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CITY OF NEWBURGH
COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA
SESION GENERAL DEL CONSEJAL

March 9, 2020
7:00 PM

Mayor/Alcaldesa

1. Moment of Silence/ Momento de Silencio
2. Pledge of Allegiance/ Juramento a la Alianza

City Clerk:/Secretaria de la Ciudad

3. Roll Call/ Lista de Asistencia

Communications/Comunicaciones

4. Approval of the Minutes of the City Council Meeting on February 24, 2020
Aprobación del Acta de la Reunión General del Concejal del 24 de febrero de 2020
5. City Manager Update/ Gerente de la ciudad pone al día a la audiencia de los planes de cada departamento

Presentations/Presentaciones

Comments from the public regarding agenda and general matters of City Business/Comentarios del público con respecto a la agenda y sobre asuntos generales de la Ciudad.

Comments from the Council regarding the agenda and general matters of City Business/Comentarios del Consejo con respecto a la agenda y sobre asuntos generales de la Ciudad

City Manager's Report/ Informe del Gerente de la Ciudad

6. Resolution No. 56 - 2020 - Drinking Water Rate Study Proposal with RAFTELIS

Resolution authorizing the City Manager to accept a proposal and execute a contract with Raftelis Financial Consultants, Inc. for professional financial services for a water rate study in an amount not to exceed \$42,980.00.

Una resolución autorizando al Gerente de la Ciudad a aceptar una propuesta y ejecutar un contrato con Raftelis Financial Consultants, Inc. para servicios financieros profesionales para un estudio de la tarifa del agua por un monto que no exceda \$42,980.00.

7. Resolution No. 57 - 2020 - Proposal with QUEST for Asbestos Testing and

Abatement at 123 Grand Street

Resolution authorizing the execution of a contract with Quality Environmental Solutions & Technologies, Inc. (QUES&T) in an amount not to exceed \$6,000.00 for pre-construction asbestos survey, variance development and application and bid specification services for 123 Grand Street improvements.

Una resolución autorizando la ejecución de un contrato con Quality Environmental Solutions & Technologies, Inc. (QUES&T) por un monto que no exceda \$6,000.00 para un estudio de asbestos previo a construcción, Desarrollo de varianzas y solicitud y servicios de especificación de licitaciones para mejoras en la 123 de la Calle Grand.

8. Resolution No. 58 - 2020 - Release of Restrictive Covenants - 424 Carpenter Avenue, unit 22

Resolution authorizing the execution of a release of restrictive covenants and right of re-entry from a deed issued to Marcee Clark to the premises known as 424 Carpenter Avenue, unit 22 (Section 56, Block 1, Lot 1.-45).

Una resolución autorizando la ejecución de una liberación de cláusulas restrictivas y derecho de reingreso de una escritura emitida a Marcee Clark a las instalaciones conocidas como la 424 de la Avenida Carpenter, unidad 22 (Sección 56, Bloque 1, Lote 1.45).

9. Resolution No .59 - 2020 - Release of Restrictive Covenants - 242 Robinson Avenue

Resolution authorizing the execution of a release of restrictive covenants and right of re-entry from a deed issued to Carlos A. Rivera and Donna M. Rivera to the premises known as 242 Robinson Avenue (Section 7, Block 2, Lot 6)

Una resolución autorizando la ejecución de una liberación de cláusulas restrictivas y derecho de reingreso de una escritura emitida a Carlos A. Rivera y Donna M. Rivera a las instalaciones conocidas como la 242 de la Avenida Robinson (Sección 7, Bloque 2, Lote 6)

10. Resolution No. 60 - 2020 - Donation of a Bicycle Rack at 159 Broadway

A resolution authorizing the City Manager to accept a donation of a bicycle rack from Reggie Young for installation and use in front of 159 Broadway.

Una resolución autorizando al Gerente de la Ciudad a aceptar una donación de un estante de bicicletas de Reggie Young para instalación y uso frente de 159 Broadway.

11. Resolution No. 61 - 2020 - Endeavor Municipal Development, Inc. - renewal contracts

Resolution authorizing three renewal agreements with Endeavor Municipal Development, Inc. for grant consulting services in an amount not to exceed

\$24,000.00 per agreement for a 12 month period.

Una resolución autorizando tres acuerdos de renovación con Endeavor Municipal Development, Inc. para servicios consultivos para subvenciones en un monto que no exceda \$24,000.00 por acuerdo por un periodo de 12 meses.

12. Resolution No. 62 - 2020 - 2020 Stop DWI Grant

A resolution authorizing the City Manager or the Police Chief, as Manager's designee, to execute an inter-municipal agreement with the County of Orange confirming City of Newburgh participation in the Stop-DWI program for the enforcement period of March 13, 2020 to January 1, 2021 and to accept an award not to exceed \$3,668.00 covering 70 person-hours for the first enforcement period of 2020 (March 13, 2020 – May 26, 2020).

Una resolución autorizando al Gerente de la Ciudad o al Jefe de Policía, como designado del Gerente a ejecutar un acuerdo inter-municipal con el Condado de Orange confirmando la participación de la Ciudad de Newburgh en el programa "Stop-DWI" para un periodo de realización del 13 de marzo de 2020 a 1 de enero de 2021 y para aceptar una concesión que no exceda \$3,668.00 el cual cubre 70 horas de persona para el primer periodo de realización del 2020 (13 de marzo de 2020 – 26 de Mayo de 2020)

13. Resolution No. 63 - 2020 - Frederick Douglass Day declaration - August 11, 2020

Resolution of the City Council of the City of Newburgh declaring August 11, 2020 as Frederick Douglass Day of Civic Engagement in the City of Newburgh.

