



# City of Hampton

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## Council Approved Minutes - Final City Council Special 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*

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**Wednesday, May 2, 2018**

**6:30 PM**

**Council Chambers**

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### **Public Hearing & First Reading of the Budget**

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Tuck called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m. All members of the City Council were present.

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

#### **DONNIE R. TUCK PRESIDED**

#### **INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - Vice Mayor Linda Curtis**

Vice Mayor Curtis gave the invocation.

#### **AGENDA**

Mayor Tuck stated that tonight's meeting is a special meeting on the budget and we will only have public hearings and discussions related to the budget.

City Manager Mary Bunting stated this is the second set of budget public hearings. Following the budget hearings Council will be asked to approve ordinances that require two readings on first reading. By tradition Council does not request any changes or amendments until the second reading.

#### **Public Hearings**

Clerk of Council Ms. Katherine Glass read the protocol for the Public Hearing Session

1. [18-0146](#) FY 2019 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and Home Investment Partnership Program Annual Action Plan

**Attachments:** [FY19 Action Plan Draft](#)  
[FY19 Proposed CDBG and Home Budget](#)  
[FY2019 Presentation](#)

As there were no speakers, Mayor Tuck opened and closed the Public Hearing.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Curtis and seconded by Councilmember Hobbs, that the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and Home Investment Partnership Program Annual Action Plan be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

2. [18-0017](#) Public Hearing to Receive Citizens' Comments Regarding the City Manager's Recommended Budget for Fiscal Year 2019

Mayor Tuck announced that there were individuals from the City's Youth Commission in the audience and they have signed up to speak.

Senior Youth Planner Janaria Lickey and Vice Chair of the Youth Commission Gabrielle Thomas introduced themselves and made the following comment:

Ms. Lickey: In years past the Hampton Youth Commission has been given the authority by the Hampton City Council to administer \$40,000.00 worth of micro grants to young people working on community projects. This funding previously allowed the Hampton Youth Commission to disseminate funding for projects that were conceived and administered by young people in our City. This funding was taken away after the recession. Tonight we are asking Hampton City Council to vote and put \$40,000.00 back into the Hampton Youth Commission budget to allow us to administer micro grants to youth-serving organizations. This funding would align with the goals of the youth component of the Hampton Community Plan.

Ms. Thomas: The Hampton Youth Commission is asking this Council to give us the

funding to administer these micro grants because as young people we are closer to young people than the esteemed Council Members. As a result, we are best suited to recruit other young people to work on these community projects. If we are given the funding, the Hampton Youth Commission will commit to building relationships with young people to make sure these will improve our community. We will work with City staff to guide those young people towards meaningful community projects; we will advertise the availability of these micro grants; we will host workshops to help young people get through the application process; and we will monitor the progress of the grant recipients to make sure that they are being used for young people by young people. We will also agree to host a yearly celebration to highlight the successful projects that come from these micro grants and at the celebration the Hampton City Council can appear to be recognized and the celebration will make for great press for the Hampton Youth Commission, the Hampton City Council and Hampton as a whole.

Ms. Lickey also made the following comments: I would like to reemphasize that only projects conceived and implemented by young people will receive funding. Of course, young people can receive guidance and support from adults. On behalf of the Hampton Youth Commission I now ask the Hampton City Council to vote to allocate \$40,000.00 into the budget this year to reestablish funding for the Hampton Youth Commission micro grants. Thank you and we will now accept any questions.

Executive Director Jason Young of the Community Brain Injury Services introduced himself and made the following comments: Thank you Council for the continued and ongoing support of the Denbigh House through your outside agency funding. Our organization is one of the nine State funded safety net brain injury service providers in operation around the Commonwealth and we are the primary safety-net provider here on the Peninsula. So as a safety net provider for the area we service anyone who walks through the door regardless of their ability to pay for our services. Unfortunately, due to the chronically underfunded nature of brain injury funding from the State, this funding also has a mandate that we engage local communities that we serve to more fully serve brain injury within our service area. So having your continued and ongoing support for our services is essential for us meeting our State mandate but it is also critical in allowing us to both efficiently and effectively serve Hampton residents with brain injury. Our services are highly individualized in the sense that it helps survivors and families continue to live in our communities with maximum independence, proper supports and in many cases are helped just to ensure they can continue to live safely in our community, while helping them to live with a lifelong disability resulting from brain injury. Services we provide are very cost effective, they help us keep individuals living in their community versus going to

