

April 3, 2019  
Brigantine, New Jersey

A Council meeting was held this date in Council Chambers at 5:00 P.M. with Mayor Simpson presiding.

Present: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Riordan, Sera, Simpson.  
Absent: None

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Councilman Lettieri moved, seconded by Councilman Riordan to adopt the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE  
RESOLUTION 2019-58

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Roll Call: All "Yes"

Motion Carried.

City Clerk Lynn Sweeney read the statement pertaining to the Open Public Meeting Act, P.L. 1975, Chapter 231, excluding the public from a meeting in certain circumstances.

Council retired to executive session at 5:30 P.M.

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Council returned from Executive Session at 6:01 P.M.

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Mayor Simpson led the flag salute after which Councilman Sera offered a prayer. Councilman Sera sked for a moment of silence for U. S. Army Veteran and American hero Colonel Don Polifka.

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City Clerk Lynn Sweeney read the statement pertaining to the Open Public Meetings Act.

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Municipal Attorney Fred Scerni reported that Council discussed the following topics in executive session: four matters of litigation; an update on Malone vs City, a discussion regarding the

Seagull Hotel, a report regarding the Salt Storage Building and an update regarding Lattimer vs City.

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Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Lettieri to approve 3/20/19 Council Meeting and Executive Session Minutes

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Riordan, Sera, Simpson: “Yes”.

Motion Carried.

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Councilman Riordan moved, seconded by Councilwoman Bew to approval of Payroll, Requisition List and Operating Expenses.

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, Riordan, Sera, Simpson: “Yes”.

DeLucry: “Abstain” on #18-2792 and #19-712 and “Yes” to balance with the understanding the manager will verify #19-705.

Motion Carried.

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Recognition of Atlantic City Weekly’s “Top 40 Under 40”: Tim Daley, Kristen Fulmer and Chaser Gaffney

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Public Comment on Agenda Items Only.

Anne H. Phillips of 308 27<sup>th</sup> Street commented on Resolution 2019-59.

Close of Public Comment.

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Councilman Riordan moved, seconded by Councilwoman Bew to introduce the following ordinance.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE  
ORDINANCE NO. 8 OF 2019

REPEALING AND REPLACING CHAPTER 246 OF THE CITY CODE ENTITLED  
“RENTAL PROPERTY”

City Manager James Bennett explained the details of the ordinance.

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Riordan, Sera, Simpson: "Yes".

Motion Carried.

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Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Lettieri to adopt the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE  
RESOLUTION 2019-59

CONCURRING WITH THE BOARD OF SCHOOL ESTIMATES

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, DeLucry, Riordan, Sera, Simpson: "Yes".  
Haney: "Abstain".

Motion Carried.

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Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Haney to adopt the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE  
RESOLUTION 2019-60

WAIVE THE READING OF 2019 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Riordan, Sera, Simpson: "Yes".

Motion Carried.

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Councilman Riordan moved, seconded by Councilwoman Bew to adopt the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE  
RESOLUTION 2019-35

PUBLIC HEARING OF 2019 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

Municipal Auditor Leon Costello presented the budget.

Public Comment.

Anne H. Philips of 208 27<sup>th</sup> Street commented on the surplus.



Close of Public Comment.

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Riordan, Sera, Simpson: "Yes".

Motion Carried.

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Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Riordan to adopt the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE  
RESOLUTION 2019-61

SELF EXAMINATION OF THE 2019 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Riordan, Sera, Simpson: "Yes".

Motion Carried.

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Councilman Sera moved, seconded by Councilman Riordan to adopt the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE  
RESOLUTION 2019-62

AMENDMENT TO THE 2019 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Riordan, Sera, Simpson: "Yes".

Motion Carried.

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Councilman Sera moved, seconded by Councilman Riordan to adopt the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE  
RESOLUTION 2019-35

ADOPTION OF THE 2019 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Riordan, Sera, Simpson: "Yes".

Motion Carried.

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Councilman Sera moved, seconded by Councilman Riordan to adopt the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE  
RESOLUTION 2019-63

AWARD OF CONTRACT  
DEMOLITION AND REMOVAL OF EXISTING BUILDING

Councilman DeLucry questioned the basis for demolition.

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Riordan, Sera, Simpson: "Yes".

Motion Carried.

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Councilman Haney moved, seconded by Councilman Sera to adopt the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE  
RESOLUTION 2019-64

AWARD OF CONTRACT  
COMPUTER NETWORK AND MAINTENANCE

Councilman DeLucry asked what the work is to be covered by the resolution and if this was a vendor we have used before and Mr. Bennett explained the scope of work and stated that the city has used this vendor.

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Riordan, Sera, Simpson: "Yes".

Motion Carried.

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Councilman Sera moved, seconded by Councilwoman Bew to adopt the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE  
RESOLUTION 2019-65

AWARD OF CONTRACT  
TAX ASSESSMENT SERVICES AND APPEALS

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Riordan, Sera, Simpson: "Yes".

Motion Carried.

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Councilman Riordan moved, seconded by Councilwoman Bew to adopt the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE  
RESOLUTION 2019-66

AWARD OF CONTRACT  
CONSULT ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR 2018 MISCELLANEOUS  
DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS & CONCRETE REPAIRS PROJECT

Councilman DeLucry asked for clarification on the scope of work and terms of the contract and Mr. Bennett explained that this was a continuation of a contract from 2018. Chief Financial Officer Roxanne Tosto explained that the contract was for “miscellaneous engineering services”. Superintendent of Public Works John Doring explained the work to be included.

