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**CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
MINUTES
WEDNESDAY APRIL 8, 2009**

Called to order by Council President Gerchman at 6:08pm

Present: Weslar, Gerchman, Rennia, Webb, Massey, Collins

Absent: Kramer

Also in attendance: Corporation Counsel Kenneth J. Frank, Deputy City Clerk Angela Fagerstrom

Items Considered

RL 09-064. *A Resolution accepting a FEMA/Department of Homeland Security Grant in the amount of \$176,795.00*

Presented by Fire Department Chief Daniel Thomas

Request for Legislation supported by: Rennia, Webb, Kramer, Collins, Gerchman, Massey
Sent to Corporation Counsel for drafting

Discussion: Mayor's Minutes

Presented by Andrew Block, Director of Community Relations

RL 09-063. *A Resolution in support of the City's participation in the Cities for Climate Protection campaign by ICLEI—Local Governments for Sustainability*

Presented by Amelia LoDolce, Sustainable Development Planner

Request for Legislation supported by: Massey, Collins, Webb, Gerchman, Rennia, Kramer
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Discussion: Public Hearing of the Restore NY Properties to be held at the Council Business Meeting on April 20, 2009

Presented by Mike Atchie, Acting Director of Planning, Housing and Community Development.

RL 09-062. *A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to accept up to \$10,000.00 of Restore NY Round III funds and enter into an agreement with NYS Empire State Development Corporation*

Presented by: Mike Atchie, Acting Director of Planning, Housing and Community Development;
Steve Quinn, Housing Coordinator; Merry Harris, Director of Economic Development; Peter Pietrosanti, Housing Coordinator



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Request for Legislation supported by: RENNIA, Webb, Kramer, Massey, Gerchman, Collins
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RL 09-066. *An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to submit an application, enter into an agreement and accept funds up to \$150,000.00 under the New York State Affordable Housing Corporation's 2009-2010 Home Improvement Plan*

Presented by: Mike Atchie, Acting Director of Planning, Housing and Community Development; Steve Quinn, Housing Coordinator; Merry Harris, Director of Economic Development; Peter Pietrosanti, Housing Coordinator

Request for Legislation supported by: RENNIA, Webb, Kramer, Massey, Gerchman, Collins
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Discussion: Billboards

The discussion of billboards shall be moved to the Planning Committee meeting to be held on April 16, 2009.

RL 09-065. *A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a municipal cooperation agreement for emergency confined space rescue services with the Binghamton-Johnson City Joint Sewage Board*

Presented by: Ed Crumb, Joint Sewage Board Chairman; John Perticone, Esq.

Request for Legislation supported by: Collins, Massey, Kramer, Webb, Gerchman, RENNIA
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Motion to go into Executive Session to discuss potential litigation at 7:40pm

Moved by Massey, seconded by RENNIA

Voice vote, none opposed

Exit Executive Session at 8:25pm

Moved by Webb, seconded by Weslar

Called to order by Council President Gerchman

Present: Weslar, Gerchman, RENNIA, Webb, Massey, Collins

Absent: Kramer

RL 09-067. *A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a Professional Services Agreement in excess of \$5,000.00 with a Project Monitoring/Air Sampling Consultant in conjunction with the Restore NY II Phase I Demolition and Asbestos Abatement Project*

Presented by Phil Krey, City Engineer

Request for Legislation supported by: RENNIA, Webb, Massey, Gerchman, Collins

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RL 09-068. *A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to correct the 2009 tax roll*

Presented by Patricia Schwartz, City Treasurer

Request for Legislation supported by: Rennia, Webb, Massey, Gerchman, Collins

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RL 09-059. *An Ordinance creating a temporary services line, A1410.1800, in the 2009 Clerk's budget*

Presented by Joseph A. Merrill, City Clerk

Request for Legislation supported by: Rennia, Webb, Kramer, Weslar, Gerchman, Massey, Collins

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RL 09-060. *An Ordinance transferring \$3,920.00 from the licensing clerk line, A1410.1006, to the temporary services line A1410.1800, in the 2009 Clerk's budget*

Presented by Joseph A. Merrill, City Clerk

Request for Legislation supported by: Rennia, Webb, Kramer, Weslar, Gerchman, Massey, Collins

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Discussion: Council Business

Council members discussed upcoming meetings of committees, issues to be addressed by these committees, and financial responses of various organizations to the April 3rd shooting tragedy.

Motion to adjourn

Moved by Massey, seconded by Webb

Voice vote, none opposed

Adjourned at 9:20pm

City Council Work Sessions are held the first and third Wednesdays after the first Monday of every month. These Work Sessions are held in order for the members of City Council to review areas of concern within the City of Binghamton, to consider Requests for Legislation, and to produce solutions for those issues that affect the citizens of the City of Binghamton.

These meetings are open for public attendance. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Office of the City Clerk, or your Council Member.