Una resolución del Ayuntamiento de la Ciudad de Newburgh declarando el 11 de agosto de 2020 como el Día de Frederick Douglass de Participación Ciudadana en la Ciudad de Newburgh.

14. Resolution No. 64 - 2020 - Conservation Advisory Council - proposed appointments

Resolution appointing Marc Lallanilla, Andrew Murphy, and Robert Sanchez to the Conservation Advisory Council for two year terms.

Una resolución nombrando a Marc Lallanilla, Andrew Murphy, y Robert Sanchez al Concejo Consultivo de Conservación por un término de dos años.

15. Resolution No. 65 - 2020 - Censuring Omari Shakur, City Council Member At Large

A resolution censuring Omari Shakur, City Council Member At Large, for his words and actions on February 18, 2020.

Una resolución censurando a Omari Shakur, Miembro General del Consejo de la Ciudad, por su uso de palabras y acciones el 18 de febrero de 2020.

Old Business: / Asuntos Pendientes

New Business: / Nuevos Negocios

Final Comments from the City Council/ Comentarios Finales del Ayuntamiento:

Adjournment/ Aplazamiento:

RESOLUTION NO.: 56 - 2020

OF

MARCH 9, 2020

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ACCEPT A PROPOSAL
AND EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH RAFTELIS FINANCIAL CONSULTANTS, INC.
FOR PROFESSIONAL FINANCIAL SERVICES FOR A WATER RATE STUDY
IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$42,980.00**

WHEREAS, recent water quality concerns have forced the City of Newburgh to reconsider Washington Lake as a continued source of raw water; and

WHEREAS, the City arranged to purchase raw water from the Catskill Aqueduct, which is part of the New York City water system and is overseen by the New York City Department of Environmental Protection and the New York City Water Board and anticipates continuing to purchase water from the Catskill Aqueduct and using Browns Pond as a backup water source for the foreseeable future; and

WHEREAS, due to the uncertainty regarding cost reimbursement for raw water from the Catskill Aqueduct, legal costs associated with disputes regarding contamination, and associated property tax increases, the City wishes to engage a qualified financial and rate consultant to evaluate the financial condition of the water system, forecast annual revenue needs, and provide water rate projections over a five-year planning horizon; and

WHEREAS, Raftelis Financial Consultants, Inc. is qualified to provide such professional financial services and has prepared a proposal for developing a customized financial plan for the City's drinking water system from which the City will be able to monitor and project cash flows, revenues, revenue requirements, utility rate review and rate structure revision for the purposes of annual budgeting, capital planning and rate setting purposes; and

WHEREAS, funding for the drinking water rate study in the amount of \$42,980 will be derived from the 2020 Water Fund Operating Budget Line F.8330.0448; and

WHEREAS, this Council determines accepting the proposal and entering into a contract with Raftelis Financial Consultants, Inc. for professional financial services in connection with the development of a drinking water rate study is in the best interests of the City of Newburgh;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of Newburgh, New York that the City Manager be and he is hereby authorized to accept a proposal and execute a contract with Raftelis Financial Consultants, Inc. for professional financial services for a drinking water rate study in an amount not to exceed \$42,980.00.

RESOLUTION NO.: 57 - 2020

OF

MARCH 9, 2020

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT WITH
QUALITY ENVIRONMENTAL SOLUTIONS & TECHNOLOGIES, INC. (QUES&T)
IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$6,000.00 FOR PRE-CONSTRUCTION
ASBESTOS SURVEY, VARIANCE DEVELOPMENT AND APPLICATION AND
BID SPECIFICATION SERVICES FOR 123 GRAND STREET IMPROVEMENTS**

WHEREAS, the City of Newburgh is undertaking improvements to the Grand Street Courthouse building located at 123 Grand Street; and

WHEREAS, the improvements to the building presumes the presence of asbestos containing material which must be addressed in compliance with law, rule and regulation; and

WHEREAS, Quality Environmental Solutions & Technologies, Inc. (QUES&T) is a qualified environmental remediation consultant and has submitted a proposal for ensuring compliance with applicable laws, rules and regulations related to the preparation of a pre-construction asbestos survey, variance development and application, and specifications and bid documents for the work; and

WHEREAS, the cost for these services will not exceed \$6,000.00 and funding shall be derived from A.1620.0208.0001; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has reviewed the annexed proposal and has determined that such work would be in the best interests of the City of Newburgh;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of Newburgh, New York, that the City Manager be and he hereby is authorized to execute a contract with Quality Environmental Solutions & Technologies, Inc. for pre-construction asbestos related services in an amount not to exceed \$6,000.00 in connection with improvements to 123 Grand Street.

RESOLUTION NO.: 58-2020

OF

MARCH 9, 2020

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A RELEASE OF
RESTRICTIVE COVENANTS AND RIGHT OF RE-ENTRY FROM A DEED
ISSUED TO MARCEE CLARK TO THE PREMISES KNOWN AS
424 CARPENTER AVENUE, UNIT 22 (SECTION 56, BLOCK 1, LOT 1.45)**

WHEREAS, on December 8, 2009, the City of Newburgh conveyed property located at 424 Carpenter Avenue, unit 22, being more accurately described on the official Tax Map of the City of Newburgh as Section 56, Block 1, Lot 1.45, to Marcee Clark; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Clark's attorney has requested a release of the restrictive covenants contained in said deed; and

WHEREAS, this Council believes it is in the best interest of the City of Newburgh to grant such request;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of Newburgh, New York that the City Manager be and he is hereby authorized to execute the release, annexed hereto and made a part of this resolution, of restrictive covenants numbered 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 of the aforementioned deed.

