



**CITY OF WASHINGTON
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
WASHINGTON CITY COUNCIL
November 3, 2022 1:00 P.M.**



Scott J. Putnam, Mayor

City Council

Ken Westcott, Councilman

Joe Pintola, Councilman

Andrew Callan, Councilman

Joseph DeThomas, Councilman

ROLL CALL:

Councilman Joseph DeThomas	Present
Councilman Andrew Callan	Present (by phone)
Councilman Joe Pintola	Present
Councilman Ken Westcott	Present
Mayor Scott Putnam	Present

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: Individuals or group representatives who have signed in prior to the meeting, will have 5 minutes of microphone time to address Council during the public participation portion of the meeting. We prefer if there is a group, a representative be chosen to speak. Audience comments will not be permitted following the public participation portion of the meeting; therefore, we ask that you please review the agenda for any item(s) you may wish to discuss. We have, in the past, had individual's direct comments to Mayor and Council that were not correct or could not be documented. For that reason, we ask that your information be to the point and factual. Although we may not be able to answer your question at this meeting, we will refer your request or recommendation to the proper department for any necessary action.

MOMENT OF SILENCE: Prayer by Fern Sibert

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Fern Sibert: Asked the City to clean up the leaves at the 8th Ward playground.

Asked the City to clean the shrubs growing out of drains on Grove Avenue

CLOSED TO PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Motion made by Councilman Westcott, seconded by Councilman DeThomas, and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the October 6, 2022, Regular Meeting of the Washington City Council.

Motion made by Councilman Westcott, seconded by Councilman DeThomas, and carried unanimously to approve to approve the minutes of the October 26, 2022, Special Meeting of the Washington City Council.

Civil Service Chairman, to present the List of Eligible Candidates for the Police Department Promotions

Motion made by Councilman DeThomas, seconded by Councilman Westcott, and carried unanimously to approve to approve the acceptance of the List of Eligible Candidates for Police Department Promotions.

Motion made by Councilman Westcott, seconded by Councilman DeThomas, and carried unanimously to approve the promotion of Michael Cain, to Police Patrol Sergeant effective November 4, 2022 and to amend the salary ordinance accordingly.

Motion made by Councilman DeThomas, seconded by Councilman Pintola, and carried unanimously to approve testing for the position of Police Corporal, vacating the current list of one candidate once a new list has been presented to Council.

COMMENT: Mayor Putnam thanked Richard Beck and the Civil Service Commission for all of their work with the City. Richard Beck in return thanked the Mayor and Council for appointing a new Civil Service Board Member on today's agenda.

Motion Councilman Westcott, seconded by Councilman Pintola, and carried unanimously to approve the following payments:

- a. FirstSecurity in the amount of \$14,464.07 for Guaranteed Energy Savings. **CHARGE:**
77.00/409-700
- b. County Hauling in the amount of \$35,058.36 for July-Sept 2022 Recycling Removal. **CHARGE:**
01.25/426-456
- c. County Hauling in the amount of \$167,156.10 for July-Sept 2022 Solid Waste Removal.
CHARGE: 01.25/427-453
- d. George Smalley Co Inc. in the amount of \$4,579.00 for Shelter 1 Electrical Work. **CHARGE:**
52.00/489-000
- e. Washington East Washington Joint Authority in the amount of \$2,750.00 for Invoice 17286.
CHARGE: 01.34/413-240
- f. Municipal Consulting Services in the amount of \$2,512.80 for Invoices 4987 & 5028.
CHARGE: 01.34/413-240
- g. Harshman CE Group LLC in the amount of \$18,336.00 for Invoices 2020810.22, 2020811.13, 2020814.13, 2020823.11, 2020824.04, 2020832.08, 2020838.01, 2020839.01, 2020840.01.
CHARGE: 53.00/436-313
- h. Dodaro, Matta & Cambest in the amount \$1,782.50 for Invoice 11076. **CHARGE:** 01.13/404-310
- i. Z's Collision in the amount of \$1,973.62 (Invoice #01924) for repairs to Police Interceptor #22 to be paid from Insurance Claim Fund. **CHARGE:** 75.00/489-000.
- j. Hill International in the amount of \$20,677.45 for 2015 International Dump Truck repairs.
CHARGE: 01.42/430-370 (Vehicle Maintenance)

