PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

Please be advised that the notice requirements of the Open Public Meeting Act have been complied with and satisfied in the that the annual notice which gave sufficient notice of the time, place and conduct of all public meetings of the Municipal Council of the City of New Brunswick, has been filed by the City Clerk, has been placed on an appropriate bulletin board in the lobby of the City Hall, New Brunswick, New Jersey, and has been transmitted to the official Newspaper for the City of New Brunswick, namely the Home News Tribune; as provided in a resolution adopted by this governing body.

Salute to the Flag............................................................Leslie R. Zeledón
Pause for a moment to honor those American, Iraqis, and Afghanis who have lost their lives in this current conflict.

Staff in attendance:

- Youth Services Supervisor Ivan Adorno
- Public Information Officer Jennifer Bradshaw
- Assistant City Attorney Joseph J. Catanese
- Acting Planning Director Daniel Dominguez
- Assistant City Administrator Michael Drulis
- Assistant City Administrator Brandon Goldberg
- Police Sgt. Scott Gould
- Purchasing Agent Marie James
- Community Organizer Keith Jones
- Zoning Department Tina McCaskill
- Police Capt. JT Miller
- Finance Director Douglas Petix
- Fire Safety Dominic Quagliata
- Fire Director Robert Rawls
- City Attorney TK Shamy
- Fire Dept Cheryl Smith
- Clerk Typist Jasmine Sosa
- City Administrator Daniel A. Torrisi
- Director of Public Works/ Engineering Thomas Valenti
- Water Director Alexei Walus
- Water Utility Willie Weaver
- City Clerk Leslie Zeledón

On motion of Council Member Escobar, seconded by Council Member Sicora Ludwig and carried, the minutes of the previous Council Meetings held on June 5, 2019 were approved and adopted as engrossed.

Meeting called to order by Council President Anderson with Council Members Egan, Escobar, Fleming and Sicora Ludwig present.

PUBLIC HEARING

None.
INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

None.

PUBLIC HEARING

1. BID PROTEST – MECHANICAL AND ELECTRICAL MAINTENANCE AND EMERGENCY REPAIR WORK AT THE WATER TREATMENT PLANT AND PUMP STATIONS- SPECIFICATION NO.: 760-19W

Representatives of Longo-Electrical Maintenance and Municipal Maintenance Company spoke in regards to their bid submissions.

CLOSED SESSION MINUTES

A motion was made by Council Member Egan and seconded by Council Member Escobar to go into closed session to discuss the bid protest of Municipal Maintenance Company due to Threatened Litigation.

Roll Call:
- Aye: Egan, Escobar, Fleming, Sicora Ludwig, Anderson
- Nay:
- Abstain:
- Motion carried.

While in closed session the Council members discussed the testimony of both representatives of Longo Electrical- Maintenance and Municipal Maintenance Company. The Council reviewed the bids submitted including the specifications and was briefed by Legal Counsel relative to the local public contracts law.

A motion was made by Council Member Egan and seconded by Council Member Escobar to end closed session.

Roll Call:
- Aye: Egan, Escobar, Fleming, Sicora Ludwig, Anderson
- Nay:
- Abstain:
- Motion carried.

Council President Anderson opened the Public Hearing on the above matter.

Public Comment: Mr. Kratovil spoke in regards to Longo-Electrical Maintenance.

Resolution R-071914, moved by Council Member Fleming, seconded by Council Member Escobar and carried, was adopted, on consent, by the Municipal Council.

Roll Call:
- Aye: Egan, Escobar, Fleming, Sicora Ludwig, Anderson
- Nay:
- Abstain:
- Motion carried.

DISCUSSION OF LAZOS AMERICA UNIDA CINCO DE MAYO EVENT MAY 4, 2019

Assistant City Attorney Catanese spoke in regards to allegations regarding the Cinco De Mayo Event held on May 4, 2019 from the County Health Department. Teresa Vivar of Lazos America Unidas and her attorney Amy Braunstein spoke regarding the situation and allegations which took place on May 4th. Ms. Vivar denied the allegations and any threat towards the health inspectors. Mr. Shamy spoke of the concerns of the health, welfare and the safety of the residents. The Council Members expressed their concerns.
CLOSED SESSION MINUTES

A motion was made by Council Member Egan and seconded by Council Member Escobar to go into closed session to discuss the matter due to Threatened Litigation.

Roll Call:
Aye: Egan, Escobar, Fleming, Sicora Ludwig, Anderson
Nay:
Abstain:
Motion carried.

While in closed session the Council members discussed the documentation received as well as comments and testimony heard related to the Cinco de Mayo Event. The Council considered the facts and circumstances relative to the investigation and its obligation to protect the health, welfare and safety of residents who attend events such as this.

A motion was made by Council Member Egan and seconded by Council Member Escobar to end closed session.

Roll Call:
Aye: Egan, Escobar, Fleming, Sicora Ludwig, Anderson
Nay:
Abstain: Escobar (R-071919)
Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. A letter from the Division of Alcoholic and Beverage Control regarding Pirsiv, Inc., t/a Mi Tierra, V. Governing Body of the City of New Brunswick.
2. A letter from Elijah’s Promise regarding Lazos America Unida’s Cinco de Mayo Celebration.
4. A letter from the Division of Alcoholic and Beverage Control regarding an application for an Annual State Concessionaire Permit by DHS Hospitality, Inc. at New Brunswick Performing Arts Center.
5. A Notification from Mott Macdonald regarding an application for a flood hazard area and individual permit and authorization under fresh wetlands general permit 1 to the NJDEP.

RESOLUTIONS

Public Comment: Charlie Kratovil inquired about R-071905, R-071906, R-071913, R-071919. CP Anderson, Mr. Valenti, Capt. Miller and Mr. Torrisi responded.

Resolutions R-071901 through R-071923, moved by Council Member Escobar, seconded by Council Member Fleming and carried were adopted, on consent, by the Municipal Council.

Roll Call:
Aye: Egan, Escobar, Fleming, Sicora Ludwig, Anderson
Nay:
Abstain: Escobar (R-071919)
Motion carried.
NEW BUSINESS

CP Anderson announced The Civil Service Commission testing for those interested in becoming a Police Officer with the City of New Brunswick. CP Anderson also invited everyone to the 4th of July Celebration. Mr. Kratovil spoke regarding the support of R-071914, recent legislation regarding wages, an agreement with Rutgers, a vacancy at 100 Kirkpatrick Street, and a suggestion for a bus shelter on Albany Street. Ms. Braunstein asked questions regarding the Cinco De Mayo Event investigation.

On a motion regularly made, seconded and carried, the meeting adjourned at 7:00 P.M.

Leslie R. Zeledón
City Clerk

John Anderson
Council President