

AGENDA--CITY COUNCIL -- CITY OF MARTINSVILLE, VIRGINIA  
Council Chambers – Municipal Building  
**7:00 pm Closed Session**                      **7:30 pm Regular Session**  
**Tuesday, October 25, 2016**

**7:00 pm --Closed Session**

Items to be considered in Closed Session, in accordance with the Code of Virginia, Title 2.2, Chapter 37—Freedom of Information Act, Section 2.2-3711(A)—Closed Meetings, the following:

- A. Appointments to Boards and Commissions as authorized by Subsection 1.
- B. Consultation with legal counsel and briefings by staff members, attorneys or consultants pertaining to actual or probable litigation, or other specific legal matters requiring the provision of legal advice by such counsel, as authorized by Subsection 7.

**7:30—Regular Session**

Invocation & Pledge to the American Flag - Council Member Stroud

1. Consider approval of minutes of the October 11, 2016 Council Meeting. (2 mins)
2. Hear an overview of the October 24, 2016 Westside area Neighborhood Tour and Meeting (10 mins)
3. Hear information from Brooks Jones, Mobility Manager for Southern Area Agency on Aging regarding their Miles 4 Vets Program and a recent award from the Commonwealth Council on Aging (15 mins)
4. Hear an update from New College Institute Associate Director and Chief Academic Officer Dr. Leanna Blevins (30 mins)
5. Hear an update from Martinsville City School Superintendent Dr. Zeb Talley regarding the 2016-2017 school year (30 mins)
6. Consider discussion of 2017 legislative agenda (15 mins)
7. Consider a review of the City's September finance report. (5 mins)
8. Consider approval of consent agenda (2 mins)
9. Comments by members of City Council. (5 minutes)
10. Comments by City Manager. (5 minutes)

11. Business from the Floor (*not televised*)

**This section of the Council meeting provides citizens the opportunity to discuss matters, which are not listed on the printed agenda. Thus, any person wishing to bring a matter to Council's attention under this Section of the agenda should:**

- (1) come to the podium and state name and address;**
- (2) state the matter that they wish to discuss and what action they would like for Council to take;**
- (3) limit remarks to five minutes;**
- (4) refrain from making any personal references or accusations of a factually false and/or malicious nature.**

**Persons who violate these guidelines will be ruled out of order by the presiding officer and will be asked to leave the podium.**

**Persons who refuse to comply with the direction of the presiding officer may be removed from the chambers.**



## City Council Agenda Summary

**Meeting Date:** October 25, 2016

**Item No:** 1.

**Department:** Clerk of Council

**Issue:** Consider approval of minutes from October 11, 2016 Council Meeting.

**Summary:** None

**Attachments:** October 11, 2016 Council Meeting minutes

**Recommendations:** Motion to approve minutes as presented.

October 11, 2016

The regular meeting of the Council of the City of Martinsville, Virginia was held on October 11, 2016, in Council Chambers, Municipal Building, at 7:30 PM with Mayor Danny Turner presiding. Council Members present included Danny Turner, Jennifer Bowles, Gene Teague, Mark Stroud and Sharon Brooks Hodge. Staff present included City Manager Leon Towarnicki, Assistant City Manager Wayne Knox, City Attorney Eric Monday, Clerk of Council Karen Roberts, Finance Director Linda Conover, and Police Chief Sean Dunn.

Mayor Turner called the meeting to order and advised Council would go into Closed Session beginning at 7:00 PM. In accordance with Section 2.1-344 (A) of the Code of Virginia (1950, and as amended) and upon a motion by Council Member Hodge, seconded by Council Member Stroud, with the following 5-0 recorded vote: Vice Mayor Bowles, aye; Council Member Stroud, aye; Council Member Hodge, aye; Council Member Teague, aye; and Mayor Turner, aye. Council convened in Closed Session to discuss the following matters: (A) Appointments to boards and commissions as authorized by Subsection 1, and (B) Consultation with legal counsel and briefings by staff members, attorneys or consultants pertaining to actual or probable litigation, or other specific legal matters requiring the provision of legal advice by such counsel, as authorized by Subsection 7. Mayor Turner stated that Council would recess from closed session and would reconvene at the end of the Council meeting.

Following the invocation by Vice Mayor Bowles and Pledge to the American Flag, Mayor Turner welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Hear a proclamation read designating October 2016 as Breast Cancer Awareness Month in the City of Martinsville – Vice Mayor Bowles read the proclamation. Patricia Via was presented the proclamation along with two City logo caps. Ms. Via, a seven year breast cancer survivor said that the local foundation was organized in memory of her mother. Fundraising efforts this past year paid for fifty mammograms for local women. The Martinsville foundation also won \$50,000 in funding at Lewis Gale hospital for anyone wishing to be tested for the BRCA1 gene. Ms. Via introduced other members of the foundation who were present at the meeting. Since 2012, the foundation has raised over \$97,000. Vice Mayor Bowles thanked Via for her work and for providing armbands for local high school athletes so they can show support. Council Member Stroud asked how citizens wishing to be screened would proceed. Via said all contact information could be found on the website [www.mlccancerfoundation.org](http://www.mlccancerfoundation.org).



