

ROANOKE CITY COUNCIL-REGULAR SESSION

July 5, 2022

9:00 a.m.

The Council of the City of Roanoke met in regular session on Tuesday, July 5, 2022 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 Vice-Mayor Patricia White-Boyd 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. 42245-010322 adopted by the Council on Monday, January 3, 2022.

PRESENT: Council Members Joseph L. Cobb (participated by electronic means), Stephanie Moon Reynolds, Anita J. Price, Vivian Sanchez-Jones, William D. Bestpitch, and Vice-Mayor Patricia White-Boyd-6.

ABSENT: Mayor Sherman P. Lea, Sr.-1.

The Vice-Mayor declared the existence of a quorum.

Vice-Mayor White-Boyd advised that she received a request from Council Member Joseph L. Cobb to participate in the Council meeting virtually.

Council Member Bestpitch moved to allow Council Member Cobb to participate in the Council meeting by electronic communication means. The motion seconded by Council Member Moon Reynolds and adopted by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None-0.

(Mayor Lea was absent.)

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 Vice-Mayor Patricia White-Boyd, 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.)

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

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

NAYS: None-0.

(Mayor Lea was absent.)

ITEMS LISTED ON THE 2:00 P.M. COUNCIL DOCKET REQUIRING DISCUSSION/CLARIFICATION AND ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO THE 2:00 P.M. AGENDA: Council Member Bestpitch requested, without objection of Council, that an item be included on the regular 2:00 p.m. agenda to allow Professor Ramona Kirsch, Director of International Programs, Hollins University, to make a presentation to Vice-Mayor White-Boyd and Members of Council.

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

NAYS: None-0.

(Mayor Lea was absent.)

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

At 9:05 a.m., the Vice-Mayor declared the Council meeting in recess for a Legislative Committee meeting in the Council Chamber.

At 10:23 a.m., the Council meeting reconvened, in the Council Chamber with Vice-Mayor White-Boyd presiding.

BRIEFINGS:

Code Amendment (Sections 21-37 and 24-2.1)

The City Attorney advised that in an effort to address concerns raised by the Virginia Department of Wildlife Resources with regard to Section 21-37, Discharge of air gun, gravel shooter, pneumatic gun, etc. and Section 24-2.1, Prohibition of firearms on city property, in which they believe they would be violating the law if they used a pneumatic gun to tranquilize a bear and requested that the City Code be amended before they respond to any request for services by the City of Roanoke.

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

He further advised that the language in the existing City Code was similar to the language found in the codes of the City of Richmond, Henrico County, City of Hampton, City of Virginia Beach, Fairfax County and the City of Fairfax; none of the other localities carved out a specific exception for wildlife officials.

He concluded that it was in the best interest of the City to make the amendments to create specific exemptions for conservators of the peace, animal wardens and wildlife officials acting in their official capacity.

There being no questions and/or comments by the Council, the City Attorney advised he would draft the proper measures for adoption at the July 18 City Council meeting.

Public Safety Briefing 2021

Samuel Roman, Chief of Police, briefed the Council on the 2021 Police Department crime statistics.

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

Chief Roman highlighted the following information:

- Police/Citizen Initiated CFS Rate By Zone
- Calls By Day of Week – Citywide
- Calls by Year – Citywide
- 2020 vs. 2021 Crime Comparison
- Citywide Part 1 Crime By Category – 2018-2021
- RPD and COVID-19
- Gun Violence Incidents – 2018-2021
- 2021 – Gun Violence Visualized

- Theft of Firearms
- RPD Task Force Officers at Work
- RPD Community
- RESET First Year Milestones
- Traffic Safety
- 2022 Community Focus
- Online Reporting at RPD

Chief Roman reported a slight decrease in crime of all types, but an increase of more than 7 percent in violent crime, 16 homicides compared with 12 the year before, and said gun violence is and will remain the number one priority within the Police Department.

Following Chief Roman's presentation, Council Member Cobb inquired about the difference between an aggravated assault and simple assault; whereby, Chief Roman replied aggravated assaults were considered felonies and simple assaults were consider minor such as a slap or shove. Council Member Cobb praised Chief Roman and the Police Department staff for their efforts.

Council Member Bestpitch thanked the Police Department for their efforts to keep the community safe and expressed support and appreciation to the Police Department for its focus on gun violence. He asked about the number of deaths occurred due to speeding. Chief Roman advised he would send statistical information to Council Member Bestpitch.

