



NORFOLK

CITY OF NORFOLK
AGENDA OVERVIEW
For February 8, 2011 Meeting
TIME: 7:00 p.m.

This information was prepared to help residents and other interested persons better understand the Norfolk agenda process. It describes proposed City Council actions that are scheduled to be considered by the City Council at its next formal meeting.

It is important to note that the City Council may decide to change or defer an item from its agenda. While every effort is made to notify the public in advance, given the criticality of an item, City Council may also make changes at the meeting.

Below is a list of the topics for the meeting, followed by a brief description of the impact if each item is approved. For ease of reference, each agenda item is discussed in the affirmative. However, in some cases the staff and/or an advisory board to City Council (such as the Planning Commission) may have recommended that the Council not approve the matter.

RECOGNITION & PROCLAMATIONS

This is a time allotted to formally recognize individuals and community organizations for their contributions or achievements. Also special events and activities may be acknowledged at this time.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

These agenda items are matters required by law or ordinance or are items of significance. The Mayor will invite citizens to comment on each item as it is called on the agenda. The Mayor will close the hearing before the Council takes action on each public hearing matter.

PH-1 **Conveyance of a GEM Parcel Lot – SS Burrage Rd (James & Carolyn Cofield)**

If approved, this ordinance will permit the City to convey a GEM lot parcel located at SS Burrage Road to James & Carolyn Cofield, the adjoining property owners, to create a conforming lot. Approval is recommended.

PH-2 **Ordinance to acquire drainage easement, temporary construction easement and release and vacation of existing drainage easement over portion of 151 Riverview Avenue**

If approved, a new perpetual drainage easement will be acquired to place over a portion of property located at 151 Riverview Avenue which is necessary to make needed improvements to the infrastructure in the Fort Norfolk District. Approval is recommended.

CONSENT AGENDA

These agenda items are considered to be routine in nature and will be acted upon in one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless requested by a member of the City Council prior to the time the Council votes on the motion to adopt.

C-1 Statement of Legal Debt Margin - December 31, 2011

The purpose of this quarterly notice is to advise City Council of the compliance with the City's Legal Debt Margin. The Commonwealth of Virginia limits the City's ability to issue general obligation bonds (which pledge the full faith and taxing power of the City as security for repayment) in excess of 10% of the City's Taxable Assessed Value. As of December 31, 2010, the City's existing general obligations are 4.46% of assessed value (44.60% of legal capacity). No action is requested from City Council.

C-2 NRHA / City - East Beach Development Ordinance

If approved, the City will convey two, City-owned remnant parcels to Norfolk Redevelopment Housing Authority (NRHA) in support of on-going redevelopment efforts in East Beach. Approval is recommended.

REGULAR AGENDA

*The City Council takes action by adopting either ordinances or resolutions under this section of the agenda. **Resolutions** usually establish City Council policy or direct certain types of administrative action. **Ordinances** are laws adopted by the Council which usually amend the Municipal Code or modify zoning designations.*

R-1 Special Exception - 6400 East Virginia Beach Blvd - Titlemax

If approved, this ordinance would permit Titlemax to operate an automobile title loan establishment at 6400 East Virginia Beach Boulevard. The applicant would be required to make a number of site improvements, including the installation of landscaping on both East Virginia Beach Boulevard and George Street. Approval is recommended, based on compliance with technical ordinance requirements, consistency with approved plans, and considering the application of accepted standards for determining a concentration of uses that potentially pose problems for a neighborhood.

R-2 Amending City Code Section Concerning Driving While License or Privilege to Drive Suspended or Revoked

If approved, this ordinance will amend the City Code Section 25-152 to make it reflect recent changes to the State Code regarding driving while license, permit, or privilege to drive has been suspended or revoked. Approval is recommended.

- R-3 **Correction and Clarification of Section 26-3(b)(1) – Sound Levels**
If approved, this ordinance will amend the City Code § 26-3(b)(1) in order to state the exact hours of operation of mobile power equipment and remove a reference to a code section that no longer exists. Approval is recommended.
- R-4 **VSTOP Violence Against Women Grant**
If approved, the Norfolk Commonwealth's Attorney will be permitted to accept a grant in the amount of \$138,510 to provide salary and fringe benefits for the position of an Assistant Commonwealth Attorney and Victim Advocate. Approval is recommended.
- R-5 **Norfolk Commonwealth's Attorney Virginia Sexual and Domestic Violence Victims Fund Grant**
If approved, the Norfolk Commonwealth's Attorney will be permitted to accept grant funds in the amount of \$40,000 to provide salary, fringe benefits and operational costs for the position of a Domestic Violence Case Worker. Approval is recommended.
- R-6 **Special Exception to operate an Entertainment Establishment - 257 Granby Street - Bootleggers**
If approved, this ordinance would permit changes to the floor plan at Bootleggers, an entertainment establishment located at 257 Granby Street. Approval is recommended.
- R-7 **Accept a Deed of Gift for Property owned by Mary L. H. Smith - Near Tidewater Drive - Parcel #4049-3200**
If approved, this ordinance will authorize the City Manager to accept a Deed of Gift from Mary L. H. Smith for a parcel of land located near Tidewater Drive. The conveyance of this parcel will enhance the City's access to its storm water drainage system in that vicinity. Approval is recommended.
- R-8 **Ordinance to change the starting time of regular weekly City Council Meeting Tuesday, February 15, 2011 at 2:30 pm to 7:00 pm**
If approved, this ordinance will change the start time of the February 15, 2011 City Council meeting from 2:30 PM to begin at 7:00 PM. Approval is recommended.
- R-9 **Slover Library Foundation Donation**
If approved, the City will receive \$20,000,000 additional challenge donation for the construction of the Colonel Slover Public Library and allow the Slover Library Foundation to begin raising the matching funds required by the donation. Approval is recommended.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA RELATED MATTERS

If you wish to address the City Council, you should complete and submit a "Request to Speak" form to the City Clerk before the start of the Council meeting. When your name is called, please approach the lectern and speak clearly into the microphone, stating your name and address for the record.

Due to the number of items on the agenda and the length of City Council meetings, speakers are asked to limit their remarks to three minutes.