

City Council Building Chattanooga, Tennessee

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

March 18, 2014 6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Yusuf Hakeem called the meeting to order with Vice Chairman Henderson and Councilpersons Carol Berz, Chris Anderson, Moses Freeman, Russell Gilbert, Larry Grohn, Jerry Mitchell and Ken Smith all present. Deputy City Attorney Phil Noblett, Management Analyst Randy Burns and Deputy Clerk Nicole Gwyn were also present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice Chairman Henderson led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance and then read verses from Jeremiah Chapter 33 of the Bible prior to the invocation.

APPROVAL OF LAST MINUTES

On motion of Councilman Mitchell, the minutes of the last meeting (March 11, 2014) were approved as published.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

PROCLAMATION - "NATIONAL SOCIAL WORK MONTH" BY COUNCILWOMAN BERZ AND COUNCILMAN ANDERSON

Councilwoman Berz attended a conference today with the social workers from UTC's Social Work Department. She asked those social workers in attendance today to stand for recognition. Councilman Anderson proclaimed the following:

PROCLAMATION

"All People Matter"

- mbereas, the primary mission of the Social Work profession is to enhance human well-being and help meet the basic needs of all people, especially the most vulnerable in society;
- Whereas, Social Work Pioneers helped lead America's struggle for social justice;
- Hereas, Social Workers know that poverty and trauma can create lifelong social and economic disadvantages;
- **Whereas**, Social Workers know that discrimination of any kind limits human potential and must be eliminated;
- ₩ħετεαε, Social Workers stand up for individuals and support diverse families in every community;
- ## hereas, Social Workers help people in every stage of life function better in their environments, improve their relationships with others, and solve personal and family problems;
- **Whereas**, all children have the right to safe environments and quality education;
- **Bhereas**, dignity and caregiving for older adults help define a nation's character;
- ## hereas, veterans and their families need community support to ensure successful transitions after service;
- Whereas, access to mental health treatment and health care services saves millions of lives;
- ## hereas, Social Workers are change agents who put the ideals of citizenship into action every day;
- **Whereas**, Social Workers believe in shared prosperity and opportunity for everyone;
- ₩ħereas, Social Work research and advocacy turn community needs into national priorities;
- **Whereas**, Social Workers celebrate the courage, hope and strength of the human spirit throughout their careers;
- **Dow,** Therefore, in recognition of the numerous contributions made by America's 600,000 Social Workers, we, the City Council of Chattanooga, Tennessee, proclaim the month of March 2014 as **National Social Work Month** and call upon all citizens to join with the **National Association of Social Workers in** celebration and support of the Social Work profession.

ORDINANCES - FINAL READING:

2014-014 Ethan Wood/Matt Wood District No. 5 Alternate Version

On motion of Councilman Gilbert and seconded by Vice Chairman Henderson,

ORDINANCE #12819

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 38, ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 5906 HANCOCK ROAD, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED HEREIN, FROM R-1 RESIDENTIAL ZONE TO M-2 LIGHT INDUSTRIAL ZONE, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

ACTION: APPROVED

2014-015

NAI Charter Real Estate Corporation/
David Graham
District No. 6
Alternate Version

On motion of Councilwoman Berz and seconded by Councilman Anderson,

ORDINANCE #12820

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 38, ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE PROPERTIES LOCATED AT 2125 AND 2129 WEST SHEPHERD ROAD, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED HEREIN, FROM R-2 RESIDENTIAL ZONE TO M-1 MANUFACTURING ZONE, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

ACTION: APPROVED

2014-017 Thomas Palmer District No. 7 Planning Version

On motion of Councilman Anderson and seconded by Councilwoman Berz,

ORDINANCE #12817

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 38, ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 329 MARKET STREET, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED HEREIN, FROM M-1 MANUFACTURING ZONE TO C-3 CENTRAL BUSINESS ZONE, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

ACTION: APPROVED

On motion of Councilman Freeman and seconded by Councilman Gilbert,

ORDINANCE #12814

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 26, SECTIONS 26-22, 26-25, 26-26, 26-27, 26-28, 26-29 AND 26-34, ESTABLISHING THE EVENT FEES FOR USAGE OF VARIOUS CHATTANOOGA YOUTH AND FAMILY DEVELOPMENT FACILITIES.

