AGENDA

Norton City Council

May 3, 2022

6:00 P.M.

- 1. Roll Call
- 2. Invocation Rev. Roger Sloce
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance
- 4. Approval of Minutes
 - 1. Meeting of April 19, 2022
- 5. Audience for Visitors
- 6. New Business
 - A. Presentation of the Norton City Schools Budget for Fiscal Year 22-23.
 - B. Update from Norton City Schools Regarding Their FY22 Fiscal Budget and Potential Budget Amendments, If Any.
 - C. Request for Authorization to Advertise a Public Hearing to Amend City Code Sections §14-132 and §14-140 to Bring the City Code in Conformity with the Code of Virginia.
 - D. Resolution Proclaiming the Week of May 11th 16th as National Police Week in the City of Norton.
 - E. Closed Meeting for Personnel as Per Section 2.2-3711 (A) (1) of the Code of Virginia as Amended.

1. Appointment to the Norton Planning Commission to Fill the Unexpired Term of Robert Isaac.

To 7/31/2022

2. Appointment to the Spearhead Trailblazers for a Three-Year Term; Currently Beth Walker Whose Term Expires 5/1/22.

To 5/1/2025

- 7. Comments by the City Manager, City Attorney, and City Council.
- 8. Adjournment.

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Norton City Council was held Tuesday, April 19, 2022, at 6:00 p.m., in the Municipal Council Chambers with Mayor Joseph Fawbush presiding.

Present: William Mays, Robert Fultz, Jr., Joseph Fawbush, and Sarah Davis

Also Present: Fred L. Ramey, Jr., City Manager and Interim City Clerk

Absent: Mark Caruso

The invocation was given by Rev. Gary Hill, and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Norton Police Department First Sergeant Greg Mays.

Upon a motion by Councilwoman Davis, seconded by Councilman Fultz, and passed by the following vote: YES – Mays, Fultz, Davis, Fawbush, NO – None, ABSENT – Caruso, ABSTAIN – None, council moved to adopt the minutes of the April 5, 2022, council meeting as presented.

There was no response to the Mayor's Call for Visitors.

The city manager advised council that Jason Dales of 219 Craig Street, N.W., has requested council consideration for a special use permit to use city right-of-way located behind his property. He showed PowerPoint slides of the property being discussed and advised council that city public works personnel do not believe there are any city utilities located on the 15-foot undeveloped alley/paper street and city administration has not had any communication with adjacent property owners. Mr. Ramey said Mr. Dales would like to use the alley for potential parking.

Mr. Dales, who was present at the council meeting, said he had spoken with his neighbor, Mr. Tyler Giles, and Mr. Giles was not opposed to his request for a special use permit to use city right-of-way located behind his property for parking. He said he would like to clear and place gravel on the alley. He explained that he is a boat owner and parking has become a little congested on the street which makes parking his boat difficult at times.

Councilman Fultz asked if Mr. Dales planned to use the alley to access his property or for parking.

Mr. Dales confirmed the alley would be used for parking. He said last summer and this spring he cleared ivy, saplings, trees, and trash from the alley.

The city manager advised that the only neighbor who might need access to the alley would be Mr. Giles and Mr. Dales has already spoken with him concerning the alley.

Councilman Mays noted that some grade work would definitely need to be done and the city building inspector should look at it first to prevent possible drainage issues.

Mr. Dales said he had spoken with City Building Inspector Winfred Collins and was advised to consult the city manager concerning his request. Mr. Dales said there would be slight grade work, but nothing major.

Following a question about transferability of the special use permit, the city manager said the permit is a revocable special use permit and would not transfer to the new property owner should Mr. Dales sell his property. The next property owner would have to come before council and request a special use permit to use the city right-of-way behind the property.

