



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

Tuesday, September 12, 2023 - 7:00 p.m.

City Council Chamber

801 Crawford Street, 6th Floor, Portsmouth, Virginia

CALL TO ORDER

MOMENT OF SILENCE

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL 7-0 Present

MINUTES (Electronic Roll Call Vote) Adopted 7-0

PRESENTATION

- Presentation of a proclamation for “Daffodil Project Day”.

CITY COUNCIL RULES REQUIRE A LIMIT OF UP TO FIVE (5) MINUTES TO SPEAK

PUBLIC HEARINGS

23 - 278

Public hearing with respect to the proposed adoption by the City Council of a resolution to request the General Assembly to amend the present City Charter. The purpose of the proposed amendments is to conform certain provisions of the Charter to the Virginia Code, including (1) conforming the deadline for the filing of petitions for candidacy for Mayor or City Council, acceptances of such candidacy, and the names and addresses of campaign treasurers, to the deadline provided in Section 24.2-507 of the Virginia Code; (2) correcting an obsolete citation in the Charter to a Virginia Code chapter that has been repealed; and (3) conforming the timeframe for City Council to make an appointment to fill a vacancy on Council to the timeframe provided in Section 24.2-228 of the Virginia Code.

23 - 279 - Public hearing on a use permit application:

UP-23-15

Adopted 7-0

DOWNTOWN - Resolution granting the request of Thyme on the River LLC for a Use Permit to operate an entertainment establishment on approximately 0.619-acre parcel located at 1 High Street Suite 4 in the Downtown D1 T6 Urban Core zoning sub-district. The Future Land Use Map of the Build One Portsmouth Comprehensive Plan designates this property for mixed-use downtown. The property is owned by One High Street LLC. Planning Commission recommends approval. (Electronic Roll Call Vote)

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

23-280

Adopted 7-0

Adoption of an ordinance confirming the FY 2024 Classification and Pay Plan for employees of the City of Portsmouth, Virginia. (Electronic Roll Call Vote)

23-281 Adoption of an ordinance accepting State Opioid Response funds in the amount of \$294,852 from the Virginia Department of Behavioral Health and Development Services and appropriating said amount in the FY 2024 Behavioral Healthcare Service Fund Budget for opioid misuse prevention, treatment, and recovery services. (Electronic Roll Call Vote)
Adopted 7-0

23-282 Adoption of an ordinance accepting STEP-VA funding in the amount of \$290,558 from the Virginia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services and appropriating said amount in the FY 2024 Behavioral Healthcare Service Fund Budget for the purpose of providing public mental health services. (Electronic Roll Call Vote)
Adopted 7-0

23-283 Adoption of an ordinance accepting settlement funds in the amount of \$82,778.38 from the National Opioids Settlement Fund Trust and appropriating said amount in the FY 2024 Behavioral Healthcare Service Fund for use by BHS for approved abatement purposes as defined by the Virginia Opioid Fund and Settlement Allocation MOU. (Electronic Roll Call Vote)
Adopted 7-0

23-284 Adoption of a resolution to approve and ratify the FY 2024/FY 2025 Community Services Performance Contract for the Portsmouth Department of Behavioral Healthcare Services. (Electronic Roll Call Vote)
Adopted 7-0

23-285 Adoption of a resolution authorizing the conveyance of a utility easement encumbering approximately 1,292 square feet of 1227 Holland Road (Lake Kilby) to Virginia Natural Gas in furtherance of the S.A.V.E. Program to upgrade natural gas line systems in the Commonwealth. (Electronic Roll Call Vote)
Adopted 6-0-1
Tillage
abstained

23-286 Adoption of a resolution requesting the General Assembly of Virginia to amend the Charter of the City of Portsmouth, Virginia by amending Section 3.02 regarding nomination of candidates for City Council and Mayor and Section 3.04 regarding City Council vacancies. (Electronic Roll Call Vote)
Adopted 7-0

NEW BUSINESS

23-287 Boards and Commissions (Electronic Roll Call Vote)

23-288 Items Submitted by Council Members

23-289 Report on Pending Items

23-290 Non-Agenda Speakers

ADJOURNMENT

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1. BY EMAIL AT WHITED@PORTSMOUTHVA.GOV BETWEEN 8 AM AND 5 PM.

2. BY PHONE – 393-8639 BETWEEN 8 AM AND 5 PM.

3. IN PERSON BETWEEN 8 AM – 5 PM. (SIGN UP IN PERSON UNTIL 6:30 PM ON DAY OF THE MEETING).

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