CITY OF BUENA VISTA PUBLIC HEARINGS, REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AND EXECUTIVE SESSION

(VIRTUAL MEETING) MAY 20, 2021 – 6:00 P.M.

ADG #1: PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND PRAYER:

Councilman Cooper delivered the opening prayer.

ADG #2:

PUBLIC HEARING #1 CITY COUNCIL May 20th 2021

Pursuant to Code of Virginia Section 15.2-2204 and the City of Buena Vista Land Development Regulations, notice is given that the City Council of the City of Buena Vista will hold a public hearing to receive comment on the following matters.

Request for Abandonment of Public Right of Way by Michael Martin and Randy Stinnett, for portions of the alleyway between 24th Street and 25th Street and Hawthorne Avenue and Ash Avenue; a portion of 25th Street; and a portion of Ash Avenue.

The Public Hearing will be held virtually via Zoom. The meeting begins at 6:00 PM on Thursday, May 20th, 2021. Staff reports for each matter, and a copy of the Comprehensive Plan, are available from the Director of Community and Economic Development, Thomas Roberts, 2039 Sycamore Avenue, Buena Vista VA 24416 or (540) 261-8607 or troberts@bvcity.org or buenavistava.org/planning.

Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5528910134

ADG #3: APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

Motion was made by Councilman Cooper to approve the agenda, seconded by Councilman Coffey, carried by Council.

ADG #4: MINUTES WILL BE DELAYED UNTIL NEXT MEETING:

ADG #5: RECOGNITION/COMMUNICATION FROM VISITORS:

Citizens who desire to speak on matters not listed on the agenda below will be heard at this time. Citizens who desire to speak on a specific item listed on the agenda, open for public comment, will be heard when that item is considered.

No one spoke.

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ADG #6: REPORTS:

1.) <u>Mayor:</u>

Mayor Fitzgerald advised that he, Mr. Kearney, and the City Manager are working on opening the meetings back to in person. The in-person meetings should begin again on July 1, 2021.

2.) City Manager:

Mr. Tyree reported that they have had some great meetings this week concerning the budget, the Finance Committee, and Parks and Recreation. He thanked everyone who was involved in those meetings for their input.

3.) City Attorney:

None.

4.) Council Committee/Representative:

Councilman Henson started his report by saying that they had a good Public Works/Public Safety meeting on Monday. The Parks and Recreation meeting was long, but they got a lot of new things coming up. A representative from RARO was at the meeting. He advised the pool at GMP will open for the season on Saturday, May 29, 2021. He also reported that Fridays in the Park will resume on Friday, May 28, 2021. The American Legion Memorial Service will not be held at Green Hill Cemetery but will be held at GMP, May 30, 2021, beginning at 3:00 p.m. He also advised that the Fireman's Carnival will be coming this week. There is some discussion about having homecoming for Parry McCluer at the Multi-Purpose Pavilion and Rockbridge having theirs at Vista Links.

Councilman Staton advised that he has talked to Jason and let him know that Blue Bird Bus Company was here for many years. Blue Bird is looking to move into a facility or build one to start making an electric bus line. He feels it would be a long shot, but Buena Vista has had ties with Blue Bird in the past. It may be a long shot, but he has asked the

City Manager to follow up on the possibility of them coming back to Buena Vista.

Vice-Mayor Hickman advised they held a Parks/Rec meeting again last night. She said they talked about a lot of different things. One of the items discussed was playground equipment. They discussed having a fund raiser to get a start on some new equipment. She reached out to some people today that said they would be willing to help. She will have a meeting with them on Tuesday of next week. She will be giving updates as they progress. There will be a flea market on June 5th on the Town Square property.

Councilman Webb said he noticed that Grace Automotive has cleaned up a few cars. He opined we should give him a deadline as to when we want the vehicles moved. Councilman Webb advised there are a couple of vehicles in the back of the facility that are on City property.

ADG #7: CONSIDER APPOINTMENTS TO VARIOUS BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COMMITTEES:

SHENANDOAH VALLEY PARTNERSHIP:

MS. KRISTINA RAMSEY HAS BEEN FILLING IN AS INTERIM BOARD MEMBER FOR CITY MANAGER JAY SCUDDER. NEW CITY MANAGER JASON TYREE NEEDS TO BE APPOINTED BY CITY COUNDIL TO SERVE IN THIS ROLE. THIS IS A TWO-YEAR TERM AND THE FIRST TIME IT HAS APPEARED ON THE AGENDA:

Motion was made by Councilman Henson to appoint City Manager Jason Tyree to the Shenandoah Valley Partnership, seconded by Vice-Mayor Hickman, carried by Council.

