

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF WATERTOWN
September 6, 2016
7:00 p.m.**

Mayor Joseph M. Butler, Jr. Presiding

Present: Council Member Cody J. Horbacz
Council Member Teresa R. Macaluso
Council Member Mark C. Walczyk
Mayor Butler

Not Present: Council Member Stephen A. Jennings

Also Present: Sharon Addison, City Manager
Robert J. Slye, City Attorney

City staff present: Vicky Murphy, Eugene Hayes, Michael Lumbis, Brian Phelps, James Mills, Erin Gardner, Yvonne Reff, Justin Wood, Fire Chief Herman

The City Manager presented the following reports to Council:

- Resolution No. 1 - Establishing City Fees and Charges Schedule
- Resolution No. 2 - Authorizing Acceptance of Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Firefighters Assistance Grant (AFG), Fire Department
- Resolution No. 3 - Approving the Funding Approval/Agreement for the Fiscal Year 2016 Community Development Block Grant Program
- Ordinance No. 1 - An Ordinance Amending Various Provisions of the Code of the City of Watertown to allow for the Establishment of a Schedule of Fees to be Approved Annually by the Watertown City Council
- Restore NY Grant Application
- Crow Roost Dispersal Contract for 2016-2017
- Sales Tax Revenue – July 2016

Complete Reports on file in the office of the City Clerk

Meeting opened with a moment of silence.

Pledge of Allegiance was given.

The reading of the minutes of the regular meeting of August 15, 2016, was dispensed and accepted as written by motion of Council Member Teresa R. Macaluso, seconded by Council Member Cody J. Horbacz and carried with all voting in favor thereof.

COMMUNICATIONS

Petitions were received from Patricia Whalen, 231 Franklin Street, in support of securing funding needed to combat the bedbug problem within the City.

A letter was received from Hedy Cirrincione, requesting partial abatement of a water bill in the amount of \$6,267.43 for a rental property that she owns within the City.

A letter was received from Attorney David A. Renzi, on behalf of his client Jacob S. Johnson, requesting to purchase the real property in the City of Watertown known as Tax Parcel No. 1-18-102.000 (424 VanDuzee Street).

Above communications were placed on file in the office of the City Clerk.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Andy Williams, 1113 Washington Street, addressed the chair concerning the ongoing cleanup of contaminants from NY Air Brake and the current project within the North Watertown Cemetery along Bradley Street. He expressed concern that there has not been anything done behind East Division Street and suggested there be a Community Advisory Board created in which NYS Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) and Department of Health (DOH) share their findings. He asked for Council's assistance with this.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 1 - Establishing City Fees and Charges Schedule

WHEREAS City Council desires to establish a City Fees and Charges Schedule for the City of Watertown for Fiscal Year 2016-2017 by resolution, as authorized by Local Law No. 2 of 2016, and

WHEREAS various provisions of the Code of the City of Watertown, currently dispersed throughout the City Code, will be established annually by the City Council of the City of Watertown through a budget resolution that adopts a "City Fees and Charges Schedule," and

WHEREAS the various sections of the City Code of the City of Watertown, which had been previously established fees by ordinance, has been repealed,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Watertown hereby adopts the City Fees and Charges Schedule attached and made a part of this Resolution for FY 2016-2017.

No introduction

Resolution No. 2 - Authorizing Acceptance of Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Firefighters Assistance Grant (AFG), Fire Department

Introduced by Council Member Teresa R. Macaluso

WHEREAS on December 7, 2015 City Council authorized the City of Watertown Fire Department to prepare an application that meets the intended purpose of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) grant, which will allow the Department to purchase much needed supplies, and

WHEREAS this grant application was for funding in the amount of \$318,875.85 plus an additional \$5,000 with a required a matching fund of 10% from the City, and

WHEREAS the City has received notification that the grant has been awarded for the amount of \$297,651, which covers the cost of the Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) replacement,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Watertown hereby authorizes the Fire Department to accept the grant award for the amount of \$297,651 from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Firefighters Assistance Grant (AFG), and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Fire Chief Dale C. Herman is hereby authorized and directed to execute the acceptance on behalf of the City of Watertown.

Seconded by Council Member Cody J. Horbacz

Prior to the vote on the foregoing resolution, Mayor Butler explained this was applied for in December and thanked Senator Charles Schumer and Congresswoman Elise Stefanik for their support of this. He said he will draft a thank you letter to both of them on behalf of himself and Council.

