

Chattanooga City Council Chattanooga, Tennessee John P. Franklin, Sr. City Council Building **COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES** September 20, 2022 6:00 PM

# CALL TO ORDER

Council Chairman Darrin Ledford called the meeting to order. A quorum was present that also included Vice Chair Raquetta Dotley and Councilpersons Carol Berz, Demetrus Coonrod, Chip Henderson, Isiah Hester, Jenny Hill, Marvene Noel, and Ken Smith. Others present were Emily O'Donnell, City Attorney, and Nicole Gwyn, Council Clerk. Video of the meeting is available on YouTube by clicking <u>here</u>.

# PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilman Henderson led the Assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance and asked Councilwoman Noel to give an invocation. Councilwoman Noel invited Pastor Troy Brand of Orchard Park Seventhday Adventist Church to give the invocation.

# **SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS (3)**

# Oath for Office - District 8

Judge Sherry Paty administered the Oath of Councilperson to Marvene Noel for District 8. After the oath, Councilwoman Noel read a statement expressing her thanks to District 8 residents and her readiness to work with the Council, Mayor Kelly, city officials, and developers for District 8.

## <u>Community Forward Schools Coordinators Appreciation Week</u> Presented by Brooke Satterfield, Deputy Chief of Staff

Councilwoman Noel read the following proclamation by Mayor Kelly:

- *Whereas:* Community School Coordinators are the key to successful community schools, creating, strengthening, and maintaining the bridge between the school and community.
- *Whereas:* Community School Coordinators facilitate and provide leadership for the collaborative process and development of a continuum of services for children, families, and community members within a school neighborhood.
- *Whereas:* Community Forward has 7 community school coordinators who work diligently to create and manage the partnerships that allow all our students to learn and communities to thrive.

*Whereas:* Community Forward is joining a national Coordinators Appreciation Week with the Institute for Educational Leadership Coalition for Community Schools to celebrate and lift up Coordinators across the county.

# Now Therefore,

I, Tim Kelly, Mayor of the City of Chattanooga, do hereby proclaim the week of September 19-23, 2022, as

# **Coordinators Appreciation Week**

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Chattanooga to be affixed this.

## Tim Kelly, Mayor

Brooke Satterfield, Deputy Chief of Staff, spoke on the partnership with the Hamilton County Schools through the work of the Community Forward Coordinators. She then named those coordinators who were present today and asked them to stand for recognition.

Marcellus Barnes Leah Blackburn Jaleesa Brumfield Bailey Gibson Brittany McAdoo Kia Ruffin Bria Sibley Caitlin Stewart

# Public Hearing on FY2023 Budget Amendments

Chairman Ledford turned over the chair of the meeting to Councilwoman Berz, who opened the hearing and made introductory remarks about the purpose of the hearing. She informed the Assembly that each speaker would have 2 minutes each, with the hearing lasting up to 30 minutes total. She then opened the floor to the following speakers:

- **Charles Wysong** (District 6) He distributed a handout to the Council about three types of government: the family, civil government, and ecclesiastic government. He discussed a coordinated effort for all three types to work together for the good.
- Ken Dixon (District 9) He works for the Office of Family Empowerment (OFE) and thanked the Council for the pending budget amendments that will directly benefit OFE employees.

Confirming that there were no further speakers about the budget, Councilwoman Berz closed the public hearing at 6:17 p.m. and returned the chair of the meeting to Chairman Ledford.

# APPROVAL OF LAST MINUTES

**On motion of Councilman Smith** and seconded by Vice Chair Dotley, the minutes of the last meeting (September 13, 2022) were approved as published.

#### **ORDINANCES – FINAL READING:**

**PROCEDURAL NOTE**: With no objection from the Council, Chairman Ledford instructed the Clerk to group and read the following five ordinances for one Council vote.

<u>2022-0183</u> <u>H&H Leasing</u> <u>Planning Commission Version</u> <u>District No. 4</u>

#### **ORDINANCE #13894**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 38, ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE PART OF A PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2600 WALKER ROAD, FROM R-4 SPECIAL ZONE TO M-3 WAREHOUSE AND WHOLESALE ZONE.

