

SCRANTON CITY COUNCIL MEETING

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Monday, July 2, 2018

LOCATION:

Council Chambers

Scranton City Hall

340 North Washington Avenue

Scranton, Pennsylvania

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CITY OF SCRANTON COUNCIL:

PATRICK ROGAN, PRESIDENT

TIM PERRY, VICE PRESIDENT

WAYNE EVANS

WILLIAM GAUGHAN

KYLE DONAHUE

LORI REED, CITY CLERK

JEANNIE DAVIDSON, SECRETARY

AMIL MINORA, ESQUIRE - SOLICITOR

1 (Pledge of Allegiance recited and moment of reflection
2 observed.)

3 MR. ROGAN: Roll call, please.

4 MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Perry.

5 MR. PERRY: Here.

6 MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Donahue.

7 MR. DONAHUE: Here.

8 MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Evans.

9 MR. EVANS: Here.

10 MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Gaughan.

11 MR. GAUGHAN: Here.

12 MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Rogan.

13 MR. ROGAN: Here. Please dispense
14 with the reading of the minutes.

15 MS. REED: THIRD ORDER. 3-A.

16 AGENDA FOR THE BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS
17 MEETING TO BE HELD JULY 11, 2018.

18 MR. ROGAN: Are there any comments?
19 If not, received and filed.

20 MS. REED: 3-B. MINUTES OF THE
21 SCRANTON/LACKAWANNA HEALTH AND WELFARE
22 AUTHORITY MEETING HELD FEBRUARY 15, 2018.

23 MR. ROGAN: Are there any comments?
24 If not, received and filed.

25 MS. REED: 3-C. TAX ASSESSOR'S

1 REPORT FOR HEARING DATE TO BE HELD JULY 18,
2 2018.

3 MR. ROGAN: Are there any comments?
4 If not, received and filed. Do any council
5 members have announcements at this time?

6 MR. PERRY: I have one announcement
7 to make. The Lackawanna County
8 Commissioners declared a Code Red, a hot
9 weather alert. As we all know, the heat has
10 been -- it's been ridiculous lately and it
11 can get to dangerous levels. What they do
12 is they utilize the forecast from the
13 National Weather Service. Any time the heat
14 index gets over 100 degrees they do issue a
15 Code Red. This one is going from June 30
16 until Monday, which is today, July 2, until
17 9:00 at night. Obviously, we want to make
18 sure we are in an air conditioned room, you
19 stay hydrated, don't do anything excessive
20 outside for any long periods of time, and
21 during a Code Red alert homeless individuals
22 can access emergency shelter at the
23 following locations: St. Anthony's Haven,
24 409 Olive Street, Scranton. Their hours are
25 7:30 to 8:00 a.m., and the Community

1 Intervention Center, 445 North Sixth Avenue
2 and the hours are 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
3 Thank you.

4 MR. ROGAN: Anyone else? I have a
5 few, city Hall will be closed this
6 Wednesday, July 4, in observation of the
7 holiday. Refuse and recycling collection
8 will be one day behind after Wednesday of
9 this week. We would like to wish everyone a
10 safe and happy holiday.

11 Colts will be closed with no bus
12 service on July 4. Regular bus service will
13 resume on Thursday.

14 Lackawanna County is distributing
15 Farmer's Market nutrition program vouchers
16 at the following locations: The West
17 Scranton Senior Center on Jackson Street,
18 Wednesday, July 11, from 9:00 to 1:00 p.m.
19 The Marketplace at Steamtown Thursday, July
20 12, from 2:00 to 7:00 p.m. The South
21 Scranton Farmer's Market on the 300 block of
22 Alder Street, Saturday, July 14, from 10:00
23 to 1:00 p.m., and the South Scranton Senior
24 Center at 425 Alder Wednesday, July 18, from
25 9:00 to 1:00 p.m., and if anyone didn't

1 catch all of those you could always contact
2 our office or your state representatives
3 office and they would be happy to help.

4 And just to note again, council
5 meetings for the month of July will be held
6 at 12:30 p.m. and they will be televised on
7 ECTV.

8 MS. REED: FOURTH ORDER. CITIZENS'
9 PARTICIPATION.

10 (Whereupon the following speakers
11 offered public comment: Joan Hodowanitz
12 spoke on city business and matters of
13 general concern. Marie Schumacher spoke on
14 city business. Lenny Srebro spoke on city
15 business and matters of general concern.)

