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CITY OF SARATOGA SPRINGS CITY COUNCIL MEETING

PRELIMINARY AGENDA

February 14, 2022

Held at

474 BROADWAY

SARATOGA SPRINGS, NEW YORK 12866

PRESENT:

RON KIM, Mayor

DILLON MORAN, Commissioner of

Accounts

JAMES MONTAGNINO, Commissioner of

Public Safety

ANGELA RELLA, Deputy Mayor

HEATHER CROCKER, Deputy Commissioner

of Finance

JOE O'NEILL, Deputy Commissioner of

Public Works

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MAYOR KIM: So I'll -- I call the meeting to order. I think Angela is on the line and she'll be able to start the meeting.

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DEPUTY MAYOR RELLA: Yes -- yes. Thank you, Mayor. I'm here. All right. We can start the meeting. It is 9:16 on February 14th. Happy Valentine's Day, everyone. So first on our agenda, we have four public hearings for tomorrow night.

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The first one is at 6:30, amend Chapter 136, outdoor dining, at 6:35, we have a public hearing on the Civilian Review Board, at 6:50, we have a public hearing on the Weibel Avenue PUD Amendment, and at 6:55 we have a public hearing on the Saratoga Downtown Connector.

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Does anyone have any questions on those?

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COMMISSIONER MONTAGNINO: If I -- if I may, Angela. The Civilian Review

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Board hearing is just going to be
2 continued forward. It's going to remain
3 open.

4 Theirs has yet to be drafted, the
5 proposed language for the ordinance that
6 we create the CRV and so we'll need to
7 have that published with adequate notice
8 to the public before we can reopen here.

9 DEPUTY MAYOR RELLA: Okay. Great.
10 Thank you, Commissioner.

11 COMMISIONER MONTAGNINO: So we may
12 (indiscernible) amend the times. I see
13 there's 15 minutes given for that one.
14 I'm going to need more than 30 seconds
15 or so just to note that it's carried
16 forward.

17 DEPUTY MAYOR RELLA: Okay. Okay.
18 And then after the public hearings, we
19 have two presentations. So the first is
20 on the Black History Exhibit at
21 Brookside Museum, and the second is --
22 and that's out of the Mayor's
23 Department, the second is Participant
24 Participatory Budgeting out of the
25 Finance Department.

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1 Anyone have any comments or
2 questions on those? Okay. Moving on.
3 We have no executive sessions planned
4 for tomorrow night. And next, we will
5 once again be moving the supervisors
6 above the consent agenda.

7 So the supervisors agenda from
8 Supervisor Gaston is a COVID-19 update
9 and Infrastructure Committee appointment
10 and a report on the NACO conference,
11 N-A-C-O.

12 Supervisor Veitch's agenda is an
13 Infrastructure Committee appointment,
14 number two, Saratoga County Airport
15 public hearing, and number three, NACO
16 Legislative Conference Report, number
17 four, non for profit grant.

18 After the supervisors agenda, we
19 will move on to the consent agenda. We
20 have 12 items on the consent agenda.
21 Does anyone have any comments or
22 questions on those?

23 After the consent agenda, we will
24 move on to the Mayor's Department
25 agenda. There are 11 items on the

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mayor's agenda. Number one is an
2 announcement on a CDBG CARES Block
3 Grant.

4 This is a grant that we have
5 received in the amount of \$250,000.
6 Item number two is an announcement
7 regarding the City Attorney. Item
8 number three is announcement of the date
9 of the State of the City address.

10 Item number four, announcement on a
11 feasibility study regarding the
12 expansion of the Spa State Park. Item
13 five is an announcement and appointment
14 on the Infrastructure Committee.

15 Number six is an appointment to the
16 Saratoga Casino Hotel foundation. Item
17 seven, discussion and vote resolution on
18 the City Attorney. Item number eight,
19 discussion and vote, authorization for
20 mayor to sign MOU for CDTA Bike Share
21 program.

22 Item number nine, discussion and
23 vote, authorization for mayor to sign
24 Occupational Medicine Services agreement
25 with the Saratoga Hospital. Item ten,

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discussion and vote, authorization for
2 the mayor to sign the Co-sponsor
3 Pickleball Workshop in agreement with
4 Kenneth Henderson.

