

**CITY COUNCIL
ROCHESTER, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Nonpublic Session Minutes**

Date: 2/4/2020

Motion to enter Nonpublic Session

Made by: Lauterborn

Seconded by: Lachapelle

Specific Statutory Reason cited as foundation for the nonpublic session:

____ RSA 91-A:3, II (a) *The dismissal, promotion, or compensation of any public employee or the disciplining of such employee, or the investigation of any charges against him or her, unless the employee affected (1) has a right to a public meeting, and (2) requests that the meeting be open, in which case the request shall be granted.*

____ RSA 91-A:3, II(b) *The hiring of any person as a public employee.*

____ RSA 91-A:3, II(c) *Matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person, other than a member of this board, unless such person requests an open meeting. This exemption shall extend to include any application for assistance or tax abatement or waiver of a fee, fine or other levy, if based on inability to pay or poverty of the applicant.*

X RSA 91-A:3, II(d) *Consideration of the acquisition, sale or lease of real or personal property which, if discussed in public, would likely benefit a party or parties whose interests are averse to those of the general community.*

____ RSA 91-A:3, II(e) *Consideration or negotiation of pending claims or litigation which has been threatened in writing or filed against this board or any subdivision thereof, or against any member thereof because of his or her membership therein, until the claim or litigation has been fully adjudicated or otherwise settled*

____ RSA 91-A:3, II(i) *Consideration of matters relating to the preparation for and the carrying out of emergency functions, including training to carry out such functions, developed by local or state safety officials that are directly intended to thwart a deliberate act that is intended to result in widespread or severe damage to property or widespread injury or loss of life.*

Roll Call vote to enter nonpublic session:

(circle replies below)

Mayor McCarley

☒ Yes No Not Present

Deputy Mayor Lauterborn

☒ Yes No Not Present

Councilor Hutchinson

☒ Yes No Not Present

Councilor Belken	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	Not Present
Councilor LaChance	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	Not Present
Councilor Hamann	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	Not Present
Councilor Lachapelle	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	Not Present
Councilor Abbott	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	Not Present
Councilor Walker	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	Not Present
Councilor Hailey	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	Not Present
Councilor Rice	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	Not Present
Councilor Gray	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	Not Present
Councilor Bogan	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	Not Present

Entered nonpublic session

Time: 7:48 pm

Other persons present during nonpublic session:

City Manager Blaine Cox, Deputy City Manager Katie Ambrose, Economic Development

Director Michael Scala, and City Attorney Terence O'Rourke

Description of matters discussed, and final decisions made:

1035 Salmon Falls Road:

Director Scala presented the Council with the option to purchase approximately 45 acres of the above named parcel. Scala stated that 25.1 acres are buildable upland and that 18 acres are wetlands of various degrees. Scala stated Assessor Rice pinned the value at around \$1,500 per acre.

Councilor Abbot made a Motion to Authorize the City to negotiated a sale of up to \$15,000.00.

The Motion was seconded by Councilor Walker. The Motion passed 10-3 as follows:

Yea: Gray, Abbott, Walker, Lauterborn, Walker, Lachapelle, Hamman, Rice, Bogan, Hainey

Nay: Belkin, Hutchinson, Lachance

Scenic Theatre/Salinger

Scala informed the Council that the City had received a Letter of Intent from Chinburg Properties to purchase both buildings. Scala explained the design and the potential \$8 million in improvements to be made. Scala said he will return at the next meeting with a finalized LOI. Councilor Abbot spoke strongly in favor of the project.

Motion to leave nonpublic session and return to public session

Made by: Lauterborn

Seconded by: Lachapelle

Motion: PASSED DID NOT PASS (circle one)

Public session reconvened

Time: 8:37 pm

Motion made to seal these minutes? Yes No (circle one)

Indefinitely? Yes No (circle one)

If yes, motion made by: Lauterborn

Seconded by: Lachapelle

because it is determined that divulgence of this information likely would:

____ Affect adversely the reputation of any person other than a member of this board.

X Render a proposed action ineffective.

____ Pertains to preparation or carrying out of actions regarding terrorism.

Roll Call Vote to seal minutes:

(2/3's vote of members present required)

Mayor McCarley	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Not Present
Deputy Mayor Lauterborn	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Not Present
Councilor Hutchinson	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Not Present
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Councilor Rice	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Not Present
Councilor Gray	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Not Present
Councilor Bogan	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Not Present

Motion: ☒ **PASSED** ☐ **DID NOT PASS** (circle one)

Time: 8:38 pm

These minutes recorded by: City Attorney Terence O'Rourke

Note: Under RSA 91-A:3, III. *Minutes of proceedings in nonpublic sessions shall be kept and the record of all actions shall be promptly made available for public inspection, except as provided in this section. Minutes and decisions reached in nonpublic session shall be publicly disclosed within 72 hours of the meeting, unless, by recorded vote of 2/3 of the members present, it is determined that divulgence of the information likely would affect adversely the reputation of any person other than a member of this board, or render the proposed action of the board ineffective, or pertain to terrorism. In the event of such circumstances, information may be withheld until, in the opinion of a majority of members, the aforesaid circumstances no longer apply.*

Review of Sealed Minutes:

If these minutes were sealed, the Council will be requested to review these minutes within six months and annually thereafter to make a determination as to whether unsealing these minutes is required per RSA 91-A:3.

The date of first review: _____ (within six months of meeting)

The of second review: _____ (within 1 year of first review)

The date of third review: _____ (within 1 year of second review)

The date of fourth review: _____ (within 1 year of third review)