

SPECIAL MEETING-ROANOKE CITY COUNCIL

April 15, 2019

1:00 p.m.

A special meeting of the Roanoke City Council was called to order on Monday, April 15, 2019 at 1:00 p.m., in the Council Chamber, Room 450, fourth floor, Noel C. Taylor Municipal Building, 215 Church Avenue, S. W., with Vice-Mayor Joseph L. Cobb, presiding, pursuant to written notification by Mayor Sherman P. Lea, Sr., dated April 10, 2019.

PRESENT: Council Members Joseph L. Cobb, Michelle L. Davis (arrived late), Djuna L. Osborne (arrived late), Anita J. Price, Patricia White-Boyd, William D. Bestpitch and Mayor Sherman P. Lea, Sr. (arrived late)-7.

ABSENT: None-0.

OFFICERS PRESENT: Robert S. Cowell, Jr., City Manager; Daniel J. Callaghan, City Attorney; and Stephanie M. Moon Reynolds, City Clerk.

The Vice-Mayor declared the existence of a quorum.

Vice-Mayor Cobb advised that the purpose of this Special Meeting of Council was to consider two communications from the City Attorney requesting a Closed Meeting to consult with legal counsel pertaining to actual litigation; and to consult with legal counsel pertaining to probable litigation, as set forth below:

LEGAL COUNSEL PERTAINING TO ACTUAL LITIGATION: A communication from the City Attorney requesting that Council convene in a Closed Meeting to consult with legal counsel pertaining to actual litigation, where such consultation in an open meeting would adversely affect the negotiating or litigating posture of the public body, pursuant to Section 2.2-3711 (A)(7), 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 City Attorney as abovementioned. The motion seconded by Council Member White-Boyd and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Price, White-Boyd, Bestpitch and Vice-Mayor Cobb-4.

NAYS: None-0.

(Mayor Lea and Council Members Davis and Osborne were not present when the vote was recorded.)

LEGAL COUNSEL PERTAINING TO PROBABLE LITIGATION: A communication from the City Attorney requesting that Council convene in a Closed Meeting to consult with legal counsel pertaining to probable litigation, where such consultation in an open meeting would adversely affect the negotiating or litigating posture of the public body, pursuant to Section 2.2-3711 (A)(7), Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, was before the body.

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

Council Member Bestpitch moved that Council concur in the request of the City Attorney as abovementioned. The motion seconded by Council Member White-Boyd and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Price, White-Boyd, Bestpitch and Vice-Mayor Cobb-4.

NAYS: None-0.

(Mayor Lea and Council Members Davis and Osborne were not present when the vote was recorded.)

At 1:04 p.m., the Vice-Mayor declared the meeting in recess.

During the Closed Meeting, Council Members Davis and Osborne entered the meeting at 1:09 p.m.; and Mayor Lea entered at 1:18 p.m.

At 2:01 p.m., the Special meeting reconvened in the Council Chamber, Mayor Lea presiding and all Members of the Council in attendance.

CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED MEETING: With respect to the Closed Meeting just concluded, Council Member Bestpitch 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 were heard, discussed or considered by City Council. The motion seconded by Council Member Price and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Cobb, Davis, Osborne, Price, White-Boyd, Bestpitch, and Mayor Lea-7.

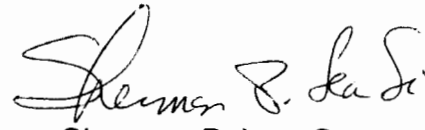
NAYS: None-0.

There being no further business, Mayor Lea declared the Special Meeting adjourned at 2:03 p.m.

APPROVED

ATTEST:


Stephanie M. Moon Reynolds, MMC
City Clerk


Sherman P. Lea, Sr.
Mayor
