



City of Roanoke, Virginia

CITY COUNCIL

September 18, 2023
2:00 PM
City Council Chamber
215 Church Avenue, S.W.

AGENDA

The City of Roanoke is a safe, caring and economically vibrant community in which to live, learn, work, play and prosper.

A vibrant urban center with strong neighborhoods set amongst the spectacular beauty of Virginia's Blue Ridge.

NOTICE:

Council meetings will be televised live and replayed on RVTV Channel 3 on Thursdays at 7:00 p.m., and Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; and video streamed through Facebook Live at facebook.com/RoanokeVa. Council meetings are offered with closed captioning for the deaf or hard of hearing.

1. CALL TO ORDER - ROLL CALL. Council Members Priddy and White-Boyd were absent.

The Invocation was delivered by Minister Leda Sapp, Associate Minister, Not Forgotten Ministries.

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

Welcome.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

2. PRESENTATIONS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS:

A proclamation declaring September 15 through October 15, 2023 as Hispanic and LatinX Heritage Month.

Council Member Sanchez-Jones read and presented the proclamation to Lisa Spencer, Executive Director, Local Colors of Western Virginia. She invited all citizens to attend the Latin American Culture Event on September 30, 12:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m., in the John Nolen Plaza.

3. HEARING OF CITIZENS UPON PUBLIC MATTERS:

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Michael Ferguson, 725 13th Street, S. W., appeared before the Council and spoke with regard to his business and a citation from the City's Code Enforcement.

Freeda Cathcart, 2516 Sweetbrier Avenue, S. W., appeared before the Council and spoke with regard to the Grandin Court Neighborhood Association and asked for assistance with the appointment of officers.

4. CONSENT AGENDA: APPROVED (5-0)

All matters listed under the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the Members of City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of the items. If discussion is desired, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately.

- C-1.** A communication from Council Member Patricia White-Boyd, Chair, City Council Personnel Committee, requesting that Council convene in a Closed Meeting to discuss a personnel matter, being the annual performances of the Council-Appointed Officers, pursuant to Section 2.2-3711 (A)(1), Code of Virginia (1950), as amended.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Concurred in the request.

- C-2.** A communication from the City Attorney requesting that Council convene in a Closed Meeting to consult with legal counsel regarding litigation, where such consultation or briefing in open meeting would adversely affect the negotiating or litigating posture of the public body, pursuant to Section 2.2-3711 (A)(7), Code of Virginia (1950), as amended.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Concurred in the request.

- C-3.** Request to Schedule a Public Hearing to Consider Boundary Amendments to Enterprise Zone One A.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Authorized the advertisement of a public hearing on the above matters to be held on Monday, October 16, 2023 at 7:00 P.M., or as soon as the matter may be reached, or at such later date and time as deemed appropriate by the City Manager.

- C-4.** A communication from the City Clerk advising of the resignation of Lori Baker-Lloyd as member of the Architectural Review Board, effective immediately.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Accepted the resignation and received and filed the communication.

- C-5.** Minutes of the Audit Committee held on Wednesday, June 7, 2023.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Received and filed.

- C-6.** Annual report of the Audit Committee for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Received and filed.

- C-7.** Annual reports of the City Planning Commission, Architectural Review Board, Board of Zoning Appeals and Building and Fire Code Board of Appeals for Fiscal Year 2023.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: **Received and filed.**

- C-8.** Reports of qualification of Gwendolyn Coleman as a member of the Roanoke Valley Juvenile Detention Center Commission to fill the unexpired term of office of Steven Martin ending June 30, 2026; and Christopher Carver as a member of the Roanoke Civic Center Commission for a three-year term of office, commencing October 1, 2023 and September 30, 2026.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: **Received and filed.**

REGULAR AGENDA:

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS: NONE.

6. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Acceptance of the FY 2022 SCAAP Reimbursement Grant Award.
Adopted Resolution No. 42759-091823 and Budget Ordinance No. 42760-091823. (5-0)
2. Acceptance of the FY24 School Resource Officer Program Grant.
Adopted Resolution No. 42761-091823 and Budget Ordinance No. 42762-091823. (5-0)
3. Presentation of the activities, initiatives and capital needs of the Jefferson Center. Cyrus L. Pace, Executive Director, Spokesperson. (Sponsored by Vice-Mayor Cobb and Council Member Moon Reynolds) **Received and filed.**

THE COUNCIL MEETING STOOD IN RECESS AT 3:45 P.M., FOR THE COUNCIL TO ATTEND A PRESS CONFERENCE; AND THEREAFTER RECONVENE AT 4:56 P.M., IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, ROOM 450, NOEL C. TAYLOR MUNICIPAL BUILDING FOR CONTINUATION OF THE COUNCIL MEETING.

7. REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS AND COMMENTS OF CITY MANAGER:

1. CITY MANAGER:

BRIEFINGS:

FY24 Budget - August Monthly Budget Report - 10 minutes.

Presentation followed Item 7.I. Received and filed.

Summer Youth Curfew and Activities - 20 minutes.

Received and filed.

ITEMS RECOMMENDED FOR ACTION:

- A.** Acceptance of the 2024 Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) Traffic Safety (Selective Enforcement - Alcohol) Grant.
Adopted Resolution No. 42763-091823 and Budget Ordinance No. 42764-091823. (5-0)
- B.** Acceptance of the 2024 Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) Traffic Safety (Selective Enforcement - Pedestrian/Bicycle) Grant.
Adopted 42765-091823 and Budget Ordinance No. 42766-091823. (5-0)
- C.** Acceptance of the 2024 Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) Traffic Safety (Selective Enforcement – Police Traffic Services) Grant.

Adopted Resolution No. 42767-091823 and Budget Ordinance No. 42768-091823. (5-0)

- D. Amendment of the HUD Annual Action Plan.
Adopted Resolution No. 42769-091823. (5-0)
- E. Acceptance of the Virginia Department of Fire Programs FY24 funding.
Adopted Resolution No. 42770-091823 and Budget Ordinance No. 42771-091823. (5-0)
- F. Authorization of a request for Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) Revenue Sharing Funds (FY 2027 - 2028).
Adopted Resolution No. 42772-091823. (5-0)
- G. Authorization of a request for Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) FY25 Transportation Alternatives Program Funds.
Adopted Resolution No. 42773-091823. (5-0)
- H. Acceptance of Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) Local Revenue Sharing Funding for Multiple Drainage Improvement Projects.
Adopted Resolution 42774-091823 and Budget Ordinance No. 42775-091823. (5-0)
- I. Acceptance and Appropriation of additional funding from George Mason University for the Roanoke Regional Small Business Development Center.
Adopted Resolution No. 42776-091823 and Budget Ordinance No. 42777-091823. (5-0)

COMMENTS OF THE CITY MANAGER. NONE.

2. CITY ATTORNEY:

- A. Amendment of the City Code, Chapter 20, Motor Vehicles and Traffic.
Adopted Ordinance No. 42778-091823. (5-0)
- B. Amendment of the City Code, Code Enforcement, Chapter 7, Chapter 20, and Chapter 33.
Adopted Ordinance Nos. 42779-091823, 42780-091823 and 42781-091823. (5-0)
- C. Amendment of the City Code, Chapter 2, Section 2-305, Equity and Empowerment Advisory Board.
Adopted Ordinance No. 42782-091823. (5-0)

8. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:

- 1. A report of the Roanoke City School Board requesting appropriation of funds for various educational programs; and a report of the City Manager recommending that Council concur in the request. Donna Caldwell, Director of Accounting, Spokesperson.
Adopted Budget Ordinance No. 42783-091823. (5-0)
- 2. A report of certain Authorities, Boards, Committees and Commissions in which City Council serve as liaisons or appointees.
NONE.

