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Teri Rennia, City Council President
 Angela Holmes, City Clerk

CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION AGENDA
City Council Work Room, 38 Hawley Street, Binghamton
Monday August 5, 2013

The Work Session begins at 6:00pm. Times for RL(s)/Topics are approximate only and items may be considered earlier or later.

Time	Committee	Chair	RL(s)/Topic	Pages	Presenter
6:00pm	MPA	Motsavage	RL 13-127: Approving Roberson Museum & Science Center's Grant Proposal to NYS Regional Economic Development Council	1-5	Terry McDonald
6:15pm	-----	-----	Discussion: Amending Curfew for Fireworks Displays	24	Jim Weed
6:30pm	MPA	Motsavage	RL 13-132: Approving Community Housing Coalition, Inc.'s Grant Proposal to NYS Main Street Urban Initiatives Program	22-23	Dana Brown
6:45pm	-----	-----	Discussion: Home Improvement Tax Exemption Program	-----	Scott Snyder
7:00pm	-----	-----	Discussion: Update on Status of Paving & Black Top Patch Machines	-----	Patrick Torrico
	-----	-----	Discussion: Left Over Black Top	-----	
	-----	-----	Discussion: Update on Street Paving Schedule and Paving Lincoln Avenue	-----	
7:15pm	-----	-----	Discussion: Budget Transfer for Development of Capacity, Management, Operation & Maintenance (CMOM) Plan	25	Philip T. Krey
	-----	-----	Discussion: Agreement with GHD for Development of CMOM Plan	26-36	
	Finance	Webb	RL 13-130: Budget Transfer Supplemental Agreement No. 4 with Savin Engineers for Work at Binghamton-Johnson City Joint Sewage Treatment Plant (BJCJSTP)	9	
	Finance	Webb	RL 13-131: Supplemental Agreement No. 4 with Savin Engineers for Work at BJCJSTP	10-21	
7:30pm	Finance	Webb	RL 13-104: Transfer in 2013 Binghamton-Johnson City Joint Sewage Board Budget for reallocation of responsibility for certain capital and flood recovery projects	37-46	Charles Pearsall



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7:45pm	-----	-----	Discussion: Review Offer to Purchase 23 & 37 Pine Street (Greenman Senior Center Property) Submitted by Gemini Construction Management, LLC	47-49	Kenneth J. Frank
8:00pm	MPA	Motsavage	RL 13-129: Amending § 400-21 of Code Regarding Monthly Meetings of the Traffic Board	7-8	Kyle Seeley
8:15pm	Employees	Berg	RL 13-105: Establishing Department of Information Management & Technology and Creating Position of Chief Information Officer	-----	Lori Clift, Kyle Seeley, Angela Holmes
	Employees	Berg	RL 13-107: Creating Position of Hardware/Software Technician	-----	
8:30pm	MPA	Motsavage	RL 13-128: Urging NYS Office of Mental Health to Not Close Inpatient Services at the Greater Binghamton Health Center	6	Council President Pro Tem Berg
	-----	-----	Discussion: Guest View Point	-----	
	-----	-----	Discussion: Review of Committee Reports & Pending Legislation	-----	

COMMITTEE REPORTS

City Council Municipal & Public Affairs Committee: Motsavage (Chair), Webb, Matzo
 Reviewing the City of Binghamton's noise ordinance.

City Council Employees Committee: Berg (Chair), Webb, Papastrat

1. Introductory Ordinance 10-9, entitled "An Ordinance limiting all non-union employees to the PPO-B health insurance plan effective January 1, 2011". Referred to Employees Committee on February 3, 2010.
2. Review of residency requirements for City of Binghamton employees.

City Council Rules & Procedures/Special Studies Committee: Berg (Chair), Motsavage, Papastrat
 Identifying alternative police patrol options.



Legislative Branch

RL Number:

13-127

Date Submitted:

7/22/13

City Clerk, City Hall, Binghamton, NY 13901 607-772-7005

REQUEST FOR LEGISLATION

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Applicant Information

Request submitted by: Angela Holmes

Title/Department: City Clerk

Contact Information: 607-772-7005; clerk@cityofbinghamton.com

RL Information

Proposed Title: A Resolution approving the Roberson Museum and Science Center's grant proposal submissions to the New York State Regional Economic Development Council

Suggested Content: Grant proposal requires the approval of the municipality in which the development will take place.

Additional Information

Does this RL concern grant funding? Yes No

If 'Yes', is the required RL Grant Worksheet attached? Yes No

Is additional information related to the RL attached? Yes No

Is RL related to previously adopted legislation? Yes No

If 'Yes', please provide Permanent Ordinance/Resolution/Local Law number(s):

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Finance Planning MPA PW/Parks Employees Rules/Special Studies



To the Members of Binghamton City Council:

Roberson Museum and Science Center is preparing a set of proposals to be submitted this month (August 2013) to a number of state agencies under the umbrella of the New York State Regional Economic Development Council's Consolidated Funding Act. In the fall of 2012 Roberson was awarded an initial planning phase grant under the provisions of this program for \$24,000 (matched at the required 25% level by an \$8000 award from the Stewart and Willma Hoyt Foundation, generating a total of \$32,000 for the project). The planning phase is now complete.