**Proclamation**

**RECOGNIZING THE MONTH OF OCTOBER, 2016 AS  
BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH**

**WHEREAS** , every year, too many people are touched by the pain and hardship caused by breast cancer – a disease that, among women, is not only one of the most common cancers, but also one of the leading causes of cancer-related deaths ; and

**WHEREAS** , statistics indicate that in the United States, about 1 in 8 women born today will get breast cancer at some point ; and

**WHEREAS** , early detection and treatment are essential; critical research efforts over time have yielded great progress in how breast cancer is diagnosed and treated and has produced a steady increase in survival rates for those suffering from this disease ; and

**WHEREAS** , all women are encouraged to consider participating in preventive services including screening tests such as mammograms and/or genetic testing;

**NOW , THEREFORE** , I Danny Turner, Mayor of the City of Martinsville, Virginia, do hereby proclaim the month of October, 2016 as

**BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH**

in the City of Martinsville and we acknowledge our appreciation of local awareness groups and efforts such as the MLC Cancer Foundation and Ladies First MHC Community Breast Health Initiative. We honor all those who have lost their lives to breast cancer and we recognize the courageous survivors who are still fighting it, and we encourage all citizens to promote awareness of breast cancer and the benefits of early screening and testing.

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Danny Turner, Mayor

Consider approval of minutes from the September 26, 2016 Neighborhood Meeting and the September 27, 2016 Council Meeting – Council Member Hodge made a motion to approve the minutes; the motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Bowles with a 5-0 Council vote in favor. Mayor Turner stated that one of his comments was misquoted and needed to be corrected. The Clerk of Council made note of the correction. Hodge made a motion to approve the minutes as amended; Bowles seconded the motion with all Council Members in favor.

Presentation of proclamation regarding Extra Mile Day 2016 – Council Member Hodge read the proclamation that will be signed and mailed to the Extra Mile Foundation.



**Extra Mile Day Proclamation  
November 1, 2016**

WHEREAS, Martinsville, Virginia is a community which acknowledges that a special vibrancy exists within the entire community when its individual citizens collectively "go the extra mile" in personal effort, volunteerism, and service; and

WHEREAS, Martinsville is a community which encourages its citizens to maximize their personal contribution to the community by giving of themselves wholeheartedly and with total effort, commitment, and conviction to their individual ambitions, family, friends, and community; and

WHEREAS, Martinsville is a community which chooses to shine a light on and celebrate individuals and organizations within its community who "go the extra mile" in order to make a difference and lift up fellow members of their community; and

WHEREAS, Martinsville acknowledges the mission of Extra Mile America to create 550+ Extra Mile cities in America and is proud to support "Extra Mile Day" on November 1, 2016.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Mayor Danny Turner do hereby proclaim November 1, 2016, to be Extra Mile Day. I urge each individual in the community to take time on this day to not only "go the extra mile" in his or her own life, but to also acknowledge all those who are inspirational in their efforts and commitment to make their organizations, families, community, country, or world a better place.

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Danny Turner  
Mayor

Consider adoption of a resolution urging the General Assembly to establish a regional transportation district for the New River-Roanoke-Southside region – City Manager Towarnicki summarized Senator Stanley’s attendance at the previous meeting and the information he provided. In an August meeting, it was discussed how I-73 can move forward and ideas were discussed how other locations operate with a transportation authority. He stated that it will be hard to receive any additional state funding. Council Member Hodge said concerns have been raised that local public transportation has been “lacking” and if I-73 fails she asked could the City use those funds raised to expand other public transportation. Towarnicki said to his knowledge that could be an option but he would check into it to be sure. Hodge said she wants to be sure that local transportation be considered before I-73. Council Member Teague said he feels strongly that a Martinsville representative should have a seat on the transportation board. Vice Mayor Bowles said she had reservations previously about whether the funds would go towards I73 and she hopes that the board will monitor that. Mayor Turner said benefits include the bypass on the Western end of the county and the opportunity to tie into the loop around Greensboro. Council Member Stroud confirmed that another RADAR bus would be added later this year. Council Member Teague made a motion to approve the resolution as presented; Vice Mayor Bowles seconded the motion with all Council Members voting in favor.

*Council Members*  
Danny Turner, Mayor  
Jennifer Bowles, Vice-Mayor  
Sharon Brooks-Hodge  
Mark Stroud  
Gene Teague



*City Manager*  
Leon E. Towarnicki  
*City Attorney*  
Eric H. Monday  
*Clerk of Council*  
Karen Roberts

**RESOLUTION**

**URGING THE VIRGINIA GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO ESTABLISH A REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT FOR THE NEW RIVER-ROANOKE-SOUTHSIDE REGION**

**WHEREAS**, the development of transportation infrastructure is a critical component in economic development throughout the Commonwealth of Virginia; and

**WHEREAS**, the economies of Southside Virginia and Southwestern Virginia lag the economies of Hampton Roads and Northern Virginia, in part due to the significant differences in the amount of spending for transportation infrastructure between Northern Virginia and Southside Virginia and Southwestern Virginia; and

**WHEREAS**, the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991 (ISTEA) defined High Priority Corridor 5, as the "I-73/74 North-South Corridor" from Charleston, South Carolina, to Detroit, Michigan, and in Virginia this route would run from Henry County to Roanoke County to Giles County; and

**WHEREAS**, the Commonwealth Transportation Board has studied a route for Interstate 73 and has begun to develop an Environmental Impact statement, required under the National Environmental Policy Act, for permitting processes required by the US Army Corps of Engineers; and

**WHEREAS**, a report by Chmura Economic and Analytics states that in Virginia, 5,303 workers will be employed each year during 9 year construction phase; and

**WHEREAS**, in Virginia, annual travel efficiency and cost saving is estimated to be \$141.2 million in 2020, and \$161 million in 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, development of Interstate 73 is estimated to generate an additional \$13.8 million in state taxes in Virginia and an additional \$9.2 million in local taxes per year upon completion, and a \$17.1 million state tax and \$10.9 million local tax per year five years after completion; and

**WHEREAS**, more than 50,000 permanent jobs are projected to be created in the Interstate 73 region upon completion; and

**WHEREAS**, additional highway funding is critical and essential in order to commence the process of construction of Interstate 73; and

