

**CITY OF SEA ISLE CITY, NEW JERSEY  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
TUESDAY, JANUARY 5, 2016 – 10:00 A.M.  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 3<sup>RD</sup> FLOOR  
SEA ISLE CITY HALL – 233 JFK BLVD.**

**ATTENDANCE:** Mr. Divney, Mr. Kehner, Ms. Tighe and Mr. Gibson. Also attending was Administrator Mr. Savastano and Solicitor Mr. Baldini. **ABSENT:** Mr. Edwardi.

Mr. Gibson called the meeting to order and asked everyone to rise for the flag salute and prayer. He then announced the meeting had been advertised in accordance with P. L. 1975, Chapter 231.

Mr. Gibson then asked for a motion to adopt the minutes of the 12-22-15 Regular Meeting. Motion moved by Mr. Divney and seconded by Ms. Tighe. All ayes followed.

**REPORTS-Mayor and Administration:** Mr. Savastano reported that the beach fill dredge will be returning to replace the lost sand back to the design template prior to the last storm. He went on to say that the dredge is currently in Strathmere for about another 3 weeks and then into Sea Isle for replenishment up to South of 56<sup>th</sup> Street.

Mr. Savastano next addressed Resolution No. 009 stating that it was a Professional Service Contract for Architectural Services in the preparation of renderings for the Council's 1/26/2016 meeting. He said the Council had requested the renderings to evaluate the affects of FAR and the proposed parking changes recommended by the Planning Board.

**REPORTS-Council:** Mr. Divney announced the Planning Board will hold a Special meeting at 7:00 pm on 1/13/2016 to discuss possible changes to Mixed Use development.

**ORDINANCE-Introduction and First Reading:**

Mr. Gibson asked for a motion to take up Ordinance No. 1584 for introduction and first reading. Motion moved by Mr. Divney and seconded by Mr. Kehner. All ayes followed. The Clerk read the Ordinance by title: **1584 – An Ordinance to Amend the Revised General Ordinances of Sea Isle City, Chapter 26, Various Sections Entitled “Zoning” Each of Which Pertains to the Residential Zoning Districts, Specifically Reintroduction of Floor Area Ratio (FAR) at .8.** Mr. Gibson explained that the Ordinance is a result of several discussions at Council meetings. He said the Ordinance will be reviewed for Master Plan consistency at the Planning Board meeting of 1/11/2016.

Mr. Gibson then asked for a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 1584 on first reading and forward to the Planning Board for its Master Plan consistency review. Motion moved by Ms. Tighe and seconded by Mr. Kehner. All ayes followed. Mr. Gibson announced second reading and public hearing will be 1/26/2016.

Mr. Gibson asked for a motion to take up Ordinance No. 1585 for introduction and first reading. Motion moved by Mr. Kehner and seconded by Ms. Tighe. All ayes followed. The Clerk read the Ordinance by title: **1585 – An Ordinance to Amend the Revised General Ordinances of the City of Sea Isle City, Providing for the Rezone of Certain Parcels of Land Owned by the City from the Existing Zone to Public Zone Consistent with Long Standing City Policy and Master Plan Review of 2007 and Which Rezone Will Allow Wireless Telecommunication Facilities at Said Sites.** Mr. Gibson explained the purpose of the Ordinance is to re-zone a city-owned lot adjacent to Dealy Field from R-2 to P-3 in the first step to re-locate a proposed cell tower from Dealy Field to this new location. He added that the Ordinance will be reviewed for Master Plan consistency at the Planning Board meeting of 1/11/2016.

Mr. Gibson then asked for a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 1585 on first reading and forward to the Planning Board for its Master Plan consistency review. Motion moved by Mr. Kehner and seconded by Mr. Divney. All ayes followed. Mr. Gibson announced second reading and public hearing will be 1/26/2016.

**CITIZEN COMMENT~ Resolutions on Consent Agenda:**

**John Evans – 79<sup>th</sup> St:** Asked for an explanation of #10 and Mr. Savastano said it was for project management and engineering services. Mr. Evans next asked about #9 and Mr. Gibson it will be visual drawings illustrating the proposals of the planning board regarding residential parking requirements and FAR.

**Ann Organ-209 39<sup>th</sup> St:** Asked why the City is adopting a temporary budget and Mr. Gibson explained all municipalities adopt a temporary budget of 25% of the previous year's budget so that it can operate prior to the budget being adopted and approved by the State.

**RESOLUTION – Consent Agenda:**

- 001** – Adopting the 2016 Temporary Budget
- 002** – Authorizing the Approval of Vouchers
- 003** – Authorizing Refund of Unused Escrow Monies
- 004** – Authorizing a Non-Fair and Open Professional Services Contract for Center Stage Entertainment, LLC (*Center State Entertainment ~ \$90,150.00*)
- 005** – Authorizing a Petty Cash Fund for the Sea Isle City Police Department

- 006** – Accepting the Recommendation of the Tourism Commission and Department of Community Services to Enter into Agreements with Certain Vendors for Advertising
- 007** – Authorizing the City Cooperating with SIC Chamber of Commerce and Expenditure Not to Exceed \$22,250.00 for Advertising Space in the Visitors Guide and Map in Order to Publicize the City Services and Events
- 008** – Designating Official Newspapers for City Publications for 2016
- 009** – Authorizing the Award of a Non-Fair and Open Contract for Professional Services for Architectural Services (*William A. Haryslak of Architecture by Haryslak, LLC ~ \$4,800.00*)
- 010** – Authorizing the Execution of a Shared Services Between the City of Sea Isle City and the City of Ocean City, Cape May County, NJ

Mr. Gibson next asked for a motion to approve the consent agenda, Resolutions #001 to #010. Motion moved by Ms. Tighe and seconded by Mr. Divney. All ayes followed.

**PENDING BUSINESS:** Ms. Tighe suggested the Ordinance regulating UBER be re-visited as was suggested during the summer months. Mr. Baldini agreed and said he would meet with the Chief and discuss for recommendations.

**NEW BUSINESS:** There was no new business.

**CITIZEN COMMENT:**

**John Evans-79<sup>th</sup> St:** Complained that many put out trash over the New Year's weekend and much of it was attacked by seagulls and blown down the street. He questioned why people are not ticketed.

**John Henry-119 45<sup>th</sup> St:** Asked why the Council is having drawings done when decisions regarding porches, etc. should be left up to the homeowner. He also suggested the back lot of the school be used for parking and asked what is the status of the landfill as he heard toxic waste was found. Mr. Gibson said there is no toxic waste, old drums were found and they were remediated. Mr. Savastano said that there have been extensive studies of the area and a Heron Rookery has been found there requiring a large buffer and limiting the use. Mr. Divney said the Council agreed some time ago not to pursue any use of the area. Mr. Henry concluded by expressing his support of need of jetties and urging the beach fill operation not to cover them.

**Jim Bennett-355 47<sup>th</sup> Pl:** Said that the "Designated Driver Campaign" has endorsed the use of UBER transportation and urged the City to adopt regulations to allow them to operate.

**Ann Organ-209 39<sup>th</sup> St:** Asked what is different between UBER and taxis and Mr. Baldini said one issue is insurance as UBER has one umbrella policy for all drivers.

**Jack Birchmeyer-37 – 77<sup>th</sup> St:** Asked about the proposed location of promenade extension and Mr. Gibson said the first step is to get permission and the location or alignment will likely be West of the dune, but not on private property.

Mr. Gibson asked for a motion to adjourn. Motion moved by Ms. Tighe and Mr. Kehner seconded the motion. All ayes followed and the meeting adjourned at 10:33 a.m.

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Cindy L. Griffith, City Clerk