

# Council of the City of York, Pennsylvania

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## MINUTES November 4, 2020 6:00 p.m.

**CALL TO ORDER:** President Nixon called the November 4, 2020 meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with the following members teleconferencing via remote locations: Lou Rivera, Edquina Washington, Sandie Walker, Vice President, and Henry Hay Nixon, President, with President Nixon presiding.

Members of the Administration in attendance included: Michael Helfrich, Mayor; and Jason Sabol, Assistant Solicitor. All teleconferencing in from remote locations.

Members of York City Council staff in attendance included: Dianna L. Thompson-Mitchell, City Clerk who teleconferenced in from a remote location.

**NOTICE:** Council's meeting format has been altered due to the Declaration of Disaster Emergency issued by Governor Wolf amid the COVID-19 (coronavirus) pandemic and the recent breach to the city's information technology department. Public Comment will only be received on agenda items. General Public Comment is suspended until further notice. Below are ways citizens may watch and participate in the Council meeting:

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To request to comment during the meeting, you must press \*9 to "Raise your hand." When recognized, press \*6 to unmute/mute your microphone. Zoom will also remind you to press \*6 after you are recognized to speak. Also those watching in Zoom may use the "Raise Hand" feature to indicate you request to comment.
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I. Called Legislative Meeting to Order at 6:00 p.m.

II. Roll Call

III. Action on previous meeting Minutes of [October 20, 2020](#). Council dispensed with the reading of the Minutes and approved them as written by the following vote: Yeas – Rivera, Washington, Walker, Nixon – 4; Nays – 0.

IV. Presentations, Proclamations, Awards and Announcements: None

V. Meeting(s) Scheduled:

- **Next Council Legislative Meeting:** Scheduled for **Tuesday, November 17, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.**  
Agenda items are due by 12 noon on November 11<sup>th</sup>.

VI. Status of Prior Committee Referrals: No reports.

VII. Legislative Agenda: (Order of Business – Action on Subdivision/Land Development & HARB Resolutions; Final Passage of Bills/Resolutions; New Business.)

**Subdivision / Land Development / HARB:** NONE

**Final Passage of Bills / Resolutions:** NONE

**New Business**

1. **Introduction of Bill No. 15** \_\_\_\_\_ - A Bill  
Approving the 2021-2025 York Business Improvement District Authority Plan. ([View](#))  
Introduced by: Edquina Washington  
Originator: York Business Improvement District Authority (YBIDA)(Downtown Inc)

**Introduction of Bill No. 15, Session 2020,** A Bill approving the 2021-2025 YBIDA Plan was introduced by Washington, read by short title and deferred to the November 17<sup>th</sup> meeting of Council.

2. **Introduction of Bill No. 16** \_\_\_\_\_ - A Bill  
Amending loan documents associated with the York City Sewer Authority’s Guaranteed Sewer Revenue Bond, Series of 2019. ([View](#))  
Introduced by: Edquina Washington  
Originator: York City Sewer Authority

**Introduction of Bill No. 16, Session 2020,** A Bill amending loan documents associated with the York City Sewer Authority was introduced by Washington, read by short title and deferred to the November 17<sup>th</sup> meeting of Council.

**Motion to consider consent agenda.** President Nixon asked if there is a motion to consider agenda items 3-5 as a consent agenda.

A motion was made by Washington, seconded by Rivera to consider agenda items 3-5 as a consent agenda. The motion passed by the following vote: Yeas – Rivera, Washington, Walker, Nixon – 4; Nays – 0.

President Nixon asked if there is any Council comment on consent agenda items? There was no comment.

President Nixon asked if there is there any administration comment on consent agenda items? There was no comment.

President Nixon asked if any public comment has been received on consent agenda items.

The City Clerk responded that no public comment has been received.

Cliff Kern of White Rose Community Television said no public comment has been received via Zoom.

**Motion to approve items on consent agenda:** There being no comment, a motion made by Washington, seconded by Rivera, to approve consent agenda items 3-5. The motion PASSED by the following vote: Yeas – Rivera, Washington, Walker, Nixon – 4; Nays – 0.

**New Business – Proposed Consent Agenda**

3. Resolution No. 101 - A Resolution Approving the 2021 Annual Action Plan. ([View](#))  
Introduced by: Edquina Washington  
Originator: Economic & Community Development (BHS)

**Resolution No. 101, Session 2020**, A Resolution approving the 2021 Annual Action Plan was approved unanimously by consent agenda with no discussion or public comment.

4. Resolution No. 102 - A Resolution Authorizing and agreement with Property Registration Champions, LLC (PRC)(For registration of vacant, abandoned and foreclosed properties services) ([View](#))  
Introduced by: Edquina Washington  
Originator: Solicitor's Office

**Resolution No. 102, Session 2020**, A Resolution authorizing and agreement with Property Registration Champions, LLC (PRC) for registration of vacant, abandoned and foreclosed properties services was approved unanimously by consent agenda with no discussion or public comment.

5. Resolution No. 103 - A Resolution Authorizing the filing of a proposal for funds with PennDot. (Multi-modal{MTF} funds in the amount of \$912,663 for the Mason Ave. Project.) ([View](#))  
Introduced by: Edquina Washington  
Originator: Public Works

**Resolution No. 103, Session 2020**, A Resolution authorizing the filing of a proposal for Multi-Modal (MTF) funds with PennDot in the amount of \$912,663 for the Mason Ave. Project was approved unanimously by consent agenda with no discussion or public comment.

VIII. Requests for Future Meetings: None

IX. Council Comment

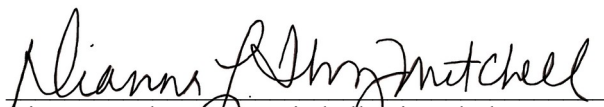
Councilwoman Washington thanked all who turned out to vote in this important presidential election and a special thank you to our election poll workers and those counting the thousands of ballots.

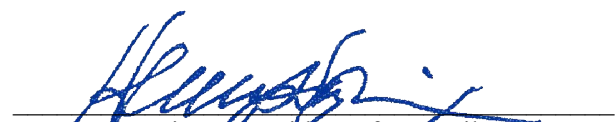
President Nixon echoed Councilwoman Washington's sentiments.

X. Administration Comment

Mayor Helfrich also thanked all for participating in this election and asked that we all patiently await the results. He then said we remain in a state of emergency as the COVID-19 pandemic still exists.

XI. Adjournment: The next legislative meeting of Council is scheduled for November 17, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. via the Zoom video conference platform. There being no further business, the November 4, 2020 meeting of Council adjourned at 6:09 p.m.

  
Dianna L. Thompson-Mitchell, City Clerk

  
Henry Hay Nixon, President of Council