

STATED MEETING - CITY COUNCIL –MARCH 30, 2010

A meeting of the Lancaster City Council was held on Tuesday, March 30, 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 March 9, 2010 by a unanimous vote.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE – Chairman Polite made the motion to approve the Mayor's appointment to the Human Relations Board of Directors, Ms. Tiffany L. Robinson, seconded by Councilman Urdaneta. City Council unanimously approved the appointment. Mr. Polite then made a motion to approve the Mayor's appointment of Adanjesus Marin to the Human Relations Commission and Councilman Smith seconded. City Council unanimously approved the appointment.

Councilman Polite made the motion to re-appoint Gail Keller, LSD nurse to the Board of Health, and Councilman Smith seconded. City Council approved the re-appointment by a unanimous roll call vote.

City Council considered the following application & Historic Commission recommendation for construction & demolition within the Heritage Conservation District:

1. Demetrius J. Yoder, proposes construction of a two-story, three-bay garage facing Rock Street, at 423 East Clay Street, (rear).

The City Clerk read the recommendation of the Historic Commission as follows:

Due to the lack of a quorum at the March 15, 2010 meeting, this item is forwarded to City Council without a formal recommendation.

This application was initially discussed, and tabled, at the Historical Commission's February 16, 2010 meeting. To avoid causing further delay or hardship for the property owner, the Commission members present at the March 15, 2010 meeting agreed to discuss and forward this item to City Council for final action. The Commission's deliberations and discussions are reflected in the minutes of the February 16, 2010 and the March 15, 2010 meetings. There were no objections from the Commission to the applicant's proposal.

Councilman Polite made the motion to approve and Councilman Urdaneta seconded. City Council approved the property owner's request by a unanimous roll call vote.

Administration Bill No. 5-2010, (the title) was read by the City Clerk as follows:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANCASTER, LANCASTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA ESTABLISHING THE CITY OF LANCASTER PUBLIC ART ADVISORY BOARD AND PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL TAKE EFFECT IN ACCORDANCE WITH PENNSYLVANIA LAW.

Councilman Roschel made the motion to approve and Councilman Urdaneta seconded. Councilman Roschel stated that we discussed this at the Committee meeting and also at the last Council meeting at the first reading. He is supportive of this new ordinance establishing a public arts advisory board. He feels that it is consistent with the City's Strategic Plan which includes Arts and Entertainment as one of its strategic focus areas. The plan also specifically cites incorporating public art in all our parks, streetscapes and public places. The Board will be seven members who either reside in the City or who are actively engaged in arts within the City. The City and the Board will be firmly be committed to engaging the public in all aspects of public art and projects. The meeting tomorrow night will be an example of this at the 6th ward park project.

City Council approved Administration Bill No. 5-2010, by a unanimous roll call vote and it shall be hereinafter known as Administration Ordinance 5-2010.

Administration Bill No. 6-2010, (the title) was read by the City Clerk as follows:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANCASTER, LANCASTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA MODIFYING CHAPTER 186 – LICENSING OF BUSINESSES – AND THE CODE OF THE CITY OF LANCASTER TO REVISE THIS CHAPTER OF THE CITY CODE TO BE KNOWN AS VENDOR AND PEDDLER LICENSING ORDINANCE, ELIMINATING THE BOARD OF APPEALS AND DESIGNATING THE CHIEF OF POLICE OF THE CITY OF LANCASTER BUREAU OF POLICE TO HEAR ANY AND ALL APPEALS AS DEFINED IN THIS CHAPTER, DESIGNATING THE BUREAU OF POLICE AS THE BODY TO ENFORCE THE PROVISIONS OF THE CHAPTER INCLUDING ISSUING LICENSES THEREUNDER, MODIFYING THE FEES SET FORTH IN THE CHAPTER FOR THE ISSUANCE OF VARIOUS LICENSES AND ALLOWING SUCH FEES TO BE MODIFIED FROM TIME TO TIME BY RESOLUTION OF CITY COUNCIL AND MAKING OTHER MODIFICATIONS CONSISTENT WITH THOSE CHANGES; PROVIDING FOR THE SEVERABILITY OF THE LANGUAGE; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF INCONSISTENT ORDINANCES; AND PROVIDING THAT THE ORDINANCE SHALL TAKE EFFECT AS PROVIDED BY PENNSYLVANIA LAW.

Councilman Urdaneta made the motion to approve and Councilman Roschel seconded.

Councilman Urdaneta stated that the main purpose of this ordinance is to make sure that the department that is more able to do background checks of individuals who come to the City to sell products door to door or to offer services in the City is the Police Department. This will ensure the safety and security of our citizens.

City Council approved Administration Bill No. 6-2010 by a unanimous roll call vote and it will hereinafter be known as Administration Ordinance No. 6-2010.

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

President Williams welcomed the students from Catholic High and McCaskey who attended the meeting tonight

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

Louise B. Williams, President

Attest:

City Clerk