



# City of Harrisonburg

409 S. Main Street  
Harrisonburg, VA 22801

## Meeting Agenda - Final-revised City Council

*Mayor Christopher B. Jones*  
*Vice-Mayor Richard Baugh*  
*Council Member Ted Byrd*  
*Council Member Kai Degner*  
*Council Member Abe Shearer*

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Tuesday, May 12, 2015

7:00 PM

Council Chambers

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1. Roll Call
2. Invocation
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Comments from the public, limited to five minutes, on matters not on the regular agenda. (Name and address are required)
5. Consent Agenda (any item placed on the consent agenda shall be removed and taken up as a separate matter, if so requested by any member of Council, otherwise all items will be voted on with one (1) motion)

5.a. Minutes

**Attachments:**     [April 28, 2015 Draft Meeting Minutes](#)

- 5.b. Consider a supplemental appropriation for the General Capital Projects Fund in the amount of \$39,819

**Review & Recommendation:**     The City entered into a Franchise Agreement with Shentel from the operation of a fiber optic network within City streets or other public lands in conjunction with the City's Downtown Streetscape Project. These funds were used for the installation of a Conduit System as described in the attached Franchise Agreement.

**Attachments:**     [Supplemental Appropriation \(Downtown Streetscape\)](#)  
[Shentel Agreement City of Harrisonburg Franchise \(Downtown Conduit\)](#)

**Legislative History**

4/28/15             City Council                     approved

6. Unfinished Business

- 6.a. Consider amending the Zoning Ordinance Section 10-3-30.1; Parking Lot Landscaping regulations, by proposing minor modifications to add flexibility and to improve and clarify its application

**Review & Recommendation:** Planning Commission recommended approval (6-0) of the Zoning Ordinance amendments that would modify Section 10-3-30.1, to better clarify the intent of the Parking Lot Landscaping regulations regarding parcels that are being redeveloped, and to provide flexibility for meeting side and rear lot line separation requirements for parking lots adjacent to existing buildings on adjoining lots having established zero lot line setbacks.

Council tabled this item during the April 14, 2015 Council Meeting and Community Development staff forwarded the information on the proposed changes to the Shenandoah Valley Builders Association (SVBA) with a request that any comments be submitted by May 1, 2015, so they could be included in City Council's agenda packet. After receiving no comments on the morning of May 1, 2015, contact again was made with the SVBA Executive Officer, Michelle Wilson-Johnson and a second notice was forwarded with no comments received. No formal presentation will be given, but staff will be available for questions.

**Attachments:** [Extract ZO Amend Parking Lot Landscape Amend](#)  
[Staff Report Parking Lot Landscaping Amendments \(2015\)](#)  
[Newspaper Public Hearing Ad](#)  
[PowerPoint 4-14-15 Meeting](#)

**Legislative History**

4/14/15              City Council                                      tabled

## 7. Public Hearings

7.a.    Consider a request from Alan E. Strawderman to rezone a 0.45-acre parcel zoned B-2C, General Business District Conditional by amending existing proffers on the property located at 1320 Port Republic Road

**Review & Recommendation:** Planning Commission recommended denial (6-0) of the proffer amendment rezoning request for the property identified as tax map parcel 88-C-6.

**Attachments:** [Planning Commission Extract](#)  
[Site Map and Zoning Map](#)  
[Staff Report](#)  
[Application and Other Support Documents](#)  
[DNR Public Hearing Notice](#)  
[Surrounding Property Owners Mailing](#)

7.b.    Consider Middle River Regional Jail agreement

**Review & Recommendation:** The agreement has been received and is being reviewed by Rockingham County and the City of Harrisonburg. One of the documents has been sent back to MRRJ for review and will be made available as soon as they are received. Discussion and consideration for approval will be held following the public hearing.

**Attachments:**      [Buy-In Agreement](#)  
[Buy-In Agreement Final 5-11-15](#)  
[Support Agreement](#)  
[Harrisonburg Resolution](#)  
[Public Hearing Ad](#)  
[Service Agreement](#)

## 8. Regular Items

### 8.a. Consider approval of the FY 2015-2016 CDBG Action Plan

**Review & Recommendation:**      The 2015-2016 CDBG Action Plan describes in detail actions to be taken in the coming year to further the priorities described in the 2012-2016 Strategic Plan for the CDBG Program. These projects are outlined in the attachment, and the full 2015-2016 Action Plan is available in the City Manager's Office, at the Massanutten Regional Library, and on the city's website. A 30 day public comment period was held, and during that time the city received comments from citizens that were heard at the March 24th council meeting. No additional comments were received after the meeting. Staff recommends approval.

**Attachments:**      [Financial Summary For CDBG 2015-2016](#)

### 8.c. Receive Planning Commission's findings, New Elementary School on Garbers Church Road

**Review & Recommendation:**      Planning Commission's review under Virginia State Code 15.2-2232 finds the general or approximate location, character, and extent of the Project is substantially in accord with the city's adopted Comprehensive Plan.

**Attachments:**      [Planning Commission Extract](#)  
[Site Map, Zoning Map, and Aerial Map](#)  
[Staff Report](#)  
[Supporting Documents](#)  
[Letters to Planning Commission](#)  
[Signed 2232 Findings Report for Elementary School](#)

### 8.b. Consider adopting the appropriation ordinance of the City of Harrisonburg, Virginia for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2016 for the first reading

**Review & Recommendation:**      A public hearing was held during the April 28, 2015 Council Meeting and a City Council Budget Work Session is scheduled for Monday, May 11, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.

**Attachments:**      [Appropriation Ordinance 2015-16](#)

## 9. Reallocations

### 9.a. Consider the reallocation of budgeted funds for the Economic Development Department in the amount \$15,000

**Review & Recommendation:**      These grant funds are being reallocated from the Economic Development budget to the Revolving Loan Fund for disbursement to the winners of the What's Cooking business concept competition in the form of 0% interest loans.

**Attachments:**      [Budget Reallocation](#)

**10. Other Matters****11. Boards and Commissions****11.a. Community Services Board****Review &****Recommendation:**

Mr. Lacy Whitmore, Executive Director, contacted the City Clerk confirming Rev. Ben Risser is willing to continue and able to serve a full three (3) year term on the CSB. Mr. Whitmore stated Mr. Risser has been an excellent addition to the CSB Board and he has provided effective citizen leadership and oversight to this agency by his participation on the Board. Mr. Risser's term expires June 30, 2015.

**12. Adjournment**