



DANVILLE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

MUNICIPAL BUILDING

July 18, 2023

7:00 PM

PRESIDING: Alonzo L. Jones, Mayor

CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS:	James B. Buckner	Dr. Gary P. Miller, Vice Mayor
	L.G. "Larry" Campbell, Jr.	Sherman M. Saunders
	Bryant Hood	J. Lee Vogler, Jr.,
	Barry P. Mayo	Madison J. Whittle

STAFF:	Ken F. Larking, City Manager	W. Clarke Whitfield, Jr., City Attorney
	Earl B. Reynolds, Jr., Deputy City Manager	Susan M. DeMasi, City Clerk

The City Council is the City of Danville's legislative body and is composed of nine Council members. Council members are elected to serve a four year term of office and elects one of its own to serve as Mayor and presiding officer for a two year term.

Time and Place of Meeting

The public is invited and encouraged to attend and participate in the City Council meetings. The City Council meets in the City Hall, Fourth Floor, Council Chambers at 7:00 p.m. on the first and third Tuesday of each month. All meetings of the Council are open to the public.

Communications from Visitors

Communication from Visitors is an opportunity for citizens, who have signed up to speak, to address Council on matters not on the agenda. Citizens who desire to speak on agenda items will be heard when the agenda item is considered. Each speaker shall clearly state his or her name and address, and shall have three uninterrupted minutes. A representative of a group may have up to five uninterrupted minutes to make a presentation. The representative shall identify the group and a group may have no more than one spokesperson. Time will be kept using the electronic timer on the podium.

Guidelines for Public Hearings

For Public Hearings the applicant or his or her representative shall be the first speaker(s). There shall be a time limit of ten (10) minutes for the applicant's or his or her representative's presentation. The presiding officer shall then solicit comments from the public, asking those in favor of the proposal to speak first, and then those opposed to the proposal. Each speaker must clearly state his or her name and address. There shall be a time limit of three (3) minutes for each individual speaker. If the speaker represents a group, there shall be a time limit of five (5) minutes. A speaker representing a group shall identify the group at the beginning of his or her remarks. A group may have no more than one spokesperson. The presiding officer may limit or preclude comment which is repetitive, redundant, cumulative, or irrelevant to the subject of the public hearing. After public comments have been received, in a land use case, the applicant or the representative of the applicant, at his or her discretion, may respond with a rebuttal. There shall be a five (5) minute time limit for rebuttal.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

INVOCATION - J. LEE VOGLER, JR.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND SPECIAL RECOGNITION

- A. Presentation: Danville Police Department Four Year Accreditation
Presented by: Virginia Law Enforcement Professional Standards Commission

MEETING MINUTES

- A. Consideration of Approval of the Minutes from the June 20, 2023 Regular Council Meeting, and Minutes from Regular Work Session held on June 6, 2023.
Council Letter Number CL - 700.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Consideration of the Expansion of the Rental Inspection District Program.
Council Letter Number CL - 616.
1. Public Hearing
 2. An Ordinance Amending Chapter 9, Entitled "Building and Development Regulations" of the Code of the City of Danville, More Specifically Article VIII, Entitled "Rental Housing Inspections", Section 9-196, Entitled "Residential Rental Housing Inspection Districts Reestablished; Applicability" to add (A)(4) and (A)(5) Creating a Fourth and Fifth Rental Inspection District.
- B. Consideration of the Fiscal Year 2023-24 Community Development Program - One Year Action Plan.
Council Letter Number CL - 673.
1. Public Hearing
 2. A Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Submit to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) a One Year Action Plan.
- C. Consideration of a Resolution in Support of a Proposed Water Main Extension to Virginia International Raceway.
Council Letter Number CL - 701.
- A Resolution Supporting the Operational Framework for a Water Main Extension to the Virginia International Raceway Campus.

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COMMUNICATIONS

A. City Manager

B. Deputy City Manager

C. City Attorney

D. City Clerk

E. Roll Call

CLOSED MEETING

As Permitted by Subsection (A)(7) of Section 2.2-3711 of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended for consultation with legal counsel and briefings by staff members or consultants pertaining to actual or probable litigation, where such consultation or briefing in open meeting would adversely affect the negotiating or litigating posture of the public body.

A. Motion to Convene in Closed Meeting

B. Motion to Reconvene in Open Meeting

C. Motion to Certify Closed Meeting

ADJOURNMENT

Council Letter

City of Danville, Virginia



CL - 700

MEETING MINUTES A.

City Council REGULAR MEETING

Meeting Date: July 18, 2023

Subject: Approval of Minutes

From: Susan DeMasi, City Clerk

COUNCIL ACTION

Attachments

1. Meeting Minutes
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June 20, 2023

The Second June meeting of the Danville City Council was held on June 20, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers located on the Fourth Floor of the Municipal Building. The following Council Members were present: James B. Buckner, L.G. "Larry" Campbell Jr., Bryant Hood, Mayor Alonzo L. Jones, Barry Mayo, Vice Mayor Gary P. Miller, Sherman M. Saunders, J. Lee Vogler, Jr., and Madison J.R. Whittle (9).

Staff Members present were: City Manager Ken F. Larking, Deputy City Manager Earl B. Reynolds, Jr., City Attorney W. Clarke Whitfield, Jr., and City Clerk Susan M. DeMasi.

Mayor Jones presided.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member Sherman M. Saunders gave the Invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Jones opened the floor for a Public Hearing regarding Consent Agenda items. Notice of the Public Hearing was published in the *Danville Register & Bee* on June 13, 2023. No one present desired to be heard and the Public Hearing was closed.

Council Member Vogler **moved** for adoption of the following Consent Agenda items:

Minutes from Regular Council Meeting held on May 16, 2023, and Work Session Meeting held on May 16, 2023. Draft copies of the Minutes had been distributed prior to the meeting.

Amending the Fiscal Year 2023 Budget Appropriation Ordinance to Accept Schoolfield Master Plan Funding from Caesars LLC.

An Ordinance entitled, Ordinance No. 2023-06.07, Amending the Fiscal Year 2023 Budget Appropriation Ordinance by Increasing Revenues from Caesars Virginia, LLC Casino Revenues for the Schoolfield Master Plan for an Appropriation in the Amount of \$360,000 and Appropriating the Same.

Amending the Fiscal Year Budget Appropriation Ordinance for a Recreation Enrichment Program in the Amount of \$262,494.

An Ordinance entitled, Ordinance No. 2023-06.08, Amending the Fiscal Year 2023 Budget Appropriation Ordinance to Provide for Funds in the Amount of \$55,611 for a Recreation Enrichment Program and the Local In-Kind Share of \$206,883 for a Total Appropriation of \$262,494 and Appropriation of Same.

The Motion was **seconded** by Council Member Whittle and carried by the following vote:

VOTE:	9-0
AYE:	Buckner, Campbell, Hood, Jones, Mayo, Miller, Saunders, Vogler and Whittle (9)
NAY:	None

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OLD BUSINESS

CONSIDERATION OF THE CITY OF DANVILLE BUDGET, CSP, AND BUDGET APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE

Approving the Budgets of the Various Funds of the City of Danville for Fiscal Year 2024.

Council Member Buckner **moved** for adoption of a Resolution entitled:

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-06.03

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE BUDGETS OF THE VARIOUS FUNDS OF THE CITY OF DANVILLE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2024.

The Motion was **seconded** by Council Member Campbell and carried by the following vote:

VOTE: 9-0
AYE: Buckner, Campbell, Hood, Jones, Mayo,
Miller, Saunders, Vogler and Whittle (9)
NAY: None

Fiscal Year 2024 Capital and Special Projects Plan

Council Member Buckner **moved** for adoption of a Resolution entitled:

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-06.04

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FISCAL YEAR 2024 CAPITAL AND SPECIAL PROJECTS PLAN FOR THE CITY OF DANVILLE, VIRGINIA.

The Motion was **seconded** by Council Member Vogler and carried by the following vote:

VOTE: 9-0
AYE: Buckner, Campbell, Hood, Jones, Mayo,
Miller, Saunders, Vogler and Whittle (9)
NAY: None

Budget Appropriation Ordinance for Fiscal Year 2024

Council Member Buckner **moved** for adoption of an Ordinance entitled:

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-06.09

BUDGET APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024.

The Motion was **seconded** by Council Member Miller.

Council Member Buckner noted that he wanted to thank City staff for all their hard work. Every department head has done a phenomenal job this year, saving taxpayers money, and looking out for the City's best interests. Mr. Buckner thanked Mr. Larking and Mr. Reynolds for their hard work; he thought they made this one the easiest budgets Council ever had.

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Vice Mayor Miller noted in the past, budgets were a painful period with a lot of contention, but the past few budget years have been much better. Mr. Larking and his staff put everything together, presented it to Council, and answered questions; things have gone much easier. Council Member Saunders noted he has been through several budgets over the years; the City Manager and his staff keep Council informed, make sure they understand what was going on, and get Council's ideas and thoughts prior to bringing them a package. When it was brought to Council, it passes in a very good way; that was because of the City Manager and his staff, who prepare Council to govern the City. Council Member Vogler thanked the City Manager and staff for the excellent work putting this budget together with Council. To be able to have starting pay for all city employees at 100% of the market for the first time ever in the history of the City was a great accomplishment. That was due to the dedication and hard work of everyone involved; it was a great achievement through this budget process. Mr. Vogler stated he looks forward to the things they do next; it was an exciting time in the City, and the best was yet to come.