Council Member Price commended Chief Roman and the Police Department for their presence at city events and invited police presence at additional events. The Chief said staffing issues have had an impact on community outreach, but the department was trying to find different ways to achieve the same mission with fewer people.

Council Member Moon Reynolds inquired about the increase in sexual assaults; wherein, Chief Roman said the pandemic might be partly responsible, with more people spending time together in close quarters.

Council Member Sanchez-Jones expressed concern with regard to scooter use by teenagers and children; whereby the City Attorney advised that scooter regulations were mandated by the State of Virginia.

Vice-Mayor White-Boyd commended the Police Department for their efforts with recent the Sexual Assault and Response Awareness (SARA Roanoke) Campaign and encouraged Chief Roman to consider additional promotions to prevent sexual abuse in the City. The Vice-Mayor also praised the "Groceries not Guns" buyback program that provides grocery gift cards in exchange for guns and noted the events have been effective; wherein, Chief Roman agreed the program had been successful.

Vice-Mayor White-Boyd also inquired about homelessness in the City and Chief Roman replied that homelessness was not a crime and the City need to approach the problem as a whole government.

Following no additional comments, Vice-Mayor White-Boyd thanked Chief Roman for the informative presentation and advised that it would be received and filed.

At 11:35 a.m., the Vice-Mayor declared the Council meeting in recess for a Closed meeting in the Council's Conference Room, 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 Vice-Mayor Patricia White-Boyd presiding.

PRESENT: Council Members Joseph L. Cobb (participated by electronic means), Stephanie Moon Reynolds, Anita J. Price, William D. Bestpitch, and Vice-Mayor Patricia White-Boyd-5.

ABSENT: Council Member Vivian Sanchez-Jones and Mayor Sherman P. Lea, Sr.-2.

The Vice-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 Council Member William D. Bestpitch.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Vice-Mayor Patricia White-Boyd.

PRESENTATIONS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS:

ROANOKE SISTER CITIES: Professor Ramona Kirsch, Director of International Programs, Hollins University, and Chair of the Wonju, Korea Sister City Committee shared her experience during a recent visit to Wonju. She also presented gifts from Wonju to Vice-Mayor White-Boyd and Members of Council.

HEARING OF CITIZENS UPON PUBLIC MATTERS: The Vice-Mayor advised that City Council sets this time as a priority for citizens to be heard. All matters will be referred to the City Manager for response, recommendation or report to Council, as she may deem appropriate.

Wiley Jackson Burrows, 2301 Stanley Avenue, S. W., appeared before the Council and spoke with regard to a Boutique Hotel project slated to be constructed on Crystal Spring Avenue and was in opposition due to parking concerns in the area.

Barbara Duerk, 2607 Rosalind Avenue, S. W., appeared before the Council and spoke with regard to City Council members possessing the keys to building communities and neighborhoods.

CONSENT AGENDA

The Vice-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.

OATHS OF OFFICE-ROANOKE VALLEY JUVENILE DETENTION CENTER COMMISSION-VIRGINIA WESTERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE LOCAL ADVISORY BOARD-BOARD OF TRUSTEES, CITY OF ROANOKE PENSION PLAN: Reports of qualification of the following individuals were before the Council:

Julie Payne as a member of the Roanoke Valley Juvenile Detention Center Commission to replace James O'Hare for a four-year term of office commencing July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2026;

Beth Quinn as a member of the Virginia Western Community College Local Advisory Board to replace Joshua Johnson for a four-year term of office commencing July 1, 2022 and June 30, 2026; and

Charles Whitney Brown, Jr., as a member (Citizen-at-Large) of the Board of Trustees, City of Roanoke Pension Plan to replace Charles Hunter, III, for a four-year term of office, commencing July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2026.

(See Oaths or Affirmations 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, Price, Bestpitch, and Vice-Mayor White-Boyd-5.

NAYS: None-0.

(Council Member Sanchez-Jones and Mayor Lea were absent.)

REGULAR AGENDA

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

2022 – 2023 HUD ANNUAL ACTION PLAN: Pursuant to instructions by the Council, the City Clerk having advertised a public hearing for Tuesday, July 5, 2022, at 2:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, to receive views of citizens with regard to the 2022 — 2023 HUD Annual Action Plan, to be acted upon at the July 18, 2022 City Council Meeting, the matter was before the body.

