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 A Work Session of the Borough Council of the Borough of Avalon was held on

Wednesday, August 12, 2015 at 4:05 p.m. in the Meeting Room, 3100 Dune Drive, Avalon, New Jersey.

 Attendance: Public -------------------- 10 Reporters ----------------------- 2

 The Meeting was called to order by Council President Dean.

Pledge of allegiance.

 Roll call: Council President Dean Present

 Councilman Burns Present

 Councilman Covington Present

 Council Vice President Hudanich Present

 Councilman McCorristin Present

 Also present:

Scott Wahl, Business Administrator

James Waldron, Assistant Business Administrator

Stephen D. Barse, Esquire, Borough Solicitor

Paul Short, Code Enforcement Official

William Macomber, Director of Public Works/Utilities

William McCormick, Chief of Police

Thomas R. Thornton, P.E., Borough Engineer, Hatch Mott Macdonald, LLC

Sal DeSimone, Flood Plain Manager

 Notice of this Work Session was included in the Annual Schedule of Meetings dated

June 24, 2015. It was given to the news media and posted on the Official Bulletin Board as required by law.

 Council President Dean read the Open Public Meetings Act Announcement.

**Presentation of Proclamation to David B. Ellenberg.**

Scott Wahl, Business Administrator, thanked Dave and Sue Ellenberg and read the Proclamation.

Discussion regarding Resolution authorizing the adoption of the Cape May County Multi-Jurisdictional All Hazards Mitigation Plan.

Sal DeSimone, Flood Plain Manager, said he is asking the Borough to adopt a Resolution to include Avalon in the County mitigation flood plan this year to reaffirm Avalon is part of the County flood mitigation plan. He said FEMA requires the Resolution be updated every five years. He explained it is important because of Avalon’s involvement in the community rating service where Avalon receives discounts through the National Flood Insurance Program (CRS program).

Brief discussion followed.

James Waldron, Assistant Business Administrator added the County Board of Freeholders adopted a Resolution in July to update and modify the County plan. He explained there is a meeting scheduled August 24th to begin working on the Avalon’s plan and by the end of the year Avalon’s plan will be re-adopted and incorporated into the County Plan.

Council agreed to proceed with a Resolution at the Regular Meeting today.

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Further discussion regarding Ordinance amending Chapter 7 Police Regulations concerning Impounded Property.

Scott Wahl, gave a brief overview of the safety hazard that initiated the proposed change to the Ordinance. He explained the bike sharing program created a safety hazard by being fixed to public right of way. He said a committee was formed and discussions began to create a solution that would give the police department the means to impound bikes and property when creating a hazard or when receiving a complaint from the public.

Councilman McCorristin asked for a definition of a reasonable period of time.

Chief McCormick explained if there is a public safety issue the item would be removed immediately. He said most removals occur after complaints from citizens that an item has been left on their property for a number of days.

Council agreed to proceed with a Resolution to be adopted at the Regular Meeting on August 26, 2015.

Discussion regarding Resolutions authorizing Renewal of 2015-2016 Liquor Licenses.

Council had no problem with the renewals based on the information from Det. Sgt. Joseph Gaughan and agreed to proceed with Resolutions to be prepared for the August 26, 2015 Regular meeting.

Discussion regarding Resolution authorizing a handicapped parking space at 6919 Ocean Drive.

Council briefly discussed this matter and agreed to proceed with a Resolution to be prepared for the August 26, 2015 Regular Meeting.

Discussion regarding Resolution authorizing the Business Administrator to advertise for bids for Post-Event Emergency Response & Disaster Recovery Services following a natural or manmade disaster event for the Borough of Avalon.

Scott Wahl, gave an overview of the purpose of the Post-Event Emergency Response and Disaster Recovery Service which is to restore public buildings, document and computers after an event. He said a contract was awarded to Polygon and shortly after the award, the company changed their corporate model and decided not to continue this service. He said he is asking for permission to advertise for bids to replace the contract never signed by Polygon.

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Public Comments:

None.

Motion made by Councilman Covington, seconded by Councilman McCorristin to adjourn the Work Session.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilman Burns Aye

 Councilman Covington Aye

 Council Vice President Hudanich Aye Councilman McCorristin Aye

 Council President Dean Aye

Work Session adjourned at 4:29p.m.

 Respectfully submitted,

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 Marie J. Hood, Borough Clerk

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 Richard E. Dean, Council President