



City Council Building  
Chattanooga, Tennessee  
**COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**  
May 23, 2017  
6:00 PM

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Council Chairman Jerry Mitchell called the meeting to order with Vice-Chairman Ken Smith and Councilpersons Carol Berz, Anthony Byrd, Demetrus Coonrod, Russell Gilbert, Chip Henderson, Darrin Ledford and Erskine Oglesby. Wade Hinton, City Attorney, and Nicole Gwyn, Council Clerk, CMC, were also present.

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Councilman Byrd led the Assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS (2)**

### ***NCBW PROCLAMATION By Councilwoman Demetrus Coonrod***

Councilwoman Coonrod presented a proclamation to the National Coalition of 100 Black Women, proclaiming "May 23, 2017 as a Day of Recognition for the National Coalition of 100 Black Women, Chattanooga Chapter, Inc. in the city of Chattanooga, Tennessee." The proclamation was accepted by chapter President, Beverly P. Johnson, along with officers Barbara Scott and Carol O'Neal. Ms. Johnson expressed thanks on behalf of the organization and asked the members who were present to stand for recognition. *[A copy of the proclamation is attached for the record of this meeting.]*

### ***PUBLIC WORKS WEEK PROCLAMATION By Councilwoman Carol Berz***

Councilwoman Berz presented a proclamation on behalf of Mayor Berke to Justin Holland, Public Works Administrator, proclaiming "May 22nd - May 26th of 2017 as National Public Works Week: Connects Us" in The City of Chattanooga, Tennessee. Mr. Holland expressed thanks on behalf of the department and spoke about Public Works employees' strong desire to serve the community. *[A copy of the proclamation is attached for the record of this meeting.]*

## **APPROVAL OF LAST MINUTES**

**On motion of Councilman Ledford and seconded by Councilman Gilbert**, the minutes of the last meeting (May 16, 2017) were approved as published.

**ORDINANCES – FINAL READING: (NONE)**

**ORDINANCES – FIRST READING:**

On motion of Councilman Henderson and seconded by Councilman Ledford,

**ORDINANCE #13183**

**AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR AN INTERIM BUDGET AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE USUAL AND ORDINARY EXPENSES OF THE CITY GOVERNMENT FOR THE MONTHS OF JULY, AUGUST, AND SEPTEMBER 2017, PENDING THE ADOPTION OF THE 2017-2018 ANNUAL BUDGET.**

**ACTION: PASSED ON FIRST READING**

2017-033  
Evan Holladay, LDG Multifamily, LLC  
District 7

**AGENDA ITEM VI(B):**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 38, ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE PROPERTIES LOCATED AT 4821 AND 4905 CENTRAL AVENUE, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED HEREIN, FROM M-1 MANUFACTURING ZONE TO R-3 RESIDENTIAL ZONE, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.**

The Applicant was present; however, there was no Opposition present. **Councilman Oglesby moved** to defer until June 6, 2017, seconded by Councilman Henderson. The motion carried.

**ACTION: DEFERRED UNTIL JUNE 6, 2017**

On motion of Councilwoman Coonrod and seconded by Councilman Gilbert,

**ORDINANCE #13184**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 26, SECTIONS 26-25 AND 26-26 TO AMEND THE CODE AND ESTABLISH THE EVENT FEES FOR THE YOUTH AND FAMILY DEVELOPMENT FACILITIES.**

**ACTION: PASSED ON FIRST READING**

**RESOLUTIONS:**

On motion of Councilman Oglesby and seconded by Vice-Chairman Smith,

**RESOLUTION #29041**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT TO EXERCISE OPTION TO RENEW FOR THE PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT WITH CHATTANOOGA FLYING DISC CLUB, FOR THE RENEWAL TERM OF ONE (1) YEAR, FOR THE CONTINUED USE AND OPERATIONS OF ALL PRESENT AND FUTURE DISC GOLF COURSES AT CITY PUBLIC PARKS, AND FOR DAILY USE AND PLAY.**

**ACTION: ADOPTED**

On motion of Vice-Chairman Smith and seconded by Councilman Ledford,

**RESOLUTION #29042**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL OF THE AGREEMENT WITH HENDERSON, HUTCHERSON & MCCULLOUGH, PLLC RELATING TO EXTERNAL AUDIT SERVICES, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$131,630.00.**

**ACTION: ADOPTED**

On motion of Councilman Henderson and seconded by Councilman Ledford,

**RESOLUTION #29043**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT TO THE SOUTHEAST TENNESSEE DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT FOR 2017 DUES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$33,534.80 AND THE REGIONAL TOURISM INITIATIVE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,000.00, FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$38,534.80.**

**ACTION: ADOPTED**

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

**RESOLUTION #29044**

**A RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 28503, SECTION H(3) CONCERNING THE RULES OF PROCEDURE FOLLOWED BY THE CITY COUNCIL TO CHANGE THE LENGTH OF TIME FOR SPEAKERS' REMARKS FROM THREE (3) MINUTES TO SIX (6) MINUTES, UNLESS PERMISSION FOR OTHER TIME IS PROVIDED.**

**ACTION: ADOPTED**

On motion of Councilwoman Berz and seconded by Councilman Gilbert,

**RESOLUTION #29045**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHATTANOOGA-HAMILTON COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING AGENCY TO REVIEW AND UPDATE THE BRAINERD OVERLAY ZONING ORDINANCE, AND TO CONDUCT A REZONING STUDY FOR THE PURPOSE OF EXTENDING THE OVERLAY ZONE INTO THE LEE HIGHWAY-AIRPORT ROAD-SHEPHERD ROAD AREAS AS GENERALLY DEFINED BY THE ATTACHED MAP.**

**ACTION: ADOPTED**

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

**RESOLUTION #29046**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF OF THE CHATTANOOGA POLICE DEPARTMENT TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH AXON/TASER FOR CONDUCTIVE ELECTRONIC WEAPONS OVER A FIVE (5) YEAR TERM, WHICH IS FIVE (5) YEARS AFTER THE START DATE, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$625,799.00.**

Chief Fred Fletcher responded to Councilman Oglesby and informed the Council about the start date. He was joined at the podium with Assistant Chief Dana Vaughn. Upon no further questions, the motion carried.

**ACTION: ADOPTED**

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

**RESOLUTION #29047**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 (FINAL) FOR CALDWELL GRADING AND PAVING COMPANY, LLC, OF CHARLESTON, TN, RELATIVE TO CONTRACT NO. W-15-019-202, MBWWTP SMALL PARKING LOT EXPANSIONS, A NON-CONSENT DECREE PROJECT, FOR AN INCREASED AMOUNT OF \$14,105.56, TO RELEASE THE REMAINING CONTINGENCY OF \$1,694.44, FOR A REVISED CONTRACT AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$172,385.46.**

**ACTION: ADOPTED**

On motion of Councilman Ledford and seconded by Vice-Chairman Smith,

**RESOLUTION #29048**

**A RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 28999 AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT FOR GRANT ADMINISTRATION SERVICES WITH THE SOUTHEAST TENNESSEE DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT FOR TECHNICAL AND PROFESSIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES FOR FIVE (5) CITY PROJECTS FINANCED THROUGH CLEAN WATER STATE REVOLVING LOAN FUND, FOR A TOTAL PROJECT COST NOT TO EXCEED \$37,500.00.**

**ACTION: ADOPTED**

On motion of Councilwoman Berz and seconded by Vice-Chairman Smith,

**RESOLUTION #29049**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS TO APPLY FOR AND, IF AWARDED, ACCEPT A REIMBURSABLE HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE GRANT FROM THE TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND CONSERVATION TO OPERATE THE HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE FACILITY FOR UP TO \$95,000.00 IN ADDITION TO ACCEPTING A GRANT TO PURCHASE CAPITAL UPGRADES UP TO THE AMOUNT OF \$199,460.00, FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$294,460.00.**

**ACTION: ADOPTED**

On motion of Councilman Oglesby and seconded by Councilwoman Berz,

**RESOLUTION #29050**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THOMAS BROTHERS CONSTRUCTION FOR CONSTRUCTION SERVICES RELATIVE TO CONTRACT NO. T-16-014-201, ASSOCIATED WITH CONSTRUCTION SERVICES FOR THE 8<sup>TH</sup> STREET ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT, TO INCREASE THE CONTRACT AMOUNT BY \$90,080.25, FOR A REVISED CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$769,580.25, WITH A CONTINGENCY AMOUNT OF \$67,950.00, FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$837,530.25.**

**ACTION: ADOPTED**

## **PURCHASES**

Bonnie Woodward, Purchasing Director, briefed the Council on the following purchases:

### **PO523552 - Fire Department**

New Total Estimated \$700,000 Annually

Increase of Authorized Expenditure on  
Blanket Contract for Firefighter's Protective Clothing  
Lowest/Best Bidder: NAFECO North Alabama Fire Equipment Co  
1515 Moulton St W  
Decatur, AL 35601-2100

### **PO532250 Mayor's Office**

Estimated \$450,000 Annually

Blanket Contract Renewal for Office Supplies  
& Toner-City Wide  
Lowest/Best Bidder: Staples Advantage  
PO Box 405386  
Atlanta, GA 30384

### **R147469 - Public Works**

Estimated \$600,000 Annually

New Blanket Contract for Tires-City Wide  
Lowest/Best Bidder: Best One Tire  
2348 Rossville Blvd  
Chattanooga, TN 37408

### **R148785 - Public Works**

Estimated \$80,000 Annually

New Blanket Contract for Alarm Monitoring  
Services & Supplies-City Wide  
Lowest/Best Bidder: Action Alarms of Chattanooga Inc  
1601 Old Lafayette Road  
Ft. Oglethorpe, Ga 30742

### **R149974 Public Works**

Estimated \$25,000 Annually

New Blanket Contract for Rental Equipment –  
Waste Resources Division  
Lowest/Best Bidder: Herc Rentals Inc  
1913 East 24th St. Place  
Chattanooga, TN 37404

### **R151181 - Public Works**

Total Estimated \$30,000 Annually

Two (2) New Blanket Contracts for Sewer  
Maintenance Equipment - Waste Resources Division  
Lowest/Best Bidders:  
1. Jet-Vac Equipment Co. LLC - 5746 Sumter St. Sumter, SC 29154  
2. Environmental Products & Accessories, LLC - P.O. Box 513 Hixson, TN 37343

### **R152277 - Public Works**

Estimated \$256,794.52 Annually

New Blanket Contract for Concrete Pipe-City Wide  
Lowest/Best Bidder: Forterra Building Products  
3950 Cromwell Road  
Chattanooga, TN 37422

**R153565 Public Works**

\$75,230.00

Purchase of One (1) Genie Articulating  
Boom Lift - Waste Resources Division  
Lowest/Best Bidder: Stowers Machinery Corp  
4066 South Access Rd  
Chattanooga, TN 37406

**PO524729 - Public Works**

Existing Limit \$2,154,666.54  
No Increase Required

Blanket Contract Renewal for Electrical Services  
Lowest/Best Bidder: Triad Corporation  
1007 E. Main St.  
Chattanooga, TN 37408

**PO538123 - Youth & Family Development**

Estimated \$310,000 Annually

Blanket Contract Extension for Fresh Produce  
Lowest/Best Bidder: Dixie Produce  
P.O. Box 429  
Chattanooga, TN 37401

**PO528980 - Information Technology**

New Total Estimated \$4,400,000 Annually

Increase of Authorized Expenditure on  
Blanket Contract for Computer Technology,  
Equipment & Supplies  
Lowest/Best Bidder: CDW Government Inc  
230 North Milwaukee Avenue  
Vernon Hills, IL 60061

**PO520703 - Information Technology**

Estimated \$500,000 Annually

Blanket Contract Renewal for Verizon Wireless  
High Speed & Cell Voice and Data Services  
Lowest/Best Bidder: Verizon Wireless  
5959 Shallowford Road, Ste 109  
Chattanooga. TN 37421

**Councilman Henderson moved** to approve, seconded by Councilman Oglesby. The motion carried.

**ACTION: ALL PURCHASES APPROVED**

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

**Impact 1 Graduation**

Councilman Gilbert informed the Council of the Impact 1 graduation last Thursday. He commended Atty. Hinton for giving the keynote at the event. He encouraged the media to show more positive things about youth of the city.

**Happy Hands Event**

Councilman Ledford informed the Council of two events:

- May 28 at 3:00 p.m. at Heritage Park – There will be a sign dedication and ceremony to rename the park as “Jack Benson Heritage Park.”

- “Coffee with Cops” event held at Hamilton Place, an event sponsored by the Happy Hands organization. Happy Hands provides services to the deaf and hard of hearing persons. He described being able to hang out with the police and people speaking through sign language. He noted that the event will expand to other areas of the city soon.

### **Cadet Academy - \$500 Referral Incentive**

Councilwoman Coonrod informed the Council that she had distributed information about YFD programs recently and also described a postcard she had distributed about a new incentive for the cadet academy. She announced a program to help the City recruit underrepresented African American, Latino and Asian candidates for the August 2017 Cadet Academy. She had distributed postcards about the program: for each referred recruit who successfully enters the Cadet Academy, the City will give a \$500 incentive to the individual who made the referral.