5 And item 11, discussion and vote
6 authorization for the mayor to sign a
7 Co-sponsor Bowling Agreement with
8 Saratoga Strike Zone. Does anyone have
9 any questions or comments on the mayor's
10 agenda? Okay. We can move on then to
11 Commissioner Moran's agenda.

12 COMMISSIONER MORAN: Great. Thank
13 you, Deputy Rella. The first item is
14 just a continuation of the essentially
15 statement of the -- the existence of the
16 public comment period, which will have
17 already happened for public hearing,
18 rather, the extension of that public
19 hearing into next week for the ultimate
20 -- ultimately for the vote on the
21 extension of outdoor dining as written
22 as everyone has already read and seen.

23 Second one, just again, a COVID
24 update relative to our past activities
25 and planned current activities,

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discussion and vote on the repeal of the
2 mask mandate. I have circulated to the
3 mayor and deputy mayor, the language.

4 The suggestion is maybe just a
5 simple repeal might be in order. So
6 we'll have that ironed out shortly. And
7 then the last one's discussion and vote
8 for the authorization for the mayor to
9 sign or apply for New York State Film
10 Tax Credit.

11 Again, simply that allows us to use
12 or offer tax rebates or tax exemptions
13 for the use of city properties in
14 filming. So this is something that's --
15 it was a session that was attended by
16 Deputy Connors and by Marilyn.

17 We obviously had that nice
18 excitement last summer and this is just
19 a continuation of that, essentially
20 making it possible for this to -- this
21 program to continue. And that's
22 everything. Any questions? Alrighty.

23 DEPUTY MAYOR RELLA: Thank you,
24 Commissioner. We can move on to the
25 Finance Department agenda. I think

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1 Deputy Crocker will be running through
2 the Commissioner's agenda for finance.

3 DEPUTY COMMISSIONER CROCKER: Thank
4 you. So we have a pretty short agenda
5 as well. The Commissioner will provide
6 an update on city finances, property
7 tax, sales tax, and potentially other
8 items.

9 We have an announcement for 2022
10 Bond Refunding, which is being
11 postponed. The city has taken advantage
12 of refunding government bonds when
13 interest rates drop, however, the market
14 has shifted and there's not a
15 substantial savings, so that will be
16 postponed.

17 Item number three, announcement
18 regarding fourth quarter financial
19 report. Item number four, discussion
20 and vote, authorization for the mayor to
21 sign an agreement with Carousel
22 Industries for city telephone
23 maintenance.

24 And the remaining items are budget
25 transfers that are included on our

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agenda for transparency purposes. We
2 have discussion and vote, budget
3 transfers, benefits and discussion and
4 vote for budget transfers for payroll.
5 And that's it.

6 DEPUTY MAYOR RELLA: Okay. Thank
7 you, Deputy Crocker. Anyone have any
8 questions? Okay. We can move on to the
9 Department of Public Works agenda. We
10 have Deputy O'Neill here to -- to go
11 through the Commissioner's agenda.

12 DEPUTY COMMISSIONER O'NEILL: Thank
13 you. We have two items on our agenda.
14 The first, discussion and vote,
15 authorization for mayor to sign a
16 contract with Kubricky Construction
17 Corporation for pavement services.

18 Item number two, discussion and
19 vote, approval to pay invoice number
20 16909 to BPI, in the amount of
21 \$3,933.28. That would conclude our
22 agenda. If anyone has any questions.

23 DEPUTY MAYOR RELLA: Okay. Thank
24 you Deputy O'Neill. And finally, we can
25 move on to the Public Safety Department

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agenda. Commissioner Montagnino is on,
2 and he will discuss his agenda.

3 COMMISIONER MONTAGNINO: Thank you
4 Deputy Rella. Item number one,
5 discussion and vote to approve payment
6 of an invoice to Terracon in the amount
7 of \$22,200.