Roberson is ready to embark on a very significant renovation and upgrading of the entire Museum campus, taking great care to retain all the historic integrity and value of the site. With a commitment to both the local community and the development of regional tourism, Roberson intends to create a compelling attraction and a vibrant experience for one and all over the coming years.

The attached "concept paper" fleshes out additional details and sense of purpose regarding the proposal. We sincerely hope the concept appeals to everyone's sense of civic pride, regional history, and vision of Binghamton's future...and that the endorsement of City Council can be added enthusiastically to the growing body of support for a really exciting project.

Sincerely

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Roberson Museum and Science Center
July 22, 2013

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Build a legacy for present & future generations thru a planned gift or bequest to Roberson Museum & Science Center.

PRIORITY PROJECT CONCEPT PAPER (CFA ROUND 3) ROBERSON MUSEUM AND SCIENCE CENTER

SECTION 1 – INITIATIVE / PROJECT

For 60 years Roberson has been widely accepted as the primary cultural institution in the Binghamton area. Its mission as an education resource broadened over time as the quality and reputation of program offerings developed. In 2005 and again in 2012 Roberson hosted exhibitions of national importance (Daniel's Story, from the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, and the Preliminary Draft of the Emancipation Proclamation, from the New York State Office of Cultural Education (OCE), demonstrating both its operational capacity and its potential for future projects in partnership. Attendance by school groups as well as public response to exhibitions of this nature ranged between impressive and nearly overwhelming.

But, like the City of Binghamton, Roberson does not benefit from the thousands of tourists entering Upstate New York from the south or along the three Interstate highways that converge here. Absent compelling landmarks, natural features, or amusements, Binghamton serves largely as the gateway through which the typical traveler drives and continues on.

Roberson is committed and prepared to become a catalyst of regional economic development through tourism. We are proposing a multi-year program of facilities improvements designed to attract visitors. Based on the facilities report prepared by consultants Clark Patterson Lee, Year One will see the restoration of seriously compromised aspects of our principal feature, the 1904 Roberson Mansion, and essential HVAC and related mechanical upgrades to our circa 1960s museum structure. The total costs for these improvements will be \$2,745,000 of which Roberson will need to match 25%. Future proposals will address phased improvements to our facilities, the culmination of which will be an attraction of major architectural significance replete with galleries created to showcase our Region's history and natural resources. This project, in sum, generates powerful and realistic results in terms of downtown development, civic pride and enhanced cultural program support for both our community and expanded geographic region.

SECTION 2 – SUPPORT OF NYS PLANS AND INITIATIVES

Roberson is participating in a number of State-level initiatives that are lending emphatic power to the momentum building around tourism. The resurgent I LOVE NY campaign and the Path Through History celebrations, coupled with the well-established Susquehanna Heritage program, represent healthy State-level and regional activity, while, more locally, Roberson is associated with Blueprint Binghamton and the Binghamton Visitor Center operations. Substantial momentum developing around revitalization of downtown Binghamton (this downtown area extends into the Roberson campus), the highly visible growth of a downtown presence for Binghamton University, the fact that the Binghamton Visitor Center occupies part of the Roberson complex...all speak decisively to the critical relationships building around Roberson's place in the world of Upstate tourism. Also noteworthy is Roberson's own statewide initiative though its partnership with the OCE to display New York State's collections and to work with them to develop adapted educational programming.

SECTION 3 – JUSTIFICATION

The statewide tourist initiative provides a golden opportunity for Roberson and the Southern Tier. Roberson Museum and Science Center is cited by the Binghamton Convention and Visitors Bureau as the region's premier year-round tourist draw. With its prime location at the confluence of two river waterfronts and Binghamton's urban center, including Binghamton University's new downtown facility, as the region's only accredited museum

and the home of the City of Binghamton's Visitor Center, Roberson is well positioned to effect positive economic development through tourism.

