

**ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED
AT THE CAUCUS PRIOR TO THE COUNCIL MEETING
TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, APRIL 16, 2019**

The meeting was called to order by Council President Vecchio at 7:00 p.m., the clerk called the roll and the following Members of Council answered:

SCOTT, BURGIO, ORCUTT, STEMM, MENCINI, POINDEXTER, SALVATORE

Also in attendance were Mayor Gammella, Law Director Horvath, Finance Director Cingle, Service Director Gardner, Recreation Director Elliott, Economic Development Commissioner Adams and Building Commissioner Hurst.

FINANCE COMMITTEE - CHAIRMAN, SCOTT:

1. AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE NOS. 9993-2015, 9999-2016, 10073-2017 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.
Introduced by Mayor Gammella & Councilman Salvatore & C/W.

Motion by Mr. Salvatore, supported by Mr. Burgio, to place on the Council agenda immediately following.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Salvatore, Burgio, Scott, Orcutt, Stemm, Mencini, Poindexter
NAYS: None. The motion carried.

Mr. Vecchio stated that will appear under M-12 as Ordinance No. 11079-2019.

2. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE BROOK PARK HOME MAINTENANCE ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM (HMAP) AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.
Introduced by Mayor Gammella & Councilman Salvatore & C/W.

Mr. Poindexter questioned the first 'Whereas', first line stating City Council appropriated \$50,000 in 2019 to provide for home maintenance assistance. To Mr. Cingle did Council appropriate \$50,000 to the HMAP program?

Mr. Cingle responded, no Council did not appropriate monies in the initial budget.

Motion by Mr. Poindexter, supported by Mr. Orcutt, to amend first 'Whereas' by inserting the word 'shall' appropriate \$50,000 out of Economic Development Fund 243 to the HMAP Program.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Poindexter, Orcutt, Burgio, Scott, Salvatore, Mencini, Stemm
NAYS: None. The motion carried.

Mr. Scott asked Mr. Salvatore in Section 1, item number 5, do you recommend the changes discussed?

Finance Committee - Chairman, Scott: cont.

Mr. Salvatore responded in speaking with the Mayor and Mr. Adams there are some residents' in need of furnaces; even though, it's an exterior maintenance program furnace should be included as a safety item.

Mr. Scott continued asked how the discussion of sidewalk replacement went?

Mr. Salvatore responded that should be left up to the Mayor because if there is a 50/50% sidewalk program next year, the \$50,000 for this program wouldn't accommodate the many requests received for sidewalks and should be stricken.

Mr. Vecchio commented looking at this legislation it appears in the exterior structural by saying paint exteriors siding and doors are being left out.

Mr. Salvatore stated it reads funds should be limited to exterior structural home and capital repairs; taking in siding. If the sidings costs \$10,000 and the grant is up to \$2,500; the residents' contribution would be \$7,500 and the city's contribution would be \$2,500.

Mr. Vecchio stated windows are listed should entry-doors also be listed?

Mr. Salvatore responded this is limited to exterior structure, doors would be considered exterior.

Mr. Scott stated in Section 1, 5-D, states during the term of the loan the applicants must occupy said premises. There is no length of how long for occupancy. Should that be included?

Mr. Salvatore responded in the original legislation looked at a few years ago there was a provision that provided for a loan; his legislation has no loans involved.

Motion by Mr. Orcutt, supported by Mr. Mencini, to strike Section 1- 5d, in its entirety.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Orcutt, Mencini, Poindexter, Stemm, Salvatore, Scott, Burgio
NAYS: None. The motion carried.

Mr. Poindexter suggested removing the word 'loan' to read during the term applicants must occupy said premises; insuring the person getting the grant resides in the residence.

Mr. Mencini stated in 2017, there was much discussion on this matter and asked Mr. Adams. On the application doesn't this have to be specified if a homeowner, renter or landlord?

Finance Committee - Chairman, Scott: cont.

