

There being no further nominations, Ms. Lewis and Mr. Lemon were reappointed; and Mr. Quigley was appointed to replace Ssunny Shah as City representatives of the Visit Virginia's Blue Ridge, Board of Directors for a one-year term of office, each, commencing July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023, by the following vote:

**FOR MS. LEWIS, MESSRS. LEMON AND QUIGLEY:** Council Members Moon Reynolds, Price, Sanchez-Jones, White-Boyd, Bestpitch, Cobb, and Mayor Lea-7.

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Lea declared the Council meeting in recess at 4:32 p.m., until Monday, May 9, 2022 at 2:00 p.m., in the Council Chamber, for the adoption of the City of Roanoke recommended Fiscal Year 2022 - 2023 budget and any other measures deemed appropriate.

The Recessed Meeting of Roanoke City Council was called to order on Monday, May 9, 2022 at 2:00 p.m., in the Council Chamber, Room 450, fourth floor, Noel C. Taylor Municipal Building, 215 Church Avenue, S. W., with Mayor Lea presiding.

**PRESENT:** Council Members Anita J. Price, Vivian Sanchez-Jones, Patricia White-Boyd, William D. Bestpitch, Joseph L. Cobb, Stephanie Moon Reynolds, 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 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.

Mayor Lea announced that the purpose of the recessed meeting was to adopt measures in connection with the City's Recommended 2022 - 2023 Fiscal Year Budget, which takes effect July 1, 2022.

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

**CERTIFICATION OF FUNDING:** The Director of Finance submitted a written communication to certify funding in accordance with paragraph (a) of Section 25.1 of the Charter of the City of Roanoke, as amended, and Sections 2-235 (e) and (f) Code of the City of Roanoke (1979), as amended, do hereby certify that funds required for the 2022 - 2023 General, Stormwater Utility, Civic Facilities, Parking, Risk Management, School General, School Food and Grant Fund budgets will be available for appropriation.

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

Without objection, the Mayor advised that the Certification of Funding would be received and filed.

**REAFFIRMATION OF REAL ESTATE TAX RATE:** The City Manager submitted a written communication recommending reaffirmation of Real Estate Tax Rate.

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

Council Member Cobb offered the following ordinance:

(#42350-050922) AN ORDINANCE adopting and reaffirming the real property tax rate as set forth in Article II of Chapter 32 of the Code of the City of Roanoke and dispensing with the second reading by title of this ordinance.

(For full text of ordinance, see Ordinance Book No. 82, page 373.)

Council Member Cobb moved the adoption of Ordinance No. 42350-050922. The motion seconded by Council Member Sanchez-Jones and adopted by the following vote:

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

**NAYS:** None-0.

**FY 2023 FEE COMPENDIUM LIBRARY FINES AND FEE ADJUSTMENTS:** The City Manager submitted a written communication recommending amendment of the FY 2023 Compendium for Library fines and fee adjustments.

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

Council Member Bestpitch offered the following resolution:

(#42351-050922) A RESOLUTION deleting certain fees charged by the City for any books or materials that are overdue at the Roanoke City Public Library; providing for an effective date; and directing amendment of the Fee Compendium.

(For full text of resolution, see Resolution Book No. 82, page 374.)

Council Member Bestpitch moved the adoption of Resolution No. 42351-050922. The motion seconded by Vice-Mayor White-Boyd and adopted by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None-0.

ANNUAL GENERAL STORMWATER, UTILITY, CIVIC FACILITIES, PARKING, RISK MANAGEMENT, SCHOOL GENERAL, SCHOOL FOOD SERVICES AND GRANT FUND APPROPRIATIONS: Council Member Moon Reynolds offered the following budget ordinance regarding the adoption of Annual General, Stormwater Utility, Civic Facilities, Parking, Risk Management, School General, School Food Services and Grant Fund appropriations for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023:

(#42352-050922) AN ORDINANCE adopting the annual General, Stormwater Utility, Civic Facilities, Parking, Risk Management, School General, and School Food Services Appropriations of the City of Roanoke for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022, and ending June 30, 2023; and dispensing with the second reading by title of this ordinance.

(For full text of ordinance, see Ordinance Book No. 82, page 376.)

Council Member Moon Reynolds moved the adoption of Budget Ordinance No. 42352-050922. The motion seconded by Council Member Price and adopted by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None-0.

ENDORSEMENT OF THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM UPDATE FOR FY 2023 – 2027: The City Manager submitted a written communication recommending endorsement of the Capital Improvement Update for FY 2023 – 2027.

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

Council Member Bestpitch offered the following resolution:

(#42353-050922) A RESOLUTION endorsing the update to the Capital Improvement Program submitted by the City Manager in the City Council Agenda Report of May 9, 2022.

