



**ROANOKE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION**

**FEBRUARY 22, 2022
2:00 P.M.**

**CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER
215 CHURCH AVENUE, S. W.**

AGENDA

The City of Roanoke is a safe, caring and economically vibrant community in which to live, learn, work, play and prosper.

A vibrant urban center with strong neighborhoods set amongst the spectacular beauty of Virginia's Blue Ridge.

1. Call to Order--Roll Call. All present.

The Invocation was delivered by The Reverend Ben Brannan, Associate Pastor for Youth, Second Presbyterian Church.

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

Welcome. Mayor Lea.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The Council of the City of Roanoke is seeking applications for the following current vacancies and/or upcoming expirations of terms of office:

Board of Zoning Appeals – one vacancy
Equity and Empowerment Advisory Board – one vacancy
Visit Virginia’s Blue Ridge, Board of Directors – one vacancy

Access the City’s homepage to complete an online application for the abovementioned vacancies.

The City Clerk’s Office is accepting applications for two upcoming vacancies on the Roanoke City School Board for three-year terms of office expiring on June 30, 2022. Three-year terms of office will commence July 1, 2022 and end on June 30, 2025. Incumbent School Board Trustees are Lutheria H. Smith and Joyce W. Watkins.

Application and information describing the duties and responsibilities of Trustees of the Roanoke City School Board are available on the City of Roanoke’s web page at www.roanokeva.gov, or may be obtained by contacting the City Clerk’s Office, Room 456, Noel C. Taylor Municipal Building, 215 Church Avenue, S. W., between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

The deadline to receive applications is Thursday, March 10, 2022 at 5:00 p.m. For questions and/or additional information, please contact the City Clerk’s Office at (540) 853-2541 or by email at clerk@roanokeva.gov.

2. PRESENTATIONS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS:

A resolution memorializing the late Estelle McCadden, longtime neighborhood advocate, founder of the Virginia Statewide Neighborhood Conference and 2008 Citizen of Year, who passed away on Monday, January 31, 2022.

Adopted Resolution No. 42281-022222. (7-0)

A proclamation declaring February 21 – 25, 2022 as Roanoke Valley Saves Week.

Mayor declared the week of February 21 – 25, 2022 as Roanoke Valley Saves Week and presented a proclamation to Brandon Meginley, Financial Stability Specialist.

3. HEARING OF CITIZENS UPON PUBLIC MATTERS:

City Council sets this time as a priority for citizens to be heard. If deemed appropriate, matters will be referred to the City Manager for response, recommendation or report to the Council.

Barbara Duerk, 2607 Rosalind Avenue, S. W., appeared before the Council to express sentiments with regard to the passing of Estelle McCadden and George Kegley.

4. CONSENT AGENDA: (APPROVED 7-0)

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. **Mayor Lea called attention to four requests for Closed Meeting to discuss a personnel matter, the disposition of City-owned property and the acquisition of property.**

C-1 Minutes of the regular meeting of City Council held on Monday, January 18, 2022.
RECOMMENDED ACTION: Dispensed with the reading of the minutes and approved as recorded.

C-2 A communication from Vice-Mayor Patricia White-Boyd, Chair, City Council Personnel Committee, requesting that Council convene in a Closed Meeting to discuss a personnel matter, pursuant to Section 2.2-3711 (A)(1), Code of Virginia (1950), as amended.
RECOMMENDED ACTION: Concurred in the request.

C-3 A communication from the City Manager requesting that Council convene in a Closed Meeting to discuss the disposition of City-owned property containing 67 acres located Countryside, where discussion in an open meeting would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the public body, pursuant to Section 2.2-3711 (A)(3), Code of Virginia (1950), as amended
RECOMMENDED ACTION: Concurred in the request.

- C-4 A communication from the City Manager requesting that Council convene in a Closed Meeting to discuss the acquisition of property specifically Mill Mountain Campground, where discussion in an open meeting would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the public body, pursuant to Section 2.2-3711 (A)(3), Code of Virginia (1950), as amended
RECOMMENDED ACTION: Concurred in the request.
- C-5 A communication from the City Manager requesting that Council convene in a Closed Meeting to discuss the disposition of City-owned property located on Wells Avenue, N. W., where discussion in an open meeting would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the public body, pursuant to Section 2.2-3711 (A)(3), Code of Virginia (1950), as amended
RECOMMENDED ACTION: Concurred in the request.
- C-6 A communication from the City Attorney requesting that Council schedule a public hearing to be held on Monday, April 18, 2022, at 7:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, or such later date and time as the City Manager may determine, in his discretion, to realign Summit Hills and Lee Hi voter precincts and establish new polling places in Peters Creek and Summit Hills Precincts.
RECOMMENDED ACTION: Concurred in the request.
- C-7 Report of qualification of the following individuals:
- Jessie Coffman as a member of the Fair Housing Board for a three-year term of office ending March 31, 2025;
- Jared Rigby as a member of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board for a three-year term of office ending March 31, 2025;
- Karen Michalski-Karney as a Commissioner of the Roanoke Redevelopment and Housing Authority to fill the unexpired term of office R. Gail Burruss ending August 31, 2022; and
- Tomas Reyes to replace Granger MacFarlane as the Roanoke City representative of the Western Virginia’s Regional Industrial Facility Authority for a four-year term of office ending February 3, 2026.
RECOMMENDED ACTION: Received and filed.

