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**ROANOKE CITY COUNCIL  
INFORMAL SESSION**

**JANUARY 3, 2017  
10:00 A.M.**

**CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER  
ROOM 450**

**AGENDA**

**Call to Order -- Roll Call. All Present.**

Welcome. Mayor Sherman P. Lea, Sr.

**NOTICE**

This morning meeting and briefings will be televised live and replayed on RVTV Channel 3 following the 2:00 p.m. session on Thursday, January 5 at 7:00 p.m.; and Saturday, January 7 at 4:00 p.m.; and video streamed by Internet through CivicPlus, at [roanokeva.gov/councilmeetings](http://roanokeva.gov/councilmeetings). Council meetings are offered with closed captioning for the hearing impaired.

**ITEMS FOR ACTION:**

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. A list of current vacancies is included with the agenda for this meeting.

**(7-0)**

A communication from the Senior Assistant City Attorney requesting that Council convene in a Closed Meeting for consultation with legal counsel pertaining to actual litigation where such consultation and briefing in an 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.

**(7-0)**

A communication from the City Manager requesting that Council convene in a Closed Meeting to discuss a proposal for the disposition of City-owned property located at 2750 Hoover Street, N. W., where discussion in an open meeting would adversely affect the negotiating strategy of the public body, pursuant to Section 2.2-3711 (A)(3), Code of Virginia (1950), as amended.

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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:

- |                                    |   |            |
|------------------------------------|---|------------|
| • Blue Ridge Behavioral Healthcare | - | 45 minutes |
| • General Real Estate Reassessment | - | 30 minutes |
| • Budget/Financial Planning FY18   | - | 30 minutes |

**AT 1:02 P.M., THE COUNCIL MEETING WAS DECLARED IN RECESS UNTIL 2:00 P.M.**

**THE COUNCIL MET IN CLOSED MEETING IN THE COUNCIL'S CONFERENCE ROOM, ROOM 451, NOEL C. TAYLOR MUNICIPAL BUILDING.**



## **ROANOKE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION**

**JANUARY 3, 2017  
2:00 P.M.**

### **CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER**

### **AGENDA**

#### **1. Call to Order--Roll Call. All Present**

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 Lea.

Welcome. Mayor Lea.

#### **NOTICE:**

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#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

The Council of the City of Roanoke is seeking applications for the following current vacancies and/or upcoming expirations of terms of office:

Board of Zoning Appeals – one vacancy  
Three-year term of office ending December 31, 2019

Human Services Advisory Board – one vacancy  
Unexpired term of office ending November 30, 2018

Personnel and Employment Practices Commission – one vacancy  
Three-year term of office ending June 30, 2019

Contact the City Clerk's Office at 853-2541, or access the City's homepage to complete an online application.

## **2. PRESENTATIONS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS:**

Recognition of City employees with 30, 35, 40 and 45 years of service.

**Mayor Lea presented the 45 year recipients – Marion Smith and Betty Smith with a Key to the City Plaque; 40 year recipient – Karen Kimbrough, in her absence, a proclamation and an engraved clock; and 35 and 30 year recipients received engraved awards.**

**The Mayor advised that the Annual Service Awards Breakfast in recognition of City employees with 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40 and 45 years of dedicated and outstanding service to the City will be held on Thursday, January 19 at 7:30 p.m., at the Holiday Inn – Valley View.**

## **3. HEARING OF CITIZENS UPON PUBLIC MATTERS:**

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 he may deem appropriate.

**Brian McConnell appeared before the Council**

## **4. CONSENT AGENDA: (APPROVED 7-0)**

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 Minutes of the regular meeting of City Council held on Monday, September 19, 2016, and recessed until Friday, September 23, 2016.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION: Dispensed with the reading of the minutes and approved as recorded.**

- C-2           A communication from the City Manager requesting that Council advertise a public hearing to be held on Tuesday, January 17, 2017, at 7:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, or such later date and time as the City Manager may determine, to receive City comments on the adoption of an updated Solid Waste Management Plan.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:       Concurred in the request.**

- C-3           A report of the Director of Finance advising that no additional action is required by the Council with respect to the City Council Agenda Report dated December 19, 2016, regarding adoption of a resolution in order to authorize the reimbursement from 2018 Bond Funds for the sum up to \$500,000.00.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:       Received and filed.**

- C-4           A report of the Director of Finance transmitting the Financial Report for the month ended November 30, 2016.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:       Received and filed.**

- C-5           Minutes of the Audit Committee held on Wednesday, December 14, 2016.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:       Received and filed.**

- C-6           Reports of qualification of the following individuals:

