

# **AGENDA SESSION MINUTES**

## **Chattanooga City Council**

### **February 23, 2021**

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#### **Call to Order**

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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, 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. Councilwoman joined the meeting after the call to order. Councilwoman Demetrus Coonrod joined the meeting after the call to order.

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#### **Others in Attendance** (via electronic means)

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Mayor's Office: Kerry Hayes, Chief of Staff; Human Resources: Beverly Moultrie, Chief Human Resources Officer

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#### **Approval of Minutes**

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**On motion of Vice-Chairman Smith** and seconded by Councilwoman Berz, the minutes of the last meeting (February 16, 2021) were approved as published.

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#### **Ordinances (Final Reading) – Agenda Items 5A**

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

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#### **Ordinances (First Reading) – Agenda Items 6A**

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Councilwoman Berz asked Mr. Hayes about the Public Art Commission's role with this contract. She also asked Mr. Noblett about the process contracts when a change in administration occurs, specifically as it refers to terms and conditions. Councilman Ledford asked Mr. Noblett to speak with him offline regarding the vesting of projects. Upon no further questions or comments, the issues were closed.

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#### **Resolutions – Agenda Items 7E**

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Councilman Mitchell had questions about the extensions and the process under a new administration, to which Mr. Noblett responded. Upon no further questions or comments, the issue was closed.

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#### **Resolutions – Agenda Items 7F**

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

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**Resolutions – Agenda Items 7G**

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Councilman Gilbert informed the Council that he will seek to defer this item to March 9<sup>th</sup>. Upon no further comments or questions, the issue was closed.

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**Resolutions – Agenda Items 7H**

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

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**Resolutions – Agenda Items 7I**

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Vice-Chairman Smith inquired about the process for the LMS. Mr. Hayes agreed to speak with the Vice-Chairman offline. Upon no further questions or comments, the issue was closed.

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**Resolutions – Agenda Items 7J**

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Chairman Henderson had questions for Mr. Noblett about the names of the appointments being listed in the resolution. Upon no further questions or comments, the issue was closed.

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**Resolutions – Agenda Items 7K**

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Councilman Gilbert asked Councilman Byrd if there were any issues with the neighborhood associations regarding this special exceptions permit. Councilman Ledford asked Mr. Noblett if this was a revocable permit. Chairman Henderson questioned if the permit was just for food sale. Vice-Chairman Smith had questions pertaining to hours/time limits for service and alcohol sales. Upon no further questions or comments, the issue was closed.

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**Resolutions – Agenda Items 7L**

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

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**Other**

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Councilman Byrd asked for Chief Roddy to be available during the 6:00 p.m. Council Meeting to address the viral Tik Tok video of a citizen’s interaction with a Police Officer. Chairman Henderson asked Mr. Noblett to place this CPD matter under “Other Business” on tonight’s agenda. Upon no further comments or questions, the issue was closed.

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**Future Considerations (3 Week Look Ahead)**

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Councilman Ledford asked Mr. Bailey for further information offline on the Speed Awareness Initiative and speed on through streets.

Councilman Gilbert had questions pertaining to location of fields on the Tennessee River Soccer contract, to which Vice-Chairman Smith responded.

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

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## **Department Report ~ HR**

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Ms. Moultrie gave a presentation that covered the following:

- Roll up Report
- Background
- Council Expectations for HR
- Vision and Strategies
- Talen Turn Over
- 2018 Accomplishments
- 2018 Challenges
- 2019 Accomplishments and Challenges
- 2020 Accomplishments and Challenges
- Meet Some of the Leaders

Councilman Mitchell asked Ms. Moultrie about equity pay and the challenges standing in the way of reaching set goals. Upon no further comments or questions, the issue was closed.

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## **Adjournment**

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There being no further business, Chairman Henderson adjourned the meeting at 4:19 p.m.