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, Riordan, Sera, Simpson: “Yes”.  
DeLucry: “No”.

Motion Carried.

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Councilman Sera moved, seconded by Councilman DeLucry to adopt the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE  
RESOLUTION 2019-67

AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF  
ADA COMPLIANT BEACH ACCESSIBILITY SURFACE MATS

Councilman Sera stated the benefits of the beach mats. Councilman Riordan commented that the mat from 16<sup>th</sup> Street will be moved to 10<sup>th</sup> Street North and mentioned there will be more crosswalks. Councilman Lettieri commented that he was in touch with the County and they were able to procure four crosswalks in the area of the promenade, further stating that there will be more handicapped parking spots added near the ramps. Councilman Haney commented on the benefits of the mats.

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Riordan, Sera, Simpson: “Yes”.

Motion Carried.

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Councilman Sera moved, seconded by Councilman Riordan to adopt the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE  
RESOLUTION 2019-68

AWARD OF CONTRACT  
CONSULTING ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR REMOVAL OF EXISTING CONCRETE  
AND INSTALLATION OF NEW ADA ACCESSIBLE RAMPS

Councilman Sera commented that a homeowner on 9<sup>th</sup> Street and Beach Avenue was having an issue with flooding coming onto the sidewalk because of the curb cut and asked if this would solve the issue and Mr. Bennett explained that the City Engineer spoke to the homeowner and explained that this would help the issue.

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Riordan, Sera, Simpson: "Yes".

Motion Carried.

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Councilman Haney moved, seconded by Councilman Riordan to adopt the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE  
RESOLUTION 2019-69

AUTHORIZING PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH  
STOCKTON COASTAL RESEARCH CENTER TO  
CREATE A WATERSHED MANAGEMENT PLAN

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Riordan, Sera, Simpson: "Yes".

Motion Carried.

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Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Lettieri to adopt the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE  
RESOLUTION 2019-70

AUTHORIZING PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH  
RUTALA MANAGEMENT FOR  
FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT PLAN

Councilman DeLucry asked how the Floodplain Management Plan related to the Watershed Management Plan and Mr. Bennett explained that they do not directly relate, but stated that both

are required by FEMA and the National Flood Insurance Program for the community rating system.

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Riordan, Sera, Simpson: "Yes".

Motion Carried.

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Councilman Lettieri moved, seconded by Councilwoman Bew to adopt the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE  
RESOLUTION 2019-71

AWARD OF CONTRACT TO REPLACE HVAC UNIT AT CITY HALL

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Riordan, Sera, Simpson: "Yes".

Motion Carried.

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Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Lettieri to adopt the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE  
RESOLUTION 2019-72

RENTAL REGISTRATION REFUND

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Riordan, Sera, Simpson: "Yes".

Motion Carried.

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Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Lettieri to adopt the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE  
RESOLUTION 2019-73

ROADWAY SOLICITATION PERMIT

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Riordan, Sera, Simpson: "Yes".

Motion Carried.



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## Consent Agenda

Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Lettieri to adopt the following requests.

- A. St. Thomas Raffle License # 876
- B. St. Thomas Raffle License #877
- C. Crossroads “Bubble Ball Soccer” Request
- D. Food Truck Event Request
- E. Cultural Arts Easter Egg Hunt Request

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Riordan, Sera, Simpson: “Yes”.

Motion Carried.

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Council Manager/Committee Discussion: Mayor Simpson suggested removing “council comments” from agenda due to it being redundant. Mr. Bennett gave an engineering update on various projects currently being worked on and upcoming. Councilwoman Bew commented in the upcoming bag ban that will be starting June 1<sup>st</sup>, warned everyone of a telephone scam going around and spoke about an arthritis seminar that she attended. Councilman Lettieri gave a Recreation Committee update and announced the Chamber of Commerce upcoming events. Councilman Haney announced the AARP tax prep event at the Community Center, reminded all that beach tags are currently on sale and gave an update on CER events. Councilman DeLucry spoke about the lack of state funding for the school system, announced a Town Hall event at ACIT on April 17<sup>th</sup> and announced a Knights of Columbus blood drive to be held at St. Thomas Church on April 6<sup>th</sup>. Fire Chief Tiger Platt stated that they will be putting an article in the paper regarding house numbers being displayed. Councilman Riordan commented on the situation at the Senior Center, praising the efforts of all that managed to fix the issue in such a short time and announced an event at Laguna Grill on April 28<sup>th</sup>. Councilman Sera spoke about a community wellness program that is in the development stages. Mayor Simpson spoke about a phone call he received from Governor Murphy stating the City will receive funding for Sheridan Boulevard.

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## Public Comments

Frank Boccio of 106 25<sup>th</sup> Street South spoke about the alley behind his house and the debris that has collected there and asked what he could do to rectify the situation, he also commented on the Airbnb rentals in town, stating that there are a lot of issues with the people who rent them.

Close of Public Comment

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Councilman Lettieri moved, seconded by Councilwoman Bew to adjourn the meeting.

Roll Call: All “Yes”.

Motion Carried.

There being no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 P.M.

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Mayor Andy Simpson

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Lynn Sweeney, RMC, City Clerk