The **Motion** was carried by the following vote:

VOTE: 9-0
AYE: Buckner, Campbell, Hood, Jones, Mayo,
Miller, Saunders, Vogler and Whittle (9)
NAY: None

APPOINTMENTS

Consideration of Recommendations to Various Boards and Commissions

Vice Mayor Miller and the Committee on Appointments made the following recommendations:

Airport Commission:	Reappoint:	Stephen Daniel and Robert Jiranek
Dan River ASAP	Reappoint:	Michael Sheetz
Danville Community College Board	Reappoint:	Ernestine Payne
Danville CPMT	Reappoint:	Tammy Warren and Jerome Holman
Danville Pittsylvania CSB	Reappoint:	Geary Davis
	Appoint:	Pamela Saunders
Danville Utility Commission	Reappoint:	Helm Dobbins, Vanessa Cain and Dr. Gary Miller
Planning Commission	Appoint:	John Ranson
Social Services Advisory Board	Reappoint:	Cynthia Pruitt-Rhodes
Transportation Advisory Board	Appoint:	Debra Hairston and Rhonda Spraggins

The recommendations will come before Council at the July 6, 2023 meeting to be voted on.

NEW BUSINESS

REVIEW OF GENERAL FUND FINANCIALS AS OF MAY 31, 2023

Chief Financial Officer Michael Adkins gave a review of the General Fund financial results through the end of May which was 92% complete and only ten days left in the fiscal year. The City was past June 5th which was the collection day for real estate and personal property taxes, and he can share more current information than was in the report. The current Real Estate budget was \$18.8M, the City will exceed that by about 1% which translates to \$190,000 to \$200,000. The

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Delinquent Real Estate tax budget was \$900,000 and the City should exceed that by a couple thousand dollars. Personal property has done very well, including machinery and tools; the budget for Fiscal Year 2023 was \$14.5M; it looks like that will be exceeded by 1% or 2% which translates to a couple hundred thousand dollars. Delinquent personal property taxes have also been very successful this year; the budget was \$1.1M and it looks like that will finish at \$1.5M. Under Local taxes, Mr. Adkins noted he can only comment on what was collected through May; Sales Tax did very well at \$10.7M, or 95% of budget. This was an increase of about \$770,000; it was very likely that will also exceed budget between \$400,000 and \$500,000 for this fiscal year. Business licenses were currently at 111% of budget, up \$886,000 over last year. Meals tax was also performing well; they have collected approximately \$10M, which was 94% of budget, and about \$1M more than last May. It will likely exceed budget by a couple hundred thousand. Lodging taxes may be the only item in the local taxes that will not meet budget; it had been increased during the year anticipating more. The lull in the winter was more than expected and they were currently at \$2.4M which was 82% of budget. This was still an increase over last year of \$486,000; it may fall short of budget but maybe only by \$100,000 or \$200,000. One item that was not budgeted for, which Council was aware of, was the casino gaming fees and taxes that were related to that. The revenues generated in May for Caesars' operations generated a direct payment to the City of \$298,000 which correlates to their main revenues. Also, they pay a gaming tax to the state which passes to the City; for May that will be around \$715,000; the City will receive that in July. The state will be paying the City quarterly so the payment received in July will be for April, May, and June; that was unbudgeted revenue. The City will be receiving more for the operations in June, but those revenues will be held aside from fund balance, and will be used for the items identified in the Investing in Danville study and the items supported by Council. Interest earnings were doing very well this year with interest rate increases. State revenues were also on track for this year. In short, revenues are doing very well.

Mr. Adkins noted on the Expenditure side, Departmental Spending was at 85% of budget at the end of May and should come in under budget at the end of the year. The only concern this year was Non-Departmental expenses, specifically group health insurance; this was based on claims, and has been running about 10% ahead of budget. That might be as much as \$1M over budget but the real estate, personal property and local taxes will be more than enough to cover the group health insurance. Group health insurance was hard to budget, and they do increase it a little every year. In addition, the FY 2023 budget called for a draw from fund balance of about \$1.9M; at this point, the additional revenues the City received and the conservative spending of the departments, he believed the General Fund will break even, and maybe even add a little bit to the Unreserved Fund Balance at the end of the year. At the end of FY 2022, the Unassigned Fund Balance was \$34.3M, the City's requirement at that point was \$24M. With the budget that was just adopted for next year, that requirement increases to \$28M; there was still a buffer and he was looking for that to increase if not this year, than next year.

Mayor Jones commented on the reduction of the annual fee for business licenses and asked how well that area has performed and Mr. Adkins noted Business Licenses exceeded budget this year and were at 111% of budget. Council Member Campbell asked if the quarterly payments from the state were included in the \$36M that was received and Mr. Adkins stated it was included in the estimates. Council Member Vogler noted that Council eliminated the business fee for small businesses that had \$100,000 or less in annual revenue, which was a large number of businesses, and Mr. Adkins stated it was about \$80,000 worth of revenue. Mr. Vogler noted there were a large number of small businesses that were positively impacted by it, but it did not hurt the City's bottom line in terms of revenue. Mr. Vogler noted he hoped they continued to look for things like that in the future to help those small businesses and individuals in the community.

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CONSIDERATION OF REVISIONS TO THE PERSONNEL SYSTEM REGULATIONS

Council Member Buckner **moved** for adoption of an Ordinance entitled:

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-06.10

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE PERSONNEL SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF DANVILLE PROVIDING FOR THE CLASSIFICATION, COMPENSATION, AND EMPLOYEE DEVELOPMENT FOR EMPLOYMENT POSITIONS OF THE CITY.

The Motion was **seconded** by Council Member Mayo and carried by the following vote:

VOTE: 9-0
AYE: Buckner, Campbell, Hood, Jones, Mayo,
Miller, Saunders, Vogler and Whittle (9)
NAY: None

CONSIDERATION OF THE REVISION OF THE DANVILLE CITY CODE, CHAPTER 14 - FIRE PREVENTION AND PROTECTION

Council Member Vogler **moved** for adoption of an Ordinance entitled:

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-06.11

AN ORDINANCE REPEALING AND REORDAINING IN ITS ENTIRETY CHAPTER 14, ENTITLED "FIRE PREVENTION AND PROTECTION", OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF DANVILLE, VIRGINIA, 1986, AS AMENDED.

The Motion was **seconded** by Council Member Miller and carried by the following vote:

VOTE: 9-0
AYE: Buckner, Campbell, Hood, Jones, Mayo,
Miller, Saunders, Vogler and Whittle (9)
NAY: None

CONSIDERATION OF FISCAL YEAR 2024 PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION FUNDING

Council Member Buckner **moved** for adoption of a Resolution entitled:

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-06.05

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN APPLICATION BY THE CITY TO THE VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF RAIL AND PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION FOR GRANTS FOR OPERATING AND CAPITAL COSTS FOR PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024.

The Motion was **seconded** by Council Member Whittle and carried by the following vote:

VOTE: 9-0
AYE: Buckner, Campbell, Hood, Jones, Mayo,
Miller, Saunders, Vogler and Whittle (9)

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NAY: None

CONSIDERATION OF REVISION OF THE DANVILLE CITY CODE, CHAPTER 37 – TAXATION

Council Member Miller **moved** for adoption of an Ordinance entitled:

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-06.12

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND REORDAINING CHAPTER 37, ENTITLED “TAXATION” ARTICLE XI, ENTITLED “PARTIAL EXEMPTION OF REAL ESTATE TAXES FOR CERTAIN REAL ESTATE,” TO ADD A NEW SECTION 37-169.1 ENTITLED, “MULTIFAMILY/COMMERCIAL STRUCTURES”, TO THE CODE OF THE CITY OF DANVILLE, VIRGINIA, 1986, AS AMENDED.

The Motion was **seconded** by Council Member Buckner.

Council Member Vogler asked for a brief overview, and Division Director of Housing Development Susan McCulloch explained the City was in dire need of new residential housing, single and multifamily. The Danter study recommended the City incentivize developers and even buyers/renters to cultivate an environment of being residential friendly. The taxation part was about those classified as commercial, be classified as multifamily so that it encourages more adaptive reuse of historic buildings. There were other programs for renters and buyers to fix up homes.

Council Member Whittle asked if this was for median income housing, and Ms. McCulloch noted the first item being voted on was for developers to come in and find adaptive uses for old warehouses and manufacturing buildings in historic districts, into both commercial and multi-family, but encouraging multi-family. Mr. Whittle asked why this was not done as a “blanket” because there were buildings all over the City that would benefit from this. Ms. McCulloch explained in this case, staff looked at the current ordinance which addresses the downtown tobacco warehouses, North Danville, Old West End, Holbrook Ross, and Dan River Mills #8 historic districts. They wanted to be uniform so they continued with that; that can be revisited. Mr. Larking noted the IDA was considering other incentives for new construction of multifamily housing. Mr. Whittle asked to also look at existing buildings throughout the City because if it was going to implement housing and 30% commercial development, he thought it should be blanketed because the City has a housing need. Mr. Larking noted that between the items under consideration tonight by Council and those under consideration from the IDA, they have a pretty comprehensive list of incentives. Staff can certainly revisit and see how things were going with the ones in place and see if it can be expanded to other areas of the city. The current ordinance for multi-family calls for these specific districts; this provided more clarity on the types of incentives, how long they would last and what percentages would be available.

