AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 375 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF ALBANY (UNIFIED SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE) CHANGING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATIONS OF 140 HAMILTON STREET, 42 AND 44 PHILIP STREET FROM “TOWNHOUSE” (R-T) TO “MIXED-USE NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER” (MU-NC) AND AMENDING THE ZONING MAP ACCORDINGLY
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Council Member Johnson introduced the following:

ORDINANCE 13.71.19

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

Section 1. Chapter 375 of the Code of the City of Albany (Unified Sustainable Development Ordinance) and the Official Zoning Map are hereby amended to change the zoning classifications of 140 Hamilton Street, 42 and 44 Philip Street from Townhouse (R-T) to Mixed-Use Neighborhood Center (MU-NC), said properties being more particularly described as follows:

All that parcel of land situated in the City of Albany, County of Albany and State of New York, identified on the tax map as follows:

Parcel 1
Section: 76
Block: 49
Lot: 2
Sub Lot: 1

Said premises more commonly known as 140 Hamilton Street measuring approximately 14.75’ by 69.75’.

Parcel 1
Section: 76
Block: 49
Lot: 2
Sub Lot: 30

Said premises more commonly known as 42 Philip Street measuring approximately 25’ by 87’.

Parcel 1
Section: 76
Block: 49
Lot: 2
Sub Lot: 31

Said premises more commonly known as 44 Philip Street measuring approximately 24’ by 87’.
Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED AS TO FORM

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Corporation Counsel
To: Danielle Gillespie, City Clerk
From: Council Member Derek Johnson
Re: Request for Common Council Legislation
    Supporting Memorandum
Date: June 21, 2019

ORDINANCE NUMBER 13.71.19

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GENERAL PURPOSE OF LEGISLATION: The proposed zoning map amendment seeks to expand a wider array of commercial opportunities to the recently rehabilitated property at 140 Hamilton Street. The zone change is necessary to facilitate the timely reuse of this long vacant historic structure and to promote the economic growth of the neighborhood environs.

NECESSITY FOR LEGISLATION AND CHANGES TO EXISTING LAW: The structure located at the corner of Hamilton and Philip Street had been vacant for +/- 20 years. The preexisting configuration of the structure makes it suitable for a dynamic commercial reuse. The property is currently separated from an existing MU-NC zone district comprising the Lower Madison Avenue Commercial District by two small parking areas that could also benefit from the change in zone designation to potentially spur redevelopment. The properties are also adjacent the New York State East Garage parking facility.

TIME FRAME FOR PASSAGE: As soon as possible.

SPECIFICS OF BIDDING OR OTHER PROCUREMENT PROCESS: N/A

SPECIFICS OF REAL PROPERTY SALE OR ACQUISITION: N/A

FISCAL IMPACTS: None.
Council Member Anane introduced the following:

Resolution Number 41.71.19R

RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL RECOGNIZING THE WOMAN’S CLUB OF ALBANY AND CONGRATULATING THEM ON 100 YEARS OF SERVICE AT 725 MADISON AVENUE

WHEREAS, the Woman’s Club of Albany was founded in 1910 by Ms. Elmer Blair as a civic organization dedicated to helping women and children and improving the conditions of the City of Albany; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the Woman’s Club is to provide a center where Capital District Women can pool their time, expertise and energy in activities which support the well-being and cultural enrichment of women and children in the region; and

WHEREAS, the Woman’s Club of Albany is an organization of women with diverse backgrounds and talents, who promote openness and inclusion and support one another’s passions and interest; and

WHEREAS, members share in a number of community service projects such as participating in cultural and literacy programs, Sponsor-A-Scholar graduation and reception, organizing food drives for the homeless, and holding fundraisers for local school libraries, along with donating about $10,000 dollars annually to local not-for-profits serving women and children; and

WHEREAS, the Pine Hills neighborhood in Albany has been home to the Woman’s Club since they moved into their headquarters at 725 Madison Avenue in 1919; and

WHEREAS, the headquarters was built in 1895 as the residence of Joseph Steefel, a resident of Albany who owned a clothing store on State Street with his brother; and

WHEREAS, in 1972, The Woman’s Club building was included in the Washington Park Historic District, which is on the National and New York State Registers of Historic places, and is also designated locally under the City of Albany Historic Resources Commission; and

WHEREAS, the Woman’s Club of Albany headquarters has undergone extensive renovations and restorations over the past decade to preserve its rich history and status as a landmark in Albany; and

WHEREAS, 2019 marks the centennial year of residence for the Woman’s Club of Albany at 725 Madison Avenue;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Albany’s Common Council wishes to congratulate and thank the Woman’s Club of Albany for over 100 years of service and dedication to our community.
To:    Danielle Gillespie, City Clerk
From:  Owusu Anane, Council Member
Re:    Request for Common Council Legislation
       Supporting Memorandum
Date:  June 21, 2019

RESOLUTION NUMBER 41.71.19R

TITLE: RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL RECOGNIZING THE WOMAN’S CLUB OF ALBANY AND CONGRATULATING THEM ON 100 YEARS OF SERVICE AT 725 MADISON AVENUE

GENERAL PURPOSE OF LEGISLATION: To congratulate and thank the Woman’s Club of Albany for over 100 years of service and dedication to our community.