**WHEREAS**, the region that will be most positively impacted and benefited by the development and construction of Interstate 73 must provide some of this funding in order for the Commonwealth Transportation Board to approve the construction of Interstate 73; and

**WHEREAS**, the funding mechanisms created for the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority and the Hampton Roads Transportation Accountability Commission provide effective models for highway funding and regional transportation management cooperation; and

**WHEREAS**, the lack of such a regional transportation funding management organization within Southwestern Virginia is detrimental to the further economic development of the Roanoke Valley, the New River Valley and Southside Virginia; and

**WHEREAS**, the creation of a New River-Roanoke-Southside transportation funding and management organization would significantly benefit this region of the Commonwealth and expand the economic and cultural development of this region of the Commonwealth; and

**WHEREAS**, only the Virginia General Assembly can establish such an organization;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Council of the City of Martinsville, Virginia assembled in regular session this 11<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2016, as follows:

1. City Council hereby urges the Virginia General Assembly to create a regional transportation authority similar to the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority or the Hampton Roads Transportation Accountability Commission for our region of the Commonwealth with the stated purpose of improving our region's transportation network, including but not limited to the construction of Interstate 73.

2. City Council requests that our delegation to the Virginia General Assembly to support this effort and to persuade their colleagues throughout the Commonwealth of Virginia to provide our region with this authority to improve our transportation system to benefit our region of the Commonwealth.

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Danny Turner, Mayor

Hear an update from West Piedmont Workforce Investment Board – Lisa Fultz shared statistics with Council regarding first quarter 2016 Workforce traffic count, locality of residence, reason for visits, request for referrals, individuals in training and credentials attained, and employer services. She pointed out that most visitors are there for unemployment benefit claims or use of the resource room. The resource room is set up with computers, is handicap accessible and staff works well with anyone with a language barrier. Residents are provided with basic resume assistance, job matching account creation, information on workshops, assistance on job application, etc. at no cost. The office is located at 233 West Commonwealth Boulevard, Martinsville. WIOA funding is focused on higher paying, permanent positions. Facebook has been vital in reaching people in areas of open positions. Fultz explained the Youth Employment Services program. She appeals to those organizations and individuals that work closely with area youth to help WIB become less governmental and more focused on relating to the new generation. Fultz detailed ride solutions including ride share and said additional information and applications can be found online. The Martinsville center offers extended hours on Tuesday until 7:00pm, traditional hours are 8:30-5:00. She welcomes input and suggestions from Council on the local plan.

Martinsville Workforce Center - Workforce Network Metrics  
First Quarter - Program Year 2016

MARTINSVILLE WORKFORCE CENTER			
Traffic Count	Jul-16	Aug-16	Sep-16
Total Visitors	1013	1149	929
New Visitors	239	271	222
Locality of Residence	July	August	September
Henry County	584	670	615
City of Martinsville	267	322	183
Patrick County	58	55	56
Franklin County	23	27	21
Pittsylvania County	33	31	20
City of Danville	12	18	13
Other	36	26	21
Reason for Visit	July	August	September
Unemployment Benefits Claim or Questions	237	200	201
Veterans Employment Services	12	14	13
Attend VEC Class or Workshop	16	19	17
GED Training	0	0	6
Other Training-Trade Act	1	1	1
WIOA Orientation	4	4	4
PHCC Representative	9	15	10
Veteran's Benefits	15	28	22
VEC Job Fair	0	0	2
Resource Room Usage	329	385	325
Request for Referral	July	August	September
Programs or services for people with disabilities	29	24	11
Veteran's Benefits	15	28	22
Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Programs	57	62	73
PHCC or other education and training resources	18	43	30
Resources and information for ex-offenders	0	0	0
Social Service Benefits	0	0	0
Employment Assistance for Veterans	12	14	13
GED Classes or ESL	0	0	1
Computer Skills Tutoring	0	0	0
Programs for Individuals over 55	3	9	9

Martinsville Workforce Center - Workforce Network Metrics  
First Quarter - Program Year 2016

EDUCATION/TRAINING SERVICES			
Number of Individuals in Training Activities	July	August	September
Dept. for Aging and Rehabilitative Services	3	4	7
Adult Education	0	0	7
WIOA Programs	1	6	6
PHCC - Adult Career Coach	0	1	0
Number of Credentials Attained (during the month)	July	August	September
Dept. for Aging and Rehabilitative Services	0	2	2
Adult Education	0	0	0
WIOA Programs	0	2	1
PHCC - Adult Career Coach	0	1	1
EMPLOYER SERVICES			
Number of One-Stop Hires (placements during the month)	July	August	September
Virginia Employment Commission	41	64	75
Dept. for Aging and Rehabilitative Services	3	4	11
WIOA Programs	0	1	9
Virginia Workforce Connection	July	August	September
New Employers Registered in VaWC	5	5	9
New Job Orders Registered in VaWC	101	161	144
Job Orders Matched in VaWC	101	161	144
Job Seekers Registered in VaWC	328	368	387
Number of Employers Served (during the month)	July	August	September
Dept. for Aging and Rehabilitative Services	1	1	5
Virginia Employment Commission	100	92	113
WIOA Programs	14	14	16
Hiring Events Data	July	August	September
Number of Hiring Events Conducted at One-Stop	0	0	2
Number of Hires Resulting from Hiring Events	0	0	6
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES			
Professional Development Activities Completed	July	August	September
Dept. for Aging and Rehabilitative Services	2	1	3
Virginia Employment Commission	0	0	0
Adult Education	0	0	0
PHCC	0	1	10
WIOA Programs	0	0	1
Dept. of Veterans Services	0	0	0

Consider approval of consent agenda – City Manager Towarnicki explained what the reappropriations include. Finance Director Conover said those items listed should be all reappropriations needed and audit should be complete by November 30, 2016. Council Member Teague made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented; Council Member Stroud seconded the motion with all members voting in favor.

RE-APPROPRIATIONS FY16 TO FY17					
DEPARTMENTAL REQUESTS					
ORG CODE	OBJECT	DEPARTMENT	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	DEBIT	CREDIT
<b>GENERAL FUND</b>					
01109938	462101		Contribution From Fund Balance		\$ 1,012,906
01122022	502815	Employee Services/Dev/Recog	Wellness	\$ 6,000	
01126055	503130	Information Services	Prof Serv - Management Consult.	\$ 1,350	continuing program
01126055	506104	Information Services	Non-capital Equipment	\$ 1,500	incomplete project/replacement core network/data switches
01217078	506047	Sheriff - Courts	Project Life Saver	\$ 11,787	rollover of prior years' appropriated donations
01212082	506105	Commonwealth's Attorney	State - Confiscated Assets	\$ 4,090	forfeiture funds - carry-over
01212082	506079	Commonwealth's Attorney	Federal - Confiscated Assets	\$ 2,155	forfeiture funds - carry-over
01212082	506118	Commonwealth's Attorney	Local - Confiscated Assets	\$ 501	forfeiture funds - carry-over
01311085	506078	Police	State - Confiscated Assets	\$ 15,763	forfeiture funds - carry-over
01311085	506079	Police	Federal - Confiscated Assets	\$ 79,461	forfeiture funds - carry-over
01311085	506082	Police	Byrne/Jag Grant Program	\$ 54,400	grant funding
01311085	506118	Police	Local - Confiscated Assets	\$ 228	forfeiture funds - carry-over
01321102	506110	Fire	Fire Programs	\$ 97,527	grant funding
01321102	506011	Fire	Uniforms & Apparel	\$ 5,472	incomplete project - realignment of uniforms
01321102	506130	Fire	Maintenance for Burn Building	\$ 4,358	ongoing project - funded through reimbursements
01322105	506114	EMS	Four for Life	\$ 11,479	grant funding
01341135	506300	Inspections	Demolition	\$ 25,827	continuing program to clean-up more properties
01413145	503185	Street Maintenance	Prof Services-Street Resurfacing	\$ 341,101	continuing program - paving
01431162	503190	City Hall Operations	Repair & Maintenance	\$ 3,475	incomplete project - court system IT
01420152	508220	VDOT Reserve	Physical Plant Expansion	\$ 321,107	matching funds for Uptown paving + City's 2% for Comm. Bridge
01713211	503190	Park Maintenance	Prof Serv - Bldg/Grnd Maint	\$ 2,275	incomplete Project - fencing @ Southside Park
01812242	503600	Misc Exp	Grant Program-Misc Business Dev	\$ 23,050	ongoing program for local small businesses
<b>REFUSE FUND</b>					
09109938	462101		Contribution From Fund Balance		\$ 97,500
09424301	508205	Refuse Collection	Vehicles	\$ 38,000	as budgeted - year 1 funds for 2 year project
09425302	503140	Landfill	Prof. Service - Engineering	\$ 9,500	continuing project - corrective action as required
09425302	508220	Landfill	Physical Plant Expansion	\$ 50,000	continuing project - initial phase of corrective action
<b>TELECOMMUNICATIONS FUND</b>					
11109938	462101		Contribution From Fund Balance		\$ 30,725
11315308	503310	Telecommunications	Prof Serv - Repairs & Maint	\$ 30,725	
<b>WATER FUND</b>					
12109938	462101		Contribution From Fund Balance		\$ 494,670
12541311	508220	Water Plant	Physical Plant Expansion	\$ 468,370	as budgeted - year 1 funds for 2 year projects; Incomplete pump rebuild
12541311	503140	Water Plant	Prof Serv - Engineering	\$ 31,300	incomplete project - engineering - Spruce St project
<b>SEWER FUND</b>					
13109938	462101		Contribution From Fund Balance		\$ 226,203
13551326	508205	Wastewater Maintenance	Motor Vehicles/Equipment	\$ 100,325	incomplete project - sewer jet truck body
13550325	508220	Wastewater Plant	Physical Plant Expansion	\$ 125,878	incomplete project - mechanisms for #1 & #2 chlorine contact tanks
<b>ELECTRIC FUND</b>					
14109938	462101		Contribution From Fund Balance		\$ 120,000
14563398	506007	Electric Maintenance	Substation Maintenance	\$ 100,000	continuing project/regulator replacement
14564399	503191	Electric Construction	Prof Service - Contract Labor	\$ 20,000	incomplete project - system testing
<b>CAPITAL RESERVE FUND</b>					
16109938	462101		Contribution From Fund Balance		\$ 369,066
16572362	508110	Tools/Equip	Street Maintenance	\$ 15,000	incomplete project - salt spreader
16572362	508113	Tools/Equip	Street Cleaning	\$ 50,000	incomplete project - year #1 funds of a 2-year project
16575365	508110	Vehicles	Street Maintenance	\$ 90,000	incomplete project - dump truck
16576366	508035	Computer Software/Hardware	Commissioner of Revenue	\$ 54,525	incomplete project - new assessment software
16576366	508055	Computer Software/Hardware	Information Services	\$ 52,525	continuation/replacement hardware/implementation of TCM
16576366	508145	Software/Hardware	Engineering	\$ 3,500	incomplete project - spatial data - aerial photo project
16577367	508085	Physical Plant Expansion	Sheriff - Jail	\$ 30,000	incomplete project - security upgrade
16577367	508670	Physical Plant Expansion	Garage/Warehouse Complex	\$ 43,577	incomplete project - security upgrade
16577367	508140	Physical Plant Expansion	City Hall	\$ 29,939	incomplete project - parking lot repairs
<b>CDBG FUND</b>					
47109938	462101		Contribution From Fund Balance		\$ 689,913
47835525	505370	Northside Neighborhood	Administration	\$ 41,641	continuing grant-funded project
47835525	505371	Northside Neighborhood	Acquisition	\$ 58,740	continuing grant-funded project
47835525	505372	Northside Neighborhood	Clearance & Demolition	\$ 18,509	continuing grant-funded project
47835525	505373	Northside Neighborhood	Owner Occupied Rehab	\$ 125,124	continuing grant-funded project
47835525	505375	Northside Neighborhood	Owner Occupied Reconstruction	\$ 179,449	continuing grant-funded project
47835525	505601	Northside Neighborhood	Homeownership Creation	\$ 104,481	continuing grant-funded project
47835525	505602	Northside Neighborhood	Street Improvements	\$ 156,619	continuing grant-funded project
47835525	505603	Northside Neighborhood	Flood Drainage Facilities	\$ 5,350	continuing grant-funded project
<b>TOTAL CITY FUNDS:</b>					<b>\$ 3,040,983</b>
<b>SCHOOL FUNDS</b>					
18100938	410510		Ops/Contrib from Fund Balance		\$ 152,943
80004200	563000	Building	Purchased Services	\$ 14,950	incomplete project - concrete ramp @ MS
80004200	568200	Building	Capital Outlay Additions	\$ 11,500	incomplete project - concrete ramp @ MS
50004200	563000	MS Elem Bldg	Purchased Services	\$ 24,000	incomplete project - doors @ MS
50004200	568100	MS Elem Bldg	Capital Outlay Additions	\$ 25,875	incomplete project - doors @ MS
70004200	568100	HS Bldg	Capital Outlay Additions	\$ 24,101	incomplete project - scoreboard @ HS
81621310	563142	Harvest - Elementary	Professional Development	\$ 37,258	grant funding
66101100	566013	Cyber Camp - Non-Rem/Summer	Instructional Materials & Supplies	\$ 15,259	grant funding
<b>TOTAL SCHOOL FUNDS:</b>					<b>\$ 152,943</b>
<b>TOTAL RE-APPROPRIATIONS FROM FY16 TO FY17</b>					<b>\$ 3,193,926</b>