Upon a motion by Councilman Mays, seconded by Councilman Fultz, and passed by the following vote: YES – Mays, Fultz, Davis, Fawbush, NO – None, ABSENT – Caruso, ABSTAIN – None, council moved to authorize the city manager to issue a special use permit to Jason Dales of 219 Craig Street, N.W., to use city right-of-way located behind his property for parking.

Council members thanked Mr. Dales for approaching council with his request.

Mr. Dales thanked council for considering his request.

Via PowerPoint, Mr. Ramey provided a brief background and update on the Dilapidated Home Demolition Programs.

City council adopted the Dilapidated Home Demolition Program on August 3, 2021, and approved \$5,000 in FY2022 program funding. Council adopted the Vacant Home Demolition-Replacement Program on August 17, 2021, and approved funding for FY2022 totaling \$15,000.

Mr. Ramey provided an overview of the Dilapidated Home Demolition Program and told council that two dilapidated home demolition grants have been funded in the Southside community (442 Roberts Avenue and 100 8th Street SW). He also shared before and after photos of those program properties.

The city manager said interest has been shown for removal of another structure that has been on the city's dilapidated structures list for quite some time. He advised that the owner of the property is ready to move forward upon approval of grant funding by council.

Mr. Ramey asked council to consider providing another \$2,500 for future funding of the program in the FY2022 Budget or the FY2023 Budget.

He said no applications have been received for the \$15,000 in Vacant Home Demolition-Replacement Program grant funding and the additional \$2,500 could be taken from the \$15,000 in Vacant Home Demolition-Replacement Program grant funding since those funds have not been used.

Following a brief discussion and upon a motion by Councilman Mays, seconded by Councilwoman Davis, and passed by the following vote, YES – Mays, Fultz, Davis, Fawbush, NO – None, ABSENT – Caruso, ABSTAIN – None, council approved providing another \$2,500 for the Dilapidated Home Demolition Program to be taken from the \$15,000 in Vacant Home Demolition-Replacement Program grant funding in the FY2022 Budget.

The city manager provided council with an update on the ongoing plans for the Sports Car Club of America (SCCA)/Blue Ridge Region of the SCCA proposed hill climb event being planned August 27 and 28 along Route 619 in Norton.

Mr. Ramey told council that the city, working with the SCCA, has submitted an application to the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) for permission to use Route 619 for the hill climb event.

The city manager said he talked to Norton Fire Chief and Emergency Management Coordinator Todd Lagow, who will take the lead in working with the SCCA on this event because the city's role in the event is primarily public safety, specifically rescue and fire. Once the SCCA is finished with the hill climb event in Pineville, Kentucky, April 22 and 23, organizers will schedule a time in May to conduct a workshop in Norton to further plan the event details.

Mr. Ramey requested council authorization for city administration to continue to work with SCCA/Blue Ridge Region of the SCCA toward planning the Norton hill climb event so that city council's support is on record.

Upon a motion by Councilwoman Davis, seconded by Councilman Fultz, and passed by the following vote, YES – Mays, Fultz, Davis, Fawbush, NO – None, ABSENT – Caruso, ABSTAIN – None, council authorized city administration to continue working with the Sports Club of America (SCCA)/Blue Ridge Region of the SCCA on planning the August 27 and 28 Norton hill climb event.

The city manager said Chief Lagow is organizing a group of individuals that plans to attend the Pineville event Saturday morning.

Chief Lagow said he is looking for people who are interested in going to the Pineville event. He said the purpose of the trip is to learn as much about the hill climb event as possible in preparation for the Norton hill climb event.

Mayor Fawbush said he plans to travel to Pineville Friday evening to see the event festivities that are planned in downtown Pineville. He asked council members to inform the city manager of their plans to attend the Pineville hill climb event.

A Resolution Proclaiming the Month of May as Adult Abuse Prevention Month in the City of Norton was presented for adoption by council. The city manager invited Norton Department of Social Services Director Abe Rutherford to discuss the resolution and Adult Abuse Prevention events planned throughout May.