<u>2022-0187</u> <u>Maverick Development</u> <u>Planning Commission Version</u> <u>District No. 4</u>

#### ORDINANCE #13895

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 38, ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE PROPERTIES LOCATED AT 8147, 8149, AND 8153 EAST BRAINERD ROAD TOGETHER WITH 1101 AND 1113 KINSEY DRIVE, FROM R-1 RESIDENTIAL ZONE AND C-2 CONVENIENCE COMMERCIAL ZONE TO RT-1 RESIDENTIAL TOWNHOUSE ZONE.

<u>2022-0185</u> <u>Landon Kennedy</u> <u>Planning Commission Version</u> <u>District No. 8</u>

#### ORDINANCE #13896

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 38, ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE PROPERTIES LOCATED AT 1018 AND 1020 EAST MARTIN LUTHER KING BOULEVARD, FROM U-RM-3 RESIDENTIAL MULTI-UNIT ZONE TO U-CX-3 COMMERCIAL MIXED USE ZONE.

<u>2022-0189</u> <u>Henegar Homes c/o Chris Henegar</u> <u>Planning Commission Version</u> <u>District No. 8</u>

#### **ORDINANCE #13897**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 38, ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1002 EAST 16<sup>TH</sup> STREET, FROM R-3 RESIDENTIAL ZONE TO UGC URBAN GENERAL COMMERCIAL ZONE, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS. <u>2022-0188</u> <u>Chattanooga Neighborhood Enterprise</u> <u>Planning Commission Version</u> <u>District No. 9</u>

#### **ORDINANCE #13898**

#### AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 38, ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2514 EAST 17<sup>TH</sup> STREET, FROM R-2 RESIDENTIAL ZONE TO C-3 CENTRAL BUSINESS ZONE, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

**Councilwoman Hill moved** to approve all five ordinances. Vice Chair Dotley seconded. The motion carried.

## ACTION: ORDINANCES 13894 - 13898 APPROVED

#### **ORDINANCES – FIRST READING:**

<u>2022-0180</u> <u>Lee Helena</u> <u>Planning Commission Version</u> <u>District No. 8</u>

On motion of Councilwoman Noel and seconded by Councilwoman Berz,

#### ORDINANCE #13899

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 38, ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1511 MULBERRY STREET, FROM R-2 RESIDENTIAL ZONE TO UGC URBAN GENERAL COMMERCIAL ZONE, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

The motion carried.

## ACTION: PASSED ON FIRST READING

**RESOLUTIONS:** 

On motion of Vice Chair Dotley and seconded by Councilman Smith,

#### **RESOLUTION #31303**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATOR TO AWARD THE ON-CALL BLANKET CONTRACT NO. D-22-002-201, DEMOLITION SERVICES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, FOR YEAR ONE (1) OF FOUR (4) TO TOWER CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, LLC, CHATTANOOGA, TN, RESTRICTED FOR USE BY ONLY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, FOR THE ANNUAL AMOUNT OF \$400,000.00.

The motion carried.

**ACTION: ADOPTED** 

On motion of Councilwoman Noel and seconded by Councilwoman Berz,

## **RESOLUTION #31304**

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF ROSALYN RUFFIN TO THE HEAD START GOVERNING BOARD FOR DISTRICT 8, WITH A TERM BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 20, 2022, AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 20, 2024.

The motion carried.

**ACTION: ADOPTED** 

Alternate Version

On motion of Councilman Smith and seconded by Councilwoman Hill,

#### **RESOLUTION #31305**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE WAIVER OF PARK RENTAL FEES FOR CHATTANOOGA PRESENTS IN SUPPORT OF THREE SISTERS BLUEGRASS FESTIVAL HELD IN CHATTANOOGA GREEN AND ROSS'S LANDING FOR THE DATES OF SEPTEMBER 29, 30, AND OCTOBER 1, 2022, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,500.00 IN RENTAL FEES.

The motion carried, with Councilman Henderson voting "No."

**ACTION: ADOPTED** 

Alternate Version

On motion of Councilman Hester and seconded by Vice Chair Dotley,

#### **RESOLUTION #31306**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE WAIVER OF PARK RENTAL FEES FOR TENNESSEE VALLEY PRIDE IN SUPPORT OF PRIDE FESTIVAL HELD IN CHATTANOOGA GREEN AND ROSS'S LANDING FOR THE DATES OF OCTOBER 2 AND 3, 2022, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,500.00 IN RENTAL FEES.

