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COMMON COUNCIL MEETING

FINANCE, ASSESSMENT AND TAXATION COMMITTEE

Ginnie Farrell, Chair

DATE: Thursday, March 4, 2021

TIME: 5:30 p.m.

TOPIC(S) OF DISCUSSION/CONSIDERATION:

THE CITY TREASURER DARIUS SHAHINFAR AND BUDGET DIRECTOR MICHAEL WHEELER PROVIDES UPDATE ON CITY FINANCE

ORDINANCE NUMBER 44.122.20

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CLOSING OF SCOTT STREET IN THE CITY OF ALBANY, NEW YORK

ORDINANCE NUMBER 45.122.20

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COMMON COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF SCOTT STREET IN THE CITY OF ALBANY, NEW YORK TO SOUTH END DEVELOPMENT, LLC

RESOLUTION NUMBER 13.21.21R

A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL CONSENTING TO THE ELIMINATION OF ONE FULL TIME POSITION AND THE CREATION OF ANOTHER, WHICH WILL AFFECT A SALARY TOTAL FOR THE 2020 BUDGET (OFFICE OF HUMAN RESOURCES)

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: YES

Council Member Frederick introduced the following:

ORDINANCE 44.122.20

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CLOSING OF SCOTT STREET IN THE CITY OF ALBANY, NEW YORK

The City of Albany, in Common Council convened, does hereby ordain and enact:

Section 1. It is hereby ordered and directed that Scott Street, an approximately 245 linear foot road connecting Leonard Street and Krank Street, be discontinued and closed.

Section 2. It is hereby determined that the said right-of-way of Scott Street has been abandoned for municipal or public purposes.

Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect immediately after public hearing and final passage.

**APPROVED AS TO FORM THIS
9TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2020**

Corporation Counsel

To: Danielle Gillespie, City Clerk
From: Sarah Valis, Esq., Assistant Corporation Counsel
Re: Request for Common Council Legislation
Supporting Memorandum
Date: December 9, 2020

SPONSOR Council Member Frederick

ORDINANCE 44.122.20

TITLE

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CLOSING OF SCOTT STREET
IN THE CITY OF ALBANY, NEW YORK

GENERAL PURPOSE OF LEGISLATION

This ordinance will close and discontinue Scott Street. If approved, Scott Street would be sold to South End Development for inclusion in the development of the Seventy-Six project

NECESSITY FOR LEGISLATION AND CHANGES TO EXISTING LAW

Closing and discontinuance of rights-of-way requires legislative action.

FISCAL IMPACT(S)

None

Council Member Frederick introduced the following:

ORDINANCE 45.122.20

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COMMON COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF SCOTT STREET IN THE CITY OF ALBANY, NEW YORK TO SOUTH END DEVELOPMENT, LLC

The City of Albany, in Common Council convened, does hereby ordain and enact:

Section 1. It is hereby ordered and directed that all the right, title and interest in the City of Albany in and to Scott Street be conveyed pursuant to the provisions of Local Law No. 4 of 1984 to South End Development, LLC.

SUBJECT to all easements, restrictions and rights-of-way of record.

Section 2. It is hereby determined that the aforesaid property has been abandoned for municipal or public purposes

Section 3. The form, content, terms and conditions of such conveyance shall be approved by the Corporation Counsel and shall be subject to the approval of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, and if approved by said Board, the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute a proper deed of conveyance for a valuable consideration.

Section 4. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.

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GENERAL PURPOSE OF LEGISLATION

To sell Scott Street to South End Development, LLC for inclusion in the development of the Seventy-Six project.

NECESSITY FOR LEGISLATION AND CHANGES TO EXISTING LAW

Sale of city owned property requires Council approval.

SPECIFICS OF REAL PROPERTY SALE OR ACQUISITION

Scott Street, an approximately 245 linear foot road connecting Leonard Street and Krank Street, has an appraised value of \$272,500. South End Development is proposing to offset the cost of the conveyance through infrastructure improvements.

FISCAL IMPACT(S)

See attached Decommissioning Report.

Council Member _____ introduced the following:

RESOLUTION NUMBER 13.21.21R

A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL CONSENTING TO THE ELIMINATION OF ONE FULL TIME POSITION AND THE CREATION OF ANOTHER, WHICH WILL AFFECT A SALARY TOTAL FOR THE 2020 BUDGET (OFFICE OF HUMAN RESOURCES)

WHEREAS, section 603(D)(b) of the Charter of the City of Albany dictates that any transfer of budgeted funds that affects a salary rate or salary total that occurs outside of those described in the duly adopted budget requires the approval of the Common Council; and

WHEREAS, the Human Resources Office has requested the elimination of the Human Resources Generalist 1 position, which will result in the following changes:

Eliminate	HR Generalist 1	A.1430.1600.7000	(\$36,419)
Decrease	(Salaries)	A.1430.1600.7000	\$36,419
	(Contingency)	A.1900.7448	\$22,287
		Total	\$58,706

and

WHEREAS, the Human Resources Office has also requested that such Human Resources Generalist 1 position be replaced with the creation of a Human Resources Generalist 3 position, which will result in the following changes:

Create	HR Generalist 3	A.1430.1600.7000	\$57,122
Increase	(Salaries)	A.1430.1600.7000	\$57,122
	(Social Security)	A.1430.1600.7801	\$1,584
		Total	\$58,706

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Common Council of the City of Albany consents to the transfer of funds affecting salary totals due to the elimination of Human Resources Generalist 1 position and the creation of one additional Human Resources Generalist 3 position within the Office of Human Resources for the 2021 budget year.

To: Danielle Gillespie, City Clerk
From: Brett Williams, Senior Assistant Corporation Counsel
Re: Memorandum in Support of Legislation
Date: January 21, 2021

SPONSOR Council Member _____

RESOLUTION NUMBER 13.21.20R

TITLE

A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL CONSENTING TO THE ELIMINATION OF ONE FULL TIME POSITION AND THE CREATION OF ANOTHER, WHICH WILL AFFECT A SALARY TOTAL FOR THE 2021 BUDGET (OFFICE OF HUMAN RESOURCES)

GENERAL PURPOSE OF LEGISLATION

The Director of Human Resources has requested that the vacant Human Resources Generalist 1 position present in the office's budget for this year be changed to Human Resources Generalist 3 position, together with the concomitant increase in salary as soon as possible. Protected status, workplace violence, and general misconduct investigations will now be centralized in and completed by the Human Resources Office, which requires a more experienced employee than the current budgeted position.

NECESSITY FOR LEGISLATION AND CHANGE TO EXISTING LAW

Pursuant to section 603(D)(b) of the City Charter "any transfer of budgeted funds that affects any salary rate or salary total" requires the approval of the Common Council.

FISCAL IMPACT(S)

This change represents a difference of \$20,703.