OLD BUSINESS:

Tom Roberts read the following Ordinance:

OB #1: SECOND READING OF AN ORDINANCE FOR A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR 245 w 21ST STREET: ORD 21-05

Mr. Kearney said this Ordinance has been changed since the first reading. It was changed because if a property is not acquired by the organization the Conditional Use Permit would not go forward. Mr. Kearney requested that Mr. Roberts read the amended Ordinance.

Conditional Use Permit ORD 21-05 245 W 21st Street Ordinance Text 4/28/2021 **BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BUENA VISTA, VIRGINIA**, that after a duly called public hearing, in accordance with the general welfare of the citizens of Buena Vista and in accordance with good zoning practices, the following Conditional Uses shall be permitted on the property at 245 W 21st Street, known as the former Mundet-Hermetite site, to further the proposed agricultural technology innovation center:

- 1. 614.04-2 Beverage or food processing plants
- 2. 614.04-8 Multifamily homes, apartments, or efficiencies located on the story of a building closest to the street level, when the building is mixed-use; or located in a single-use building; with the following conditions:
 - a. Housing may occupy no more than 25% of the square footage of the existing building.
 - b. Housing will consist of between 8 and 20 apartments.
 - c. No housing unit will be less than 320 square feet.
 - d. The Advancement Foundation purchase of the property
- 614.04-17 Small-scale production establishments, with tools, goods, repairs, services, equipment, and supplies in a permanent enclosed structure.
- 4. This Conditional Use Permit shall become effective only upon the acquisition of 245 W 21st by the Advancement Foundation.

This ordinance shall be effective 30 days following adoption by City Council.

	William Fitzgerald, Mayor				
ATTEST:					
Brian Kearney, City Attorney					
Date Motion was made by Councilman seconded by Councilman Coffey.	Cooper to	approve	the	above	Ordinance,

City Manager Jason Tyree polled Council as follows:

	Present	Absent	Yes	No	Abstain
Mayor Fitzgerald	X		Χ		
Melvin Henson	Χ		Χ		

Tyson Cooper	X	X	
Vice-Mayor	X	X	
Cheryl Hickman			
Danny Staton	X	X	
Stanley Coffey	X	X	
Steve Webb	X	X	

OB #2: CONSIDERATION FOR APPROVAL OF THE SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT AND POLICY:

Mr. Kearney wanted to know if Council had received the updated version increasing the number of people from 5 to 10.

Ms. Kristina Ramsey said the updated version has not been submitted to Council.

Mr. Kearney said that Councilman Cooper wanted to know if we would have any problems with a smaller number of folks coming together. If you have 5 people or less, you will not have to get a permit. We are allowed as a city to regulate where people can come and congregate. You cannot impact what they say. You must be neutral about the speech, but we have every right to control our sidewalks and streets. He has looked at some other sister jurisdictions and Blacksburg's was very detailed. They have 10 or less can meet without having to do anything. He suggested to modify the number from 5 to 10. We do not have in Virginia an exception for a small gathering. Some states such as South Carolina do but Virginia does not. Mr. Kearney said they will modify the protocol and bring it back to Council.

OB #3: SECOND READING OF THE ORDINANCE FOR THE PROPOSED 2021-2022 TAX RATES FOR THE CITY OF BUENA VISTA:

Councilman Cooper wanted to know if any changes had been made since the first reading.

Mayor Fitzgerald said there have been no changes since the first reading.

Councilman Cooper motioned for the Ordinance be read by title only, seconded by Councilman Henson, carried by Council.

City Manager Jason Tyree read the Ordinance by title only.

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE TAX RATES FOR THE CITY OF BUENA VISTA, VIRGINIA FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2022

ORDINANCE- ORD 21-06

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF BUENA VISTA, VIRGINIA, that in accordance with Section 26-1 of the Code of the City of Buena Vista, there is hereby levied upon taxable real estate an effective tax rate of One Dollar and Twenty-Seven Cents (\$1.27) per One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) assessed valuation for the fiscal year 2022, said levy to be based upon the value of such property as of July 1, 2021.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that there is hereby levied upon Personal Property a tax rate of Five Dollars and Eighty-Five Cents (\$5.85) per One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) assessed valuation for the calendar year 2021, said levy to be based upon the value of such property as of January 1, 2020.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that there is hereby levied upon all public service corporation real estate the sum of One Dollar and Twenty-Seven Cents (\$1.27) per One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) assessed valuation for the fiscal year 2022, said levy to be based upon the value of such property as of January 1, 2021.