At the call of the chair, a vote was taken on the foregoing resolution and carried with all voting yea.

Resolution No. 3 - Approving the Funding Approval/Agreement for the Fiscal Year 2016 Community Development Block Grant Program

Introduced by Council Member Teresa R. Macaluso

WHEREAS the City of Watertown has completed its Fiscal Year 2016 Annual Action Plan for the Community Development Block Grant Program and submitted it to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), and

WHEREAS HUD has approved said Annual Action Plan and has prepared a Funding Approval/Agreement which is attached and made part of this Resolution,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Watertown hereby approves the Funding Approval/Agreement with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor, Joseph M. Butler, Jr., is hereby authorized and directed to sign the Agreement on behalf of the City Council.

Seconded by Council Member Cody J. Horbacz

Prior to the vote on the foregoing resolution, Mayor Butler explained this is CDBG money that is received through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) every year.

At the call of the chair, a vote was taken on the foregoing resolution and carried with all voting yea.

ORDINANCES

Ordinance No. 1 - An Ordinance Amending Various Provisions of the Code of the City of Watertown to allow for the Establishment of a Schedule of Fees to be Approved Annually by the Watertown City Council

Introduced by Council Member Mark C. Walczyk

An Ordinance to amend various provisions of the Code of the City of Watertown to allow certain fees and charges of the City, currently dispersed throughout the City Code, to be established at least annually by the City Council of the City of Watertown through a budget resolution that adopts a “City Fees and Charges Schedule.” The Schedule shall be available to the public at the Office of the Watertown City Clerk.

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Watertown that Section 120-40(A) of the Code of the City of Watertown shall be amended to read as follows:

§ 120-40(A). Fees.

Commencing at the fourth sentence thereof:

After the work has been completed, the City Engineer shall file with the City Comptroller a verified statement of all of the direct costs of the same, together with a charge, in addition thereto, as reimbursement to the City for administering, supervising and handling said work. Said administrative charge shall be added to the direct cost, whether City personnel or a private contractor was used to do the subject work. The charge shall be established at least annually by the Watertown City Council through a budget resolution that adopts a City Fees and Charges Schedule. Such schedule shall be available to the public at the Office of the Watertown City Clerk.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Watertown that Section 120-40(C) of the Code of the City of Watertown shall be amended to read as follows:

§ 120-40(C). Fees.

Notwithstanding any provision herein to the contrary, the City may, at its election, institute suit against the owner of the premises for the direct costs, together with the charge identified at subparagraph (A) above, in addition thereto, as compensation to the City for administering, supervising and handling said work and enter judgment thereon against the owner personally for the aforesaid amount. The imposition and collection of any fine or penalty hereinafter prescribed shall not bar the right of the City to collect costs of the demolition and removal or repair of any unsafe building or structure as herein prescribed.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Watertown that Section 152-11(B) of the Code of the City of Watertown shall be amended to read as follows:

§ 152-11(B). Fees.

All applications for a floodplain development permit shall be accompanied by an application fee as established by the City Council of the City of Watertown at least annually through a budget resolution that adopts a City Fees and Charges Schedule in the amounts available. Such schedule

shall be available to the public at the Office of the Watertown City Clerk. In addition, the applicant shall be responsible for reimbursement of the City of Watertown for any additional costs made necessary for its review, inspection and approval of an applicant's project. The City may require an additional deposit to cover these additional costs, the amount of said deposit to be determined by the City Engineer.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Watertown that Section 161-22(C)(3) of the Code of the City of Watertown shall be amended to read as follows:

§ 161-22(C)(3). Fees.

Commencing at the fourth sentence thereof:

All non-bagged garbage and rubbish will be left and will be subject to prosecution as litter and also subject to a special collection fee as established by the City Council of the City of Watertown at least annually through a budget resolution that adopts a City Fees and Charges Schedule in the amounts available. Such schedule shall be available to the public at the Office of the Watertown City Clerk.

The remainder of Section 161-22(C)(3) shall be repealed.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Watertown that Section 169-11 of the Code of the City of Watertown shall be amended to read as follows:

§ 169-11. Fees.