Comments by members of City Council – Council Member Stroud said his hip

replacement surgery went well and he appreciates all the well wishes and prayers. Council Member Teague said he and others attended VML sessions – splitting sessions between him, Bowles, Hodge and Towarnicki so they could receive maximum information. He said it was a good way to see what other localities are dealing with and an opportunity to network. Vice Mayor Bowles congratulated Teague who is now a member of the VML executive committee. Teague said they discussed lottery proceeds for localities; Council Member Hodge added that the discussion was to delay the decision for a year but to request a JLARC review now. She confirmed that there is interest from other localities. Mayor Turner had asked Towarnicki and the Tourism Office to declare Martinsville an accommodating city in case of emergency during

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the hurricane the week before. Turner said Governor Pence has agreed to sign some of the pink Martinsville hats that will be donated to the Cancer society for auction.

Comments by City Manager – City Manager Towarnicki shared that Martinsville received a Gold Level award from Stairway to Success, which will be presented to the school system.

Business from the Floor (not televised) – Ural Harris of 217 Stewart Street says he was asked about traffic on Peters Street where cars are parking on both sides and causing trouble for moving traffic. He asked that Chief Dunn and the Traffic Commission take a look at this location. City Manager Towarnicki said there might need to be signage to prevent parking in specific areas of the street. Council Member Hodge says that Sunday is especially troublesome.

Council reconvened to closed session. At the conclusion of Closed Session, each returning member of Council certified that (1) only public business matters exempt from open meeting requirements were discussed in said Closed Session; and (2) only those business matters identified in the motion convening the Closed Session were heard, discussed, or considered during the Session. A motion was made by Bowles, seconded by Teague, with the following 5-0 recorded vote in favor to return to Open Session: Council Member Teague, aye; Council Member Stroud, aye; Mayor Turner, aye; Vice Mayor Bowles, aye; Council Member Hodge, aye.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Teague to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Bowles with all Council Members voting in favor. The meeting adjourned at 955pm.

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Karen Roberts  
Clerk of Council

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Danny Turner  
Mayor

**Meeting Date:** October 25, 2016

**Item No:** 2.

**Department:** City Council

**Issue:** Hear an overview of the October 24, 2016 Westside area Neighborhood Tour and Meeting.

**Summary:** Mayor Turner will give this update.

**Attachments:** None

**Recommendations:** No action required

**Date:** October 25, 2016

**Item No:** 3.

**Department:** City Manager

**Issue:** Hear information from Brooks Jones, Mobility Manager for Southern Area Agency on Aging regarding their Miles 4 Vets Program and a recent award from the Commonwealth Council on Aging.

**Summary:** Southern Area Agency on Aging's Mobility Manager, Brooks Jones will provide an update for Council at the October 25<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**Attachments:** None

**Recommendations:** This item is for information purposes – no action by Council is needed.

**Date:** October 25, 2016

**Item No:** 4.

**Department:** City Manager

**Issue:** Hear an update from New College Institute Associate Director and Chief Academic Officer Dr. Leanna Blevins.

**Summary:** At a recent Council meeting, a request was made for an update regarding the status of New College Institute and efforts to develop a path forward toward possible affiliation with a 4-year institute or development as a stand-alone entity.

NCI Associate Director and Chief Academic Officer Dr. Leanna Blevins will provide an update for Council.