**RELEASE OF COVENANTS AND
RIGHT OF RE-ENTRY**

KNOWN ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS, that the City of Newburgh, a municipal corporation organized and existing under the Laws of the State of New York, and having its principal office at City Hall, 83 Broadway, Newburgh, New York 12550, in consideration of TEN (\$10.00) DOLLARS lawful money of the United States and other good and valuable consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, does hereby release and forever quitclaim the premises described as 424 Carpenter Avenue, unit 22, Section 56, Block 1, Lot 1.45 on the Official Tax Map of the City of Newburgh, from those restrictive covenants numbered 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 in a deed dated December 8, 2009, from THE CITY OF NEWBURGH to MARCEE CLARK, recorded in the Orange County Clerk's Office on December 15, 2009, in Liber 12939 of Deeds at Page 1938 and does further release said premises from the right of re-entry reserved in favor of the City of Newburgh as set forth in said deed.

Dated: _____, 2020

THE CITY OF NEWBURGH

By: _____
Joseph Donat, City Manager
Pursuant to Res. No.: ____-2020

STATE OF NEW YORK)
) ss.:
COUNTY OF ORANGE)

On the ____ day of _____ in the year 2020, before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said State, personally appeared JOSEPH DONAT, personally known to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the individual whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same in his capacity, and that by his signature on the instrument, the individual, or the person upon behalf of which the individual acted; executed the instrument.

RESOLUTION NO.: 59-2020

OF

MARCH 9, 2020

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A RELEASE OF
RESTRICTIVE COVENANTS AND RIGHT OF RE-ENTRY FROM A DEED
ISSUED TO CARLOS A. RIVERA AND DONNA M. RIVERA TO THE PREMISES
KNOWN AS 242 ROBINSON AVENUE (SECTION 7, BLOCK 2, LOT 6)**

WHEREAS, on March 28, 2001, the City of Newburgh conveyed property located at 242 Robinson Avenue, being more accurately described on the official Tax Map of the City of Newburgh as Section 7, Block 2, Lot 6, to Carlos A. Rivera and Donna M. Rivera; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Rivera's attorney has requested a release of the restrictive covenants contained in said deed; and

WHEREAS, this Council believes it is in the best interest of the City of Newburgh to grant such request;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of Newburgh, New York that the City Manager be and he is hereby authorized to execute the release, annexed hereto and made a part of this resolution, of restrictive covenants numbered 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 of the aforementioned deed.

**RELEASE OF COVENANTS AND
RIGHT OF RE-ENTRY**

KNOWN ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS, that the City of Newburgh, a municipal corporation organized and existing under the Laws of the State of New York, and having its principal office at City Hall, 83 Broadway, Newburgh, New York 12550, in consideration of TEN (\$10.00) DOLLARS lawful money of the United States and other good and valuable consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, does hereby release and forever quitclaim the premises described as 242 Robinson Avenue, Section 7, Block 2, Lot 6 on the Official Tax Map of the City of Newburgh, from those restrictive covenants numbered 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 in a deed dated March 28, 2001, from THE CITY OF NEWBURGH to CARLOS A. RIVERA and DONNA M. RIVERA, recorded in the Orange County Clerk's Office on May 7, 2001, in Liber 5516 of Deeds at Page 1 and does further release said premises from the right of re-entry reserved in favor of the City of Newburgh as set forth in said deed.

Dated: _____, 2020

THE CITY OF NEWBURGH

By: _____
Joseph Donat, City Manager
Pursuant to Res. No.: ____-2020

STATE OF NEW YORK)
) ss.:
COUNTY OF ORANGE)

On the ____ day of _____ in the year 2020, before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said State, personally appeared JOSEPH DONAT, personally known to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the individual whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same in his capacity, and that by his signature on the instrument, the individual, or the person upon behalf of which the individual acted; executed the instrument.

RESOLUTION NO.: 60 - 2020

OF

MARCH 9, 2020

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ACCEPT
A DONATION OF A BICYCLE RACK FROM REGGIE YOUNG FOR
INSTALLATION AND USE IN FRONT OF 159 BROADWAY**

WHEREAS, Reggie Young is a small business owner in the City of Newburgh and advocate of making the City accessible via all modes of transportation, including walking and bicycling; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Young offered to donate a bicycle rack for public use in front of his business, which is located at 159 Broadway; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Young has agreed to install the bicycle rack in a location determined by City staff, with input from the Transportation Advisory Committee; and

WHEREAS, this Council deems it to be in the best interests of the City of Newburgh to accept such donation, which will include the installation of the bicycle rack;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of Newburgh, New York that the City Manager of the City of Newburgh be and he is hereby authorized to accept the bicycle rack donated by Reggie Young, with the appreciation and thanks of the City of Newburgh.

