



City of Hampton

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Council Approved Minutes - Final City Council Legislative Session

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

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

Wednesday, May 24, 2017

6:30 PM

Council Chambers

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

DONNIE R. TUCK PRESIDED

Rollcall

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

INVOCATION - Vice Mayor Curtis

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO FLAG

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Tuck shared that the Virginia Sand Soccer Tournament will take place at Buckroe Beach on June 3 and 4, 2017. Approximately 80 teams participate.

He also announced that on Memorial Day (next Monday) at 10 a.m., there will be an observance at the memorial cemetery behind Hampton University.

Suddenly Council Chambers was filled with pirates! They shared the good news that the Blackbeard's Pirate Festival will again return to Downtown Hampton the weekend following

Memorial Day. It begins on Friday with the Grand Pirates' Bash at the Historic Post Office.

Mayor Tuck asked the City Attorney to introduce some new faces from her office. Ms. Valdejuli introduced Jennifer Damelio, an Assistant City Attorney, and Emily Fornshell, a rising 2L at the Marshall Wythe School of Law at the College of William and Mary.

CONSENT AGENDA

Clerk of Council Katherine Glass read the protocol for the Consent Agenda and a summary of the consent items.

Mayor Tuck announced that item #6 was removed from the Consent Agenda at Councilwoman Schmidt's request.

Approval of the Consent Agenda

The Clerk read a summary of the remaining consent agenda items.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Curtis and seconded by Councilmember Gray, to approve items 1 through 5 and 7 on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

1. [17-0171](#) Resolution Approving the City of Hampton, Virginia's Participation In and Appropriation of Funds for the 2017 Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) for Children received from the U. S. Department of Agriculture (USDA)

Attachments: [2017 Summer Food Service Program](#)

Item approved.

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

2. [17-0174](#) Resolution Determining Lucity, Inc. to be the Only Source

Practicably Available from which to Contract for Asset Management Software for the Departments of Public Works and Parks, Recreation & Leisure Services and Authorizing the Execution of a Contract with Lucity, Inc. as a "Sole Source" Item approved.

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

3. [17-0176](#) Resolution Authorizing the Grant of an Encroachment, Pursuant to § 34-86 of the City Code, to James and Maribel Beckwith of an Area Comprising 24 Square Feet, More or Less, of the Right of Way of Castle Haven Road to Replace the Existing Sidewalk with Pavers

Attachments: [Beckwith Encroachment](#)

Item approved.

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

4. [17-0177](#) Resolution Approving the City of Hampton, Virginia's Participation in and Appropriation of the Virginia Brownfields Restoration and Economic Redevelopment Assistance Fund (the "VBAF") Site Assessment and Planning Grant Through the Virginia Economic Development Partnership Authority

Attachments: [Hampton VBAF Performance Agreement 5-11-17.pdf](#)

Item approved.

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

5. [17-0183](#) Motion to accept the donation of camera equipment valued in excess of \$14,900.00 from Canon Virginia, Inc. to the Hampton Police Division for its Forensic Unit.

Item approved.

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

6. [17-0179](#) Resolution Determining Commercial Recreation Specialists to be the Only Source Practicably Available from Which to Procure a Wibit Water Park and Authorizing the Negotiation and Execution of a Purchase Contract with Commercial Recreation Specialists as "Sole Source"

Attachments: [Wibit Exclusive Open Water Distributor Letter](#)
[May 3rd Presentation](#)

The Clerk read the title for the item.

For the benefit of the public, City Manager Bunting stated that this sole source will lead to the purchase of the Wibit Water Park (large option). This water, fee based attraction is expected to open at Buckroe Beach this summer. The approximate purchase price is \$178,000; however, it is anticipated that with the mentioned revenue charges, the cost will be recuperated over the lifespan of the equipment.

This item was removed from the consent agenda at the request of Councilwoman Schmidt so that the City Manager could provide further information prior to the vote.

