

**GOVERNANCE, STRATEGY & CITY OPERATIONS COMMITTEE
THURSDAY, MARCH 1, 2018
CITY OF PLATTSBURGH COMMON COUNCIL CHAMBERS
MINUTES
4:30PM**

Roll Call: Chair Councilor Kretser, Mayor Read, Councilor Kelly, Councilor Armstrong [*participated via SKYPE*]

Others Present: City Clerk Sylvia Parrotte, Promotions and Special Events Coordinator Sandra Geddes

1. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Perry Buck owns Plattsburgh City Taxi asked where his request about increasing taxi rates.

Councilor Kretser indicated he and Councilor Armstrong are working on getting Taxi companies together to have a meeting maybe mid-March.

2. REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENT REPRESENTATIVES AND DISCUSSION WITH COUNCILORS: None

3. AGENDA ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD FROM DEPARTMENTS TO BE APPROVED BY COMMITTEE AND RECOMMENDED TO COUNCIL:

1. Request from Promotions and Special Events Coordinator Sandra Geddes to approve Virginia Brady to hold the 5k Forward for Recovery at the Plattsburgh City Beach on Saturday June 9, 2018 with proceeds to benefit the Champlain Valley Family Center.
2. Request from Adirondack Coast Events and Fleet Feet to change the route of the Shamrock Shuffle 5k (approved by Council on 02-01-18) to start and finish at Valcour Brewing Company on March 17 with race beneficiary to be `Foundation of CVPH.
3. Request from City Clerk Sylvia Parrotte to approve the 2018 Street Drives.
4. Request from City Clerk Sylvia Parrotte permission to advertise lease of Info Booth 2018.
5. Request from the Plattsburgh Farmers and Crafters Market group to manage the Farmers Market for the 2018 market season from May 12 - October 6, 2018. Signed Licenses agreement, fee and insurance proof is required.
6. Request that the Mayor is authorized to sign a License Agreement with Lake Forest Senior Living Community Inc to enter City of Plattsburgh property located on Ohio Avenue and Nevada Oval adjacent to the property owned by Lake Forest to remove scrub brush, intermittently clear

young poplars and raise the canopy of mature trees located on the property paralleling that of Lake Forest (hereafter "Tree Line Work"). The intent is to create window views of the lake while avoiding clear cutting and also avoiding removing any trees which may cause erosion of the lake shore area, banks, or impact the structural integrity of the rail lines

- 7. Whereas, on July 6, 2017, the Common Council approved a resolution to allow Friends of the Saranac River Trail to place and install between two (2) to five (5) public sculptures on City property at no cost to the City.

Now therefore, be it resolved, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to sign a Memorandum of Understanding with the Friends of the Saranac River Trail in furtherance of the aforementioned resolution.

- 8. Request to accept the February 2018 Parking Study report by Carl Walker, Inc and make any recommendations to Council.

Discussion: on various items with City Clerk Sylvia Parrotte, Promotions and Special Events Coordinator Sandra Geddes, Council, Mayor and Corporation Counsel Dean Schneller.

By Councilor Kretser; Seconded by Councilor Armstrong
(RC) Roll call: All in Favor

4. OLD BUSINESS: None

5. NEW BUSINESS:

Councilor Kretser indicated he and Councilor Armstrong have been involved in discussions with Plattsburgh Farmers Market group. Spoke about some ideas to be more inclusive and increase area for market.

Dick Crawford President of Plattsburgh Farmers Market spoke, mentioned issues, explained their rules and by laws. CSA groups did not want to follow their rules.

[Further discussion with Council members and representatives of Plattsburgh Farmers Market]

Councilor Kretser suggested they table for now so that Plattsburgh Farmers Market can go back to their membership.

Mayor Read suggested letting CSA's do a different day in that location or a different location.

Dick Crawford President of Plattsburgh Farmers Market indicated they have to provide insurance, pay fees, etc for use of market building for season.

Motion to Adjourn by Councilor Kretser; Seconded by Councilor Armstrong

(RC) Roll call: All in Favor

MEETING ADJOURNED: 5:04 pm