The fees for the inspection of plans, issuing of permits and for the inspection of furnaces or other fuel-burning apparatus or devices shall be payable by the applicant upon acceptance of the application by the Bureau. Such fees shall be established at least annually by the Watertown City Council through a budget resolution that adopts a City Fees and Charges Schedule. Such schedule shall be available to the public at the Office of the Watertown City Clerk. Acceptance of an inspection by the Bureau does not necessarily mean that the permit will be granted. No refunds of permit fees will be made.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Watertown that Section 293-43 of the Code of the City of Watertown shall be amended to read as follows:

§ 293-43. Every owner found in violation of the following offenses shall be imposed a fine and, if applicable, late payment penalties, as established by the City Council of the City of Watertown at least annually through a budget resolution that adopts a City Fees and Charges Schedule in the amounts available. Such schedule shall be available to the public at the Office of the Watertown City Clerk.

The following constitute violations of provisions of the Watertown City Code for which City-imposed fines may be imposed:

Abandoned vehicle (Section 169-19B)

- Night parking (Section 293-21C)
- Margin parking (Section 293-21D)
- No parking here to corner (Section 293-21F)
- Parking in handicap zone without registration (Section 293-22)
- No parking anytime (Section 293-23)
- No stopping/standing (Section 293-24/25)
- Obstructing traffic (Section 293-25)
- Restricted parking (Section 293-26/30/32)
- Overtime parking (Section 293-29)
- Restricted time (Section 293-29)
- Loading zone (Section 293-32)
- Taxi/bus zone (Section 293-33/34)

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Watertown that Section 310.52.2 (C)(4) of the Code of the City of Watertown shall be amended to read as follows:

§ 310.52.2 (C)(4). Fee.

Each application for a sign permit must be accompanied by the fee as established at least annually by the Watertown City Council through a budget resolution that adopts a City Fees and Charges Schedule. Such schedule shall be available to the public at the Office of the Watertown City Clerk.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Watertown that Section 310-56(B)(1)(c) of the Code of the City of Watertown shall be amended to read as follows:

§ 310-56 (B)(1)(c). Fees.

Each petition must be accompanied by a check payable to the City of Watertown in the amount(s) established by the City Council of the City of Watertown at least annually through a budget resolution that adopts a City Fees and Charges Schedule, for the following items: site plan approval; change in zone; and variance of use or area. Such schedule shall be available to the public at the Office of the Watertown City Clerk. Fees are not refundable and are to cover the costs of advertising, stenographic fees, transcripts and other administrative handlings.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Watertown that Section 310-62(D) of the Code of the City of Watertown shall be amended to read as follows:

§ 310-62 (D). Fees.

Each petition must be accompanied by a check payable to the City of Watertown as required by Section 310-56(B)(1)(c) in an amount established by the City Council of the City of Watertown at least annually through a budget resolution that adopts a City Fees and Charges Schedule. Such schedule shall be available to the public at the Office of the Watertown City Clerk.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Watertown that Section 310-67(G) of the Code of the City of Watertown shall be amended to read as follows:

§ 310-67(G). Fees.

Each application for a special use permit shall be accompanied by a check payable to the City of Watertown in the amount as established by the City Council of the City of Watertown at least annually through a budget resolution that adopts a City Fees and Charges Schedule. Such schedule shall be available to the public at the Office of the Watertown City Clerk. The fee is nonrefundable.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Watertown that Section A320-1(A) of the Code of the City of Watertown shall be amended to read as follows:

§ A320-1(A). Fees.

The City charges fees for the use of its facilities and for certain ministerial duties performed by City personnel in an effort to recoup costs associated with the City services provided. Such fees and charges shall be as established by the City Council of the City of Watertown at least annually through a budget resolution that adopts a City Fees and Charges Schedule. Such schedule shall be available to the public at the Office of the Watertown City Clerk.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Watertown that Section A320-1.1 of the Code of the City of Watertown shall be amended to read as follows:

§ A320-1.1. City Clerk fees.

A. The City Clerk shall charge and receive from the applicant a fee for each certified copy of the record of any birth, death or marriage and for each certified copy of the record of paternity acknowledgement issued by such Clerk. The fees to be collected are as established by the City Council of the City of Watertown at least annually through a budget resolution that adopts a City Fees and Charges Schedule as identified above. Such schedule shall be available to the public at the Office of the Watertown City Clerk. Fees for genealogical searches shall be as established by the Watertown City Council as set forth above.

