

ROANOKE CITY COUNCIL-REGULAR SESSION

December 20, 2021

2:00 p.m.

The Council of the City of Roanoke met in regular session on Monday, December 20, 2021 at 2:00 p.m., in the Council Chamber, Room 450, fourth floor, Noel C. Taylor Municipal Building, 215 Church Avenue, S. W., City of Roanoke, with Mayor Sherman P. Lea, Sr., presiding, pursuant to Chapter 2, Administration, Article II, City Council, Section 2-15, Rules of Procedure, Rule 1, Regular Meetings, Code of the City of Roanoke (1979), as amended, and pursuant to Resolution No. 41964-010421 adopted by the Council on Monday, January 4, 2021.

PRESENT: Council Members William D. Bestpitch, Joseph L. Cobb, Robert L. Jeffrey, Jr., Stephanie Moon Reynolds (participated by electronic means), Vivian Sanchez-Jones, Patricia White-Boyd, and Mayor Sherman P. Lea, Sr.-6.

Mayor Lea announced he received a request from Council Member Moon Reynolds to allow participation via zoom in the 2:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. meetings of Council. Council voted unanimously to allow participation in the meeting via zoom.

The Mayor declared the existence of a quorum.

OFFICERS PRESENT: Robert S. Cowell, Jr., City Manager; Timothy R. Spencer, City Attorney; and Cecelia F. McCoy, City Clerk.

The Invocation was delivered by Council Member Joseph L. Cobb.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Mayor Sherman P. Lea, Sr.

PRESENTATIONS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS: NONE.

HEARING OF CITIZENS UPON PUBLIC MATTERS: NONE.

CONSENT AGENDA

The Mayor advised that all matters listed under the Consent Agenda were considered to be routine by the Members of Council and would be enacted by one motion in the form, or forms, listed on the Consent Agenda, and if discussion were desired, the item would be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately. He called attention to a request convene in a Closed Meeting.

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL: Minutes of the regular meetings of City Council held on Monday, November 1, 2021, was before the body.

(See Minutes on file in the City Clerk's Office.)

Council Member Bestpitch moved that the reading of the minutes be dispensed with and approved as recorded. The motion seconded by Council Member Jeffrey and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Bestpitch, Cobb, Jeffrey, Moon Reynolds, Sanchez-Jones, White-Boyd, and Mayor Sherman P. Lea, Sr.-7.

NAYS: None-0.

BUDGET DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022 — 2023: A communication from the City Manager, recommending adoption of the Calendar of Events for Budget Development Activities for Fiscal Year 2022 — 2023, was before the Council.

(See communication on file in the City Clerk's Office.)

Council Member Bestpitch moved that Council concur in the request of the City Manager as above mentioned. The motion seconded by Council Member Jeffrey and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Bestpitch, Cobb, Jeffrey, Moon Reynolds, Sanchez-Jones, White-Boyd, and Mayor Sherman P. Lea, Sr.-7.

NAYS: None-0.

BLUE RIDGE BEHAVIORAL HEALTHCARE: A communication from Debbie Bonniwell, Chief Executive Officer, Blue Ridge Behavioral Healthcare, requesting that Council ratify the appointment of Colonel Bobby Russell as an at-large member of the Board of Directors for a three-year term of office ending December 31, 2024, was before the Council.

(See communication on file in the City Clerk's Office.)

Council Member Bestpitch moved that Council concur in the request of Ms. Bonniwell as above mentioned. The motion seconded by Council Member Jeffrey and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Bestpitch, Cobb, Jeffrey, Moon Reynolds, Sanchez-Jones, White-Boyd, and Mayor Sherman P. Lea, Sr.-7.

NAYS: None-0.

OATHS OF OFFICE-BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS: Report of qualification of Amanda McGee as the member of the Board of Zoning Appeals for a three-year term of office commencing January 1, 2022 and ending December 31, 2024; was before the Council.

(See Oaths or Affirmations of Office on file in the City Clerk's Office.)

Council Member Bestpitch moved that the report of qualification be received and filed. The motion seconded by Council Member Jeffrey and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Bestpitch, Cobb, Jeffrey, Moon Reynolds, Sanchez-Jones, White-Boyd, and Mayor Sherman P. Lea, Sr.-7.

NAYS: None-0.

