



City Council Building
Chattanooga, Tennessee
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
May 31, 2016
6:01 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Council Chairman Moses Freeman called the meeting to order with Vice Chair Jerry Mitchell and Council members Chris Anderson, Carol Berz, Russell Gilbert, Larry Grohn, Yusuf Hakeem, and Ken Smith all present. Deputy City Attorney Phil Noblett and Council Support Specialist Keren Campbell were also present. Councilman Chip Henderson was not present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilman Gilbert led the Assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance. He invited Lurone Jennings, Youth and Family Development Administrator, to give the invocation.

APPROVAL OF LAST MINUTES

On motion of Councilman Anderson and seconded by Councilwoman Berz, the minutes of the last meeting (May 24, 2016) were approved as published.

ORDINANCES – FINAL READING:

On motion of Councilman Hakeem and seconded by Councilman Grohn,

ORDINANCE #13060

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 38, ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE PROPERTIES LOCATED AT 1028 AND 1042 EAST 3RD STREET AND 1039, 1043, AND 1047 EAST 4TH STREET, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED HEREIN, FROM R-4 SPECIAL ZONE TO C-3 CONVENIENCE COMMERCIAL ZONE, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS. (DISTRICT 8) (RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL BY PLANNING AND STAFF) (DEFERRED 21 DAYS FROM 4/19/2016)

ACTION: APPROVED

RESOLUTIONS:

On motion of Councilman Anderson and seconded by Councilwoman Berz,

RESOLUTION #28634

A RESOLUTION TO CONFIRM THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF BECKY BROWDER TO THE CARTER STREET CORPORATION BOARD.

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilman Gilbert and seconded by Councilman Grohn,

RESOLUTION #28638

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A MORATORIUM UP TO AND INCLUDING JULY 19, 2016 ON THE ISSUANCE OF ANY SPECIAL EXCEPTIONS PERMITS FOR HOME OCCUPATIONS BY THE BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS TO ALLOW TIME TO REVIEW AND STUDY THE CURRENT APPROVAL PROCESS.

Councilman Mitchell abstained

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilman Anderson and seconded by Councilman Smith,

RESOLUTION #28635

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS TO AWARD CONTRACT NO. W-15-018-201 TO P.F. MOON AND COMPANY COMPANY, INC. OF WEST POINT, GA, RECTANGULAR SLUDGE COLLECTION EQUIPMENT AT MOCCASIN BEND WWTP, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,957,479.68, WITH A CONTINGENCY AMOUNT OF \$395,750.00, FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$4,353,229.68.

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilman Anderson and seconded by Councilman Mitchell,

RESOLUTION #28636

A RESOLUTION TO RENAME THE 1 TO 99 BLOCK OF EAST 14TH STREET TO 1 TO 99 BLOCK OF STATION STREET, AS REFERENCED IN CASE NO. 2016-PW-02.

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilman Gilbert and seconded by Councilman Hakeem,

RESOLUTION #28637

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH AND FAMILY DEVELOPMENT TO ACCEPT THE QUOTE BY MID-AMERICA SPORTS ADVANTAGE, AND TO CONTRACT WITH SAID COMPANY TO PROVIDE STADIUM SEATS AT WARNER PARK SOFTBALL COMPLEX, JIM FROST STADIUM, FOR THE PROVIDED ESTIMATE, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$34,672.79.

ACTION: ADOPTED

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

Public Works Report – Urban Forestry

Blythe Bailey, Administrator of Transportation, introduced John Van Winkle, City Traffic Engineer, to give a report on the Neighborhood Traffic Management Program. He gave a presentation that included information on the following:

- Speed Humps installed
- Project locations
- Neighborhood Involvement
- NTMP 2.0
- Transportation Department Involvement
- Traffic Circles
- Street Diets
- Streetscaping
- Street Media Landscape
- Additions Signage and markings
- Crosswalk
- On street Parking
- Bike Lanes
- Reduction of Speed
- Speed Radar Signs
- Neighborhood Speed Watch Program

Mr. Van Winkle responded to questions about adding more traffic circles around the city, limiting trucks in certain neighborhoods, signs of speed reduction and cameras being consistently dispersed and the process for persons to request the layout of their street.

Purchases

David Carmody, Deputy Chief Operating Officer, briefed the Council on the following purchases:

R134507 - Public Works \$59,785
Purchase of (1) Flygt Submersible Pump
Waste Resources Division

Lowest/Best Bidder: Nedrow & Associates
2233 Southpark Drive
Murfreesboro, TN 37128

R133124 - Public Works Estimated \$65,000 Annually
New Blanket Contract for Grounds
Maintenance for Riverparks

Lowest/Best Bidder: Images Landscape Service
P.O. Box 28024
Chattanooga, TN 37424

Councilman Anderson moved to approve, seconded by Councilman Hakeem. The motion carried.

ACTION: APPROVED

OTHER BUSINESS:

- a) JJ's Liquor License, 4204 Rossville Blvd., Chattanooga, TN, District 7**
- b) Wine Certifications for the following Grocery Stores:**

- 1) **Earth Fare, Inc. #420**, 1814 Gunbarrel Road, Suite 100, Chattanooga, TN 37421, District 4
- 2) **Food City #701**, 7804 East Brainerd Road, Chattanooga, TN 37421, District 4
- 3) **Food City #703**, 5604 Hixson Pike, Hixson, TN 37343, District 3
- 4) **Food City #705**, 1600 E. 23rd Street, Chattanooga, TN 37403, District 8
- 5) **Food City #706**, 4510 Highway 58, Chattanooga, TN 37406, District 5
- 6) **Food City #715**, 703 Signal Mountain Road, Chattanooga, TN 37405, District 1
- 7) **Food City #716**, 3801 Tennessee Avenue, Chattanooga, TN 37409, District 7
- 8) **Food City #726**, 3600 Hixson Pike, Chattanooga, TN 37415, District 2
- 9) **Food City #735**, 6951 Lee Hwy., Chattanooga, TN 37421, District 6
- 10) **Food City #759**, 4011 Brainerd Road, Chattanooga, TN 37411, District 5
- 11) **Food City #774**, 9213 Lee Hwy., Ooltewah, TN 37363, District 6
- 12) **Fresh Market #22**, 2288 Gunbarrel Road, Chattanooga, TN 37421, District 4
- 13) **Whole Foods Market Chattanooga**, 301 Manufacturers Road, Chattanooga, TN 37405, District 1
- 14) **Publix Tennessee, LLC #1165**, 8644 E. Brainerd Road, Chattanooga, TN 37421, District 4
- 15) **Publix Tennessee, LLC #1166**, 5928 Hixson Pike, Suite 112, Hixson, TN 37343, District 3
- 16) **Publix Tennessee, LLC #1244**, 5958 Snow Hill Road, Suite 168, Ooltewah, TN 37363, District 6
- 17) **Publix Tennessee, LLC #1460**, 400 N. Market Street, Chattanooga, TN 37405, District 2

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Audit & I.T. Committee

Councilman Grohn
(No report)

Budget and Finance Committee

Councilwoman Berz

- Next Budget Work Session will be next week at 10am.
- Dr. Berz spoke to the process of the meeting for those interested in attending.

Economic and Community Development Committee

Councilman Anderson
(No report)

HR Committee (Human Resources)

Councilman Mitchell
(No report)

Planning & Zoning

Councilman Hakeem

- A Public Hearing on Form-Based Codes will take place next week, June 7th immediately following the Agenda Session.
- The Planning & Zoning Committee will meet next week, June 7th immediately following the Public Works & Transportation Committee meeting.

Public Safety Committee

Councilman Henderson
(No report)

Public Works and Transportation Committee

Councilman Smith

- The Public Works & Transportation Committee will meet next week, June 7th immediately following the Public Hearing on Form-Based Codes.

Youth and Family Development Committee

Councilman Gilbert
(No report)

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

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

- **Jeffery Evans (3001 North Chamberlain Ave., District 9)** – He asked the Council to do something in regards to Witness Protection and possibly looking into starting a fund for the young lady who recently lost her life due to wanting to come forward and testifying on a case for which she had information.
 - Chairman Freeman responded to the challenges and concerns in establishing a witness protection program and the need for it as well as the concerns for what occurs due to not have something established as of yet.
 - Councilman Hakeem spoke to the Community Coalition, who is working to establish this program. He also had concerns about the government doing more and being careful as a community to put people in harm's way.
 - Councilman Smith spoke to failing those who have not been protected and our need for something being put in place.
- **President of Lincoln Park Neighborhood** – She spoke to those in her community that rent and will not be able to afford a high tax break.
- **Jefferson Hodge (2013 East 14th Street, District 8)** – Spoke to feelings of hopelessness canvassing a neighborhood near the hospital, sentiments of the residents who did not get to sign a petition he was handing out. They feel that though they could come to Council and express how they feel, it would not matter. He also spoke to African Americans not being able to have access to loans.
- **Lilly Stepston (514 Sharondale Road & UTC student & Co-Chair of Student Activist for Equality, District 6)** – Addressed the UTC missions statement and her belief that they are working opposite of their values as it appears that they are applauding gentrification in historically black neighborhoods and doesn't want to believe that the school and the city's values appear to be inherently classist and racist.
- **Michael Gilliland (1816 Ivy Street & President of Chattanooga Organized for Action, District 8)** – He spoke to the failure in the process of development in this city. Planning is focused on development and no institution is meeting the needs of the bottom 50% and is asking Council to meet their needs as well.
 - Councilman Hakeem asked Mr. Gilliland to provide the Council with information to the organizations he described.
- **Tyre Grady (1418 McCallie Ave, District 9)** – Stated that his concern is that the order of operation of this city is backwards. He asked the City officials to check their priorities before unanimously approving a zoning matter.
- **Asia Pryor (Concerned Citizens for Justice & UTC student)** – Asked why the budget for the Youth & Family Development was underfunded and also stated that people are hurting and feel that their concerns are not addressed and Council is not really giving them answers to what they've asked.
 - Dr. Berz stated that the Budget Work Sessions were an open meeting and representatives of CCJ could come and address their concerns. She explained the process to speaking and addressing their issues.

- Councilman Hakeem addressed that there is a process and before addressing some concerns we should wait for the final product and yes, Council is listening and is prioritizing some of the concerns that the people have expressed.
- Councilman Gilbert spoke to the projects that the Youth & Family Development is doing and that he would be willing to meet with anyone who wanted further details after the meeting.
- Councilman Anderson said that he would stay after the meeting to address any concerns for those in his district.
- **Tiffany Rankins (Lincoln Park)** – Stated that her community is diverse and people that have been displaced are there. There are 20 years renters in the community that have been minimized and she wanted the community to be thought of before taking action not after.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Councilman Anderson, Chairman Freeman adjourned the meeting of the Chattanooga City Council until Tuesday, June 7, 2016, at 6:00 p.m.

CHAIRMAN

CLERK OF COUNCIL