16 MS. REED: FIFTH ORDER. 5-A.
17 Motions.

18 MR. ROGAN: Mr. Perry, any motions
19 or comments?

20 MR. PERRY: The only comment I have
21 for today is Fourth of July is coming up, be
22 safe, enjoy it, and I'll see you next
23 Monday.

24 MR. ROGAN: Thank you very much.
25 Mr. Donahue, any motions or comments?

1 MR. DONAHUE: Really the only
2 comment I have is I completely agree with
3 what Joan brought up about the Tax Claim
4 Bureau. I think we should be involved in
5 that. So, Mrs. Reed, would you be able to
6 send a letter to the county asking for
7 information regarding the privatization of
8 the Tax Claim Bureau? And that's all I
9 have. Everyone have a safe and happy Fourth
10 of July.

11 MR. ROGAN: Thank you. Mr. Evans,
12 any motions or comments?

13 MR. EVANS: Well, since I wasn't
14 here last week I guess I get a little extra
15 time so I'll espouse a little bit. The
16 recent report that the so-called Castle
17 house is once again moving towards
18 demolition only exacerbates the viewpoint
19 that our condemnation policy as well as our
20 demolition policy is clearly in need of a
21 full review. When we cannot find solutions
22 to solving the Castle House dilemma then we
23 are doing something wrong. When we condemn
24 houses only because they may be vacant and
25 because they have tall grass then we are

1 doing something wrong. When we have homes
2 that should be and could be rehabbed
3 consistently facing the wrecking ball then
4 we are doing something wrong. We need to
5 take a different look at vacant and
6 abandoned properties and begin to categorize
7 and prioritize them, allowing for different
8 approaches and solutions to individual
9 properties. Each abandoned property can be
10 viewed differently and should be treated
11 differently.

12 The first example would be if a
13 house is abandoned, but it can be repaired
14 right now, then LIPS needs to do everything
15 possible to bring that building in
16 compliance through enforcement of existing
17 laws. Condemnation cannot be the sole
18 answer because it simply is not the only
19 answer. In fact, when a home is condemned
20 in Scranton you have effectively sentenced
21 that property in many cases to a slow death
22 toward demolition and marketability. You
23 have immediately reduced that property's
24 market value. You have reduced the market
25 value of the neighboring properties and you

1 could have very well reduced the market
2 value of the entire block in that
3 neighborhood.

4 The resolution to removing a home
5 from condemnation can be long and it can be
6 difficult and it can be costly. While I'm
7 not suggesting that property should never be
8 condemned, that would be a naive viewpoint
9 on my part, but it should be a process used
10 with great care and with great consideration
11 to the possible outcomes of the decision to
12 condemn.

13 To get back to my averments that
14 vacant and abandoned properties should be
15 reviewed differently and in different
16 categories, the second example of vacant
17 homes would be those that can be repaired
18 but only at a later time. The castle house
19 would fit into this category, and this is
20 where we struggle to do what we need to do.
21 We struggle most in that case and this is
22 where we need to get a coherent and
23 consistent plan that allows for rehab even
24 if takes time to get there. Demolition
25 should always be the last solution to the

1 problem.

2 Some states have recently enacted
3 good samaritan laws that allow any person or
4 group to clean up and mow the grass around a
5 house that has been determined to be
6 abandoned without concern for liability.
7 This could be a valuable tool in buying time
8 to avoid demolition while keeping the
9 outside of the property from being a
10 neighborhood eyesore.

11 And the final example would be
12 houses that cannot be repaired for various
13 other reasons. This might be the only time
14 that demolition may, in fact, be
15 appropriate.

16 While we have made great strides
17 with the advent of the land bank, there are
18 properties that are abandoned or just vacant
19 that sometimes do not fit neatly in that
20 category that allows the land bank to step
21 in. There may be other avenues like
22 receivership that may be looked into where
23 the code enforcement department can ask the
24 Courts to name a nonprofit or another
25 qualified person to make essential repairs

1 and place a lien on that abandoned property
2 which would be reimbursed when the property
3 is sold. So while there no easy solutions
4 and we need to begin to address this before
5 we lose more houses that should be rehabbed,
6 before we lose more blocks and more
7 neighborhoods to blight, condemnation and
8 demolition. We need to make decisions based
9 on new algorithms, data driven decisions
10 and, of course, common sense decisions.