Mr. Vogler noted he thought it was a great first step and the next agenda item was good as well; he was glad Council was looking at that, and noted his agreement with Mr. Whittle, he hoped they can look at expanding this further, and Mayor Jones noted his agreement as well.

The **Motion** was carried the following vote:

VOTE: 9-0
AYE: Buckner, Campbell, Hood, Jones, Mayo,
Miller, Saunders, Vogler and Whittle (9)

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NAY: None

CONSIDERATION OF AN ORDINANCE TO CREATE RESIDENTIAL INCENTIVE PROGRAMS

Council Member Vogler **moved** for adoption of an Ordinance entitled:

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-06.13

AN ORDINANCE CREATING THREE PROGRAMS TO SUPPORT HOMEOWNERSHIP AND RENTAL OCCUPANCY FOR THE CITY OF DANVILLE, VIRGINIA.

The Motion was **seconded** by Council Member Mayo.

Council Member Vogler asked for Ms. McCulloch to give a brief explanation and Ms. McCulloch explained this ordinance included a down payment assistance grant program of up to \$5,000 for 81% to 95% of the area median income. This program will help those looking at existing and new housing and being able to get down payment assistance. There was a rental deposit assistance grant of \$500.00 with the same income criteria that would help those move up or move somewhere else in a rental capacity. Council Member Vogler noted this was good for helping people get into a home and it should help entice developers as well. Council Member Whittle asked if this was restricted, and Ms. McCulloch stated that it was restricted to income. DRHA has a program that helps families with down payment assistance for under the 81% median income. Mr. Larking stated this enhances what already existed for lower and moderate income families; what was missing in the market was demand for middle class families and availability of product for middle class families. This meets what Ken Danter had described in his housing report as a need within the community, homes between the ranges of \$250,000 to \$350,000. Council Member Campbell asked if this was for first time home buyers, and Ms. McCulloch explained it was not limited to first time home buyers although it encourages that. Council Member Campbell asked if this program was looking at area where homes were becoming derelict, and Ms. McCulloch noted absolutely; if someone wanted to purchase a home, fix it up, and live in it then they would be eligible for this program.

The **Motion** was carried by the following vote:

VOTE: 9-0
AYE: Buckner, Campbell, Hood, Jones, Mayo,
Miller, Saunders, Vogler and Whittle (9)
NAY: None

CONSIDERATION OF AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE DANVILLE AREA HUMANE SOCIETY TO CONDUCT A RABIES VACCINATION CLINIC

Council Member Miller **moved** for adoption of a Resolution entitled:

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-06.06

A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE DANVILLE AREA HUMANE SOCIETY TO CONDUCT A RABIES VACCINATION CLINIC AT LEAST ONCE EVERY TWO YEARS IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENT OF THE CODE OF VIRGINIA.

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The Motion was **seconded** by Council Member Mayo.

Vice Mayor Miller noted that having a rabies vaccination clinic in the City was a needed service, rabies seems to be back on the upswing; they need to get animals vaccinated. Mayor Jones asked Paulette Dean to please stand and thanked her for everything she does for the community; Ms. Dean thanked the City for their support.

The **Motion** was carried by the following vote:

VOTE: 9-0
AYE: Buckner, Campbell, Hood, Jones, Mayo,
Miller, Saunders, Vogler and Whittle (9)
NAY: None

CONSIDERATION OF ENTERING INTO A MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT WITH THE PITTSYLVANIA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Council Member Vogler **moved** for adoption of a Resolution entitled:

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-06.07

A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN A MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE SHERIFF OF PITTSYLVANIA COUNTY, THE CHIEF OF POLICE FOR THE CITY OF DANVILLE, THE SHERIFF OF THE CITY OF DANVILLE, AND THE CITY OF DANVILLE, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ESTABLISHING JURISDICTIONAL AUTHORITY FOR DEPUTIES OF THE PITTSYLVANIA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE WHO ARE WORKING AT THE DANVILLE PITTSYLVANIA COMMUNITY SERVICE BOARD CRISIS CENTER LOCATED WITHIN THE CITY OF DANVILLE.

The Motion was **seconded** by Council Member Mayo.

Council Member Whittle asked for clarification on the resolution, and Lt. Colonel Chris Wiles explained this closed the jurisdictional gap that exists in the City under certain circumstances where law enforcement officers of other jurisdictions have jurisdiction outside of their agency's original jurisdiction. If a Pittsylvania County Sheriff's deputy happens to be working in the City of Danville in the capacity of that assignment at the Crisis Intervention Center, they currently have no jurisdiction without this ordinance, unless they had someone was in custody that was from or transferred from Pittsylvania County. This closes that gap in jurisdiction and grants Pittsylvania County Deputies the same jurisdiction as a Danville City Police Officer or Danville Sheriff's Deputy when they were working in the City of Danville on assignment at the Crisis Intervention Center environment. Council Member Saunders noted that it has been said once a police officer goes one mile out of the city limits they no longer have jurisdiction, was that true, and Lt. Colonel Wiles stated there were some instances where law enforcement does have jurisdiction when they go outside their home jurisdiction; the Code provides for jurisdiction standing as a mile outside of the home jurisdiction. An example would be if an officer stops a vehicle close to the city limits and it happens to cross over into the county there was still that one-mile area to cover it.

The **Motion** was carried the following vote:

VOTE: 9-0
AYE: Buckner, Campbell, Hood, Jones, Mayo,

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Miller, Saunders, Vogler and Whittle (9)
NAY: None (0)

CONSIDERATION OF THE RELEASE OF CITY-HELD LIENS AGAINST REAL PROPERTY IDENTIFIED AS PARCEL #03282, #22050, #25889, AND #21151

Council Member Buckner **moved** for adoption of a Resolution entitled:

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-06.08

A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF CITY-HELD LIENS AGAINST REAL PROPERTY IDENTIFIED AS PARCEL #03282 CAMPBELL STREET, PARCEL #22050 COLQUHOUN STREET, PARCEL #25889 FLORAL AVENUE, AND PARCEL #21151 GREEN STREET TO FACILITATE THEIR DONATION TO THE DANVILLE REDEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING AUTHORITY.

The Motion was **seconded** by Council Member Whittle and carried the following vote:

VOTE: 8-0-1
AYE: Buckner, Campbell, Hood, Mayo,
Miller, Saunders, Vogler and Whittle (8)
NAY: None (0)
ABSTAIN: Jones (1)

CONSIDERATION OF CORRECTING A SURVEY ERROR ON CITY PARCELS ON LEE STREET

Council Member Buckner **moved** for adoption of a Resolution entitled:

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-06.09

A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE ADOPTION OF A NEW SURVEY TO CORRECT A BOUNDARY DISPUTE BETWEEN REAL PROPERTY IDENTIFIED AS PARCEL #24581 AND PARCEL #20984 ON LEE STREET.

The Motion was **seconded** by Council Member Mayo and carried the following vote:

VOTE: 8-0-1
AYE: Buckner, Campbell, Hood, Mayo,
Miller, Saunders, Vogler and Whittle (8)
NAY: None (0)
ABSTAIN: Jones (1)

CONSIDERATION OF THE RELEASE OF CITY LIENS AGAINST PARCEL #01570 RHODENIZER STREET

Council Member Buckner **moved** for adoption of a Resolution entitled:

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-06.10

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A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF CITY-HELD LIENS AGAINST REAL PROPERTY IDENTIFIED AS PARCEL #01570 RHODENIZER STREET TO FACILITATE ITS SALE.

The Motion was **seconded** by Council Member Whittle and carried the following vote:

VOTE: 8-0-1
AYE: Buckner, Campbell, Hood, Mayo,
Miller, Saunders, Vogler and Whittle (8)
NAY: None (0)
ABSTAIN: Jones (1)

COMMUNICATIONS FROM VISITORS

Mayor Jones recognized Delores Tate. Mrs. Tate was a resident of the Old West End District, and addressed Council about an issue of dog owners not picking up their dog's feces. She discussed hazards as well as issues with owners not being responsible and picking up after their dogs. She asked that permanent signage be placed reminding owners to pick up after their dogs.

COMMUNICATIONS

There were no communications from the City Manager, Deputy City Manager, or City Clerk. City Attorney Clarke Whitfield reminded everyone the next regularly scheduled meeting of City Council would not be on Tuesday, July 4th as it was a holiday. The meeting would be on Thursday, July 6th at 7:00 p.m.

Vice Mayor Miller congratulated Jason Grey and everyone at Utilities for their quick work in getting power turned back after the storm. Dr. Miller discussed the ribbon cutting last Friday at 2 Witches Brewery where a food truck was opened, and they were also presented with a hometown heroes award. Dr. Miller noted the American Recovery grant was available for small businesses, and to contact Kelvin Perry in Economic Development for additional information.

Council Member Saunders thanked Paulette Dean for everything she does for the City and for the region, and thanked Jason Grey for everything; he canceled his trip, came back to Danville, and helped out with the storm areas. Mr. Saunders noted having a housing problem in the City was a good problem to have but they have to have options for those looking for housing. This says a lot about what the City was doing.

Council Member Buckner stated it was a good thing, but for those looking to move it was difficult even when there were higher offers. There were homes selling for more than the market value in all areas of the City. Council Member Whittle stated that he has seen more inventories taken up and homes selling for more than asking price. The IDA was working hard in the City to come up with more housing solutions. There was a huge gap to fill and hopefully more developments will come. Mr. Whittle noted it was a great time to come and develop in Danville. City Manager Ken Larking stated that the City was working on a lot of incentive programs to entice developers to come in to renovate buildings and build new housing.