Mr. Rutherford said abuse and neglect of the elderly and disabled adult population is one of the most unrecognized and non-reported social problems in the United States with an estimate of only one in 24 cases of adult/elder abuse reported. He said there were 25 completed investigations of the abuse or neglect of vulnerable adults in the City of Norton in 2021.

The social services director said Norton DSS has partnered with Wise County Department of Social Services to conduct an Adult Abuse Awareness Luncheon from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Thursday, May 12, 2022, at the Norton Expo Center. He said the luncheon will include lunch, music, arts and crafts, and giveaways, as wells as booths, blood pressure checks, vaccines, and a drug take back.

Norton DSS, Wise County DSS, and Commonwealth Catholic Charities will also have a Paint the Town Blue for Child Abuse Awareness Event on April 30, from 1-3 p.m., at the Norton Expo Center with music, food, inflatables, and activities for children. He noted that the state gave Norton DSS and Wise County DSS \$1,000 each for this event with no local match required. Coca-Cola, Doughmakers and other businesses have also contributed to Paint the Town Blue.

Both events are open to the public, and Mr. Rutherford distributed brochures for both events to council members.

Upon a motion by Councilman Mays, seconded by Councilwoman Davis, and passed by the following vote: YES – Mays, Fultz, Davis, Fawbush, NO – None, ABSENT – Caruso, ABSTAIN – None, council moved to adopt a Resolution Proclaiming the Month of May 2022 as Adult Abuse Prevention Month in the City of Norton. (Insert)

Included in packets for council consideration was a check to Powell Valley National Bank dated March 25, 2022, in the amount of \$127,802.78 for debt service payments.

Upon a motion by Councilwoman Davis, seconded by Councilman Fultz, and passed by the following unanimous roll call vote, YES – Mays, Fultz, Davis, Fawbush, NO – None, ABSENT – Caruso, ABSTAIN – None, council moved to confirm the check to Powell Valley National Bank, as stated above.

Upon a motion by Councilman Fultz, seconded by Councilwoman Davis, and passed by the following roll call vote: YES – Mays, Fultz, Davis, Fawbush, NO – None, ABSENT – Caruso,

ABSTAIN – None, council moved to go into closed meeting to discuss Personnel as per Section 2.2-3711 (A) (1) of the Code of Virginia as amended.

Mayor Fawbush declared council in closed meeting.

Upon a motion by Councilman Fultz, seconded by Councilwoman Davis, and passed by unanimous vote, council moved to go back into open meeting.

Mayor Fawbush declared council back in open meeting.

Mr. Ramey polled each member of council as to the Certification of Closed Meeting with each answering yes. The city manager then read A Resolution of the Certification of Closed Meeting.

Upon a motion by Councilman Mays, seconded by Councilwoman Davis, and passed by the following unanimous vote, YES – Mays, Fultz, Davis, Fawbush, NO – None, ABSENT – Caruso, ABSTAIN – None, council moved to adopt A Resolution of the Certification of Closed Meeting. (Insert)

Mayor Fawbush opened the floor for nominations to the Norton Industrial Development Authority for a four-year term to expire May 10, 2026.

Councilman Mays nominated Ethel Daniels to be reappointed to the Norton Industrial Development Authority for a four-year term to expire May 10, 2026.

Upon a motion by Councilman Fultz, seconded by Councilwoman Davis, and passed by the following vote, YES – Mays, Fultz, Davis, Fawbush, NO – None, ABSENT – Caruso, ABSTAIN – None, council moved that the nominations cease.

The mayor declared Ethel Daniels reappointed to the Norton Industrial Development Authority for a four-year term to expire May 10, 2026.

The mayor entertained nominations for appointment to the 2022 Virginia Municipal League Policy Committees.

Councilwoman Davis moved that council accept the list of names to the 2022 Virginia Municipal League Policy Committees as submitted by the administration.