ACTION: APPROVED

ORDINANCES - FIRST READING:

On motion of Vice Chairman Henderson and seconded by Councilman Smith,

ORDINANCE #12821

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 24, BY SUBSTITUTING THE PERTINENT SECTIONS REFERENCING "TRAFFIC ENGINEER" OR THE "CITY TRAFFIC ENGINEER OR HIS DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE" OR THE "CITY TRAFFIC ENGINEER OR HIS DESIGNEE" OR THE "DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS" WITH THE "TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT" AND THOSE RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC.

ACTION: PASSED ON FIRST READING

On motion of Councilman Smith and seconded by Councilman Anderson,

ORDINANCE #12823

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 32, BY SUBSTITUTING THE "DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, STREETS AND AIRPORTS" OR THE "PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT" OR THE "CITY TRAFFIC ENGINEER" OR THE "OFFICE OF THE CITY TRAFFIC ENGINEER" OR THE "CITY ENGINEER" OR THE "CITY ENGINEER" OR "CITY ENGINEERING" WITH THE "TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT".

ACTION: PASSED ON FIRST READING

On motion of Councilman Freeman and seconded by Councilman Gilbert,

ORDINANCE #12824

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 32, BY REPLACING THE PERTINENT SECTIONS IN ITS ENTIRETY OR IN PART OF 32-8(B); 32-12; 32-16; 32-34; 32-37; 32-40; 32-44; 32-61; 32-64(F); 32-65; 32-67; 32-68; 32-70; 32-105; 32-146; 32-149; 32-150; 32-224; 32-234; AND 32-274, RELATING TO STREETS AND SIDEWALKS.

ACTION: PASSED ON FIRST READING

ORDINANCE #12822

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 32, STREETS AND SIDEWALKS, BY ADDING A NEW ARTICLE XIV, TO INCLUDE COMPLETE STREETS DEFINITION AND REGULATIONS.

Councilman Grohn moved to defer, but it garnered no second. Vice Chairman Henderson moved to approve, seconded by Councilman Anderson. A discussion ensued with Blythe Bailey, Transportation Administrator. After some discussion, Councilman Freeman moved to defer one week, seconded by Chairman Hakeem. Upon further discussion, Councilman Freeman called the question. Chairman Hakeem ended the discussion and ordered a roll call vote:

Smith	YES	Freeman	YES
Mitchell	YES	Berz	YES
Henderson	YES	Anderson	NO
Grohn	YES	Hakeem	YES
Gilbert	YES		

Upon roll call vote, the motion carried. Councilman Smith announced that this ordinance would be discussed further in Public Works and Transportation Committee next week.

ACTION: DEFERRED ONE (1) WEEK

On motion of Councilman Anderson and seconded by Councilman Smith,

ORDINANCE #12818

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 5, ARTICLE IV, SECTION 5-110, RELATING TO DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS FOR DISTILLERIES.

ACTION: PASSED ON FIRST READING

On motion of Councilman Anderson and seconded by Councilman Mitchell,

ORDINANCE #12816

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 38, ZONING ORDINANCE, ARTICLE II, SECTION 38-2, DEFINITIONS AND ARTICLE V, DIVISION 13, SECTION 38-185; DIVISION 14, SECTION 38-205; DIVISION 15, SECTION 38-224, AND DIVISION 19, SECTION 38-303, USES PERMITTED AS SPECIAL EXCEPTIONS.

ACTION: PASSED ON FIRST READING

RESOLUTIONS:

On motion of Councilman Anderson and seconded by Councilwoman Berz,

RESOLUTION #27806

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FOR THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA TO SERVE AS A GOVERNMENT SPONSOR AND PASS-THROUGH ENTITY FOR A GRANT FROM THE AMERICAN BATTLEFIELD PROTECTION PROGRAM, A PART OF THE NATIONAL PARK SERVICE, TO BE PASSED THROUGH TO THE TRUST FOR PUBLIC LAND, WHICH WILL PURCHASE AND PRESERVE TWO TRACTS OF LAND WHICH ARE PART OF THE MISSIONARY RIDGE BATTLEFIELD, FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$950,000.00.

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilman Mitchell and seconded by Vice Chairman Henderson,

RESOLUTION #27807

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA TO PAY LANA SUTTON THROUGH HER ATTORNEYS, BURNETTE, DOBSON & PINCHAK, CONCERNING HER CIVIL CASE, SUBJECT TO HER EXECUTION OF A RELEASE OF ALL CLAIMS, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$75,000.00.

