

City of Hampton

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Council Approved Minutes - Final City Council Work Session

Mayor Donnie R. Tuck
Vice Mayor Jimmy Gray
Councilmember Eleanor Weston Brown
Councilmember Steven L. Brown
Councilmember Linda D. Curtis
Councilmember W.H. "Billy" Hobbs
Councilmember Chris Snead

STAFF: Mary Bunting, City Manager Cheran Cordell Ivery, City Attorney Katherine K. Glass, CMC, Clerk of Council

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

1:00 PM

Council Chambers

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Tuck announced there would be an abbreviated Work Session and Legislative Session. The Legislative Session will begin at 2:00 p.m.

Mayor Tuck called the meeting to order at 1 p.m. with all members of the City Council with the exception of Councilwoman Snead.

Present 6 - Councilmember Eleanor Weston Brown, Councilmember Steven L. Brown, Councilmember Linda D. Curtis, Vice Mayor Jimmy Gray, Councilmember Billy Hobbs, and Mayor Donnie R. Tuck

Absent 1 - Councilmember Chris Snead

DONNIE R. TUCK PRESIDED

AGENDA

1. <u>18-0293</u> Briefing on Code Enforcement

Attachments: Presentation

A motion was made by Councilmember Linda Curtis and seconded by Councilmember Eleanor Weston Brown, that this Briefing be deferred to the City Council Work Session, due back on 9/26/2018. The motion carried by the following vote:

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Aye: 6 - Councilmember Weston Brown, Councilmember Brown, Councilmember Curtis, Vice Mayor Gray, Councilmember Hobbs and Mayor Tuck

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Snead

2. <u>18-0271</u> Briefing on Fiscal Year 2019 State Budget Impacts

<u>Attachments:</u> FY-19 State Budget Impacts

Corrected Presentation

A motion was made by Councilmember Linda Curtis and seconded by Councilmember Eleanor Weston Brown, that this Briefing be deferred to the City Council Work Session, due back on 9/26/2018. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Councilmember Weston Brown, Councilmember Brown, Councilmember Curtis, Vice Mayor Gray, Councilmember Hobbs and Mayor Tuck

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Snead

REGIONAL ISSUES

Mayor Tuck stated that it currently appears that Hurricane Florence will not impact us as significantly as originally believed. He asked City Manager Mary Bunting to provide updates on the City's preparations for the storm.

Ms. Bunting stated that the weather track for Hurricane Florence continues to improve, moving the direct impact of the storm away from Hampton. This does not mean that Hampton will not be impacted. The City is still in a Tropical Storm Watch area, which means it could experience Tropical Storm force winds. When Hurricane Isabel hit the City of Hampton, it was a Tropical Storm at the time. Trees were down, power lines were out for extended periods of time, and there were flooded streets. This is still a possible scenario for Hampton.

Ms. Bunting stated that City staff is preparing for the worst. Hurricane tracks can move. She asked citizens to continue to take the storm seriously. The City is still running its Emergency Operations Center and Zone A is still under mandatory evacuation from the Governor. This area is most likely to have flooding, storm surge, and wind impacts.

Ms. Bunting stated that the City has opened two shelters, which are available for any resident that desires to be there, whether or not they are in Zone A. Phenix is a

general population and medical shelter. There are many residents who are electrically dependent on oxygen or other medical devices, so this shelter was designed to have extra capacity in that regard. Bethel is a general population and pet shelter. She noted that residents are currently in both shelters. These shelters will remain open until the City believes the threat is completely over.

Ms. Bunting noted that City staff has been working around the clock to ensure the City is as prepared as possible. She stated that trash collections are current as of today, but those with Thursday and Friday collections should not have their trash toters out. Crews have been ensuring those who have evacuated in Zone A do not have toters out. She thanked City staff for their hard work.

Ms. Bunting stated that this year, the City has been posting behind the scenes videos of what is occurring to prepare for the storm. She thanked the Mayor for recording a video earlier today. She stated that anyone with questions or concerns should feel free to call 311.

Mayor Tuck asked what citizens with physical impairments can do if they need to get to a shelter. Ms. Bunting stated that for homebound patients with physical impairments, the City has set aside an ambulance to transport them. To get on the list, citizens would need to call 311 and express the fact that there is a homebound patient that needs to be relocated. While the citizen can be transported to a shelter, if they would like to go to a friend or family the ambulance will transport them there.

Ms. Bunting stated there is also transportation available for those without physical impairments. The Governor's Office made arrangements with Lyft. The code is available on the City's website. Additionally, all the cities that participate in Hampton Roads Transit (HRT) made an agreement yesterday to cover all transportation today on HRT free of charge for residents, so those in evacuation zones that need transport support can use that service.

Mayor Tuck indicated that someone claimed that the City does not have a central place for residents to get information about the storm and things such as shelters. He asked what Ms. Bunting would advise citizens to do to obtain information. Ms. Bunting stated that 311 is the go-to location for everything that is not an emergency. She also noted that the most current information is being posted on the City's website. She stated that it is easiest to post information quickly on the City's Facebook page, so that is another good resource.

NEW BUSINESS

CLOSED SESSION

3. <u>18-0264</u>

Closed session pursuant to Virginia Code Sections 2.2-3711.A.1, .3 and .7 to discuss appointments as listed on the agenda; to discuss the acquisition of real property for a public purpose, and the disposition of publicly held real property, in the Coliseum Central area where discussion in an open meeting would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the city; and to consult with legal counsel pertaining to actual litigation, where such consultation or briefing in an open meeting would adversely affect the negotiating or litigating posture of the city.

At 1:14 p.m., a motion was made by Councilmember Linda Curtis and seconded by Councilmember Billy Hobbs, that this Closed Session - Motion be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Councilmember Weston Brown, Councilmember Brown,
Councilmember Curtis, Vice Mayor Gray, Councilmember
Hobbs and Mayor Tuck

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Snead

Councilwoman Snead arrived at 1:36 p.m. and joined the closed session.

- **4.** <u>18-0231</u> Consideration of an appointment to the Planning Commission
- 5. <u>18-0262</u> Designation of Hampton's Voting Delegate and Alternate Voting Delegate for the Virginia Municipal League (VML) Annual Business Meeting
- **6.** <u>18-0301</u> Consideration of appointments to Peninsula Agency on Aging Board of Directors
- 7. <u>18-0303</u> Consideration of appointments to Hampton Redevelopment & Housing Authority (HRHA)

CERTIFICATION

8. <u>18-0211</u> Resolution Certifying Closed Session

At 2:41 p.m., a motion was made by Councilmember Billy Hobbs and seconded by Councilmember Linda Curtis, that this Closed Session - Certification be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Councilmember Weston Brown, Councilmember Brown, Councilmember Curtis, Vice Mayor Gray, Councilmember Hobbs, Councilmember Snead and Mayor Tuck

ADJOURNMENT

Donnie R. Tuck
Mayor
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Katherine K. Glass, CMC
Clerk of Council
Date approved by Council