Patrick D. Crandall as a (Citizen at Large) member of the Personnel and Employment Practices Commission to fill the unexpired term of Geraldo Correa, Jr., ending June 30, 2018;

Richard Morrison as a (City employee) member of the Personnel and Employment Practices Commission for a three-year term of office ending June 30, 2019;

Thomas L. McKeon as a member of the Roanoke Arts Commission for a three-year term of office ending June 30, 2019; and

Karri B. Atwood as a member of the City Planning Commission for a four-year term of office ending December 31, 2020.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:       Received and filed.**

## **REGULAR AGENDA:**

### **10. INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:**

- a. A resolution urging the United States Congress to assist State and Local governments in the collection of revenues that are essential to the expansion of the local and regional economy, by enacting the Marketplace Fairness Act during its 2017 Session.

**Adopted Resolution No. 40737-010317. (7-0)**

### **5. PUBLIC HEARINGS: NONE.**

### **6. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS: NONE.**

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

- a. CITY MANAGER:

BRIEFINGS: NONE.

ITEMS RECOMMENDED FOR ACTION:

- 1. Appropriation of additional funding for Enterprise Zone One A to provide for program grants and rebates to meet the increased grant request activity for Fiscal Year 2016 – 2017.  
**Action postponed until the next regular meeting of Council scheduled to be held on Tuesday, January 17, 2017 at 2:00 p.m.**
- 2. Authorization to acquire real property rights for the Troxell Road/Mabry Avenue Stormwater Drainage Improvements Project.  
**Adopted Ordinance No. 40738-010317.**

## **COMMENTS OF CITY MANAGER.**

The City Manager commented on the following:

### **Franklin Road Bridge Replacement Detour Begins Today**

- The Franklin Road Bridge will be closed as crews begin replacement work.
- All vehicles will be detoured to Reserve Avenue and Jefferson Street.
- Signs will be in place to direct drivers.
- A detailed map of the detour will be available at [roanokeva.gov/franklinbridgedetour](http://roanokeva.gov/franklinbridgedetour).
- The construction project is expected to last approximately two years.
- For more information, contact the city's Engineering Division at 853-2731.

### **Solid Waste Collection Schedule**

- City offices were closed yesterday for the New Year's holiday.
- For residents, this week's collection will be delayed one day.
- If your normal collection day is
  - Monday, collection will be on Tuesday
  - Tuesday, collection will be on Wednesday
  - Wednesday, collection will be on Thursday
  - Thursday, collection will be on Friday
- The Central Business District will be worked on schedule.
- City residents who have real Christmas trees may place them on the curb any week for collection with brush. We ask that you remove lights and decorations from the trees before placing them out for collection.
- If you have questions, call 853-2000 and select option 1.

### **Art By Bus Public Art Project**

- The Roanoke Arts Commission, Ride Solutions, and the Greater Roanoke Transit Authority are partnering once again to present Art by Bus, a unique public art project, in spring 2017.
- One part of the project will be selecting someone to ride city buses and write about their experiences.
- The writer will be issued a one-month bus pass and paid an honorarium of up to \$1,000 to create a unique work of literature while riding different bus routes.
- Applications can be downloaded at [roanokeva.gov/artsandculture](http://roanokeva.gov/artsandculture), and are due by 5 p.m. on January 20.

- A second component of the project is to display artwork selected from the city's regional Public Art Collection on four Valley Metro buses during the months of March and April.
- The project is intended to draw attention to public art and the important role public transportation plays in connecting our neighborhoods and communities.
- Art by Bus is part of a larger promotion by Ride Solutions throughout March and April, which will include other activities such as live musical performances, sculpture, activities at the bus stops, partnerships with local schools, and more.
- Citizens may contact Roanoke Arts and Culture Coordinator Susan Jennings at 853-5652 or [susan.jennings@roanokeva.gov](mailto:susan.jennings@roanokeva.gov) for more information.

## **8. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES: NONE.**

## **9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE.**

## **11. MOTIONS AND MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:**

- a. Inquiries and/or comments by the Mayor and Members of City Council.

### **Mayor Lea called attention to two events:**

- **Roanoke Chapter SCLC Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Banquet on Saturday, January 14, 2017 at 5:00 p.m., at the Holiday Inn – Valley View**
- **19<sup>th</sup> Annual North Carolina State University – Roanoke Alumni Chapter Martin Luther King, Jr., Breakfast on Monday, January 16, 2017 at 8:00 a.m., at The Hotel Roanoke and Conference Center**

- b. Vacancies on certain authorities, boards, commissions and committees appointed by Council. **NONE.**

### **CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED MEETING. (7-0)**

## **12. ADJOURN. – 3:43 P.M.**