11 The lifeblood of our neighborhoods
12 are single family homes and the homeowners
13 that live in them. We have an amazing stock
14 of historic homes with lots of character and
15 when those homes are vacant and abandoned
16 demolition should be far down the list of
17 options. So I'd like to further discuss
18 this with my colleagues as far as how do we
19 begin the process of offering solutions
20 while making some positive changes maybe
21 through a public caucus or work session or
22 even a task force. Whatever form that is
23 chosen is fine with me, but we need to get a
24 handle on this issue and soon.

25 So first we would like to commit to

1 resolving the issues of the castle house and
2 quite possibly may found through that
3 process we can begin to create a blueprint
4 to solve future problems as well.

5 In the meantime, Attorney Minora, if
6 you could research state law to see if we
7 have anything that mirrors the good
8 samaritan laws that are used by other states
9 as well the concept of receivership if that
10 would work for some properties as another
11 tool in our fight against blight.

12 So that's all I have for this
13 evening. Thank you. Or this afternoon, I
14 should say.

15 MR. ROGAN: Thank you. Mr. Gaughan,
16 any motions or comments?

17 MR. GAUGHAN: Yes, thank you.
18 First, Mrs. Reed, if we could send something
19 to the DPW or the city engineer asking about
20 the retention pond that Mr. Srebro brought
21 up I would appreciate that. Also, I had a
22 question, I meant to mention this last week,
23 I read in the minutes of one of the Pension
24 Board meetings about the city possibly
25 splitting the cost of doctor's fees with the

1 Pension Board so if we could send a letter
2 to the city solicitor and ask if they have a
3 cost estimate for that yet and how much that
4 would cost the city and I would actually
5 like to know more about how that would be
6 run.

7 Also, in the caucus I asked for an
8 update on the status of the various lawsuits
9 currently against the city. I would like to
10 know where they are procedurally in the
11 Courts, and we also asked for a caucus with
12 the city solicitor to give us an update on
13 that.

14 Several citizen concerns, quite a
15 few in the plot. Traffic concerns on Bates,
16 Brighton and Grace Street, heavy traffic.
17 The gentlemen that reached out to me would
18 like the chief of the police to be aware of
19 several issues here so we are going to send
20 something to Chief Graziano.

21 Also, I ask for an update, and I
22 think I mentioned this two weeks ago, there
23 is flooding issues on Kirst Court, 400 block
24 of Duncan Street, serious flooding is
25 actually when it rains the water is pouring

1 into this gentleman's in ground pool so I'd
2 like an update on that from the DPW if
3 anybody has been out to take a look at that.

4 Also, I did meet with a neighbor in
5 the vicinity of the 1120 Columbia Street
6 just this morning and she did split and
7 wanted me to submit to this council a
8 petition, I'm going to read that in a
9 second. There are several pages of
10 signatures here and then there are pictures
11 of property at 1120 Columbia Street, so I do
12 want to read this petition into the record.

13 "To the Honorable City Council of
14 the City of Scranton: We, the undersigned,
15 are property owners in the vicinity of 1120
16 Columbia Street, Scranton. Please be
17 advised that for the last nine years we have
18 watched this building and property
19 deteriorate and become an eyesore in the
20 neighborhood. Furthermore, be assured that
21 it has had an adverse effect on our property
22 values.

23 Recently a developer purchased the
24 property and much to our dismiss became
25 aware of Thursday, June 28, 2018, that the

1 City Department of Licenses and Inspections
2 on the order of it's director Patrick Hinton
3 issued a stop work order to the developer to
4 halt cleaning up the property and removing
5 all debris from the property. The developer
6 is a well-respected property owner in
7 Greenridge. We have watched him
8 rehabilitate numerous blighted properties
9 throughout the city. We can attest to the
10 great work he has done to improve
11 dilapidated buildings throughout this
12 municipality.

13 The new owner of the property
14 applied for building permits on May 31,
15 2018. In addition, he provided the city
16 with a \$10,000 bond as required for all
17 condemned properties. He also informed the
18 Department of Licenses, Inspections and
19 Permits that the timetable to work would be
20 completed. Mr. Hinton has failed to approve
21 his permits within the legal framework of 15
22 days from submission of the application.
23 Therefore, under Pennsylvania State Code,
24 which is attached, we urge council to advise
25 Mr. Hinton to issue said permits so that the

1 developer can complete this project
2 immediately.