Legal advertisement of the public hearing was published in *The Roanoke Times* on Sunday, June 12, 2022 and in *The Roanoke Tribune* on Thursday, June 23, 2022.

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

The Vice-Mayor inquired if there were persons present who wished to speak on the matter.

Karen Mason, Director, Habitat for Humanity; and Sirena Perry, homebuyer, thanked the Council for supporting the use of HUDs funds to increase affordable home ownership in the Belmont/Fallon Target Area and commended Keith Holland, Community Resources Program Administrator and his team on professionalism and knowledge of the program.

Ms. Perry spoke on her experience as a habitat program participant and advised that it comes with a great deal of work, but her life changed dramatically for the good and she was thankful to build a legacy for her ten-year old daughter.

There being no additional speakers, she declared the public hearing closed.

Council Member Bestpitch thanked Habitat for Humanity for building homes that fit into the neighborhoods in which they were constructed; and thanked Ms. Perry for doing the hard work and increasing her knowledge of homeownership and future repairs.

Council Member Moon Reynolds inquired as to the overview of the HUD funding; whereupon, Mr. Holland presented information outlining the funding process.

There being no additional comments and/or questions by the Council Members, the City Manager advised that the request to approve the funding would be recognized on the July 18 Council Meeting agenda.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS:

MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL SPECIAL DRUG PROSECUTOR GRANT: The Commonwealth's Attorney submitted a written communication recommending acceptance of grant funding from the Commonwealth of Virginia Compensation Board for the Regional Drug Prosecutor's Office; and a communication from the City Manager concurring in the recommendation.

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

Council Member Moon Reynolds offered the following resolution:

(#42387-070522) A RESOLUTION authorizing the acceptance of funding for the Multi Jurisdictional Special Prosecutor's office from the Compensation Board of the Commonwealth of Virginia and authorizing the acceptance, execution, and filing of appropriate documents to obtain such funds.

(For full text of resolution, see Resolution Book No. 82, page 458.)

Council Member Moon Reynolds moved the adoption of Resolution No. 42387-070522. The motion seconded by Council Member Price and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Cobb, Moon Reynolds, Price, Bestpitch, and Vice-Mayor White-Boyd-5.

NAYS: None-0.

(Council Member Sanchez-Jones and Mayor Lea were absent.)

Council Member Moon Reynolds offered the following budget ordinance:

(#42388-070522) AN ORDINANCE to appropriate funding from the Commonwealth of Virginia for the Regional Drug Prosecutor Grant, amending and reordaining certain sections of the 2022 – 2023 Grant Fund Appropriations, and dispensing with the second reading by title of this ordinance.

(For full text of the budget ordinance, see Ordinance Book No. 82, page 459.)

Council Member Moon Reynolds moved the adoption of Budget Ordinance No. 42388-070522. The motion seconded by Council Member Price and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Cobb, Moon Reynolds, Price, Bestpitch, and Vice-Mayor White-Boyd-5.

NAYS: None-0.

(Council Member Sanchez-Jones and Mayor Lea were absent.)

REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS AND COMMENTS OF CITY MANAGER:

CITY MANAGER:

BRIEFINGS: NONE.

ITEMS RECOMMENDED FOR ACTION:

LOCAL REVENUE SHARING FUNDING FROM VDOT: The City Manager submitted a written communication recommending acceptance of the Local Revenue Sharing Funding from the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) for the Patterson Avenue Pedestrian Improvements Project.

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

Council Member Bestpitch offered the following resolution:

(#42389-070522) A RESOLUTION authorizing the acceptance of funding for the Virginia Department of Transportation Local Revenue Sharing Funding for the Patterson Avenue Pedestrian Improvements Project and authorizing the execution, and filing of appropriate documents to obtain such funds.

(For full text of resolution, see Resolution Book No. 82, page 460.)

Council Member Bestpitch moved the adoption of Resolution No. 42389-070522. The motion seconded by Council Member Moon Reynolds and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Cobb, Moon Reynolds, Price, Bestpitch, and Vice-Mayor White-Boyd-5.

NAYS: None-0.

(Council Member Sanchez-Jones and Mayor Lea were absent.)