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE.

10. **INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS: NONE.**
11. **MOTIONS AND MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:**
1. Inquiries and/or comments by the Mayor and Members of City Council. **NONE.**
 2. Vacancies on certain authorities, boards, commissions and committees appointed by Council. **NONE.**
12. **RECESSED - 5:41 P.M.**
THE COUNCIL MEETING WILL STAND IN RECESS; AND THEREAFTER RECONVENE AT 7:00 PM, IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, ROOM 450, NOEL C. TAYLOR MUNICIPAL BUILDING.



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13. **CALL TO ORDER - ROLL CALL. Council Members Priddy and White-Boyd were absent.**

The Invocation was delivered by Vice-Mayor Joseph L. Cobb.

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Welcome.

CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED MEETING. (5-0)

14. **PRESENTATIONS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS:**

Recognition of the Pathfinders for Greenways, Bridge Street Trailhead Parking Lot Project.

Council Member Volosin recognized the Pathfinders for Greenways and accepted a check for \$172,000.00.

Presentation of *It's Here* Portrait Project (The Arts, Entrepreneurship + Placemaking in Roanoke, Virginia) and *The Year of the Artist* Wrap Up Acknowledgment.

Doug Jackson, Arts and Culture Coordinator, presented the *It's Here* Portrait Project and thanked the Roanoke Arts Commission and the National Endowment for the Arts.

15. **PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

1. Request of Goodwill Industries of the Valleys, Inc., to (i) repeal all conditions proffered as part of a previous rezoning on property located at 2502 Melrose Avenue, N. W., enacted through Ordinance No. 35433-070201 and (ii) to rezone property from IPUD(c), Industrial Planned Unit Development District with

conditions, to MXPUD, Mixed Use Planned Unit Development District, subject to the Development Plan. Gil Entzminger, Enteros Design PC, Spokesperson.

Adopted Ordinance No. 42784-091823. (5-0)

2. Request of Carilion Medical Center to (i) repeal an existing sign overlay at 127 McClanahan Street, S. W., 2001 Crystal Spring Avenue, S. W., 0 Jefferson Street, S. W., 2017 Jefferson Street, S. W., 2013 Jefferson Street, S. W., 1860 Jefferson Street, S. W., 1634 Hamilton Terrace, S. E., three parcels identified as 0 Hamilton Terrace, S. E., 1815 Belleview Avenue, S. E., 1906 Belleview Avenue, S. E., and a portion of 1630 Belleview Avenue, S. E., respectively, and (ii) to establish a new sign overlay at 127 McClanahan Street, S. W., 2001 Crystal Spring Avenue, S. W., 0 Jefferson Street, S. W., 2017 Jefferson Street, S. W., 2013 Jefferson Street, S. W., 1860 Jefferson Street, S. W., 1634 Hamilton Terrace, S. E., three parcels identified as 0 Hamilton Terrace, S. E., 1815 Belleview Avenue, S. E., and 1906 Belleview Avenue, S. E., respectively. Chris Burns, Balzer and Associates, Inc., Spokesperson.

Adopted Ordinance No. 42785-091823. (5-0)

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Joanne Hayden, 2110 Clinton Circle, N. W., as a member of the Friends of Evan Springs, appeared before the Council and spoke in support of protection of the property and urged the Council not to cut down the natural canopy.

AT 8:03 P.M., THE COUNCIL MEETING WILL STAND IN RECESS TO RECONVENE ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, AT 8:30 A.M., IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, 215 CHURCH AVENUE, S. W., ROOM 450, TO DEPART FOR A TOUR OF ARPA INVESTMENTS; FOLLOWING THE TOUR, THE MEETING WILL RECONVENE AT THE BERGLUND CENTER, BELLA VISTA ROOM, 710 WILLIAMSON ROAD, N. W., FOR A STRATEGIC PLANNING RETREAT.