



**ROANOKE CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR SESSION**

**MAY 16, 2016  
2:00 P.M.**

**CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER**

**AGENDA**

- 1. Call to Order--Roll Call. Mayor Bowers was absent. Council Members Lea and Rosen arrived late.**

The Invocation was delivered by The Reverend Stephen R. Lamb, Pastor, Grace and Truth Baptist Church.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Vice-Mayor David B. Trinkle.

Welcome. Vice-Mayor Trinkle.

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**THE PUBLIC IS ADVISED THAT MEMBERS OF COUNCIL RECEIVE THE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA AND RELATED COMMUNICATIONS, REPORTS, ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS, ETC., ON THE THURSDAY PRIOR TO THE COUNCIL MEETING TO PROVIDE SUFFICIENT TIME FOR REVIEW OF INFORMATION.**

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**NOTICE OF INTENT TO COMPLY WITH THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT.** SPECIAL ASSISTANCE IS AVAILABLE FOR DISABLED PERSONS ADDRESSING CITY COUNCIL. EFFORTS WILL BE MADE TO PROVIDE ADAPTATIONS OR ACCOMMODATIONS BASED ON INDIVIDUAL NEEDS OF QUALIFIED INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES, PROVIDED THAT REASONABLE ADVANCE NOTIFICATION HAS BEEN RECEIVED BY THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE.

PERSONS WISHING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL WILL BE REQUIRED TO CONTACT THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE PRIOR TO THE MONDAY COUNCIL MEETING, OR REGISTER WITH THE STAFF ASSISTANT AT THE ENTRANCE TO THE COUNCIL CHAMBER PRIOR TO COMMENCEMENT OF THE COUNCIL MEETING. ONCE THE COUNCIL MEETING HAS CONVENED, THERE WILL BE NO FURTHER REGISTRATION OF SPEAKERS, EXCEPT FOR PUBLIC HEARING MATTERS. ON THE SAME AGENDA ITEM, ONE TO FOUR SPEAKERS WILL BE ALLOTTED FIVE MINUTES EACH; HOWEVER, IF THERE ARE MORE THAN FOUR SPEAKERS, EACH SPEAKER WILL BE ALLOTTED THREE MINUTES.

ANY PERSON WHO IS INTERESTED IN SERVING ON A CITY COUNCIL-APPOINTED AUTHORITY, BOARD, COMMISSION OR COMMITTEE MAY CONTACT THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE AT 853-2541, OR ACCESS THE CITY'S HOMEPAGE TO COMPLETE AN ONLINE APPLICATION.

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROANOKE IS SEEKING APPLICATIONS FOR THE FOLLOWING CURRENT VACANCIES AND/OR UPCOMING EXPIRATIONS OF TERMS OF OFFICE:

**BUILDING AND FIRE CODE OF APPEALS/AT-LARGE – TWO VACANCIES  
UNEXPIRED TERM OF OFFICE ENDING JUNE 30, 2017  
TERM OF OFFICE ENDING JUNE 30, 2018**

**HOTEL ROANOKE AND CONFERENCE CENTER COMMISSION -  
ONE VACANCY  
FOUR-YEAR TERM OF OFFICE ENDING APRIL 12, 2020**

**PERSONNEL AND EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES COMMISSION –  
ONE VACANCY**

**THREE-YEAR TERM OF OFFICE ENDING JUNE 30, 2019**

**ROANOKE ARTS COMMISSION – ONE VACANCY  
THREE-YEAR TERM OF OFFICE ENDING JUNE 30, 2019**

**ROANOKE PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD – ONE VACANCY  
THREE-YEAR TERM OF OFFICE ENDING JUNE 30, 2019**

**ROANOKE VALLEY-ALLEGHANY REGIONAL COMMISSION -  
ONE VACANCY**

**UNEXPIRED TERM OF OFFICE ENDING JUNE 30, 2018**

**ROANOKE VALLEY CONVENTION AND VISITORS  
BUREAU BOARD OF DIRECTORS – ONE VACANCY  
ONE-YEAR TERM OF OFFICE ENDING JUNE 30, 2017**

**WESTERN VIRGINIA WATER AUTHORITY  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS – ONE VACANCY  
FOUR-YEAR TERM OF OFFICE ENDING JUNE 30, 2020**

## **2. PRESENTATIONS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS:**

Recognition of Navy Week in Roanoke City.

**Vice-Mayor Trinkle recognized Rear Admiral Mark J. Fung, along with Commander Morgan Murphy, Public Affairs Officer, Lieutenant Commander Kirby Baker, and Chief Jonathan Hooper of the Roanoke Navy Reserve Center in acknowledgement of Navy Week.**

A proclamation declaring the month of May 2016 as Diversity and Inclusion Awareness Month.

**Vice-Mayor Trinkle presented a ceremonial copy of proclamation to Michele Vineyard, Director of Human Resources and Members of the Diversity Advisory Council.**

Presentation of the Government Finance Officers Association Distinguished Budget Award.

**Vice-Mayor Trinkle presented the Government Finance Officers Association Distinguished Budget Award plaque to Amelia Merchant, Director of Management and Budget and staff.**

### **3. HEARING OF CITIZENS UPON PUBLIC MATTERS:**

**CITY COUNCIL SETS THIS TIME AS A PRIORITY FOR CITIZENS TO BE HEARD. ALL MATTERS WILL BE REFERRED TO THE CITY MANAGER FOR RESPONSE, RECOMMENDATION OR REPORT TO COUNCIL, AS HE MAY DEEM APPROPRIATE.**

**Robert Gravely, 3360 Hershberger Road, N. W., appeared before Council and spoke about diversity in the City of Roanoke.**

**At this point, Council Member Rosen entered the meeting (2:18 p.m.).**

**April Medeiros, 659 Albemarle Avenue, S. E., appeared before Council and spoke about Silver Street Paint Company project.**

### **4. CONSENT AGENDA: (APPROVED 5-0)**

**ALL MATTERS LISTED UNDER THE CONSENT AGENDA ARE CONSIDERED TO BE ROUTINE BY THE MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL AND WILL BE ENACTED BY ONE MOTION. THERE WILL BE NO SEPARATE DISCUSSION OF THE ITEMS. IF DISCUSSION IS DESIRED, THE ITEM WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA AND CONSIDERED SEPARATELY. Item C-1 was withdrawn and Item C-6 was added.**

**C-1** A communication from Council Member Sherman P. Lea, Chair, City Council Personnel Committee requesting that Council convene in a Closed Meeting to discuss a personnel matter, being the performance of a Council-Appointed Officer, pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(1), Code of Virginia (1950), as amended.  
**RECOMMENDED ACTION: Withdrawn.**

**C-2** A communication from the City Manager requesting that Council schedule a public hearing for Monday, June 20, 2016, at 2:00 p.m., or at such time thereafter as the matter may be reached, or at such later date and time as deemed appropriate by the City Manager, on the proposed joinder of the City of Salem to the Roanoke Valley Resource Authority and revisions of the Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation.  
**RECOMMENDED ACTION: Concurred in the request.**

- C-3           A communication from the Director of Finance requesting that Council schedule a public hearing for Monday, June 20, 2016, at 2:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, or at such later date and time as the City Manager may determine, on the issuance of General Obligation Bonds, not to exceed \$28 million, for qualifying Capital Improvement Projects.  
**RECOMMENDED ACTION:       Concurred in the request.**
- C-4           A communication from the Assistant City Manager for Community Development transmitting the 2016 Annual Homeless Winter Point-in-Time Street and Shelter Survey Report.  
**RECOMMENDED ACTION:       Received and filed.**
- C-5           An Abstract of Votes cast in the 2016 May General Election held in the City of Roanoke on Tuesday, May 3, 2016.  
**RECOMMENDED ACTION:       Received and filed.**
- C-6           A communication from the City Manager with regard to the Roanoke Community Garden Association recommending funding in the amount of \$10,000.00 for FY 2017.  
**RECOMMENDED ACTION:       Received and filed.**
- C-7           Report of qualification of Geoffrey W. L. Manning as a member of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board to fill the unexpired term of office of Erin M. Dudley ending March 31, 2017.  
**RECOMMENDED ACTION:       Received and filed.**

**REGULAR AGENDA:**

**5. PUBLIC HEARINGS: NONE.**

**6. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS:**

- a.           A communication from Council Member Bestpitch requesting consideration of amendments to the City Code to increase the number of designated park facilities within the City at which an alcohol permit may be issued.  
**Adopted Ordinance No. 40502-051616. (5-0)**

**Terry Huxhold, 1125 16<sup>th</sup> Street, S. E., appeared before Council and voiced his disapproval of the sale, possession, and consumption of alcoholic beverages at Fallon Park.**

## 7. REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS AND COMMENTS OF CITY MANAGER:

a. CITY MANAGER:

BRIEFINGS: NONE.

