

The Special Meeting Petersburg City Council was held on Monday, December 23, 2024, at the Petersburg Public Library. Mayor Parham called the Closed Session Meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

1. ROLL CALL

Present: Council Member Charles H. Cuthbert, Jr
Council Member Marlow Jones
Council Member Howard Myers
Council Member Arnold Westbrook, Jr.
Council Member Smith-Lee
Vice Mayor Darrin Hill
Mayor Samuel Parham

Present from City Administration:
City Manager John March Altman, Jr.
City Attorney Anthony Williams
City Clerk Tangi R. Hill (Via Telephone)

2. CLOSED SESSION

The purpose of this meeting is to convene in the closed session pursuant to: a). §2.2-3711(A)(3) of the Code of Virginia for the Purpose of Discussion or Consideration of the Acquisition of Real Property for a Public Purpose and the Disposition of Publicly held Real Property Where Discussion in an Open Meeting Would Adversely Affect the Bargaining Position or Negotiating Strategy of the Public Body, Specifically Including but Not Limited to the Acquisition and Disposition of Real Property.

Vice Mayor Hill made a motion that the City Council go into closed session for the purposes noted. Council Member Westbrook seconded the motion.

There was no discussion on the motion. The motion was approved on roll call vote.

On roll call vote, voting yes: Cuthbert, Jones, Myers, Westbrook, Smith-Lee, Hill, and Parham; no: N/A; Abstain: N/A.

Council entered into Closed Session at 12:04 p.m.

CERTIFICATION

Mr. Williams stated, "The Mayor would entertain a motion to conclude the closed session called today to certify in accordance with §2.2-3712 that the Code of Virginia that to the best of each members knowledge that only public business matter lawfully exempted from the opening meeting requirements were discussed and that only such public business matters were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened, heard, discussed, or considered. If any member believes that there was a departure from the foregoing requirements should state prior to the vote indicating the substance for departure in which he believes has occurred. This requires a roll call vote Mr. Mayor."

Council Member Westbrook made a motion to return the City Council to open session and certify the purposes of the closed session. Council Member Smith-Lee seconded the motion.

There was no discussion on the motion. The motion was approved on roll call vote.

On roll call vote, voting Yes: Cuthbert, Jones, Myers, Westbrook, Smith-Lee, Hill, and Parham; No: N/A; Abstain: N/A

24-RES-56 A RESOLUTION CERTIFYING, AS REQUIRED BY THE CODE OF VIRGINIA, SECTION 2.2-3712, THAT TO THE BEST OF EACH MEMBER'S KNOWLEDGE, ONLY PUBLIC BUSINESS MATTERS LAWFULLY EXEMPTED FROM OPEN MEETING REQUIREMENTS OF VIRGINIA LAW WERE DISCUSSED IN THE CLOSED SESSION, AND ONLY SUCH PUBLIC BUSINESS MATTERS AS WERE IDENTIFIED IN THE MOTION CONVENING THE CLOSED SESSION WERE HEARD, DISCUSSED, OR CONSIDERED.

City Council returned to open session at 12:54 p.m.

OPEN SESSION

NEW BUSINESS

Schedule a Public Hearing for the Consideration of an Ordinance to Authorize the City Manager to Execute an Option Agreement and Convey Property Upon Satisfaction of Terms (First Reading)

Vice Mayor Hill made a motion to Schedule a Public Hearing for January 7, 2025 for the Consideration of an Ordinance to Authorize the City Manager to Execute an Option Agreement and Convey Property Upon Satisfaction of Terms. Council Member Westbrook seconded the motion.

There was no discussion on the motion. The motion was approved on roll call vote.

On roll call vote, voting Yes: Cuthbert, Jones, Myers, Westbrook, Smith-Lee, Hill, and Parham; No: N/A; Abstain: N/A

3. ADJOURNMENT:

City Council adjourned at 12:54 p.m.

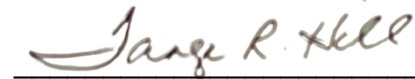
Adopted: 01/07/2025

APPROVED:

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Mayor

ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in brown ink, appearing to read "Jange R. Hill", written over a horizontal line.

City Clerk