**Attachments:** None

**Recommendations:** This item is for information purposes – no action by Council is needed.

**Date:** October 25, 2016

**Item No:** 5.

**Department:** Mayor/City Council

**Issue:** Hear an update from Martinsville City School Superintendent Dr. Zeb Talley regarding the 2016-2017 school year.

**Summary:** During Council's last strategic planning process in late 2015 and early 2016, one item discussed in regard to the relationship between the City school system and Council was the need for improved communications.

An item was added to the strategic plan under the education section (4.1) regarding periodic updates for Council and Dr. Talley will present the first of such updates at the October 25<sup>th</sup> meeting. The next update is tentatively planned for January, 2017 and will consist of a joint Council/School Board planning/work session.

**Attachments:** None

**Recommendations:** This item is for information purposes – no action by Council is needed.

**Date:** October 25, 2016

**Item No:** 6.

**Department:** City Attorney

**Issue:** Consider discussion of 2017 legislative agenda

**Summary:** The City annually determines its legislative priorities. Attached is 2016's legislative agenda.

Prefiling for specific legislation is December 5, 2016.

Most mandates (funded and unfunded) are addressed through modification of the state budget, may not require individual bills, and could be addressed during the General Assembly session.

**Attachments:** 2016 Legislative Agenda.

**Recommendations:** Discussion, possible amendment and final approval by motion and voice vote.



The City of Martinsville appreciates the efforts its legislators undertake at both the state and federal level on behalf of its citizens. Listed below are the City's priorities requested of its legislative delegation in 2016.

### Virginia General Assembly

#### **Transportation**

1. In the short term, upgrade those portions of Route 220 overlaying I-73 to interstate standards. Any construction or upgrades to the I-73 corridor should begin on those sections passing through Henry County.
2. Continue to place priority on Route 58 improvements, particularly the section between Stuart and Hillsville, Virginia.

#### **Education**

1. City Council endorses the agenda proposed by the Martinsville City School System and also endorses the educational priorities adopted by Henry County, on behalf of its school system.
2. Oppose the imposition of unaided education mandates and in the event of revenue cuts by the Commonwealth opposes targeted cuts by the Commonwealth, instead preferring local decision making authority on where to make any such cuts.
3. Recognizing its potential to promote economic development within our community and region, continue support for the development and funding of the New College Institute; urge that any funding reductions to New College Institute, if considered, be minimized to the greatest extent possible; and support the affiliation of The New College Institute as a branch of a four-year public university.
4. Request the Commonwealth to fully fund the expenditures imposed upon local school systems by implementing the Standards of Quality.
5. Encourage the Commonwealth to continue or increase the current levels of financial support provided to Patrick Henry Community College.
6. Encourage the Commonwealth to provide financial support to the College of Henricopolis School of Medicine.
7. Request the Commonwealth to provide incentives for consolidation of school systems.

#### **Economic Development**

1. Maintain current levels of funding for economic development incentives, including but not limited to the Governor's Opportunity Fund.
2. Enhance the authority granted to localities to address and eliminate blighted properties, and the formation of interstate compacts to allow expedited recourse against out-of-state property owners.
3. Continue current funding levels of the Virginia Museum of Natural History.
4. Request enhanced state and federal financial assistance for localities which exceed the average state unemployment rate by 150% for a period of five consecutive years.
5. Support continued tourism awareness initiatives in the Martinsville-Henry County region.
6. Expand local authority to designate Enterprise Zones and establish incentives.

#### **Governance**

1. Request the appointment of a joint gubernatorial/legislative commission to examine the structure of local government in Virginia, the commission's mandate to include:
  - a. Examination of local government in the other 49 states for potential adaptation to Virginia.
  - b. Enable cities to expand their revenue base
  - c. Elimination of the "zero-sum" revenue base structure, which creates friction between cities and counties.
  - d. Elimination of redundant services and programs between contiguous cities and counties.

2. Require full funding for HB 599 funds, in fulfillment of the Commonwealth's commitment to cities in return for their acquiescence in the annexation moratorium.
3. Require that the Commonwealth fully fund its obligations to the Virginia Retirement System, and refrain from borrowing from VRS funds.
4. Request the elimination of "local aid to the Commonwealth" in the state budget; local aid artificially inflates state revenues by shifting responsibility for cuts in vital services onto localities.
5. Elimination of all unfunded mandates from the Commonwealth to localities.
6. Oppose any elimination or alteration of local revenue streams, and specifically oppose any amendment to the current manner in which the Business Occupation and Licensing Tax and the Machinery and Tools Tax are levied, unless a replacement revenue stream, not subject to biennial appropriation, is guaranteed by the Commonwealth.
7. Request at a minimum, level funding for operational requirements of the Henry-Martinsville Department of Social Services.
8. Request that the General Assembly leaves intact the fire programs fund and the rescue squad assistance funds and not use these funds as a way to balance the state budget.
9. Request that the Commonwealth fully fund its obligations to constitutional officers.
10. Oppose any attempt to curtail the doctrine of sovereign immunity for localities.
11. Oppose any attempt to permit collective bargaining for state and local government employees.
12. Oppose any amendment of the existing burden of proof or process in local tax appeals cases.
13. Request authority to refund erroneously paid taxes at an interest rate which differs from that imposed on delinquencies, and to refund taxes erroneously paid through the fault of the taxpayer at no interest.