### **Memorial Day**

Councilman Ledford wished everyone a happy and safe Memorial Day, and reminded everyone to remember the reason for holiday: to honor those who sacrificed for our freedom.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

#### *Budget and Finance Committee*

Councilman Henderson

(No report)

#### *Economic and Community Development Committee*

Councilman Oglesby

- The committee will meet next week (May 30) following the 3:00 p.m. Agenda Session for an update on the Miller Park project.

#### *HR Committee (Human Resources)*

Councilman Gilbert

(No report)

#### *Planning & Zoning Committee*

Councilman Ledford

(No report)

#### *Public Safety Committee*

Councilman Byrd

(No report)

#### *Public Works and Transportation Committee*

Councilwoman Berz

- The committee met today to review items on this week’s and next week’s agendas.
- She informed the Assembly that the Council has added a lookahead document previewing agenda items to come.
- She was also honored to present the Public Works with a proclamation earlier for Public Works Week.



*Youth and Family Development Committee*  
Councilman Coonrod  
(No report)

*Information Technology Committee*  
Vice-Chairman Smith  
(No report)

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

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

- **Joel Willis (Passenger Street)** – He came as a member of the Intersectional Feminist Alliance of Chattanooga. He discussed how the police department budget impacts disenfranchised communities. He asked the Council to consider spending more of the city’s budget on youth programs. He also thanked Councilwoman Coonrod for promoting youth programs.
  - Councilwoman Coonrod commented on the organization, Concerned Citizens for Justice, coming before the Council with similar information. Councilwoman Coonrod also commented CCJ not getting back to the Council after the Council agreed to hear a presentation on participatory budgeting.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

**On motion of Councilman Oglesby**, Chairman Mitchell adjourned the meeting of the Chattanooga City Council until Tuesday, May 30, 2017, at 6:00 p.m.

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**CHAIRMAN**

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**CLERK OF COUNCIL**



City of Chattanooga  
Office of the Mayor

## *Proclamation*

Whereas, public works services provided in our community are an integral part of our citizens' everyday lives; and

Whereas, the support of an understanding and informed citizenry is vital to the efficient operation of public works systems and programs such as water quality, sewers, streets and highways, public buildings, and solid waste collection; and

Whereas, the health, safety and comfort of this community greatly depends on these facilities and services; and

Whereas, the quality and effectiveness of these facilities, as well as their planning, design, and construction, is vitally dependent upon the efforts and skill of public works officials; and

Whereas, the efficiency of the qualified and dedicated personnel who staff public works departments is materially influenced by the people's attitude and understanding of the importance of the work they perform,

Now, therefore, I, \_\_\_\_\_,

Mayor of the City of \_\_\_\_\_,

do hereby proclaim the week of May 22<sup>nd</sup> – May 26<sup>th</sup> as

### **"National Public Works Week: Connects Us"**

in **The City of Chattanooga, Tennessee**, and I call upon all citizens and civic organizations to acquaint themselves with the issues involved in providing our public works and to recognize the contributions which public works officials make every day to our health, safety, comfort, and quality of life.

Given under my hand and Seal of the City of \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_.

Mayor

# Chattanooga City Council

## Proclamation

**Whereas**, the Mission of the National Coalition of 100 Black Women, Inc. is to advocate on behalf of Black women and girls to promote leadership development and gender equity in the areas of health, education and economic empowerment; and

**Whereas**, the National Coalition of 100 Black Women engages in programs to promote **Healthy** living through community outreach, workshops, conferences and preventive screenings for diseases and illnesses such as HIV/AIDS, breast cancer, metabolic syndrome and childhood obesity; and

**Whereas**, the National Coalition of 100 Black Women promotes excellence in **Education** through Mentoring and STEM programs and channeling the power of collective action to close the gap among minority youth in inner-city schools; and

**Whereas**, the National Coalition of 100 Black Women defines **Economic Empowerment** as increasing the wisdom, authority and capacity of Black women to create and sustain viable lifestyles, including stability in employment, housing and entrepreneurship to enjoy a higher quality of life to create wealth by collaborating with public officials, faith based and social justice organizations to advocate for a livable wage.

### **Now Therefore,**

I, Demetrus Coonrod, Councilperson for Council District 9,  
do hereby proclaim **May 23, 2017** as a Day of Recognition for the

**National Coalition of 100 Black Women,  
Chattanooga Chapter, Inc.**

in the city of Chattanooga, Tennessee

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DEMETRUS COONROD