3 Mr. Hinton informed the owner he
4 would need to apply to the city Housing
5 Appeals Board to remove the property from
6 the demolition list. The developer was
7 assured he would be placed on the June
8 Housing Appeals Board agenda. The housing
9 appeal -- the Housing Board of Appeals
10 canceled their June meeting due to lack of a
11 quorum. We urge the department to
12 immediately allow the work to be started as
13 per the timetable outlined in the original
14 permit application since we cannot be
15 assured that the board will have a quorum in
16 the months of July and August.

17 This eyesore should be of the utmost
18 concern if the members of council not only
19 because of its condition but moreover the
20 safety hazard it presents. One needs to
21 look no further than last week's arson in an
22 abandoned home on East Mountain that
23 tragically killed one person due to a fire.
24 Urge Mr. Hinton to comply with Pennsylvania
25 State Code and issue these building permits

1 immediately. Sincerely, the undersigned.
2 See attached petitions."

3 And, as I mentioned, there is about
4 three, three and a half pages of residents
5 of Greenridge who have signed these
6 petitions, and there are also pictures that
7 are attached that show the dilapidated
8 condition of the building.

9 First of all, I would like to know
10 if we can actually ask Mr. Hinton to come
11 into a caucus and explain why he has not
12 approved these permits, number one; and
13 number two, you know, exactly why the City
14 of Scranton and the Licensing and
15 Inspections Departments is not working with
16 these developers who want to put money into
17 these properties and to fix them up?

18 It seems to me that instead of
19 working with people, instead of working with
20 developers we are working against them as
21 Mr. Evans correctly pointed out a minute
22 ago, and it's my belief that the city has
23 been putting up too many road blocks in
24 front of these people for far too long.
25 Demolition should be a last resort, and it's

1 my suggestion on top of what Mr. Evans said
2 that maybe we should meet with contractors
3 in the city and developers and find out
4 exactly what their opinions are on how they
5 think we can move forward, and I would also
6 support looking into a good samaritan law.
7 There is many times where people are sick
8 and tired of waiting for the bank to send
9 somebody out or a property owner to cut the
10 grass and they would just like to go and
11 clean it up themselves so they don't have to
12 look at it any longer. So there are people
13 that are willing to help and willing to go
14 out of their way. But, again, the city
15 prevents them from doing that because of the
16 liability.

17 And I have similar concerns and
18 feelings about the castle house in
19 Greenridge. It is a beautiful building and
20 the city does want to demolish that. I
21 think we should give people the opportunity
22 to either purchase it or rehab it, and I was
23 glad to hear today that the grass has
24 finally been cut there. So, again, the city
25 should be building up instead of tearing

1 down. Thank you.

2 MR. ROGAN: Thank you. Just one
3 brief comment then I have a couple of
4 comments on agenda items. I would like to
5 echo the sentiments of my colleagues. The
6 Fourth of July is coming up in a couple of
7 days. Hope everyone has a very happy and
8 safe holiday. Please enjoy it responsibly.
9 I know there will be lots of fireworks going
10 off in the city so, again, please be safe
11 and we look forward to seeing everyone next
12 week. Thank you.

13 MS. REED: 5-B. FOR INTRODUCTION -
14 AN ORDINANCE - CREATING AND ESTABLISHING
15 SPECIAL CITY ACCOUNT NO. 02.229634 ENTITLED
16 "POLICE GRANTS" FOR RECEIVING FUNDS FROM
17 MULTIPLE SHORT TERM OR PASS THROUGH POLICE
18 GRANT SOURCES THAT REQUIRE FUND ACCOUNTS
19 SEPARATE FROM THE GENERAL FUND.

20 MR. ROGAN: At this time, I'll
21 entertain a motion that Item 5-B be
22 introduced into its proper committee.

23 MR. PERRY: So moved.

24 MR. EVANS: Second.

25 MR. ROGAN: On the question? All

1 those in favor of introduction signify by
2 saying aye.

3 MR. PERRY: Aye.

4 MR. DONAHUE: Aye.

5 MR. EVANS: Aye.

6 MR. GAUGHAN: Aye.

7 MR. ROGAN: Aye. Opposed? The ayes
8 have it and so moved.

9 MS. REED: 5-C. FOR INTRODUCTION - A
10 RESOLUTION - AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND OTHER
11 APPROPRIATE CITY OFFICIALS TO APPLY FOR AND
12 EXECUTE A GRANT FOR THE REDEVELOPMENT
13 ASSISTANCE CAPITAL PROGRAM (RACP) THROUGH
14 THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA'S OFFICE OF
15 THE BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF (2,000,000.00)
16 DOLLARS; ACCEPTING AND DISBURSING THE GRANT
17 AND COORDINATE THE USE OF THE GRANT FUNDS
18 WITH "SCRANTON-CHERRY, LP", FOR THE PROJECT
19 TO BE NAMED THE "SCRANTON COUNSELING
20 CENTER".

