



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

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

March 28, 2023

6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Council Vice Chair Raquetta Dotley called the meeting to order. A quorum of seven was present that also included Councilpersons Carol Berz, Chip Henderson, Isiah Hester, Jenny Hill, Marvene Noel, and Ken Smith. Council Chairman Darrin Ledford and Councilwoman Demetrus Coonrod were not present. Other participants present were Phil Noblett, City Attorney, and Nicole Gwyn, Council Clerk. Video of the meeting is available on YouTube by clicking [here](#).

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice Chair Dotley led the Assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance and gave an invocation.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Proclamation - National Vietnam War Veterans Day **By Councilman Chip Henderson**

Councilman Henderson presented a [proclamation](#) [see also attached] to the local chapter of the Vietnam Veterans of America. Councilman Henderson asked the Vietnam Veterans to stand and introduce themselves.

James Lamb – Air Force
Mike Pritchard – Army
Henry Slatton – Army
Ken Ivanshaw – Navy
Bob Ryan – Navy
Mike Holden – Army

Don King – Army
Bill Norton – Marine
Ray Adkins – Army
Tom Shipley – Navy
Charles Blevins - Army

At the request of Councilman Henderson, Mr. Blevins and Mr. Adkins informed the Assembly about how they were treated when they returned from the war. Councilman Henderson introduced Linda Moss Miles, City Historian, who invited the Assembly to a City/County recognition at the Courthouse tomorrow. After accepting the proclamation, Mr. Norton confirmed that there were no Gold Star family members present and explained that Gold Star families are recognized because they have lost family members in service.

APPROVAL OF LAST MINUTES

On motion of Councilman Smith and seconded by Councilman Hester, the minutes of the last meeting (March 21, 2023) were approved as published.

ORDINANCES – FINAL READING: (NONE)

ORDINANCES – FIRST READING:

Agenda Item VI(a):

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 25, ARTICLE III, BY ADDING SECTION 25-79, RELATIVE TO ENUMERATION OF PROHIBITED NOISES IN ALL RESIDENTIAL ZONES OUTSIDE THE DOWNTOWN AMPLIFIED MUSIC DISTRICT.

Councilwoman Berz moved to defer four weeks to April 25, 2023, so that Administration would have the time to include components from Councilwoman Hill. Councilwoman Noel seconded. The motion carried.

ACTION: DEFERRED TO APRIL 25, 2023

2023-0020
Stone Creek Consulting c/o Allen Jones
Planning Commission Version
District No. 6

On motion of Councilwoman Berz and seconded by Councilman Smith,

ORDINANCE #13966

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 38, ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE PROPERTIES LOCATED AT 7368, 7376, 7384, AND 7390 OLD CLEVELAND PIKE, FROM R-1 RESIDENTIAL ZONE TO R-T/Z RESIDENTIAL TOWNHOUSE/ZERO LOT LINE ZONE, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

The motion carried.

ACTION: PASSED ON FIRST READING

RESOLUTIONS:

PROCEDURAL NOTE: With no objection from the Council, Vice Chair Dotley instructed the Clerk to group and read the following three resolutions for one Council vote.

RESOLUTION #31534

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A REAL ESTATE PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH TENNESSEE AMERICAN WATER COMPANY TO PURCHASE A 14,863 SQUARE FOOT PORTION OF TAX MAP NO. 135-016 AT 455 MOCCASIN BEND ROAD AND A TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION EASEMENT FOR AN ADJACENT 3,375 SQUARE FEET, IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE FORMS ATTACHED, AT A TOTAL PURCHASE PRICE OF \$22,000.00, FOR THE TENNESSEE AMERICAN WATER COMPANY CONSTRUCTION OF A WATER BOOSTER PUMP STATION AND TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE ALL DOCUMENTS REQUIRED TO COMPLETE THE TRANSACTION.

RESOLUTION #31535

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO JOINTLY WITH HAMILTON COUNTY ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT FOR EASEMENT WITH TENNESSEE AMERICAN WATER COMPANY, IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE FORM ATTACHED, TO PURCHASE A 20 FOOT WIDE EASEMENT OF APPROXIMATELY 2,950 LINEAR FEET, WHICH IS APPROXIMATELY 1.35 ACRES, FOR CURRENT AND FUTURE UNDERGROUND WATER LINES, AT THE PURCHASE PRICE OF \$55,000.00, WITH ALL PROCEEDS TO BE EQUALLY DIVIDED WITH HAMILTON COUNTY, AND TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE ANY ADDITIONAL TRANSACTIONAL DOCUMENTS.

RESOLUTION #31536

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO ENTER INTO A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH DARDENELLE LONG, IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE FORM ATTACHED, FOR THE USE OF THE BARN ON THE BROWN ACRES GOLF COURSE PROPERTY, FURTHER IDENTIFIED AS TAX MAP NO. 158I-G-001 AT 406 BROWN ROAD, FOR THE KEEPING OF ANIMALS AS CONSISTENT WITH ZONING, FOR A TERM OF FOUR (4) YEARS BEGINNING ON APRIL 1, 2023, AND ENDING ON MARCH 31, 2027, WITH A RENTAL RATE OF \$200.00 PER MONTH.

Councilman Hester moved to approve all three resolutions. Councilwoman Hill seconded. The motion carried.

ACTION: RESOLUTIONS 31534 – 31536 ADOPTED

On motion of Councilwoman Hill and seconded by Councilman Hester,

RESOLUTION #31540

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA 2023 CLIMATE ACTION PLAN.

The motion carried upon roll call vote as follows:

Henderson	NO	Berz	YES
Hill	YES	Noel	YES
Smith	NO	Dotley	YES
Hester	YES		

YES – Five (5); NO – Two (2)

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilwoman Hill and seconded by Councilman Smith,

RESOLUTION #31537

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF KNOX EDWARDS, AS SPECIAL POLICE OFFICER (UNARMED) FOR THE MCKAMEY ANIMAL CENTER, TO DO SPECIAL DUTY AS PRESCRIBED HEREIN, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

The motion carried.

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilwoman Berz and seconded by Councilwoman Noel,

RESOLUTION #31538

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS TO AWARD CONTRACT NO. W-22-018-201, RAISE AND LOWER MANHOLES FOR TENNESSEE STATE PAVING PROJECTS, TO PROFESSIONAL CONCRETE FINISHING, INC., OF CHATTANOOGA, TN, FOR \$449,675.00, WITH A CONTINGENCY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$50,325.00, FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$500,000.00.

The motion carried.

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilman Henderson and seconded by Councilman Smith,

RESOLUTION #31539

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF WASTEWATER TO EXECUTE A THIRD AMENDMENT TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL AND ECONOMIC INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS PLAN (E2I2), AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR COST SHARING BETWEEN THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA AND THE HAMILTON COUNTY WATER AND WASTEWATER TREATMENT AUTHORITY, AS PART OF THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA'S CONSENT DECREE, AND SAID AMENDMENT TO EXTEND THE DEADLINE TO COMPLETE THE PROJECT.

The motion carried.

ACTION: ADOPTED

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

Proposed Purchases

Julia Bursch, Deputy Chief Operating Officer, briefed the Council on the following proposed purchases:

557430 Wastewater Department	\$140,000.00
Remote Monitoring Services for Cryogenic Oxygen Generation System	
Lowest/Best Bidder: Mohawk Cryo LLC 1337 101st Street Niagara Falls, NY	
 PUR123293 Public Works	 \$1,208,868.00
Synthetic Turf	
Lowest/Best Bidder: Astro Turf Corporation 2680 Abutment Rd Dalton, GA 30721	
 REQ130778 Fleet Management Division, Public Works	 \$129,440.58
Dodge Ram 1500 Classic Tradesman 4x4 Quad Cab Pickups	
Lowest/Best Bidder: National Auto Fleet Group 490 Auto Center Drive Watsonville, CA 95076	
 REQ131010 Fleet Management Division, Public Works	 \$142,858.18
Thermo Trailer with Tommy Lift	
Lowest/Best Bidder: Trantex Transportation Products of Texas, Inc 3310-D Frick Road Houston, TX 77086	
 REQ131146 Fleet Management Division, Public Works	 \$310,255.77
2024 International HV607 4x2 Chassis with Bridgeport Side Loader Body	
Lowest/Best Bidder: Lee-Smith Inc 2600 8th Avenue Chattanooga, TN 37407	

Councilwoman Berz moved to approve. Councilman Hester seconded. The motion carried.

ACTION: ALL PURCHASES APPROVED

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Affordable Housing Committee
Councilwoman Hill (No report)

Budget and Finance Committee
Councilwoman Berz reported:

- The FY24 budget process has begun. She will announce the schedule for the Council’s budget education session hearings soon.

Economic Development Committee
Councilwoman Coonrod (Not present)

Education and Innovation Committee
Councilwoman Noel reported:

- The committee met today in open meeting to hear a presentation on Tyner’s Future Ready Institute.

Equity and Community Development Committee
Vice Chair Dotley (No report)

Legislative Committee

Councilman Smith (No report)

- He acknowledged Hamilton County Commission Joe Graham and former Hamilton County Commissioner Sabrena Smedley, both in attendance tonight.

Planning and Zoning Committee

Councilwoman Hill (No report)

Parks and Public Works

Councilman Hester (No report)

Public Safety Committee

Councilman Henderson (No report)

RECOGNITION OF PERSONS WISHING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL

(Listen and view on YouTube [here](#))

Attorney Noblett read the rules of procedure for persons wishing to address the Council. After which, Vice Chair Dotley recognized the following persons:

Speaker Name	District	Primary Topics:
• Stephen Bates	7	Climate Action Plan
• Jamie Hall	(County)	Climate Action Plan
• Rick Walser	4	Climate Action Plan
• Glenda Pappau	(County)	Climate Action Plan
• Alta Wilson	1	Climate Action Plan
• Val Schymer	3	Climate Action Plan
• Cecile Parris	4	Climate Action Plan
• Rachel Campbell	3	Climate Action Plan
• David Riall	(County)	Climate Action Plan
• Dot Reed	(County)	Climate Action Plan
• Jenny (no last name given)	7	Possible code violations by a downtown pet boarding business <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Vice Chair Dotley directed her to speak with Chris Anderson, Senior Advisor for Legislative Initiative, after the meeting.

• Dave Dennis	7	Climate Action Plan
• Monty Bell	(N/A)	Assistance for minor child's burial cost.
• Brad Rymer	3	Climate Action Plan
• Robert Sohn	6	Climate Action Plan
• Harriet Reed	4	Climate Action Plan
• Angela Babiloro	5	Climate Action Plan
• Jim Johnson	2	Climate Action Plan
• Tonya Miller	(County)	Climate Action Plan
• Tim Gilley	1	Climate Action Plan
• Melody Garcia	(N/A)	Climate Action Plan
• Aaron Barry	3	Climate Action Plan
• Mark Shackelford	7	Revising the Wrecker Ordinance <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vice Chair Dotley directed him to speak with Joda Thongnopnua, Chief of Staff, after the meeting.
• Caleb Thraxter	8	Climate Action Plan

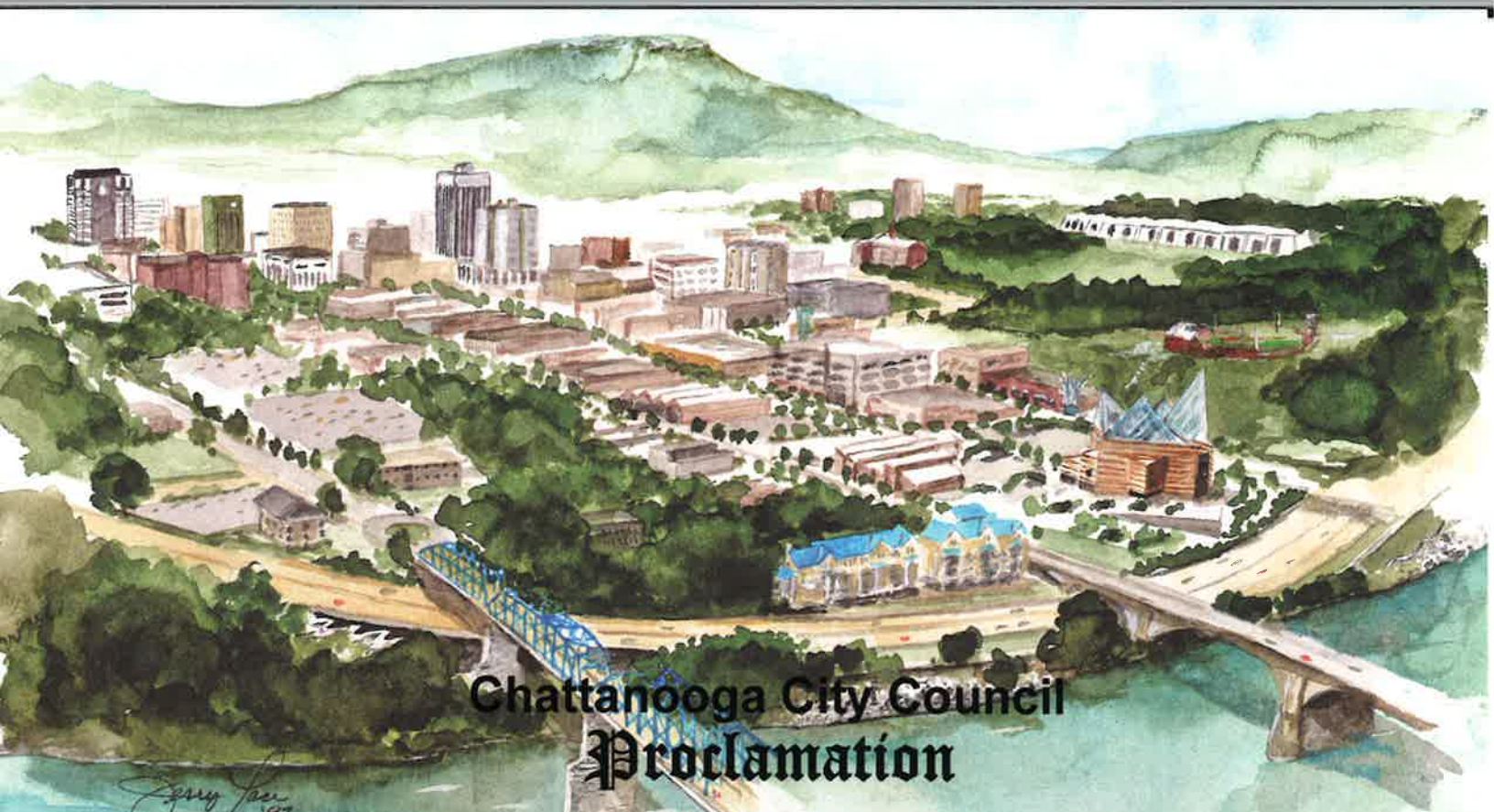
ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Councilman Henderson, Vice Chair Dotley adjourned the meeting of the Chattanooga City Council until Tuesday, April 4, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.

VICE CHAIR

CLERK OF COUNCIL

*Attachment
Proclamation - Vietnam Veterans*



Chattanooga City Council Proclamation

- WHEREAS,** The Vietnam War, which greatly affected an entire generation of Americans, leaving scars which continue to make themselves known today, spanned 19 years and 180 days, making it one of the longest military conflicts in United States' history; and
- WHEREAS,** The Vietnam War Veterans Recognition Act of 2017 officially designated March 29th as National Vietnam War Veterans Day annually and in 2023, we continue commemorating the 50th anniversary of our nation ending military involvement in the Republic of South Vietnam; and
- WHEREAS,** More than 3.4 million men and women served in the Vietnam War. An estimation of 2,000 troops remain unaccounted for, over 150,000 wounded, and upwards of 58,000 having made the ultimate sacrifice. 4,165 of these casualties are laid to rest in the Chattanooga National Cemetery to include 1,295 Tennesseans; and
- WHEREAS,** over 10,000 veterans who served in the Vietnam War were residents from our Tennessee Valley. Since their return, these veterans have contributed tremendously to our community; and
- WHEREAS,** we again have the opportunity to honor, give thanks, and pay tribute to these men and women who saw our country through one of the most challenging missions and who answered the call of duty with valor, serving our country during this 20-year conflict.
- WHEREAS,** we recognize and honor the immeasurable contributions made by not only the over 58,000 names read on the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall, but those who are still with us today.

Now Therefore,

on this 28th day of March 2023, the Chattanooga City Council hereby proclaims March 28, 2023, as a day in the commemoration of

National Vietnam War Veterans Day

in the City of Chattanooga. Let us continue to show our Vietnam Veterans and their families the fullest respect and support of a grateful Chattanooga Community.

Darrin Ledford
Council Chair, District 4

Raquetta Dotley
Council Vice Chair, District 7



Councilpersons:

Chip Henderson, District 1
Jenny Hill, District 2
Ken Smith, District 3
Isiah Hester, District 5
Carol Berz, District 6
Marvene Noel, District 8