a nursing home, to a hospital or involvement in our criminal justice systems. Our services are provided as long as the survivor needs and requests them, which for many of our individuals, due to the level of their disability, is often an extended and ongoing period of time. Our disability brain injury range is very much a square peg in a round hole service system here in the Commonwealth. If you have an intellectual disability, developmental disability, substance abuse issue you can turn to the Community Services Board (CSB) for assistance and access to a wide array of services. Unfortunately brain injury has never been one of the mandated service populations for any of the 40 CSB's throughout Virginia. So consequently despite the fantastic services offered by the Hampton-Newport News Community Services Board they are not offered, and if they did it would not be appropriate for persons with brain injury. Brain injury is not a fringe disability population, it is the leading cause of death and disability in the United States for persons under the age of 45 and there are currently over 3,000 Hampton residents who are living with a disability resulting from a brain injury. So I think this funding sends a strong statement on the value of having a diverse service system that supports the needs of persons with a variety of disabilities including brain injury. Last year the Denbigh House was able to provide nearly 500 days of intensive services to Hampton citizens with brain injury and nearly 2,500 days of intensive services in total to survivors across our service area. Additionally, the Denbigh House has 4 support groups in our building, a cognitive communications group, survivors support group, a family support group, and collaborative veterans support group that we do with the Virginia Veteran and Family Support Program run by the Department of Veteran Services. My time is up so I will say on behalf of our agency and the 270 survivors we served last year thank you for your ongoing commitment to the Denbigh House.

Mr. Jeffrey Fultz introduced himself and made the following comment: I am a longtime resident here in the City of Hampton and lived here most of my life and saw the budget proposal in the Daily Press. I would like to read off a list of projects, Fort Monroe, the Deaf and Blind School, Strawberry Banks, Wythe Elementary, concrete plant off Rip Rap Road, both industrial parks in Hampton are fully funded by the Community Reinvestment Fund. Briarfield Park in Hampton, I have the schools for teachers, police and firefighters. I saw the budget and what y'all are proposing is no increase in the real estate tax rate. I tend to feel that the Council would like to reconsider that and raise the real estate tax rate. I feel like it is too low. I am a truck driver by trade and I work all counties between here and Richmond and everywhere I go if they are not raising the real estate rate like Poquoson, I think they raising theirs by 8 cents, Newport News is 11 cents, Norfolk is 12 cents. I feel like Hampton has a lot of potential but we are being a little bit too tepid with the budget as far as trying to get things going. The speaker before me and most of the speakers I have

seen always have this issue of things not being funded. Hampton has a lot of potential and I would really like to see City Council and Ms. Bunting explained to me the difference of just adding 4 or 5 cents to the tax rate. It really is a nominal amount, a really small amount when you look at the cost of being a citizen of Hampton. I am proud of this area but I would really like the City Council to perhaps maybe reconsider and just look at that as far as the tax rate for this area. I think a lot of projects are being either held back or being cut completely because of that issue. I understand that sometimes a complaint of a homeowner or resident, but my position is kinda a cost to live. Nothing is free and everything else has gone up, gas has gone up, oil has gone up so I am kinda surprised there would be that much push back. I was here 5 years ago or 10 years when it was \$1.04 and I was saying the same thing then. I was glad it got raised to \$1.24 but I would like to see the Council raise it up to at least \$1.30 - \$1.31 somewhere around there. Thank you.

Ms. Harriett Banks introduced herself and made the following comment. I am a voting citizen of this community, homeowner. When my husband and I came here almost 52 years ago we did not come to Hampton renting. We bought our house, we moved into our home. So we have been paying taxes almost going into 52 years. I have a grave concern for Hampton and would like to know if any of this money that is coming from this block grant - will any of that money be spent to repair our roads. Especially in the African American community. I ride through Hampton and I know Hampton can do better. In those neighborhoods, most of them are forgotten. The roads need to be repaired and fixed and some people have to jump a ditch to get to their front doors and that is not right. That is wrong and those things need to be corrected in the City of Hampton. The other thing is this, we need you all to be more involved in the community, not just when you are running for election and want to hold your position back with City Council. You need to be visible in all communities not just a select few. It is noticeable, I am concerned about it. I can remember the days when Ms. Kilgore was Mayor, Mr. Jimmy Eason and so many others and they used to attend these meeting and would come out in droves. I am asking the City of Hampton to use some of this money from the block grant to invest some of that money and put some of it back in the predominantly black communities. We must be concerned about everyone not just the few. Thank you so much for your time.