BE IT STILL ORDAINED, that the Refuse fee shall be Twenty-One Dollars and zero cents (\$21.00) per month residential and shall be Eight Dollars and Forty cents (\$8.40) per unit commercial.

BE IT STILL FURTHER ORDAINED, that all other tax rates not expressly defined above shall remain the same until further action by council.

	William H. Fitzgerald, Mayor
ATTEST:	
Brian Kearney, City Attorney	
Date of Adoption	

City Manager Jason Tyree polled Council as follows:

Yes	No	Abstain
	Present	Absent
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X		
X		
X		
	X 	X

Danny Staton	X	Χ	
Stanley Coffey	X	Χ	
Steve Webb	X	Χ	

OB #4: SECOND READING OF THE PROPOSED 2021/2022 MUNICIPAL BUDGET THE CITY OF BUENA VISTA:

Councilman Cooper wanted to know if changes had been made since the first reading.

Mr. Kearney advised that no changes have been made since the first reading.

Councilman Cooper motioned to read the following Ordinance by title only, seconded by Councilman Coffey, carried by Council.

Vice-Mayor Hickman said that they discussed in the Finance Committee meeting that we would level fund the library.

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE FISCAL YEAR 2022 BUDGET:

ORDINANCE - ORD 21-07

BE IT ORDAINED, the City Council on May 13, 2021, held a public hearing on the proposed budget for fiscal year 2022; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, the City Council during a series of work sessions, has developed a balanced budget for fiscal year 2022.

NOW BE IT STILL FURTHER ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF BUENA VISTA, that the following budget be and the same is hereby adopted for fiscal planning purposes:

GENERAL FUND REVENUE

<u>ITEM</u>	PROPOSED
	<u>2021-22</u>
General Property Taxes	\$6,433,620
Other Local Taxes	1,953,000
Permits, Privilege Fees	20,775
Fines and Forfeitures	76,420
Earnings from Investments	3,000

Charge for Services	852,676
Miscellaneous Revenue	258,759
Non-Categorical Aid from Virginia	681,919
Shared Expenses	930,577
Categorical Aid from Virginia	745,000
Categorical Aid Federal	174,023
Transfers - Other Funds	10,000
TOTAL GENERAL FUND REVENUE	E\$15,139,769

GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES

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City Council	\$ 39,598
City Manager	147,221
City Attorney	70,000
Information Technology	136,000
Finance Director	256,475
Independent Auditor	59,800
Commissioner of the Revenue	203,207
Reassessment	33,000
Board of Equalization	3,000
City Treasurer	284,811
Insurance	68,600
Electoral Board	123,124
Circuit Court	6,234
General District Court	7,020
Juvenile & Domestic Relations Court	33,610
Clerk of the Circuit Court	248,352
City Sheriff	443,093
Commonwealth's Attorney	248,002
Criminal Justice Services	74,023
Police Department	1,625,985
Fire Department	158,000
Rescue Squad	110,903
Probation Officer	3,000
Magistrate	420
Medical Examiner	150
Economic Development	110,608
Planning	216,530
Administration & Engineering	166,154
Street Maintenance	1,103,390
Streetlights	73,000
Refuse Collection Department	424,987
Refuse Disposal	300,000
Maintenance of Building & Grounds	399,109
Maintenance of Greenhill Cemetery	145,679
General Tax Relief	80,000
Retiree Medical Plan	30,000
Central Dispatch	326,364
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School Fund	2,433,803
Regional Jail	670,000
Transfers to Other Funds	441,706
Debt Service	187,968
Social Services	3,100,000
Non-Profit Agencies	404,743
TOTAL GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES	\$14,197,620

- Ord 21-05	WATER REVENUE
PROI	POSED
ITEM	<u>2021-22</u>
Charge for Services	\$1,391,217
WATER Fund Revenues	\$1,391,217

