, Sanchez-Jones, White-Boyd, Bestpitch, and Mayor Lea-6.

(Council Member Jeffrey was absent.)

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There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Lea declared the regular meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

A P P R O V E D

ATTEST:

Cecelia F. McCoy

Cecelia F. McCoy, CMC
City Clerk

Sherman P. Lea Sr.

Sherman P. Lea, Sr.
Mayor