- k. A&H Equipment in the amount of \$2,675.00 for new auto tarper for dump body. **CHARGE:** 01.42/430-370 (Vehicle Maintenance)
- l. Skelly and Loy in the amount of \$900.00 for Invoice TH42932. **CHARGE:** 53.00/436-313
- m. Agrecycle in the amount of \$2,520.00 for 2022-2023 Recycling. **CHARGE:** 57.00/489-000
- n. Kenneth Spriggs in the amount of \$14,000.00 for 60 Campbell Avenue Fire Escrow. **CHARGE:** 47.00/389-830
- o. Fuller Home Building Inc in the amount of \$33,465.00 for Application 1 (\$22,802.50) and Application 2 (\$10,662.50) for City Hall Roof Replacement. **CHARGE:** 77.00/409-700. (P.O. 22-01786)
- p. Travelers in the amount of \$1,385.80 for Bill No. 000618575. **CHARGE:** 01.60/486-350

Motion made by Councilman DeThomas, seconded by Councilman Pintola, and carried unanimously to approve the following refund:

- a. Jason Anderson in the amount of \$100.00 for two owner change applications for 896 & 898 W. Chestnut Street. **CHARGE:** 01.00/322-291

Motion made by Councilman Westcott, seconded by Councilman Pintola, and carried unanimously to approve payment to the Citizens Library in the amount of \$27,326.00 for the 2022 Contribution.

CHARGE: 01.54/456-520

Motion made by Councilman Westcott, seconded by Councilman Callan, and carried unanimously to approve payment in the amount of \$14,351.00 to Motorola Solutions for the 1st year of a 5-year contract for 18 Body Worn Cameras, cloud-based storage of video, and camera replacement and maintenance.

CHARGE: 55.00/100-000 (Police Department Capital Purchase Fund)

Motion made by Councilman Westcott, seconded by Councilman DeThomas, and carried unanimously to approve the Letter of Support for the Washington Business District LSA Grant Application for 2023.

Motion made by Councilman DeThomas, seconded by Councilman Callan, and carried unanimously to appoint Rob Miklic to the Civil Service Board for the remainder of the current term ending December 31, 2024.

Motion made by Councilman Westcott, seconded by Councilman DeThomas, and carried unanimously to authorize payment not to exceed \$40,000 to Truist Governmental Finance for the City of Washington Parking Authority debt service payment due November 15, 2022. **CHARGE:** 01.17/445-245 (Operating Expenses/Crossroads Garage)

Motion made by Councilman Westcott, seconded by Councilman Pintola, and carried unanimously to authorize the treasurer to pay off the 2022 TAN (Tax Anticipation) Loan to Washington Financial in the amount of: Principal: \$1,000,000.00. **CHARGE:** 01.90/471-600 & Interest of \$8,698.33 as per payoff quote. **CHARGE:** 01.90/470-600

Motion made by Councilman Westcott, seconded by Councilman Pintola, and carried unanimously to accept proposals for the 2023 TAN (Tax Anticipation) Loan.

Motion made by Councilman DeThomas, seconded by Councilman Pintola, and carried unanimously to approve the proposed consolidation of two parcels (760-007-00-01-0006-00 & 760-007-00-01-0005-00) to one at 315 Ridge Avenue.

Motion made by Councilman Westcott, seconded by Councilman DeThomas, and carried unanimously to approve the proposed subdivision of parcel (780-012-00-01-0006-00) at 770 Broad Street to two 75x30 Parcels and consolidate the newly formed parcel with the adjoining parcel at (780-012-00-01-0007-00.)

Motion made by Councilman Callan, seconded by Councilman Westcott, and carried unanimously to approve Proposal 2 from Interstate Enterprises, Inc., and payment in the amount of \$4,000.00 for the Washington Park Dog Park fence installation. **CHARGE:** 77.00/454-700

Motion made by Councilman Westcott, seconded by Councilman DeThomas, and carried unanimously to enter into contract with Robert C. Burns Company for concrete replacement and repairs in the amount of \$5,800.00 and render payment upon completion. **CHARGE:** 77.00/400-700

Motion made by Councilman DeThomas, seconded by Councilman Callan, and carried unanimously to approve the auction and sale of Car 18 (2015 Black Ford Police Interceptor) and Car 19 (2016 Black Ford Police Interceptor) and listing on the public surplus auction website.

Motion made by Councilman Westcott, seconded by Councilman DeThomas, and carried unanimously to approve the 2023 Agenda and Regular Council Meeting Schedule.

**City of Washington
2023 Agenda & Regular Council
Meeting Schedule**

<u>AGENDA MEETINGS-</u>	<u>COUNCIL MEETINGS-</u>
January 9th, 2023	January 12th, 2023
January 30th, 2023	February 2nd, 2023
February 27th, 2023	March 2nd, 2023
April 3rd, 2023	April 6th, 2023
May 1st, 2023	May 4 th , 2023
June 5 th , 2023	June 8 th , 2023
July 10 th , 2023	July 13th, 2023
July 31 st , 2023	August 3rd, 2023
September 11, 2023	September 14 th , 2023
October 2nd, 2023	October 5 th , 2023
October 30th, 2023	November 2nd, 2023
December 4 th , 2023	December 7 th , 2023

*All Agenda & Regular Council Meetings will now be held at 6 P.M. unless otherwise noted.
General Work Sessions may be held Mondays and Thursdays between the hours of 8:30 A.M. and 6 P.M.
All meetings will be held in Council Chambers, 55 West Maiden Street, Washington, PA unless otherwise noted.

