



# City of Hampton

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## Council Approved Minutes - Final City Council Legislative Session

*Mayor George Wallace*  
*Vice Mayor Linda D. Curtis*  
*Councilmember W.H. "Billy" Hobbs*  
*Councilmember Will Moffett*  
*Councilmember Teresa V. Schmidt*  
*Councilmember Chris Snead*  
*Councilmember Donnie R. Tuck*

*STAFF: Mary Bunting, City Manager*  
*Vanessa T. Valldejuli, City Attorney*  
*Katherine K. Glass, CMC, Clerk of Council*

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**Wednesday, June 8, 2016**

**6:30 PM**

**Council Chambers**

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### CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Mayor Wallace called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m. with all members of the City Council present.

**Present:** 7 - Vice Mayor Linda D. Curtis, Councilmember Billy Hobbs, Councilmember Will Moffett, Councilmember Teresa V. Schmidt, Councilmember Chris Snead, Councilmember Donnie R. Tuck and Mayor George Wallace

### GEORGE E. WALLACE PRESIDED

### INVOCATION - Councilwoman Teresa Schmidt

Councilwoman Schmidt gave the invocation.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO FLAG

### MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Wallace acknowledged and presented a city pin to Inspiring Minds youth present at the meeting. Each child announced their name, school and what they wanted to do when they grow up. Ms. Michelle Simpson, Director and Founder of Inspiring Minds Youth Development Center, gave an overview of the program. Mayor Wallace introduced Hampton Youth Planners Matteo Concepcion, Keyshaun Howard and Virgil Thornton who made a presentation to Council on the Hampton Youth in Government Event taking place on December 27, 2016.

Mayor Wallace stated that the City of Hampton has had youth in place in government for about twenty plus years and has received national awards.

[16-0230](#) Resolution in Recognition of George E. Wallace

Vice Mayor Curtis made a motion to add a Resolution in recognition of George E. Wallace.

Mayor Wallace made appreciative remarks regarding his thirty-five plus years with the City.

**Aye:** 7 - Vice Mayor Curtis, Councilmember Hobbs,  
Councilmember Moffett, Councilmember Schmidt,  
Councilmember Snead, Councilmember Tuck and Mayor  
Wallace

## CONSENT AGENDA

Clerk of Council Katherine K. Glass read the protocol for the consent agenda and a summary of the consent items.

1. [16-0089](#) Approval of the minutes from the work and legislative sessions of May 11, 2016, and the ceremonial and legislative sessions of the May 25, 2016

Item approved.

**Aye:** 7 - Vice Mayor Curtis, Councilmember Hobbs,  
Councilmember Moffett, Councilmember Schmidt,  
Councilmember Snead, Councilmember Tuck and Mayor  
Wallace

**Aye:** 7 - Vice Mayor Curtis, Councilmember Hobbs,  
Councilmember Moffett, Councilmember Schmidt,  
Councilmember Snead, Councilmember Tuck and Mayor  
Wallace

2. [16-0190](#) Ordinance to Amend and Reenact Chapter 24 of the City Code of the City of Hampton, Virginia Entitled "Offenses - Miscellaneous" by Amending Article I, Section 24-33 to provide that a person in charge of real property may designate the Hampton Police Division for the purpose of enforcing trespass

**Attachments:** [Redline](#)

Item approved.

**Aye:** 7 - Vice Mayor Curtis, Councilmember Hobbs,  
Councilmember Moffett, Councilmember Schmidt,  
Councilmember Snead, Councilmember Tuck and Mayor  
Wallace

3. [16-0196](#) Resolution determining Intellicheck Mobilisa, Inc. to be the only source practicably available from which to procure mobile identification authentication and verification system for use by law enforcement agencies

**Attachments:** [Hampton VA Police letter 5-12-16.pdf](#)

Item approved.

