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A Regular Work Session of the Danville City Council convened on June 6, 2023 at 8:29 p.m. in 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, and Madison J.R. Whittle (8). J. Lee Vogler, Jr., was absent (1). Mr. Buckner left the meeting at 8:58 p.m.

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.

MEETING MINUTES

Upon Motion by Council Member Buckner and second by Council Member Campbell, the Minutes of the Regular Work Session held on April 18, 2023 were approved as presented. Draft copies were distributed to Council Members prior to the Meeting.

Mayor Jones noted the Consideration of Appointments to Boards and Commissions has been postponed to a later date.

WORK SESSION ITEMS

CONSIDERATION OF REVISIONS TO THE PERSONAL SYSTEM REGULATIONS

Mr. Larking noted the biggest item in the revisions was annual leave for those who have accumulated too much; instead of disappearing, it will be transferred to sick leave. Director of Human Resources Sara Weller stated that was the biggest policy change, and explained she also added the City would do a comprehensive salary study every three years; that had not been formalized and given the changes over the last few years, she added that in.

PROGRAM UPDATES

Mr. Larking noted he would email the reasons why staff added some conditions to the RV park application for a special use permit on Jenny Lane. Mr. Larking asked if Council would like staff to ask the Planning Commission to look at staff's recommendations for the other conditions and Council noted they would. In response to Council Member Campbell, Mr. Larking stated a traffic study for the RV park was already recommended by the Planning Commission and staff does not anticipate that changing. Mr. Larking noted for clarification, Council does not want to act on this item until they understand what the traffic study says needs to be done. Mr. Whittle questioned whether it addressed the sewer issues or not and Mr. Larking explained the conditions that staff recommends included that it must be served with public utilities.

CLOSED MEETING

At 8:35 p.m., Vice Mayor Miller **moved** that this meeting of the City Council of the City of Danville, Virginia be recessed and that Council immediately reconvene in a Closed Meeting for the following purposes: discussion or consideration of the acquisition and/or disposition of real property for a public purpose where discussion in an open meeting would adversely impact the bargaining position of the City as permitted by Subsection (A)(3) of Section 2.2-3711 of the Code of Virginia, 1950 as amended, and more specifically to consider a discussion regarding the sale and/or potential purchase of a specific parcel of property for use by prospective industrial,

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commercial, and mixed use projects looking to locate in the City, and an Economic Development discussion and update concerning a prospective business or industry where no previous announcement has been made and/or the expansion of an existing business or industry where no previous announcement been made as permitted by Subsection (A)(5) of Section 2.2-3711 of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended and more specifically to consider an update on multiple prospective commercial, mixed use, hospitality, and industrial projects considering locating within the City and/or locating within the region in cooperation with the City's regional partners.

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

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

Upon unanimous vote at 9:01 p.m., Council reconvened in open session and Vice Mayor Miller **moved** for adoption of the following Resolution:

CERTIFICATE OF CLOSED MEETING

WHEREAS, the Council convened in Closed Meeting on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act; and WHEREAS, Section 2.1-344.1 of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, requires a Certification by the Council that such Closed Meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia Law; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council hereby certifies that, to the best of each Member's knowledge, (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements of Virginia Law under Section 2.2-3711 were heard, discussed or considered, and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the Motion by which the Closed Meeting was convened were heard, discussed or considered by the Committee.

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

VOTE: 7-0-2
AYE: Campbell, Hood, Mayo,
Miller, Saunders, Vogler and Whittle (7)
NAY: None
ABSENT: Buckner, Jones (2)

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 9:02 P.M.

APPROVED:

s/Alonzo L. Jones
MAYOR

ATTEST:

s/Susan M. DeMasi, CMC
CITY CLERK