



**PRICE**  
**40771-030617**

**ROANOKE CITY COUNCIL  
INFORMAL SESSION**

**MARCH 6, 2017  
9:00 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, March 9 at 7:00 p.m.; and Saturday, March 11 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.

**(The Closed Meeting was continued until April 3)**

A communication from Council Member David B. Trinkle, Chair, City Council Personnel Committee, requesting that Council convene in a Closed Meeting to discuss a personnel matter, being the selection process for a City Manager, pursuant to Section 2.2-3711 (A)(1), Code of Virginia (1950), as amended.

**(7-0)**

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:

- Jefferson College of Health Sciences - 20 minutes
  - FY18 Budget/Financial Planning - 90 minutes
- Work Session

**Continued during the 2:00 p.m. session**

**AT 12:45 P.M., THE COUNCIL MEETING WAS DECLARED IN RECESS UNTIL 2:00 P.M., FOR A CLOSED MEETING IN THE COUNCIL'S CONFERENCE ROOM, ROOM 451, NOEL C. TAYLOR MUNICIPAL BUILDING.**



## **ROANOKE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION**

**MARCH 6, 2017  
2:00 P.M.**

### **CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER**

### **AGENDA**

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

The Invocation was delivered by The Reverend Carlton Wright, Associate Pastor for Seniors and Pastoral Care, Shenandoah Baptist Church.

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

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:

Parks and Recreation Advisory Board – five vacancies  
Three-year terms of office ending March 31, 2020

Roanoke Regional Airport Commission – one vacancy  
Four-year term of office ending March 9, 2021

Access the City's homepage to complete an online application.

**Expiration of the three-year terms of office of William B. Hopkins, Jr., and Lori E. Vaught as Trustees of the Roanoke City School Board ending June 30, 2017. Trustee Vaught is not eligible for reappointment. Deadline for receipt of applications is Friday, March 10, 2017. Printable application is available online for submittal to the City Clerk's Office. Please contact City Clerk's Office at 853-2541 for more information.**

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

Recognition of students from Boston University, College of the Holy Cross and Wake Forest University.

**Mayor Lea presented the students with Certificates of Appreciation.**

## **3. HEARING OF CITIZENS UPON PUBLIC MATTERS: NONE.**

## **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, November 21, 2016.

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

- C-2           A communication from the City Attorney requesting that Council schedule a public hearing to be held on Monday, March 20, 2017, at 7:00 p.m., or as soon as the matter may be reached, to correct an inadvertent error relative to the water service utility tax and making such corrections retroactive to November 16, 2015.  
**RECOMMENDED ACTION:       Concurred in the request.**
- C-3           A communication from the City Manager in response to comments made at the December 19, 2016 City Council Meeting by Dr. M. Rupert Cutler and Diana Christopulos about the construction of the Mountain Valley Pipeline (MVP).  
**RECOMMENDED ACTION:       Received and filed.**
- C-4           A communication from the Director of Finance transmitting the Financial Report for the month ended January 31, 2017.  
**RECOMMENDED ACTION:       Received and filed.**
- C-5           Annual Report of the Roanoke City Sheriff's Department for the 2015 - 2016 Fiscal Year.  
**RECOMMENDED ACTION:       Received and filed.**
- C-6           Report of qualification of Gloria P. Manns as a member of the Personnel and Employment Practices Commission for a term of office ending June 30, 2019.  
**RECOMMENDED ACTION:       Received and filed.**

### **REGULAR AGENDA:**

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

#### **6. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS:**

- a.       Annual update on activities of the Roanoke Regional Partnership. Beth Doughty, Executive Director, Spokesperson. (Sponsored by the City Manager)  
**Update received and filed.**

