

# AGENDA SESSION MINUTES

## CHATTANOOGA CITY COUNCIL

October 27, 2020

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### **In Attendance**

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Council Chairman Chip Henderson called the electronic-conducted (virtual) meeting to order at 3:30 p.m. A quorum was present, including Vice-Chairman Ken Smith and Council members 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 Keren Campbell, Council Support Specialist.

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### **Others in Attendance** (via electronic means)

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Mayor's Office: Kerry Hayes, Chief of Staff; Economic and Community Development: Donna Williams, Administrator

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### **Approval of Minutes**

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**On motion of Councilman Gilbert** and seconded by Councilwoman Coonrod, the minutes of the last meeting (October 20, 2020) were approved as published.

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### **Ordinances (Final Reading) – Agenda Items 5A**

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This item had been discussed at previous open meetings. Upon no questions or comments, the issue was closed.

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### **Ordinances (First Reading) – Agenda Items 6C, 6D & 6E**

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These items had been discussed at previous open meetings. Upon no questions or comments, the issues were closed.

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### **Ordinances (First Reading) – Agenda Items 6F**

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Councilwoman Coonrod inquired about how many students have benefited from the program. She asked Mr. Hayes for an update on the program and had questions about the students living in the multi-family complex. Upon no further questions or comments, the issue was closed.

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### **Ordinances (First Reading) – Agenda Items 6J**

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This item had been discussed at previous open meetings. Upon no questions or comments, the issue was closed.

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### **Forgotten Child Fund**

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Chairman Henderson asked Mr. Hayes and Ms. Williams to update the Council on the lease agreement for the Forgotten Child Fund. A discussion ensued, wherein the Council address the following:

- Square Footage (Councilman Gilbert)
- City's available Space (Councilman Gilbert)

- Properties that Fit Square Footage (Councilman Gilbert)
- Funding/Budget Approval (Councilman Ledford)
- Reasons for Decision (Councilwoman Berz)
- Availability in the Private Sector (Councilwoman Berz)
- Extension of Lease if Denied (Councilwoman Coonrod)
- Assistance in BFO Format (Councilman Ledford)
- Partnership with Hamilton County (Councilman Gilbert)
- When lease is up (Councilman Henderson)
- Surplus of property (Councilman Henderson)
- Suitable Warehouse Space (Councilman Henderson)
- Use of YFD Centers (Councilwoman Coonrod)

Councilman Gilbert requested a list of the locations. Councilman Byrd commented on constituent perceptions about the City in this matter. Upon no further questions or comments, the issue was closed.

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## **Adjournment**

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There being no further business, Chairman Henderson adjourned the meeting at 4:00 p.m.

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