

**CITY OF WILKES-BARRE
PENNSYLVANIA**



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

CITY COUNCIL

WORK SESSION

Date: October 18, 2016

Time: 6:00 p.m.

6:00 p.m. **Jim Ryan, City Clerk**

-ORDINANCES FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING-

FILE OF COUNCIL NO. 21 OF 2015 – AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED “AN ORDINANCE VACATING AN UNNAMED PRIVATE PARTY ALLEY IN THE CITY OF WILKES-BARRE”. (SPHERE INTERNATIONAL, LLC)

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6:10 p.m. **Mayor Tony George (See Attached)**

**WILKES-BARRE CITY COUNCIL
WORK SESSION
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RESOLUTIONS:

Authorizing the proper city officials to enter into an agreement with the lowest responsible bidder for the demolition of 310-312 East Northampton Street. The funds for this project will come from the Fire Escrow Act 98 Funds.

Authorizing the proper city officials to sign any and all necessary documents related to the transfer of the following unimproved parcels of property to Sphere International, LLC, to be used for the development/construction of a Hotel-Convention Center:
55-55 ½ South Main Street, 57-59 South Main Street, 61 South Main Street.

Designating Mayor Anthony G. George and City Controller Darren Snyder, as the officials to execute all documents and agreements between the City of Wilkes-Barre and the Commonwealth Financing Authority to facilitate and assist in obtaining the requested grant along with any or all other project documents, related to a Small Water and Sewer Project, if the application is approved.

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OCTOBER 20, 2016

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

CONSENT AGENDA (RESOLUTIONS)

CONSENT AGENDA (ORDINANCES)

PUBLIC DISCUSSION

ADJOURNMENT

CITY COUNCIL
OCTOBER 20, 2016

CONSENT AGENDA (RESOLUTIONS)

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Designating Mayor Anthony G. George and City Controller Darren Snyder, as the officials to execute all documents and agreements between the City of Wilkes-Barre and the Commonwealth Financing Authority to facilitate and assist in obtaining the requested grant along with any or all other project documents, related to a Small Water and Sewer Project, if the application is approved.

Request that the Traffic Committee study and make any and all recommendations it deems necessary to attempt to curb the traffic increase and/or slow the traffic down in order to address the potential risk of accidents on West River Street.

MINUTES

Of the Planning Commission of August 17, 2016.

Of the Parking Authority of September 20, 2016.

Of the Regular Session of the City Council of October 4, 2016.

CITY COUNCIL
OCTOBER 20, 2016

CONSENT AGENDA (ORDINANCES)

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Wilkes-Barre, Pa. _____

Resolution No. _____

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Wilkes-Barre:

WHEREAS, the Parking Authority of the City of Wilkes-Barre (the "Parking Authority") has completed its Minor Subdivision of properties located on South Main Street;

WHEREAS, the Parking Authority is donating portions of the subdivided property to the City of Wilkes-Barre for use in the development/construction of a Hotel-Convention Center in downtown Wilkes-Barre;

WHEREAS, the City can now convey all parcels necessary for the Hotel-Convention Center Project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the proper City officials are hereby authorized to sign any and all necessary documents related to the transfer of the following unimproved parcels of property to Sphere International, LLC to be used for the development/construction of a Hotel-Convention Center:

1. 55-55 ½ South Main Street (H9SE2-026-018A);
2. 57-59 South Main Street (H9SE2-026-019);
3. 61 South Main Street (H9SE2-026-020).

Submitted by _____

ROLL CALL

YFAS

RESOLUTIONS

NAYS



Wilkes-Barre, Pa. _____

Resolution No. _____

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Wilkes-Barre:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Wilkes-Barre, Luzerne County hereby requests a PA Small Water and Sewer Program grant of \$340,000.00 from the Commonwealth Financing Authority to be used for the Solomon Creek Area Sanitary Sewer System Improvements project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Wilkes-Barre to authorize the appropriate city officials to submit a \$340,000.00 PA Small Water and Sewer Program grant application funded by Commonwealth Financing Authority to be used for the Solomon Creek Area Sanitary Sewer System Improvements project.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Applicant does hereby designate Anthony G. George, Mayor and Darren Snyder, City Controller as the officials to execute all documents and agreements between the City of Wilkes-Barre and the Commonwealth Financing Authority to facilitate and assist in obtaining the requested grant along with any or all other project documents, related to the Solomon Creek Area Sanitary Sewer System Improvements project, if the application is approved.

I, Jim Ryan, duly qualified City Clerk of the City of Wilkes-Barre, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania, hereby certify that the forgoing is a true and correct copy of a Resolution duly adopted by a majority vote of the City Council of the City of Wilkes-Barre at a regular meeting held October 20, 2016 and said Resolution has been recorded in the Minutes of the City of Wilkes-Barre and remains in effect as of this date.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I affix my hand and attach the seal of the City of Wilkes-Barre, this 20th day of October, 2016.

