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Documents:

March 16, 2020 Regular Meeting Complete Agenda Packet1.pdf
Meeting Agenda
State College Borough Council
Regular Meeting
Monday, March 16, 2020
7 p.m.

Please note: To encourage public participation during the Monday, March 16, 2020, Borough Council Regular Meeting, the State College will host a virtual Council meeting.

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Janet P. Engeman
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Peter S. Marshall
Dan Murphy
Evan Myers

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Shawn Kauffman, Centre Region’s Emergency Management Coordinator, and Brian O’Donnell, the Borough’s Health Officer, will update Council on the COVID-19 Pandemic and what is being done locally.

V. Items of Information from Council Members

The Mayor will recognize any member of Council who wishes to bring up an item of information for the benefit of the full Council, including items that members may wish to have added to a future agenda.

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Anyone in the audience wishing to address Council with an item that is not on the agenda should ask to be recognized at this time. Each speaker will have up to four minutes to present comments to Council.
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termination of the line-of-credit. Both boards recommend transitioning the
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the Student Home Licenses and extinguish the zoning permit for the
Student Home use. This recommended evolution is a direct result of the
significant expense incurred through the acquisition model. The most recent
REAC report was provided to Council at the March 2, 2020 meeting.
Although the final decision on this approach is up to the RDA, Council may
provide comments. If there are not comments or objections by Council, the
RDA will proceed with its decision making in the coming months.

The RDA has also recommended that the line of credit not be renewed. This
will require that the outstanding LOC be paid by June 1. The RDA has
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NSP program would then be funded with revenue dedicated to the RDA.
The terms of the internal loan would be $429,000 five years, at a variable
interest rate matching the Borough’s money market account rate.

**Staff Recommendation:** Staff recommends Council approve an internal
loan to the RDA in the amount of $429,000 to pay off the balance of the
bank line-of-credit as described above.

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A. Centre Region Parks and Recreation (CRPR) Comprehensive Plan

Tom Daubert, a member of the CRPR Comprehensive Plan Committee,
reviewed with Council the Executive Summary of CRPR’s Plan at its March
3, 2020 meeting. Since the meeting, Mr. Daubert has prepared a list of
comments for Council to consideration. [Page 20]

All comments on the Comprehensive Plan are due to the COG Executive
Director on March 17, 2020.

**Staff Recommendation:** Staff recommends Council submit the
recommended comments and provide the Manager with any additional
comments on the proposed Comprehensive Plan at tonight’s meeting so
they can be shared with COG’s Executive Director on March 17, 2020.
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RESOLUTION ____

DESTRUCTION OF SPECIFIC RECORDS

WHEREAS, By Virtue of Resolution 706, as adopted on the 6th day of December, 1993, the Borough of State College declared its intent to follow the procedures for the disposition of records, as set forth in the Municipal Records Manual, approved by the Pennsylvania Historical & Museum Commission, Division of Archival and Records Management Services, on July 16, 1993; and,

WHEREAS, In accordance with Act 428 of 1968 (the enabling legislation which governs the disposition of records in the State of Pennsylvania), as may be amended from time to time, each individual act of disposition shall be approved by Resolution of the governing body of the municipality;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the Borough of State College, in accordance with the above-cited schedule, hereby authorizes the disposition of those public records, which are separately listed and hereby made a part of this Resolution.

RESOLVED this 16th day of March, 2020.

ATTEST: 

BOROUGH OF STATE COLLEGE

______________________________  ________________________________
Sharon K. Ergler                Jesse L. Barlow
Assistant Borough Secretary     President of Council
## 2020 PURCHASING RECORDS DESTRUCTION ORDER

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**Retention Schedule**

- Purchase Orders: 7 years  
- Purchasing files: 6 years  
- Correspondence: as long as of administrative value  
- Bids, Contracts, Agreements:
  - Non-construction - 6 years from completion for successful bidder  
  - Construction - 12 years from completion for successful bidder  
  - Unsuccessful bids - 3 years from completion of project
RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF STATE COLLEGE IN THE COUNTY OF CENTRE, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, TO AUTHORIZE THE LIFTING OF RESTRICTIONS FOR THE 2 A.M. TO 6 A.M. PARKING ORDINANCE ON ALL STREETS OF THE BOROUGH OF STATE COLLEGE

WHEREAS, Chapter XI, Part C, Section 303 Subsection (2) of the Borough of State College Vehicle and Traffic Ordinance requires Council to annually approve all times the parking prohibited between 2:00 A.M. and 6:00 A.M. parking restriction will be lifted.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

Section 1. The 2 a.m. to 6 a.m. parking restrictions as outlined in Chapter XI, Part C, Section 303 of Codification of the Borough of State College shall be lifted as follows:

A. Penn State University Dance Marathon beginning at 2:00 A.M. on Saturday and continuing through 6:00 A.M. on Sunday.
B. Penn State Commencement at the conclusion of the fall and spring academic semesters beginning at 2:00 A.M. on Friday and continuing through 6:00 A.M. on Sunday.
C. Memorial Day weekend beginning at 2:00 A.M. on Saturday and continuing through 6:00 A.M. on Monday.
D. July 4, beginning at 2:00 A.M. on July 4 and extending through 6:00 A.M. on July 5, provided that if the 4th of July falls on a Friday, Saturday, Sunday or Monday, the restrictions shall not be enforced beginning at 2:00 A.M. on Friday and ending at 6:00 A.M. on Monday.
E. Central Pennsylvania Festival of the Arts beginning at 2:00 A.M. on Wednesday, and ending at 6:00 A.M. on Sunday.
F. The full week prior to the first day of classes for the fall academic semester at Penn State University.
G. Labor Day weekend, beginning at 2:00 A.M. on Saturday and continuing through 6:00 A.M. on Monday.
H. Penn State University Home Football Game weekends, including the spring game weekend, beginning at 2:00 A.M. on Saturday and ending at 6:00 A.M. on Sunday.
I. Thanksgiving weekend beginning at 2:00 A.M. on Thursday and ending at 6:00 A.M. on Sunday.
J. The period beginning at 2:00 A.M. on December 23 and ending at 6:00 A.M. on January 2.
Section 2. Chapter XI., Part C, Section 303 Subsection (6) maintains enforcement of Section 303 Parking Prohibited Between 2:00 A.M. and 6:00 A.M. for the Highlands neighborhood in the following manner:

A. Registered residents of the Highland Residential Parking Pilot Program (HRPPPP) area shall qualify to obtain a Special Event Highlands Residential Parking Permit during the times approved by Council when the 2:00 A.M. to 6:00 A.M restrictions are not enforced in areas of the Borough outside of the HRPPPP map.

B. The Special Event Highlands Residential Parking Permit shall require a fee of $10 per 24-hour period.

Section 3. The Highlands Residential Parking Pilot Program shall go into effect by no later than March 1, 2019.

RESOLVED this 16th day of March, 2020.

ATTEST: BOROUGH OF STATE COLLEGE

______________________________________ By:_______________________________
Sharon K. Ergle Jesse L. Barlow
Assistant Borough Secretary President of Council
State College Borough Council  
Policy Briefing Summary  

RE: Proposed amendments to the Centre Region Building Safety and Property Maintenance Code and Establishing a Rental Housing License

Date Prepared: February 21, 2020  
Prepared By: Planning Staff  
Proposed Meeting Date: March 02, 2020  
Deadline for Action: March 16, 2020

I. Request/Issues Needing Council Action

The Neighborhood Sustainability Program (NSP), originally named the Homestead Investment Program (HIP), began in April 2014 with the establishment of a three-year, $5,000,000 line of credit (LoC) to be used to acquire homes to encourage diversity in the Borough’s neighborhoods by reducing the concentration of student housing. The State College Redevelopment Authority (RDA) was established as the agency responsible for implementation of the program. At the time of the program’s establishment, Council also created a Real Estate Advisory Committee (REAC) to evaluate the operation of the program, provide an annual report, along with recommendations on the program.

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II. Current Policy and/or Practice

Currently, the RDA is administering the NSP program. Due to the significant cost incurred through acquiring properties with a Student Home use, the RDA paused any additional acquisitions in 2019 pending resolution of the future of the LoC.
III. **Other Background Information**

The stated goals of the HIP (later renamed the NSP) include two key provisions from Borough Council’s 2009 Strategic Plan:

1) Support Borough Council’s goal of maintaining safe, stable and attractive neighborhoods through the expansion of housing initiatives by encouraging and fostering home ownership.

2) Support Borough Council’s goal of developing additional housing, especially workforce housing, by expanding the supply of workforce housing either through expanding affordable home ownership programs or through increasing the supply of affordable rental housing for households where one or more of the members of the household are employed.

The program was initiated by Council in December 2013 and operationalized throughout 2014 by the RDA. The program underwent significant revisions recommended by REAC in 2017, 2018 and 2019. The program resulted in the purchase of eleven properties (three were duplexes), resulting in fourteen units. All eleven were sold and as of the date of this briefing, the RDA does not hold any housing inventory for the program. Total costs of the program are as follows:

**Real Estate Costs (2014-2019)**

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**Total Program Costs**

($1,603,129)

IV. **Financial Impact on Budget**

The remaining balance of LoC with Fulton Bank is $429,910.13. The RDA is requesting a loan from the Borough in that amount in order to pay off the balance and terminate the LoC. The source of the loan would be from Borough general fund reserves, and the term of the loan would be for five years, paying a variable interest rate that matches the Borough’s money market account. By paying the same interest rate as the money market account (currently 1.76%), there is no impact on the budget besides a temporary reduction in the amount of reserves available to the general fund.
V. **Authority, Boards and Commission Review**

The RDA and the REAC met in a joint meeting on July 24, 2019 to discuss recommendations. Both boards recommend transitioning the program away from property acquisition, and instead, purchasing the Student Home Licenses and extinguish the zoning permit for the Student Home use.

VI. **Staff Recommendation and Reason**

Staff also recommends Council approve a loan to the RDA in the amount of $429,910.13 to pay off the balance of the bank LoC. The loan would be for five years, at a variable interest rate matching the Borough’s money market account rate (currently 1.76%).
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BOROUGH OF STATE COLLEGE  
CENTRE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA  
RESOLUTION NUMBER 1098

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF STATE COLLEGE ESTABLISHING THE  
HOMESTEAD INVESTMENT PROGRAM AS DESCRIBED IN THE HOMESTEAD  
INVESTMENT PROGRAM PLAN, DECEMBER 16, 2013

WHEREAS, the State College Borough Strategic Plan approved by Borough Council on  
October 19, 2009 established maintaining safe, stable, attractive neighborhoods as the first of  
six major goals, and

WHEREAS, the said State College Borough Strategic Plan established expanding  
housing opportunities as the fourth of six major goals, and

WHEREAS, trends in State College Borough have resulted in loss of diversity in housing  
tenure and in increased housing costs in neighborhoods in the, and

WHEREAS, State College Borough desires to establish programs to implement the  
goals of the Strategic Plan and to address the trends in its neighborhood that are not, in the  
opinion of State College Borough Council, in the long term best interest of the community;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the State College Borough Council does  
hereby adopt the Homestead Investment Program, dated December 16, 2013, consisting of all  
maps, charts, and textual matter including but not limited to the following delineated sections of  
the Program:

Why Does the Borough Need the Homestead Investment Program

Financial Impact of Growth of Rental Housing

Housing Costs

Relationship to Strategic Plan

Potential Acquisitions

Measurable Outcomes

Funding

Program Management and Operations:

Market Rate Properties Resale Process
Affordable Units

Owner-Occupied Units

Rental Properties

Appendix I
Potential Focus Areas

Appendix II
One-Family and Two-Family Rentals and Registered Student Homes

Appendix III
DECLARATION OF RESTRICTIVE COVENANTS

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the State College Borough Council designates the State College Redevelopment Authority as the agency of the Borough to purchase and resell properties through the Homestead Investment Program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a Real Estate Advisory Committee will be formed to assist staff and the Redevelopment Authority on assessing the viability of purchases. Representation will be pursued from the areas of real estate, lending, legal, home inspection, and affordable housing community.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT State College Borough Council authorizes the State College Redevelopment Authority to solicit proposals for establishing lines of credit with lending institutions in an amount not to exceed $1,000,000.00 per year for a period not to exceed five (5) years to provide funds that will be used to implement the Homestead Investment Program. Use of funds made available through said lines of credit shall be limited to the implementation of the Homestead Investment Program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT State College Borough Council authorizes the State College Redevelopment Authority to enter into agreements with Realtors™ to act as Sellers Agents for properties purchased through Homestead Investment Program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT State College Borough Council shall be the guarantor of all debt incurred by the Redevelopment Authority that results from the implementation of the Homestead Investment Program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT State College Borough Council authorizes the Borough Manager to establish rules and regulations necessary to implement the Homestead Investment Program and to enter into agreements and/or contracts necessary for the implementation of the Homestead Investment Program.

Duly enacted this 16th day of December, 2013.

ATTEST:

Sharon K. Ergler
Assistant Borough Secretary

STATE COLLEGE BOROUGH COUNCIL

BY:

Donald M. Hahn
Council President
ORDINANCE 2054

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF STATE COLLEGE AMENDING CHAPTER 1, ADMINISTRATION AND GOVERNMENT, OF THE CODIFICATION OF THE BOROUGH OF STATE COLLEGE, PART I, AUTHORITIES, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS FOR THE PURPOSE OF CREATING A REAL ESTATE ADVISORY COMMITTEE; AND AMEND PART J. PERSONNEL SYSTEM TO ADD LANGUAGE FOR DESIGNATED HOLIDAYS

WHEREAS, Council approved Resolution 1098 on December 16, 2013, establishing the Homestead Investment Program and resolved to establish a Real Estate Advisory Committee to provide oversight of the program; and

WHEREAS, Council is granted the power to create Authorities, Boards, Commissions and Committees in the Administrative Code, Part C, Council, Section 301. Powers; and

WHEREAS, an amendment is needed to the Personnel System to allow for certain individual departments, divisions or groups to have a different holiday schedule.

Be it ENACTED AND ORDAINED by the Council of the Borough of State College, and it is hereby Enacted and Ordained by authority of the same, as follows:

SECTION 1. Purpose, This ordinance is enacted to establish a Real Estate Advisory Committee to provide support and advice to Borough Council on recommendations or modifications to the Homestead Investment Program.

SECTION 2. Part I, Authorities, Boards and Commissions is hereby amended to add the following section:

Section 922. Real Estate Advisory Committee.

a. Committee Established. Under the powers provided to Borough Council in Part C of the Administrative Code, Council shall establish a Real Estate Advisory Committee (REAC).

b. Powers and Duties. The REAC shall advise the State College Borough Council on the implementation of the Homestead Investment Program (HIP) and provide Borough Council with any recommendations for modifications that improve the effectiveness in meeting stated program goals, as stated below.

c. Homestead Investment Program Goals.

1. Support Borough Council's goal of maintaining safe, stable and attractive neighborhoods through the expansion of housing initiatives by encouraging and fostering home ownership.
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d. Membership and Vacancies. The REAC shall consist of five (5) members. Members shall be appointed by Council and, initially, two (2) shall be appointed for terms of two (2) years, two (2) for terms of three (3) years, and one (1) for a term of four (4) years; thereafter, their successors shall be appointed for terms of four years. Vacancies, which occur for reasons other than the expiration of terms, shall be filled for the period of the unexpired term. Borough residency is preferred but not required to serve on the Committee.

Members of the REAC shall include one representative from Borough Council, one member from the State College Planning Commission, two residents of the Homestead Investment Program focus area, and one representative of the Penn State University student body, who shall be a currently enrolled full-time student.

Members of the Committee shall serve without pay but may be reimbursed for actual expenses incident to the performance of their duties within the limits of funds available to the Committee.

e. Organization, Rules, Meetings and Records. Within 30 days of its appointment, the Committee shall meet, elect a Chair and create and fill such other offices as it may determine appropriate. The term of the Chair and other officers shall be one year, and they shall be eligible for re-election.

The Committee shall adopt rules for the transaction of its business and shall keep a record of its resolutions, discussions, findings and recommendations, and these records shall be open to the public.

The Committee shall meet semiannually at a day and time determined by the Committee.

All meetings of the Committee shall be conducted in conformity with Pennsylvania’s Sunshine Act. All records shall be retained in conformity with applicable record retention regulations as promulgated by the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission.

f. Staff. The Borough Manager shall designate a staff member to serve as Secretary of the Committee. The Planning Director or his/her designee shall attend all meetings of the Committee. The Committee shall receive staff support from the Municipality as assigned by the Borough Manager. The staff support shall provide administrative, clerical, research and other appropriate support to the Committee.

g. Annual Report. The REAC shall, not later than 60 days following the end of each calendar year, submit, in writing to Council a report on the implementation of HIP and any modifications to HIP that the REAC believes will improve the effectiveness of HIP in meeting its state goals.
SECTION 3. Part J. Personnel System is hereby amended to add the following paragraph at the end of Section 1011. Holidays

Individual departments or divisions of the Borough may recognize a different holiday schedule as dictated by service requirements.

SECTION 4. Severability Clause. The provisions of this ordinance are severable and, if any of its provisions shall be held illegal, invalid or unconstitutional, the decision of the court shall not affect or impair any of the remaining provisions of this ordinance. It is hereby declared to be the intention of the Council of State College Borough that this ordinance would have been adopted if such illegal, invalid or unconstitutional provisions had not been included herein.

ENACTED AND ORDAINED this 1st day of December, 2014.

Attest: 

Sharon K. Ergler 
Assistant Borough Secretary

BOROUGH OF STATE COLLEGE

James L. Rosenberger 
President of Council

EXAMINED AND APPROVED as an Ordinance this 3rd day of December, 2014.

Elizabeth A. Goreham, Mayor
Tom Daubert’s Comments on the Centre Region Parks & Recreation’s Comprehensive Plan

I am listing 10 areas the Borough may need to address. Obviously, I don’t expect you to agree on all of them, so pick and choose. If Council members did not review pages 5-9 of the Executive Summary, they probably should. The items are not listed in any order.

1. Review facilities in the Borough major parks, and tour if necessary or desired. The Holmes-Foster Master Plan of 2014 should probably be reviewed as to progress in the report’s recommendations. Also documents on Orchard and Sunset could be looked at. What improvements should be made to better serve Borough residents at reasonable cost?

2. Consider the smaller parks as to facilities available such as seating, tables, play equipment, and self-directed activities like a basketball hoop.

3. Review Walnut Springs and Lederer Park amenities and plan to promote usage and increase value to State College community.

4. Decide whether the Council would approve the use of Highpoint Park land to build a small Action Sports Park so long as other municipalities will contribute.

5. Decide at what level Council will support regional facility development in addition to currently approved aid in developing the Whitehall Road Regional Park.

6. Return to the process of using volunteers for minor and cosmetic maintenance of Borough park areas.

7. Promote CRPR to return to sponsoring activities where all school-age residents can participate at low cost.

8. Decide whether the Borough wishes indoor facilities to be constructed by COG and whether the Borough would support such efforts as private organizations are now offering such facilities.

9. Should a Parks Foundation be established for funding purposes?

10. Core Theme 10 in the Action Plan, Section 7, discusses governance. The suggestions in the plan are to evaluate the need to continue the COG Parks Capital Committee. This was supported by most of the township members of the Master Plan Committee. The proposal was to increase the membership of the CRPR Board from 6 to 12 members with one elected and one staff person from each of the five municipalities and the SCASD. Council should and be ready to respond if this proposal is further considered.