B. Repealed.

D. Repealed.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Watertown that Section A320-1.2(A, B, C and D) of the Code of the City of Watertown shall be amended to read as follows:

§ A320-1.2. Fees. The following fees shall be charged for the following services:

A. Marriage licenses as established by the City Council of the City of Watertown at least annually through a budget resolution that adopts a City Fees and Charges Schedule. Such schedule shall be available to the public at the Office of the Watertown City Clerk.

B. Duplicate marriage licenses as established by the City Council of the City of Watertown at least annually through a budget resolution that adopts a City Fees and Charges Schedule. Such schedule shall be available to the public at the Office of the Watertown City Clerk.

C. Marriage solemnization (ceremony) as established by the City Council of the City of Watertown at least annually through a budget resolution that adopts a City Fees and Charges Schedule. Such schedule shall be available to the public at the Office of the Watertown City Clerk.

D. Repealed.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Watertown that Section A320-2(A) of the Code of the City of Watertown shall be amended to read as follows:

§ A320-2(A). Fees.

For each application for Commissioner of Deeds, the City Clerk shall charge and receive from the applicant the fee as established by the City Council of the City of Watertown at least annually through a budget resolution that adopts a City Fees and Charges Schedule. Such schedule shall be available to the public at the Office of the Watertown City Clerk.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Watertown that Section A320-2.1 of the Code of the City of Watertown shall be amended to read as follows:

§ A320-2.1. Business Permits and Licenses.

The City Council has a Schedule of Fees which applies to various business permits and licenses, all as established by the City Council of the City of Watertown at least annually through a budget resolution that adopts a City Fees and Charges Schedule. Such schedule shall be available to the public at the Office of the Watertown City Clerk.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Watertown that Article V contained at Section A320-6 of the Code of the City of Watertown shall be amended to read as follows:

Article V Section A320-6. Miscellaneous Fees.

The City Council has a Schedule of Fees for various City services, all of which are as established by the City Council of the City of Watertown at least annually through a budget resolution

that adopts a City Fees and Charges Schedule. Such schedule shall be available to the public at the Office of the Watertown City Clerk.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Watertown that Section A320-10 providing for engineering fees shall be amended to read as follows:

Article IX Section A320-10. Schedule of Engineering Fees.

The Engineering Department has a Schedule of Fees for various services and permits, all of which are as established by the City Council of the City of Watertown at least annually through a budget resolution that adopts a City Fees and Charges Schedule. Such schedule shall be available to the public at the Office of the Watertown City Clerk.

A fee shall be levied by the City Engineering Department for enforcement of § 53 of the City Charter and §§ 98-1, 161-1, 172-4, 265-24, and 310-27 of the City Code when City Code Enforcement and/or the City Health Officer has determined that the violation must be remedied by the City of Watertown. This fee is in addition to any actual costs incurred by the City to remedy the violation. City Council hereby grants the City Manager the authority to abate the fee if the City Manager determines such abatement to be appropriate. The City Manager shall inform the City Council in writing of such abatement no later than the next City Council meeting.

Seconded by Council Member Teresa R. Macaluso

Laid over under the rules.

STAFF REPORTS

Restore NY Grant Application

Mayor Butler reminded Council that the Masonic Temple was chosen as the project for this grant application. He indicated the final application is due on October 3 and a public hearing needs to be held regarding this.

Motion was made by Council Member Teresa R. Macaluso to schedule a Public Hearing in order to hear public comments on the City's application for Restore NY Grant funding on behalf of the proposed project at the Masonic Temple building for Monday, September 19, 2016, at 7:30 p.m. Motion was seconded by Council Member Cody J. Horbacz and carried with all voting in favor thereof.

Crow Roost Dispersal Contract for 2016-2017

Mayor Butler read the memo reviewing the two options for crow roost dispersal for the upcoming year, highlighting that it is a three year contract and the second option sets a price for additional nights that are needed. He mentioned this is a budgeted amount within FY 2016-17 and Council needs to give direction to the City Manager in regard to which option should be pursued.

Council Member Horbacz asked if there are any other options, besides hazing that could be done by residents.

Mayor Butler said that Loomacres has a trained raven this year which preys on crows and they hope it will be successful in this process. He discussed the history of the program and methods that have been used.