City of Wilkes-Barre
Luzerne County

Submitted by _____

ROLL CALL

RESOLUTIONS

YEAS

NAYS



Wilkes-Barre, Pa. _____

Resolution No. _____

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Wilkes-Barre:

Whereas, it has been brought to the attention of City Council that West River Street has seen a steady influx of vehicular traffic usage for some time; and

Whereas, no stop signs are installed on the street; and

Whereas, vehicles have been observed speeding the entire length of West River, creating a potential risk for serious accidents.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved that the City Council of Wilkes-Barre request that the Traffic Committee study this issue and make any and all recommendations it deems necessary to attempt to curb the traffic increase and/or slow the traffic down in order to address the potential risk of accidents on West River Street.

Submitted by _____

ROLL CALL

RESOLUTIONS

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FILE OF COUNCIL

NO. 21 OF 2015

Presented in City Council on November 19, 2015

AN ORDINANCE

**ENTITLED “AN ORDINANCE VACATING AN UNNAMED PRIVATE PARTY ALLEY
IN THE CITY OF WILKES-BARRE”.**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the City Council of the City of Wilkes-Barre, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same, that:

SECTION I. VACATION OF AN UNNAMED PRIVATE PARTY ALLEY. The following portion of an unnamed private party alley located in the City of Wilkes-Barre is hereby vacated and discontinued as a private party alley:

LEGAL DESCRIPTION ATTACHED AS EXHIBIT “A”

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the land of the alley thus vacated and discontinued revert to and vest in SPHERE INTERNATIONAL, LLC (or its designee), now or to be an abutting owner, for the whole distance vacated and discontinued as fully to all intents and purposes as though the City of Wilkes-Barre had by formal conveyance duly conveyed the same to said SPHERE INTERNATIONAL, LLC (or its designee).

SECTION II. SEVERABILITY. The provisions of this ordinance are severable. If any part of this ordinance is declared to be unconstitutional, illegal or invalid, the validity of the remaining provisions shall be unaffected thereby. It is the intention of the Council of the City of Wilkes-Barre that this ordinance would have been adopted had such unconstitutional, illegal or invalid part not been included.

SECTION III. REPEALER. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith be and the same are hereby repealed.

This ordinance shall become effective ten (10) days after final passage.

Passed finally by the Council of the City of Wilkes-Barre on October 20

THE ABOVE-REFERENCED EXHIBIT "A" IS AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION AT THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK DURING NORMAL BUSINESS HOURS.

ATTEST:

JAMES RYAN, CITY CLERK

EXHIBIT "A"

Re: Private Party Alley
Written Description
Wilkes-Barre City

November 9, 2015

All that certain piece or parcel and lot of land, situated in the thirteenth (13th) ward (formerly the 7th ward) of the City of Wilkes-Barre, County of Luzerne, and State of Pennsylvania, more particularly bounded and described as follows, to wit:

BEGINNING at a point on the northwesterly side of West Northampton Street at a corner formed by the intersection of the northerly line of said West Northampton Street with lands now or formerly City of Wilkes-Barre;

THENCE along said lands of said City of Wilkes-Barre and other lands of now or formerly City of Wilkes-Barre, lands now or formerly of Barbara A. Coffee, and lands now or formerly Ken Pollock, Inc. North 55 degrees 20 minutes 00 seconds East, 141.50 feet to a point, along the lands now or formerly of the Parking Authority of the City of Wilkes-Barre;

THENCE along said lands of the Parking Authority North 34 degrees 40 minutes 00 seconds West, 141.50 feet to a point along the northerly side of West Northampton Street;

THENCE along said West Northampton Street South 3 degrees 40 minutes 00 seconds East, 10.00 feet to the point of beginning.

CONTAINING 1,415 square feet (0.032 acres) of land more or less.

BEING a certain alley running from West Northampton Street being 10.00 feet side and running back of side width 141.50 feet, granting the right and privilege of passing in, upon and through said alley in common with the owners, their heirs and assigns, of the lots adjoining said alley, said alley rights having been established and dedicated in that certain deed from Charles Streater and Elizabeth, his wife, to George M. Hollenback dated May 10, 1850, and recorded on April 21, 1852, in Deed Book 53, page 392, all the provisions of which are incorporated herein by reference thereto.

BEING more particularly shown on a Survey Plat of a Private Party Alley dated November 9, 2015 and prepared by the office of PennEastern Engineers, LLC, attached hereto.

