

STATED MEETING - CITY COUNCIL – SEPTEMBER 23, 2014

A meeting of the Lancaster City Council was held on Tuesday, September 23, 2014 in Council Chambers, 120 North Duke Street, (Rear Annex) Lancaster, PA, at 7:30 p.m., with President Graupera presiding.

The Council led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present – Mr. Reichenbach, Mr. Roschel, Ms. Sorace, Mr. Soto,
Ms. Williams, Ms. Wilson, President Graupera – 7

The minutes of the meeting of Council for September 9, 2014 were approved by a unanimous roll call vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Travis Martin, citizen, expressed his displeasure at the City Council’s adopting the resolution at the last meeting recommending the Legislature approve Cannabis or Marijuana for medical use in Pennsylvania. Mr. Graupera thanked him for his thoughts and suggested that if he wants to present a resolution to Council against it, they would be happy to consider it.

City Council considered the application & (Historic Commission recommendation for construction & demolition within the Heritage Conservation District:

1. Peter C. Aleczih, proposes installation of a stucco finish on a brick row house at 516 North Queen Street. (after-the fact)

Councilman Reichenbach made the motion to approve and Councilman Roschel seconded. City Council approved the recommendation of the Historic Commission by a unanimous roll call vote.

Administration Bill No.14-2014, (the title) was read by the City Clerk as follows:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LANCASTER AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE PROPER OFFICERS OF THE CITY OF LANCASTER TO EXERCISE THE CITY’S POWERS OF EMINENT DOMAIN AS SET FORTH IN SECTION 2801 OF THE THIRD CLASS CITY CODE (53 P.S. §37801) AND SECTION 303 OF THE OPTIONAL THIRD CLASS CITY CHARTER LAW (53 P.S. §41303) TO APROPRIATE AND TAKE THAT CERTAIN PROPERTY AT 119 JUNIATA STREET IN LANCASTER CITY, LANCASTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA; PROVIDING FOR THE SEVERABILITY OF THE ORDINANCE; AND PROVIDING THAT THE ORDINANCE SHALL TAKE EFFECT IN ACCORDANCE WITH PENNSYLVANIA LAW.

It was explained that the City needs to take this property in order to properly maintain, repair, construct and reconstruct the City's sewer lines. Many years ago, the City allowed a house to be constructed over a sewer. Now the lines need to be replaced and the City needs to demolish the property, so they can repair and construct the sewer. This is the first reading of this Bill.

REPORT OF THE MAYOR – The report of the Mayor can be viewed on the City's website www.cityoflancasterpa.com

President Graupera adjourned the meeting at 7:55 p.m.

John E. Graupera, President

Attest:

City Clerk