RESOLUTION NO.: 61 - 2020

OF

MARCH 9, 2020

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THREE RENEWAL AGREEMENTS WITH
ENDEAVOR MUNICIPAL DEVELOPMENT, INC.
FOR GRANT CONSULTING SERVICES IN AN AMOUNT
NOT TO EXCEED \$24,000.00 PER AGREEMENT FOR A 12 MONTH PERIOD**

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 72-2019 of March 25, 2019, the City of Newburgh authorized the Interim City Manager to enter into 3 agreements with Endeavor Municipal Development, Inc. for professional grant consulting services in a total amount not to exceed \$24,000.00 per agreement for a 12 month period; and

WHEREAS, Endeavor Municipal Development, Inc. has submitted 3 renewal agreements, one each for general grant services, water service grant services, and wastewater/sewer grant services with similar scopes of work to include, but not be limited to, develop funding sources for current projects; explore funding options and eligibility for future projects; research, preparation, submission and appropriate follow up for all targeted governmental and non- governmental funding applications and the development and implementation of a project management system; and to work with appropriate City staff; and

WHEREAS, funding for said professional grant consulting services is appropriated in the City's 2020 budget; and

WHEREAS, this Council finds that entering into the renewal agreements with Endeavor Municipal Development, Inc. for professional grant consulting services is in the best interests of the City of Newburgh and its further development;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of Newburgh, New York that the City Manager be and he is hereby authorized to enter into 3 renewal agreements with Endeavor Municipal Development, Inc. for professional grant consulting services in a total amount not to exceed \$24,000.00 per agreement for a 12 month period.

RESOLUTION NO.: _____ 62 _____ - 2020

OF

MARCH 9, 2020

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR THE POLICE CHIEF, AS MANAGER'S DESIGNEE, TO EXECUTE AN INTER-MUNICIPAL AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF ORANGE CONFIRMING CITY OF NEWBURGH PARTICIPATION IN THE STOP-DWI PROGRAM FOR THE ENFORCEMENT PERIOD OF MARCH 13, 2020 TO JANUARY 1, 2021 AND TO ACCEPT AN AWARD NOT TO EXCEED \$3,668.00 COVERING 70 PERSON-HOURS FOR THE FIRST ENFORCEMENT PERIOD OF 2020 (MARCH 13, 2020 – MAY 26, 2020)

WHEREAS, the County of Orange (hereinafter "County") has provided the City of Newburgh (hereinafter "City") with an Inter-Municipal Agreement for a full year of participation to provide for the funding of the STOP-DWI Program within the City of Newburgh and an award notification for the enforcement period of March 13, 2020 and ending January 1, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the City of Newburgh agrees to participate in three (3) STOP DWI Program enforcement campaign periods as follows: First Enforcement Period – March 13, 2020 through May 26, 2020, which includes St. Patrick's Day and the Memorial Day holiday weekend; Second Enforcement Period – July 3, 2020 through September 8, 2020, which includes the Independence Day and Labor Day holiday weekend enforcement campaigns; and the Third Enforcement Period – November 6, 2020 through January 1, 2021, which includes Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's holiday enforcement campaigns; and

WHEREAS, the County shall reimburse the City of Newburgh for increased patrol and court time in connection with enhanced enforcement of laws prohibiting driving while intoxicated; and

WHEREAS, based on the data submittals submitted for the prior year the City of Newburgh is eligible for an award not to exceed \$3,668.00 covering 70 person-hours for the First Enforcement Period of 2020; and

WHEREAS, the County will notify the City in writing of its eligibility for awards, if any, for the second and third enforcement periods of 2020 by a separate written award letter prior to the commencement of each such enforcement period; and

WHEREAS, this Council has determined that entering into such agreement would be in the best interests of the City of Newburgh;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of Newburgh, New York that the City Manager or the Police Chief, as Manager's designee, be and he is hereby authorized to execute an Inter-Municipal Agreement with the County of Orange confirming the City's participation in the STOP-DWI Program for the period March 13, 2020 through January 1, 2021 in order to fund the additional cost of stepped-up police patrols and related court appearances and providing the City of Newburgh with an award not to exceed \$3,668.00 covering 70 person-hours for the First Enforcement Period of 2020 (March 13, 2020 through May 26, 2020); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Newburgh, New York that the City Manager or the Police Chief as Manager's designee be and he is hereby authorized to accept subsequent awards for the Second Enforcement Period (July 3, 2020 through September 8, 2020) and Third Enforcement Period (November 6, 2020 through January 1, 2021) covered by the 2020 STOP-DWI Agreement; and to execute all necessary documents to receive and comply with the terms of such Agreement and to carry out the program funded thereby.

RESOLUTION NO. 63 - 2020

OF

MARCH 9, 2020

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEWBURGH
DECLARING AUGUST 11, 2020 AS
FREDERICK DOUGLASS DAY OF CIVIC ENGAGEMENT
IN THE CITY OF NEWBURGH**

WHEREAS, Mr. Frederick Douglass, one of this Country's premier abolitionist and opponents of injustice, visited our beloved City of Newburgh, NY on August 11, 1870; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Douglass graced the residents with his presence to share in the celebration and discuss the ratification of the 15th Amendment which granted black men in America the right to vote and this occasion included a jubilee march of 4,000 residents and concluded with a speech by Mr. Douglass himself; and

WHEREAS, this year marks the 150 year commemoration of his visit to the City of Newburgh; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Newburgh has determined that August 11, 2020 and each August 11th every year thereafter be recognized as Frederick Douglass Day of Civic Engagement; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Newburgh that August 11, 2020 be declared as "Frederick Douglass Day" in the City of Newburgh; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Newburgh that August 11th of each year henceforth be celebrated as "Frederick Douglass Day" in the City of Newburgh.