21 MR. ROGAN: At this time, I'll
22 entertain a motion that Item 5-C be
23 introduced into its proper committee.

24 MR. PERRY: So moved.

25 MR. EVANS: Second.

1 MR. ROGAN: On the question?

2 MR. GAUGHAN: Yes, on the question,
3 that has come before us I think a few months
4 ago and last year, so I think total the
5 state has invested \$4 million in this
6 project, which I couldn't be happier about,
7 because this is going to revitalize the
8 former button factory on Cherry Street, the
9 300 block of Cherry Street, so it's going to
10 revitalize that building, which really needs
11 it, anybody who has driven by that can
12 understand. And it's also going to be
13 provide a great opportunity for the
14 redevelopment of the entire 300 block of
15 Adams Avenue as a follow-up project which
16 is, again, sorely needed. Anybody who works
17 downtown or who travels downtown knows that
18 the 300 block of Adams Avenue gets congested
19 very quickly because of the drop off and
20 pick up at the Scranton Counseling Center,
21 and the building there is really not meant
22 for that type of environment. So this is
23 going to revitalize really two neighborhoods
24 in the 300 block of Adams Avenue and in
25 South Scranton.

1 So, again, I want to thank Governor
2 Wolf for his commitment to this project and
3 look forward to seeing it to it's finality.
4 Thank you.

5 MR. ROGAN: Regarding this project,
6 I agree with much of what Councilman Gaughan
7 mentioned, but I do have a couple of
8 different questions. As was mentioned, this
9 is actually the third piece of legislation
10 we have received regarding this project.
11 The first was in 2017, which was a \$1
12 million grant, earlier this year they
13 received another million dollar grant, and
14 this is for an additional \$2 million grant
15 from the state. While I fully support this
16 project and want to see it happen, I would
17 like to understand a little bit more maybe
18 possibly from the Governor's office or
19 Senator Blake's office the process of
20 approval for the RACP grants. It seems that
21 an awful lot is going to one developer, and
22 again, not speaking ill of the project or
23 the work that he does, because he does great
24 projects, I just want to have a better
25 understanding on how these funds are finally

1 approved, because I know there are number of
2 other large projects going on throughout the
3 city that have not received the significant
4 infusion of public dollars.

5 So I definitely do want to look into
6 that a little bit further before the final
7 vote, but as was mentioned, I do support the
8 project, I think it will help revitalize
9 that portion of the city, just looking for a
10 little bit of a better understanding why one
11 project could draw from the same pot three,
12 four times when another project may not
13 receive any funding. I'm sure there is a
14 good reason for it, but just so we could
15 understand better on our end. Anyone else?

16 All those in favor of introduction
17 signify by saying aye.

18 MR. PERRY: Aye.

19 MR. DONAHUE: Aye.

20 MR. EVANS: Aye.

21 MR. GAUGHAN: Aye.

22 MR. ROGAN: Aye. Opposed? The ayes
23 have it and so moved.

24 MS. REED: 5-D. FOR INTRODUCTION - A
25 RESOLUTION - APPOINTMENT OF STEPHANIE L.

1 BRESSLER, PH.D., 1402 EAST GIBSON STREET,
2 SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA, 18510, AS A MEMBER
3 OF THE HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION, EFFECTIVE
4 FEBRUARY 27, 2018. DR. BRESSLER WILL BE
5 REPLACING LISA STANVITCH WHO RESIGNED ON
6 SEPTEMBER 18, 2017. DR BRESSLER WILL FILL
7 THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF LISA STANVITCH WHICH
8 IS SCHEDULED TO EXPIRE ON SEPTEMBER 23,
9 2018.