Upon a motion by Councilman Fultz that nominations cease, seconded by Councilman Mays, council approved the following VML Policy Committee reappointments: Fred Ramey, Jr., Community and Economic Development Committee; Jeffery Shupe, Finance Committee; William Bradshaw, General Laws Committee; Dr. Gina Wohlford, Human Development and Education Committee; and Stephen McElroy, Infrastructure Committee.

Mayor Fawbush declared the individuals listed above to serve on the 2022 Virginia Municipal League Policy Committees, as stated above.

In comments from the city manager:

At the January 18, 2022, council meeting, members authorized city administration to submit a grant application to the Economic Development Administration on behalf of the newly formed Forest Recreation Outdoor Group known as FROG. The city manager said the application was submitted and the city was notified last week that the application was not funded. He said FROG will look for alternative funding sources and the city will continue to serve as the applicant.

The city manager said even though the General Assembly has not completed its budget process, city administration would like council to consider scheduling a budget work session for the FY2023 Budget.

Mr. Ramey said the Flag Rock bathrooms are expected to open to the public by the weekend pending successful water sampling results.

For council review, the city manager provided monthly financial statements and the April Retail Sales Tax Report.

He also shared a historical note highlighting the achievement of former Norton resident Russell Dobyns, who broke two records in 1953. Mr. Ramey told council that Mr. Dobyns broke the world record for Altitude Without Payload for a Reciprocating Engine Helicopter at 22,110 feet (record still stands), and the 3k course record of four passes at 146.76 miles per hour.

The following comments were made by council members:

Councilwoman Davis commended the city parks and recreation department and emergency management services for their work at the Easter Egg Hunt. She also thanked the Norton Lions Club for their participation with the annual event.

She requested that council keep the families of the murder/suicide tragedy that happened in Norton in their thoughts and prayers.

Councilman Fultz inquired about a possible date for the next council work session.

Council discussed having a possible work session at 8 a.m., Saturday, April 30, 2022, in council chambers.

The city manager said he would contact Councilman Caruso to see if he could attend the work session that date. If Councilman Caruso was available that date, Mr. Ramey said he would let council members know and would notify the press.

Mayor Fawbush said he is glad the demolition program is taking off and word is getting out about the program.

He said he plans to travel to Pineville, Kentucky, for the hill climb event this weekend.

The mayor noted that it is good to see that for eight out of 10 months retail sales tax revenue was higher than last year in the City of Norton.

There being no further business to come before council, Mayor Fawbush declared the meeting adjourned.

	CITY OF NORTON, VIRGINIA	
	Joseph Fawbush, Mayor	
ATTEST:		
Fred Ramey, Jr., Interim Clerk of Council		

City of Norton

Inter-Office Memo



To:

Mayor and City Council

From:

Fred L. Ramey, Jr., City Manager

CC:

Date:

April 29, 2022

Re:

NCS Fiscal Budget for FY23

Norton City School Board Chairman Cody McElroy and Superintendent Gina Wohlford will present the proposed 2022-23 fiscal budget for the Norton City Schools.

Thank You.

City of Norton

Inter-Office Memo



To:

Mayor and City Council

From:

Fred L. Ramey, Jr., City Manager

CC:

Date:

April 29, 2022

Re:

NCS FY22 Budget Amendments

Norton City School Board Chairman Cody McElroy and Superintendent Gina Wohlford plan to be in attendance to discuss the FY22 Budget and potential budget amendments, if any.

Thank You.



May 3, 2022

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The City Council of the City of Norton, Virginia will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, May 17, 2022 at 6:00 PM in the Municipal Council Chambers located at 618 Virginia Avenue, N.W., Norton, Virginia. The purpose of the hearing is to solicit input on proposed amendments to Sections 14-132 and 14-140 of the City Code to bring the City Code in Conformity with the Code of Virginia. Specifically, these amendments will remove switchblade knives from the list of objects which may not be sold, possessed or carried and the criminal penalties for the sale, possession or carrying of such knives.