RESOLUTION NO.: 64-2020

OF

MARCH 9, 2020

**A RESOLUTION APPOINTING MARC LALLANILLA, ANDREW MURPHY,
AND ROBERT SANCHEZ TO THE CONSERVATION ADVISORY COUNCIL
FOR TWO YEAR TERMS**

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Newburgh adopted Local Law No. 1-2013 of August 19, 2013 which added new Chapter 159 of the City Code of Ordinances entitled "Conservation Advisory Council"; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 159 provides for a seven-member Conservation Advisory Council, the members of which are appointed for terms of two years; and

WHEREAS, the two-year terms of 3 members expired on November 30, 2019 and those members have declined re-appointment; and

WHEREAS, Marc Lallanilla, Andrew Murphy and Robert Sanchez have submitted letters of interest to serve as Members of the Conservation Advisory Council to fill terms which expire on November 30, 2021; the same being in the best interests of the City of Newburgh;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of Newburgh, New York that Marc Lallanilla, Andrew Murphy and Robert Sanchez are hereby appointed to the Conservation Advisory Council for a two (2) year terms commencing immediately and ending on November 30, 2021.

RESOLUTION NO. 65 - 2020

OF

MARCH 9, 2020

A RESOLUTION CENSURING OMARI SHAKUR, CITY COUNCIL
MEMBER AT LARGE, FOR HIS WORDS AND ACTIONS
OF FEBRUARY 18, 2020

WHEREAS, Omari Shakur, City Council Member At Large, was stopped by City Of Newburgh police and given a summons for a traffic infraction on Carpenter Avenue on February 18, 2020, at approximately 12:05 p.m.; and

WHEREAS, during this traffic stop Mr. Shakur engaged in a wholly inappropriate interaction with members of the City of Newburgh police; and

WHEREAS, during this traffic stop Mr. Shakur used vulgar and abusive language and obscene gestures, directed at members of the City of Newburgh police;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of Newburgh, New York that Mr. Shakur is censured for his actions and behavior on the above date and time. Be it further resolved Mr. Shakur's actions and behavior does not represent the values of the City Council and the City of Newburgh.



City Manager's Update

Newburgh City Council Meeting

Monday, March 9, 2020



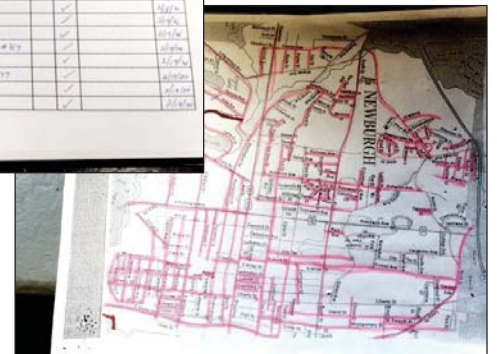
Potholes

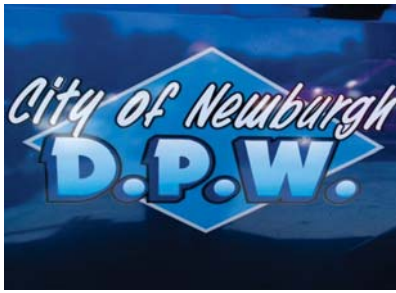
40 tons of asphalt used so far this year.

Staff track pothole repair requests with a log book and a map. Drivers travel the route and fill holes, then update the book at the end of the day. This accounts for potholes they discover and also holes that are identified and called in by residents.



POTHOLE LOG - YEAR _____ DATE _____					
LOCATION OF POT HOLE	DATE OF FIND	REPORT NUMBER	DATE REPAIRED	REPAIRED BY	DATE APPROVED
11th Street	3/9/20	1001 (Newburgh)	✓		3/9/20
County Ave & Lewis St	3/9/20	1002	✓		3/9/20
East 1st Street	3/9/20	1003	✓		3/9/20
Franklin & Lewis St	3/9/20	1004	✓		3/9/20
Franklin St	3/9/20	1005	✓		3/9/20
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Franklin St	3/9/20	1011	✓		3/9/20
Franklin St	3/9/20	1012	✓		3/9/20
Franklin St	3/9/20	1013	✓		3/9/20
Franklin St	3/9/20	1014	✓		3/9/20
Franklin St	3/9/20	1015	✓		3/9/20
Franklin St	3/9/20	1016	✓		3/9/20
Franklin St	3/9/20	1017	✓		3/9/20
Franklin St	3/9/20	1018	✓		3/9/20
Franklin St	3/9/20	1019	✓		3/9/20
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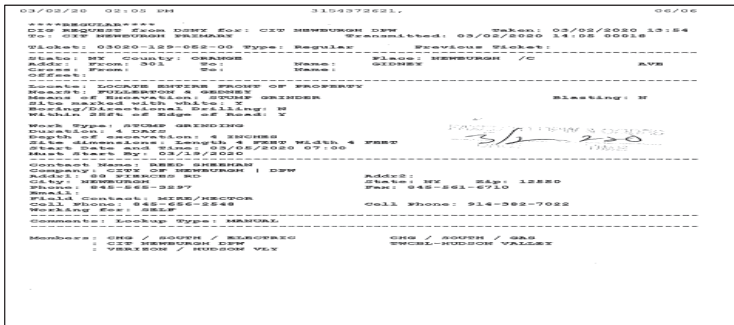


Know what's below.
Call before you dig.

Manholes & Catch Basins

2 new manholes installed
5 catch basins repaired
4 manholes repaired

Any digging begins with a call to 811 "Call Before You Dig" which connects people with utility companies that monitor underground infrastructure.



