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.................................................................Shalon T. Bennett
Pause for a moment to honor those American, Iraqis, and Afghanis who have lost their lives in this current conflict.

Staff in attendance:

Public Information Officer Bert Baron
Deputy City Clerk Shalon T Bennett
Mayor’s Office Ryan Berger
Public Information Officer Jennifer Bradshaw
Rent Control Administrator Maria Cody
Acting Planning Director Daniel Dominguez
Assistant City Administrator Michael Drulis
Water Utility Eric Kouao Ekoue
Social Services Director Melanie Daniels Ford
Assistant City Attorney Charly Gayden
Assistant City Administrator Brandon Goldberg
Police Capt. Chris Goldeski
Police Sgt. Scott Gould
Purchasing Agent Marie James
Chief of Staff Keith Jones
Clerk Typist Rafael Manzanares
Zoning Department Tina McCaskill
Finance Director Douglas Petix
Fire Safety Dominic Quagliata
Fire Director Robert Rawls
City Attorney TK Shamy
Fire Dept Cheryl Smith
Director of International Programs Mike Tublin
Director of Public Works/ Engineering Thomas Valenti
Water Director Alexei Walus
Water Utility Willie Weaver
City Clerk Leslie Zeledón

On motion of Council Member Egan, seconded by Council Member Escobar and carried, the minutes of the previous Council Meetings held on July 17, 2019 were approved and adopted as engrossed.

Meeting called to order by Council President Anderson with Council Members Egan, Escobar, Fleming, Sicora Ludwig present.
AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF NEW BRUNSWICK, TITLE 5, BUSINESS LICENSES AND REGULATIONS, CHAPTER 5.80 – RENT CONTROL

Council President Anderson opened the Public Hearing on the above ordinance. Public Comment: Charles Kratovil inquired about the ordinance above. Maria Cody responded. On a motion of Council Member Egan, seconded by Council Member Fleming, and carried, the above ordinance was adopted on Final Reading on August 21, 2019.

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

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE 2019 GENERAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM BY AND IN THE CITY OF NEW BRUNSWICK, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY; APPROPRIATING $4,888,276.00 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING DEBT IN THE AMOUNT OF $4,651,000.00 AND REQUIRING A DOWN PAYMENT OF $234,276.00

Council President Anderson opened the Public Hearing on the above ordinance. Public Comment: None On a motion of Council Member Egan, seconded by Council Member Fleming, and carried, the above ordinance was adopted on Final Reading on August 21, 2019.

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

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS TO THE WATER SYSTEM BY AND IN THE CITY OF NEW BRUNSWICK, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY; APPROPRIATING $6,192,755.00 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF $6,192,755.00 BONDS OR NOTES TO FINANCE THE COST THEREOF

Council President Anderson opened the Public Hearing on the above ordinance. Public Comment: Mr. Kratovil inquired on the ordinance above. Alexei Walus and Brandon Goldberg responded. On a motion of Council Member Egan, seconded by Council Member Fleming, and carried, the above ordinance was adopted on Final Reading on August 21, 2019.

Roll Call:
Aye: Egan, Escobar, Fleming, Sicora Ludwig, Anderson
Nay:
Abstain:
Motion carried.
O-081904  BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE SEWER SYSTEM BY AND IN THE CITY OF NEW BRUNSWICK, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY; APPROPRIATING $2,762,000.00 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF $2,762,000.00 BONDS OR NOTES TO FINANCE THE COST THEREOF

Council President Anderson opened the Public Hearing on the above ordinance.
Public Comment: None
On a motion of Council Member Escobar, seconded by Council Member Fleming, and carried, the above ordinance was adopted on Final Reading on August 21, 2019.

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

R-O-081905-1 TO AMEND O-081905
CARRIED TO SEPTEMBER 5, 2019 COUNCIL MEETING AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF NEW BRUNSWICK, TITLE 12, STREETS, SIDEWALKS AND PUBLIC PLACES, CHAPTER 12.28 – PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS ADD: WELTON STREET PARK

Council President Anderson opened the Public Hearing on the above ordinance.
Public Comment: Mr. Shamy said the lot number was incorrect and the Ordinance will need to be carried to the September 5th meeting.
On a motion of Council Member Egan, seconded by Council Member Fleming, and carried, the above ordinance was carried to the September 5, 2019 meeting.