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

### a. CITY MANAGER:

#### BRIEFINGS:

- AIR (Art in Roanoke) in Elmwood Update - 15 minutes  
**Received and filed.**

#### ITEMS RECOMMENDED FOR ACTION:

1. Acceptance and appropriation of the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Title II Grant funds from the Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services for use by the Roanoke City Public Schools to create and administer the Positive Alternatives to School Suspensions (PASS) Project.  
**Adopted Resolution No. 40771-030617 and Budget Ordinance No. 40772-030617. (7-0)**
2. Approval of Amendment No. 1 to the 2015 - 2019 HUD Consolidated Plan; and authorization to submit documentation to HUD for final review.  
**Adopted Resolution No. 40773-030617 and Budget Ordinance No. 40774-030617. (7-0)**
3. Acquisition of real property rights for the Templeton Avenue Stormwater Drainage Improvements Project.  
**Adopted Ordinance No. 40775-030617. (7-0)**
4. Execution of Amendment No. 3 to the Contract with Crouch Engineering, Inc., for additional professional services for the Roanoke River "Bridge the Gap" Greenway Phase II, from Bridge Street to Aerial Way Drive.  
**Adopted Resolution No. 40776-030617. (7-0)**

#### COMMENTS OF CITY MANAGER.

The City Manager commented on the following:

#### **Spring Leaf Collection Occurs This Week**

- **Solid Waste Management has added dates for spring leaf collection services this year**
- **Collection will occur this week – March 6 through 9**
- **Residents may place at the curb an unlimited number of bagged**

- leaves in biodegradable paper bags on the designated week
- Bulk and brush collection will continue this week.
- More information is available by calling 853-2000, select Option 1

#### **Stakeholders of the Melrose-Orange Target Area Meeting**

- Residents, business owners, and other stakeholders are reminded that bi-monthly meetings are held to allow them to provide input and learn about activities in this target area.
- Next meeting is March 13, 6:00-7:00 p.m., at Goodwill Industries of the Valleys, 2502 Melrose Avenue.
- For information call 983-6404 or email Keith Holland at keith.holland@roanokeva.gov.

#### **McDonald's St. Patrick's Day Parade and Shamrock Festival**

- Saturday, March 11 – Parade begins at 11:00 a.m. on Jefferson Street at Elm Avenue
- Shamrock Festival begins at noon
- McDonald's Kid's Zone is from 12:00 to 5:00 p.m.
- Corned Beef & Co. Celtic Celebration will last from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- Martin's St. Patty's Block Party starts at noon, \$10.00 admission
- More details are available at [www.downtownroanoke.org](http://www.downtownroanoke.org)

#### **Leadership College Begins this Month**

- The 2017 Leadership College program will begin on Thursday evening, March 16, and continue on each consecutive Thursday evening for 9 weeks through May 11.
- Classes meet each Thursday evening from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building for nine weeks.
- Leadership College is an interactive and engaging series of discussions, lectures, role plays, team building, and related field work to help citizens better understand how their local government works.
- Several graduates of the Leadership College have gone on to be leaders in our community, some even running for City Council.

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

**9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE.**

**10. INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS: NONE.**

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

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

**Council Member Dykstra encouraged citizens to check batteries in their smoke detectors at home due to a number of recent fires.**

**Council Member Trinkle, Chair of the City Council's Personnel Committee, announced that the City had retained the services of Colin Baenziger & Associates, consulting and municipal recruiting firm, to assist with the recruitment of a new City Manager for the City of Roanoke; adding that citizen input and comments will be received with regard to recruitment of a new City Manager on Monday, March 20, 2017 from 5:30 – 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber, Room 450, 4<sup>th</sup> floor, Noel C. Taylor Municipal Building.**

**Council Member Ferris, Chair of the City's Legislative Committee, gave an update on the Marketplace Fairness Act; adding he will be traveling to Washington, D.C. on March 11 – 13, 2017 to share information with elected officials and representatives at the National League of Cities Congressional City Conference.**

**Mayor Lea announced that due to having received only one application for School Board Trustee, the School Board application deadline would be extended until Friday, March 31, 2017.**

**At this point, City Manager continued discussion of the FY18 Budget/Financial Planning Work Session.**

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

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

## **12. ADJOURNED – 3:25 P.M.**