### **United States Congress**

1. Oppose any effort to impose additional taxation or regulation of electrical power generation by coal or natural gas.
2. Urge the Federal Highway Commission to adopt the CTB's designated route for I-73, or alternatively to preserve the current record of decision in the event the CTB's route is rejected.
3. In the short term, upgrade those portions of Route 220 overlaying I-73 to interstate standards.
4. Request \$3.72M in funds for the redevelopment of brownfields extending from the former American Furniture and Sara Lee sites, along Aaron Street, to Rives Road
5. Request \$6.25M in funds for the elimination and redevelopment of blighted areas in the city.
6. Request legislation to provide special federal incentives to businesses locating in regions which have experienced job losses in excess of 5% of the total workforce and/or declines in median incomes since the adoption of NAFTA, WTO or GATT. Target such areas for increased federal funding in education or workforce retraining.
7. Extend high speed broadband service throughout southern Virginia.
8. Request enhanced state and federal financial assistance for localities which exceed the average state unemployment rate by 150% for a period of five consecutive years.
9. Oppose the EPA's proposed expansion of the definition of "waters of the United States" in 40 CFR 230.3.

### **Staff Designations**

**City Council empowers the following staff members to speak on its behalf and in its best interests to the Virginia General Assembly and United States Congress, its members and committees:**

City Attorney Eric Monday

City Manager Leon Towarnicki

Other department heads as appointed by the City Manager

**Meeting Date:** Oct. 25, 2016

**Item No:** 7.

**Department:** Finance

**Issue:** Consider a review of the City's September Financial Report

**Summary:**

**FY17 – 9/30/2016 - Revenues & Expenditures**

Exclusive of School and Special Revenue Funds, actual revenues were \$12,871,616, 4.3% greater than the amount anticipated for the first quarter of the new fiscal year. Local Sales & Use Taxes collected were greater than anticipated by \$24,807, for total receipts of \$334,675; Meals Taxes collected were also greater than expected by \$18,471, for total receipts of \$427,321. Total Utility Fund revenues were \$8,277,892, greater than anticipated by \$998,756, due in large part to construction loan activity.

Total actual expenditures were \$19,009,928, including encumbrances, which is only \$18,609 less than the amount anticipated for this time period.

The available cash-on-hand for all City Funds was \$12,399,962, an increase of \$645,323 over the same time period last year.

**Attachments:** Revenue – Expense Report 9-30-16

**Recommendations:** Motion to approve financial report.

**City of Martinsville**  
**Consolidated Revenues and Expenditures**  
**FY17 - 9/30/16**

	<i>Budget</i>	<i>Anticipated</i>	<i>Actual YTD</i>	<i>Remaining Balance</i>	<i>Difference Ant vs. Actual</i>
<b>General Fund</b>					
Revenues	\$ 28,122,629	\$ 3,724,557	\$ 3,683,078	\$ 24,439,551	98.9%
Expenditures	<u>30,262,850</u>	<u>7,575,813</u>	<u>7,502,162</u>	22,760,688	99.0%
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	<u>\$ (2,140,221)</u>	<u>\$ (3,851,256)</u>	<u>\$ (3,819,083)</u>		
	(Fund Bal contrib)				

	<i>Budget</i>	<i>Anticipated</i>	<i>Actual YTD</i>	<i>Remaining Balance</i>	<i>Difference Ant vs. Actual</i>
<b>Capital Funds</b>					
<b>Meals Tax</b>					
Revenues	\$ 2,068,373	\$ 408,850	\$ 427,321	\$ 1,641,052	104.5%
Expenditures	<u>2,468,373</u>	<u>942,741</u>	<u>942,741</u>	1,525,632	100.0%
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	<u>\$ (400,000)</u>	<u>\$ (533,891)</u>	<u>\$ (515,420)</u>		
<b>Capital Reserve</b>					
Revenues	\$ 1,154,588	\$ 483,325	\$ 483,324	\$ 671,264	100.0%
Expenditures	<u>1,191,087</u>	<u>687,732</u>	<u>687,732</u>	503,355	100.0%
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	<u>\$ (36,499)</u>	<u>\$ (204,407)</u>	<u>\$ (204,407)</u>		
<b>TOTAL CAPITAL FUNDS:</b>	<u>\$ (436,499)</u>	<u>\$ (738,298)</u>	<u>\$ (719,827)</u>		
	(Fund Bal contrib)				

	<i>Budget</i>	<i>Anticipated</i>	<i>Actual YTD</i>	<i>Remaining Balance</i>	<i>Difference Ant vs. Actual</i>
<b>Refuse Fund</b>					
Revenues	\$ 2,205,000	\$ 421,440	\$ 423,296	\$ 1,781,704	100.4%
Expenditures	<u>2,430,000</u>	<u>531,560</u>	<u>649,704</u>	1,780,296	122.2%
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	<u>\$ (225,000)</u>	<u>\$ (110,120)</u>	<u>\$ (226,407)</u>		
<b>MINet/Fiber Optic Fund</b>					
Revenues	\$ 1,714,075	\$ 353,206	\$ 457,365	\$ 1,256,710	129.5%
Expenditures	<u>1,463,664</u>	<u>418,668</u>	<u>489,581</u>	974,083	116.9%
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	<u>\$ 250,411</u>	<u>\$ (65,462)</u>	<u>\$ (32,217)</u>		
<b>Water Fund</b>					
Revenues	\$ 4,536,768	\$ 897,295	\$ 897,684	\$ 3,639,084	100.0%
Expenditures	<u>4,786,768</u>	<u>1,000,232</u>	<u>894,930</u>	3,891,838	89.5%
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	<u>\$ (250,000)</u>	<u>\$ (102,937)</u>	<u>\$ 2,755</u>		
<b>Sewer Fund</b>					
Revenues	\$ 4,916,521	\$ 1,057,628	\$ 1,101,903	\$ 3,814,618	104.2%
Expenditures	<u>5,166,521</u>	<u>1,419,920</u>	<u>1,383,717</u>	3,782,804	97.5%
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	<u>\$ (250,000)</u>	<u>\$ (362,292)</u>	<u>\$ (281,814)</u>		
<b>Electric Fund</b>					
Revenues	\$ 22,516,161	\$ 4,994,567	\$ 5,397,644	\$ 17,118,517	108.1%
Expenditures	<u>22,966,161</u>	<u>6,451,871</u>	<u>6,459,362</u>	16,506,799	100.1%
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	<u>\$ (450,000)</u>	<u>\$ (1,457,304)</u>	<u>\$ (1,061,718)</u>		
<b>TOTAL UTILITY FUNDS:</b>	<u>\$ (1,175,000)</u>	<u>\$ (2,032,653)</u>	<u>\$ (1,567,185)</u>		
	(Fund Bal contrib)				