(For full text of resolution, see Resolution Book No. 82, page 382.)

Council Member Bestpitch moved the adoption of Resolution No. 42353-050922. The motion seconded by Council Member Moon Reynolds and adopted by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None-0.

Council Member Moon Reynolds offered the following budget ordinance:

(#42354-050922) AN ORDINANCE to appropriate funding for the FY 2023-2027 Update to the Capital Improvement Program, amending and reordaining certain sections of the 2023 General, Capital Projects, and Grant Funds Appropriations, and dispensing with the second reading by title of this ordinance.

(For full text of ordinance, see Ordinance Book No. 82, page 383.)

Council Member Moon Reynolds moved the adoption of Budget Ordinance No. 42354-050922. The motion seconded by Council Member Cobb and adopted by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None-0.

ADOPTION AND ESTABLISHMENT OF A PAY PLAN ORDINANCE: Council Member Bestpitch offered the following ordinance establishing a Pay Plan for officers, employees, Council-appointed officers and Constitutional Officers of the City; and authorization for certain salary adjustments and merit increases and monthly stipends for certain board and commission members, effective July 1, 2022:

(#42355-050922) AN ORDINANCE to adopt and establish a Pay Plan for officers, employees, Council appointed officers and Constitutional Officers of the City effective July 1, 2022; providing for certain salary adjustments; authorizing specific annual pay supplements; providing for an effective date; and dispensing with the second reading of this Ordinance by title.

(For full text of ordinance, see Ordinance Book No. 82, page 385.)

Council Member Bestpitch moved the adoption of Ordinance No. 42355-050922. The motion seconded by Vice-Mayor White-Boyd.

Council Member Moon Reynolds read a written statement with regard to the revised proposed Pay Plan Ordinance asking that the City Manager address public safety compensation over the next six months, that the City Manager provide a detailed justification as to why certain staff under his jurisdiction could not be reimbursed for local mileage or utilize a City vehicle in the performance of their duties, and could not support an annual pay supplement for Mayor in the amount of \$2,500.00.

(See copy of comments on file in the City Clerk's Office.)

Council Member Moon Reynolds offered an amended motion to remove the annual pay supplement for the Mayor, in the amount of \$2,500.00 from the revised proposed Pay Plan Ordinance for discussion by the entire Council at a subsequent Council Meeting. The motion failed for lack of a second.

Inasmuch as there being an ongoing discussion regarding the \$2,500.00 annual pay supplement for the Mayor, Council Member Bestpitch called for the question. Ordinance No. 42355-050922 was adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Price, Sanchez-Jones, White-Boyd, Bestpitch, Cobb, Moon Reynolds, and Mayor Lea-6.

NAYS: Council Member Moon Reynolds-1.

**CERTAIN AUTHORITIES, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES APPOINTED BY COUNCIL:** A communication from Mayor Sherman P. Lea, Sr., requesting that Council convene in a Closed Meeting to discuss vacancies on certain authorities, boards, commissions and committees appointed by Council, pursuant to Section 2.2-3711 (A)(1), Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, was before the body.

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

Council Member Price moved that Council concur in the request of the Mayor as abovementioned. The motion seconded by Council Member Bestpitch and adopted by the following vote:

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

**NAYS:** None-0.

At 2:26 p.m., the Mayor declared the Council meeting in recess for a Closed Meeting in the Council's Conference Room, Room 451, Noel C. Taylor Municipal Building.

At 2:56 p.m., the Council meeting reconvened in the Council Chamber with Mayor Lea presiding.

**CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED MEETING:** With respect to the Closed Meeting just concluded, Council Member Price moved that each Member of City Council certify to the best of his or her knowledge that: (1) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and (2) only such public business matters as were identified in any motion by which any Closed Meeting was convened Council Member Bestpitch and adopted by the following vote:

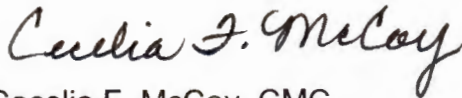
**AYES:** Council Members Price, Sanchez-Jones, White-Boyd, Bestpitch, Cobb, Moon Reynolds, and Mayor Lea-7.

**NAYS:** None-0.

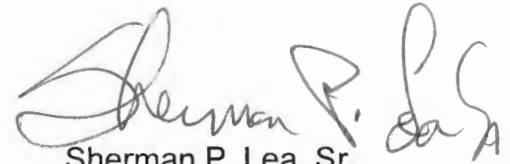
There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Lea declared the recessed meeting adjourned at 2:57 p.m.

APPROVED

ATTEST:



Cecelia F. McCoy, CMC  
City Clerk



Sherman P. Lea, Sr.  
Mayor

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