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilman Freeman and seconded by Councilman Gilbert,

RESOLUTION #27808

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A PURCHASE AND SALE AGREEMENT WITH THE CHATTANOOGA HOUSING AUTHORITY FOR THE PURCHASE OF REAL PROPERTY KNOWN AS THE HARRIET TUBMAN SITE FOR A TOTAL OF \$2.6 MILLION IN A FORM SIMILAR TO THE AGREEMENT ATTACHED TO BE REVISED AS RECOMMENDED BY THE MAYOR AND TO APPROVE PAYMENT OF \$250,000.00 IN EARNEST MONEY TO PIONEER TITLE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE CHATTANOOGA HOUSING AUTHORITY.

Chairman Hakeem opened the floor to Robert Schreane, who spoke on behalf of James Moreland and the East Chattanooga community, which supports the Harriet Tubman purchase.

ACTION: ADOPTED

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

Jaycee Tower Fire

Jeff Cannon, Chief Operating Officer, updated the Council on the city's efforts to assist residents displaced by fire on Monday at the Jaycee Tower. He thanked all the agencies and city departments that assisted with the tower evacuation and relocation of residents.

Purchases

Brent Goldberg, Deputy Chief Operating Officer, briefed the Council on the following purchases:

509889 - Public Works

Estimated \$25,000 Annually

Blanket Contract Renewal for Biosolid

Laboratory Analysis Services

Lowest/Best Bidder: Analytical Services

510136 - Public Works

Blanket Contract Renewal for Environmental Services Lowest/Best Bidder: Safety-Kleen Systems, Inc.

Estimated \$30,000 Annually

R89832 - Public Works

New Blanket Contract for Rental Equipment

Lowest/Best Bidder: Hertz Equipment Rental &

United Rentals

Estimated \$50,000 Annually (Hertz) & Estimated \$10,000 Annually (United)

510146 - Public Works

Blanket Contract Renewal for Road Plating Services

Lowest/Best Bidder: TNT Concrete LLC

Estimated \$25,000 Annually

R91893 - Information Services

\$71,397.71

Purchase of License Fee for Prior Deployment,

Unlicensed Version, and New Licenses

Lowest/Best Bidder: Attachmate

R91073 - General Services

Estimated \$250,000 Annually

New Blanket Contract for Building

Automation Systems Installation and Service Lowest/Best Bidder: Electronic Controls, Inc.

R73400 - Police

Estimated \$60,000 Annually (Gulf) & Estimated \$50,000 Annually

Blanket Contract Renewal for Ammunition Lowest/Best Bidder: Gulf States Distributors

& Craig's Firearms

On motion of Councilman Anderson, the above-listed purchases were approved.

ACTION: APPROVED

OTHER BUSINESS:

CARTA Documents

Chairman Hakeem asked the Human Resources Committee to review a document distributed at a CARTA meeting yesterday. Councilman Mitchell accepted the document and announced a meeting of the HR Committee next week.*

Board Appointments

Councilman Gilbert reported the appointment of **Sonya Walker** as District 5 representative to the OMA Advisory Board.

Councilman Grohn reported the appointment of **Maurice Lewis** as District 4 representative to the *OMA Advisory Board*.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Economic and Community Development Committee Councilman Anderson (No report)

Budget and Finance Committee Councilwoman Berz (No report)

Public Safety Committee Councilman Freeman (No report) Youth and Family Development Committee Councilman Gilbert (No report)

Audit Committee Councilman Grohn (No report)

RPA (Planning Committee) Vice Chairman Henderson (No report)

HR Committee (Human Resources)
Councilman Mitchell

• The committee will meet next week immediately following Public Works and Transportation meeting.*

Public Works and Transportation Committee Councilman Smith

• The committee will meet next week immediately following the Agenda Session.

RECOGNITION OF PERSONS WISHING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL (Non-Agenda Items)

Attorney Noblett read the rules of procedure for persons wishing to address the Council on non-agenda items. After which, Chairman Hakeem recognized the following persons:

- Valerie Radu (Hill City Community) She read excerpts from a New York Times article
 regarding the "growing social inequality in Chattanooga." She discussed the need for
 more affordable housing, which she attributes to the diversity of enclaves like Hill City.
- Patrick Kellogg (Chattanooga) He urged the Council to consider the Long-Term Owner/Occupant Program (LOOP) that will protect long-term homeowners from the market forces of new development.
 - Chairman Hakeem asked Mr. Kellogg to leave information about the LOOP with the Clerk.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting of the Chattanooga City Council was adjourned until Tuesday, March 25, 2014, at 6:00 p.m.

CHAIRMAN

CLERK OF COUNCIL

(A full digital audio of this Council meeting has been filed in the Clerk of the Council's office)