WATER EXPENDITURES

Water Administration	101,018
Water Maintenance	344,070
Water Production	321,472
Debt Service	576,856
WATER FUND EXPENDITURES	\$1,343,416

SEWER REVENUE

PROPOSED

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>2021-22</u>
Charge for Services	\$1,201,345
Sewer Fund Revenues	\$1,201,345

SEWER EXPENDITURES

Sewer Administration	100,018
Sewer Maintenance	331,414
Wastewater Treatment Plant	769,913
SEWER FUND EXPENDITURES	\$1,201,345

PARKS AND RECREATION REVENUE

PROPOSED

2020-21

Charge for Services & Misc. Revenue 195,800
Transfer From General Fund 141,724
TOTAL PARK FUND REVENUE \$ 337,524

PARKS AND RECREATION EXPENDITURES

Administration \$	54,456
Recreation Department	125,809
Activities Department	16,300
Maintenance of Parks and Campgrounds	83,172
Swimming Pool	<u>57,787</u>
TOTAL PARK FUND EXPENDITURE	$2S \$ 3\overline{37,524}$

GOLF COURSE REVENUE PROPOSED

<u>ITEM</u> <u>2021-22</u>

Charge for Services \$ 468,041 TOTAL GOLF COURSE REVENUE \$ 468,041

GOLF COURSE EXPENDITURES

Golf Operations \$468,041

TOTAL GOLF COURSE EXPENDITURES \$ 468,041

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION REVENUE PROPOSED

<u>ITEM</u> <u>2021-22</u>

City Funds	\$ 313,065
Transfer School Operation Fund	140,000
Interest Recovery	<u>18,173</u>

TOTAL SCHOOL CONSTRUCT REVENUE \$ 471,238

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION EXPENDITURES

Literary Loan	\$ 375,000
Bus Lease	53,474
Middle School Loan	<u>42,764</u>

TOTAL SCHOOL CONSTRCT EXPEND \$ 471,238

SENIOR CENTER FUND REVENUE

PROPOSED

<u>ITEM</u> <u>2021-22</u>

BV/Lex/Rock County
TOTAL SENIOR CENTER REVENUE \$ 8,500

SENIOR CENTER FUND EXPENDITURES

Utilities and Operation Costs \$ 8,500 TOTAL SENIOR CENTER EXPEND \$ 8,500

SCHOOL NUTRITION FUND REVENUE

PROPOSED

ITEM 2021-22

SCHOOL NUTRITION FUND EXPENDITURES

Nutrition Expenses \$ 413,669

TOTAL SCHOOL NUTRITION EXPEND \$ 413,669

	William Fitzgerald, Mayor	
ATTEST:		
Brian Kearney, City Attorney		

DATE:

Motion was made by Councilman Cooper to adopt the above Ordinance, seconded by Councilman Webb.

Mr. Kearney said the Ordinance was now open for discussion.

Vice-Mayor Hickman said at the last Finance meeting it was discussed, as a group, level funding the library.

Mr. Kearney wanted to know if funding the library would modify the budget.

Mr. Charles Clemmer said the library's request was for \$147,480.00. It is now \$139,225.00, a reduction in the non-profits of \$8,255.00.

Motion was made by Councilman Webb to reduce the Non-Profit agencies by \$8,255.00 to level fund the library, seconded by Councilman Coffey, carried by Council.

Motion was made by Councilman Coffey to adopt the amended budget, seconded by Vice-Mayor Hickman.

City Manager Jason Tyree polled Council as follows:

		Yes	No	Abstain
			Present	Absent
Mayor Fitzgerald	X	X		
Melvin Henson	X	X		
Tyson Cooper	X	X		
Tyson Cooper	\ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \	X		
Vice-Mayor	X	X		
Cheryl Hickman				
Danny Staton	X	X		
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Stanley Coffey	Х	X		
Steve Webb	X	X		

OB #5 SECOND READING OF THE ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE OPERATION OF THE CITY OF BUENA VISTA FOR THE FY2022:

Councilman Cooper wanted to know if any changes had been made to the following Ordinance since the first reading.

Mr. Kearney advised that no changes have been made.

Motion was made by Councilman Cooper to read the Ordinance by title only, seconded by Councilman Coffey, carried by Council.

City Manager Jason Tyree read the Ordinance by title only.