Council Member Moon Reynolds offered the following budget ordinance:

(#42390-070522) AN ORDINANCE to appropriate funding from the Virginia Department of Transportation to the Patterson Avenue Pedestrian Improvements project, amending and reordaining certain sections of the 2022 – 2023 Capital Projects Fund Appropriations, and dispensing with the second reading by title of this ordinance.

(For full text of the budget ordinance, see Ordinance Book No. 82, page 461.)

Council Member Moon Reynolds moved the adoption of Budget Ordinance No. 42390-070522. The motion seconded by Council Member Price and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Cobb, Moon Reynolds, Price, Bestpitch, and Vice-Mayor White-Boyd-5.

NAYS: None-0.

(Council Member Sanchez-Jones and Mayor Lea were absent.)

VIRGINIA HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY COMMUNITY IMPACT GRANT: The City Manager submitted a written communication recommending acceptance of the Virginia Housing Development Authority Community Impact Grant award to explore potential housing options for adults with intellectual and development disabilities.

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

Council Member Moon Reynolds offered the following resolution:

(#42391-070522) A RESOLUTION accepting the Virginia Housing Development Authority Community Impact Grant Funding to the City; and authorizing execution of any required documents on behalf of the City.

(For full text of resolution, see Resolution Book No. 82, page 462.)

Council Member Moon Reynolds moved the adoption of Resolution No. 42391-070522. The motion seconded by Council Member Bestpitch and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Cobb, Moon Reynolds, Price, Bestpitch, and Vice-Mayor White-Boyd-5.

NAYS: None-0.

(Council Member Sanchez-Jones and Mayor Lea were absent.)

Council Member Moon Reynolds offered the following budget ordinance:

(#42392-070522) AN ORDINANCE to appropriate funding from the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development (VHDA) Community Impact Grant, amending and reordaining certain sections of the 2022 – 2023 Grant Fund Appropriations, and dispensing with the second reading by title of this ordinance.

(For full text of budget ordinance, see Ordinance Book No. 82, page 463.)

Council Member Moon Reynolds moved the adoption of Budget Ordinance No. 42392-070522. The motion seconded by Council Member Bestpitch and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Cobb, Moon Reynolds, Price, Bestpitch, and Vice-Mayor White-Boyd-5.

NAYS: None-0.

(Council Member Sanchez-Jones and Mayor Lea were absent.)

VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT REIMBURSEMENT: The City Manager submitted a written communication recommending acceptance of "pass - through" funds from the Virginia Department of Emergency Management to reimburse the Hazardous Materials Response Team.

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

Council Member Bestpitch offered the following ordinance:

(#42393-070522) AN ORDINANCE to appropriating funding from the United States Department of Transportation through the Commonwealth of Virginia Department of Emergency Management (VDEM) for hazardous materials emergency responses and training and development, amending and reordaining certain sections of the 2022 – 2023 Grant Fund Appropriations, and dispensing with the second reading by title of this ordinance.

(For full text of ordinance, see Ordinance Book No. 82, page 464.)

Council Member Bestpitch moved the adoption of Ordinance No. 42393-070522. The motion seconded by Council Member Moon Reynolds and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Cobb, Moon Reynolds, Price, Bestpitch, and Vice-Mayor White-Boyd-5.

NAYS: None-0.

(Council Member Sanchez-Jones and Mayor Lea were absent.)

GENERAL OBLIGATION PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT BONDS: The City Manager submitted a written communication recommending authorizing General Obligation Public Improvement Bonds in the principal amount of not to exceed \$48,120,000 and appropriation of funds for capital projects.

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

Council Member Moon Reynolds offered the following resolution:

(#42394-070522) A RESOLUTION authorizing the issuance and sale of not to exceed forty-eight million one hundred twenty thousand dollars (\$48,120,000) aggregate principal amount of general obligations of the City of Roanoke, Virginia, in the form of general obligation public improvement bonds of the City, for the purpose of providing funds to pay the costs of the acquisition, construction, reconstruction, improvement, extension, enlargement and equipping of various public improvement projects of and for the City (including related design and architectural and engineering services); fixing the form, denomination and certain other details of such bonds; and otherwise providing with respect to the issuance, sale and delivery of such bonds; and authorizing and providing for the issuance and sale of a like principal amount of general obligation public improvement bond anticipation notes in anticipation of the issuance and sale of such bonds.

(For full text of resolution, see Resolution Book No. 82, page 465.)

