

AGENDA FOR THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF WEDNESDAY, APRIL 4, 2007 at 9:00 A.M.

- A. Roll Call
- B. Silent Meditation/Pledge of Allegiance
- C. Approval of the Minutes/Bills
- D. Citizens to be Heard

E. **ORDINANCES: FOR FINAL PASSAGE:**

- 1. Council File Ordinance #15,512, Pending Official File Ordinance #21-2007, an ordinance appropriating the sum of **\$300,000.00** from unappropriated and anticipated revenue from Account #324-1324-2005-3336 State Operating Grant-Department of Community and Economic Development and providing for the expenditure thereof by allocating said funds to Account #324-1324-2005-4041 Prof. Services (\$2,000.00) and #324-1324-2005-4443 ERA (\$298,000.00).

ORDINANCES: FOR FIRST READING:

- 1. Council File Ordinance #15,513 an ordinance amending Official Ordinance #80-2005 known as the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Erie by changing the classification of property located on **East 10th Street and Gilson Avenue**, known as Lot #2 being 2,294 acres in area from RLB (Residential Limited Business District) to that of M-1 (Light Industrial District). (Pursuant to Public Hearing held March 21, 2007 and the request of R. Larry Bossolt, Greater Erie Industrial Development Corporation for reuse by a current incubator company, Beaumont Technologies, Inc. The City Planning Commission recommends approval of this rezoning request)

F. **OLD BUSINESS**

G. **NEW BUSINESS**

- 1. Resolution sponsored by Councilman Patrick Cappabianca respectfully requesting the proper officials of the City Administration to study the feasibility of hiring an **independent consultant** to conduct the Environmental Impact Statement relative to the proposed construction for the "tire-to-energy" plant by Erie Renewal Energy, Inc. a Division of Caletta Renewal Energy of Boston, Massachusetts.
- 2. Resolution authorizing and directing the proper City officials to enter into an agreement with the Quinn Law Firm for the purpose of investigating and recovering in the state of Florida funds owed to the City from **IFP North American** on a contingent fee basis of one third of any recovery. The agreement further provides that the city agrees to reimburse out of pocket costs in an amount no greater than \$3,000.00. The city will be acting jointly with the Enterprise Development Fund of Erie County, Inc., which is also a creditor of IFP and will share the recovery of funds and out of pocket expenses on a pro rata basis.
- 3. Resolution authorizing the Mayor and other appropriate City officials to accept and enter into an amendment for PA Department of Community and Economic Development New Communities Program Contract #C000014419 (July 1, 2004 - June 30, 2007), which covers the \$500,000 Enterprise Zone Competitive Grant that was awarded to the City of Erie on May 12, 2005, which sum will be loaned to **Custom Engineering Company** for a period of seven years at a fixed interest rate of 3.25% per annum (Default Rate: 3.0% over the effective interest rate). A one time loan processing fee of \$1,500 will be assessed to the Company. The loan proceeds will be used for the purchase of a robotic weld station and a plasma burn table for use at its 2800 McClelland Avenue facility, which is located in the Erie Enterprise Zone. Further, City Council directs that the proper City officials are authorized to sign the Loan Documents and Agreement with Custom Engineering Company effectuating same. The City of Erie Enterprise Development Zone Revolving Loan Fund will have a "purchase money" security interest in the machinery and equipment being financed.
- 4. Resolution authorizing the proper City officials to enter into a Settlement Agreement regarding the federal litigation involving **Voices for Independence, et al**, vs PennDOT and the Cities of Erie and Meadville at Civil Action #06-78-Erie, which agreement involves curb ramps which are required by the Americans with Disabilities Act on PennDOT roadways intersection City Streets. The city and PennDOT will construct or reconstruct curb ramps serving both state and city streets in PennDOT's rights-of-way throughout the City. It also extends the deadline for compliance under the city's Fourth and Final Consent Decree for curb ramps on City streets from 2010 to 2016 allowing a significantly smaller expenditure by the City each year as compared with the existing Decree.

PURCHASE ORDERS:

- 1. **PA Chiefs of Police Association**, 3905 North Front Street Harrisburg, Pa., 17110, for the CPIN Maintenance Agreement for 2007 (Mugshot Software and Hardware System) for the Bureau of Police at a total cost of \$3,850.00.

- H. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**
- I. **ADJOURNMENT**