REGULAR AGENDA

PUBLIC HEARINGS: NONE.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS:

FATHERHOOD ENCOURAGEMENT PROJECT: Matthew Hogan, Acting President, appeared before the Council and shared information about the Fatherhood Encouragement Project, the Roanoke Chapter and the impact fathers have on children through affirmation, leadership, and community service. He stated and emphasized the more fathers were involved, the more they can help and that the mentorship program provides opportunities for fathers to be men and step up to the plate in their responsibilities.

He continued explaining that the Fatherhood Mentoring Project, a national nonprofit organization that brings dads from all walks of life together in order to build healthy friendships and create more effective leaders and communicators. He advised the motto of the organization was “Stronger fathers, stronger children, stronger communities.”

Council Member Moon inquired with regard to funding; whereby, Mr. Hogan replied funding consisted of mostly donations. Council Member Cobb thanked Mr. Hogan for his vulnerability.

Mayor Lea thanked Mr. Hogan for the informative presentation and advised that it would be received and filed.

ROANOKE GREENWAY COMMISSION UPDATE: Frank Maguire, Roanoke Valley Greenway Commission, Greenway Coordinator, appeared before the Council and gave an overview of activities of the Commission.

He highlighted topics such as the trail survey results, greenway usage, greenway signage and pointed out the new extensions of the greenways.

(See copy of presentation on file in the City Clerk’s Office.)

Following Mr. Maguire’s presentation, Council Member Bestpitch offered support and encouragement to Mr. Maguire; and expressed continued hopes of progression on the greenway.

REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS AND COMMENTS OF CITY MANAGER:

CITY MANAGER:

BRIEFING: NONE.

ITEMS RECOMMENDED FOR ACTION:

APPOINTMENT OF BATTALION CHIEF: The City Manager submitted a written communication recommending appointment of Battalion Chief Trevor W. Shannon as the Emergency Management Coordinator for the City of Roanoke.

(For full text, see communication on file in the City Clerk's Office.)

Council Member Bestpitch offered the following resolution:

(#42231-122021) A RESOLUTION granting consent to the appointment of an Emergency Management Coordinator for the City of Roanoke, Virginia.
(For full text of resolution, see Resolution Book No. 82, page 223.)

Council Member Bestpitch moved the adoption of Resolution No. 42231-122021. The motion seconded by Council Member Sanchez-Jones and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Bestpitch, Cobb, Jeffrey, Moon Reynolds, Sanchez-Jones, White-Boyd, and Mayor Lea-7.

NAYS: None-0.

AMENDMENT OF THE FY 2021 ASPHALT CONCRETE OVERLAYS CONTRACT: The City Manager submitted a written communication recommending amendment of the FY 2021 Asphalt Concrete Overlays Contract between the City of Roanoke and Boxley Materials Company.

(For full text, see communication on file in the City Clerk's Office.)

Council Member Moon Reynolds offered the following resolution:

(#42232-122021) A RESOLUTION authorizing the City Manager's issuance and execution of a contract amendment to the City's contract with Boxley Materials Company, for additional asphalt concrete overlays and pavement profiling of various streets within City limits; and authorizing the City Manager or his designee to take such actions and execute such documents as may be necessary to provide for the implementation, administration, and enforcement of such contract, as amended.

(For full text of resolution, see Resolution Book No. 82, page 223.)

Council Member Moon Reynolds moved the adoption of Resolution No. 42232-122021. The motion seconded by Vice-Mayor White-Boyd and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Bestpitch, Cobb, Jeffrey, Moon Reynolds, Sanchez-Jones, White-Boyd, and Mayor Lea-7.

NAYS: None-0.

COMMENTS OF THE CITY MANAGER.

The City Manager shared the following comments:

2021 Neighborhood Partnership Awards

- This year's award winners will be announced at the beginning of City Council's 7 p.m. meeting tonight.
- The City is proud to have this opportunity to recognize neighborhood organizations and individuals who have partnered with City departments, Schools, nonprofits, businesses, and institutions to make a difference in our community through their service.

2022 Solid Waste Collection & Hazardous Weather Preparation Guide

- Residents will receive a copy of the Guide in the mail this month.
- It contains information about year-round solid waste collection, including a calendar that shows when trash, recycling, and bulk and brush will be picked up.
- The Guide also informs citizens about snow removal, flood preparedness, and offers emergency contact information.
- A digital copy of the Guide is posted on the City's website in English and Spanish.

Free Basketball Tournament, DJ Battle

- Roanoke Parks and Recreation will offer two free events on Jan. 29:
 - A 3 vs. 3 Basketball Tournament at the Berglund Center, followed by a Battle of the DJs after party at the Eureka Recreation Center.
- These events are free to the community to participate in and attend. They are part of the Star City Safe Initiative to offer expanded services and access to public facilities, to keep our youth and neighborhoods safe through programming and engagement.
- Registration information is available online at PLAYRoanoke.com.

MUNICIPAL AUDITOR:

INTEGRATED TAX REVENUE SYSTEM: The Municipal Auditor submitted a written communication recommending Amendment of Ordinance No. 42075-060721 to change the effective date of Ordinance Nos. 41931, 41932, 41934 and 41935-122120, from July 1, 2021, until the date the integrated tax revenue system is successfully implemented, or July 1, 2022 whichever date comes earlier.

(For full text of communication, see communication on file in the City Clerk's office.)

Vice-Mayor White-Boyd offered the following ordinance.

(#42233-122021) AN ORDINANCE amending and re-ordaining Ordinance Nos. 41931-122120, 41932-122120, 41934-122120, and 41935-122120, all adopted by City Council on December 21, 2020, by changing the effective date of such Ordinances from July 1, 2021, until the date the City of Roanoke's integrated tax revenue system is successfully implemented, or July 1, 2022, whichever date comes earlier, upon certain terms and conditions, and dispensing with the second reading of this Ordinance by title.

(For full text of ordinance, see Ordinance Book No. 82, page 224.)

Vice-Mayor White-Boyd moved the adoption of Ordinance No. 42233-122021. The motion seconded by Council Member Cobb and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Bestpitch, Cobb, Jeffrey, Moon Reynolds, Sanchez-Jones, White-Boyd, and Mayor Lea-7.

NAYS: None-0.

Council Member Bestpitch offered the following resolution:

(#42234-122021) A RESOLUTION authorizing the City Treasurer to waive interest charges for Transient Occupancy Tax and Admission Tax; to amend the process for calculating and applying penalties for Admission Tax, Prepared Food and Beverage Tax, and Transient Occupancy Tax; and to authorize the City Treasurer to take such actions as may be necessary to provide for the implementation, administration, and enforcement of this Resolution; and providing for an effective date.

(For full text of resolution, see Resolution Book No. 82, page 226.)

Council Member Bestpitch moved the adoption of Resolution No. 42234-122021. The motion seconded by Council Member Cobb and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Bestpitch, Cobb, Jeffrey, Moon Reynolds, Sanchez-Jones, White-Boyd, and Mayor Lea-7.

NAYS: None-0.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:

VARIOUS EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS: The Roanoke City School Board submitted a written report requesting appropriation of funds for various educational programs; and the City Manager submitted a report of the City Manager recommending that Council concur in the request. Donna Caldwell, Director of Accounting, Spokesperson.

(For full text of report, see report on file in City Clerk's office.)

Council Member Cobb offered the following budget ordinance:

(#42235-122021) AN ORDINANCE to appropriate funding from the Commonwealth, federal and private grant for various educational programs, amending and re-ordaining certain sections of the 2021 — 2022 School Grant Fund Appropriations, and dispensing with the second reading by title of this ordinance.

(For full text of ordinance, see Ordinance Book No. 82, page 227.)

Council Member Cobb moved the adoption of Budget Ordinance No. 42235-122021. The motion seconded by Council Member Sanchez-Jones and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Bestpitch, Cobb, Jeffrey, Moon Reynolds, Sanchez-Jones, White-Boyd, and Mayor Lea-7.

NAYS: None-0.

A REPORT OF CERTAIN AUTHORITIES, BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS IN WHICH CITY COUNCIL SERVE AS LIAISONS OR APPOINTEES: NONE.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE.

INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDERATION OR ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

COMMUNICATION AND MEDIA OFFICER: Council Member Moon Reynolds offered the following resolution, commending the services rendered to the City of Roanoke by Melinda Mayo as Communication and Media Officer, on the occasion of her retirement:

(#42236-122021) A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending the services rendered to the City of Roanoke by Melinda Mayo as its Communications and FOIA Officer in the Office of the City Manager, Office of Community Engagement, and expressing the gratitude and appreciation of the City and its citizens for her service.

(For full text of resolution, see Resolution Book No. 82, page 228.)

Council Member Moon Reynolds moved the adoption of Resolution No. 42236-122021. The motion seconded by Council Member Sanchez-Jones and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Bestpitch, Cobb, Jeffrey, Moon Reynolds, Sanchez-Jones, White-Boyd, and Mayor Lea-7.

NAYS: None-0.

MINIMUM WAGE-PUBLIC SAFETY EMPLOYEES: Vice-Mayor White-Boyd offered the following ordinance to raise minimum wage for all public safety City employees and a one-time stipend to all full-time public safety City employees employed by the City:

(#42237-122021) AN ORDINANCE raising the minimum wage for all public safety City employees and sworn personnel within the Sheriff's Office to fifteen dollars per hour, authorizing and approving a one-time payment in the amount of \$1,500 to all full-time public safety City employees employed by the City as of January 1, 2022 who remain employed with the City on June 1, 2022 in the City's June 22, 2022 pay date; and dispensing with the second reading of this Ordinance by title.

(For full text of ordinance, see Ordinance Book No. 82, page 229.)

Vice-Mayor White-Boyd moved the adoption of Ordinance No. 42237-122021. The motion seconded by Council Member Jeffrey and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Bestpitch, Cobb, Jeffrey, Moon Reynolds, Sanchez-Jones, White-Boyd, and Mayor Lea-7.

NAYS: None-0.

MINIMUM WAGE-NON PUBLIC SAFETY EMPLOYEES: Council Member Jeffrey offered the following ordinance to raise minimum wage for all non-public safety City employees and one-time wage enhancement payment to certain employees employed by the City:

(#42238-122021) AN ORDINANCE raising the minimum wage for all non-public safety City employees to fifteen dollars per hour, authorizing and approving a one-time wage enhancement payment to certain employees earning less than fifteen dollars per hour; approving a separate one-time payment to all non-public safety full-time City employees in the amount of \$1,000 each, a one-time payment of \$500 to all non-public safety part-time City employees who are employed by the City on December 27, 2021; and dispensing with the second reading of this Ordinance by title.

(For full text of ordinance, see Ordinance Book No. 82, page 231.)

Council Member Jeffrey moved the adoption of Ordinance No. 42238-122021. The motion seconded by Council Member Moon Reynolds and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Bestpitch, Cobb, Jeffrey, Moon Reynolds, Sanchez-Jones, White-Boyd, and Mayor Lea-7.

NAYS: None-0.

POLICE OFFICER SIGN-ON BONUS: Council Member Cobb offered the following ordinance to pay 25 police officer recruits a sign-on bonus:

(#42239-122021) AN ORDINANCE authorizing the City Manager to institute a program to pay twenty-five (25) police officer recruits, a sign-on bonus of up to \$5,000 to become police officers with the City's Police Department; and dispensing with the second reading of this Ordinance by title.

(For full text of ordinance, see Ordinance Book No. 82, page 231.)

Council Member Cobb moved the adoption of Ordinance No. 42239-122021. The motion seconded by Council Member Jeffrey and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Bestpitch, Cobb, Jeffrey, Moon Reynolds, Sanchez-Jones, White-Boyd, and Mayor Lea-7.

NAYS: None-0.

ONE-TIME PAYMENT PUBLIC SAFETY EMPLOYEES: Council Member Bestpitch offered the following ordinance to approve a one-time payment of \$2,000 to all full-time public safety employees employed by the City during a certain period:

(#42240-122021) AN ORDINANCE authorizing and approving a one-time payment in the amount of \$2,000 to all full-time public safety employees employed by the City as of July 1, 2021 who remain employed with the City or Sheriff's Department on January 1, 2022; and dispensing with the second reading of this Ordinance by title.

(For full text of ordinance, see Ordinance Book No. 82, page 233.)

Council Member Bestpitch moved the adoption of Ordinance No. 42240-122021. The motion seconded by Council Member Jeffrey and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Bestpitch, Cobb, Jeffrey, Moon Reynolds, Sanchez-Jones, White-Boyd, and Mayor Lea-7.

NAYS: None-0.

VIRGINIA HARM REDUCTION COALITION: Council Member Cobb offered the following ordinance authorizing the City of Roanoke to participate in a firearm buyback program with the Virginia Harm Reduction Coalition:

(#42241-122021) AN ORDINANCE authorizing the City to participate in firearm buyback programs with the Virginia Harm Reduction Coalition and to have the police department receive and destroy such surrendered firearms in accordance with Section 15.2-915.5 of the Code of Virginia (1950) as amended.

(For full text of ordinance, see Ordinance Book No. 82, page 234.)

Council Member Cobb moved the adoption of Ordinance No. 42241-122021. The motion seconded by Vice-Mayor White-Boyd and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Bestpitch, Cobb, Jeffrey, Moon Reynolds, Sanchez-Jones, White-Boyd and Mayor Lea-7.

NAYS: None-0.

MOTIONS AND MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:

INQUIRIES AND/OR COMMENTS BY THE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF COUNCIL: NONE.

VACANCIES ON CERTAIN AUTHORITIES, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES APPOINTED BY COUNCIL: NONE.

At 4:06 p.m., the Mayor declared the Council meeting in recess and thereafter to be reconvened at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber.

At 7:00 p.m., the Council meeting reconvened in the Council Chamber, Room 450, fourth floor, Noel C. Taylor Municipal Building, with Mayor Lea, presiding.

PRESENT: Council Members William D. Bestpitch, Joseph L. Cobb, Robert L. Jeffrey, Jr., Stephanie Moon Reynolds (participated by electronic means), Vivian Sanchez-Jones, Vice-Mayor Patricia White-Boyd, and Mayor Sherman P. Lea, Sr.-7.

ABSENT: None-0.

The Mayor declared the existence of a quorum.

OFFICERS PRESENT: Robert S. Cowell, Jr., City Manager; Timothy R. Spencer, City Attorney; and Cecelia F. McCoy, City Clerk.

The Invocation was delivered by Bishop Jamaal Jackson, Pastor, ReFreshing Church.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Mayor Sherman P. Lea, Sr.

Mayor Lea recognized former Council Members M. Rupert Cutler and Anita Price in attendance.

PRESENTATIONS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS:

2021 CITIZEN OF THE YEAR: Council Member Moon Reynolds offered the following resolution recognizing Dr. Cheryl Hartman as the City of Roanoke's 2021 Citizen of the Year:

(#42242-122021) A RESOLUTION naming and honoring Dr. Cheryl Hartman as the City of Roanoke's 2021 Citizen of the Year.

(For full text of resolution, see Ordinance Book No. 82, page 235.)

Council Member Moon Reynolds moved the adoption of Resolution No. 42242-122021. The motion seconded by Bestpitch and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Bestpitch, Cobb, Jeffrey, Moon Reynolds, Sanchez-Jones, White-Boyd, and Mayor Lea-7.

NAYS: None-0.

Following accolades by the Council Members, Mayor Lea recognized Dr. Cheryl Hartman as the 2021 Citizen of the Year and presented her with a ceremonial copy of the Resolution, Key to the City and personal plaque.

NEIGHBORHOOD PARTNERSHIP AWARDS: Mayor Lea and Members of Council along with Alisha Grubb, Chair, Roanoke Neighborhood Advocates presented the 2021 Neighborhood Partnership Awards.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

ALLEY VACATION: Pursuant to Resolution No. 25523 adopted by the Council on Monday, April 6, 1981, the City Clerk having advertised a public hearing for Monday, December 20, 2021, at 7:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, on a request of Franklin Road, LLC, to vacate an alley running north from Franklin Road, S. W., towards Luck Avenue, S. W., adjacent to property located at 117 Franklin Road, S. W., the matter was before the body.

Legal advertisement of the public hearing was published in *The Roanoke Times* on Tuesday, November 30, 2021 and Tuesday, December 7, 2021.

(See publisher's affidavit on file in the City Clerk's Office.)

In as much as the City Planning Commission continued the above mentioned matter to Monday, January 10, 2022 City Planning Commission Meeting, the Mayor advised that City Council had no jurisdiction to hear the matter at this time.

ALLEY VACATION: Pursuant to Resolution No. 25523 adopted by the Council on Monday, April 6, 1981, the City Clerk having advertised a public hearing for Monday, December 20, 2021, at 7:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, on a request of Greater Roanoke Transit Company to vacate a 10 foot wide alley between and parallel to 11th Street, S. E., and 12th Street, S. E., the matter was before the body.

Legal advertisement of the public hearing was published in *The Roanoke Times* on Tuesday, November 30, 2021 and Tuesday, December 7, 2021.

(See publishers' affidavit on file in the City Clerk's Office.)

In as much as the City Planning Commission continued the above mentioned matter to Monday, January 10, 2022 City Planning Commission Meeting, the Mayor advised that the City Council had no jurisdiction to hear the matter at this time.

ZONING: Pursuant to Resolution No. 25523 adopted by the Council on Monday, April 6, 1981, the City Clerk having advertised a public hearing for Monday, December 20, 2021, at 7:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, on a request of Baker Roofing Company to repeal all conditions previously proffered as part of a rezoning adopted through the enactment of Ordinance No. 37220-101705 on property located at 3361 Melrose Avenue, N. W., and to proffer the development of the property subject to a development plan, the matter was before the body.

Legal advertisement of the public hearing was published in *The Roanoke Times* on Tuesday, November 30, 2021 and Tuesday, December 7, 2021.

(See publishers' affidavit on file in the City Clerk's Office.)

The City Planning Commission submitted a written report recommending approval of the rezoning request, finding that the principal consideration was whether the proposed rezoning is consistent with City Plan 2040 and the Melrose Avenue, N. W. Area and its impact on the surrounding areas, the Planned Unit Development Plan will ensure any expansion of the use will require another public process and also limits uses to only those in keeping with the surrounding area, overall, the proposed change is in keeping with the goals of the Plans.

(For full text, see report on file in the City Clerk's office.)

Council Member Bestpitch offered the following ordinance:

(#42243-122021) AN ORDINANCE to repeal Ordinance No. 37220-101705, adopted October 17, 2005, to the extent that it placed certain conditions on property located at 3361 Melrose Avenue, N. W., bearing Official Tax Map No. 2660519, and placing a new proffer on the subject property; and dispensing with the second reading of this ordinance by title.

(For full text of ordinance, see Ordinance Book No. 82, page 237.)

Council Member Bestpitch moved the adoption of Ordinance No. 42243-122021. The motion seconded by Vice-Mayor White-Boyd.

Ben Crew, Agent, Balzer and Associates, Inc., appeared before the Council in support of the request.

The Mayor inquired if there were persons present who wished to speak on the matter. There being none, he declared the public hearing closed.

There being no comments by the Council Members, Ordinance No. 42243-122021 was adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Bestpitch, Cobb, Jeffrey, Moon Reynolds, Sanchez-Jones, White-Boyd, and Mayor Lea-7.

NAYS: None-0.

ALLEY VACATION: Pursuant to Resolution No. 25523 adopted by the Council on Monday, April 6, 1981, the City Clerk having advertised a public hearing for Monday, December 20, 2021, at 7:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, on a request of Hartman Adams to vacate an alley running north from Windsor Avenue, S. W., between and adjacent to 2231 Windsor Avenue S. W., and 2227 Windsor Avenue, S. W., terminating at the intersection of the alley running parallel to Windsor Avenue, S. W. and north of the aforementioned properties, the matter was before the body.

Legal advertisement of the public hearing was published in *The Roanoke Times* on Tuesday, November 30, 2021 and Tuesday, December 7, 2021.

The City Planning Commission submitted a written report recommending approval of the rezoning request, contingent upon certain conditions and meeting all conditions to the granting of the application.

(For full text, see report on file in the City Clerk's office.)

Council Member Cobb offered the following ordinance:

(#42244-122021) AN ORDINANCE permanently vacating, discontinuing and closing an alley surrounded by 2231 Windsor Avenue, S.W., and 2227 Windsor Avenue S.W., that extends approximately 126.5 feet south from an alley that runs perpendicular to Windsor Avenue, S.W., as more particularly described hereinafter; and dispensing with the second reading of this ordinance by title.

(For full text of ordinance, see Ordinance Book No. 82, page 239.)

Hartman Adams, Petitioner, appeared before the Council in support of the request.

The Mayor inquired if there were persons present who wished to speak on the matter. There being none, he declared the public hearing closed.

Council Member Cobb moved the adoption of Ordinance No. 42244-122021. The motion seconded by Council Member Jeffrey and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Bestpitch, Cobb, Jeffrey, Moon Reynolds, Sanchez-Jones, White-Boyd, and Mayor Lea-7.

NAYS: None-0.

HEARING OF CITIZENS UPON PUBLIC MATTERS: NONE.

Mayor Lea wished everyone a happy holiday season and a very prosperous New Year and announced that there would not be a 9:00 am session on Monday, January 3, 2022.

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Lea declared the regular meeting adjourned at 8:31 p.m.

A P P R O V E D

ATTEST:

Cecelia F. McCoy, CMC
City Clerk

Sherman P. Lea, Sr.
Mayor