Council Member Vogler noted that housing was a great conversation. Looking back a decade or so they were trying to give away houses. To look at where the City was now and to see how far they have come was truly amazing and speaks to their growth and progress. Mr. Vogler noted their new challenge was growth, but he would rather have that challenge than any other. He has

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spoken to two developers from out of town that were looking to possibly do projects in Danville, so people were looking at Danville. It was just a matter of putting the right people in the right place at the right time. Mr. Vogler stated they recently wrapped up the City's tee ball season with Parks and Recreation. There were five great tee ball teams this year and he coached one of them; they had a lot of fun. Youth baseball was supposed to finish up this week; they won every game except for one and as much as they love to win, it was more importantly about spending time with the kids and teaching them the game, life lessons, teamwork, how to win but also about how to deal with loss and those kinds of things. Mr. Vogler noted he thought that football signups will be coming up soon and looked forward to that.

Council Member Whittle thanked all City staff, especially those in Utilities for their work with the storm. Mr. Whittle noted inflation was high, it was coming down slightly which also affects the housing market. Mr. Whittle asked the City Manager to explain what the Investing in Danville committee does, and Mr. Larking noted the committee was formed in 2020 before the referendum on the casino. They used a process of virtual town hall meetings and citizen surveys, due to the pandemic, and a report was produced which was available online. It describes a variety of projects that were recommended to use the casino monies for, to invest in long-term, sustainable projects that improve communities and the life of the citizens. A refresh was being done now that more money has been made available, and a new process will start, to come up with new ideas for investments. Mr. Whittle asked about setting the money up in a foundation to earn interest that can be used without touching the initial money.

Mayor Jones noted that when this was originally set up he went through and read the whole report and he urged Council to do the same.

Council Member Buckner noted this Saturday was Boxing at the Ballpark, weather permitting; citizens can check the website for a postponement date. Council received an invite to the Robert Marsh Perspective this Sunday, June 25 from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm at the Danville Museum of Fine Arts and History. Mr. Marsh was a great artist; it should be a wonderful exhibit and he looked forward to seeing it. Mr. Buckner wished everyone a happy 4th of July, be safe, have fun, enjoy, do your thing, and come watch the fireworks downtown; it was going to be a great show. Mr. Buckner gave a shout out to the Harvest Jubilee board for stepping out of their comfort zone and getting Nelly to perform at the Carrington Pavilion on July 8 at 7:00pm. Mr. Buckner encouraged citizens to get their tickets, it was going to be an amazing summer in the City.

Council Member Campbell thanked the Danville Utility Department and City workers for their quick response to the storm, getting power turned back on, and getting trees up out of the roadway. Rev. Campbell commented on how additional income from the casino would be handled and how he thought they were on the right track with that. Danville was a good place to live and they have a very bright future.

Council Member Hood noted that he previously had an exchange with Council Member Saunders, about thanking everyone for celebrating Juneteenth and the many events that were brought forth in the City. This Friday, June 23rd was a Stop the Violence Community Field Day; this was a free event at Dan Daniel Park Shelter #17. There will be motivational speaking, food, games, kickball, face painting, and more; it was from 4:00pm to 8:00pm and was brought by Tia Johnson. Mr. Bryant stated he would like to give her a shout out for citizens who come out, put their resources and their hard-earned money together for prizes, certificates, and medals for all the games. They want to do their part to encourage and let young people know they can talk about issues.

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Council Member Mayo commented on the White Coat ceremony at SOVAH, and gave kudos to Jason Grey and City staff for the work done during the storm. It is amazing to see how much damage can come from a storm in such a short amount of time. He noted that he just finished up his 20th basketball camp; it was a free camp, and he was looking forward to the next one. Mr. Mayo commended John Moody and his staff at Social Services for the work they do to help those with homelessness, food, and other needs. Congratulations to the graduates of 2023 of Galileo and George Washington and congratulations to the teachers, workers, staff, and school board members as well. The Juneteenth celebration held by Kenny Lewis at the Institute this Saturday was absolutely phenomenal; there was an R&B group, singer, a fashion show, and many exhibits.

Mayor Jones yielded to Vice Mayor Miller to comment on the White Coat Ceremony. Vice Mayor Miller noted that students do classwork for two years and then start clinicals, at which time they receive a white coat, usually put on by their parents, and a free stethoscope. This was a rite of passage, and they were very proud.

Mayor Jones noted that one of the toughest parts of their job was the budget process. Years ago, they used to meet with all the department heads for hours and it was a tough process. He wanted to thank the City Manager, Deputy City Manager, and the entire team for how they were able to put things together differently for the past few years. Dr. Hairston and her staff need to be thanked for the amazing job on their budget and how they have promoted people within the school system. To Council Members Vogler, Mayo, and Bryant, they were very modest. There were so many programs going on in the City for the youth and these three council members, along with others, were really working hands on with the youth. Mayor Jones noted Tyson was giving out free food starting at 8:00 am tomorrow at the Police Department. There was no need to sign up just come and get in line. Mayor Jones noted he was honored as the Mayor to be sitting in this seat, after watching "The Movement" in theaters. To the citizens of this community, he does not take their words lightly as Mayor. To everyone, keep working with the young people because they have to do more for them. So much pressure was put onto them but if everyone keeps working with them then they can save them.

Council Member Saunders thanked the Mayor for allowing him to give comments at the event last Sunday and apologized for not calling him down front to stand with them. It was a pleasure to call Chiefs Booth and Morris to come down and stand. Council Member Campbell stated the film would be shown again on June 30. Mayor Jones encouraged people to go and see this production. It will be at Bibleway at 6:00 pm. He thanked Council Member Saunders and Campbell for the sacrifices their families made.

Meeting adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

APPROVED:

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

Council Letter

City of Danville, Virginia



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NEW BUSINESS A.

City Council REGULAR MEETING

Meeting Date: July 18, 2023

Subject: Consideration of the Expansion of the Rental Inspection District Program.

From: Ken Gillie, Director of Community Development

COUNCIL ACTION

1. Public Hearing
2. An Ordinance Amending Chapter 9, Entitled "Building and Development Regulations" of the Code of the City of Danville, More Specifically Article VIII, Entitled "Rental Housing Inspections", Section 9-196, Entitled "Residential Rental Housing Inspection Districts Reestablished; Applicability" to add (A)(4) and (A)(5) Creating a Fourth and Fifth Rental Inspection District.

SUMMARY

The City currently has three rental inspection districts; this program will create two additional rental inspection districts.

BACKGROUND

The City currently has three rental inspection districts. The northside, Old West End and south (Schoolfield) inspection districts. This program will create two additional rental inspection districts, one being the Paxton Street area, and the second being Almagro.

The City focused on these areas due to a high concentration of non-owner occupancy, age of structure, and frequency of code enforcement cases. The City also focused on the importance of these areas to the history of Danville, and wanted to preserve the integrity of the neighborhoods through a concentrated improvement effort. Descriptions of the two areas are as follows:

Area 1

The proposed district is located south and adjacent to the existing OWE (Old West End) rental district and contains 752 parcels, 473 parcels with structures. The area is bounded by Green Street Park and Five Forks to the North, Berryman Avenue to the East, Industrial Avenue to the South and South Main Street to the West. 53% or 251 parcels with structures within Area 1 are rental properties, 28% or 132 parcels with structures are owner occupied, and 19% or 89 parcels with structures are vacant.

Area 2

The proposed district is located south of Industrial Avenue and contains 260 parcels with structures.

The area is bounded by Industrial Avenue to the North, Oak Hill Cemetery to the East, Broadnax Street to the South and South Main Street to the West. 43% or 118 parcels within the proposed district are rental properties, 39% or 109 parcels are owner occupied, and 18% or 33 parcels are vacant.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that City Council adopt an ordinance creating two additional rental inspection districts.

Attachments

1. Ordinance
 2. Area 1
 3. Area 2
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PRESENTED: _____

ADOPTED: _____

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-____.____

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 9, ENTITLED "BUILDING AND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS" OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF DANVILLE, MORE SPECIFICALLY ARTICLE VIII, ENTITLED "RENTAL HOUSING INSPECTIONS", SECTION 9-196, ENTITLED "RESIDENTIAL RENTAL HOUSING INSPECTION DISTRICTS REESTABLISHED; APPLICABILITY" TO ADD (A)(4) AND (A)(5) CREATING A FOURTH AND FIFTH RENTAL INSPECTION DISTRICT.

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Danville has determined that there is a need to protect the public health, safety, and welfare of the occupants of dwelling units inside the Paxton and Almagro communities; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Danville has determined that the Residential rental dwelling units within the Paxton and Almagro communities are blighted, in the process of deteriorating, and in need of inspection by the City to prevent further deterioration; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Danville has determined that the inspection of residential rental dwelling units within the Paxton and Almagro communities is necessary to maintain safe, decent, and sanitary living conditions for tenants and other residents of such communities.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Danville, Virginia, that the current Chapter 9 entitled "Building and Development Regulations", Article VIII, entitled "Rental Housing Inspections ", Section 9-196, entitled "Residential Rental Housing Inspection District Reestablished; Applicability" of the Code of the City of Danville, Virginia, be, and the same is hereby, amended and reordained to read as follows:

Chapter 9. BUILDING AND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS

ARTICLE VIII. RENTAL HOUSING INSPECTIONS

Section 9-196. Residential rental housing inspection districts~~s~~ reestablished; applicability.