Motion made by Councilman Westcott, seconded by Councilman DeThomas, and carried unanimously to approve the 2023 Holiday Schedule.

2023 City of Washington Holidays

January 2, 2023	New Year's Day
January 16, 2023	Martin Luther King Jr Day
February 20, 2023	President's Day
April 7, 2023	Good Friday
May 29, 2023	Memorial Day
June 14, 2023	Flag Day
July 4, 2023	Independence Day
September 4, 2023	Labor Day
October 9, 2023	Columbus Day
November 10, 2023	Veterans Day
November 23, 2023	Thanksgiving Day
November 24, 2023	Thanksgiving Holiday
December 25, 2023	Christmas Holiday

ORDINANCE

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE 1961 BILL NO. 4 of 2022

ORDINANCE 1961 BILL NO. 4 of 2022

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WASHINGTON, WASHINGTON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA,
APPROPRIATING SPECIFIC SUMS ESTIMATED TO BE
REQUIRED FOR THE SPECIFIC PURPOSES FOR THE CITY GOVERNMENT
HEREAFTER SET FOR THE YEAR 2023.**

BUDGET ORDINANCE

*****NO VOTE REQUIRED*****

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE 1962 BILL NO. 5 of 2022

ORDINANCE 1962 BILL NO. 5 of 2022

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO 1356, CHAPTER 24, PART 5, LEVYING A
TAX AND FIXING A TAX RATE FOR ALL CITY PURPOSES ON THE VALUATION OF
SUCH PROPERTY AS HAS BEEN OR MIGHT HEREAFTER BE ASSESSED AND SUBJECT
TO TAXATION FOR THE YEAR 2023.**

TAX ORDINANCE

*****NO VOTE REQUIRED*****

RESOLUTIONS:

Motion made by Councilman Westcott, seconded by Councilman Pintola, and carried unanimously to approve **RESOLUTION 26 of 2022** to remove 1 handicap parking space from 244 Burton and add 1 handicap parking space to 246 Burton Avenue.

Motion made by Councilman DeThomas, seconded by Councilman Pintola, and carried unanimously to approve **RESOLUTION 27 OF 2022** to submit application to the Washington County Local Share Account Program for the 7th Ward Park Improvements for Funding Year 2023.

DEPARTMENTAL DISCUSSION:

Councilman Joseph DeThomas – Thanked the Fireman for all of their work during Fire Prevention Month. Advised that the fire department still has more smoke detectors they can provide to families in the city who need them. Mentioned that the dedication of the new fire truck in memory of Jeremy Labella was very nice last Saturday. Stated that all of the 2022 Demolitions have been completed.

Councilman Andrew Callan- Congratulated DeAnna Martin on a wonderful Dark in the Park weekend.

Councilman Joe Pintola – Announced Leaf Pickup Information

Councilman Ken Westcott – Announced that his department is working on balancing the budget

Mayor Scott Putnam – Stated that the Drug Take Back program last month netted 124 lbs of prescription drugs. Announced that the Fire Department participated in the Spartan Race and took first place.

Solicitor's Office: Sam Dalfonso- No Comment

- The next scheduled Regular Council Meeting will be held on Thursday, December 8, 2022, at 7:00 P.M. in Council Chambers. The next Agenda meeting will be held Monday, December 5, 2022, at 6:00 P.M
- City Hall will be closed on Friday, November 11, 2022, in observance of Veterans Day.
- City Hall will be closed on Thursday, November 24 and 25, 2022 in observance of Thanksgiving.
- Leaf Pickup started on October 31st and will end November 30, 2022. Pick up on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. Bulk pick-up call Public Works at 724-223-4234.
- Small Business Saturday presented by Washington Financial will be held on Saturday, November 26, 2022, from 9:30 A.M. until 12:30 P.M. There will be the annual breakfast crawl from 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM throughout the business district. Participants will once again check in at the Main Pavilion for their passport, map, and downtown raffles. There will be a pop-up market at Ignite from 10 :00 A.M. - 2 P.M. and an indoor farmer's market at 19N for all your holiday needs from local suppliers.
- Washington's Christmas parade and Cricut's Holiday Market take place on Dec. 2, 2022, beginning at 4 P.M. at the Main Street Pavilion with dozens of vendors and performances by local youth organizations. The parade begins at 7 P.M. and will follow Main Street from Chestnut.

Motion made by Councilman Westcott, seconded by Councilman Pintola, and carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting.