

**REGULAR MEETING OF WILMINGTON CITY COUNCIL  
FEBRUARY 20, 2020 @ 6:30 P.M.**

**Council Chambers  
Louis L. Redding City/County Building  
800 N. French Street - Wilmington, DE 19801  
[www.WilmingtonDe.gov](http://www.WilmingtonDe.gov) or [www.WITN22.org](http://www.WITN22.org)**

**AGENDA**

**I. Call to Order  
Prayer  
Pledge of Allegiance  
Roll Call**

**II. Approval of Minutes**

**III. Committee Reports**

**IV. Acceptance of Treasurer's Report**

**V. Non-Legislative Business**

All Council	Recognize Black History Month
All Council	Retirement Eloise Watson
Congo	Recognize Blue Diamond Dental Group/Dr. Daniels
Congo	Recognize Delaware Elite
Guy	Recognize Dr. Carter G. Woodson and the month of February 2020 as "African American History Month"
Oliver	Recognize Essence YMCA Drill Team
Oliver	Sympathy Melvin Scruggs
Oliver	Sympathy Mary E. Pettaway
Oliver	Sympathy Kevin L. Bolden
Shabazz	Recognize Maurice Simms
Shabazz	Recognize Herman Holloway, Jr.
Shabazz	Recognize Delaware Technical Community College Black History Month Honoree Wali W. Rushdan, II
Shabazz	Sympathy Barbara S. Frye
Turner	Sympathy Kobe Bryant

**VI. Legislative Business**

**HARLEE**

Rev. 1

#4756 Sub. 1 Ord. 20-001 Authorize and Approve an Extension of Contract 20011PW Between the City of Wilmington and Brandywine Construction Company, Inc. for Sewer Maintenance **(3<sup>rd</sup> & Final Reading)**

**Synopsis:** *This Substitute Ordinance is being presented by the Administration for Council's review and approval. This Substitute Ordinance authorizes the City to exercise one (1) one-year extension option to extend Contract 20011PW - Sewer Maintenance - between the City of Wilmington and Brandywine Construction Company, Inc. for the period of July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021, at an estimated price of One Million, Two Hundred Eighty-Five Thousand, Eight Hundred Eighty Dollars (\$1,285,880.00) plus a one percent (1%) increase for the extension period.*

#4757      Ord. 20-002      Authorize and Approve an Extension of Contract 20012WD Between the City of Wilmington and Brandywine Construction Company, Inc. for Water Distribution System Maintenance (**3<sup>rd</sup> & Final Reading**)

**Synopsis:** *This Ordinance is being presented by the Administration for Council's review and approval. This Ordinance authorizes the City to exercise four (4) one-year extension options to extend Contract 20012WD - Water Distribution System Maintenance - between the City of Wilmington and Brandywine Construction Company, Inc. for the periods of July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021, July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022, July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023, and July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024, at an estimated price of Two Thousand, Nine Hundred Seventy-Seven Dollars (\$2,977.00) per day plus an increase of up to two percent (2%) for each extension period.*

**SHABAZZ (Harlee presenting on behalf of Shabazz)**

#4773      An Ordinance to Name the South Wilmington Wetlands Park Project the "Southbridge Wilmington Wetlands Park" (**1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading**)

**Synopsis:** *This Ordinance is being presented by Council for Council's review and approval. This Ordinance officially names the South Wilmington Wetlands Park as the "Southbridge Wilmington Wetlands Park".*

**JOHNSON**

#4770      Res. 20-008      Approving the Wilmington Police Department's Grant Application to the Department of Justice for Ten (10) Motorized Trikke Police Interceptors (**Postponed from Feb. 6, 2020 meeting**)

**Synopsis:** *This Resolution is being presented by the Administration for Council's review and approval. This Resolution authorizes the Wilmington Police Department's grant applications to the State of Delaware Criminal Justice Council in the total amount of \$100,000.00. The proposed grant funds would be used to purchase ten (10) Trikke Police Interceptor mobile vehicles along with safety equipment and training, providing police officers with additional contact with the community while simultaneously enabling the officers to respond quickly to incidents.*

**FREEL**

#4774

An Ordinance to Authorize and Approve a Professional Services Agreement Between the City of Wilmington, Delaware and Operations Management International, Inc. for the Management, Administration, Operation, and Maintenance of the Wilmington Wastewater Treatment Plant, Renewable Energy and Biosolids Facility, Main Pump Stations, Storage and Control Structures and Systems Associated with the Control of Combined Sewer Overflows (including Global Optimal Real Time Control System), and Associated Infrastructure  
**(1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading)**

**Synopsis:**

*This Ordinance is being presented by the Administration for Council's review and approval. This Ordinance authorizes the City to enter into a professional services agreement with Operations Management International, Inc. for the management, administration, operation, and maintenance of the Wilmington Wastewater Treatment Plant, Renewable Energy and Biosolids Facility, Main Pump Stations, Storage and Control Structures and Systems associated with the control of Combined Sewer Overflows (including Global Optimal Real Time Control System), and Associated Infrastructure for a period of twenty (20) years with two (2) two-year extension options.*

