



City Council Building
Chattanooga, Tennessee
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
March 24, 2015
6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Council Chairman Chip Henderson called the meeting to order with Vice Chair Dr. Carol Berz and Councilpersons Chris Anderson, Moses Freeman, Russell Gilbert, Larry Grohn, Yusuf Hakeem, Jerry Mitchell and Ken Smith all present. Also present were Attorney Wade Hinton and Council Clerk Nicole Gwyn, CMC.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilman Anderson led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF LAST MINUTES

On motion of Councilman Anderson and seconded by Councilman Freeman, the minutes of the last meeting (March 17, 2015) were approved as published.

ORDINANCES – FINAL READING:

On motion of Councilman Freeman and seconded by Councilman Anderson,

ORDINANCE #12929

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 12835 APPROPRIATING, AUTHORIZING OR ALLOCATING FUNDS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2015 SO AS TO REAPPROPRIATE \$100,000.00 FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FOR USE IN THE GROWING SMALL BUSINESS INCENTIVE FUND ESTABLISHED UNDER ORDINANCE NO. 12853 AND APPROPRIATING \$100,000.00 FOR THE TECHNOLOGY WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT FUND TO THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD.

ACTION: APPROVED

2015-018
Wes Bradley of University Housing Group/
Westview Drive, LP
District No. 8
Planning Version

On motion of Councilman Freeman and seconded by Councilman Anderson,

ORDINANCE #12923

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 38, ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1428 RIVERSIDE DRIVE, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED HEREIN, FROM M-1 MANUFACTURING ZONE TO C-3 CENTRAL BUSINESS ZONE, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

ACTION: APPROVED

On motion of Councilman Gilbert and seconded by Vice Chair Dr. Berz,

ORDINANCE #12930

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 26, SECTIONS 26-17, 26-21, 26-22, 26-23, 26-24, 26-25, 26-26, 26-27, 26-28, 26-29, 26-30 AND 26-34 TO AMEND THE CODE AND ESTABLISH THE EVENT FEES FOR USAGE OF VARIOUS CHATTANOOGA YOUTH AND FAMILY DEVELOPMENT FACILITIES.

ACTION: APPROVED

ORDINANCES – FIRST READING: (NONE)

RESOLUTIONS:

On motion of Councilman Anderson and seconded by Councilman Gilbert,

RESOLUTION #28181

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT TO ACCEPT A GRANT FROM THE BENWOOD FOUNDATION FOR NEIGHBORHOOD UNIVERSITY AND TO EXECUTE A GRANT AGREEMENT, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$50,000.00.

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilman Anderson and seconded by Councilman Gilbert,

RESOLUTION #28182

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR OF ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT TO ALLOCATE AND ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH HABITAT FOR HUMANITY OF GREATER CHATTANOOGA IN HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP FUNDS TO DEVELOP AFFORDABLE HOUSING, RESERVED FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT HOUSING ORGANIZATIONS, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$75,000.00.

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilman Mitchell and seconded by Vice Chair Dr. Berz,

RESOLUTION #28183

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A FUNDING PLAN FOR THE CITY'S GENERAL PENSION PLAN AS REQUIRED UNDER TENNESSEE CODE ANNOTATED TITLE 9, CHAPTER 3 AS AMENDED BY SENATE BILL NO. 2079 PASSED ON APRIL 16, 2014.

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilman Mitchell and seconded by Councilman Anderson,

RESOLUTION #28184

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF GENERAL SERVICES TO ENTER INTO AND EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH CAMPBELL & ASSOCIATES, INC. FOR ENGINEERING AND STRUCTURAL DESIGN SERVICES FOR THE REPLACEMENT AND RE-DESIGN OF THE HVAC SYSTEM AT THE TIVOLI THEATER, FOR AN ESTIMATED AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$73,108.00.

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilman Anderson and seconded by Councilman Freeman,

RESOLUTION #28185

A RESOLUTION TO CONFIRM THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF DAN WALKER TO THE LIBRARY BOARD.

Councilman Anderson recognized Mr. Walker, who was present at the meeting.

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilman Gilbert and seconded by Councilman Freeman,

RESOLUTION #28186

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 FOR LITTLEJOHN ENGINEERING ASSOCIATES, INC. RELATIVE TO CONTRACT NO. W-11-009-101, MOCCASIN BEND WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT ADMINISTRATION BUILDING PERMANENT GENERATOR AND GENERATOR CONNECTIONS AT PRIORITY ISS SITES PROJECT, FOR AN INCREASED AMOUNT OF \$24,150.00, FOR A REVISED CONTRACT AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$277,150.00.

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilman Anderson and seconded by Vice Chair Dr. Berz,

RESOLUTION #28187

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE KNOXVILLE TO ESTABLISH THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA AS A TEST SITE FOR CONNECTED VEHICLE PILOT DEVELOPMENT WITH THE PRIMARY GOAL OF BRINGING CONNECTED VEHICLE TECHNOLOGY INFRASTRUCTURE INTO CHATTANOOGA FOR SAFER AND MORE EFFICIENT TRANSPORTATION OPERATIONS.

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilman Anderson and seconded by Councilman Gilbert,

RESOLUTION #28188

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH BALLET TENNESSEE FOR THE GROUND LEVEL WING OF THE JOHN A. PATTEN ARTS CENTER FOR A TERM BEGINNING MARCH 1, 2015, THROUGH MARCH 1, 2018, WITH THE OPTION TO RENEW FOR TWO (2) ADDITIONAL ONE (1) YEAR TERMS AT THE RATE OF \$1,400.00 PER MONTH AND OTHER CONSIDERATIONS.