10 MR. ROGAN: At this time, I'll
11 entertain a motion that Item 5-D be
12 introduced into its proper committee.

13 MR. PERRY: So moved.

14 MR. EVANS: Second.

15 MR. ROGAN: On the question? All
16 those in favor of introduction signify by
17 saying aye.

18 MR. PERRY: Aye.

19 MR. DONAHUE: Aye.

20 MR. EVANS: Aye.

21 MR. GAUGHAN: Aye.

22 MR. ROGAN: Aye. Opposed? The ayes
23 have it and so moved.

24 MS. REED: SIXTH ORDER. 6-A.

25 READING BY TITLE - FILE OF THE COUNCIL NO.

1 24, 2018 - AN ORDINANCE - CREATING AND
2 ESTABLISHING SPECIAL CITY ACCOUNT NO.
3 02.229632 ENTITLED "2016 SETTLEMENT AWARD"
4 FOR THE RECEIPT OF UNDISTRIBUTED FUNDS FROM
5 THE 2016 POLICE AND FIRE COURT AWARD, CITY
6 OF SCRANTON 2016 SETTLEMENT FUND ACCOUNT.

7 MR. ROGAN: You've heard reading by
8 title of Item 6-A, what is your pleasure?

9 MR. PERRY: I move that Item 6-A
10 pass reading by title.

11 MR. EVANS: Second.

12 MR. ROGAN: On the question? All
13 those in favor signify by saying aye.

14 MR. PERRY: Aye.

15 MR. DONAHUE: Aye.

16 MR. EVANS: Aye.

17 MR. GAUGHAN: Aye.

18 MR. ROGAN: Aye. Opposed? The ayes
19 have it and so moved.

20 MS. REED: SEVENTH ORDER. 7-A. FOR
21 CONSIDERATION BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES -
22 FOR ADOPTION - RESOLUTION ON. 55, 2018 -
23 AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND OTHER APPROPRIATE
24 CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE AND ENTER INTO AN
25 ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES AGREEMENT BY AND

1 BETWEEN THE CITY OF SCRANTON AND PHOENIX
2 ADMINISTRATORS, LLC D/B/A/ PERFORMANCE
3 HEALTH, A LICENSED OHIO THIRD PARTY
4 ADMINISTRATOR ("COMPANY") TO PROVIDE
5 DISCOUNTS TO EMPLOYEES AND THEIR DEPENDENTS
6 THROUGH THE COMMONWEALTH CARD PROGRAM.

7 MR. ROGAN: As Chairperson for the
8 Committee on Rules, I recommend final
9 passage of Item 7-A.

10 MR. PERRY: Second.

11 MR. ROGAN: On the question? Roll
12 call, please?

13 MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Perry.

14 MR. PERRY: Yes.

15 MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Donahue.

16 MR. DONAHUE: Yes.

17 MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Evans.

18 MR. EVANS: Yes.

19 MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Gaughan.

20 MR. GAUGHAN: Yes.

21 MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Rogan.

22 MR. ROGAN: Yes. I hereby declare
23 Item 7-A legally and lawfully adopted.

24 MS. REED: 7-B. FOR CONSIDERATION BY
25 THE COMMITTEE ON COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT - FOR

1 ADOPTION - RESOLUTION NO. 56, 2018 -
2 RATIFYING AND APPROVING THE EXECUTION AND
3 SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION BY THE
4 CITY OF SCRANTON THROUGH THE KEYSTONE
5 HISTORIC PRESERVATION GRANT FROM THE
6 PENNSYLVANIA HISTORICAL AND MUSEUM
7 COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND
8 OTHER APPROPRIATE OFFICIALS TO ACCEPT THE
9 GRANT FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$80,000.00 TO
10 BEGIN PRESERVATION WORK ON THE SCRANTON
11 MUNICIPAL BUILDING.

12 MR. ROGAN: What is the
13 recommendation of the Chair for the
14 Committee on Community Development?

15 MR. DONAHUE: As Chair for the
16 Committee on Community Development, I
17 recommend final passage of Item 7-B.

18 MR. PERRY: Second.

19 MR. ROGAN: On the question? Roll
20 call, please?

21 MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Perry.

22 MR. PERRY: Yes.

23 MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Donahue.

24 MR. DONAHUE: Yes.

25 MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Evans.

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MR. EVANS: Yes.

MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Gaughan.

MR. GAUGHAN: Yes.

MS. DAVIDSON: Mr. Rogan.

MR. ROGAN: Yes. I hereby declare
Item 7-B legally and lawfully adopted.

If there is no further business,
I'll entertain a motion to adjourn.

MR. PERRY: Motion to adjourn.

MR. ROGAN: Meeting adjourned.

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I hereby certify that the proceedings and evidence are contained fully and accurately in the notes of testimony taken by me at the hearing of the above-captioned matter and that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the same to the best of my ability.

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