Council Member Moon Reynolds moved the adoption of Resolution No. 42394-070522. The motion seconded by Council Member Bestpitch and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Cobb, Moon Reynolds, Price, Bestpitch, and Vice-Mayor White-Boyd-5.

NAYS: None-0.

(Council Member Sanchez-Jones and Mayor Lea were absent.)

Council Member Moon Reynolds offered the following budget ordinance:

(#42395-070522) AN ORDINANCE to appropriate funding to be provided by the issuance of General Obligation Bonds to the Stormwater Improvements, City-wide Curb/Gutter/Sidewalk, Streetscapes, Bridge Renovations, Law Library Renovations, Parks & Rec Master Plan, Fire Master Plan, Public Works Locker Room Renovation, Magistrate Office Renovation, Fleet Vehicular Purchases, Technology Projects, Capital Building Maintenance, Civic Center Roof Replacement, Restrooms, and Lighting Upgrades and Roanoke City Schools Morningside Addition and Preston Park New Construction amending and reordaining certain sections of the 2022 - 2023 Stormwater Utility, Capital Projects, Civic Center and School Capital Projects Funds, and dispensing with the second reading by title of this ordinance.

(For full text of budget ordinance, see Ordinance Book No. 82, page 482.)

Council Member Moon Reynolds moved the adoption of Budget Ordinance No. 42395-070522. The motion seconded by Council Member Bestpitch and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Cobb, Moon Reynolds, Price, Bestpitch, and Vice-Mayor White-Boyd-5.

NAYS: None-0.

(Council Member Sanchez-Jones and Mayor Lea were absent.)

COMMENTS OF CITY MANAGER:

The City Manager shared the following comments:

- The Adopted Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget is available for public review on July 6; copies are available online at www.roanokeva.gov, in the City Libraries, City Clerk's Office, and City Manager's Office.
- The William and Margaret Robertson Behavioral Health Wing will hold a ribbon cutting ceremony on Wednesday, July 13 at the Bradley Free Clinic located at 1240 3rd Street, S. W. The Clinic received CBDG Funding from the City and private funding from the area to support the construction.
- Due to the observance of the Independence Day holiday Monday, July 4, 2022, the collection of trash, bulk items and recycling will be delayed one day.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES: NONE.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE.

INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDERATION OR ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS: NONE.

MOTION AND MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:

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

Vice-Mayor White-Boyd encouraged citizens to cleanup July 4th holiday litter and trash following celebrations.

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 Price 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 Council Member Bestpitch and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Cobb, Moon Reynolds, Price, Bestpitch, and Vice-Mayor White-Boyd-5.

NAYS: None-0.

(Council Member Sanchez-Jones and Mayor Lea were absent.)

ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD: The Vice-Mayor called attention to the vacancy on the Architectural Review Board created by the lack of attendance of Shawn Swain ending October 1, 2022; whereupon, she opened the floor for nominations.

Council Member Bestpitch placed in the nomination the name of Kathryn Kronau.

There being no further nominations, Ms. Kronau was appointed to fill the unexpired term of Shawn Swain as a member of the Architectural Review Board ending October 1, 2022, by the following vote:

FOR MS. KRONAU: Council Members Cobb, Moon Reynolds, Price, Bestpitch, and Vice-Mayor White-Boyd-5.

(Council Member Sanchez-Jones and Mayor Lea were absent.)

BOARD OF TRUSTEES, CITY OF ROANOKE PENSION PLAN: The Vice-Mayor called attention to the expiration of the two-year term of office of Carolyn Glover as a City Retiree representative on the Board of Trustees, City of Roanoke Pension Plan ending June 30, 2022; whereupon, she opened the floor for nominations.

Council Member Bestpitch placed in nomination the name of Jackie Clewis.

There being no further nominations, Ms. Clewis was appointed to replace Carolyn Glover as a City Retiree representative on the Board of Trustees, City of Roanoke Pension Plan for a two-year term of office commencing July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2024, by the following vote:

FOR MS. CLEWIS: Council Members Cobb, Moon Reynolds, Price, Bestpitch, and Vice-Mayor White-Boyd-5.

(Council Member Sanchez-Jones and Mayor Lea were absent.)

CITY OF ROANOKE FINANCE BOARD: The Vice-Mayor called attention to the expiration of the two-year term of office of Laura Carini as a Citizen member of the City of Roanoke Finance Board ending June 30, 2022; whereupon, she opened the floor for nominations.