Council Member Macaluso mentioned that some residents try to scare the crows away by making noise, mentioning an air horn.

Mayor Butler commented that the crows are destroying some of the most beautiful structures in the downtown area. He said they are invading the City and something needs to be done about it to mitigate the problem.

Council Member Macaluso said she is happy with what was done in the past without adding more days or cost.

Mayor Butler stated there is not a commitment to additional days with option two because it just sets the price in case it is needed. He said he preferred option two.

Council Member Horbacz and Council Member Walczyk agreed with Mayor Butler.

Sales Tax Revenue – July 2016

Mayor Butler advised that in comparison to the original budget projection for the month of July, sales tax is down \$58,163 or 3.65%. He noted this is significant for one month and if this continued over a twelve month basis, there would be an approximate \$700,000 shortfall.

NEW BUSINESS

Bravo Italiano Festival

Mayor Butler said he received a letter regarding the festival on September 16 and September 17 and Council is invited to the opening ceremony on Friday night at 6:00 p.m. He mentioned there was a request submitted for parking on the street because their parking lot will be occupied with the tents.

Ms. Addison confirmed the plan will be the same as they used last year.

NY Airbrake Cleanup

Council Member Horbacz asked if this is the second time this has been cleaned up.

Mayor Butler indicated the City does not have jurisdiction over this project but he is willing to listen to the residents' concerns and advocate on their behalf. He said the DEC is approachable and there was a public forum in the past so maybe another one could occur. He asked Mr. Williams to submit his questions to him or the City Manager in writing, and stated he is willing to meet with the DEC and report back with some answers.

In response to Council Member Macaluso's question, Mr. Williams indicated that he is still in contact with Erin Brockovich and he also provided a tour of the north side to a lawyer from Mississippi last year.

424 VanDuzee Street Purchase Offer

Council Member Horbacz questioned the value of the property and asked if the City has a plan for the site. He also asked how the sale of the property would affect the Local Waterfront Revitalization Program (LWRP).

Mayor Butler noted the plan should be flexible enough to deal with a piece of property that the City could potentially sell. He said Council needs to think about what is best for the City of Watertown and what the best use for that property is. He wondered if the property's use is better with a private developer but still part of the LWRP.

Attorney Slye confirmed for Mayor Butler that the purchase offer was for \$100,000.

Lachenhauer Fountain

Council Member Walczyk asked for an update on this.

Mayor Butler stated this is to be discussed at the work session next week.

Reduction in Speed Limit on Public Square

Council Member Walczyk said he received a request to have the speed limit on Public Square reduced to 25 mph and said this could be done without special legislation so he would like Council to consider this.

Attorney Slye advised the City needs to make a determination that this is an area that deserves to have a 25 mph speed limit because this was designed by a traffic safety engineer. He stressed there would need to be a traffic safety study done to justify decreasing the speed limit. He said the City's responsibility is to ensure that a traffic safety study is followed and not change speed limits without it because slower speeds can lead to accidents as well. He explained that if the City acts in accordance with a traffic safety study, then the City enjoys immunity from suit which is important. He stated the City currently has a traffic safety study that resulted in the reengineering of downtown and reiterated the City enjoys immunity for accidents which occur as a result of claims that it is an unsafe area. He noted there is a reason why the City hired a traffic safety engineer and there is a legal reason why he insists the City follows their recommendations. Attorney Slye confirmed for Council Member Walczyk that if Council decides to lower the speed limit without a traffic safety study and there is an accident as a result of it then the City would be partially liable.

Council Member Horbacz said that Council Member Walczyk brings up a larger point that downtown is not very "walkable" and the City should develop ways to make it friendlier to pedestrians. He agreed that slowing down traffic would be helpful.

Noting that he lives on Public Square, Council Member Walczyk said he witnesses traffic driving faster than the speed limit. He mentioned there are a lot of pedestrians on Public Square so he does not see how a traffic study would not agree with decreasing the speed limit.

Council Member Macaluso pointed out that traffic coming off Arsenal Street goes fast to catch the second light but she does not think cars even get to 30 mph in the other areas.

Mayor Butler discussed the improvements made to downtown through the streetscape projects, noting there are dedicated walkways between the islands. He said he does not see the speed limit as the problem and he does not want to spend money on a traffic study that has already been done.