This project is transformative in that Roberson is intent on regionalizing its identity and elevating its significance within the field of tourism. Roberson's transformative course of action is supported by a number of specific steps:

- Capitalizing on existing "niche" experiences at the Museum, we have the only digital planetarium within 50 miles, a publicly accessible 1904 historic mansion, the largest publicly accessible model railroad layout in Upstate New York, and unique exhibitions
- Developing access to a broad array of resources through new relationships with partners such as the New York State Education Department's Office of Cultural Education
- Sharing in regional networks and marketing structures such as the State's PATH program and the Seneca and Cayuga Wine Trail Associations
- Leadership in presenting Roberson as a model for success following our assessment by the New York Council of Nonprofits locally at the Binghamton Chamber of Commerce; locally at an annual conference of the Museum Association of New York; and nationally at the annual conference of the American Alliance of Museums in Baltimore.
- And, as the principal element, carrying forward the comprehensive renovation of the physical facilities themselves in a sequenced plan of implementation

SECTION 4 – READINESS

Several facts point to the readiness level of the proposed work. In the past decade, Roberson has been awarded major grants from both the federal and state governments to renovate and restore portions of the 1904 Roberson Mansion. The architectural integrity of the front porch and east porch has been stabilized, and several components of the boiler system and roof repairs have been addressed already. A planning phase grant was awarded to Roberson last year by the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation under the provisions of the Environmental Protection Act; this was matched by a grant awarded the Museum by the Hoyt Foundation. The document developed identifies phased progress on our facilities according to need and readiness. The initial phase of actual construction work on the Roberson Mansion and electrical and mechanical work in the museum is at the "readiness" level, with subsequent phases of activity already in the planning stages.

SECTION 5 – SOURCES AND USES

Roberson has ample unrestricted funds to carry out the first phase of this project. That said; we are currently exploring the use of tax credits to subsidize our grant matching requirements as well as federal grants for improvements on our historic Mansion and grants from specific local foundations.

As outlined in our Facility Master Plan (developed through our CFA grant received last year), the total cost for improvements on the existing facilities will total approximately \$7 million. Roberson will be inviting RFPs for comprehensive architectural designs during the same period as improvements are being made to the mechanical and electrical aspects of the museum and to the historic Mansion. Facility and site design proposals must respond to:

- Clark Patterson Lee's facility study
- Roberson's literal and conceptual relationship to the Southern Tier, Chenango and Susquehanna Rivers, Downtown Binghamton and the historic Roberson Mansion
- The need to create a strong architectural statement, compelling to tourists

All improvements will be phased according to need and related design features as well as economic feasibility. Our expectation is a three to five year project.



**Roberson Museum and Science Center
2013 CFA Grant Project - Facilities Master Plan Project
Scope Summary**

Roberson Mansion			
Scope	Description	Approx. Estimate	Priorities: (Years 1-3)
1.	Replace HVAC Ballroom Blower	\$195,000.00	1
2.	Replace Drainage	\$15,000.00	1
3.	Replace Overall Plumbing, Install Cut off Valves at Critical Areas	\$80,000.00	1
4.	Replace Exterior Windows, Trim, Cornices, and Masonry Work	\$450,000.00	1
5.	Renovate Toilet Rooms and Kitchen Area	\$140,000.00	1
6.	Upgrade Lighting System and Wiring	\$120,000.00	1
7.	Acoustics	\$60,000.00	1
Sub-Total (Approximate)		\$1,060,000.00	
Martin Wing Building (Museum)			
8.	Exterior Louver, Front and Rear Bracket Removal and Patch Work	\$75,000.00	2
9.	Replace the Main Distribution HVAC System, Shut Off Valves	\$700,000.00	1
10.	Replace the DDC System, Removal of Compressor	\$160,000.00	1
11.	Replace Gutter and Drainage System	\$70,000.00	3
12.	Replace HVAC and Plumbing Connections	\$350,000.00	1
13.	Renovate Plumbing and Piping	\$200,000.00	2
14.	Replace Boiler, Pumps, Controls	\$475,000.00	1
15.	Replace Front and Rear Exterior Curtain Wall Systems, Renovate Interior Spaces	\$650,000.00	2
16.	Patch and Repair Front Exterior Courtyard Wall	\$375,000.00	3
17.	Repair Front Exterior Courtyard Drainage	\$75,000.00	3
18.	Renovate and Add New Toilet Rooms, Renovation to Exhibit Areas	\$750,000.00	2
19.	Upgrade Lighting System and Wiring, Exterior Lights and Controls	\$615,000.00	2
20.	New Parking Lot Asphalt and Parking Stalls	\$225,000.00	3
21.	Acoustics	\$100,000.00	3
22.	Photovoltaics	\$440,000.00	3
Sub-Total (Approximate)		\$5,260,000.00	
Randall House			
23.	Replace Gutter and Drainage System	\$13,000.00	3
24.	Patch and Repair Foundation Wall	\$50,000.00	3
25.	Roofing	\$25,000.00	3
Sub-Total (Approximate)		\$88,000.00	
Sub-Total (Approximate) (All Buildings)		\$6,408,000.00	
Design Fees (10%)		\$640,800	
Total (Approximate)		\$7,048,800.00	

Budget associated with the 2013 proposal will involve only projects identified as Year 1 in the far right column



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Request submitted by: Councilman Bill Berg, 7th District

Title/Department:

Contact Information: (607) 772-7235

RL Information

Proposed Title: A Resolution urging the New York State Office of Mental Health to not close inpatient services at the Greater Binghamton Health Center

Suggested Content:

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