

STATED MEETING - CITY COUNCIL –JUNE 8, 2010

A meeting of the Lancaster City Council was held on Tuesday, June 8, 2010 in Council Chambers, Southern Market Center, 100 South Queen Street, Lancaster, PA, at 7:30 p.m., with President Williams presiding.

City Council led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present – Ms. Coller, Mr. Morales, Mr. Polite, Mr. Roschel
Mr. Smith, Mr. Urdaneta, President Williams – 7

City Council approved the minutes of May 25, 2010 by a unanimous vote.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE- Chairman Roschel stated that the Public Works committee met yesterday and three items were discussed. Two items are on the agenda this evening in the form of resolutions and the other item was a discussion about a banner that has been requested to be strung across East King Street at the Tabor Community Services, where the Eastern Market is held during the summer months. King Street is a state road and it requires a resolution to PennDOT to state that the City will be responsible for maintaining the banner. It will appear on a future agenda when the agreement can be worked out with Tabor.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & PLANNING COMMITTEE – Chairman Morales stated that his committee met yesterday and were given information on three issues that will be coming up on future agendas.

City Council considered the following application(s) & (Historic Commissions recommendation(s) for construction and demolition within the Heritage Conservation District:

1. City of Lancaster, to construct a 15'X22' one-story, brick-faced concrete-block building with a hipped roof, to house swimming pool filtration equipment, per the submitted plans at the Sixth Ward Park/600 block of East Ross Street.

Councilman Urdaneta made the motion to approve and Councilman Smith seconded. City Council approved the recommendations of the HARB by a unanimous roll call vote.

Council Resolution No. 37- 2010, (the title) was read by the City Clerk as follows:

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANCASTER RECOGNIZING JUNE 2010, AS LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL AND TRANSGENDER PRIDE MONTH, AND ENCOURAGING ALL PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF LANCASTER TO WORK TO ADVANCE THE CAUSE OF EQUALITY AND TOWARDS ACHIEVING A SAFE COMMUNITY THAT APPRECIATES ITS DIVERSITY IN ALL ITS FORMS FOR GENERATIONS TO COME.

Councilman Urdaneta made the motion to approve and Councilman Smith seconded. Councilman Roschel stated that there is clear progress we can point to, by looking at public opinion polls and the general mood of the Country. He encouraged people to participate in the Art Auction which is being held at Carr's Restaurant and to enjoy the Lancaster Pride Festival on June 19 at Buchanan Park.

City Council approved Council Resolution by a unanimous roll call vote.

Councilman Roschel presented copies of the resolution to members of Lancaster Pride.

Administration Resolution No. 38-2010, (the title) was read by the City Clerk as follows:

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANCASTER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SUBMIT A GRANT PROPOSAL FOR THE 2010 LANCASTER COUNTY URBAN ENHANCEMENT FUND GRANT PROGRAM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$250,000 FOR THE CENTRAL MARKET DISTRICT STREETScape ENHANCEMENT PROJECT.

Councilman Roschel made the motion to approve and Councilman Urdaneta seconded. Councilman Roschel stated that this is an application for Urban Enhancement Funds from Lancaster County. These funds are offered to other municipalities in the County each year and the grants are very competitive. This project includes new paving, curbs, lighting and benches in the area of Central Market City Council approved Resolution No. 38-2010 by a unanimous roll call vote.

Administration Resolution No. 39-2010, (the title) was read by the City Clerk as follows:

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANCASTER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SUBMIT A GRANT PROPOSAL FOR THE 2010 LANCASTER COUNTY URBAN ENHANCEMENT FUND GRANT PROGRAM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$66,000 FOR THE BRANDON PARK RENOVATIONS PROJECT.

Councilman Roschel made the motion to approve and Councilman Smith seconded. Councilman Roschel stated that this plan is renovations that are in line with recent updated to our Parks, Recreation and Open Space Plan. It recognizes Brandon as one of the parks that we will focus on, and is in dire need of improvements. City Council approved Administration Resolution No. 39-2010 by a unanimous roll call vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Terry Heffner, 324 North Queen Street, spoke to Council about the skateboarders who have taken over the sidewalks in the block and are making it difficult for pedestrians to move about. He asked Council to consider banning all skateboards and bicycles on the sidewalks in the DID.

Melissa Lewis, 467 St. Joseph Street, stated that her children got a permit to sell Italian Ice

from their home and someone must have complained, because they have been told that they cannot do it anymore. Mayor Gray asked her to talk to Ms. Brogan and they will check to see what is going on.

Terry Brown, Lancaster, asked on behalf of a friend what needs to be done to get a permit to hold a block party.

REPORT OF THE MAYOR – The report of the Mayor can be seen in its entirety on the City’s website: www.cityoflancasterpa.com

COUNCIL COMMENTS – Councilman Polite congratulated the Mayor and Chief Gregg for the promotion of Kyle Davidson and Andre Kelly, firefighters, who have been promoted to Lieutenant. He mentioned that they were African American and are the first lieutenants of that race since 1949 in the City of Lancaster Bureau of Fire.

Councilwoman Collier congratulated our Shade Tree Commission, who submitted a written report to City Council this week, for the outstanding work that they do for caring for the street trees in the City.

President Williams adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Louise B. Williams, President

Attest:

City Clerk