Tree Work

14 trees trimmed
16 trees removed
21 stumps removed

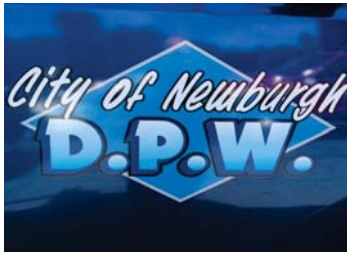


Tree Maintenance

Staff manage the trimming and removal of trees proactively and also respond to these requests as they come in.

Tree inquiries are entered into a log book and the Conservation Advisory Committee is contacted. This group inspects the situation and makes recommendations to trim or remove.



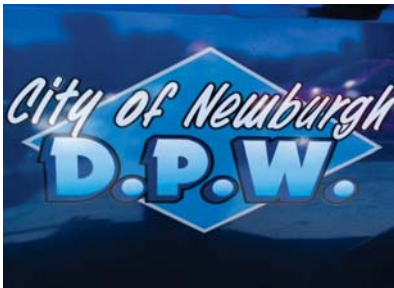


Public Works keeps a log of tree stumps that are to be removed.



Tree stump excavation not only removes the eyesore

- Stumps can be trip hazards for pedestrians and bicyclists
- Removal of stumps prevents root regrowth
- Decay can spread to other nearby trees, shrubs, or even the wood in homes
- Stumps can invite unwanted species who use them to create nests
- A stump can become a home for dangerous fungi



Spring Clean Outs

Staff were at City Hall removing old materials from 4th floor offices.



Building Maintenance



Staff will be working on the ground outside the back door of the Police Station which has fallen into disrepair.



Coming Soon!
Sanitation
Enforcement
Officer

Please help keep our City clean!

Covered Cans & Clear Bags

- Cans must have covers that fit
- Use clear plastic bags for garbage
- Containers may hold up to 32 gallons and weigh up to 50 pounds
- Cans can be metal or plastic and should display your address

Setting Out & Returning Containers

- Set cans out only after 5pm the day before collection
- Containers and uncollected material should be returned to the rear of the property (or covered storage area) no later than 6pm on the day of collection.

Can Limit

- 3 cans for a single family residence
- 5 cans for a 2- or 3-family residence
- 6 cans for commercial properties or residences with 4 or more apartments

No Building Materials

- The City does not collect lumber, brick, glass, cement block, construction debris, roofing material, etc.



Fire Hydrant Replacement

A replacement hydrant was installed at the end of February at Brown and Van Ness Streets.

- Installation takes 4-5 hours
- Try to do about 30 each year
- 880 total hydrants
- Hydrants are painted yellow, but the bonnets (the tops) have a different color to indicate fire flow level which tells firefighters how many gallons/minute the hydrant provides.





Ponds & Reservoirs Team

Water supply land signs were installed around the boundaries of Washington Lake and Brown's Pond. Staff also walked the boundaries and picked up trash. Over 3 dumpsters of trash were collected in 8 hours.

Drinking Water Week

May 3-9, 2020

Stay tuned for exciting announcements!

- Plant tour & open house
- Volunteer & staff reservoir cleanup
- 3rd grade art contest for local students



Drinking Water Rate Study



The City will enter into contract with Raftelis for the preparation of a customized financial plan for the City's drinking water system.

- Will empower us to monitor and project cash flows, revenues and revenue requirements
- Will permit revision of the utility rate review and rate structure for the purposes of annual budgeting, capital planning and rate setting

Raftelis is an industry-leading consultant in the utility and public sector.

Their experts help set industry standards for utility and municipal rate setting, finance, management, and operations.





February

Permits
129

Inspections
316

Rental
Inspections
86

Vacant Building
Inspections
78

Property Developments



Morris Avenue

New construction subdivision will feature single family homes in a side-by-side duplex configuration



St. Luke's Hospital

Emergency Department renovation and MRI addition. Building Department Is working diligently with the hospital to ensure no disruption of service and supporting the hospital through the regulatory inspection process.



Property Developments



Spring Street & South Lander

A property to watch! Work will start soon on this mixed-use project to be part of Thornwillow Press.



South William Street

Located up the street from the Wireworks development that is underway.

No improvements have been made yet and we are hoping someone will turn this into a success story.



Lower Renwick

15 renovated units are prepping for new tenants this Spring



169 North Miller Street
This Land Bank project is coming along

Release of Restrictive Covenants

424 Carpenter Avenue, Unit 22

- Condo property
- Bought from City in 2009 for \$62,500
- 2020 tax bill was \$1,952.57 (non-homestead)

242 Robinson Avenue

- Bought from city in 2001 for \$18,500
- 2020 tax bill was \$3,943.11 (homestead)



Speed Enforcement



- Flashing signs to catch attention
- Traffic counter to track volume/pattern
- Increased enforcement from the Police Department
- Signs at boundaries to indicate a City-wide speed limit



SNUG

- DCJS came to RECAP for a site visit in January.
- Resumes has been reviewed and interviews are scheduled for next week.
- Staff training is set for the 2nd week of April in Newburgh.



recordonline.com
TIMES HERALD-RECORD

State provides \$200K to restart SNUG program in Newburgh

By Lana Bellamy

Posted Apr 17, 2019 at 11:07 PM

Updated Apr 17, 2019 at 11:07 PM





Fire at Calvary Presbyterian Church

Early in the morning on Thursday March 5, FD contained a second alarm fire at Calvary Presbyterian Church on South Street.

