SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

A Special Council Meeting was held on January 13, 2014 at 7:50 p.m. with Council President Bonar presiding. Members present were Mr. Dixon, Mr. Lynn, Mr. Perza, Mr. Slavin, Mr. Hare, and Mr. Hutchison. Mr. Anderson and Mrs. Williams were absent.

Council staff members present were Mr. Koenig, Mrs. Mitchell, and Mrs. McDowell. Mayor Carey was also present.

AGENDA ADDITIONS/DELETIONS

Mr. Hutchison moved for approval of the agenda, seconded by Mr. Lynn and unanimously carried.

Mr. Hare moved to recess into Executive Session pursuant to 29 Del. C. §10004(b)(4) - Collective Bargaining Strategy Session and (b)(9) - Personnel Matters. The motion was seconded by Mr. Dixon and unanimously carried.

Meeting recessed at 7:50 p.m.

Mr. Hutchison moved to adjourn the Executive Session, seconded by Mr. Hare and unanimously carried.

Executive Session adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

POTENTIAL ACTION RESULTING FROM THE EXECUTIVE SESSION

International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) Arbitration

During the Executive Session, Mr. Scott Koenig, City Manager, advised City Council members that they have reached an impasse in negotiations with the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) negotiating team and that they would be going to arbitration. He requested authorization to retain an expert witness to testify on the City's behalf during arbitration.

Mr. Lynn moved to authorize the City Manager to expend the sum of $15,000 associated with the retention of an expert witness for the purposes of arbitration with the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW). The motion was seconded by Mr. Hutchison and unanimously carried.

Clean Hands Ordinance - Committee, Commission, or Board Member Violations

During the Executive Session, Mrs. Traci McDowell, City Clerk, advised members of City Council that, in accordance with Chapter 1 - General Provisions, Section 1-13 - Clean Hands, Paragraph (c) - Appointment to Committee, Commission, or Board, any person being appointed or currently serving on a city committee, commission, or board must be free of outstanding payments or violations in order to be eligible to serve. She advised members that several appointees were currently in violation of the Clean Hands ordinance.

Mr. Lynn moved to direct the City Clerk to send correspondence to any appointed committee, commission, or board member who was found to be in violation of the Clean Hands ordinance requesting them to make arrangements to pay within 30 days and that if they fail to do so, they would be requested to tender their resignations. The motion was seconded by Mr. Dixon and unanimously carried.

Mr. Hare moved for adjournment, seconded by Mr. Hutchison and unanimously carried.

The Special Council Meeting adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

TRACI A. McDOWELL
CITY CLERK

All orders, ordinances, and resolutions adopted by City Council during their Special Meeting of January 13, 2014 are hereby approved.

CARLETON E. CAREY, SR.
MAYOR

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