ACTION: ADOPTED

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

Emergency Purchase

Brent Goldberg, Chief Operating Officer, informed the Council of the following:

R111506 - Public Works	\$131, 500
Emergency Purchase of Chlorine Absorption	
Media and Cleaning Services	
Supplier: Purafil Inc., Clean Harbors and Marion Environmental	

The purchasing letter was signed in open meeting by Public Works Administrator Lee Norris. The emergency purchase was approved by **motion of Councilman Grohn** and seconded by Vice Chair Dr. Berz.

ACTION: APPROVED

Purchases

Mr. Goldberg also briefed the Council on the following proposed purchases:

R90719 - General Services Estimated \$100,000 Annually
Renewal of Blanket Contract for Card
Access 3000 Support Services and Hardware
Lowest/Best Bidder: Gallaher & Associates, Inc.

R55433 - General Services Estimated \$40,000 Annually
Renewal of Blanket Contract for Security &
Fire Alarm Monitoring and Service
Lowest/Best Bidder: Security & Fire Alarm Monitoring

R744231 - General Services Estimated 1,300,000 Annually
Renewal of Blanket Contract for Bulk Fuel, Top Loading
Lowest/Best Bidder: JAT Oil & Supply Inc.

R45591 - General Services Estimated \$40,000 Annually
Blanket Contract Renewal for Fueling Station Repair Services
Lowest/Best Bidder: Southern Pump & Tank

R73259 - Public Works Estimated \$375,000 Annually
Renewal of Blanket Contract for Lime Kiln Dust
Lowest/Best Bidder: Pozzolanic Contracting & Supply Co.

R109597 - Public Works Estimated \$60,000 Annually
New Blanket Contract for Programmable Logic
Controller (PLC) Services
Lowest/Best Bidder: Adman Electric

R86162 - Public Works Estimated \$62,000 Annually
Blanket Contract Extension for Vehicle Location System
Lowest/Best Bidder: ActSoft, Inc.

R107916 - Purchasing Estimated \$55,000 Annually
New Blanket Contract for Multi-Purpose Printing Paper
Lowest/Best Bidder: American Paper & Twine Company

R107912 - Purchasing Estimated \$50,000 Annually
New Blanket Contract for Paper Goods (Recycled)
Lowest/Best Bidder: Jacobs Wholesale Paper Company &
American Paper & Twine Company

R107912 - Purchasing

Estimated \$55,000 Annually

New Blanket Contract for Paper Goods (Non-Recycled)
Lowest/Best Bidder: Jacobs Wholesale Paper Company &
American Paper & Twine Company

Vice Chair Dr. Berz moved to approve, seconded by Councilman Anderson. The motion carried.

ACTION: APPROVED

OTHER BUSINESS:

Suntrust Bank Update

Councilman Freeman provided an update from last week regarding the Suntrust Bank branch closure on East 3rd Street in the East Chattanooga community. He stated that Suntrust had announced today to keep the branch open and thanked the Council for their support and positive alternatives in this matter. He wanted to acknowledge the other local banks that had expressed an interest in reaching out to this community. He encouraged the community to support the bank. Councilman Hakeem concurred and stated that the community could be proud that pastors, community leaders and elected officials were “on the same page” in this matter.

Housing PILOT

Councilman Hakeem asked for a broad discussion on the utilization of the PILOT agreement in regards to housing. He asked the Chairman to refer this to committee.

Chairman Henderson referred the matter to the Economic and Community Development Committee. Councilman Anderson, committee chair, concurred with hearing the matter in ECD Committee.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Audit & I.T. Committee

Councilman Grohn
(No report)

Budget and Finance Committee

Councilman Mitchell
(No report)

Economic and Community Development Committee

Councilman Anderson

- He called a meeting of the committee on next Tuesday (March 31) for a presentation by Public Art Chattanooga on their MLK Boulevard program.
- He tentatively set a meeting in the following week (April 7) to discuss the housing options mentioned earlier by Councilman Hakeem.

HR Committee (Human Resources)

Vice Chair Dr. Berz

(No report)

Planning & Zoning

Councilman Hakeem

- The committee met today for a discussion on the timeline and procedure for zoning signage.
- The Council has asked the City Attorney, Regional Planning staff and the Chair of the Board of Zoning Appeals (“Variance Board”) to attend next week for an educational session on the variance process.

Public Safety Committee

Councilman Freeman

(No report)

Public Works and Transportation Committee

Councilman Smith

- The committee met today to discuss items that were on tonight’s agenda as well as items next week.
- The next meeting will take place in two (2) weeks.

Youth and Family Development Committee

Councilman Gilbert

(No report)

**RECOGNITION OF PERSONS WISHING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL
(Non-Agenda Items)**

Attorney Hinton read the rules of procedure for persons wishing to address the Council on non-agenda items. After which, Chairman Henderson recognized the following persons:

- **Mike Price (MAP Engineers)** – He asked the Council to consider amending the 10-year-old Timber Removal Requirement Ordinance because it limits the removal of tree canopy to 5,000 square feet of tree canopy, which, he says, greatly hinders the tree clear-cutting process for large development projects. Mr. Price recommended amending the ordinance by changing the language to read “40,000 square feet” instead of 5,000 square feet.
 - Attorney Hinton offered to speak with Mr. Price after the meeting.
 - Councilman Freeman asked if this matter could be referred to committee. Therefore, Chairman Henderson referred this matter to the Economic and Community Development Committee. Vice Chair Dr. Berz asked for a full educational process on this ordinance.
 - Councilman Anderson, committee chair, agreed to hear the matter during the ECD committee meeting next week.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Councilman Anderson, the meeting of the Chattanooga City Council was adjourned until Tuesday, March 31, 2015, at 6:00 p.m.

CHAIRMAN

CLERK OF COUNCIL