8 Item number two, discussion and
9 vote, approve a 2021 invoice to BPI in
10 the amount of \$7,492.50, for emergency
11 service. Number three, discussion and
12 vote, approve a 2022 invoice to BPI, in
13 the amount of \$4,455, for emergency
14 services.

15 Number four, discussion and vote
16 authorization to the mayor to sign
17 contracts with Matt's of Saratoga, and
18 Towaway, Towing for towing services.
19 Number five, discussion and vote on a
20 resolution authorizing the mayor to
21 write Governor Hochul, requesting an
22 executive order, authorizing the
23 attorney general to conduct a grand jury
24 investigation pursuant to CPL Article
25 190.

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1 I -- I see the draft agenda has it
2 as Article 90. It's 190. Into the
3 circumstances surrounding the death of
4 Darryl Mount, including an investigation
5 of potential misconduct on the part of
6 public officers in the period following
7 the events of August 31, 2013.

8 Item number six, announcement that
9 the draft report on the circumstances
10 surrounding the death of Darrell Mount
11 has been prepared and is available on
12 the city's website.

13 In fact, that is uploaded as of
14 now. Item number seven, an announcement
15 regarding maintenance after snow and ice
16 events per city code 203-26. And that
17 completes the Public Safety Department's
18 draft agenda.

19 DEPUTY MAYOR RELLA: Thank you,
20 Commissioner. Does anyone have any
21 questions or comments?

22 COMMISSIONER MORAN:
23 (Indiscernible) that (indiscernible) on
24 March 1st. We (indiscernible) first
25 (unintelligible) it was a first meeting,

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1 we authorized the citywide opt in and
2 I'm just getting some clarification as
3 to, is this a different deadline or is
4 this what we already opted everybody
5 into?

6 If it is not what we opted
7 everybody into, I'll just simply be
8 making an announcement for folks to --
9 to make sure that they get those refiled
10 documents in.

11 DEPUTY MAYOR RELLA: Okay. Great.
12 Thank you. Okay. So I think, mayor, do
13 you want to adjourn the meeting?

14 MAYOR KIM: Certainly, with just
15 two comments. Commissioner Moran,
16 there's a -- one of the sessions here is
17 about the cannabis regulations, so I'll
18 try to get the material. It's a
19 conflict with something else I have to
20 go to, but I'll try to --

21 COMMISSIONER MORAN: Deputy Connors
22 is going to be there, mayor.

23 MAYOR KIM: Oh, okay. Great.

24 COMMISSIONER MORAN: So maybe just
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1 MAYOR KIM: And -- and --

2 COMMISSIONER MORAN: -- link up

3 with her. When is it?

4 MAYOR KIM: Okay. Great.

5 COMMISSIONER MORAN: What time,

6 Ron?

7 MAYOR KIM: I think it's about -- I

8 think it was like -- I -- I think it's

9 about 45 minutes from now.

10 COMMISSIONER MORAN: Okay.

11 MAYOR KIM: And then the other --

12 other thing Commissioner Montagnino, the

13 -- the -- the governor is actually going

14 to be here in a -- at 11 o'clock, so,

15 you know, hopefully I might have a

16 chance to discuss with her just sort of

17 some of the -- some of the issues around

18 this or her staff members. So I'll let

19 you know.

20 COMMISSIONER MONTAGNINO: Thank you

21 -- thank you Mr. Mayor.

22 MAYOR KIM: Hearing -- if there's

23 nothing else, we can adjourn the

24 meeting. Thanks for everybody's

25 patience. I apologize for being late.

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1 DEPUTY MAYOR RELLA: Okay. Thank

2 you.

3 MAYOR KIM: Do I have a motion to

4 adjourn?

5 DEPUTY MAYOR RELLA: We're

6 adjourned at 9:30.

7 MAYOR KIM: Okay. Thank you. Bye.

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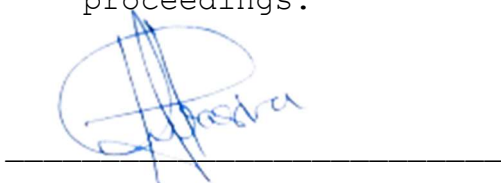
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