(a) The following area(s) are included, declared, and designated to be Rental Housing Inspection districts, which shall be subject to all provisions of this article:

(1) The general areas and all property and structures facing, ~~or~~ adjoining, **or enclosed by** streets beginning at South Main Street at **the** railroad tracks and dry bridge following **the** railroad tracks to Laurel Avenue, southeasterly to Rutledge Creek and following Rutledge Creek to Pumpkin Creek, continuing Northeast direction on Pumpkin Creek to South Main Street, South Main Street north to railroad tracks.

(2) The general areas and all property and structures facing, ~~or~~ adjoining, **or enclosed by streets** beginning at River Street at Fall Creek, following Fall Creek north to Crescent Street north to Richmond Boulevard, southwest on Richmond Boulevard to Moan~~na~~ Place, Moan~~na~~ Place to James Street, northwest on James Street to North Main Street north on North Main St. to Third Avenue, Third Avenue west to Locust Lane, north on Wendell Scott Dr. to Arnett Boulevard, Arnett Boulevard south to intersection of Riverside Drive and Union Street Bridge Road, southerly direction on Union Street Bridge Road to Henry Street, north on Henry Street to Short Street, easterly on Short Street to Farrar Street, Farrar Street to Riverside Drive, east on Riverside Drive to River Street at Fall Creek.

(3) The general areas and all property and structures facing, ~~or~~ adjoining, **or enclosed by streets** beginning at Green Street, Sutherlin Avenue, **the** 400 Block of Jefferson Street, Chestnut Street, Pine Street, **the** 200 Block of Jefferson Avenue, and **the** 700 Block of Patton Street.

(4) The general areas and all property and structures facing, adjoining, or enclosed by streets beginning at East Green Street and including 414 and 416 Dame Street, then south on Jefferson Street at its intersection with East Green Street but excluding Doyle Thomas Park to Buford Street, along all of the north side of Colquhoun Street to Dame Street and the south side of Colquhoun Street to Berryman Avenue, along all the western side of Park Street, along all of Temple Avenue, along all of Berryman Avenue excluding 601 Berryman Avenue, west along all of the north side of Lee Street to Berryman Avenue and the south side from its intersection with Jefferson Street, along all of Buford Street, along all of Stokes Street beginning at its intersection with Stovall's Alley, along all of Holbrook Avenue south of its intersection with Colquhoun Street to the railroad tracks, along all of Rison Street south of its intersection with Gray Stret, along all of Dodd Street, along all of Boatwright Street, along all of Forest Street, along all of Paxton Street beginning at its intersection with Stovall's Alley, and along all of the south side of Gray Street to Stovall's Alley and the north side of Gray Street to Rison Street.

(5) The general areas and all property and structures facing, adjoining, or enclosed by streets beginning at Pearl Street and Old South Main Street to the north side of Pearl Street at Parcel #24153 and on and the south side of Pearl Street to 138 Pearl Street, then along all of Flint Street, along all of Industrial Avenue between South Main Street and Foster Street, along all of Foster Street, along all of Branch Street, along all of Grace Street, along all of Jay Street, along all of Aye Street and including 920 Jefferson Street, along all of Betts Street, along all of Winslow Street, along all of Epps Street, along all of Lamar Street excluding Parcel #s 22297, 26003, and 26004, along all of Mabin Street, along all of Smith Street, along all of Lewis Street, along all of Vassar Street, along all of Broadnax Street, along all of Davis Street, along all of Warren Street, along all of Ayers Street, along all of Hughes Street east of its intersection with South Main Street, and along all of Dudley Street east of its intersection with South Main Street.

A map showing the Rental Housing Inspection's ~~three~~ **five** districts described herein this subsection 9-196(a) is hereby adopted as a part of this article, and shall be available for public inspection in the Inspections Division.

(b) The City Council ~~of the City of Danville, Virginia~~ may designate additional Rental Housing Inspection districts, or alter or eliminate current Rental Housing Inspection districts, after notice to all property owners within the proposed district, and after a public hearing thereon. In evaluating additional areas for rental district designation, the City Council shall consider the criteria contained in ~~section~~ **S**36-105.1:1 of the Code of Virginia, (1950), as amended.

(c) The City Council ~~of the City of Danville, Virginia~~ may designate an individual residential rental dwelling unit outside ~~a~~ **a** the Rental Housing Inspection district to be subject to the provisions of this article based on a separate finding for each dwelling unit that (i) there is a need to protect the public health, welfare, and safety of the occupants of that individual dwelling unit; (ii) the individual dwelling unit is either ~~(a)~~ blighted or ~~(b)~~ in the process of deteriorating; or (iii) there is evidence of violations of the building code that affects the safe, decent, and sanitary living conditions for tenants living in such individual dwelling unit.

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all other provisions and Chapters of said Code be, and the same are hereby, continued in full force and effect unless and until the same are hereafter amended or repealed.

Approved:

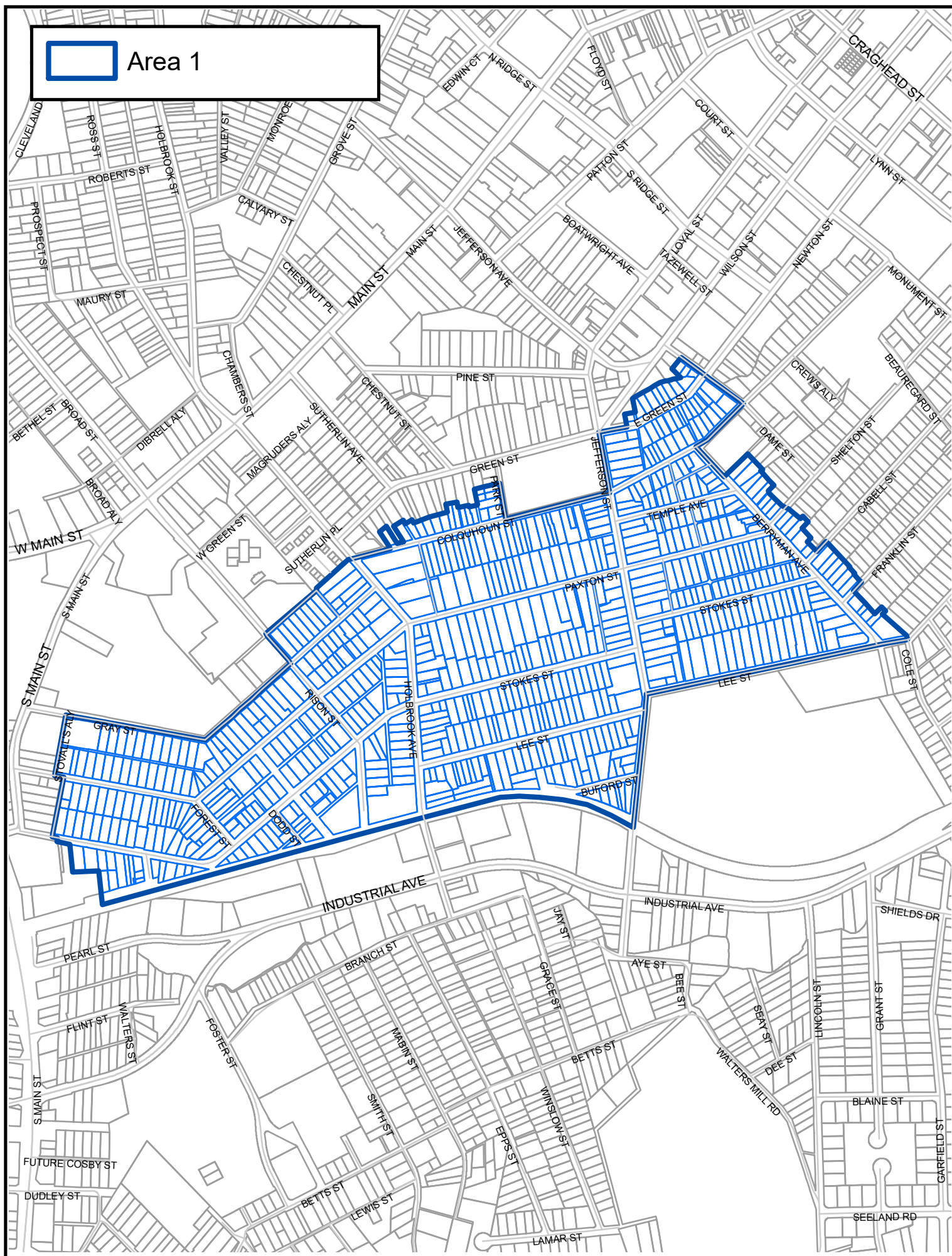
Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk

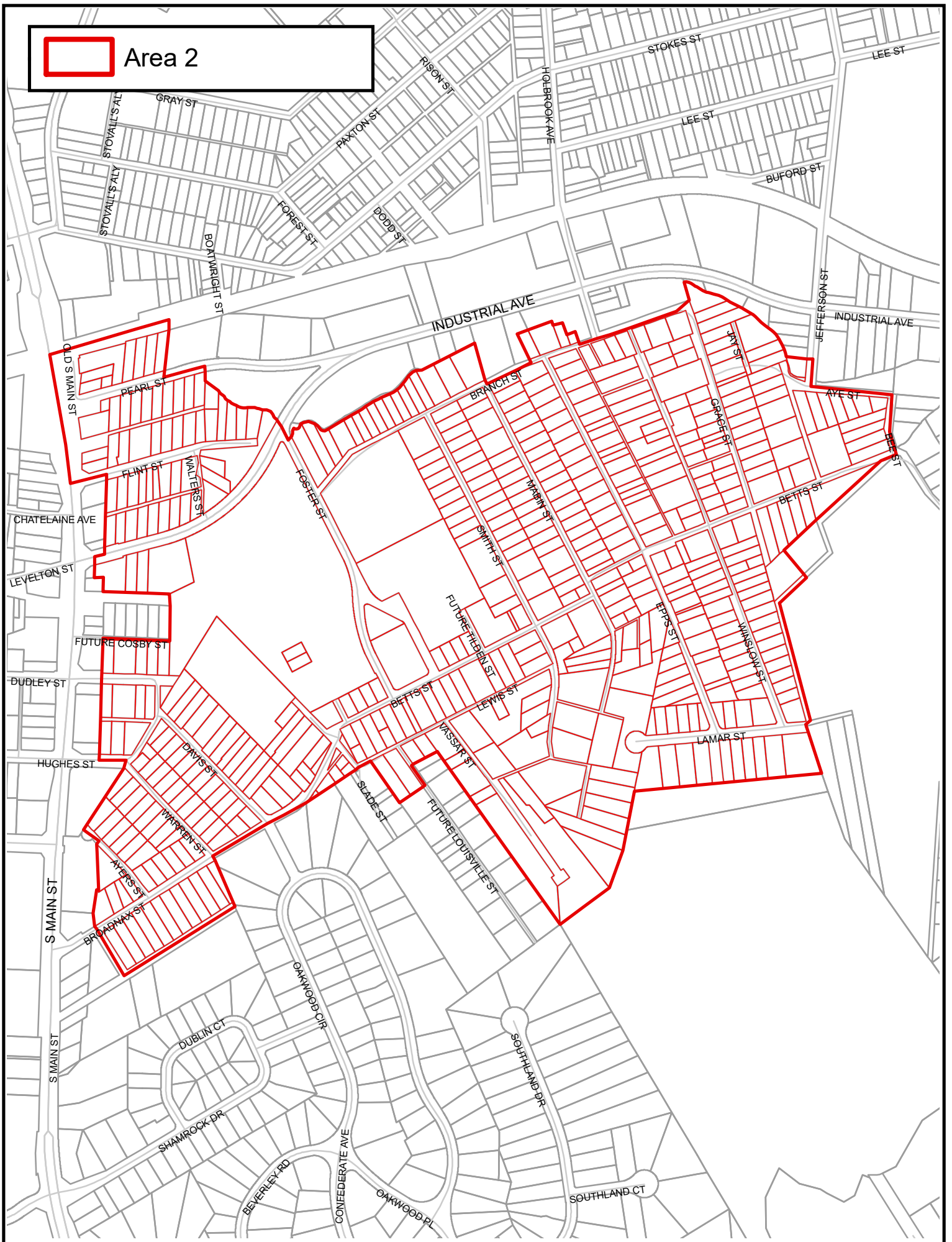
Approved as to
Form and Legal Sufficiency :

City Attorney





Area 2



Council Letter

City of Danville, Virginia



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NEW BUSINESS B.

City Council REGULAR MEETING

Meeting Date: July 18, 2023

Subject: Consideration of the Fiscal Year 2023-24 Community Development Program - One Year Action Plan.

From: Susan McCulloch, Division Director of Housing & Development

COUNCIL ACTION

1. Public Hearing
2. A Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Submit to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) a One Year Action Plan.

SUMMARY

The City of Danville is a participating jurisdiction under the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Under this designation, the City receives Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investments Partnership Program (HOME) funds annually. A prerequisite for the City to receive CDBG and HOME funds is the development of a One Year Annual Action Plan. Basic goals of the Plan are: 1) decent housing, 2) suitable living environment, and 3) expanded economic opportunities. All funded activities must address one or more national objectives: benefit low- to moderate-income persons, aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight, or meet an urgent community need for which no other funds are available.

BACKGROUND

A one-year Action Plan has been prepared specifying projects and activities that will be funded in the upcoming year(s). A large majority of the CDBG funds have historically been used for neighborhood revitalization efforts, and it is proposed to continue focusing on this effort in the 2023-24 Plan. In addition, there is a public service category which can be funded up to 15% of the annual allocation, that provides funding to assist non-profit organizations to carry out programs that benefit low- to moderate-income individuals and/or households. The total amount available in the category for the year is \$132,000. In the past, many of the same outside agencies have been funded under this category, however, this year the agencies were selected through a request for proposal process in accordance with HUD's guidelines. The City anticipates a total budget of \$1,248,966 for Fiscal Year 2023-24, comprised of \$853,442 CDBG funds, \$335,524 HOME funds, and \$60,000 estimated program income generated from loan repayments and the sale of houses currently under City's lease-to-purchase program. The proposed uses of funds for next fiscal year are described in the attachments, excluding those that will fall under the Public Services category. A Public Hearing on the Action Plan is advertised for City Council's July 18, 2023 meeting. The deadline for submittal to HUD is August 16, 2023. The public review period for the one year plan is 30 days, in accordance with HUD

CPD Notice 16-18 and included review by the Housing & Development Advisory Committee. The comment period will be July 13, 2023-August 14, 2023.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that City Council adopt the attached Resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2023-24 HUD One-Year Action Plan.

Attachments

1. Resolution
 2. City of Danville Draft One Year Action Plan - 2023
 3. Public Notice 2023-2024 Action Plan
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PRESENTED: _____

ADOPTED: _____

ORDINANCE NO. 2023 ____.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SUBMIT TO THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD) A ONE YEAR ACTION PLAN.

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development will make available \$853,442 in Community Development Block Grant Entitlement funds and \$335,524 in HOME Entitlement funds in addition to an anticipated \$60,000 in program income for the Program Year July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024 for eligible projects and activities in the Danville community; and

WHEREAS, the City is required to submit an Annual Action Plan describing activities that will be undertaken with the aforementioned funds during the Fiscal Year 2023-2024; and

WHEREAS, the City has fulfilled the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development's submission requirements.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Danville, Virginia, that it hereby authorizes and directs the City Manager to submit to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development the One Year Action Plan.

Approved:

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk

Approved as to
Form and Legal Sufficiency :

City Attorney

Executive Summary

AP-05 Executive Summary - 24 CFR 91.200(c), 91.220(b)

1. Introduction

The City of Danville is a participating jurisdiction under the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) grants. The grants are the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), the HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) grant, and the HOME-American Rescue Plan Program. The City of Danville receives annual CDBG and HOME funds from HUD to provide safe, affordable, and decent housing, as well as a suitable living environment and expanded economic opportunities. Use of these funds must address one of the following national objectives:

- Benefit low and moderate income persons
- Address slums or blight
- Meet an urgent community need

The CDBG entitlement for fiscal year 2023 is \$853,442 which includes \$25,000 of anticipated program income. HOME entitlement is \$335,524, which includes anticipated program income of \$35,000. Under the HOME program, the City is required to set aside at least 15% of HOME funds for a Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO). The CHDOs for fiscal year 2023 are Southside Outreach Group and Habitat for Humanity.

ARP provides funds for homelessness and supportive services assistance. The City of Danville was awarded \$990,667 to use these funds over several years. The City has been using a portion of this funding--\$340,000--as Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) to keep Danville residents with low- and very low-incomes faced with eviction in their homes. During last fiscal year, we prevented the eviction of 12 low-income families with a total of \$36,592 to pay rental arrears for families in grave financial need. ARP funds were also used to help the House of Hope shelter with \$600,000 double its capacity so more individuals and families who become homeless can have a safe and welcoming place to stay while they get help to find permanent housing.

2. Summarize the objectives and outcomes identified in the Plan

This could be a restatement of items or a table listed elsewhere in the plan or a reference to another location. It may also contain any essential items from the housing and homeless needs assessment, the housing market analysis or the strategic plan.

This year's Annual Plan will address national objectives. We will focus on stabilizing homeless individuals and families, the creation of affordable housing, eliminating barriers to affordable housing, addressing lead-based paint hazards and blight, and addressing non-housing concerns and needs like education, creating and improving parks/outdoor public spaces, reading and math literacy, and healthy human development across our community, especially for our low income and moderate income residents, from the very young to adults.

We will administer our federal grants while improving the condition of low-income homeowners, increase home ownership through our downpayment assistance program, acquire lots on which to build new homes, and support community service programs including early childhood education and youth development, increase job skills among our community members, continue to aid and support our homeless community residents in crisis while creating new housing options, and other services that benefit low and moderate income residents through the subrecipient organizations we support with CDBG funds. We will increase new home availability through our CHDOs and construction using CDBG or HOME funds. We will continue to prevent evictions where possible by disbursing more TBRA assistance from the original \$340,000 allocated for this purpose. The City also aided House of Hope with an additional \$43,226 from the ARP funds to pay a portion of the Executive Director's salary in FY2022.

3. Evaluation of past performance

This is an evaluation of past performance that helped lead the grantee to choose its goals or projects.

