

AGENDA SESSION MINUTES

Chattanooga City Council

August 16, 2022

Call to Order

Council Chairman Darrin Ledford called the meeting to order at 3:33 p.m. in the Assembly Room of the John P. Franklin, Sr. City Council Building. A quorum was present that also Councilpersons Ken Smith, Isiah Hester, Carol Berz, and Marvene Noel. Vice Chair Raquetta Dotley and Councilpersons Chip Henderson, Demetrus Coonrod, and Jenny Hill were not present at this time. Others present were Kyana Grady, Administrative Assistant to Council. Councilwoman Demetrus Coonrod and Phil Noblett, Special Council to City Attorney, entered the quorum at 3:40 p.m.

Others in Attendance

Mayor's Office: Joda Thongnopnua, Chief of Staff, and Brooke Satterfield, Deputy Chief of Staff; Economic Development: Jermaine Freeman, Senior Advisor for Economic Opportunity & Interim Administrator; Regional Planning: Karen Rennich, Deputy Director; Engineering: Bill Payne, City Engineer

Approval of Minutes

On motion of Councilman Noel and seconded by Councilman Smith, the minutes of the last meeting (August 9, 2022) were approved as published.

Ordinances (Final Reading) – Agenda Item 5A, 5B, 5C, 5D, 5E, 5F & 5G

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

Ordinances (First Reading) – Agenda Item 6A

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

Ordinances (First Reading) – Agenda Item 6B & 6C

Councilwoman Noel advised these two items will be moved to defer until August 26, 2022. Upon no further questions or comments, the issues were closed.

Resolutions – Agenda Items 7A, 7B, 7C & 7D

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

Purchasing

Chairman Ledford requested more information regarding the RFPs requested for approval. Mr. Thongnopnua reviewed the RFPs in question. Upon no further questions or comments, the issue was closed.

August 23rd Agenda

Regarding item 7J, Ms. Rennich notified the Council that there is a plan under consideration and that the Council will need to set the parameters for the Public Hearing being held during the August 23rd Council Meeting. After conferring with Attorney Noble, Chairman Ledford announced the hearing would be set at 30 minutes long, with public speakers being allotted 3 minutes each. Chairman Ledford requested item 7K to be explained further and questioned why it was only presented yearly and not on a multi-year presentation. Mr. Payne elaborated on the matter, explaining the item is presented as the term which they are given. Upon no further questions or concerns, the items were closed.

Future Considerations

Chairman Ledford advised the Council that he is working on a resolution to amend item 3A, and he will be updating the Council accordingly. Upon no further questions or comments, the item was closed.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Chairman Ledford adjourned the meeting at 3:45 p.m.