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

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

O-081906  AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF NEW BRUNSWICK, TITLE 12, STREETS, SIDEWALKS AND PUBLIC PLACES RE: ABANDONED, WRECKED AND REPAIR OF VEHICLES ON STREETS

On a motion of Council Member Sicora Ludwig, seconded by Council Member Escobar, and carried, the above ordinance was adopted on first reading and held over for Public Hearing on September 5, at 6:30P.M. in the Council Chambers in City Hall.

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

On a motion of Council Member Sicora Ludwig, seconded by Council Member Escobar, and carried, the above ordinance was adopted on first reading and held over for Public Hearing on September 5, at 6:30P.M. in the Council Chambers in City Hall.

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

On a motion of Council Member Sicora Ludwig, seconded by Council Member Escobar, and carried, the above ordinance was adopted on first reading and held over for Public Hearing on September 5, at 6:30P.M. in the Council Chambers in City Hall.

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

On a motion of Council Member Sicora Ludwig, seconded by Council Member Escobar, and carried, the above ordinance was adopted on first reading and held over for Public Hearing on September 5, at 6:30P.M. in the Council Chambers in City Hall.

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

1. A Notice of Public Hearing from the Middlesex County Area Transit, Division of Transportation regarding the 2020 application for the Senior Citizens & Disabled Residents Transportation Assistance Program.
2. A letter from the NJDEP regarding a Classification Exception Area/Well Restriction Area at Fulton Square Condominiums.
3. A letter from Jacqueline Murphy regarding a Veteran Street Sign for Donald L. Cornman.
4. A Public Hearing Notice from NJ Transit regarding the Senior Citizen & Disabled Residents Transportation Assistance Program.
5. An Ordinance from the Township of Piscataway regarding Supplementing Chapter 21 Zoning, Section 21-1102, General Parking Schedule.
6. An Ordinance from the Township of Franklin regarding amending Chapter 112, Land Development.
7. A Notice of Hearing from the Zoning Board of the City of New Brunswick regarding an application from Gloria Legacy, LLC.
8. A letter from K&M Contracting, Inc. requesting monies be released from an escrow account.
10. A letter from the NJDOT regarding the Fiscal Year 2020 Local Freight Impact Fund.
11. A letter from the NJDEP regarding a Soil Remedial Action Permit for 695 Joyce Kilmer Avenue.
12. A letter from Mott Macdonald regarding an application for a waterfront development individual permit.
13. A letter from the City of New Brunswick, Department of Engineering and Public Works regarding consent to allow the underground storm water detention pump at 191 Hamilton Street.

RESOLUTIONS

Public Comment: Mr. Kratovil inquired about R-081968. CM Egan responded. Ms. Moore inquired about R-081973, Mr. Dominguez responded.

Resolutions R-081950 through R-081977, 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:  
Motion carried.
NEW BUSINESS

CP Anderson reminded everyone of the time change for the next Council Meeting and also congratulated Mr. Belvin and staff for hosting a great event for the readers. Mr. Kratovil spoke in regards to the crane incident and investigation. Director Rawls, CP Anderson and Mr. Shamy responded. Mr. Kratovil spoke on matters for the Planning Board. Mr. Dominguez said they were in need of amendments and change a stipulation. Mr. Dominguez also explained the tax exemption property and location. Ms. Danielle Moore of 333 Somerset Street thanked the city employees for cleaning Wall Street. Ms. Moore requested a water fountain for Baker Park, Mr. Valenti responded the fountain was refurbished. Ms. Moore also asked on the status of street crossing flashers, street cleaning. Mr. Valenti responded. Jeffrey Horowitz of 16 Laurel Place spoke in regards to his handicap parking spot. Captain Goldeski responded. Mr. Horowitz also spoke about a tree, stray cats and the crane incident. Ms. Adela Cook of South Talmadge Street spoke in regards to loud music from a tenant in her neighborhood. CM Egan responded.

On a motion regularly made, seconded and carried, the meeting adjourned at 6:26 P.M.

Leslie R. Zeledón  
City Clerk

John Anderson  
Council President