Danville has a history of successful programs using the Community Development Block Grant and the HOME Investment Partnership program. The City has funded housing rehabilitation programs that have improved the housing stock for low-mod income and elderly homeowners unable to maintain their homes. The City has worked with various homeless service providers to help the homeless find jobs, housing, health services and educational opportunities. Past performance can be found in the yearly CAPER reports (Consolidate Annual Performance and Evaluation Reports).

4. Summary of Citizen Participation Process and consultation process

Summary from citizen participation section of plan.

This is a summary from the citizen participation section of plan.

The City will advertise the Annual Plan for 30 days while advertising the HOME-ARP plan. We will have two public hearings in City Hall, and put copies of the plan in the public library, Averett University library, City Hall, multiple police precincts, and the Danville Redevelopment and Housing Authority. The plan will also be advertised on the City's website.

5. Summary of public comments

This could be a brief narrative summary or reference an attached document from the Citizen Participation section of the Con Plan.

The public comment period is just starting and will run for 30 days. At the end of the period any comments will be integrated into this plan.

6. Summary of comments or views not accepted and the reasons for not accepting them

N/A

7. Summary

As above. The City of Danville always welcomes any comments and questions regarding our Annual Action Plan and will share them at the end of the public comment period.

PR-05 Lead & Responsible Agencies – 91.200(b)

1. Agency/entity responsible for preparing/administering the Consolidated Plan

Describe the agency/entity responsible for preparing the Consolidated Plan and those responsible for administration of each grant program and funding source.

Agency Role	Name	Department/Agency
CDBG Administrator	Danville	Community Development
HOME Administrator	Danville	Community Development

Table 1 – Responsible Agencies

Narrative (optional)

The City of Danville's Department of Community Development is the lead agency that assumes responsibility for the Annual Action Plan as well as the CAPER and Consolidated Plan. Although the City of Danville is the responsible entity, we consult and partner with local agencies and our Continuum of Care to help determine the needs of the City and who would most benefit from various programs.

Consolidated Plan Public Contact Information

Kenneth Gillie, Director of Community Development, 427 Patton Street, Danville, VA 24541.

E-mail: gillikc@danvilleva.gov

AP-10 Consultation – 91.100, 91.200(b), 91.215(l)

1. Introduction

The City of Danville works with many agencies, organizations and service providers to determine the needs of the community and how our funds may be used to meet those needs.

Provide a concise summary of the jurisdiction's activities to enhance coordination between public and assisted housing providers and private and governmental health, mental health and service agencies (91.215(l))

The City of Danville works with the Danville Redevelopment and Housing Authority, Danville/Pittsylvania Habitat for Humanity, our local shelter, the Danville Department of Social Services, West Piedmont Planning District and our local CoC on housing development, to determine the extent of our housing shortage and what needs can be addressed and met using our federal funding. We coordinate with Pittsylvania County Community Action, Danville Pittsylvania Community Services, and Danville Department of Social Services to help determine which health, mental health and service agencies provide the most benefit to our population and thus would most benefit from funding. The City of Danville maintains and builds relationships with mental health providers, homeless shelter providers, housing education advocates and youth development providers.

Describe coordination with the Continuum of Care and efforts to address the needs of homeless persons (particularly chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans, and unaccompanied youth) and persons at risk of homelessness.

The City of Danville requests the input of the CoC through email, virtual meetings and telephone calls while sharing our funding plans and requesting their feedback, ideas and plans. By partnering together, we can establish which organizations are best suited to provide services to meet urgent community needs and support those organizations.

Describe consultation with the Continuum(s) of Care that serves the jurisdiction's area in determining how to allocate ESG funds, develop performance standards for and evaluate outcomes of projects and activities assisted by ESG funds, and develop funding, policies and procedures for the operation and administration of HMIS

Staff from the City of Danville participate in the development and activities of the COC.

2. Describe Agencies, groups, organizations and others who participated in the process and describe the jurisdiction's consultations with housing, social service agencies and other entities

Agency/Group/Organization	Agency/Group/Organization Type	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?
DRHA	Housing, PHA, Housing Services, Housing Education	Housing needs assessment and public housing needs	Emails and meetings will be used to receive input on this annual action plan, as we did last year.

Table 2 – Agencies, groups, organizations who participated

Identify any Agency Types not consulted and provide rationale for not consulting these

N/A

Other local/regional/state/federal planning efforts considered when preparing the Plan

Name of Plan	Lead Organization	How do the goals of your Strategic Plan overlap with the goals of each plan?
Continuum of Care		The lead of the organization was STEP, Inc. until June of 2023. The City was advised in June that this will be changing for the upcoming year. A lead organization has not been chosen yet.

Table 3 – Other local / regional / federal planning efforts

Narrative (optional)

AP-12 Participation – 91.105, 91.200(c)

1. Summary of citizen participation process/Efforts made to broaden citizen participation Summarize citizen participation process and how it impacted goal-setting

The citizen participation process is underway now. It includes two planned in-person public outreach events at the Danville Public Library, a City Council meeting, an ad on the City website, on River TV, and a newspaper ad to be run on in The Register Bee on July 13th.

We will have the results of public outreach efforts on or about August 1, 2023.

Citizen Participation Outreach

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
1	Newspaper Ad	Non-targeted/broad community				
2	Public Meeting	Non-targeted/broad community				
3	Public Meeting	Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Spanish				

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
4	Internet Outreach	Non-targeted/broad community Residents of Public and Assisted Housing				

Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach

Expected Resources

AP-15 Expected Resources – 91.220(c)(1,2)

Introduction

Anticipated Resources

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
CDBG	public - federal	Acquisition Admin and Planning Economic Development Housing Public Improvements Public Services	853,442	25,000	0	878,442	0	Fiscal year 2023 amount as of May 3, 2023

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
HOME	public - federal	Acquisition Homebuyer assistance Homeowner rehab Multifamily rental new construction Multifamily rental rehab New construction for ownership TBRA	335,524	35,000	0	370,524	0	Fiscal year 2023 amount as of May 3, 2023

Table 5 - Expected Resources – Priority Table

Explain how federal funds will leverage those additional resources (private, state and local funds), including a description of how matching requirements will be satisfied

These funds do not require matching funds.

If appropriate, describe publicly owned land or property located within the jurisdiction that may be used to address the needs identified in the plan

To be determined.

Discussion

Annual Goals and Objectives

AP-20 Annual Goals and Objectives

Goals Summary Information

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator

Table 6 – Goals Summary

Goal Descriptions

Goal Name	Goal Description
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Projects

AP-35 Projects – 91.220(d)

Introduction

The Projects the City of Danville proposes to support in FY2023-24 are:

Project Information

1	CDBG Administration - H & D
2	Fair Housing
3	CDBG Housing Rehab Program Activities
4	Education-Church and Community Tutorial
5	Education- CIC Head Start
6	Public Parks and Recreation - Westmoreland Park
7	CHDO Support - Habitat for Humanity
8	CHDO - Southside
9	Youth Development-Boys and Girls Club
10	Neighbors Helping Neighbors - Utilities
11	Danville Speech and Hearing
12	Virginia Legal Aid
13	Recreation/Big Brothers Big Sisters
14	Rehab Program Delivery Costs
15	Home Administration
16	HOME Housing Rehab Program
17	Temporary Shelter/Transitional Housing
18	CDBG Education Programs

Describe the reasons for allocation priorities and any obstacles to addressing underserved needs

The City's priority continues to be preservation and creation of housing for our low and very low-income residents. A lack of housing and inability to keep up with housing costs are a threat to the physical and emotional well-being of Danville's youth, children, and adults. The PFM study and other studies continually identify our lack of housing as a barrier to economic development in Danville.

AP-50 Geographic Distribution – 91.220(f)

Description of the geographic areas of the entitlement (including areas of low-income and minority concentration) to where assistance will be directed

Our federal funds will be used city-wide without a concentration nor target area.

Geographic Distribution

Target Area	Percentage of Funds
Citywide	100
CDBG Area Benefit	

Table 7 - Geographic Distribution

Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

Except for the use of admin funds, the funds will be used city-wide.

Discussion

Affordable Housing

AP-55 Affordable Housing – 91.220(g)

Introduction

One Year Goals for the Number of Households to be Supported	
Homeless	320
Non-Homeless	400
Special-Needs	40
Total	760

Table 8 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Requirement

One Year Goals for the Number of Households Supported Through	
Rental Assistance	24
The Production of New Units	1
Rehab of Existing Units	12
Acquisition of Existing Units	1
Total	38

Table 9 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Type

Discussion

A shortage of contractors in Danville continues to be a barrier to the City increasing the number of new and rehabbed housing units the City can create. Planning is underway in FY2023-24 to organize a collaboration with a regional school to increase the number of skilled trades workers in our area.

AP-60 Public Housing – 91.220(h)

Introduction

Actions planned during the next year to address the needs to public housing

Actions to encourage public housing residents to become more involved in management and participate in homeownership

If the PHA is designated as troubled, describe the manner in which financial assistance will be provided or other assistance

Discussion

AP-65 Homeless and Other Special Needs Activities – 91.220(i)

Introduction

Describe the jurisdictions one-year goals and actions for reducing and ending homelessness including

Reaching out to homeless persons (especially unsheltered persons) and assessing their individual needs

Addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons

Helping homeless persons (especially chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans and their families, and unaccompanied youth) make the transition to permanent housing and independent living, including shortening the period of time that individuals and families experience homelessness, facilitating access for homeless individuals and families to affordable housing units, and preventing individuals and families who were recently homeless from becoming homeless again

Helping low-income individuals and families avoid becoming homeless, especially extremely low-income individuals and families and those who are: being discharged from publicly funded institutions and systems of care (such as health care facilities, mental health facilities, foster care and other youth facilities, and corrections programs and institutions); or, receiving assistance from public or private agencies that address housing, health, social services, employment, education, or youth needs.

