



In-Person & Electronic-Conducted Meeting  
Chattanooga, Tennessee

## **COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

April 20, 2021  
6:00 PM

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Council Chairman Chip Henderson called the 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, Raquetta Dotley, Isiah Hester, Jenny Hill, and Darrin Ledford. Other panelists present via electronic means: Phil Noblett, City Attorney, and Nicole Gwyn, Council Clerk. Video of this meeting is available [here](#) on YouTube.

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Vice-Chairman Smith led the Assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **WELCOME TO MAYOR KELLY**

Chairman Henderson welcomed Mayor Tim Kelly and invited him to address the Council. As the mayor made his way to the podium, the Assembly honored him with a standing ovation. Mayor Kelly's comments to the Council are available [here](#).

### **RECOGNITION OF ADMINISTRATOR**

The Council recognized Donna Williams, who is retiring from the position of Administrator of Economic and Community Development. Chairman Henderson opened the floor for councilpersons to express their sentiments to Ms. Williams.

### **ELECTION OF OFFICERS 2021-2022**

#### **Council Chair**

Chairman Henderson opened the floor for nominations for Council Chair. **Councilwoman Berz moved** to nominate Chip Henderson for Council Chair. Councilman Ledford seconded. There were no other nominations.

**Councilman Ledford moved** to close the nominations. Councilman Byrd seconded. Upon roll call vote, Chairman Henderson was elected unanimously (9-0) for another term as Council Chair.

## **Council Vice-Chair**

Chairman Henderson took nominations from the floor for Vice-Chair. **Councilman Byrd moved** to nominate Ken Smith for Vice-Chair. Councilman Ledford seconded. There were no further nominations.

**Councilman Ledford moved** to close the nominations. Councilman Byrd seconded. Upon roll call vote, Vice-Chairman Smith was elected unanimously (9-0) for another term as Council Vice-Chair.

Chairman Henderson closed the election.

## **APPROVAL OF LAST MINUTES**

**On motion of Councilman Ledford** and seconded by Councilman Hester, the minutes of the last meeting (April 13, 2021) were approved as published. The motion carried unanimously (9-0) upon roll call vote.

## **ORDINANCES – FINAL READING:**

**PROCEDURAL NOTE:** With no objection from the Council, Chairman Henderson instructed the Clerk to group and read the next five ordinances for one Council vote.

**2021-0046**  
**John R. Coffelt**  
**Planning Version**  
**District No. 1**

### **ORDINANCE #13664**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 38, ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE PROPERTIES LOCATED IN THE 600 BLOCK OF WEST VIEW ROAD, FROM RT-1 RESIDENTIAL TOWNHOUSE ZONE TO R-1 RESIDENTIAL ZONE.**

**2021-0023**  
**John Cunningham**  
**Planning Version**  
**District No. 6**

### **ORDINANCE #13665**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 38, ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE PART OF A PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE 6100 BLOCK OF HIGHWAY 58, FROM R-1 RESIDENTIAL ZONE TO C-2 CONVENIENCE COMMERCIAL ZONE, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.**

2021-0037  
South Broad, LLC  
Planning Version  
District No. 7

**ORDINANCE #13666**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 38, ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE PROPERTIES LOCATED AT 2500 COWART STREET, IN THE 2500 BLOCK OF WILLIAMS STREET, AND IN THE 200 BLOCK OF WEST 26<sup>TH</sup> STREET, FROM R-3 RESIDENTIAL ZONE TO UGC URBAN GENERAL COMMERCIAL ZONE, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

2021-0027  
Keither Perry  
Planning Version  
District No. 8

**ORDINANCE #13667**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 38, ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2203 MILNE STREET, FROM R-1 RESIDENTIAL ZONE TO R-2 RESIDENTIAL ZONE.

2021-0040  
Tuba Warden  
Planning Version  
District No. 9

**ORDINANCE #13668**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 38, ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2218 BAILEY AVENUE, FROM R-2 RESIDENTIAL ZONE TO UGC URBAN GENERAL COMMERCIAL ZONE, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

**Councilwoman Berz moved** to approve all five ordinances. Councilman Ledford seconded. The motion carried unanimously (9-0) upon roll call vote.

**ACTION: ORDINANCES 13664 - 13668 APPROVED**

MR-2020-0115  
Maynardville Pike Car Wash, LLC % John Wise  
District No. 2

**ORDINANCE #13669**

AN ORDINANCE CLOSING AND ABANDONING AN UNOPENED SEWER EASEMENT LOCATED IN THE 300 BLOCK OF TREMONT STREET, AS DETAILED ON THE ATTACHED MAP, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

Councilwoman Hill informed the Council that she had additional questions on this project. Therefore, **Councilwoman Hill moved** to defer for two weeks to the week of May 3<sup>rd</sup>. Chairman Henderson confirmed the meeting date of May 4, 2021. Councilman Ledford seconded. The motion carried unanimously (9-0) upon roll call vote.

**ACTION: DEFERRED TO MAY 4, 2021**

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

**RESOLUTIONS:**

**PROCEDURAL NOTE:** With no objection from the Council, Chairman Henderson instructed the Clerk to group and read the following three resolutions for one Council vote.

**RESOLUTION #30734**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT TO AWARD UP TO \$40,000.00 PER HOUSE, FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT UP TO \$120,000.00 IN HOME PROGRAM FUNDING TO HABITAT FOR HUMANITY, TO ASSIST WITH THE NEW CONSTRUCTION OF THREE (3) AFFORDABLE HOMEOWNER UNITS, LOCATED AT THE FOLLOWING ADDRESSES: 239 CANARY CIRCLE, 305 WEST 37TH STREET, AND 3410 KIRKLAND AVENUE.**

**RESOLUTION #30735**

**A RESOLUTION TO INCREASE PURCHASE ORDER NO. 551611 (UNUM) BY \$120,000.00 TO COVER EMPLOYEE GROUP LIFE INSURANCE AND SUPPLEMENTAL LIFE PREMIUMS THROUGH FISCAL YEAR 2021, FOR A TOTAL PURCHASE ORDER NOT TO EXCEED \$698,000.00.**

**RESOLUTION #30736**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE POLICE CHIEF TO ACCEPT \$89,107.00 FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, OFFICE OF JUSTICE PROGRAMS FOR THE 2020 JAG GRANT.**

**Councilwoman Berz moved** to approve the three resolutions. Vice-Chairman Smith seconded. The motion carried unanimously (9-0) upon roll call vote.

**ACTION: RESOLUTIONS 30734 – 30736 ADOPTED**

**DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:**

**Proposed Purchases**

Anthony Sammons, Deputy Chief Operating Officer, joined the panel to present the following proposed purchases:

- R209000 Waste Resources Division, Public Works** \$40,000.00  
 Grounds Maintenance - Pump Stations & CSO's  
 Lowest/Best Bidder: Special Touch Lawn Care  
 1315 Timbercrest Lane  
 Chattanooga, TN 37421
- R209362 Department of Information Technology** \$1,500,000.00  
 Technology Products, Services, Solutions,  
 and Related Products and Services  
 Lowest/Best Bidder: Insight Public Sector, Inc.  
 6820 South Harl Avenue  
 Tempe, AZ 85283
- R209566 & R209697 Waste Resources Division, Public Works** \$14,883.00  
 Lab Equipment Service Plan  
 Lowest/Best Bidder: PerkinElmer Health Sciences, Inc.  
 71 O'Bridgeport Ave.  
 Shelton, CT 06484

**Vice-Chairman Smith moved** to approve. Councilwoman Berz seconded. The motion carried unanimously (9-0) upon roll call vote.

**ACTION: ALL PURCHASES APPROVED**

**Emergency Purchase**

Mr. Sammons also reported the following emergency purchase under the Mayor's Emergency Declaration:

Date	Dept.	Description	Supplier	Explanation	Event Type
4/14/21	ECD	Additional dollars for hotels & food for emergency relocation of Patten Tower residents	Various Hotel locations and Cracker Barrel Old Country Store, Inc.	This emergency purchase request is for a total amount not to exceed \$76,000.00. Utilizing the current Red Cross vendors will ensure continuity of services and minimal disruption for the displaced residents. Hotels - Not to exceed \$64,000.00. Food - Not to exceed \$12,000.00	COVID

## **OTHER BUSINESS:**

### **Finance**

Daisy Madison, Chief Finance Officer, joined the panel to make the following reports:

- Report on Debt Obligation - Chattanooga SRF 2018-406-01, \$30 million, Consent Decree Project for the City Interceptor Sewer System
- Report on Debt Obligation - Chattanooga SRF 2020-440, \$15 million, Consent Decree Project for the City Interceptor Sewer System

### **Mediation Settlement**

Attorney Noblett reported on a mediation settlement in the case of *Masterson v. City of Chattanooga* resulting in \$50,000.00 from the City of Chattanooga and \$50,000.00 from EPB. Discuss ensued regarding the City no longer being a party in this case. Discussion continued regarding the drafting Segway legislation and indemnification policy.

### **Board Appointment**

**Councilwoman Coonrod moved** to nominate Kerry Hayes for District 9 on the Industrial Development Board. Vice-Chairman Smith seconded. The motion carried unanimously (9-0) upon roll call vote.

### **Thanks to Mayor Kelly**

Councilwoman Coonrod expressed her thanks to Mayor Kelly for attending the meeting.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Chairman Henderson made the following committee chair assignments for 2021-2022:

- Budget and Finance Committee – Carol Berz, Committee Chair
- Planning and Zoning Committee – Darrin Ledford, Committee Chair
- Legislative Committee - Ken Smith, Committee Chair

Chairman Henderson informed the Council that he would make additional committee chair assignments once the new Administration has had time to reorganize departments.

Councilwoman Coonrod requested consideration as Co-Chair of the Budget and Finance Committee. Councilwoman Berz asked to discuss this with Councilwoman Coonrod.

## RECOGNITION OF PERSONS WISHING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL

(Listen by clicking [here](#))

Attorney Noblett read the rules of procedure for persons wishing to address the Council. Chairman Henderson affirmed that there were no speakers registered to speak on Zoom. He then opened the floor and recognized the following persons who were physically present:

Speaker Name	District	Primary Topics:
• <a href="#">Antonio Boston</a>	8	Restoration of his license to operate taxis <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Chairman Henderson asked Brent Goldberg, Chief of Staff, to speak with Mr. Boston.</li></ul>
• <a href="#">Monty Bell</a>	N/A	Dumpsters and portable bathrooms at homeless camps <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Councilman Byrd informed the Council that he and Ms. Sullivan will meet on Friday about this matter. He also has a meeting with the Homeless Coalition on Friday to address this matter.</li></ul>

## ADJOURNMENT

**On motion of Vice-Chairman Smith**, Chairman Henderson adjourned the meeting of the Chattanooga City Council until Tuesday, April 27, 2021, at 6:00 p.m.

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**CHAIRMAN**

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**CLERK OF COUNCIL**