Information regarding the proposed amendment is Available for Inspection Monday through Friday between 8:30 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. in the City Manager's Office or available at www.nortonva.gov. Attendance and Comments at the Meeting are Encouraged and Welcome.

Fred L. Ramey, Jr.

City Manager

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TO THE COALFIELD:

Please run in the Friday, May 6th and Friday, May 13th editions of the Coalfield Progress.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 14-132 AND 14-140 (a) (2) OF THE CITY CODE

WHEREAS, the 2022 Session of the General Assembly adopted SB 758 amending and reenacting §18.2-311 of the Code of Virginia relating to selling or possessing switchblade knives, and

WHEREAS, SB 758 removes switchblade knives from the list of objects which may not be sold, possessed or carried, and

WHEREAS, the City Code currently provides criminal penalties for the sale, possession or carrying of such knives, and

WHEREAS, Council desires to bring the City Code into conformity with the Code of Virginia concerning such knives,

NOW, THEREFORE, be it RESOLVED

- 1. That §14-132 (a) (2) of the City Code be amended by deleting therefrom the phrase "switchblade knife."
- 2. That §14-140 of the City Code be amended by deleting therefrom the phrase "switchblade knife."
- 3. That sections 14-132 (a) (2) and 14-140 be reenacted except as set forth herein.

4. That this ordinance shall become effective July 1, 2022.

Adopted this day of	2022.	
	MAYOR	
ATTEST:	WITTOR	
CITY CLERK		

- (a) If any person carries about his person, hidden from common observation:
 - (1) Any pistol, revolver, or other weapon designed or intended to propel a missile of any kind, or
 - (2) Any dirk, bowie knife, switchblade knife, ballistic knife, razor, slingshot, spring stick, metal knucks as blackjack, or
 - (3) Any flailing instrument consisting of two (2) or more rigid parts connected in such a manner as to allow them to swing freely, which may be known as a nun chahka, nun chuck, nunchaku, shuriken or fighting chain, or
 - (4) Any disc, of whatever configuration, having at least two (2) points or pointed blades which is designed to be thrown or propelled and which may be known as a throwing star or oriental dart, or
 - (5) Any weapon of like kind as those enumerated in this subsection,

he shall be guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor. ^[2] Any weapon used in the commission of a violation of this section shall be forfeited to the Commonwealth and may be seized by an officer as forfeited, and such as may be needed for police officers, conservators of the peace, and the Division of Forensic Science shall be devoted to that purpose, subject to any registration requirements of federal law, and the remainder shall be disposed of as provided in Code of Virginia section 18.2-310. For the purpose of this section, a weapon shall be deemed to be hidden from common observation when it is observable but is of such deceptive appearance as to disguise the weapon's true nature.

- (b) This section shall not apply to:
 - (1) Any person while in his own place of abode or the curtilage thereof;
 - (2) Any police officers, sergeants, sheriffs, deputy sheriffs or regular game wardens appointed pursuant to chapter 2 of title 29.1 (section 29.1-200 et seq.) of the Code of Virginia;
 - (3) Any regularly enrolled member of a target shooting organization who is at, or going to or from, an established shooting range, provided that the weapons are unloaded and securely wrapped while being transported;
 - (4) Any regularly enrolled member of a weapons collecting organization who is at, or going to or from, a bona fide weapons exhibition, provided that the weapons are unloaded and securely wrapped while being transported;
 - (5) Any person carrying such weapons between his place of abode and a place of purchase or repair, provided the weapons are unloaded and securely wrapped while being transported;
 - (6) Campus police officers appointed pursuant to chapter 17 of title 23 (section 23-232 et seq.) of the Code of Virginia; and
 - (7) Any person actually engaged in lawful hunting, as authorized by the state board of game and inland fisheries, under inclement weather conditions necessitating temporary protection of his firearm from those conditions.
- (c) This section shall not apply to any of the following individuals while in the discharge of their official duties, or while in transit to or from such duties:
 - (1) Carriers of the United States mail in rural districts;
 - (2) Officers or guards of any state correctional institution;
 - (3) Conservators of the peace, except that the following conservators of the peace shall not be permitted to carry a concealed weapon without obtaining a permit as provided in section 18.2-308 of the Code of Virginia: notaries public; registrars; drivers, operators or other persons in charge of any motor vehicle carrier of passengers for hire; and commissioners in chancery;
 - (4) Noncustodial employees of the state department of corrections designated to carry weapons by the director of such department pursuant to section 53.1-29 of the Code of Virginia.
 - (5) Law-enforcement agents of the Armed Forces of the United States and federal agents who are otherwise authorized to carry weapons by federal law while engaged in the performance of their duties; and
 - (6) Law-enforcement agents of the United States Naval Investigative Service.