Police were the first on the scene and spotted the blaze while out on patrol. The Fire Department's swift response and great work by all resulted in the sanctuary being saved. About 60 firefighters from multiple departments were on the scene.

This historic site suffered destruction in the Fellowship Hall. Clean up is underway and worship and study activities have been moved to :

Best Temple Church of God in Christ
111 South Street

Find more info on activities and developments on the church's website at www.calvarypresbychurch.org



Change Your Clocks, Change Your Alarm Batteries

Smoke and CO detectors keep
our families safe all year round.

**Sunday
March 8**

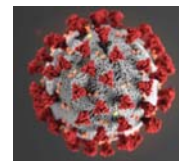


Daylight Savings

CO detectors should be on every floor in each dwelling unit. In multifamily homes they should also be in the common hallway and/or stairwell.

Smoke detectors should be in every bedroom as well as on every floor in each dwelling unit. In multifamily buildings they should also be in the common hallway and/or stairwell.

Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)



For more information

Hotline: 1-888-364-3065

www.health.ny.gov/diseases/communicable/coronavirus

Prevention

- Avoid close contact with people who are sick
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose & mouth
- Stay home when you are sick
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue
- Clean and disinfect areas and objects used regularly
- Wash hands often with soap and water

Take Precautions

Be especially mindful if you:

- Are experiencing symptoms
- Have travelled to areas of concern
- Have been in contact with someone who has travelled to areas of concern

Before seeking treatment in person, call your healthcare provider.

Symptoms

- Fever
- Cough
- Shortness of breath
- Pneumonia

Data last updated 2:00pm March 5, 2020

Test Results	New York State (Outside of NYC)	New York City (NYC)	Total Persons Under Investigation (PUI)
Positive Cases	19	3	122
Negative Results	52	24	
Pending Test Results	18	6	

Newburgh PFAS Exposure Assessment

The CDC/ATSDR exposure assessment will provide new information about PFAS exposure to Newburgh residents.

Community participation is very important.

If you receive a letter, phone call, or home visit inviting you to participate, please respond.

ORANGE COUNTY, City of Newburgh, NY

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PFAS (per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances) are man made chemicals used in commercial and consumer products. The results of this exposure assessment will help individual participants and the community better understand their exposure to PFAS. It will add new information to PFAS testing already done in this area.

For More Information

Visit www.atsdr.cdc.gov/pfas
email pfas@cdc.gov
or call 1-800-CDC-INFO

 National Center for Environmental Health Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry



Natural Gas Main & Service Replacement Program

Precision Pipeline Solutions will begin installing replacement main lines in the street and service lines that connect to homes and businesses.

- 14,000 feet in the City of Newburgh
- To begin in March and will take 8 months to complete

Construction trenching will occur along:

- Wisner Ave, Maple St, Poplar St, and see the complete list on the City website



OPEN HOUSE INFORMATIONAL SESSION

Monday, March 9, 2020

6pm-8pm

Activity Center

401 Washington Street, Newburgh

- Learn about the project
- Ask questions
- Will be distributing free natural gas and CO detectors



Spring Timeline

March 12 - 20

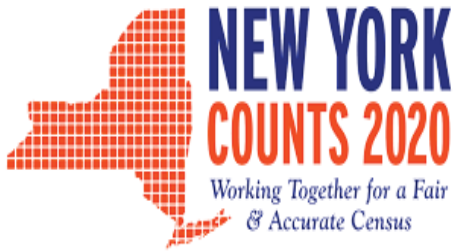
Households will begin receiving official Census Bureau mail with instructions on how to respond online, by phone, or by mail.

March 30 - April 1

The Census Bureau will count people who are experiencing homelessness over these 3 days. The process includes counting people in shelters, at soup kitchens, at mobile food vans, on the streets, and at non-sheltered, outdoor locations such as tent encampments.

April 1

Census Day is observed nationwide. By this date every home will receive an invitation to participate. You should choose one way to respond: online, phone, or mail. Indicate where you live as of April 1, 2020.



Census Hubs



Census workers will be available at a series of temporary locations throughout the City this month. They will provide forms and can help people answer questions.

Newburgh Counts Committee

Next meeting:

Thursday, March 12, 2020
6:30pm
Heritage Center
123 Grand Street

2Alices
117 Broadway

Activity Center
401 Washington Street

Lake Street Apartments
207 Lake Drive

More information is listed on the City website. Click the Census 2020 button to learn more.

Job Fairs



On March 31 at the Library the NYS Department of Labor will host a career fair featuring over 30 companies including Amazon, Hudson Valley Credit Union & the Census.



Orange Works is holding 2 jobs fairs this month on March 11 and 17. The March 11 event has a healthcare focus.



LEGOLAND will host a job fair at SUNY Orange on Wednesday, March 18. Registration is required and can be found on the LEGOLAND New York website.

March is Women's History Month




Madam C.J. Walker
the First Black Female Millionaire
Wed. Mar 18 6:30 PM
Newburgh Free Library




Suffragettes in Newburgh
Saturday March 21 11 a.m.-12:15 p.m.
Newburgh Free Library

A Taste of
POETRY
Mar., 19, 12 p.m. - 1 p.m.
Newburgh Free Library



WASHINGTON'S HEADQUARTERS
INVITE YOU TO

The General's Lady
Martha Washington Woman of History Award Ceremony



Sunday March 22, 2020 2:00 p.m.
Join us as we celebrate Women's History Month.