<b>Consolidated Revenues and Expenditures</b>									
<b>FY17 - 9/30/16</b>									
	<b>Budget</b>		<b>Actual YTD</b>	<b>Remaining Balance</b>	<b>Difference Budg vs. Actual</b>				
<b>Cafeteria</b>									
Revenues	\$	1,447,543	\$	\$	101,098	\$	1,346,445	7.0%	
Expenditures		<u>1,517,543</u>			<u>358,232</u>		1,159,311	23.6%	
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures		<u><u>(70,000)</u></u>			<u><u>(257,133)</u></u>				
<b>Schools</b>									
Revenues	\$	22,960,270	\$	\$	4,636,143	\$	18,324,127	20.2%	
Expenditures		<u>22,960,270</u>			<u>4,757,822</u>		18,202,448	20.7%	
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures		<u><u>-</u></u>			<u><u>(121,679)</u></u>				
<b>Federal Programs</b>									
Revenues	\$	-	\$	\$	372,527	\$	(372,527)		
Expenditures		<u>-</u>			<u>694,525</u>		(694,525)		
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures		<u><u>-</u></u>			<u><u>(321,998)</u></u>				
<b>TOTAL SCHOOL FUNDS:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>(70,000)</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>(700,811)</b>			
		(fund bal contrib)							
<b>Special Revenue Funds</b>									
<b>CDBG Fund</b>									
Revenues	\$	53,897	\$	\$	95,788	\$	(41,891)	177.7%	
Expenditures		<u>53,897</u>			<u>16,780</u>		37,117	31.1%	
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures		<u><u>-</u></u>			<u><u>79,009</u></u>				
<b>TOTAL SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>79,009</b>			
<b>GRAND TOTALS:</b>									
<i>(excluding Schools &amp; Special Revenues)</i>									
<b>Revenues:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>67,234,115</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>12,340,868</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>12,871,616</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>54,362,499</b>	<b>104.3%</b>
<b>Expenditures</b>		<u><b>70,735,424</b></u>		<u><b>19,028,537</b></u>		<u><b>19,009,928</b></u>		<b>51,725,496</b>	<b>99.9%</b>
<b>Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures</b>		<u><u><b>(3,501,309)</b></u></u>		<u><u><b>(6,687,669)</b></u></u>		<u><u><b>(6,138,312)</b></u></u>			
<b>Local Sales/Use Taxes</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>2,020,000</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>309,868</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>334,675</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,685,325</b>	<b>108.0%</b>
<b>Meals Taxes</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,700,000</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>408,850</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>427,321</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,272,679</b>	<b>104.5%</b>

The Budgeted Revenue amounts do not include any contributions from Fund Balance.



## City Council Agenda Summary

**Meeting Date:** October 25, 2016  
**Item No:** 8.  
**Department:** Finance  
**Issue:** Appropriation Approvals

**Summary:**

The attachment amends the FY17 Budget with appropriations in the following funds:

General Fund: \$ 2,825 – reimbursements, donations, grant  
Sewer Fund: \$ 128,978 – SRI project reimbursement

**Attachments:**

Consent Agenda 10-25-16

**Recommendations:** Approve

**BUDGET ADDITIONS FOR 10/25/2016**

<b>ORG</b>	<b>OBJECT</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>DEBIT</b>	<b>CREDIT</b>
<b><u>FY17</u></b>				
<b><u>General Fund:</u></b>				
01100909	490104	Advance/Recovered Costs		300
01321102	506130	Fire Dept. - Repair & Maint.-Burn Building Reimbursements for training supplies	300	
01100909	490137	Recovered Costs - Public Safety		840
01331108	501200	Sheriff/Corrections - Overtime	98	
01331108	502100	Sheriff/Corrections - Social Security	6	
01331108	502110	Sheriff/Corrections - Medicare	1	
01311085	501200	Police Department - Overtime	683	
01311085	502100	Police Department - Social Security	42	
01311085	502110	Police Department - Medicare Off Duty Security reimbursements	10	
01100909	490801	Recovered Costs - Senior Services		1,510
01100908	480420	Donations/Senior Citizens		175
01714212	501300	Senior Citizens - Part-time Wages	933	
01714212	502100	Senior Citizens - Social Security	58	
01714212	502110	Senior Citizens - Medicare	14	
01714212	506049	Senior Citizens - Vehicle Fuels	505	
01714212	506016	Senior Services - Program Supplies Donations & Transportation Grant - 1st Qtr	175	
<b>Total General Fund:</b>			<b>2,825</b>	<b>2,825</b>

<b><u>Sewer Fund:</u></b>				
13103936	407700	Indebtedness - VRA Loan Proceeds		128,978
13551326	508224	Wastewater Maintenance - SRI Project - Phys. Plant Exp. VRA Reimbursement #4	128,978	
<b>Total Sewer Fund:</b>			<b>128,978</b>	<b>128,978</b>