

STATED MEETING - CITY COUNCIL – SEPTEMBER 24, 2013

A meeting of the Lancaster City Council was held on Tuesday, September 24, 2013 in Council Chambers, Southern Market Center, 100 South Queen Street, Lancaster, PA, at 7:30 p.m., with President Williams presiding.

Present – Mr. Graupera, Mr. Reichenbach, Mr. Roschel,
Mr. Smith, Mr. Urdaneta. Ms. Wilson, President Williams – 7

City Council approved the minutes of September 10, 2013 by a unanimous roll call vote.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE – Chairman Graupera stated that there is an update to the request by the Chair of the Human Relations Commission to amend the Ordinance. The City Solicitor has made the amendments and returned the bill to the City Clerk, and she will be distributing them to Council for the Committee meetings on the 7th of October.

City Council considered the following applications & (Historic Commission recommendation(s) for construction & demolition within the Heritage Conservation District:

1. Community Mennonite Church of Lancaster, proposes demolition of the rear wings of brick industrial building at 311 West Grant Street.
2. The Long Community, proposes construction of two new multifamily buildings at 200 North West End Avenue.

Councilman Urdaneta made the motion to approve and Councilman Reichenbach seconded.

Mr. Rein Mutso, 935 West Walnut Street, stated that across the street from his house are 7 parking spots which come up against the sidewalk. This is more intrusive. He would like to have the spots removed and have the hedge moved back, and there would still be enough parking on the site. Mayor Gray stated that by approving this tonight, that doesn't mean we are approving the land development plan which would address the concerns of this gentleman. City Council approved the recommendations of the Historic Commission by a unanimous roll call vote.

Administration Bill No. 9-2013, (the title) was read by the City Clerk as follows:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE LANCASTER CITY COUNCIL AMENDING CHAPTER 265, SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF LANCASTER, TO INSTITUTE REQUIREMENTS REGARDING FLOODPLAINS AND FLOOD PRONE AREAS COMPLIANT WITH 44 CFR SECTION 60.3(D) OF THE NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM REGULATIONS AND WITH PENNSYLVANIA ACT 166, THE PENNSYLVANIA FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT ACT, PROVIDING FOR NOTICE OF THE ORDINANCE;

PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY OF THE ORDINANCE; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF INCONSISTENT ORDINANCES; AND PROVIDING THAT THE ORDINANCE SHALL TAKE EFFECT IN ACCORDANCE WITH PENNSYLVANIA LAW.

Councilman Urdaneta made the motion to approve and Councilman Roschel seconded. Councilman Reichenbach stated that what this bill does is to bring the City's Subdivision and Land Development Plan up-to-date in terms of the requirements with State and Federal guidelines of the floodplains and flood prone areas. It doesn't affect the City very much, but it is something the municipalities are required to do. City Council approved Administration Bill No. 10-2013 by a unanimous roll call vote and it shall hereinafter be known as Administration Ordinance No. 10-2013.

Administration Bill No. 10-2013, (the title) was read by the City Clerk as follows:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANCASTER, LANCASTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA ESTABLISHING APPROPRIATIONS FOR \$700,000 OF ADDITIONAL EARNED INCOME TAX REVENUE EXPECTED TO BE RECEIVED IN 2013; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF INCONSISTENT ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR THE SEVERABILITY OF THE ORDINANCE; AND PROVIDING THAT THE ORDINANCE SHALL TAKE EFFECT AS PROVIDED BY PENNSYLVANIA LAW.

Councilman Smith stated this is a supplemental appropriation ordinance which according to §1804 of the Third Class City Code requires the City of Lancaster through an ordinance to reallocate funds in the budget passed annually. This year we received \$700,000 additional Earned Income Tax than we expected. Out of that \$700,000 that we received, this ordinance will allow us to allocate \$540,000 of it towards the Pavement Management Plan. This is the first reading and will be voted on at the next City Council meeting.

Mayor Gray stated that he was at the MPO meeting on Monday, which allocates transportation funds in the entire county. There was a long discussion on the poor conditions of bridges and bridge maintenance in Pennsylvania. Government really hasn't addressed continuous infrastructure improvement and maintenance until it becomes a crisis. The study that was done on our behalf really gives us a guidepost as to how best to begin to maintain and bring to appropriate conditions, our streets. In the past we fixed a street as they became crucial to repair.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Kevin and Tina Depree-Fontaine, 149 East Clay Street, stated that they are here for their neighbors, 700 and 800 block of North Lime, 100 and 200 block of East Clay Street. We are asking for a few parking spaces back. Across from our house is a do not park arrow to the corner. There is a bus stop there, but if they could move that bus stop sign back it would really help. Mayor Gray told her that she should be going to the Traffic Commission and he asked

his Chief-of-Staff if she would give Ms. Depree-Fontaine Sgt. Branner's number to ask him to put them on the Traffic Commission Agenda.

President Williams adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Louise B. Williams, President

Attest:

City Clerk