Discussion

AP-75 Barriers to affordable housing – 91.220(j)

Introduction:

No public policies have been identified as yet that have a negative effect on affordable housing development.

Actions it planned to remove or ameliorate the negative effects of public policies that serve as barriers to affordable housing such as land use controls, tax policies affecting land, zoning ordinances, building codes, fees and charges, growth limitations, and policies affecting the return on residential investment

N/A

Discussion:

The City has worked to reduce/remove policies that may hinder the availability or development of affordable housing.

AP-85 Other Actions – 91.220(k)

Introduction:

Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs

Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing

Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards

Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families

Actions planned to develop institutional structure

Actions planned to enhance coordination between public and private housing and social service agencies

Discussion:

Program Specific Requirements

AP-90 Program Specific Requirements – 91.220(l)(1,2,4)

Introduction:

Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG)

Reference 24 CFR 91.220(l)(1)

Projects planned with all CDBG funds expected to be available during the year are identified in the Projects Table. The following identifies program income that is available for use that is included in projects to be carried out.

1. The total amount of program income that will have been received before the start of the next program year and that has not yet been reprogrammed
2. The amount of proceeds from section 108 loan guarantees that will be used during the year to address the priority needs and specific objectives identified in the grantee's strategic plan
3. The amount of surplus funds from urban renewal settlements
4. The amount of any grant funds returned to the line of credit for which the planned use has not been included in a prior statement or plan.
5. The amount of income from float-funded activities

Total Program Income

Other CDBG Requirements

1. The amount of urgent need activities

HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME)

Reference 24 CFR 91.220(l)(2)

1. A description of other forms of investment being used beyond those identified in Section 92.205 is as follows:
2. A description of the guidelines that will be used for resale or recapture of HOME funds when used for homebuyer activities as required in 92.254, is as follows:
3. A description of the guidelines for resale or recapture that ensures the affordability of units acquired with HOME funds? See 24 CFR 92.254(a)(4) are as follows:
4. Plans for using HOME funds to refinance existing debt secured by multifamily housing that is rehabilitated with HOME funds along with a description of the refinancing guidelines required that will be used under 24 CFR 92.206(b), are as follows:
5. If applicable to a planned HOME TBRA activity, a description of the preference for persons with

special needs or disabilities. (See 24 CFR 92.209(c)(2)(i) and CFR 91.220(l)(2)(vii)).

6. If applicable to a planned HOME TBRA activity, a description of how the preference for a specific category of individuals with disabilities (e.g. persons with HIV/AIDS or chronic mental illness) will narrow the gap in benefits and the preference is needed to narrow the gap in benefits and services received by such persons. (See 24 CFR 92.209(c)(2)(ii) and 91.220(l)(2)(vii)).
7. If applicable, a description of any preference or limitation for rental housing projects. (See 24 CFR 92.253(d)(3) and CFR 91.220(l)(2)(vii)). Note: Preferences cannot be administered in a manner that limits the opportunities of persons on any basis prohibited by the laws listed under 24 CFR 5.105(a).

PUBLIC NOTICE
CITY OF DANVILLE
2023-2024 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN

The City of Danville is a participating jurisdiction under the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investments Partnership programs. Basic goals are (1) Decent Housing, (2) Suitable Living Environment, and (3) Expanded Economic Opportunities. All funded activities must address one or more national program objectives: benefit low- to moderate income persons, aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight, or meet an urgent community need for which no other funds are available. The City has prepared a one-year Action Plan that specifies projects and activities to be funded during the coming year. **The City's HUD grant is anticipated to be \$1,248,966 for fiscal year 2023-2024 (7/1/2023 – 6/30/2024), comprised of \$853,442 CDBG funds, \$335,524 HOME funds, and \$60,000 estimated program income.**

Public Meetings will be held on:

The City will hold a Public Hearing on **July 18, 2023 at 7:00 pm** in City Council Chambers to solicit comments on the 2023-2024 Action Plan. Additional public meetings will be held on:

July 20, 2023 from 4PM to 6PM, Danville Public Library, 2nd Floor
July 25, 2023 from 11AM to 1PM, Danville Public Library, 2nd Floor

I. 2023-2024 Proposed CDBG Budget

A. Anticipated Revenues

CDBG Entitlement	\$ 853,442
Estimated Program Income	<u>25,000</u>
	868,442

B. Proposed Expenditures

CDBG Admin H & D	\$ 73,200
City Housing Programs	304,658
Fair Housing	21,250
Public Parks, Westmoreland	50,000
City Housing Administration	287,334
Neighbors Helping Neighbors	15,000
Danville Speech and Hearing	7,500
Legal Aid	15,000
Big Brothers/Big Sisters	10,000
Temporary Shelter	10,000
CIC/Head Start	45,000
Boys and Girls Club/College Bound	10,000
Church and Community Tutorial Program	14,500
House of Hope	<u>5,000</u>
	868,442

II. 2023-2024 Proposed HOME Budget

A. Anticipated Revenues

Estimated Program Income	\$ 335,524
	<u>35,000</u>
	365,524

B. Proposed Expenditures

Housing Programs	\$ 249,024
Home Administration	36,500
CHDO Habitat for Humanity	<u>80,000</u>
	365,524

III. Budget Total **\$ 1,248,996**

For More Information and Reading Copies

For more information, call Susan McCulloch at the Community Development Department, 427 Patton Street, P.O. Box 3300, Danville, VA 24543, Phone: (434) 799-5260, email mcculse@danvilleva.gov. **Copies will be available for review at the Community Development Office (427 Patton Street, Rooms 207 & 211), The Danville Public Library (511 Patton Street) and the Danville Redevelopment and Housing Authority (651 Cardinal Place).**

The 30-day comment period will be July 13 – August 14, 2023.

Council Letter

City of Danville, Virginia



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NEW BUSINESS C.

City Council REGULAR MEETING

Meeting Date: July 18, 2023

Subject: Consideration of a Resolution in Support of a Proposed Water Main Extension to Virginia International Raceway.

From: Ken Larking, City Manager

COUNCIL ACTION

A Resolution Supporting the Operational Framework for a Water Main Extension to the Virginia International Raceway Campus.

SUMMARY

The County of Halifax is applying for an Economic Development Administration (EDA) grant to help fund a waterline extension from Pittsylvania County to the Virginia International Raceway (VIR) in Halifax County. Since the City of Danville would provide finished water for this project, the EDA would like to have confirmation that the City Council of Danville is aware of this project and intends to work with the two counties to help facilitate the successful completion of the project by selling water through current sales agreements.

BACKGROUND

The Virginia International Raceway is currently served by a well-based water system. In order to improve reliability, Halifax County seeks to have a waterline extension from an existing waterline in Pittsylvania County located at the intersection of Ringgold Depot Road and Shawnee Road, to their property. This will serve VIR and a nearby industrial park, as well as those along the route of the waterline. Halifax County has secured about \$5 million in funding for the project, which is projected to cost \$8.9 million. The EDA requests that the City of Danville and Pittsylvania County adopt a resolution supporting the operational framework for a water main extension to the VIR campus.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the City Council adopt a resolution supporting the operational framework for a water main extension to the Virginia International Raceway campus.

Attachments

1. Resolution
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PRESENTED: _____

ADOPTED: _____

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-____.____

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE OPERATIONAL FRAMEWORK FOR A WATER MAIN EXTENSION TO THE VIRGINIA INTERNATIONAL RACEWAY CAMPUS.

WHEREAS, the Virginia International Raceway and its Virginia Motorsports Technology Park is a tremendous asset to the Commonwealth of Virginia and the Southern Virginia region with a significant economic impact to the region including Halifax County, Pittsylvania County, and the City of Danville; and

WHEREAS, Halifax County is taking the lead role to provide a consistent and sustainable water source for the Raceway and Technology Park to ensure its long-term presence and to fully realize the potential economic growth and job creation in the region; and

WHEREAS, the optimal solution is to extend the existing potable water main from the intersection of Ringgold Depot Road and Shawnee Road in eastern Pittsylvania County, eastward along U.S. Highway 58 to Halifax County and then onto the VIR campus. The City of Danville will be the water source origination; and,

WHEREAS, Halifax County, with the help of others, has secured \$5.0 million of the \$8.9 million total estimated project cost and in an effort to reduce the reliance on local funds from the 3 governmental entities is currently compiling an application to the U.S. Economic Development Administration for the balance of the funding; and

WHEREAS, the application process requires an agreement between the parties as to ownership and roles for the project. The parties declare the portions

of the pipeline will be owned and operated by the respective County entities in which the pipeline resides, and the role of the City is to provide for the availability of water under current sales agreements; and

WHEREAS, Halifax County will be the lead applicant, fiscal agent, and project manager for this project.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Halifax County, Pittsylvania County, and the City of Danville fully support an application for funding to the U.S. Economic Development Administration and reaffirm each's role and ownership in a fully funded project.

Approved:

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk

Approved as to
Form and Legal Sufficiency :

City Attorney