Mayor Tuck closed the public hearing.

James Stuart was signed up to speak but left before the public hearing.

### **Tax Non-Coded Ordinances Requiring Two Readings**

Clerk of Council Katherine Glass read items requiring two readings.

3. [18-0018](#) Ordinance to Adopt the Tax Rate Applicable to Real Estate and Improvements Thereon in the City of Hampton, Virginia for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2018 and Ending June 30, 2019

A motion was made by Councilmember Gray and seconded by Councilmember Hobbs, that this Ordinance-Budget-Non-Coded be approved on first reading. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

4. [18-0019](#) Ordinance to Adopt Tax Rates Applicable to All Classifications of Tangible Personal Property Liable for Such Levy in the City of Hampton, Virginia for the Calendar Year Beginning January 1, 2019

A motion was made by Councilmember Schmidt and seconded by Councilmember Snead, that this Ordinance-Budget-Non-Coded be approved on first reading. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

**Appropriation Non-Coded Ordinances Requiring Two Readings**

Clerk of Council Katherine Glass read items requiring two readings.

5. [18-0020](#) Ordinance to Adopt a Budget and Appropriate Monies for the General Fund of the City of Hampton (City and School Operations) for Fiscal Year 2019 beginning July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019

**Attachments:** [\(2019\) 25-16 Ordinances - General Fund - VHD](#)  
[FY19 Budget Amendment 5-8-18 \(DRAFT 2\)](#)  
[FINAL \(2019\) 25-16 Ordinances - General Fund - VHD](#)

A motion was made by Councilmember Hobbs and seconded by

Councilmember Snead, that this Ordinance-Budget-Non-Coded be approved on first reading. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

6. [18-0021](#) Ordinance to Adopt a Budget and Appropriate Monies for the Capital Improvement Fund (Capital Budget) of the City of Hampton for Fiscal Year 2019 beginning July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019

**Attachments:** [\(2019\) 25-32 Ordinances - Capital Improvement Fund](#)

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Curtis and seconded by Councilmember Hobbs, that this Ordinance-Budget-Non-Coded be approved on first reading. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

7. [18-0023](#) Ordinance to Adopt a Budget and Appropriate Monies for the Hampton Roads Convention Center Fund of the City of Hampton for Fiscal Year 2019 beginning July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019

**Attachments:** [\(2019\) 25-44 Ordinances - Convention Center Fund](#)

A motion was made by Councilmember Moffett and seconded by Councilmember Snead, that this Ordinance-Budget-Non-Coded be approved on first reading. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

8. [18-0022](#) Ordinance to Adopt a Budget and Appropriate Monies for the

Hampton Coliseum and Hampton Arts Commission Fund of the City of Hampton for Fiscal Year 2019 beginning July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019

**Attachments:** [\(2019\) 25-35 Ordinances - Coliseum- Hampton Arts Fund](#)

A motion was made by Councilmember Snead and seconded by Vice Mayor Curtis, that this Ordinance-Budget-Non-Coded be approved on first reading. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

9. [18-0027](#) Ordinance to Adopt a Budget and Appropriate Monies for the Fleet Services Fund of the City of Hampton for Fiscal Year 2019 beginning July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019

**Attachments:** [\(2019\) 25-48 Ordinances - Fleet Services Fund](#)

A motion was made by Councilmember Gray and seconded by Councilmember Snead, that this Ordinance-Budget-Non-Coded be approved on first reading. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

10. [18-0029](#) Ordinance to Adopt a Budget and Appropriate Monies for the Risk Management Fund of the City of Hampton (City and Schools) for Fiscal Year 2019 beginning July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019

