



Electronic-Conducted (Virtual) Minutes  
Chattanooga, Tennessee

## **COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

November 3, 2020  
4:00 PM

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Council Chairman Chip Henderson called this meeting to order by electronic means. A quorum was present via electronic means that included Vice-Chairman Ken Smith and Councilpersons Carol Berz, Anthony Byrd, Demetrus Coonrod, Russell Gilbert, Darrin Ledford, Jerry Mitchell and Erskine Oglesby, Jr. Other panelists present via electronic means: Phil Noblett, City Attorney; Lydia Christoph, Administrative Support; and Nicole Gwyn, Council Clerk. Video of the meeting is available on YouTube [here](#).

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Councilman Byrd led the Assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance and gave an invocation.

### **APPROVAL OF LAST MINUTES**

**On motion of Councilman Ledford** and seconded by Councilwoman Coonrod, the minutes of the last meeting (October 27, 2020) were approved as published. The motion carried unanimously (9-0) upon roll call vote.

**ORDINANCES – FINAL READING: (NONE)**

**ORDINANCES – FIRST READING: (NONE)**

### **RESOLUTIONS:**

On motion of Councilman Oglesby and seconded by Councilman Ledford,

#### **RESOLUTION #30548**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT TO ACCEPT AN ALLOCATION OF \$1,448,742.00 FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT AWARDED UNDER THE CORONAVIRUS AID, RELIEF, AND ECONOMIC SECURITY ACT (CARES ACT) AND TO USE THE FUNDING FOR THE ACQUISITION, RENOVATION, AND OPERATION OF A HOTEL/MOTEL TO SERVE AS A NON-CONGREGATE EMERGENCY SHELTER.**

Councilwoman Coonrod had questions about the timeline and ownership. Donna Williams, Administrator of Economic and Community Development, joined the panel and responded to the

councilwoman's questions. Upon no further questions or comments, the motion carried upon roll call vote as follows:

Oglesby	YES	Byrd	YES
Mitchell	YES	Berz	YES
Ledford	YES	Smith	YES
Gilbert	YES	Henderson	NO
Coonrod	YES		

YES - Eight (8); NO - One (1)

**ACTION: ADOPTED**

**Councilman Gilbert moved** to approve with the intent to amend the following: *A resolution authorizing the Administrator for the Department of Public Works to accept the qualifications for Contract No. S-20-004-100 on-call modeling and floodplain analysis services from (1) Stantec; (2) CDM Smith; (3) Woods Environment and Infrastructure Solutions, Inc.; (4) AECOM; and (5) S&ME and to enter into five (5) one (1) year blanket contracts with these professional firms subject to three (3) one-year renewal options for professional services estimated at \$650,000.00 total annually for all five (5) professional firms for use by all departments. Councilman Ledford seconded.*

Councilman Gilbert requested that Tony Sammons, Deputy Chief Operating Officer, read alternate language for this resolution (as written below). After which, **Councilman Gilbert moved** to amend with the alternate version as read by Mr. Sammons. Councilman Ledford seconded. **Councilman Gilbert** moved to approve as amended. Councilman Ledford seconded.

#### **RESOLUTION #30549**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS TO ACCEPT THE QUALIFICATIONS FOR CONTRACT NO. S-20-004-100 ON-CALL MODELING AND FLOODPLAIN ANALYSIS SERVICES FROM (1) STANTEC; (2) CDM SMITH; (3) WOODS ENVIRONMENT AND INFRASTRUCTURE SOLUTIONS, INC.; (4) AECOM; AND (5) S&ME AND TO ENTER INTO ONE-YEAR BLANKET CONTRACTS WITH THESE FIVE (5) PROFESSIONAL FIRMS SUBJECT TO THREE (3) ONE-YEAR RENEWAL OPTIONS FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES ESTIMATED AT \$650,000.00 TOTAL ANNUALLY FOR ALL FIVE (5) PROFESSIONAL FIRMS FOR USE BY ALL DEPARTMENTS.**

The motion carried unanimously (9-0) upon roll call vote.

**ACTION: ADOPTED**

**PROCEDURAL NOTE:** With no objection from the Council, Chairman Henderson instructed the Clerk to read the next three items for one Council vote.

**RESOLUTION #30550**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 FOR TALLEY CONSTRUCTION CO., INC. RELATIVE TO CONTRACT NO. T-20-002 FOR CONSTRUCTION SERVICES ASSOCIATED WITH THE CITYWIDE RESURFACING, FOR AN INCREASED AMOUNT OF \$1,181,162.40, FOR A REVISED CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$8,622,946.11 AND RETAINING THE CONTINGENCY OF \$744,178.37, FOR A REVISED TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$9,367,124.48.

**RESOLUTION #30551**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO APPLY FOR AND, IF AWARDED, ACCEPT A 2020-2021 MULTIMODAL ACCESS GRANT FROM THE TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, WITH THE CITY'S CONTRIBUTION NOT TO EXCEED \$50,000.00, FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1 MILLION.

**RESOLUTION #30552**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 FOR ASA ENGINEERING & CONSULTING, INC. RELATIVE TO CONTRACT NO. T-14-002 FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES ASSOCIATED WITH THE CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING AND INSPECTION OF RETRO-REFLECTIVITY SIGN PROJECT FOR VARIOUS CITY STREETS IN CHATTANOOGA, FOR AN INCREASED AMOUNT OF \$21,314.76, FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$75,461.44.

Councilwoman Byrd moved to approve the three resolutions. Councilman Oglesby seconded. The motion carried unanimously (9-0) upon roll call vote.

**ACTION: RESOLUTIONS 30550 - 30552 ADOPTED**

**DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:**

**Proposed Purchases**

Anthony Sammons, Deputy Chief Operating Officer, briefed the Council on the following proposed purchases:

**R202247 - Fleet Management Division, Public Works** \$120,000.00

Fire Apparatus Repair & Maintenance Services

Lowest/Best Bidders:

1. Randall Brackett Fire Truck Repair - 471 Vinson Mountain Loop, Rockmart, GA 30153
2. AAAA Auto/Truck Service dba Equipped for Service - 31 Dinah Blvd, Rossville, GA 30741

**R203578 - Parks Division, Public Works** \$25,000.00

Flags, Flagpoles & Associated Hardware

Lowest/Best Bidder: Conserv Flag Company  
1003 Illinois Street  
Sidney, NE 69162

**R204084 - Fleet Management Division, Public Works**

\$18,431.91

Various Sized Tires For City Vehicle

Lowest/Best Bidder: Best One Tire of Chattanooga  
2348 Rossville Blvd  
Chattanooga, TN 37408

**Councilman Oglesby moved** to approve, seconded by Councilwoman Coonrod. The motion carried unanimously (9-0) upon roll call vote.

**ACTION: ALL PURCHASES APPROVED**

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

**Certificate of Compliance**

Attorney Noblett presented the following Certificate of Compliance:

- **Whole Foods Market Group, Inc. d/b/a Whole Foods Market - Certificate of Compliance (District 4)**

He noted that the certificate had been sent to the Clerk and that it requires signatures by five councilpersons. Chairman Henderson instructed the Clerk to proceed with securing the permission for electronic signatures of the councilpersons.

**Election Day Reminder**

Councilwoman Coonrod encouraged everyone to vote today.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

*Budget and Finance Committee*

Councilwoman Berz reported:

- The BFO process began on yesterday. She reminded everyone of the three virtual community engagement sessions currently scheduled on November 9, 12, and 16 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. The Council also discussed more input in the budget process.

*Economic and Community Development Committee*

Councilman Oglesby  
(No report)

*Human Resources Committee*

Councilman Gilbert  
(No report)

*Planning and Zoning Committee*

Councilman Ledford

- The committee met today in open meeting to review all planning and zoning items. Regarding item 7(b) on next week’s agenda, he will request to defer case no. 2020-0027 because he is working through conditions and having conversations with TDEC on some issues.

*Public Safety Committee*

Councilman Byrd reported:

- The committee will meet on November 10 for a report from the Fire Department concerning pay.
- The committee will meet on November 17 regarding the Police Advisory and Review Committee and their work over the past few months.

*Public Works and Transportation Committee*

Councilman Mitchell reported:

- The committee will meet next week, November 10, following the 3:30 p.m. Agenda Session.

*Youth and Family Development Committee*

Councilwoman Coonrod

(No report)

*Legislative Committee*

Vice-Chairman Smith

(No report)

## **RECOGNITION OF PERSONS WISHING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL**

Attorney Noblett read the rules of procedure for persons wishing to address the Council. After which, Chairman Henderson asked if there were any registered speakers who wished to address the Council. Seeing none, this portion of the agenda was closed.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

**On motion of Councilman Oglesby**, Chairman Henderson adjourned the meeting of the Chattanooga City Council until Tuesday, November 10, 2020, at 6:00 p.m.

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**CHAIRMAN**

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**CLERK OF COUNCIL**