BID OPENINGS:

Bids to enter into a Parking Agreement for unreserved parking permits for the Center in the Square Garage located at 11 Campbell Avenue, S. E., Roanoke, Virginia.

Received one bid from JS Master Tenant, LLC. The sole bid was referred to the City Manager for review and recommendation to the Council.

REGULAR AGENDA:

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS: NONE.

6. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS:

- a. Presentation by Junior Achievement to share information about the program and activities in connection therewith. Autumn Waish, Education Director and Katherin Elam, President, Spokespersons. (Sponsored by Vice-Mayor White-Boyd and Council Member Cobb)
Received and filed.

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

- a. CITY MANAGER:

BRIEFINGS: NONE.

ITEMS RECOMMENDED FOR ACTION:

1. Acceptance of the FY 2022 Healthy Homes Lead Based Paint Reduction Grant from the HUD Office of Lead Hazard Control; and approval of the newly funded Program Specialist — Healthy Homes Roanoke Program Manager and Sustainability Program Assistant positions.
Adopted Resolution No. 42282-022222 and Budget Ordinance No. 42283-022222. (7-0)
2. Acceptance of the Virginia Brownfields Restoration and Economic Redevelopment Assistance Fund grant from the Virginia Economic Development Partnership and Department of Environmental Quality for continue brownfield remediation.
Adopted Resolution No. 42284-022222 and Budget Ordinance No. 42285-022222. (7-0)

3. Acceptance of the Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental funding grant from the Commonwealth of Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services to assist eligible applicants in preventing, preparing for and responding to the Coronavirus.
Adopted Resolution No. 42286-022222 and Budget Ordinance No. 42287-022222. (7-0)
4. Approval to modify the deed to Old School Partners II, LLC between the City of Roanoke and Old School Partners II, LLC, for property located at 13 Church Avenue, S. E.
Adopted Ordinance No. 42288-022222. (7-0)
5. Approval of the "Roanoke, Virginia Strategic Plan 2022 - 2023."
Adopted Resolution No. 42289-022222. (7-0)
6. Appropriation of funds in connection with bonuses for State Compensation Board funded sworn positions in the Sheriff's Department.
Adopted Budget Ordinance No. 42290-022222. (7-0)

Items 7.a.7. - 7.a.12. were tabled until a date certain being the next regular session of Council on Monday, March 7 at 2:00 p.m.

7. Repeal and replace Budget Ordinance No. 42271-020722 to change the appropriation Fiscal Year from 2022 – 2023 to 2021 – 2022.
Tabled (See Page 11 - Reconsideration of the matter at the 7:00 p.m. session.)
8. Repeal and replace Budget Ordinance No. 42273-020722 to change the appropriation Fiscal Year from 2022 – 2023 to 2021 – 2022.
Tabled (See Page 11 - Reconsideration of the matter at the 7:00 p.m. session.)
9. Repeal and replace Budget Ordinance No. 42275-020722 to change the appropriation Fiscal Year from 2022 – 2023 to 2021 – 2022.
Tabled (See Page 11 - Reconsideration of the matter at the 7:00 p.m. session.)

10. Repeal and replace Budget Ordinance No. 42277-020722 to change the appropriation Fiscal Year from 2022 – 2023 to 2021 – 2022.
Tabled (See Page 11 - Reconsideration of the matter at the 7:00 p.m. session.)
11. Repeal and replace Budget Ordinance No. 42278-020722 to change the appropriation Fiscal Year from 2022 – 2023 to 2021 – 2022.
Tabled (See Page 11 - Reconsideration of the matter at the 7:00 p.m. session.)
12. Repeal and replace Budget Ordinance No. 42246-010322 to change the appropriation Fiscal Year from 2020 – 2022 to 2021 – 2022.
Tabled (See Page 11 - Reconsideration of the matter at the 7:00 p.m. session.)

COMMENTS OF THE CITY MANAGER. NONE.

8. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:

- a. A report of the Roanoke City School Board requesting appropriation of funds for various educational programs; and a report of the City Manager recommending that Council concur in the request. Donna Caldwell, Director of Accounting, Spokesperson.
Adopted Budget Ordinance No. 42291-022222. (7-0)
- b. A report of certain Authorities, Boards, Committees and Commissions in which City Council serve as liaisons or appointees. **NONE.**

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE.

10. INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

- a. A resolution memorializing the late retired Lieutenant Colonel Carroll E. Swain, Sr., former Member of Roanoke City Council and civic leader in improving the City of Roanoke, who passed away on Friday, December 31, 2021.
Adopted Resolution No. 42292-022222. (7-0)

11. MOTIONS AND MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:

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

With the concurrence of the Council, Council Member Moon Reynolds requested that the City Attorney prepare the appropriate measure memorializing the late George Kegley, longtime Roanoke journalist and community volunteer who passed away on Wednesday, February 16, 2022, for adoption and presentation to the family at a future Council meeting.

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

12. RECESSED – 3:39 P.M.

THE COUNCIL MEETING WAS DECLARED IN RECESS FOR A CLOSED MEETING; AND THEREAFTER RECONVENE AT 7:00 P.M., IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, ROOM 450, NOEL C. TAYLOR MUNICIPAL BUILDING.



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7:00 P.M.

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AGENDA

Call to Order--Roll Call. Mayor Lea was absent.

Council Member Bestpitch moved to amend the 7:00 p.m. meeting agenda to add Item C. Unfinished Business in order to take Items 7.a.7 - 7.a.12 from the table, which were tabled until a date certain being Monday, March 7 at 2:00 p.m. The motion was seconded by Council Member Moon Reynolds and adopted. (6-0, Mayor Lea was absent.)

The Invocation was delivered by Council Member Stephanie Moon Reynolds.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Vice-Mayor Patricia White-Boyd.

Welcome. Vice-Mayor White-Boyd.

CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED MEETING. (6-0, Mayor Lea was absent.)

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A. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

1. 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. Dave Jones, Agent, Spokesperson.
Matter was continued until the March 14, 2022 City Planning Commission Meeting.
2. 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. Kevin Price, General Manager, Spokesperson.
Adopted Ordinance No. 42293-022222. (6-0)
3. Request of Blue Ridge Memorial Gardens, Inc., to rezone the southern-most 2.21 acre corner portion of property located at 5721 Airport Road, N. W., from ROS, Recreation and Open Space District to CG, Commercial General District to proffer the development of the property subject to a development plan. Ben Crew, Agent, Balzer and Associates, Inc., Spokesperson.
Adopted Ordinance No. 42294-022222. (6-0)
4. Proposal of the City of Roanoke to receive public comments on two amendments to the 2020 – 2024 HUD Consolidated Plan and revisions to the Citizen Participation Plan. Robert S. Cowell, Jr., City Manager.
Adopted Resolution No. 42295-022222 and Budget Ordinance No. 42296-022222. (6-0)
5. A report of the City Manager recommending execution of a Parking Agreement, subject to certain terms and conditions, to obtain up to forty - five (45) parking permits for the use of not more than forty-five (45) unreserved parking spaces in the City's Center in the Square Garage located at 11 Campbell Avenue, S. E. Robert S. Cowell, Jr., City Manager.
Adopted Ordinance No. 42297-022222. (6-0)

B. OTHER BUSINESS:

1. Amendment of the parking rates to be charged for 24 hour continuous parking at the Center in the Square Parking Garage.
Adopted Ordinance No. 42298-022222. (6-0)

C. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Council Member Moon Reynolds moved that Items 7.a.7. – 7.a.12. from the 2:00 p.m. meeting agenda be reconsidered and adopted. (6-0, Mayor Lea was absent.)

The Vice-Mayor stated that all budget ordinances listed below were considered to be routine by the Members of City Council and would be enacted by one motion. If discussion was desired, the item would be removed and considered separately. (6-0)

- 1. Repeal and replace Budget Ordinance No. 42271-020722 to change the appropriation Fiscal Year from 2022 – 2023 to 2021 – 2022.
Adopted Budget Ordinance No. 42299-022222. (6-0)**
- 2. Repeal and replace Budget Ordinance No. 42273-020722 to change the appropriation Fiscal Year from 2022 – 2023 to 2021 – 2022.
Adopted Budget Ordinance No. 42300-022222. (6-0)**
- 3. Repeal and replace Budget Ordinance No. 42275-020722 to change the appropriation Fiscal Year from 2022 – 2023 to 2021 – 2022.
Adopted Budget Ordinance No. 42301-022222. (6-0)**
- 4. Repeal and replace Budget Ordinance No. 42277-020722 to change the appropriation Fiscal Year from 2022 – 2023 to 2021 – 2022.
Adopted Budget Ordinance No. 42302-022222. (6-0)**
- 5. Repeal and replace Budget Ordinance No. 42278-020722 to change the appropriation Fiscal Year from 2022 – 2023 to 2021 – 2022.
Adopted Budget Ordinance No. 42303-022222. (6-0)**
- 6. Repeal and replace Budget Ordinance No. 42246-010322 to change the appropriation Fiscal Year from 2020 – 2022 to 2021 – 2022.
Adopted Budget Ordinance No. 42304-022222. (6-0)**

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

E. ADJOURNED – 7:28 P.M.