**Attachments:** [\(2019\) 25-50 Ordinances - Risk Management Fund](#)

A motion was made by Councilmember Schmidt and seconded by Vice Mayor Curtis, that this Ordinance-Budget-Non-Coded be approved on first reading. The motion carried by the following



vote:

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

11. [18-0030](#) Ordinance to Adopt a Budget and Appropriate Monies for the Solid Waste Management Fund of the City of Hampton for Fiscal Year 2019 beginning July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019

**Attachments:** [\(2019\) 25-42 Ordinances - Solid Waste Management Fund](#)

A motion was made by Councilmember Hobbs and seconded by Vice Mayor Curtis, that this Ordinance-Budget-Non-Coded be approved on first reading. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

12. [18-0031](#) Ordinance to Adopt a Budget and Appropriate Monies for the Steam Plant Fund of the City of Hampton for Fiscal Year 2019 beginning July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019

**Attachments:** [\(2019\) 25-52 Ordinances - Steam Plant Fund](#)

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Curtis and seconded by Councilmember Snead, that this Ordinance-Budget-Non-Coded be approved on first reading. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

13. [18-0032](#) Ordinance to Adopt a Budget and Appropriate Monies for the Stormwater Management Fund of the City of Hampton for Fiscal Year 2019 beginning July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019

**Attachments:** [\(2019\) 25-31 Ordinances - Stormwater Management Fund](#)

A motion was made by Councilmember Moffett and seconded by Vice Mayor Curtis, that this Ordinance-Budget-Non-Coded be approved on first reading. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

14. [18-0033](#) Ordinance to Adopt a Budget and Appropriate Monies for the Wastewater Management Fund of the City of Hampton for Fiscal Year 2019 beginning July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019

**Attachments:** [\(2019\) 25-33 Ordinances - Wastewater Management Fund](#)

A motion was made by Councilmember Snead and seconded by Vice Mayor Curtis, that this Ordinance-Budget-Non-Coded be approved on first reading. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

#### **Appropriation Non-Coded Ordinances Requiring One Reading**

Clerk of Council Katherine Glass read items requiring one reading.

15. [18-0024](#) Ordinance to Adopt a Budget and Appropriate Monies for the Hamptons Golf Course Fund of the City of Hampton for Fiscal Year 2019 beginning July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019

**Attachments:** [\(2019\) 25-40 Ordinances - Hamptons Golf Fund](#)

16. [18-0025](#) Ordinance to Adopt a Budget and Appropriate Monies for the Woodlands Golf Course Fund of the City of Hampton for Fiscal Year 2019 beginning July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019

**Attachments:** [\(2019\) 25-38 Ordinances - Woodlands Golf Fund](#)

17. [18-0026](#) Ordinance to Adopt a Budget and Appropriate Monies for the

Fleet Services Equipment Replacement Fund of the City of Hampton for Fiscal Year 2019 beginning July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019

**Attachments:** [\(2019\) 25-46 Ordinances - Equipment Replacement Fund](#)

18. [18-0028](#) Ordinance to Adopt a Budget and Appropriate Monies for the Information Technology Fund of the City of Hampton for Fiscal Year 2019 beginning July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019

**Attachments:** [\(2019\) 25-54 Ordinances - Information Technology Fund](#)

19. [18-0034](#) Ordinance to Adopt a Budget and Appropriate Monies for the Community Development Block Grant and HOME Investment Partnership Program Fund of the City of Hampton for the Fiscal Year 2019 beginning July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019

**Attachments:** [\(2019\) 25-56 Ordinances - CDBG and Home Fund](#)

20. [18-0035](#) Ordinance to Adopt a Budget and Appropriate Monies for the Economic Development Fund of the City of Hampton for Fiscal Year 2019 beginning July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019

**Attachments:** [\(2019\) 25-58 Ordinances - Economic Development Fund](#)

21. [18-0036](#) Ordinance to Adopt a Budget and Appropriate Monies for the Grant Fund of the City of Hampton for Fiscal Year 2019 beginning July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019

**Attachments:** [\(2019\) 25-59 Ordinances - Grant Fund](#)

## ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Tuck extended a welcome to the new councilmembers Eleanor Brown and Steve Brown and congratulated Jimmy Gray on his reelection.

The meeting adjourned at 6:58 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 \_\_\_\_\_