#4775

A Resolution Approving the Bid of the Best Bidder for the Disposition of 1814 Gilpin Avenue

**Synopsis:**

*This Resolution is being presented by City Council for Council's review and approval. This Resolution approves the bid of J. Douglas Patterson, M.D. for 1814 Gilpin Avenue, Wilmington, DE 19806 (Tax Parcel ID No. 26-013.10-025) as the best bidder and authorizes the Mayor or his designee to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the disposition of the property to Dr. Patterson.*

**SHABAZZ (Freel presenting on behalf of Shabazz)**

#4776

A Resolution Encouraging the City of Wilmington to Support Tiny Houses/Tiny Homes to Address Affordable Housing, Neighborhood Stabilization, Homelessness, Seniors Seeking to Downsize, Veterans, and Those Seeking to Lower their Carbon Footprint

**Synopsis:**

*This Resolution is being presented by City Council for Council's review and approval. This Resolution strongly encourages the City of Wilmington, Delaware to support the inclusion of Tiny Houses/Tiny Homes in our City's housing stock to address the growing problems associated with the scarcity of Affordable Housing, issues regarding Neighborhood Stabilization, Millennials needing Starter Homes, Homelessness, Seniors Seeking to Downsize, Veterans needing affordable housing, and those seeking to lower their Carbon Footprint.*

**ADAMS**

#4771 A Resolution to Amend City Council Rules 2 and 3 Regarding Order of Business and Public Comment

**Synopsis:** *This Resolution is being presented by City Council for Council's review and approval. This Resolution amends City Council Rules 2 and 3 to provide for the following: (1) public comment will be part of the order of business at regular meetings of City Council; (2) the public comment period, which had occurred from 6:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. before regular Council meetings, will now take place immediately after regular Council meetings are called to order; (3) the sign up deadline for members of the public who would like to speak during the public comment period will be changed from 5:45 p.m. to 6:25 p.m.; (4) any person who has signed up with the City Clerk by 6:25 p.m. will be allowed to speak for up to three minutes during the public comment period; (5) there will be no limit on the number of speakers allowed to speak during public comment period; (6) the duplicative public comment period after the close of debate on each legislative item at regular City Council meetings is eliminated; and (7) the duplicative second round of debate by Council Members at regular City Council meetings is eliminated. In addition, as housekeeping matters, certain sections of Rule 2 are relettered and the word "official" in the first sentence of Rule 2 is replaced with the word "regular".*

**GUY**

#4760 Ord. 20-005 Authorizing the Issuance of the City's General Obligation Bonds, In One or More Series on a Tax-Exempt and/or Taxable Basis, In Order to Provide the Funds Necessary to Refund Certain Outstanding General Obligation Bonds of the City; Providing for the Sale of the Bonds; and Authorizing Other Necessary Action  
**(3<sup>rd</sup> & Final Reading)**

**Synopsis:** *This Ordinance is being presented by the City Treasurer for City Council's consideration and approval and authorize the issuance of up to \$50,000,000 aggregate principal amount of the City's General Obligation Bonds in order to finance certain outstanding debt of the City for possible, present value savings up to \$7,000,000.*

#4777 A Resolution Authorizing a Grant to Culture Restoration Project, Inc.

**Synopsis:** *This Resolution provides authorization for City Council member Samuel L. Guy to award a grant of \$1,000 to Culture Restoration Project, Inc., from his portion of Council's Discretionary Funds. As stated in Section 2-369 of the City Code, in order to provide such a grant, this resolution must be passed by City Council.*

#4778 A Resolution Rescinding Censure of Councilman At-Large Samuel L. Guy, Esq., for Conduct Unbecoming of the Office of a Member of Council

**Synopsis:**     *This Resolution rescinds censure Resolution 17-026 censuring Councilman At-Large Samuel L. Guy, Esq. for conduct unbecoming of the office of a member of Council.*

#4779           A Resolution that Directs the Wilmington Housing Partnership Committee to Investigate the Wilmington Housing Partnership and Thereafter Compose a Report of its Findings for Council

**Synopsis:**     *By this Resolution, Council, in aid of its legislative powers and functions, directs the Wilmington Housing Partnership Committee to investigate the Wilmington Housing Partnership and thereafter compose a report of its findings for Council.*

**SHABAZZ (Walsh presenting on behalf of Shabazz)**

#4780           A Resolution Supporting the General Assembly to Draft Legislation to Require Schools to Provide Free Feminine Products to Students in Grades 6-12

**Synopsis:**     *This Resolution is being presented by City Council for Council's review and approval. This Resolution expresses the Honorable Senators of the Delaware General Assembly to pass House Bill 285.*

**VII.   Petitions and Communications**

**VIII.  Adjournment**