**Aye:** 7 - Vice Mayor Curtis, Councilmember Hobbs,  
Councilmember Moffett, Councilmember Schmidt,  
Councilmember Snead, Councilmember Tuck and Mayor  
Wallace

4. [16-0198](#) Resolution Determining CPAT Distribution, Incorporated to be the Only Source Practicable Available From Which to Procure Forcible Entry Machines and Calibration Units for those machines by ALCO Machine, Inc. and the Ceiling Breach and Pull Machines and the Attaching Brackets for the Ladder Raise and Extension Props by ADF Steel, Inc. and Authorizing the Negotiation and Execution of a Purchase Contract with CPAT Distribution, Inc. as "Sole Source" Distributor

**Attachments:** [Sole Source IAFF-IAFC-PACE](#)  
[Sole Source ADF Steel, Inc.](#)  
[Sole Source ALCO Machine, Inc.](#)

Item approved.

**Aye:** 7 - Vice Mayor Curtis, Councilmember Hobbs,  
Councilmember Moffett, Councilmember Schmidt,  
Councilmember Snead, Councilmember Tuck and Mayor  
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5. [16-0204](#) Resolution Approving Participation In and Appropriation by the City of Hampton, Virginia of the 2016-2017 Foster Grandparent

Program through the Corporation for National and Community Service

**Attachments:** [eGrant Continuation Application](#)  
[Newport News Funding letter 2016](#)

Item approved.

**Aye:** 7 - Vice Mayor Curtis, Councilmember Hobbs, Councilmember Moffett, Councilmember Schmidt, Councilmember Snead, Councilmember Tuck and Mayor Wallace

6. [16-0206](#) Resolution to Accept and Appropriate the 2015 Public Safety Access Point (PSAP) Grant in the amount of \$30,780 from the Commonwealth of Virginia - Virginia E-911 Services Board to the City of Hampton Fire and Rescue Division

**Attachments:** [FY15 PSAP Grant Award Letter](#)

Item approved.

**Aye:** 7 - Vice Mayor Curtis, Councilmember Hobbs, Councilmember Moffett, Councilmember Schmidt, Councilmember Snead, Councilmember Tuck and Mayor Wallace

7. [16-0216](#) Resolution to Accept and Appropriate the 2016 Four-for-Life Aid to Localities Funds in the Amount of \$116,103.52 from the Commonwealth of Virginia, Office of Emergency Medical Services to the City of Hampton Fire and Rescue Division

**Attachments:** [Notice of Aid to Locality](#)

Item approved.

**Aye:** 7 - Vice Mayor Curtis, Councilmember Hobbs, Councilmember Moffett, Councilmember Schmidt, Councilmember Snead, Councilmember Tuck and Mayor Wallace

8. [16-0217](#) Ordinance to Amend and Reenact Chapter 2, Entitled "Administration", of the Code of the City of Hampton, Article XIV, "Procurement Office," by Amending Section 2-324 and Section 2-326 to Comply With New Federal Grant Procurement

Standards

Attachments: [Redline](#)

Item approved.

**Aye:** 7 - Vice Mayor Curtis, Councilmember Hobbs,  
Councilmember Moffett, Councilmember Schmidt,  
Councilmember Snead, Councilmember Tuck and Mayor  
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9. [16-0221](#) Resolution Authorizing the Grant of an Encroachment, Pursuant to § 34-86 of the City Code, to Richard G. Levin of Two Areas, One Comprising 144 Square Feet, and the Other, 60 Square Feet, Both Areas More or Less, Over a Portion of City Property Known as S. Hope Street (LRSN 12001367) for Outdoor Seating Areas to Accommodate the Restaurant Located at 31 E. Mellen Street (LRSN 12001388)

Attachments: [Levin Encroachment](#)

Item approved.

**Aye:** 7 - Vice Mayor Curtis, Councilmember Hobbs,  
Councilmember Moffett, Councilmember Schmidt,  
Councilmember Snead, Councilmember Tuck and Mayor  
Wallace

10. [16-0226](#) Resolution Determining Woolpert, Inc. to be the Only Source Practicably Available from which to Procure Sanitary Sewer Consultation Services and Authorizing the Negotiation and Execution of a Purchase Contract with Woolpert, Inc. as a "Sole Source"

Item approved.

**Aye:** 7 - Vice Mayor Curtis, Councilmember Hobbs,  
Councilmember Moffett, Councilmember Schmidt,  
Councilmember Snead, Councilmember Tuck and Mayor  
Wallace

11. [16-0229](#) Resolution Determining Shellae Blackwell to be the Only Source Practicably Available from which to Procure Neighborhood Capacity Building Services Authorizing the Negotiation and

Execution of a Purchase Contract with Shellae Blackwell as  
"Sole Source"

Attachments: [Agreement - Blackwell](#)

Item approved.

**Aye:** 7 - Vice Mayor Curtis, Councilmember Hobbs,  
Councilmember Moffett, Councilmember Schmidt,  
Councilmember Snead, Councilmember Tuck and Mayor  
Wallace

## PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, AWARDS

## PUBLIC HEARINGS

Ms. Glass read the protocol for the Public Hearing Session.

## Use Permits

12. [16-0194](#) Use Permit Application No 16-00003 by Andrea Alston-Darden to  
operate a Day Care 3 at 923 Aberdeen Rd [LRSN 3005147]

Attachments: [Conditions](#)  
[Use Permit Application](#)  
[Staff Report](#)  
[Narrative Statement](#)  
[Floor Plan](#)  
[Occupancy Determination](#)  
[Circulation](#)  
[Resolution](#)  
[Presentation](#)

City Manager Mary Bunting introduced Mr. Porter Stevens, City Planner, who  
provided a presentation to Council.

This item was presented by Porter Stevens. A public hearing  
was held but no speakers were present. A motion to approve  
with 11 conditions was made by Vice Mayor Curtis, seconded by  
Councilman Moffett, and passed as follows:

**Aye:** 7 - Vice Mayor Curtis, Councilmember Hobbs,  
Councilmember Moffett, Councilmember Schmidt,  
Councilmember Snead, Councilmember Tuck and Mayor  
Wallace

13. [16-0195](#) Use Permit Application No 16-00001 by Hampton University for a university use on Hampton University's main campus [LRSN 12001034]

**Attachments:** [Application](#)  
[Narrative](#)  
[Existing Conditions](#)  
[Conditions](#)  
[Exhibits](#)  
[Staff Report](#)  
[Presentation](#)

City Manager Mary Bunting introduced Mr. Michael Hayes, Chief Planner, who provided a presentation to Council.

This item was presented by Michael Hayes. A public hearing was held but no speakers were present. A motion to approve with 4 conditions was made by Vice Mayor Curtis, seconded by Councilman Moffett, and passed as follows:

**Aye:** 7 - Vice Mayor Curtis, Councilmember Hobbs,  
Councilmember Moffett, Councilmember Schmidt,  
Councilmember Snead, Councilmember Tuck and Mayor  
Wallace

## Ordinances

14. [16-0192](#) Ordinance To Amend And Re-Enact Chapter 2 Of The Zoning Ordinance Of The City Of Hampton, Virginia Entitled "Definitions" By Amending Section 2-2 Pertaining To Day Care

**Attachments:** [PC Resolution](#)  
[Red Line](#)  
[Presentation](#)

City Manager Mary Bunting introduced Mr. Michael Hayes, Chief Planner, who provided a presentation to Council.

Items 16-0192 and 16-0193 were presented by Alison Alexander.

A joint public hearing was held but no speakers were present. A motion to approve was made by Vice Mayor Curtis, seconded by Councilwoman Snead, and passed as follows:

**Aye:** 7 - Vice Mayor Curtis, Councilmember Hobbs, Councilmember Moffett, Councilmember Schmidt, Councilmember Snead, Councilmember Tuck and Mayor Wallace

15. [16-0193](#) Ordinance To Amend And Re-Enact Chapter 3 Of The Zoning Ordinance Of The City Of Hampton, Virginia Entitled "Uses Permitted" By Amending Section 3-2 To Amend Day Care In The Use Table and Section 3-3 Pertaining To Additional Standards On Permitted Uses

**Attachments:** [PC Resolution](#)  
[Red Line](#)  
[Clean Use Table](#)  
[Red Line Use Table](#)  
[Red Line PC Recommendation](#)  
[Clean Use Table - Revised at Meeting](#)

City Manager Mary Bunting introduced Ms. Alison Alexander, Senior City Planner, who provided a presentation to Council.

Items 16-0192 and 16-0193 were presented by Alison Alexander. A joint public hearing was held but no speakers were present. A motion to approve this item as amended with the Planning Commission's recommendation with two text amendments was made by Vice Mayor Curtis, seconded by Councilman Hobbs, and passed as follows:

**Aye:** 7 - Vice Mayor Curtis, Councilmember Hobbs, Councilmember Moffett, Councilmember Schmidt, Councilmember Snead, Councilmember Tuck and Mayor Wallace

## GENERAL ITEMS

### Ordinances

### Resolutions



## Appointments

### Appointments to be Considered on June 8, 2016

17. [16-0188](#) Consideration of appointment to the Peninsula Airport Commission  
Vice Mayor Curtis moved to reappoint George Wallace.  
**Aye:** 7 - Vice Mayor Curtis, Councilmember Hobbs, Councilmember Moffett, Councilmember Schmidt, Councilmember Snead, Councilmember Tuck and Mayor Wallace
18. [16-0200](#) Consideration of appointments to the Purchasing and Procurement Oversight Committee  
A motion was made by Vice Mayor Curtis, seconded by Councilmember Snead, that this agenda item be deferred until July 13, 2016. The motion carried.  
**Aye:** 7 - Vice Mayor Curtis, Councilmember Hobbs, Councilmember Moffett, Councilmember Schmidt, Councilmember Snead, Councilmember Tuck and Mayor Wallace
20. [16-0202](#) Consideration of appointments to the Virginia Air and Space Center Board  
Vice Mayor Curtis moved to reappoint James Lockwood.  
**Aye:** 7 - Vice Mayor Curtis, Councilmember Hobbs, Councilmember Moffett, Councilmember Schmidt, Councilmember Snead, Councilmember Tuck and Mayor Wallace
21. [16-0203](#) Consideration of appointments to the Finance Committee  
Vice Mayor Curtis moved to reappoint Brandon Singleton.  
**Aye:** 7 - Vice Mayor Curtis, Councilmember Hobbs, Councilmember Moffett, Councilmember Schmidt, Councilmember Snead, Councilmember Tuck and Mayor Wallace

23. [16-0207](#) Consideration of appointments to the Building Code Board of Appeals  
Vice Mayor Curtis moved to reappoint Larry Nisley.
- Aye:** 7 - Vice Mayor Curtis, Councilmember Hobbs, Councilmember Moffett, Councilmember Schmidt, Councilmember Snead, Councilmember Tuck and Mayor Wallace
29. [16-0224](#) Consideration of appointments of Council Liaisons to various Boards, Commissions and Committees  
Vice Mayor Curtis moved to make the following Council appointments:
- Mayor-Elect Donnie Tuck in the place of Mayor Wallace to the Hampton Roads Transportation Planning Organization, the Hampton Roads Planning District Commission, the Hampton Roads Air Quality Control Committee, the Hampton Roads Transportation Accountability Commission, the Office of Human Affairs, the Mayor's Committee for People with Disabilities, the Peninsula Mayors and Chairs, the Hampton Roads Mayors and Chairs, and the Hampton Roads Military and Federal Facilities Alliance;
- Councilman-elect Jimmy Gray to the Greater Peninsula Workforce Development Consortium, to the Hampton Roads Planning District Commission and to the Hampton Roads Transportation Planning Organization (alternate), to the Hampton Redevelopment and Housing Authority, and as an alternate to the Hampton Roads Regional Jail Authority.
- Councilwoman Chris Snead in the place of Mayor Wallace to Virginia First Cities.
- Aye:** 7 - Vice Mayor Curtis, Councilmember Hobbs, Councilmember Moffett, Councilmember Schmidt, Councilmember Snead, Councilmember Tuck and Mayor Wallace

**NOTE: The following items were removed due to time constraints. Council will consider them in July.**

- 24. [16-0208](#) Consideration of appointments to the Hampton Parking Authority
- 27. [16-0222](#) Consideration of appointments to the Peninsula Stadium Authority
- 19. [16-0201](#) Consideration of appointments to the Hampton Economic Development Authority
- 22. [16-0205](#) Consideration of appointments to the Hampton Redevelopment & Housing Authority Citizen Board
- 26. [16-0215](#) Consideration of appointments to the Hampton-Newport News Community Service Board
- 25. [16-0214](#) Consideration of appointments to the Grievance Board
- 16. [16-0138](#) Consideration of appointments to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board
- 28. [16-0223](#) Consideration of appointments to the Wetlands Board

**REPORTS BY CITY MANAGER, CITY COUNCIL, STAFF, COMMITTEES**

**MISCELLANEOUS NEW BUSINESS**

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mayor Wallace opened the Public Comment period. Ms. Glass read the protocol regarding the Public Comment Session.

Mr. Bill Klein greeted those on the dais and made the following comments: I am here to bring greetings to my friend and fraternal brother Mayor George Wallace. George is tall, broad shouldered, usually has a determined expression on his face and a mind that is continually pondering ways and means to help his fellow man. He is a person who humbly accepts triumphs and accepts second place with dignity. One of his greatest supporters is his wife, Mary. This ideal pair surely serves as a role model for any aspiring couple. George is not going to fade into the sunset and rest on his laurels. He still has mountains to climb and places to see. With his many talents he is bound to be recruited for more challenging pursuits. George, you are very good for Hampton and I salute you.

Mr. Steve Brown greeted those on the dais and made the following comments: I would like to personally thank the Mayor for his service and I want to tell you one quick story. When I was thirteen years old I was working in the Cedar Program/ManPower Program a federally funded

program for low income and disadvantaged young people. My first job was as an equipment operator with the Parks and Recreation Department and one day I had come into City Hall and got into the elevator with Kenny Traverse, my supervisor, and I saw this tall, suave, built, intelligent, articulate, G-Q dressed man and before he came into the elevator I said to Kenny, who is that? He said that's George Wallace. I asked what he does. Kenny said he is the Assistant City Manager. Now being a thirteen year old kid, I said wow - he must make a lot of money and I want to do exactly what he does and I want to run the City just like him. I didn't know that you do not get rich being a City employee but at that time I thought it was something I wanted to do. Mayor your job is safe, I do not want to run the City anymore. There are four things, George, I want to tell you that I am grateful for you and what you meant to me personally. You impressed me when I first met you when I was thirteen and at thirteen years old there are not a lot of African American males that I could look up to and aspire to be like. So you impressed me with how you carried yourself and your personality, you were very friendly to everybody who came into the elevator, shaking hands, kissing babies and everyone was having a great day because you were in their presence. So I want to thank you for the impression you left on my life. The second thing I want to thank you for is your imprint. Every major project in the City of Hampton, either you were the generator of; you were council to; you were advice for; or you made it happen. You left an indelible imprint on this City and I am grateful. The third thing I want to thank you for is the impact. You have impacted our lives in so many ways, when you ran the first time your theme was "Service above Self". That has always been your mantra. Thank you for how you have impacted this community, Hampton is a safer place; it's a better place and it's a place I choose to live, work and play and die here. Thank you for that. And the last thing is the impartation. Whenever you impart in people's lives you play something in them, you give them something and what you have given this city. Those who have agreed or disagreed with you they can certainly say that you made us proud. Now I am going to close with my George Wallace impression - I am a grateful citizen of Hampton, I am grateful for what you have meant to all of us. I want to thank Mary, your wife, you sons Jason, Damon and Eric for all of these years they have loaned you to our City. Mr. Wallace, the state of our City is good and thank you sir.

Ms. Harriett Banks greeted those on the dais and made the following comments: I thank God I could be here this evening. Mr. Wallace, I am so happy for you. It's a time and a season for everything under the sun. Now, it's time for Him to move you to a better place; a higher place; a brand new job in the City of Hampton. He is not through with you yet. I know him as bowlegged George E. Wallace, Jr. In Williamsburg, Virginia we would call him George Ernest or George Ernie, Jr. When I first met him he was on the basketball court at Bruton High School. He played sports and he did it well. I knew his two brothers and his mother and father well. Mr. Wallace you have certainly represented Williamsburg, Virginia. I want you to know that my telephone just rang, rang, rang, rang. Wanted to know what happened to George E. Wallace, the Mayor of the City of Hampton, and I told them, I said people worked hard for him but it was just the time where the Lord saw fit for him to move over and we want to thank your wife for working with you so diligently. Thank God for that strong, beautiful wife who loves you dearly. She thinks a lot of you and her family and I want to thank you for what you have done for the City of Hampton. You have labored and you have worked hard. We thank you for that and you know what, don't forget the children. Do not stop, we need strong men in our

City to help raise up our children. We have to plant that seed and raise them up and to set goals for them. We can do it. City of Hampton, would you please stand up and give our Mayor applause. I entered his name for the Virginia Interscholastic Association (VIA) for the Hall of Fame and believe it will come to pass. Thank you, Hampton.