A motion was made by Councilmember Hobbs and seconded by Vice Mayor Curtis, that this Consent Item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

7. [17-0178](#) Approval of the minutes from the work session of October 12, 2016, the ceremonial session of April 26, 2017, the special (work) session of May 3, 2017, and the special (legislative) session of May 3, 2017.

Item approved.

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

PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, AWARDS

PUBLIC HEARINGS

The Clerk read the protocol for Public Hearings.

8. [17-0139](#) Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Use Agreement Among the City of Hampton, Y. H. Thomas Community Center, Incorporated and Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Virginia Peninsula to use Computer Office "2", Restroom Facilities and Corridor Totaling ±1653 sq.ft. of the Y.H. Thomas School Building at 1300 Thomas Street, LRSN:8000281

Attachments: [2017 Use Agreement](#)

The Clerk read the title for this item.

City Manager Mary Bunting reminded everyone that this item had previously been deferred to allow staff to obtain final documentation from Big Brothers Big Sisters. She added that staff is pleased to recommend approval of the resolution.

For the record and the benefit of the Council and the public, City Attorney Vanessa Valdejuli provided the following statement related to this item: We reviewed the background statement and removed from the original agenda review and the resolution wording that referred to a prior agreement. The resolution that you (Council) have before you in your legislative documents tonight is correct; it does not have the language that refers to a prior agreement. This is a new agreement and we would recommend approval.

PUBLIC HEARING:

Mayor Tuck opened the Public Hearing.

Mr. Edward Sean Robinson greeted those on the dais and made the following statement: I'm a citizen of the City of Hampton. I fully support approval of this resolution. Thank you.

Mayor Tuck closed the Public Hearing and opened the floor for questions and/or comments from those on the dais. There was no further discussion; therefore, the

Mayor called for the motion.

A public hearing was held and Edward Sean Robinson spoke in support of this item. A motion was made by Vice Mayor Curtis and seconded by Councilmember Moffett, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

9. [17-0175](#) Ordinance Approving the Vacation of a Portion of a Sanitary Sewer Easement at 19 Ducette Drive (LRSN 13001038), Comprising 376 Square Feet (0.0086 Acre), More or Less, Pursuant to Chapter 34, Article V of the City Code

Attachments: [Vacation](#)

The Clerk read the title for the item.

City Manager Bunting provided the following introduction to the item: Mr. Terry Plymouth owns the property located at 19 Ducette Drive. The City of Hampton holds a 2,214 square foot sanitary sewer easement at the rear of his property. Mr. Plymouth has requested the City vacate 376 square feet of that rear easement as illustrated in your (Council) documentation to enable him to build a detached garage. The request was routed to staff and local utility companies all of which found that the vacation area does not interfere with the gravity main or other utilities in the area; therefore, staff recommends approval of the vacation request pursuant to the City Code and in accordance with the documents that you (Council) have before you. Staff also requested City Council waive the purchase price because the sanitary sewer easement was conveyed without charge originally; however, if Council chooses not to waive the purchase price, we estimate the value of the vacation area to be \$100.

PUBLIC HEARING:

Mayor Tuck opened the Public Hearing.

Mr. Edward Sean Robinson greeted those on the dais and made the following statement: I'm a citizen of the City of Hampton. I respectfully do not support Hampton City Council's position to waive the purchase for the vacation area. I feel it would be in the public's interest for you all to reexamine your position. Here is why: the vacation of any part of a sewer line implies redirection of the water flow which would create excess because the volume of water now flowing has increased. This

could lead to untreated amounts of water overflowing, being emptied directly into our waterways or worse into our streets. Apart from causing flooding and consequently hazardous situations for both pedestrians and road traffic, there is also a significant health threat with the unhygienic situation that occurs when untreated sewer water flows into the streets. I attended the Dutch Dialogues hosted by the City of Hampton Neighborhood Commission last month where we discussed a number of strategies that promote integrated water management and resiliency and are applicable for communities across Hampton. Although I understand that the easement was conveyed to the City without charge via the subdivision plat that was recorded in May 2004 which includes the owners' property, I believe that releasing - quitting claim and vacating would be counterproductive to any effective wastewater management efforts our City makes in the future and has made in the past. We should look at other options. For starters, adverse possession. Thank you.

