

**TROY CITY COUNCIL  
FINANCE COMMITTEE AGENDA  
May 7, 2020  
6:30 P.M.**

Pledge of Allegiance  
Roll Call  
Presentation of Agenda  
Public Forum\*  
Update Regarding The Budget Impact Of The COVID-19 Shutdown – Mayor and Deputy  
Comptroller

**LOCAL LAWS**

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**ORDINANCES**

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**RESOLUTIONS**

46. Resolution Mourning The Death Of A Lifelong And Dedicated Trojan, V. Donald Cunningham (Council President Mantello, Council Member McPherson, Council Member Gulli, Council Member Ashe McPherson, Council Member Steele, Council Member Cummings, Council Member Zalewski, Council Member McDermott)

47. Resolution Proclaiming June 2020 To Be Graduates' Month (Council President Mantello, Council Member McPherson, Council Member Gulli, Council Member Ashe McPherson, Council Member Steele, Council Member Cummings, Council Member Zalewski, Council Member McDermott)

48. Resolution Imploring The New York Representatives On The U.S. House Of Representatives And United States Senate, And Specifically, Those Federal Representatives For The City Of Troy, To Provide A Covid-19 Federal Funding Relief Stimulus Package Directly To Local Governments Regardless Of Population Size (Council President Mantello, Council Member Zalewski)

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\* Due to the current COVID-19 crisis, this meeting shall be held remotely via videoconferencing. If you would like a statement added to the record as part of the public forum at the beginning of the meeting, please email your statement to the City Clerk at [mara.drogan@troynv.gov](mailto:mara.drogan@troynv.gov) at least 1 hour before the start of the meeting.

**RESOLUTION MOURNING THE DEATH OF A LIFELONG AND  
DEDICATED TROJAN, V. DONALD CUNNINGHAM**

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Whereas, it is with profound sorrow the Troy City Council pays tribute to an eminent gentleman with invincible faith and dedication whose public service, union brotherhood, and countless accomplishments will forever stand as a paradigm and inspiration for others; and

Whereas, V. Donald (Don) Cunningham, a lifelong resident of Troy died on Monday, April 20, 2020, at the age of 79; and

Whereas, Don was born to Vincent and Mary Britton Cunningham in Troy; and

Whereas, Don is survived by his beloved soul mate and wife, Patricia (Pat) A. Spratt Cunningham for over 60 years; and

Whereas, Don began his career in the Electrical Union until 1980, and continued serving the union as Recording Secretary and working in that position for nearly 40 years in total making history as the longest serving position in the union; and

Whereas, Don continued to serve and give back to his community and began a new public service career as Rensselaer County Superintendent of Buildings, serving in this position until 2006; and

Whereas, Don continued to dedicate his public service to the City he loved and proudly served as Troy's Bingo Inspector right up until his passing; and

Whereas, Despite the countless hours of union and public service, Don was an active member and lifelong communicant of St. Joseph's Church in Troy and a member of the Holy Name Society and freely gave his time and energy to the congregation; and

Whereas, Don's 50 year membership and past exalted ruler of the Troy Elks Lodge 141, lifelong member of the Troy Ancient Order of Hibernians (A.O.H.), and honorary member of the Mountainview Fire Company continued his endless dedication to his community; and

Whereas, Don never forgot his roots and his passion for serving his community which stemmed from the love and pride he had for the City of Troy, and specifically South Troy or as Don would say "Sou Troy", and

Whereas, Don a true believer and one of the founder's for the slogan, "South Troy Against the World"; and

Whereas, although Don enjoyed golf and was a proud member of the A.O.H. Golf League and an avid fan of the New York Giants and the New York Yankees, his greatest love was his devoted family; and

