



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

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

June 20, 2023

6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Council Chair Raquetta Dotley called the meeting to order. A quorum was present that also included Vice Chair Jenny Hill and Councilpersons Carol Berz, Demetrus Coonrod, Chip Henderson, Isiah Hester, Darrin Ledford, and Marvene Noel. Councilman Ken Smith was not present. Other participants present were Phil Noblett, City Attorney, and Nicole Gwyn, Council Clerk.

[Editor's note: Due to technical difficulties, the YouTube live stream was interrupted momentarily near the end of the meeting, so this meeting was recorded in two parts: [Part 1](#) and [Part 2](#).]

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilman Henderson led the Assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance. He also read Hebrews 10:24 of the Bible before giving an invocation.

APPROVAL OF LAST MINUTES

On motion of Councilwoman Noel and seconded by Councilman Ledford, the minutes of the last meeting (June 13, 2023) were approved as published.

ORDINANCES – FINAL READING:

On motion of Councilwoman Berz and seconded by Councilman Ledford,

ORDINANCE #13991

AN ORDINANCE, HEREINAFTER ALSO KNOWN AS “THE FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 OPERATIONS BUDGET”, PROVIDING REVENUE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2023, AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2024; 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 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.

Councilwoman Berz advised that a clerical error had been corrected in the ordinance at the Council's 3:30 p.m. meeting. Upon no further comments or questions, the motion carried upon roll call vote as follows:

Coonrod	YES	Ledford	YES
Noel	YES	Henderson	YES
Berz	YES	Hill	YES
Hester	YES	Dotley	YES

YES – Eight (8); NO – Zero (0)

ACTION: APPROVED

On motion of Councilwoman Berz and seconded by Councilman Ledford,

ORDINANCE #13992

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING, AUTHORIZING OR ALLOCATING FUNDS TO THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024.

The motion carried upon roll call vote as follows:

Henderson	YES	Noel	YES
Ledford	YES	Coonrod	YES
Hester	YES	Hill	YES
Berz	YES	Dotley	YES

YES – Eight (8); NO – Zero (0)

Moments later, Chair Dotley opened the floor to Mayor Tim Kelly, who addressed the Council on the impact of passing the FY24 budget ordinances. [Listen to his comment [here](#).]

ACTION: APPROVED

PROCEDURAL NOTE: With no objection from the Council, Chair Dotley instructed the Clerk to group and read the following seven ordinances for one Council vote:

2023-0063
Chattanooga-Hamilton County Regional Planning Agency
Planning Version
District No. 6

ORDINANCE #13989

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 38, ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 5619 CLARK ROAD, FROM R-3 RESIDENTIAL ZONE (TEMPORARY ZONE WITH CONDITIONS TO R-3 RESIDENTIAL ZONE (PERMANENT ZONE), SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

2023-0068
Alton L. Rogers and Charla Y. Shamblin c/o MAP Engineers
District No. 6

ORDINANCE #13990

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 38, ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO LIFT AND AMEND CONDITIONS FROM ORDINANCE NO. 12703, SECTION 4 OF PREVIOUS CASE NO. 2013-0004 FOR AN UNADDRESSED PROPERTY IN THE 5200 BLOCK OF HUNTER ROAD.

2023-0069
Jae Y. and Gennie K. Lee
Alternate Version

ORDINANCE #13993

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 38, ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE AN UNADDRESSED TRACT OF LAND LOCATED IN THE 6700 BLOCK OF EAST BRAINERD ROAD, FROM R-1 RESIDENTIAL ZONE TO R-4 SPECIAL ZONE, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

2023-0062
Sansbury Mellon LTD CO
District No. 8

ORDINANCE #13994

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 38, ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE PROPERTIES LOCATED AT 907 ARLINGTON AVENUE AND 911, 915, AND 919 TAYLOR STREET, FROM R-1 RESIDENTIAL ZONE TO R-3 RESIDENTIAL ZONE, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

2023-0066
Stone Creek Consulting, LLC c/o Allen Jones
District No. 8
Planning Version #2

ORDINANCE #13995

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 38, ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1130 EAST 14TH STREET, FROM R-3 RESIDENTIAL ZONE TO UGC URBAN GENERAL COMMERCIAL ZONE, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

2023-0067
Campbell Lewis
District No. 8

ORDINANCE #13996

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 38, ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1108 MCCALLIE AVENUE AND AN UNADDRESSED TRACT OF LAND LOCATED IN THE 1100 BLOCK OF DUNCAN AVENUE, FROM M-2 LIGHT INDUSTRIAL ZONE AND R-3 RESIDENTIAL ZONE TO UGC URBAN GENERAL COMMERCIAL ZONE AND R-4 SPECIAL ZONE, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

2023-0065
Stone Creek Consulting, LLC.
Planning Version #2
District No. 9

ORDINANCE #13997

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 38, ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2519 BAILEY AVENUE, FROM R-2 RESIDENTIAL ZONE TO UGC URBAN GENERAL COMMERCIAL ZONE, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

Vice Chair Hill moved to approve all seven ordinances. Councilwoman Coonrod seconded. The motion carried.

ACTION: ORDINANCES 13989 - 13997 APPROVED

ORDINANCES – FIRST READING:

On motion of Vice Chair Hill and seconded by Councilwoman Berz,

ORDINANCE #13998

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 4, WHICH CHAPTER IS KNOWN AS “THE CHATTANOOGA AIR POLLUTION CONTROL ORDINANCE,” BY PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE OF CERTAIN FEDERAL REGULATIONS AND FOR CERTAIN HOUSEKEEPING PROVISIONS.

The motion carried.

ACTION: PASSED ON FIRST READING

On motion of Vice Chair Hill and seconded by Councilwoman Berz,

ORDINANCE #13999

AN ORDINANCE CLOSING AND ABANDONING AN UNOPENED RIGHT-OF-WAY IN THE 2500 BLOCK OF CHAMBERLAIN AVENUE, AS DETAILED ON THE ATTACHED MAPS, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

The motion carried.

ACTION: PASSED ON FIRST READING

RESOLUTIONS:

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

RESOLUTION #31663

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF SHERRIE FORD TO THE LOOKOUT VALLEY REGION COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR DISTRICT 1, WITH A TERM BEGINNING JUNE 21, 2023, AND ENDING ON JUNE 20, 2025.

RESOLUTION #31664

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO ENTER INTO A BENEFICIARY MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$10,000.00 FROM THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT CORONAVIRUS STATE AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDS TO THE LIGHTHOUSE COLLECTIVE FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE LIGHTHOUSE SCHOLARS INITIATIVE WHICH PROVIDES OPPORTUNITIES FOR MIDDLE SCHOOL-AGED YOUTH TO STRENGTHEN THEIR MATH AND READING ABILITIES AND TO LEARN LIFE SKILLS, INCLUDING HEALTHY NUTRITION, EMOTIONAL REGULATION, ENTREPRENEURSHIP, AND THE IMPORTANCE OF COMMUNITY SERVICE.

RESOLUTION #31665

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA POLICE DEPARTMENT TO ACCEPT AN AWARD OF \$17,200.00 FROM THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT CORONAVIRUS STATE AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDS FOR THE PURCHASE AND USE OF A DJI MATRICE 30T, TWO (2) WB37 BATTERIES, AND OTHER ADDITIONAL REQUIRED EQUIPMENT FOR OPERATION.

RESOLUTION #31666

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA POLICE DEPARTMENT TO ACCEPT AN AWARD OF \$8,000.00 FROM THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT CORONAVIRUS STATE AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDS FOR THE PURCHASE OF TEN (10) FUSUS CORE PUBLIC SAFETY DEVICES FOR DISTRIBUTION TO BUSINESSES WITHIN THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA'S DISTRICT TWO.

RESOLUTION #31667

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA POLICE DEPARTMENT TO ACCEPT AN AWARD OF \$20,000.00 FROM THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT CORONAVIRUS STATE AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDS TO SUPPORT THE CREATION OF A DESIGNATED LGBTQ+ LIAISON WITHIN THE CHATTANOOGA POLICE DEPARTMENT THROUGH PROVIDING ACCESS TO TRAINING, CONTINUED EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES, AND RESOURCES FOR PEER AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT.

RESOLUTION #31668

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA TO ALLOCATE \$40,000.00 FROM THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT CORONAVIRUS STATE AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDS TO FIRST BAPTIST CARES TO SERVE AS THE FIDUCIARY AGENT FOR THE CONTROL-ALT-DELETE PROGRAM, WHICH OFFERS TRAUMA-FOCUSED MENTAL HEALTH AND MINDFULNESS YOUTH INITIATIVES.

RESOLUTION #31669

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA TO ALLOCATE \$10,000.00 FROM THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT CORONAVIRUS STATE AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDS TO THE BESSIE SMITH CULTURAL CENTER AND CHATTANOOGA AFRICAN AMERICAN MUSEUM FOR THE SUPPORT OF THEIR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVES CENTERED AROUND CONNECTING THE COMMUNITY TO ARTS AND CULTURE OPPORTUNITIES.

RESOLUTION #31670

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA TO ALLOCATE \$20,000.00 FROM THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT CORONAVIRUS STATE AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDS TO THE NEW MONUMENTAL BAPTIST CHURCH FOR THE PURPOSES OF MAKING FACILITIES UPGRADES WHICH WILL ALLOW THE ORGANIZATION TO EXPAND THEIR WRAPAROUND SERVICES TO AREA YOUTH AND THEIR FAMILIES.

RESOLUTION #31671

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EARLY LEARNING TO ACCEPT AN AWARD OF \$100,000.00 FROM THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT CORONAVIRUS STATE AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDS FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A SCHOOL RESOURCE CENTER AT TYNER ACADEMY AND OTHER FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT UPGRADES AT BARGER ACADEMY OF FINE ARTS, BESS T. SHEPHERD ELEMENTARY, AND TYNER ACADEMY.

Vice Chair Hill moved to approve all nine resolutions. Councilman Henderson seconded. The motion carried. Councilman Henderson also recognized and thanked new board appointee, Sherrie Ford, who was present in the Assembly.

ACTION: RESOLUTIONS 31663 – 31671 ADOPTED

On motion of Councilwoman Berz and seconded by Councilwoman Coonrod,

RESOLUTION #31672

A RESOLUTION STATING THE INTENT OF THE CHATTANOOGA CITY COUNCIL TO CONSIDER AN ECONOMIC IMPACT PLAN AUTHORIZING A TAX INCREMENT INCENTIVE TO SUPPORT A MULTI-USE DEVELOPMENT IDENTIFIED AS THE ONE WESTSIDE-BEND PROJECT, WHICH DEVELOPMENT WILL CONTAIN ELIGIBLE PROJECTS FOR PURPOSES OF APPLICABLE LAW.

Councilman Henderson confirmed with Jermaine Freeman, Interim Chief of Staff, that language regarding the impact on the city's budget would be added to this plan. Upon no further comments or questions, the motion carried.

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Vice Chair Hill and seconded by Councilwoman Berz,

RESOLUTION #31673

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF \$228,546.45 FROM HAMILTON COUNTY AS THE CITY'S PORTION FROM THE MARCH 2023 HAMILTON COUNTY SURPLUS PROPERTY SALE, WITH \$227,049.51 APPLIED AS THE CITY'S PORTION; \$708.97 APPLIED TO CITY ATTORNEY FEES; AND \$787.97 APPLIED TO CITY TREASURER COSTS.

The motion carried.

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilman Henderson and seconded by Vice Chair Hill,

RESOLUTION #31674

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY TO ENGAGE THE FOLLOWING FIRMS FOR LEGAL AND LOBBYING SERVICES: (1) CHAMBLISS, BAHNER & STOPHEL, P.C.; (2) GEARHISER, PETERS, ELLIOTT & CANNON, PLLC; (3) BAKER DONELSON; (4) LUTHER ANDERSON, PLLP; (5) MILLER & MARTIN PLLC; (6) TIDWELL & ASSOCIATES, P.C.; (7) JANIE VARNELL WITH DAVIS & HOSS, P.C.; (8) EVANS, HARRISON & HACKETT, PLLC; (9) BASS, BERRY & SIMS; (10) BUTLER SNOW LLP; (11) HUSCH BLACKWELL; (12) KATTEN MUCHIN ROSENMAN LLP; (13) ADAM SOWATZKA WITH MCGUIREWOODS; (14) WALLER LANSDEN DORTCH & DAVIS LLP; (15) BRIAN KOPET OF THE TITLE GUARANTY AND TRUST COMPANY OF CHATTANOOGA; (16) BRADLEY ARANT BOULT CUMMINGS, LLP; (17) REIFERS, HOLMES & PETERS, LLC (FORMERLY BOYLE BRASHER LLC); (18) BRIGHTSHARE CONSULTING; (19) TUNE, ENTREKIN & WHITE, PC; (20) BRIDGE PUBLIC AFFAIRS; (21) JONES TITLE INSURANCE AGENCY, INC.; AND (22) EMANUEL KAPELSON WITH THE PEREGRINE CORPORATION, FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2023, THROUGH JUNE 30, 2024.

The motion carried.

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilman Hester and seconded by Councilwoman Noel,

RESOLUTION #31675

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS TO AWARD CONTRACT NO. P-22-002-201, CHATTANOOGA POLICE DEPARTMENT RTIC AREA ALTERATION, FOR THE BASE BID PLUS ALTERNATE 2 TO T.U. PARKS CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, OF CHATTANOOGA, TN, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$109,800.00, WITH A CONTINGENCY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$30,000.00, FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$139,800.00.

The motion carried.

ACTION: ADOPTED

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

Proposed Purchases

Brooke Satterfield, Deputy Chief of Staff, briefed the Council on the following proposed purchases:

558091 & 558092 Wastewater

Liquid Oxygen

Lowest/Best Bidders:

- 1. Matheson Tri Gas - 2300 Cabot Drive Ste. 148, Lisle, IL 60532; and
- 2. Airgas - 700 Manufacturers Rd., Chattanooga, TN 37405

Increase of \$80,000 for a total estimated annual spend of \$230,000

558142 Wastewater	\$60,000.00
Industrial Gases & Welding Supplies	
Lowest/Best Bidder: Industrial Welding Supply Co.	
P O Box 4014	
Chattanooga, TN 37405	
 REQ134917 Fleet Management Division, Public Works	 \$729,810.00
Bonnell Olympian Pro+ ODB Jet Vac (6)	
Lowest/Best Bidder: Jet-Vac Equipment Company, LLC	
5746 Broad Street	
Sumter, SC 29154	
 REQ134954 Fleet Management Division, Public Works	 \$966,000.00
2025 Autocar ACX64 with Heil 26 Cubic Yard	
Durapack Python CNG Side Loading Body (2)	
Lowest/Best Bidder: Stringfellow, Inc	
2710 Locust Street	
Nashville, TN 37207	
 200504,1 Street Maintenance Division, Public Works	 \$81,000.00
Traffic Safety Materials for Purchase	
Lowest/Best Bidders:	
1. Safety Products, Inc - 3517 Craftsman Blvd Lakeland, FL 33803; and	
2. Safety Zone Specialists - 2318 Old Combee Road Suite 107, Lakeland, FL 33805	
 200496-2 Facilities	 \$80,000.00
Pool Chemicals	
Lowest/Best Bidder: The Dycho Company, Inc	
PO Box 513	
Niota, TN 37826	
 558187 Wastewater	 Increase of \$200,000 for a total
Lime Kiln Dust	
Lowest/Best Bidder: Mintek Resources Inc	
2440 Dayton-Xenia Road Ste D	
Beavercreek, OH 45434	
 200501 Early Learning	 \$500,000.00
Dry Goods/Frozen Goods and Cleaning Products	
Lowest/Best Bidder: Institutional Wholesale Company Inc	
PO Box 458	
Cookeville, TN 38503	
 REQ135043 DTS	 \$143,400
Software purchase for pilot program to detect rail traffic	
Lowest/Best Bidder: TrainFo Corp	
1465 Buffalo Place	
Winnipeg, MB R3T 1L8	

Councilwoman Berz moved to approve. Vice Chair Hill seconded. The motion carried.

ACTION: ALL PURCHASES APPROVED

RFP Format Recommendation

Ms. Satterfield recommended the following for approval as a Competitive Sealed Proposal instead of a Competitive Sealed Bid in compliance with City Code 2-554:

DEPARTMENT	SUMMARY	DOCUMENTATION LINK
DTS	311 Customer Relationship Management software - There are in-depth considerations beyond just cost, i.e., other aspects associated with the product or service. The Competitive Sealed Proposals method permits us to compare different solutions to determine which is most advantageous to the City of Chattanooga.	REQ134548

Vice Chair Hill moved to approve issuing the RFP. Councilman Ledford seconded. The motion carried.

ACTION: APPROVED TO ISSUE THE RFP

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Affordable Housing Committee
Vice Chair Hill (No report)

Budget and Finance Committee
Councilwoman Berz reported:

- The FY24 operations and capital budgets were approved earlier in this meeting.

Economic Development Committee
Councilwoman Coonrod (No report)

Education and Innovation Committee
Councilwoman Noel (No report)

Equity and Community Development Committee
Councilwoman Coonrod (No report)

Legislative Committee
Councilman Smith (Not present)

Planning and Zoning Committee
Councilman Ledford (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, Chair Dotley recognized the following persons:

Speaker Name	District	Primary Topics:
• Regina Robinson	7	Support of One Westside
• Sharon Dragg	7	Support of One Westside
• Jackie Casey	(N/A)	Support of proposed Ukraine project
• Monty Bell	(N/A)	Doctor's building on McCallie/Thief of his book
• Rachel Campbell	3	Support for proposed Ukraine project
• Johnny Martin	4	Thanks for American Rescue Plan fund award
• Patrick Goodwin	(N/A)	Support for proposed Ukraine project
• Kevin O'Keefe	(N/A)	Support for proposed Ukraine project
• Henry Benach	(N/A)	Support for proposed Ukraine project
• Maurice McClure	(N/A)	Attacked by dogs/Animal Control Board
• Judy Schwartz	6	Support for Proposed Ukraine project <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Councilman Ledford confirmed with Mr. Freeman that the Ukraine project is not a Sister Cities project.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Councilman Ledford, Chair Dotley adjourned the meeting of the Chattanooga City Council until next Tuesday, June 27, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.

COUNCIL CHAIR

CLERK OF COUNCIL