

# Chattanooga City Council Chattanooga, Tennessee John P. Franklin, Sr. City Council Building

### **COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

September 28, 2021 6:00 PM

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Council Chairman Chip Henderson called the meeting to order. A quorum was present that also included Vice-Chairman Ken Smith and Councilpersons Carol Berz, Anthony Byrd, Demetrus Coonrod, Raquetta Dotley, Isiah Hester, Jenny Hill, and Darrin Ledford. Others present were Emily O'Donnell, City Attorney, and Nicole Gwyn, Council Clerk. Video of the meeting is available on YouTube here.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilwoman Dotley led the Assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **APPROVAL OF LAST MINUTES**

On motion of Vice-Chairman Smith and seconded by Councilwoman Coonrod, the minutes of the last meeting (September 21, 2021) were approved as published. The motion carried unanimously (9-0) upon roll call vote.

### ORDINANCES - FINAL READING:

On motion of Councilwoman Berz and seconded by Councilman Ledford,

### **ORDINANCE #13710**

AN ORDINANCE, HEREINAFTER ALSO KNOWN AS "THE FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022 OPERATIONS BUDGET", PROVIDING REVENUE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2021, AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2022; APPROPRIATING SAME TO THE PAYMENT OF EXPENSES OF THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT; FIXING THE RATE OF TAXATION ON ALL TAXABLE PROPERTY IN THE CITY, AND THE TIME TAXES AND PRIVILEGES ARE DUE, HOW THEY SHALL BE PAID, WHEN THEY SHALL BECOME DELINQUENT; PROVIDING FOR INTEREST AND PENALTY ON DELINQUENT TAXES AND PRIVILEGES; AMENDING CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 2, SECTION 2-267, RELATIVE TO PAID LEAVE FOR ACTIVE-DUTY TRAINING AND TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 31, SECTIONS 31-36, 31-37, 31-41, AND 31-43, SECTIONS 31-322 AND 31-354 AND TO ACCEPT AND APPROPRIATE FEDERAL FUNDS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ACTIVITIES FROM THE STATE AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDS PROVIDED IN THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT.

The motion carried unanimously (9-0) upon roll call vote as follows:

Hill	YES	Byrd	YES
Ledford	YES	Coonrod	YES
Hester	YES	Smith	YES
Berz	YES	Henderson	YES
Dotley	YES		

YES - Nine (9); NO - Zero (0)

# ACTION: ORDINANCE 13710 APPROVED

On motion of Councilwoman Berz and seconded by Councilman Byrd,

### **ORDINANCE #13711**

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING, AUTHORIZING OR ALLOCATING FUNDS TO THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022.

The motion carried unanimously (9-0) upon roll call vote as follows:

Coonrod	YES	Ledford	YES
Byrd	YES	Hill	YES
Dotley	YES	Smith	YES
Berz	YES	Henderson	YES
Hester	YES		

YES - Nine (9); NO - Zero (0)

# **ACTION: ORDINANCE 13711 APPROVED**

2021-0121 Richard L. Brown Alternate Version District No. 9

On motion of Councilwoman Coonrod and seconded by Councilman Ledford,

### **ORDINANCE #13718**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 38, ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE PROPERTIES LOCATED IN THE 1200 BLOCK OF GILLESPIE ROAD, THE 3600 BLOCK OF THROUGH STREET, AND 3607 HOYT STREET, FROM R-1 RESIDENTIAL ZONE TO R-2 RESIDENTIAL ZONE AND R-T/Z RESIDENTIAL TOWNHOUSE ZERO LOT LINE ZONE.

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

**ACTION: ORDINANCE 13718 APPROVED** 

### **ORDINANCES – FIRST READING:**

On motion of Councilwoman Berz and seconded by Councilman Ledford,

### **ORDINANCE #13719**

AN ORDINANCE TO SUSPEND THE SECOND DIVISION OF CHATTANOOGA CITY COURT EFFECTIVE THE END OF THE CURRENT TERM AND BEFORE THE NEXT GENERAL ELECTION, AND TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE SECTIONS 12-18 AND 12-19.

The motion carried (8-1) upon roll call vote as follows:

Coonrod	NO	Ledford	YES
Byrd	YES	Hill	YES
Dotley	YES	Smith	YES
Berz	YES	Henderson	YES
Hester	YES		

YES – Eight (8); NO – One (1)

# ACTION: PASSED ON FIRST READING

### **RESOLUTIONS:**

On motion of Councilwoman Berz and seconded by Vice-Chairman Smith,

#### **RESOLUTION #30897**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO ENTER INTO AMENDMENT NO. 1 AND A THIRD AGREEMENT TO EXERCISE OPTION TO RENEW WITH BRIAN COTTER, IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE FORMS ATTACHED, FOR LEASE OF A HOUSE LOCATED AT 324 BASS ROAD ON TAX PARCEL NO. 158I-C-021.01, AND FURTHER IDENTIFIED AS THE BROWN ACRES RENTAL HOUSE, IN CONSIDERATION OF \$800.00 PER MONTH, AND PROVIDING SECURITY SERVICES AT BROWN ACRES AND BRAINERD GOLF COURSES, FOR AN ADDITIONAL TERM OF THREE (3) MONTHS, THROUGH JANUARY 31, 2022.

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 group and read the next two resolutions for one Council vote.

### **RESOLUTION #30898**

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A FIVE-YEAR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN FOR FISCAL YEARS 2022-2026, SUBJECT TO FUTURE REVISION; A COPY OF WHICH IS ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF BY REFERENCE.

### **RESOLUTION #30899**

RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE INTENT OF THE CITY CHATTANOOGA TO ISSUE BONDS IN THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$5.500.000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING ALL OR A PORTION OF THE COSTS OF THE FOLLOWING: ALTON PARK CONNECTOR, BRIDGE **MAINTENANCE - STANDIFER GAP, COMMUNITY CENTER IMPROVEMENTS,** FIRE TRAINING CENTER UPGRADE PLANNING AND DESIGN, GOODWIN ROAD SEGMENT 4 / HAMILTON PL BLVD., GREENWAY FARM CONFERENCE CENTER, LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING CENTER, LYNNBROOK PARK, ROADWAY SLOPE FAILURE. STATION (ADDITION), TRAFFIC SIGNAL **INFRASTRUCTURE** REPLACEMENT MAINTENANCE, TRANSIT STOP ACCESSIBILITY (SECTION 5310).

**Councilwoman Berz moved** to approve both resolutions. Councilwoman Coonrod seconded. The motion carried unanimously (9-0) upon roll call vote as follows:

Coonrod	YES	Ledford	YES
Byrd	YES	Hill	YES
Dotley	YES	Smith	YES
Berz	YES	Henderson	YES
Hester	YFS		

YES – Nine (9); NO – Zero (0)

# ACTION: RESOLUTIONS 30898 & 30899 ADOPTED

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

### **RESOLUTION #30900**

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING MAYOR KELLY'S RE-APPOINTMENTS OF STEVE JACKSON AND RANDALL SMITH TO FOUR (4) YEAR TERMS ON THE BOARD OF MECHANICAL EXAMINERS.

### **RESOLUTION #30901**

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING MAYOR KELLY'S RE-APPOINTMENTS OF DOUG DAILEY, JOHN SMITH, AND MARK STOLPMANN TO TWO (2) YEAR TERMS ON THE BOARD OF GAS EXAMINERS.

### **RESOLUTION #30902**

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING MAYOR KELLY'S RE-APPOINTMENTS OF DOUG DAILEY, SUSAN DAILEY, PAUL MCGINNIS, JOHN SMITH, AND MARK STOLPMANN TO TWO (2) YEAR TERMS ON THE BOARD OF PLUMBING EXAMINERS.

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

# ACTION: RESOLUTIONS 30900 – 30902 ADOPTED

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

### **RESOLUTION #30903**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF OF THE CHATTANOOGA POLICE DEPARTMENT TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH AXON ENTERPRISE, INC. FOR BODY WORN CAMERAS, TASERS, IN-CAR CAMERAS, INTERVIEW ROOM, STORAGE, AND MAINTENANCE OVER A FIVE (5) YEAR TERM FROM OCTOBER 1, 2021, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2026, BASED UPON SOURCEWELL CONTRACT #010720-AXN, TO BE PAID IN ANNUAL PAYMENTS OF \$1,403,999.79, FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$7,019,998.95.

#### **RESOLUTION #30904**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS TO RENEW BLANKET PURCHASE ORDER NO. 545869 WITH ADS, LLC FOR THE FINAL ONE (1) YEAR RENEWAL PERIOD FOR SEWER LINE FLOW MONITORING AND RAIN GAUGE SERVICES, TO COMPLY WITH CONSENT DECREE REQUIREMENTS, FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1.4 MILLION.

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

# ACTION: RESOLUTIONS 30903 & 30904 ADOPTED

### **DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:**

### **Proposed Purchases**

Julia Bursch, Deputy Chief of Staff, briefed the Council on the following proposed purchases:

### Blanket 561670 IT / Mayor's Office

\$33,000.00

Social media communication software Lowest/Best Bidder: Sprout Social

Dept CHI 17275 Palatine, IL 60055

PO# 559096 City Wide Services Division, Public Works \$38,000.00

Redi-Rock Concrete Blocks

Lowest/Best Bidder: Bradley Tank & Pipe, LLC

P.O. Box 3146 Cleveland, TN 37320

**200023** Parks Maintenance Division, Parks & Outdoor \$250,000.00

Custodial & Facility Maintenance Services

Lowest/Best Bidder: DetailXperts

6121 Heritage Park Drive Suite A

Chattanooga, TN 37416

**REQ104665IT / CPD** \$100,000.00

Automated License Plate Reader

Lowest/Best Bidder: Motorola Solutions Inc.

1301 East Algonquin Road Schaumburg, IL 61096

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

# ACTION: ALL PURCHASES APPROVED

# **RFP Recommendation**

Ms. Bursch also made the following RFP recommendation:

DEPARTMENT	SUMMARY	DOCUMENTATION LINK
	Request to solicit via RFP for the American Rescue Plan grant and program management. The supplier(s) to be contracted to perform this work should be selected based upon their capabilities, methods, and other factors, as well as on their price. Selecting supplier(s) based upon price alone is not likely to result in contract(s) that are in the best interest of the City.	Request for Proposal RFP

**Councilman Ledford moved** to approve issuing the RFP. Vice-Chairman Smith seconded. The motion carried unanimously (9-0) upon roll call vote.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Budget and Finance Committee Councilwoman Berz reported:

The operations and capital budgets for FY22 were approved in full today.

Economic Development Committee Councilwoman Coonrod (No report)

• She pleaded with the residents to stop the violence and communities to step up to help.

Education and Innovation Committee Councilwoman Hill (No report)

Equity and Community Development Committee Councilwoman Dotley (No report)

Legislative Committee Vice-Chairman Smith (No report)

Planning and Zoning Committee Councilman Ledford reported:

• The committee will meet next week, October 5, after the 3:30 p.m. Agenda Session.

Parks and Public Works

Councilman Hester reported:

• The committee will met next week after the 3:30 p.m. Agenda Session.

Public Safety Committee Councilman Byrd (No report)

# RECOGNITION OF PERSONS WISHING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL (Listen and view on YouTube here)

Attorney O'Donnell read the rules of procedure for persons wishing to address the Council. Chairman Henderson confirmed that there were no registered speakers on Zoom tonight. Therefore, Chairman Henderson recognized the following persons in the Assembly:

Speaker Name	District	Primary Topics:
David Deputy	N/A	Re-evaluation of the Security Engineers contract
Monty Bell	8	Homeless encampment / Judicial and police concerns

### **ADJOURNMENT**

**On motion of Councilman Ledford,** Chairman Henderson adjourned the meeting of the Chattanooga City Council until Tuesday, October 5, 2021, at 6:00 p.m.

•	CHAIRMAN	-
CLERK OF COUNCIL		