(Ord. of 11-16-82(3), § 62; Ord. of 10-17-95, § 18.2-308)

State Law reference— Similar provisions, Code of Virginia, § 18.2-308.

Footnotes:

— (2) —

Cross reference— Penalty for Class 1 misdemeanor, § 1-11.

Sec. 14-140. - Sale, possession, etc., of certain weapons prohibited.

If any person sells or barters, or exhibits for sale or barter, or gives or furnishes, or causes to be sold, bartered, given or furnished, or has in his possession, or under his control, with the intent of selling, bartering, giving or furnishing, any blackjack, brass or metal knucks, any disc of whatever configuration having at least two (2) points or pointed blades which is designed to be thrown or propelled and which may be known as a throwing star or oriental dart, switchblade knife, ballistic knife or like weapon, such person shall be guilty of a Class 4 misdemeanor. The having in one's possession of any such weapon shall be prima facie evidence, except in the case of a conservator of the peace, of intent to sell, barter, give or furnish the same.

(Ord. of 11-16-82(3), § 65; Ord. of 10-17-95, § 18.2-311)

Cross reference—Penalty for Class 4 misdemeanor, § 1-11.

State Law reference— Similar provisions, Code of Virginia, § 18.2-311.

2022 SESSION 22103908D

SENATE BILL NO. 758

Offered January 21, 2022

A BILL to amend and reenact § 18.2-311 of the Code of Virginia, relating to selling or possessing switchblade.

Patrons-- Pillion and Reeves

Referred to Committee on the Judiciary

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 18.2-311 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 18.2-311. Prohibiting the selling or having in possession blackjacks, etc.

If any person sells or barters, or exhibits for sale or for barter, or gives or furnishes, or causes to be sold, bartered, given, or furnished, or has in his possession, or under his control, with the intent of selling, bartering, giving, or furnishing, any blackjack, brass or metal knucks, any disc of whatever configuration having at least two points or pointed blades—which that is designed to be thrown or propelled and—which that may be known as a throwing star or oriental dart,—switchblade knife, ballistic knife as defined in § 18.2-307.1, or like weapons, such person is guilty of a Class 4 misdemeanor. The having in one's possession of any such weapon shall be prima facie evidence, except in the case of a conservator of the peace, of his intent to sell, barter, give, or furnish the same.

Department of Planning and Budget 2022 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	. Bill Number: SB758						
	House of Origin	×	Introduced		Substitute		Engrossed
	Second House		In Committee		Substitute		Enrolled
2.	Patron: Pillion						
3. Committee: Judiciary							
1. Title: Selling or possessing switchblade.							
5.	. Summary: The proposed legislation eliminates the prohibition for selling, bartering, giving furnishing, or possessing with the intent of selling, bartering, giving, or furnishing a						

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: Indeterminate.

switchblade.