Whereas, in addition to Don's beloved wife, Pat, Don is survived by his children, Deborah and Eric Smith, Don and Nora Cunningham, Diane and Mark Wojcik, Darcie Casey and Daniel and Brandi Cunningham; the proud grandfather, "Papa", of Amy, Eric (Bub), Richie, Ryan, Kevin, Kyle, Collin, Shelbi and Dylan; and great-grandfather, "GG", Stella, Raegan, Faylinn, Nicholas, Piper, Harry and Vail; Don was predeceased by his son, David Cunningham, and siblings Ronald Cunningham and Holly Vogt; Don is survived by his sister Sue (Stanley) Roman, sister in law Sharon (Stanley) Drosky, as well as many nieces, nephews, and friends; and

Whereas, every citizen in the City of Troy has most certainly benefited from Don's public service in one way or another from the deep dedication and commitment brought to his work and service every day; this remarkable man will deeply be missed and truly merits the grateful tribute of the Troy City Council; now, therefore be it

Resolved, that the Troy City Council pause in its deliberations to mourn the death of Donald V. Cunningham (Don), dedicated public servant and friend of this great city of Troy.

Approved as to form April 30, 2020

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James A. Caruso, Corporation Counsel

**RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING JUNE 2020 TO BE GRADUATES' MONTH**

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WHEREAS, the present health pandemic of COVID-19 has put all lives throughout the country, and specifically in Troy, on PAUSE; and

WHEREAS, this is a time many Troy graduating students and families of graduates would normally be celebrating their achievements and accomplishments at various commencements; and

WHEREAS, during this uncertain time graduates have seen many ups and downs during the year 2020, but actions being taken are to guarantee health which is more important than anything; and

WHEREAS, educational institutions throughout the City of Troy have either decided to hold commencement ceremonies virtually or have postponed them to a later date; and

WHEREAS, graduation isn't just a ceremony, but a rite of passage that can span weeks, even months. Exhibits of final class projects, parties, goodbyes with favorite friends and professors, photo sessions at school and campus landmarks and family travel arrangements are all a part, as are triumphant and tearful embraces; and

WHEREAS, Troy is a resilient community, and our students are as strong as our community and will persevere during this extraordinary time; and

WHEREAS, the most effective way to increase this recognition to our student graduates is through everyone's active participation and acknowledge each graduate's commitment and achievements; and

WHEREAS, communities are stronger when everyone participates. Please take time to celebrate and recognize our Troy graduates on all schooling levels; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Troy City Council hereby designates and proclaims June 2020 as Graduates' Month.

Approved as to form April 30, 2020

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James A. Caruso, Corporation Counsel

**RESOLUTION IMPLORING THE NEW YORK REPRESENTATIVES ON THE U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND UNITED STATES SENATE, AND SPECIFICALLY, THOSE FEDERAL REPRESENTATIVES FOR THE CITY OF TROY, TO PROVIDE A COVID-19 FEDERAL FUNDING RELIEF STIMULUS PACKAGE DIRECTLY TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS REGARDLESS OF POPULATION SIZE**

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Whereas, the COVID-19 crisis has created unprecedented challenges for the City of Troy and municipalities across our state and country; and

Whereas, local communities such as Troy are the frontlines for public safety and essential services during this health crisis; and

Whereas, while the COVID-19 economic shutdown and stay-at-home orders have saved countless lives, it has and will continue creating a great financial strain on local governments, such as the City of Troy, losing substantial services and revenue; and

Whereas, the City of Troy and municipalities across the state will be seeing unprecedented declines in revenue, cuts in state aid, loss in sales tax revenue, reduced revenues from building permit fees, traffic fees, other permit fees, potentially property taxes and other revenue losses; and

Whereas; Troy will be making difficult decisions, including a hiring freeze, department reductions and other tough proposals, on how to protect vital local services such as public safety, garbage pick-up, and safe and clean drinking water; and

Whereas; municipalities are in need of direct assistance from the federal government to maintain these crucial services; and

Now, therefore be it resolved, that the City of Troy implores the New York Representatives on the U.S. House of Representatives and United States Senate, and specifically, those Federal Representatives for the City of Troy, to provide a COVID-19 Federal Funding Relief Stimulus Package directly to local governments regardless of population size.

Approved as to form May 6, 2020

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James A. Caruso, Corporation Counsel