Ms. Bunting reminded everyone that staff considers whether there will be an increased cost to the public when they review vacation requests. She clarified that in this case, staff found that there would be no interference with the gravity main or with any other utilities; therefore, staff recommended approval of the vacation request. She noted that staff's recommendation would have been to deny the request had there been interference; however, its recommendation was to approve because Public Works staff did not anticipate any issues with the sewer gravity main.

Mayor Tuck closed the Public Hearing and opened the floor for questions from those on the dais.

Councilwoman Schmidt asked whether there will be an adverse effect on the waterway.

Public Works Operations Manager Jason Mitchell clarified that the gravity main is not impacted and the current sanitary sewer line will remain in place.

Ms. Bunting clarified that Councilwoman Schmidt's question refers to waterways in general; however, this should have no adverse effect on the waterways.

Mr. Mitchell reiterated that there will be no adverse effect on the waterways.

A public hearing was held and Edward Sean Robinson spoke in opposition to this item. A motion was made by Vice Mayor Curtis and seconded by Councilmember Hobbs, that this Ordinance-Non-coded be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Ordinances

PUBLIC COMMENT

The Clerk read the protocol for the public comment period.

Mr. Hugh Bassette greeted those on the dais and made the following statement: I am speaking for the Hampton Citizens Coalition. We were concerned about the housing plans that have been proposed. We went to the Housing Authority meeting. The first one was Harbor Square. When the City purchased the land where Harbor Square is located, you said you were going to put the courthouse there. The courthouse has been built. I didn't agree with doing it, but it's a nice looking building and it is done. You said you were going to drive Franklin Street through and that has been done. When we asked about the housing component, they said they had no written or concrete plan for the housing component. We would like to know about the housing on Harbor Square. Lincoln Park, same thing. When Lincoln Park was demolished, you said that you were going to have a mixed housing unit. Come to find out now from them that there is no concrete plan for any kind of housing there. So, we want to know what the plan is and where it is. Brights Creek. There was some mention of that in the budget and that is supposed to contain a housing component. For people who don't know where Brights Creek is, it is right down King Street before you get to the overpass. Old man Owen used to have his horseshoe place down there. I remember from when I was a kid. They (Mr. O'Neill's staff members) came and presented the Downtown Master Plan. They talked about 5,000 units of downtown housing. Mr. Sledge (Economic Development Director) said that there was some consultant that was supposed to come up with a plan next month and then we asked about it again this week and they started giving us bureaucratic talk that means nothing. When I asked about it today, one of you told me that it is coming. So, we want to know specifically the status of each of these projects: Harbor Square, Lincoln Park, Brights Creek and the Downtown Master Plan. Rather than drawing up a bunch of pretty pictures and saying this stuff is coming. We've been waiting for a while. What is the status? We are having a problem with renters in my neighborhood. Homeownership is down to 29%. You are going to have a problem with the renters in this City if the imbalance keeps going the way it is going. These housing projects would reduce the law of supply and demand. When you took those houses off the market, these landlords went crazy. They figure, they have to live somewhere, so let's jack up the rent. That is what's happening. So, if we could get the status on those projects, we really would appreciate it. Thank you.

Mayor Tuck noted that City Manager Bunting would address Mr. Bassette's concerns either at the end of the Public Comment Period or during the reports by City Manager portion of the meeting.