NECESSITY FOR LEGISLATION AND CHANGES TO EXISTING LAW: N/A

TIME FRAME FOR PASSAGE: N/A

SPECIFICS OF BIDDING OR OTHER PROCUREMENT PROCESS: N/A

SPECIFICS OF REAL PROPERTY SALE OR ACQUISITION: N/A

FISCAL IMPACTS: None.
Council Member Love introduced the following:

Resolution Number 42.71.19R

RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL RECOGNIZING THE NEED FOR A GREATER EMPHASIS ON SENIOR SERVICES THROUGHOUT THE CITY OF ALBANY

WHEREAS, the Albany Common Council recognizes the importance of senior services and the need for activities that respond to an aging population’s diverse needs, support their independence and encourage their involvement in the community; and

WHEREAS, studies have shown that successful aging is more likely when individuals are actively engaged; and

WHEREAS, over 25 million adults age 60+ are economically insecure, with incomes below $22,000. Despite Social Security and Medicare, these older adults often struggle with the costs of housing, health care bills, inadequate nutrition, and lack of transportation; and

WHEREAS, during the 2019 City Budget process, the Council ensured that there was funding in the form of $25,890 for “Programs for the Aging”; and

WHEREAS, the funding was intended for Senior Services of Albany to provide recreational and educational classes, along with activities such as painting, ceramics, bridge, bingo, arts and crafts, and exercises classes; and

WHEREAS, the Council understands the necessity of a needs-based assessment of the adequacy of current services being provided across the city for senior citizens because it is evident that there is currently a gap in services provided; and

WHEREAS, it is a goal of the Council to encourage the strengthening of relationships between the city and our community partners and organizations to link older adults to a wider range of activities and services throughout our community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Common Council of the City of Albany being aware of the need for a greater emphasis to be placed on senior services throughout the city, calls on the Mayor’s Office, the Department of Recreation, and the Community Outreach Coordinator work in conjunction with the Council and community groups to develop a stronger strategy aimed at closing the gap in services offered to seniors throughout Albany.
To: Danielle Gillespie, City Clerk
From: Joyce Love, Council Member
Re: Request for Common Council Legislation
   Supporting Memorandum
Date: June 21, 2019

RESOLUTION NUMBER 42.71.19R

TITLE: RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL RECOGNIZING THE NEED FOR A GREATER EMPHASIS ON SENIOR SERVICES THROUGHOUT THE CITY OF ALBANY

GENERAL PURPOSE OF LEGISLATION: To call on the Mayor’s Office, the Department of Recreation, and the Community Outreach Coordinator work in conjunction with the Council and community groups to develop a stronger strategy aimed at closing the gap in services offered to seniors throughout Albany.

NECESSITY FOR LEGISLATION AND CHANGES TO EXISTING LAW: N/A

TIME FRAME FOR PASSAGE: N/A

SPECIFICS OF BIDDING OR OTHER PROCUREMENT PROCESS: N/A

SPECIFICS OF REAL PROPERTY SALE OR ACQUISITION: N/A

FISCAL IMPACTS: None.
Council Member offered the following:

Resolution Number 43.71.19R

RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL CONSENTING TO THE CREATION OF A PART TIME POSITION WHICH WILL AFFECT A SALARY TOTAL FOR THE 2019 BUDGET (Vital Statistics)

WHEREAS, Section 604(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 must be consented to by the Common Council; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Vital Statistics has requested the creation of a part-time Vital Statistics Specialist position at the salary of $24,638 (A.4020.7000); and

WHEREAS, this position will be funded by the vacant Registrar position salary (A.4020.7000) that will not be filled this year;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Common Council of the City of Albany consents to the transfer of funds as set forth above, affecting the salary rate and title creation of one position in the Office of Vital Statistics for the 2019 Budget.
Albany Common Council
Memorandum in Support of Legislation

To: Danielle Gillespie, City Clerk
From: Michael Wheeler, Budget Director
Re: Request for Common Council Legislation
Supporting Memorandum
Date: June 21, 2019

RESOLUTION NUMBER 43.71.19R

TITLE: RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL CONSENTING TO THE CREATION OF A PART TIME POSITION WHICH WILL AFFECT A SALARY TOTAL FOR THE 2019 BUDGET (Vital Statistics)


NECESSITY FOR LEGISLATION AND CHANGE TO EXISTING LAW: Pursuant to the City Charter, the Council must consent to the transfer of funds that affect salary totals which occur outside of the Budge process.

TIME FRAME FOR PASSAGE: As soon as possible.

SPECIFICS OF BIDDING OR OTHER PROCUREMENT PROCESS: N/A

SPECIFICS OF REAL PROPERTY SALE OR ACQUISITION: N/A

FISCAL IMPACT: None. Funds are transferred from an existing expenditure line within the Vital Statistics budget.