FILE OF COUNCIL

NO. 15 of 2016

Presented in City Council October 4, 2016

AN ORDINANCE

AMENDING THE TRAFFIC CONTROL MAP PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 29 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WILKES-BARRE ENTITLED "TRAFFIC AND MOTOR VEHICLES."

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED AND ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILKES-BARRE THAT THE TRAFFIC COMMITTEE AND/OR THE DIVISION OF TRAFFIC AND PATROL ARE HEREBY DIRECTED TO AMEND/CHANGE THE TRAFFIC CONTROL MAP, PURSUANT TO WILKES-BARRE CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 29, ARTICLE I, SECTION 29-2, TO INCLUDE THE PLACEMENT OF A PERMANENT FOUR (4) WAY STOP SIGN AT THE INTERSECTION OF HANOVER STREET, SOUTH FRANKLIN STREET AND OREGON STREET.

SEVERABILITY.

The provisions of this ordinance are severable. If any part of this ordinance is declared to be unconstitutional, illegal or invalid, the validity of the remaining provisions shall be unaffected thereby. It is the intention of the Council of the City of Wilkes-Barre that this ordinance would have been adopted had such unconstitutional, illegal or invalid part not been included.

REPEALER.

All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith be and the same are hereby repealed. All ordinances not specifically amended hereby remain in full force and effect.

Passed finally by the Council of the City of Wilkes-Barre on _____
October 20_____, 2016.

This ordinance shall become effective ten (10) days after final passage by the Council of the City of Wilkes-Barre.

Attest:

Jim Ryan, City Clerk

FILE OF COUNCIL

NO. 16 of 2016

Presented in City Council October 4, 2016.

AN ORDINANCE

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Passed finally by the Council of the City of Wilkes-Barre on October 20
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This ordinance shall become effective ten (10) days after final passage by the Council of the City of Wilkes-Barre.

Attest:

Jim Ryan, City Clerk

FILE OF COUNCIL

No. 17 of 2016

PRESENTED IN CITY COUNCIL ON OCTOBER 4, 2016

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY'S TRAFFIC CODE ESTABLISHING
THE TRAFFIC PATTERN OF BOTH WEST MAPLE AND WEST LINDEN
STREETS DURING THE VERTICAL ADDITION TO GENERAL HOSPITAL

WHEREAS, it is the desire and intention of City Council to pass legislation within the City of Wilkes-Barre and confirm the traffic issues surrounding the completion of the General Hospital's vertical addition (the "vertical addition"); and

WHEREAS, the City of Wilkes-Barre, in consultation with the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation District Office, established of both West Maple and West Linden Streets as **one way streets** with parking on **both sides**; and

WHEREAS, the City of Wilkes-Barre will be temporarily making both West Maple and West Linden Streets **two way streets** from North Franklin Street to North Main Street from the effective date of this Ordinance until to January 1st 2018, with parking solely on the **North Side of West Maple Street, and the South Side of West Linden Street**, to accommodate construction traffic while the hospital completes its vertical addition.

WHEREAS, this Ordinance is being drafted and enacted to amend the City's Traffic Code and to establish temporary guidelines for the traffic patterns and parking during the vertical addition construction.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Wilkes-Barre, and it is hereby ordained by the authority of the same that:

SECTION 1. **WEST MAPLE AND WEST LINDEN STREETS CURRENT TRAFFIC DIRECTION AND PARKING**

West Maple and West Linden Streets are currently designated one way streets, with parking on both sides of the streets, as permitted under the traffic code of the City of Wilkes-Barre.

SECTION 2. **TEMPORARY DIRECTONAL AND PARKING CHANGES**

During the construction of the hospital's vertical addition, it is necessary to legally change the traffic patterns for both of said streets from **one-way streets** to **two-way streets** from North Franklin to North Main Street, with parking permitted solely on the **North** side of West Maple Street and on the **South** side of West Linden Street, during the construction period. Therefore, West Maple and West Linden Streets, which are affected by the hospital's construction, shall continue to be two-way streets with parking permitted on one allocated side of each street, until the hospital's construction has been completed. At that time, West Maple Street West Linden Street will automatically resume to their original, one-way directional pattern with parking permitted on both sides of the streets. The City Administration shall take the necessary steps to effectuate this change accordingly.

SECTION 3. **CONFLICTS**

All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances of the City of Wilkes-Barre in conflict with this Ordinance to the extent of such conflict, and no further, are hereby repealed. The provisions of this Ordinance are severable. If any part of this Ordinance is declared unconstitutional, illegal, or invalid, the validity of the remaining provisions shall be unaffected thereby.

SECTION 4.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF ORDINANCE

This Ordinance shall become effective ten (10) days after final adoption by
Wilkes-Barre City Council.

ATTEST:

JAMES RYAN, CITY CLERK