ORDINANCE - ORD 21-08

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE OPERATION OF THE CITY OF BUENA VISTA FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2022

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BUENA VISTA, VIRGINIA, that in accordance with 4-1, Budgets and Appropriations, of the Charter of Buena Vista, funds to support the operations of the City for the Fiscal Year 2022 is hereby appropriated effective July 1, 2021, in the amount of \$19,229,344 and in accordance with the following provisions:

General Fund	\$15,005,875
Water Fund	1,343,416
Sewer Fund	1,201,345
Parks & Recreation Fund	337,524
Golf Course Fund	468,041
School Construction Fund	450,974
Senior Center Fund	8,500
School Nutrition Fund	413,669

Total FY 2021 Budget \$19,229,344

ATTEST:	William H. Fitzgerald, Mayor
Brian Kearney, City Attorney	
Date of Adoption	

Motion was made by Councilman Coffey to adopt the Ordinance read by title only, seconded by Councilman Staton.

City Manager Jason Tyree polled Council as follows:

X	Present	Absent
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NEW BUSINESS:

NB #1 PROPOSED RESOLUTION DECLARING JULY 2021 TO BE PLASTIC POLLUTION REDUCTION MONTH: RESOLUTION #21-03

Kristina Ramsey introduced Ms. Anna Crocket from RATS to discuss the following Resolution.

Ms. Crockett said the Resolution explains why this is important to the communities that has endorsed the Resolution and are participating in the planning which has been going on for several months. The campaign has multiple components one of which is "Choose to use refuse to use single used plastic". They have received 100 households to register to commit to collect their non-recyclable plastics for the month of May and to bring it to the high school stadium on June 5th.

Mayor Fitzgerald said he thinks that all of Council understands that we do need to control the amount of plastic that we use.

Ms. Crockett said that after June 5th they will be carted off to the dump. Those that have been working on the project have become a lot more aware of plastic alternatives. She opined there is a good number of alternatives to using plastic. Part of the campaign is also education. Roanoke is now the first locality in Virginia to approve a \$0.05 tax on plastic starting next January. She wanted to know if there is any possibility that the 3 localities here would adopt the Resolution.

Mayor Fitzgerald said they have not really thought about it, but they will look into it.

Councilman Cooper said we are pretty taxed diverse. He opined that he does not think that the city will be inclined to add another tax. Councilman Cooper read the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION DECLARING JULY 2021 TO BE "PLASTIC POLLUTION REDUCTION MONTH"

WHEREAS, single-use plastic pollution is one of the primary environmental threats to the wellbeing of people and wildlife everywhere, and

WHEREAS, reducing the use of plastic is important because plastic production requires an enormous amount of energy and resources, which in turn causes carbon emissions and contributes to global warming, and

WHEREAS, reducing the use of plastics is important because plastics are discarded into the environment where toxic chemicals linked to cancers, birth defects, impaired immunity, and endocrine disfunction leach into the water supply and food chain, harming humans and wildlife, and

WHEREAS, reducing the use of plastics is important because plastics are discarded into the environment where they can be ingested by wildlife and kill, for example, at least 100,000 marine mammals and one million seabirds every year according to the United Nations, and

WHEREAS, reducing the use of plastics is important because plastics are discarded into the environment where they create unsightly pollution that spoils roadways, parks, neighborhoods, and other areas inhabited by humans, and

WHEREAS, dramatically more single-use plastics are being generated in the United States than in prior decades, with, for instance, the United States Environmental Protection Agency ("USEPA") reporting that 35,680,000 tons of plastics were generated in the Unites States in 2018, as compared to 390,000 tons in 1960, and

WHEREAS, dramatically more single-use plastics are being landfilled now in the United States than in prior decades, with, for instance, the USEPA reporting that 26,970,000 tons of plastics were landfilled in the Unites States in 2018, as compared to 390,000 tons in 1960, and

WHEREAS, only a fraction of the plastics produced and discarded in the United States are recycled, with, for instance, the USEPA reporting that only 8.7% of the plastics generated in the United States in 2018 were recycled while 75.6% were landfilled that year, and

WHEREAS, the City of Buena Vista's residents, businesses, and visitors use and discard many tons of plastic waste each year which is costly to landfill and reduces future landfill capacity, and

WHEREAS, many types of plastics used by Buena Vista residents are either not recyclable or are not actually recycled by the user even when recycling is available, and

WHEREAS, communities world-wide are promoting campaigns to encourage their residents to choose to refuse single-use plastics, and

