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Members present
Adam Roof, Sara Giannoni, Tom Ayres, Sharon Bushor, Selene Colburn, Dave Hartnett, Jane Knodell, Chip Mason, Karen Paul, Max Tracy, Kurt Wright, Joan Shannon

Also present: Mayor Weinberger, CAO Rusten, City Attorney Blackwood, ACAO Goodwin, Lori Olberg, Gene Bergman, Richard Haesler, Gregg Meyer; other Department Heads

Meeting called to order at 7:02 PM

CAO Rusten presiding:

1. Agenda

Action, Procedural: 1.01 Motion to Adopt Agenda

Councilors Bushor, Knodell, Wright and Shannon escorted the Mayor into the auditorium.

Approve the Agenda

Motion by Joan Shannon, second by Tom Ayres.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Aye: Adam Roof, Sara Giannoni, Tom Ayres, Sharon Bushor, Selene Colburn, Dave Hartnett, Jane Knodell, Chip Mason, Karen Paul, Max Tracy, Kurt Wright, Joan Shannon

2. Oath of Office

Action, Procedural: 2.01 Swearing In Of The Mayor

Justice of the Peace Andrew Champagne swore Mayor Miro Weinberger into office.

Action, Procedural: 2.02 Swearing In Of Newly Elected and Re-elected City Council Members

Mayor Weinberger swore the following City Councilors into Office:

Sharon Bushor, Ward One

Max Tracy, Ward Two

Sara Giannoni, Ward Three

Kurt Wright, Ward Four

William "Chip" Mason, Ward Five

Karen Paul, Ward Six

Tom Ayres, Ward Seven

Adam Roof, Ward Eight

Selene Colburn, East District

Jane Knodell, Central District

Dave Hartnett, North District

Joan Shannon, South District

3. State Of The City Address

Action, Communication, Information, Presentation: 3.01 Mayor Presents State Of The City Address

Mayor Weinberger delivered the State of the City address.

4. Election Of City Council President

Action, Procedural: 4.01 Election Of City Council President

CAO Rusten opened the floor for nominations.

Councilor Wright nominated Jane Knodell for City Council President. She has had a distinguished career on the City Council and at the University of Vermont. She served as the first female Provost at the University. She was recently appointed and served on a Committee to help turn around Burlington College.

Nominate Jane Knodell to Serve as City Council President

Motion by Kurt Wright

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Aye: Adam Roof, Sara Giannoni, Tom Ayres, Sharon Bushor, Selene Colburn, Dave Hartnett, Jane Knodell, Chip Mason, Karen Paul, Max Tracy, Kurt Wright, Joan Shannon

Councilor Knodell thanked outgoing City Council President Joan Shannon for her service. City Council President Shannon thanked City Council President Knodell for her words. City Council President Knodell stated they have a lot of work ahead of them as a Council. She hopes they will have vigorous debate and a strong spirit of collaboration with the administration. They can be focused and keep their minds on the priorities that they will set out. They will have a fund available in the FY16 budget for City Council initiatives. Councilors will be able to put forward proposals for use of that fund. They will also be working together to create their committees.

5. Election Of Board Of Finance Members

Action, Procedural: 5.01 Election Of Board Of Finance Members

Councilor Colburn nominated Councilors Bushor, Paul and Wright to the Board of Finance.

Motion by Selene Colburn, second by Adam Roof.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Aye: Adam Roof, Sara Giannoni, Tom Ayres, Sharon Bushor, Selene Colburn, Dave Hartnett, Jane Knodell, Chip Mason, Karen Paul, Max Tracy, Kurt Wright, Joan Shannon

6. Adjournment

Action, Procedural: 6.01 Motion To Adjourn

Adjourn at 7:45pm

Motion by Joan Shannon, Second by Kurt Wright

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Aye: Adam Roof, Sara Giannoni, Tom Ayres, Sharon Bushor, Selene Colburn, Dave Hartnett, Jane Knodell, Chip Mason, Karen Paul, Max Tracy, Kurt Wright, Joan Shannon