ITEMS RECOMMENDED FOR ACTION:

1. Acceptance of the FY2017 Regional Fire Service Training Facilities Grant from the Virginia Department of Fire Programs for purchase of a trailer and training equipment for the City's Regional Fire-EMS Training Center.  
**Adopted Resolution No. 40503-051616 and Budget Ordinance No. 40504-051616. (5-0)**
2. Acceptance of the FY2016-2017 Local Emergency Management Performance Grant from the Virginia Department of Emergency Management to support the emergency management activity.  
**Adopted Resolution No. 40505-051616. (5-0)**
3. Acceptance of the FY2015 State Homeland Security Grant from the Virginia Department of Emergency Management to install a quick connect device at the Berglund Center.  
**Adopted Resolution 40506-051616 and Budget Ordinance No. 40507-051616. (5-0)**
4. Execution of an amendment of the Intergovernmental Agreement establishing the Roanoke Valley Greenway Commission to add Botetourt County as a member.  
**Adopted Ordinance No. 40508-051616. (5-0)**
5. Execution of Amendment No. 1 to the Contract for Purchase and Sale of Real Property between the City of Roanoke and Roanoke Higher Education Center regarding real property located at 209 Henry Street, N. W.  
**Adopted Ordinance No. 40509-051616. (5-0)**

## **COMMENTS OF CITY MANAGER.**

The City Manager shared the following comments:

### **Navy Week Begins**

- The week of May 16 is Navy Week in Roanoke
- A kickoff ceremony was held at noon today in Market Square where a proclamation recognizing Navy Week was presented  
Activities planned for the week:
  - Navy display at the Virginia Museum of Transportation.
  - U.S. Navy Interaction and Band Performance at Center in the Square.
  - Navy EOD and diver demonstration at Hunting Hills Country Club.
  - U.S. Navy representatives at the Local Colors Festival.
  - Salem Red Sox Navy Night.
  - Navy Band Concert at Mill Mountain Theatre.
  - The U.S. Navy will hold a memorial ceremony and wreath-laying for D-Day participants and especially those that lost their lives during the D-Day invasion.
  - Also, Roanoke City Public Schools has several activities planned as part of Navy Week involving school bands and ROTC.

### **Leadership College Graduation on Tonight**

- Council is invited to attend a special reception for the graduates in Municipal North Lobby at 6:15 p.m.
- Graduates will be presented prior at Council's 7:00 p.m. meeting, prior to the Public Hearings.

### **Neighborhood Month Activities Continue**

- Each year, neighborhood organizations host special events in May to celebrate neighborhood pride
- Remaining events include:
  - Grandin Court Neighborhood Association's "Plant Exchange and Give-A-Way" on May 17.
  - Old Southwest's "Neighborhood Safety for Kids Event & Picnic" on May 18.
  - Gainsborough SW Community Organization's "Third Annual Neighborhood Celebration and Block Party" on May 21.
  - Hurt Park Neighborhood Alliance's "Annual Fund-Raiser Cookout" on May 21.

- Roanoke Role Modelz Organization's "Hope Changes Everything" on May 28.
- Goodwill Industries Good Guides Program's "Good Guides Community Garden for the 'Come Grow with Us' Harvest and Festival" on June 4.

**Upcoming Events in Elmwood Park**

- Local Colors Festival  
Saturday, May 21, 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
- Festival in the Park, May 27 - 29
- Recent concerts include Huey Lewis and the News and Blondie, and Brian Wilson is coming to Elmwood Park on August 20.
- Budweiser Summer Concert Series begins with Blackstreet in Elmwood Park on June 24.

b. DIRECTOR OF FINANCE:

1. Authorization to issue General Obligation Public Improvement Refunding Boards, not to exceed \$35 million principal amount in refunding bonds on or before June 30, 2017.  
**Adopted Resolution No. 40510-051616. (5-0)**

**8. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:**

- a. A report of the Roanoke City School Board requesting appropriation of funds for various educational grant programs; and a report of the Director of Finance recommending that Council concur in the request. Donna Caldwell, Director of Accounting, Spokesperson.  
**Adopted Budget Ordinance No. 40511-051616. (5-0)**
- b. A report of the Roanoke City School Board requesting amendment to the 2015 – 2016 Categorical Budget in order to align with the City of Roanoke's budget, which was adopted on Monday, May 9, 2016; and a report of the Director of Finance recommending that Council concur in the request. Donna Caldwell, Director of Accounting, Spokesperson.  
**Adopted Budget Ordinance 40512-051616. (5-0)**

**9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE.**

**10. INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:**

- a. A resolution supporting roll on/roll off accommodations for bicycles and encouraging the Commonwealth of Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation to work with Amtrak to facilitate the implementation of roll on/roll off of bicycle accommodations when passenger rail service is extended to Roanoke.  
**Adopted Resolution No. 40513-051616. (4-0) Council Member Rosen abstained from voting.**

**11. MOTIONS AND MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:**

- a. Inquiries and/or comments by the Vice-Mayor and Members of City Council.

**Council Member Ferris announced the 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Lebanese Festival at St. Elias Maronite Catholic Church, 4730 Cove Road, N. W., June 3 through June 5, 11 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.**

**Council Member Price announced the 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Local Colors Festival will be held on Saturday, May 21 at Elmwood Park, 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.**

**Council Member Bestpitch encouraged participation in downtown Roanoke activities. Visit [www.downtownroanoke.org/events](http://www.downtownroanoke.org/events) to learn about upcoming events.**

- b. Vacancies on certain authorities, boards, commissions and committees appointed by Council. **NONE.**

**12. RECESSED – 3:15 P.M.**

**THE COUNCIL MEETING STOOD IN RECESS UNTIL 7:00 P.M., IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER, ROOM 450, NOEL C. TAYLOR MUNICIPAL BUILDING.**



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**A. PRESENTATIONS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS:**

Recognition of the Community Health Promoter Program (CHPP) Graduates – Spring 2016.

**Mayor Bowers presented Certificates to the Community Health Promoters Program (CHPP) Graduates.**

Recognition of the City of Roanoke 2016 Leadership College Graduates.  
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**At this point, Council Member Price entered the meeting. (7:21 p.m.)**

## **B. PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

1. Receive the views of citizens regarding appointment of two Roanoke City School Board Trustees for three-year terms commencing July 1, 2016. The candidates are Wilton C. Kennedy, Annette Lewis, Susan R. Reese and Lutheria H. Smith.  
**No action taken.**
2. Request of Viamac, Inc., and 3675 Orange Avenue, LLC, to repeal conditions proffered as part of rezonings at 3659 Orange Avenue, N. E., and 3675 Orange Avenue, N. E., and adopt new proffered conditions. C. Cooper Youell, IV, Attorney, Spokesperson.  
**Adopted Ordinance No. 40514-051616. (6-0)**
3. Request of Local Environment Agriculture Project, Inc. (LEAP), for a personal property tax exemption at 1327 Grandin Road, S. W., effective July 1, 2016. Maureen McNamara Best, Executive Director, Spokesperson.  
**Adopted Ordinance No. 40515-051616. (6-0)**
4. Request of Blue Ridge Land Conservancy, for personal property tax exemption at 722 First Street, S. W., Suite L, effective July 1, 2016. David C. Perry, Executive Director, Spokesperson.  
**Adopted Ordinance No. 40516-051616. (6-0)**
5. Proposal of the City of Roanoke to lease approximately 3.6 acres of City-owned property located adjacent to 5401 Barns Avenue, N. W., to Jared Green and Donna Green for agricultural purposes. Christopher P. Morrill, City Manager.  
**Adopted Ordinance No. 40517-051616. (6-0)**
6. Proposal of the City of Roanoke to grant a permanent sewer line easement and a temporary construction easement, both with an approximate width of 20 feet and collectively encumbering approximately 15,600 square feet, over, across, and under City-owned property located along Reserve Avenue, S. W., to the Western Virginia Water Authority. Daniel J. Callaghan, City Attorney.  
**Adopted Ordinance No. 40518-051616. (6-0)**

### **C. OTHER BUSINESS:**

1. A report of the City Manager requesting authorization to execute a Downtown Service District Services Agreement with Downtown Roanoke, Inc., for continued administration of the Downtown Service District.  
**Adopted Resolution No. 40519-051616. (6-0)**
  
2. A report of the City Manager requesting authorization to execute a Williamson Road Area Service District Services Agreement with the Williamson Road Area Business Association, Inc., for continued administration of the Williamson Road Area Service District.  
**Adopted Resolution No. 40520-051616. (6-0)**
  
3. Petition for Appeal filed by Tammy Britt, d/b/a Tammy Britt Rental Properties, LLC, in connection with a decision of the Architectural Review Board denying a request to approve replacement of existing pressed metal roof shingles with architectural shingles at 418 Washington Avenue, S. W.  
**Council Member Price moved to reverse the decision of the City of Roanoke Architectural Review Board and to grant the request for a Certificate of Appropriateness to allow the replacement of an architectural metal roof with architectural shingles at 418 Washington Avenue, S. W. The motion was seconded by Council Member Rosen and adopted, with Council Member Bestpitch voting no.**

### **D. HEARING OF CITIZENS UPON PUBLIC MATTERS: NONE.**

### **E. ADJOURNED – 9:45 P.M.**