WHEREAS, "Plastic Free July" is a global movement aimed at empowering people, businesses, and entire communities to shift away from single-use plastics in their lives, and

WHEREAS, July 2021 will be the tenth international "Plastic Free July" worldwide, and

WHEREAS, the Virginia state government has committed to reducing plastic pollution, with the General Assembly establishing a Plastic Waste Prevention Advisory Council in 2020, and the governor signing Executive Order 77 on March 23, 2021, which mandates the phasing out of single-use plastics by Virginia state government agencies, including disposable plastic bags, single-use plastic and polystyrene food service containers, plastic straws and cutlery, and single-use plastic water bottles, and

WHEREAS, numerous local organizations, including Rockbridge Area Conservation Council, Main Street Lexington, Boxerwood, 50 Ways Rockbridge, North Rockbridge Women's Club, Rockbridge Area Master Gardeners, Rockbridge Community Health Foundation, and the Blue Ridge Garden Club are combining efforts to launch a "Choose to Refuse Single-Use Plastics" campaign in July 2021 aimed at encouraging the residents and businesses of Rockbridge County and the Cities of Lexington and Buena Vista to reduce their consumption of single-use plastics, and

WHEREAS, single-use plastic consumption can be reduced in myriad ways, including avoiding selling and purchasing consumer goods in plastic packaging, buying in bulk and refilling reusable containers, declining plastic straws, using compostable take-out containers, and using reusable storage containers, covers on leftovers, shopping bags, and water bottles,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Buena Vista, Virginia, by this resolution, formally declares July 2021 as Plastic Pollution Reduction Month. Adoption of this resolution demonstrates support for the "Choose to Refuse Single-Use Plastics" campaign.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Buena Vista, Virginia, encourages the businesses operating within city limits to take all available steps to reduce consumption of single-use plastics to preserve and improve the environment and wellbeing of all.

ADOPTED this 20th day of May 2021.

Motion was made by Councilman Coffey to adopt the above Resolution, seconded by Councilman Staton, carried by Council.

Recorded		
Vote: Ayes: ALL		
Nays: NONE		
Absent: NONE		
Abstain: NONE		
BUENA VISTA CITY COUNCIL		
	ADOPTED:	
	William Fitzgerald, Mayor	
ATTEST:		
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Brian Kearney, City Attorney		
DATE:		

Vice-Mayor Hickman stated that she would not want to put any unnecessary stress on our businesses. She said the businesses are just now getting back on their feet from the pandemic. She opined that this would have to be done over a period of time. She opined we cannot expect our businesses to get rid of plastic immediately. It has to be done over a period of time.

Councilman Henson thanked Tom and Kristina for the calendar of events for June they put out.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

ACCORDING TO SECTION 2.2-3711 (A) AND (A) (5) OF THE 1950 CODE OF VIRGINIA, AS AMENDED, FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSING THE DISPOSITION OF PUBLICIY HELD REAL ESTATE FOR THE EXPANSION OF AN EXISTING BUSINESS WHICH HAS NOT PREVIOUSLY BEEN ANNOUNCED:

CERTIFICATION OF EXECUTIVE MEETING

DATE: May 20, 2021 MOTION: Councilman Coffey

SECOND: Councilman Staton

WHEREAS, the Buena Vista City Council has convened an executive meeting on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provisions of The Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

WHEREAS Section 2.1-344.1 of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by the Buena Vista City Council that such executive meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Buena Vista City Council hereby certifies that to the best of each member's knowledge (1) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by Virginia law were discussed in the executive meeting to which this certification resolution applies, and (2) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion convening the executive meeting were heard, discussed or considered by the Buena Vista City Council.

VOTE: AYES: ALL

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT DURING VOTE: NONE

ABSENT DURING MEETING: NONE

Brian Kearney City Attorney

REGULAR SESSION: Council Member Coffey moved to return to regular.

session, seconded by Council Member Webb and carried by Council.

Mayor Fitzgerald Mr. Staton Mr. Henson Mr. Webb

Vice-Mayor Hickman Mr. Cooper Mr. Coffey

ADJOURNMENT – There being no further business the meeting was adiourned.

Brian Kearney William H. Fitzgerald Mayor

City Attorney

There being no further business the	meeting was adjourned.
	William H. Fitzgerald, Mayor
ATTEST:	
Brian Kearney, City Attorney	-
DATE:	

ADJOURN: