AGENDA SESSION MINUTES Chattanooga City Council January 19, 2021

Call to Order

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

Approval of Minutes

On motion of Vice-Chairman Smith and seconded by Councilman Ledford, the minutes of the last meeting (January 12, 2021) were approved as published.

Others in Attendance (via electronic means)

Mayor's Office: Maura Sullivan, Chief Operating Officer, and Tony Sammons, Deputy Chief Operating Officer

Ordinances (Final Reading) - Agenda Items 5A, 5B, 5C, 5D & 5E

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

Ordinances (First Reading) - Agenda Items 6A

Councilman Gilbert informed the Council that he would seek to amend this item tonight. Mr. Noblett confirmed the amendment had been made. Chairman Henderson ask for that an Alternate Version be reflected on the agenda for the Council meeting tonight. Mr. Noblett agreed. Upon no further comments or questions, the issue was closed.

Ordinances (First Reading) - Agenda Items 6B

Councilman Ledford informed the Council that he would seek to withdraw this item. Upon no further comments or questions, the issue was closed.

Resolutions – Agenda Items 7A, 7B, 7C, 7D, 7E, 7F, 7G & 7H

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

Purchasing Questions

Councilman Gilbert asked Mr. Sammons about the backlog of lights and sirens for automobiles needing to be serviced from the Fleet Division. Mr. Sammons agreed to get information about this to Councilman Gilbert. Upon no further questions or comments, the issue was closed.

January 26th Agenda

Chairman Henderson confirmed with Mr. Noblett that the EPB Board Appointments had been removed. Upon no further questions or comments, the issue was closed.

Future Considerations (3 Week Look Ahead)

Councilman Mitchell wanted further information on the the McKamey contract, to which both Ms. Sullivan and Mr. Noblett responded. He also had questions about the length of the loan and the responsible party for the property. Vice-Chairman Smith asked about the City's responsibility should the loan be defaulted. Chairman Henderson asked Ms. Sullivan if this would be on the two-week agenda. He then asked Council if this was ready to be placed on the two-week agenda; the Council did not agree with adding to the two-week agenda.

Councilman Ledford requested an update on the Affordable Housing Funds contract. Chairman Henderson reminded the Council that this item would be forthcoming in ECD Committee and his concern could be addressed then; Councilman Ledford agreed.

Councilwoman Coonrod wanted further clarification on the differences in the Furniture Bank and Forgotten Child Fund items.

Upon no further questions or comments, the issue was closed.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Chairman Henderson adjourned the meeting at 3:47 p.m.

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