Admission is free, donations welcome.
For more information: (845) 562-1195

Natalie Karl, Featured Speaker
Victoria Woodhull and Seneca Lockwood—First Women to Run for the Presidency
Natalie Karl will examine the life, ambition and consequences of both Victoria Woodhull and Seneca Lockwood's actions prior to and after their run for the Presidency in the 1850s.

2020 Martha Washington Woman of History Award Ceremony
Share the celebration as we present this prestigious award to historian and preservationist Ruth Phawaka. For over 50 years she has been an independent curator and researcher regarding Dutch heritage and material culture in the Hudson Valley.

Washington's Headquarters State Historic Site • The first publicly preserved house in the Nation • Located at the corner of Washington and Liberty Streets Newburgh, NY 12550 • www.nystateparks.com • (845) 562-1195 • 

Coming Up



celebrate the **INTERNATIONAL DAY OF HAPPINESS** March 20

Join us on Friday, March 20 as we come together as a community to celebrate

International Day of Happiness
Safe Harbors Lobby at the Ritz and The Historic Green Room
107 Broadway, Newburgh

Interactive Circus Arts
Karaoke • Food • Music • Zumba • Hula Hoops
Crafts • Games • Photo Booth ... and much more!
#internationaldayofhappiness

This event is FREE and open to the public for all ages.

See our Facebook event page for more information.

This event is sponsored by  

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City of Newburgh City Council

Ward 1 & Ward 2 Community Meeting

Thursday, March 26, 2020 7:00-8:30PM
Ritz Theater at Safe Harbors of the Hudson
111 Broadway, Newburgh

Join Councilwoman Karen Mejia (Ward 1) and Councilwoman Ramona Monteverde (Ward 2) for a community meeting. The public will have the opportunity to connect with members of City Council to ask questions, share concerns, and learn what representatives are doing to build a strong Newburgh.



To RSVP & submit comments or questions, visit:
<https://tinyurl.com/tkxs22t>

Saturday, April 25



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

10TH ANNUAL Newburgh Community Cleanup
Saturday April 25

Be a part of what's **GREAT** in the City of Newburgh!

The community cleanup will kick off a city-wide effort to keep Newburgh clean and green all year!

Start/Finish at Safe Harbors of the Hudson
111 Broadway, Newburgh

Heavy duty gloves and garbage bags will be provided.

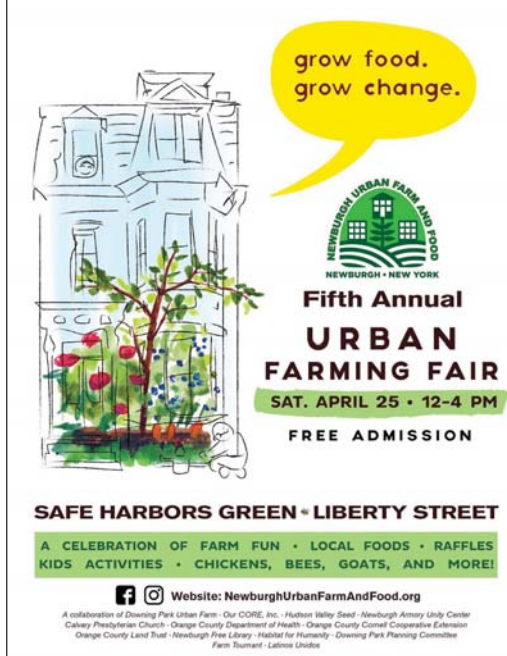
For event information, contact June Herley at 845.784.1110 • jherley@safe-harbors.org.
For information about volunteering, contact Jeanne Traugott at 845.784.1107 • jtraugott@safe-harbors.org.

Please print and complete the available waiver form on our website, www.safe-harbors.org.

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Fifth Annual URBAN FARMING FAIR
SAT. APRIL 25 • 12-4 PM
FREE ADMISSION

SAFE HARBORS GREEN • LIBERTY STREET

A CELEBRATION OF FARM FUN • LOCAL FOODS • RAFFLES
KIDS ACTIVITIES • CHICKENS, BEES, GOATS, AND MORE!

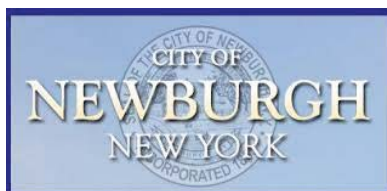
Website: NewburghUrbanFarmAndFood.org

A collaboration of Downing Park Urban Farm • Our CORE, Inc. • Hudson Valley Seed • Newburgh Armory Unity Center
Calvary Presbyterian Church • Orange County Department of Health • Orange County Cornell Cooperative Extension
Orange County Land Trust • Newburgh Free Library • Habitat for Humanity • Downing Park Planning Committee
Farm Tourment - Latinos Unidos

VolunteerMatch.org



This online portal connects 15.6 million volunteers and 128,400 organizations. Our listings include committee positions and will feature special events.



Committees

The following committees are seeking new members and the public is encouraged to apply:

Transportation Advisory Committee
Zoning Board of Appeals
Planning Board
Architectural Review Commission
Police-Community Relations & Review Board
Arts & Cultural Commission





Social Media

Stay connected with the City through social media!



Notifications

Be the first to know about news, events and more. Sign-up on the city website.



Community Newsletter

Want to know what's happening in your City government? Check out the January newsletter for updates on the swearing in of Fire Chief Bill Horton, a refresher on emergency snow parking, and to meet the first couple to be married at City Hall in 2020!



Sign up for emails, calls and texts about emergencies.

- City-wide - Snow Emergency parking
- Neighborhood-specific - Boil water notice