- 7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary (see Item 8 below).
- 8. Fiscal Implications: Currently, selling, bartering, giving, furnishing, or possessing with the intent of selling, bartering, giving, or furnishing a switchblade knife, is guilty of a Class 4 misdemeanor. The proposed legislation eliminates the prohibition for selling, bartering, giving, furnishing, or possessing with the intent of selling, bartering, giving, or furnishing a switchblade. A Class 4 misdemeanor is punishable by a fine of up to \$250. All revenue collected from such fines is deposited into the Literary Fund. However, it is not possible to estimate the reduction in the number of convictions that may result from this legislation nor the reduction in fines that may be assessed. Therefore, the impact of this bill cannot be determined.
- 9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Commonwealth's Attorneys; Courts; law-enforcement.
- 10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.
- 11. Other Comments: None.

2022 SESSION

SB 758 Switchblade; selling or possessing.

Introduced by: Todd E. Pillion | all patrons ... notes | add to my profiles

SUMMARY AS INTRODUCED:

Selling or possessing switchblade. Eliminates the prohibition for selling, bartering, giving, furnishing, or possessing with the intent of selling, bartering, giving, or furnishing a switchblade.

FULL TEXT

01/21/22 Senate: Presented and ordered printed 22103908D pdf | impact statement

03/03/22 Senate: Bill text as passed Senate and House (SB758ER) pdf | impact statement

03/11/22 Governor: Acts of Assembly Chapter text (CHAP0027) pdf

HISTORY

01/21/22 Senate: Presented and ordered printed 22103908D

01/21/22 Senate: Referred to Committee on the Judiciary

02/09/22 Senate: Reported from Judiciary (13-Y 0-N)

02/10/22 Senate: Constitutional reading dispensed (40-Y 0-N)

02/11/22 Senate: Read second time and engrossed

02/11/22 Senate: Constitutional reading dispensed (40-Y 0-N)

02/11/22 Senate: Passed Senate (40-Y 0-N)

02/22/22 House: Placed on Calendar

02/22/22 House: Read first time

02/22/22 House: Referred to Committee on Public Safety

02/25/22 House: Reported from Public Safety (21-Y 1-N)

03/01/22 House: Read second time

03/02/22 House: Read third time

03/02/22 House: Passed House (96-Y 3-N)

03/02/22 House: VOTE: Passage (96-Y 3-N)

03/03/22 Senate: Enrolled

03/03/22 Senate: Bill text as passed Senate and House (SB758ER)

03/03/22 Senate: Signed by President

03/03/22 House: Signed by Speaker

03/04/22 Senate: Enrolled Bill Communicated to Governor on March 4, 2022

03/04/22 Governor: Governor's Action Deadline 11:59 p.m., March 11, 2022

03/11/22 Governor: Approved by Governor-Chapter 27 (effective 7/1/22)

03/11/22 Governor: Acts of Assembly Chapter text (CHAP0027)

NATIONAL LAW ENFORCEMENT WEEK MAY 11 - 17, 2022

WHEREAS, Police Officers of the City of Norton Police Department stand watch over our citizens, selflessly risking their lives to protect individuals, families, neighborhoods, and property against crime; and

WHEREAS, it is important that all citizens recognize the duties, responsibilities, hazards, and sacrifices of local law enforcement agencies; and

WHEREAS, the Congress and President of the United States have designated May 15th as Peace Officers Memorial Day, and the week in which it falls as Police Week; and

WHEREAS, Wednesday, May 15, 2022, is observed Nationally as Peace Officers Memorial Day in honor of those law enforcement officers who, through their courageous deeds, have made the ultimate sacrifice in service to their community or have become disabled in the performance of duty; and

WHEREAS, the City of Norton Police Department, past and present, who, by their faithful and loyal devotion to their responsibilities, have rendered dedicated service to the community.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, The Norton City Council does hereby proclaim the week of May 11 - 17, 2022 as "National Police Week" in the City of Norton in honor and recognition of our men and women that serve as law enforcement officers in our community.

ADOPTED this 3rd day of May, 2022.

CITY OF NORTON, VIRGINIA	ATTEST		
Joseph Fawbush, Mayor	Clerk of Council		