Pointing out that this deals with Route 3, Council Member Walczyk questioned whether the Department of Transportation (DOT) could be asked to do the study.

Attorney Slye said the State of New York approved and paid for the downtown project so as far as they are concerned, there was a study done. He said, in his opinion, a traffic study is not going to result in a reduction to 25 mph.

Pavement Cut Fees

Council Member Walczyk suggested increasing the fees for pavement cuts because it disrupts traffic and it affects the useful life of the roads. He noted this causes potholes in the long term because the streets are cut and patched, noting that sometimes this is done on newer streets.

Mayor Butler asked the City Manager to provide more information on this and wondered when the last time this fee was increased.

Citibus Advertising/Centro Bus Service

Council Member Walczyk advised Centro visited to see the City's bus service and made some suggestions. He said they have had great success contracting for their advertising and he said Council should look at this further to see if there is a better way to generate more revenue than doing it in-house.

CHIPS Funding

Council Member Walczyk noted that the paper streets within the City are not factored into the allotment received from NYS for CHIPS and he thinks there is the ability to get credit for those streets because they are "public ways" and there is no restricted access to them. He advised the City can increase the amount received from CHIPS without increasing the City's liability or responsibility, noting these streets are currently plowed, maintained and patched by the City.

Mayor Butler pointed out there are a lot of paper streets that are wooded lots and never formed as a street.

Council Member Macaluso questioned whether asking for more CHIPS funding obligates the City to pave these streets.

Council Member Walczyk replied it is the City's job to prioritize the streets.

Ms. Addison commented that she responded to his email regarding the timing of this whole process and staff is working on this with DOT. She explained they are reviewing a digital map and comparing it to a report from the State to determine differences and then revise the list of eligible streets.

Thompson Park Pool

Mentioning four out of five Council Members support rebuilding Thompson Park Pool, Council Member Walczyk stated he would like this worked into next year's budget.

Mayor Butler indicated he spoke with Reverend Garry, who provided him with a summary of the recent Friends of Thompson Park meeting, and the theme of the meeting was to do a splash park first because it is a more doable project, it is affordable and it is something new. He said they would like to fundraise for 25% of the project and work with some other organizations to raise an additional 10-15%, noting that this group still needs to form an official corporation. He said they want to start small and move onto bigger projects if there is success.

Council Member Walczyk stated he attended the meeting. He reported that the group did not want to fundraise for the entire project of the pool, bathhouse and splash park at this time, but they were in support of the pool. He said they recognize the City's challenges so if the pool cannot be done this year, the splash park and bathhouse should be structured so the piping is done in preparation for the pool in the next phase. He stressed the splash park cannot be done without rehabilitating the bathhouse for changing areas and restrooms.

Council Member Macaluso mentioned that the pool would not have to be as large as the current size.

Council discussed options that were suggested by a representative from Sundance Pool.

Mayor Butler commented that a design would need to be done and the project put out to bid, and he reminded Council that there needs to be four votes in order to pass the bond for it.

Arena Naming Rights

In response to Council Member Macaluso's inquiry, Ms. Addison advised this closes on September 30 so she will provide Council with a report after that date.

Council Member Jennings' Absence

Mayor Butler pointed out that Council Member Jennings is out of town for a Jefferson County Public Health matter and was unable to attend tonight's meeting.

Rental Registration

Mayor Butler mentioned the public hearing on the proposed rental registration program will be held on September 19 at 7:30 p.m. He suggested any questions could be submitted to Council Member Jennings in writing in hopes of being proactive with the answers.

October Work Session

In response to Mayor Butler's question, Ms. Addison indicated the topics for the next work session will be the Lachenauer Fountain and the Complete Streets Program.

Motion was made by Council Member Cody J. Horbach to move into Executive Session to discuss collective bargaining and the potential sale of real property where public discussion might affect the value thereof.

Motion was seconded by Council Member Mark C. Walczyk and carried with all voting in favor thereof.

Council moved into Executive Session at 7:55 p.m.

Council reconvened at 9:10 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

At the call of the chair, meeting was duly adjourned at 9:10 p.m. by motion of Council Member Teresa R. Macaluso, seconded by Council Member Mark C. Walczyk and carried with all voting in favor thereof.

Ann M. Saunders
City Clerk