The motion carried, with Councilman Henderson voting "No."

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilman Henderson and seconded by Councilwoman Hill,

#### **RESOLUTION #31307**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHATTANOOGA POLICE DEPARTMENT, ALONG WITH THE HAMILTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE, TO APPLY FOR, AND IF AWARDED, ACCEPT A FISCAL YEAR 2022 EDWARD BYRNE JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, FOR A GRANT PERIOD BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2022, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2026, WITH A SHARED GRANT AWARD TO THE CHATTANOOGA POLICE DEPARTMENT, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$117,489.00 FOR THE PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT, AND HAMILTON COUNTY TO BE AWARDED \$50,352.00, FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$167,841.00.

The motion carried.

**ACTION: ADOPTED** 

## **DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:**

#### Proposed Purchases

Brent Goldberg, Chief Financial Officer, briefed the Council on the following proposed purchases:

PA559327 Wastewater Division, Public Works Emulsion Polymer		Increase of \$300,000 for a total estimated annual spend
Lowest/Best Bidder:	Polydyne Inc One Chemical Plant Road Riceboro, GA 31323	of \$1,900,000.
200346,1 Wastewater Division, Public Works Flow & Rain Gauge Monitoring		\$900,000.00
Lowest/Best Bidder:	ADS Environmental Services 340 The Bridge Street, Suite 204 Huntsville, AL 35806	
PO# 560797 Street Maintenance Division, Public Works Asphaltic Concrete		Increase of \$75,000 for a total estimated annual
Lowest/Best Bidder:	Southeastern Materials Inc 1751 McFarland Avenue Rossville, GA 30741	spend of \$575,000

**Councilwoman Berz moved** to approve. Vice Chair Dotley seconded. Chairman Ledford commented on the impact of PO#560797 on road projects in the queue. Upon no further questions, the motion carried.

# ACTION: ALL PURCHASES APPROVED

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

#### Budget and Finance Committee

Councilwoman Berz reported:

• There was a public hearing tonight on the proposed budget amendments. The amendments will come before the Council on first reading next week, September 27.

*Economic Development Committee* Councilwoman Coonrod (No report)

*Education and Innovation Committee* Councilwoman Noel (No report)

*Equity and Community Development Committee* Vice Chair Dotley (No report)

*Legislative Committee* Councilman Smith (No report)

*Planning and Zoning Committee* Councilwoman Hill (No report)

Parks and Public Works

Councilman Hester reported:

- The committee met today in his absence. He thanked Vice Chair Dotley for chairing the committee meeting.
- He also thanked Councilman Henderson for introducing the sewer lateral ordinance.

*Public Safety Committee* Councilman Henderson (No report)

## OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Goldberg reported on the following:

- Report on Debt Obligation CT-0253 East Chattanooga Rising TIF (\$4 million)
- Report on Debt Obligation CT-0253 SRF 2020-440-01 (\$19 million)

## **RECOGNITION OF PERSONS WISHING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL** (Listen and view on YouTube <u>here</u>)

Attorney O'Donnell read the rules of procedure for persons wishing to address the Council. After which, Chairman Ledford recognized the following persons:

Speaker Name	District	Primary Topics:
Betty Maddox Battle	5	GRIEVE event on September 24 recognizing the families
		of seven victims of gun violence / Organizations with
		answers to the violence in the city
Maronica Tibbs	5	District 8 residents who didn't get to vote in the district /
		Questions voter boundaries for recent District 8 election
Josh Kapellusch	(N/A)	Individual and sovereign rights / Humanitarian crisis for
		unsheltered persons
• Lisa Thompson	(N/A)	Proud to serve the city through Neighborhood Services /
		Walk 'n Talk series

## ADJOURNMENT

**On motion of Vice Chair Dotley**, Chairman Ledford adjourned the meeting of the Chattanooga City Council until Tuesday, September 27, 2022, at 6:00 p.m.

CHAIRMAN

CLERK OF COUNCIL