Council Member Bestpitch placed in nomination the name of Donna Littlepage.

There being no further nominations, Ms. Littlepage was appointed to replace Laura Carini as a Citizen member of the City of Roanoke Finance Board for a two-year term of office commencing July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2024, by the following vote:

FOR MS. LITTLEPAGE: Council Members Cobb, Moon Reynolds, Price, Bestpitch, and Vice-Mayor White-Boyd-5.

(Council Member Sanchez-Jones and Mayor Lea were absent.)

COURT COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS PROGRAM REGIONAL COMMUNITY CRIMINAL JUSTICE BOARD: Council Member Bestpitch moved that the City residency requirement be waived for Captain Adam Puckett to replace Deputy Chief Eric Charles as a City representative of the Court Community Corrections Program Regional Community Criminal Justice Board, who was appointed at the June 6 Council Meeting. The motion was seconded by Council Member Cobb and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Cobb, Moon Reynolds, Price, Bestpitch, and Vice-Mayor White-Boyd-5.

NAYS: None-0.

(Council Member Sanchez-Jones and Mayor Lea were absent.)

REGIONAL VIRGINIA ALCOHOL SAFETY ACTION PROGRAM POLICY BOARD: Council Member Bestpitch moved that the City residency requirement be waived for Captain Adam Puckett to replace Deputy Chief Eric Charles as a City representative of the Regional Virginia Alcohol Safety Action Program Policy Board, who was appointed at the June 6 Council Meeting. The motion was seconded by Council Member Cobb and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Cobb, Moon Reynolds, Price, Bestpitch, and Vice-Mayor White-Boyd-5.

NAYS: None-0.

(Council Member Sanchez-Jones and Mayor Lea were absent.)

ROANOKE ARTS COMMISSION: The Vice-Mayor called attention to the expiration of the three-year terms of office of Kevin Deck and Cari Gates, each, ending June 30, 2022; and the unexpired term of office of Timothy Martin ending June 30, 2024 as members of the Roanoke Arts Commission; whereupon, she opened the floor for nominations.

Council Member Bestpitch placed in nomination the names of Toya Jones, Whitney Johnson, and Benjamin Bazak.

There being no further nominations, Ms. Jones was appointed to replace Kevin Deck; Ms. Johnson was appointed to replace Cari Gates for three-year terms of office, each, commencing July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2025; and Benjamin Bazak was appointed to fill the unexpired term of office of Timothy Martin ending June 30, 2024, as members of the Roanoke Arts Commission by the following vote:

FOR MS. JONES, MS. JOHNSON, AND MR. BAZAK: Council Members Cobb, Moon Reynolds, Price, Bestpitch, and Vice-Mayor White-Boyd-5.

(Council Member Sanchez-Jones and Mayor Lea were absent.)

ROANOKE CIVIC CENTER COMMISSION: The Vice-Mayor called attention to a vacancy created by the resignation of Dr. Thomas Powers, Jr., as a member of the Roanoke Civic Center Commission ending September 30, 2023; whereupon, she 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 Dr. Thomas Powers, Jr., as a member of the Roanoke Civic Center Commission ending September 30, 2023, by the following vote:

FOR MR. BELL: Council Members Cobb, Moon Reynolds, Price, Bestpitch, and Vice-Mayor White-Boyd-5.

(Council Member Sanchez-Jones and Mayor Lea were absent.)

ROANOKE PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD: The Vice-Mayor called attention to the expiration of the three-year term of office of Marianne Gandee as a member of the Roanoke Public Library Board ending June 30, 2022; whereupon, she opened the floor for nominations.

Council Member Bestpitch placed in nomination the name of Clare Callaghan.

There being no further nominations, Ms. Callaghan was appointed to replace Marianne Gandee as a member of the Roanoke Public Library Board for a three-year term of office commencing July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2025, by the following vote:

FOR MS. CALLAGHAN: Council Members Cobb, Moon Reynolds, Price, Bestpitch, and Vice-Mayor White-Boyd-5.

(Council Member Sanchez-Jones and Mayor Lea were absent.)

There being no further business to come before the Council, Vice-Mayor White-Boyd declared the Council meeting adjourned at 3:31 p.m.

A P P R O V E D

ATTEST:



Cecelia F. McCoy, CMC
City Clerk



Patricia White-Boyd
Vice-Mayor