Mr. Roland White greeted those on the dais and made the following comments: As most folks say that are not originally Hamptonians, I got here as soon as I could. It's a beautiful City. I would like the members of George's campaign committee to stand that are here. We put in a lot of hours George, the first campaign "People above Politics", second campaign "Keep Hampton moving forward - Onward and Upward". But that first one "People above Politics" that described you to a tee. I told George I like to introduce myself as his long time, long time campaign manager because it seemed like we were campaigning forever. But I told George you are not a natural politician. He said I know it Roland and I said that is a good thing. You had a person who came into this role of politics with no particular political agenda. That is what I liked about George and he continued that stand. Like Ms. Banks said, George, the City not through with you yet. We have things for you to still do for this City and I am not going to take long. I appreciate having the opportunity to work for you. I am going to miss it. That was probably my last campaign. I say that every time but I don't know, George might get on the phone and call me up and say Roland I got an idea. That's George for you and that's how he called me the first time. George, if my phone rings I am ready to answer it. Take care brother, I am gonna miss you.

Mr. Hugh Bassette greeted those on the dais and made the following comments: The first thing I want to say is I am going to miss you. Even though a lot of times I was on the other side, you always carried yourself with decorum and you contributed a lot to the City and I don't know what I am going to do now, I got to find someone else to disagree with. I ain't got no wife so I would disagree with you, I guess you were my substitute wife. Two things I wanted to talk about. One is what happened to the Martin Luther King Monument? Here is the CIP from back in 2014 to 2018 and there was \$200,000. appropriated. Somebody up there, I ain't going to say whose names, lead the effort to get rid of it. When the money disappeared I don't know what happened to the project. Every time I ask about it I hear a different reason. The last one was they were waiting for Hampton Institute to come up with the design. Listen, Norfolk had one I was over in Norfolk the other day and I noticed they had one, Newport News had one and we have been talking for how long and I don't want to talk about that ugly bridge you named after him and threw a bunch of people in there with it, but where is the project and when are we going to see a project for Martin Luther King. It used to be downtown and then y'all decided to hide it over there at the Convention Center and put twenty-five people on there with it. So I want to know am I going to be around and ever see the memorial for Martin Luther King, I just want to know when is this project going to move and when is it going to be completed. I think the citizens have waited too long and the people on the committee, their efforts have just gone in vain. The second thing is that two weeks ago I talked about the shootings in the City and since that time the week after that they said they were going to hold a work session. When are you going to hold that work session? Since that time I spoke seven more shootings and the last one was in Old Northampton and it was not just a shooting, it was a fatality. Listen, these young kids out here are shooting up the City and we cannot sit back and just watch it and cross our fingers and hope it goes away. It is not just going to go away

and I want to know when we are going to have a work session and let's get moving on this. We cannot afford to just sit back and it's not just what is happening here it's happening all over the country. But I think if we put our minds to it we can come up with something. I know we are not going to stop it because you are going to have crazy people out there with guns with all the guns on the street in the state of Virginia. But I think we can do better than we are doing and I think we need to get moving on this. Every day I pick up the paper that is one of things I always look for to see if we have had another shooting and the last one was in our neighborhood and is getting closer and closer to my house. Thank you.

Ms. Karen McAdoo greeted those on the dais and made the following comments: I have been a citizen of this fine City since my inception here in 1974. I guess I want to say I landed on Hampton in 1974. So therefore, I have been here long enough to see the challenges and the growth in our City and I would like to personally thank you Mayor George Wallace for your stellar leadership in the City and that is partly due to courage. Most people take the path of least resistance and migrate toward comfort zones. That is why leaders model courage and call for courage from others. Courage is making things right not just moving them over and courage from a leader inspires commitment and courage from its followers. That is the kind of leader you have been with your outstanding negotiation skills; your inclusiveness in the community; your collaboration and most importantly your work in the community. You live in the City but you also work in the City and that is most greatly appreciated. When I think of George and I thought of his name, his name certainly typifies who he is, he is gracious and giving; he is encouraging and engaged in the community; he's open and original and sometimes over the top if you know him. He is receptive, responsive, goal oriented, empowering and most of all he is ethical. There are so many accomplishments and achievements I have seen in the City that you were a part of that many have mentioned and I have been here long enough to see it in your many roles. I am most importantly proud of where we are now to see the growth in our City, the changes and opportunities for minority businesses, the changes in our restaurants and hotels and of course the Convention Center that allows us to get additional revenue to our City. All of these things are phenomenal for us as well as your willingness to work with the students on the campus of Hampton University. You were a role model for the nation to step out to do those things and people all over this country appreciate that. I also want to thank Mary Wallace for your support for lending your husband to us, your family and for the type of role models the two of you have been for us for families and for the nation. We will never forget you and I know you will continue to work with the City. The best is yet to come and I challenge the Council and our current Mayor-Elect to continue the good work that has been done. Lastly, Mary Wallace and first lady Wallace you changed the world and our lives in Hampton and also in the nation. Thank you for your stellar service.

Ms. Mary Wallace greeted those on the dais and made the following comments: I went to a luncheon this evening and I heard people speak about my husband and I realized then that this will be my final chance to be able to do that so I went home and took down a few notes. Finally, after thirty years as a City employee of Hampton and eight years as a member of City Council I have decided to publicly speak about George E. Wallace, the public servant. He was never a politician always a public servant. Thanks to City Manager Wendall White who many years ago had the courage to hire him as an Assistant City Manager. After working sixteen to

seventeen years under several city managers George was named as City Manager of Hampton. Because of his position our sons and I always felt the responsibility of not bringing shame on the City Manager or on the City. We were proud of George. Today we take pride in our City and the advances and landmarks made by this City Managerial staff and the members of City Council during his tenure. Upon his release from the City, please note how gracious I am being with that term; we decided to follow a path of positivity. We continued to live, work, enjoy friends and help the needy in the City, to give our time, talent and treasure and we have done that. We made a conscious decision to choose love over hate and to be active residents of our City. Several years later we both were quite surprised when several people started buzzing about a possible run for City Council by George. I said, are you kidding? No one wants to go into that again and no they were not kidding. Began working for him and he started working for the City of Hampton again. There was that smile on his face every day when he knew he was going back to work. An unbelievable love affair began eight years ago with George and I with our supporters, we had the best group of volunteers for the past eight years: Our campaign manager, campaign officers, donors and supporters were the best of any campaign team anywhere including that of President Barrack Obama. For those who voted for George and those who did not, but are still civil to us, we thank you. For those of you who refer to me as First Lady, I was humbled and honored. I knew I would never put you in an embarrassing situation, I just continued to be a woman with pride and one who would never let Hampton residents, my husband or our sons down. So as we say goodbye, thank you, thank you, thank you only in Hampton, our home, was it possible for George because of his record of leadership, courage, honesty and integrity he became the first African American Assistant City Manager; he became the first African American City Manager; he became the first black male Mayor. To God be the glory for the things he has done. To those who are still hating, life would be so much better if you choose hate over love. Join all of us who have done that. God bless everyone here this evening, God bless the City of Hampton and the residents of Hampton. Thank you and love you.

Mayor Wallace corrected what Mary Wallace stated and said she meant to say choose love over hate.

Dr. Mary Christian and the Georgettes greeted those on the dais and made the following comments: I take this opportunity tonight to first of all congratulate those persons who were re-elected and give thanks to the staff of Hampton and the newly elected Mayor Donnie Tuck and wish for all of you a productive and blessed term in office as you meet the awesome responsibilities of the City of Hampton. May God bless you all. To Mayor Wallace we had a special message for you and instead of my just articulating what I would say because you would probably have to put a timer on me because I would be going on and on and on. But there was a group of ladies and they just pleaded to have something to say and they were named after you, Mayor Wallace, and they insisted that they keep that name. So ladies and gentlemen just welcome the Georgettes.

The Georgettes performed for Mayor Wallace and presented him with a plaque.

Mayor Wallace then concluded his last meeting with remarks and thanks.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Following some last comments by Mayor Wallace and remarks by Councilman Moffett, the meeting adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

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Donnie R. Tuck  
Mayor

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Katherine K. Glass, CMC  
Clerk of Council

Date approved by Council \_\_\_\_\_