Scott Adams

Economic Development Commissioner

City of Brook Park

Mr. Adams stated Councilman Poindexter's motion is very well made and in support of letter 'd' making this for grant applicants must occupy said premises. That was the basis behind this program in 2017 to make sure it is for exterior purposes. There was discussion of the furnace being a safety issue with four phone calls being received last year of residents' about broken furnaces and CO2 leaks in the homes. So the city wants to give residents the ability to protect themselves with the furnace part of the program; that is listed on the application.

Mr. Salvatore stated in section 1, second last line states the grants for residents of Brook Park in owner-occupied dwellings upon the following terms and conditions.

Motion by Mr. Orcutt, supported by Mr. Poindexter, to strike Section 1-5d, in its entirety.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Orcutt, Poindexter, Stemm, Mencini, Salvatore, Scott, Burgio
NAYS: None. The motion carried.

Mr. Vecchio stated in the fourth 'Whereas' is it known what the city's low-moderate income (LMI) and target improvement area zones are?

Mr. Adams responded it's a stipulation that an LMI be present in improvement zone that is pretty much the middle of the city and can provide a map for that area. What that low-moderate income is an area densely populated to be more likely retired and income drops below the line. Allowing the city to participate in grant programs and other programs of that kind; as well as this program.

Mr. Scott clarified that can encompass the rest of the area, also?

Mr. Adams concurred and stated the city took advantage of the LMI for the police vehicles last year, since those cruisers would be working in that LMI but also used throughout the entire city.

Motion by Mr. Salvatore, supported by Mr. Orcutt, to place on the Council agenda immediately following.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Salvatore, Orcutt, Burgio, Scott, Poindexter, Mencini, Stemm
NAYS: None. The motion carried as amended.

Mr. Vecchio stated this will appear under M-13 as Ordinance No. 11080-2019.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE - CHAIRMAN, MENCINI:

1. A RESOLUTION HONORING BECKY CONROY FOR BEING CHOSEN AS 2018-2019 CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Introduced by Councilman Scott, C/W and Mayor Gammella.

Motion by Mr. Salvatore, supported by Mr. Burgio, to place on the Council agenda immediately following.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Salvatore, Burgio, Scott, Orcutt, Stemm, Mencini, Poindexter
NAYS: None. The motion carried.

Mr. Vecchio stated this will appear under M-14 as Resolution No. 12-2019.

SAFETY COMMITTEE - CHAIRMAN, STEMM:

1. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 525.16 OF THE BROOK PARK CODIFIED ORDINANCES ENTITLED 'SMOKING PROHIBITED IN MUNICIPALLY OWNED AND OPERATED BUILDINGS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Introduced by Councilman Mencini. **Note:** Moved by motion from the April 2, 2019 Caucus Prior to agenda.

Mr. Mencini mentioned that this legislation was brought forward previously and would like to look at a few amendments discussed. The first being with the 25' distance from either ballfield playgrounds or an entranceway.

Mr. Poindexter commented that there is more discussion needed on this subject and possibly move this to the next Caucus Prior to meeting.

Mr. Salvatore asked Mayor Gammella if the Police Chief could be present for discussion of the enforcement on the 25' radius; also if the auxiliary would have any authority with the enforcement policy.

Mayor Gammella will make sure to have the Police Chief in attendance.

Motion by Mr. Poindexter, supported by Mr. Burgio, to place on the May 14th Caucus agenda with Police Chief in attendance.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Poindexter, Burgio, Scott, Orcutt, Stemm, Mencini, Salvatore
NAYS: None. The motion carried.

There being no further business to come before this meeting a **motion** by Mr. Mencini, supported by Mr. Orcutt, to adjourn.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mencini, Orcutt, Burgio, Scott, Salvatore, Poindexter, Stemm
NAYS: None. The motion carried.

Council President Vecchio declared this meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED *Michelle Blazak*
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Clerk of Council

APPROVED *May 7, 2019*

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