Mr. Edward Sean Robinson greeted those on the dais and made the following statement: I'm a Board Member of the Hampton Clean City Commission and what I am here to do today is invite citizens, community organizations and civic organizations to participate in our anti-litter efforts. We host the Adopt-A-Spot program in the City of Hampton. That is my passion: litter reduction. That is what Hampton Clean City Commission addresses: solid waste, litter reduction and coastal beautification efforts in the City of Hampton. As a criminal justice alumni of Hampton University, I feel very passionate about this because litter correlates with the presence of crime. So, we have all these communities and if we can address the litter issue - litter happens where litter is already present and is tantamount to crime. So, if we address the litter, we are showing personal ownership. Citizens are showing ownership of their neighborhood through addressing the litter. So, what I invite you all to do is shoot an email to HCCC@hampton.gov; you will get our Executive Coordinator, Debbie Blanton. She will set you up with an Adopt-A-Spot. Adopt-A-Spot is a soft commitment to do however many clean-ups you want. If you do five, you get a sign with your organization's name on it (that is marketing). I encourage you to participate. Civic organizations, citizens who care about their neighborhood, shoot an email over to HCCC@hampton.gov or you can call 757-727-1130. That is the number to Hampton Clean City Commission. Thank you.

Mr. Ronald Ponzar greeted those on the dais and made the following statement. I live in Riverdale which is a non-covenant community. I'm here this evening because I own a 40 foot fifth wheel travel trailer. I do not store the travel trailer on my property because I cannot get it up the driveway. I store my trailer out at the Naval Weapons Station, but I am forced to bring it into the City and park it on the curb in front of my house to load and unload it. It is also away from the bicycle path on the street too, so it is not impeding traffic. When they change the ordinance, I'd like the City Council to consider allowing Recreational Vehicles (RV's) to be parked on the street for up to 48 hours for the purpose of loading and unloading. Thank you.

Mayor Tuck noted that the fine print of today's presentation shows that citizens have 48 hours for loading and unloading. He asked for clarification whether this refers to citizens' driveways or if it refers to in front of citizens' houses.

Senior Assistant Attorney Bonnie Brown clarified that the vehicle can be parked on the property for up to 48 hours for loading and unloading and is limited to being on the street for one hour.

Mayor Tuck assured Mr. Ponzar that his concern will be taken into consideration when Council reviews the ordinance.

Mr. John Krulis greeted those on the dais and made the following statement: I was standing in the back maybe a month or two ago during one of your meetings and it went on and on and on and then the Mayor announced that there were 13 people signed up to speak, so this old man was out of here, but it reminded me of something. I know you don't believe me, but I really am sincere. I thank you for serving. I am reminded that when I leave like that, you can't. You've got to stay here for the whole blooming thing and your patience is way, way, way beyond what I could put forth. So, I do thank you. Even though I may not agree with you a lot of the times, sometimes, I actually do and I will try to let you know. I realize that part of your role (and it is very valid) is to be cheerleaders for the City. I also realize how difficult that is at times. I would find it more than difficult. I would sometimes find it impossible. I am reminded immediately today about Pine Chapel and that thing that is being built there. I've submitted a Freedom of Information Act request to know exactly how much that thing is costing us. When it is done (however many more months it's going to be before it is completed) I want you to ask yourself whether that is exactly what you thought you were asking for when you voted for it. The figure, if you are honest about giving me the figure - I think it will blow you away. There was tons of dirt that had to be brought in there to create the side on the side of that road. What it's going to look like when it's finished, Lord knows. I was in a conversation with Mr. Moffett in our Coalition meeting earlier this week and I was reminded about something which I made another Freedom of Information request for, the prices that the City paid for several pieces of property - 3762 Kecoughtan Road; 4323 Kecoughtan Road; 4327 Kecoughtan Road; 732 North King Street; and the Eaton Street portion of it that went with Freeman Drive and 31 Freeman Drive. I've got the numbers for it because the City shows zero as your purchase price. I know that there is a whole lot more to that story. In connection with being cheerleaders (and I appreciate that) I mentioned something about the Peninsula Town Center and how I thought it was flawed from its inception. I said 15 vacancies; I counted 22 today, 22. Embassy Suites is no longer listed on the Assessor's office for data. It's not there. It's not showing. I did notice that those new H2O apartments, I think it's about a \$15 million assessed value; the taxes on it are less than when it was vacant. I'm just asking. Thank you for serving.

GENERAL ITEMS

Ordinances

Resolutions

10. [17-0181](#) Resolution of the Council of the City of Hampton, Virginia

Accepting Sales Proceeds from the Sale of Real Property in the Hampton Roads Center North Campus in the Amount of \$1,173,481.10 for Deposit to the Economic Development Fund and Subsequent Appropriation to the Economic Development Authority of the City of Hampton, Virginia, and Approving the Use of Said Funds by the Authority to Finance Infrastructure Improvements for Said Real Property

Attachments: [Resolution](#)
[HRCNCDP Plat](#)

The Clerk read the title for the item.

For the benefit of the public, City Manager Bunting provided the following introduction regarding the item: The Economic Development Authority (EDA) of the City of Hampton owns approximately 210 acres in Hampton Roads Center (HRC) North Campus. As a means to encourage and facilitate development in the HRC North Campus, the Authority has been responsible for the construction and installation of infrastructure improvements including public streets, street lighting, water and sanitary sewer lines and storm water drainage. Typically, the way we have paid for these infrastructure investments is we build them out when we actually get the investment from the private sector. When we sell the land, by City Code, all land sale proceeds unless otherwise designated go into the Economic Development Fund. In this particular case, Craig Davis Properties on May 21st entered into an agreement. It was amended by the EDA on April 26, 2017, to purchase approximately 11 plus or minus acres in the HRC North Campus for further development. They are paying a price of \$110,000 per acre. They have since exercised this right to purchase the property for a total agreed upon purchase price of \$1,235,410.00. The proceeds of which are going into that Economic Development Fund. This resolution is appropriating the said amounts out of the Economic Development Fund from these proceeds so that we can then honor our commitment to put that in public infrastructure improvements.

Mayor Tuck opened the floor for questions and/or comments from those on the dais. No questions or comments were posed. The Mayor called for the motion.

A motion was made by Councilmember Hobbs and seconded by Councilmember Moffett, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Appointments

11. [17-0126](#) Consideration of appointments to the Planning Commission

The Clerk read the motion required for the appointment on the agenda.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Curtis to appoint Councilman Jimmy Gray in the place of Councilwoman Teresa Schmidt on the Planning Commission to serve until June 30, 2019. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

REPORTS BY CITY MANAGER, CITY COUNCIL, STAFF, COMMITTEES

12. [17-0182](#) Property Maintenance and Zoning Enforcement

Attachments: [REVISED Presentation](#)
[Presentation](#)

City Manager Bunting stated the purpose of today's presentation is to help Council and the public better understand the role of the Property Maintenance and Zoning Enforcement Divisions, the compliance process, challenges regarding limited authority, and potential suggestions for new tools which may strengthen the divisions' ability to deal with these issues.

Property Maintenance Division Manager Philip Russell presented.

Mr. Russell described some of the codes enforced by the two divisions.

Mr. Russell provided statistics related to complaint calls and violation investigations.

Mayor Tuck commended staff for their effort to implement a system which allows citizens to track the status of a complaint online.

Mayor Tuck asked Mr. Russell to speak about grave depth requirements and when this type of inspection is required.

Mr. Russell explained that most funeral homes are familiar with our regulations such as grave depth. He continued stating that it is critically important that these guidelines are met. For example, Hampton has a high water table and it was determined years ago that 60 inches (our requirement) is a depth which allows for

proper coverage of a grave.

Mr. Russell spoke about property maintenance violations and provided examples of what staff is and is not allowed to enforce. He also described the property maintenance violations process and property maintenance violations penalties.

In response to Mayor Tuck, Mr. Russell stated he was unfamiliar with the State Code regarding violation correction deadlines; however, Hampton judges have been known to work with citizens and grant them continuances. This allows citizens time to correct violations. He added that staff has also put forth an effort to work with the City Attorney's Office to bring cases to a conclusion more expeditiously.

Mr. Russell shared examples of inoperable vehicle violations. He also described the inoperable vehicle violations process and inoperable vehicle violations penalties.

In response to Mayor Tuck, Mr. Russell noted that part of the presentation will describe ways in which the violations process could potentially be shortened.

Mr. Russell shared additional information about weed, debris, high grass, and zoning violations. He also spoke about the process and penalties associated with each violation.

Senior Assistant City Attorney Bonnie Brown briefly spoke about roadside memorial guidelines.

In response to Councilman Moffett, Ms. Brown stated that no one has applied for an official roadside memorial since this policy was enacted. Current visible memorials were put in place without completion of the application process which requires the memorial to be removed after one year from its installation date.

Ms. Bunting added when we are uncertain how long older memorials have been in place, we decided they should be removed July 2017, one year after the implementation date, to ensure they were visible for at least one year.

Councilman Moffett expressed concern about maintaining an orderly and beautiful City. He asked whether a data base exists to maintain current unofficial memorials.

Ms. Brown said when the policy was enacted, a sweep of the City was done and some old memorials were collected. She noted that she would report additional information to Council after consulting with the Public Works Department.

Deputy City Attorney Brandi Law spoke about court processes, challenges,

opportunities, and legal limitations.

In response to Mayor Tuck, Ms. Law shared that under City and State Code, the automatic time period a judge allows a citizen to abate a violation is 6 months. She added that the judge may shorten that timeframe with good cause; however, shortening the automatic time frame requires going before the General Assembly.

Ms. Law opened the floor for questions and/or comments from those on the dais.

Discussion followed between the City Council members and staff regarding the importance of Hampton citizens understanding the City's legal process and requirements; demolition of public nuisance structures; the means by which demolition is paid for; the City working with the General Assembly to request authority to regulate overgrown bushes; and personnel redeployed throughout the City to improve ability to remove temporary signs from public medians and right-of-way to ensure our City remains clean.

Several members of Council commended staff for their hard work in this effort.

Ms. Bunting explained that there are pros and cons associated with each of the potential enforcement tools presented today. She assured Council that staff is committed to balancing reasonable property rights while ensuring that our City neighborhoods continue to have increased values. She announced that staff will provide Council with a detailed briefing and proposal about the pros and cons of each tool in the near future.

Presented by Phillip Russell, Property Maintenance Division Manager. Additional information was provided by Bonnie Brown, Senior Assistant City Attorney, and Brandi Law, Deputy City Attorney.

Before proceeding with new business, the Mayor allowed the City Manager time to respond to some of the comments made by citizens earlier in the evening.

She shared that the City has received an unsolicited proposal for development in the Downtown Hampton area and she hopes to announce details soon. She pledged to update Mr. Bassette and all citizens as soon as she is able.

Ms. Bunting also thanked the many people who volunteer with the Hampton Clean City Commission.

She indicated that she took notes on the comments regarding recreational vehicle parking and will consider them.

Ms. Bunting also indicated that the City will respond to Mr. Krulis' Freedom of Information Act request.

The City Manager also shared that Old Northampton is in the process of being considered for the housing venture program.

MISCELLANEOUS NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Tuck noted that Councilman Gray is President of a group called 200 Plus Men. The group honored 714 male African-American graduating seniors last Saturday.

The City Manager announced that the Willow Oaks neighborhood will again have its longstanding Memorial Day observance on Saturday, May 27th at 10 a.m. at the Willow Oaks Community Pool.

Vice Mayor Curtis indicated that a Memorial Day ceremony and flag retirement will take place on Monday, May 29th at 11:30 a.m. at Colonies RV and Travel Park located on Fort Monroe.

Mayor Tuck indicated that the Pleasant Shade Cemetery Annual Volunteer Spring Cleanup Event will take place on Memorial Day, Monday, May 29th from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. It takes place at 503 Shell Road.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Tuck adjourned the meeting.

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Donnie R. Tuck
Mayor

Katherine K. Glass, CMC
Clerk of Council

Date approved by Council _____