



City Council Building
Chattanooga, Tennessee
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
February 23, 2016
6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Council Chairwoman Carol Berz called the meeting to order with Vice Chair Moses Freeman and Council members Moses Freeman, Chris Anderson, Russell Gilbert, Larry Grohn, Yusuf Hakeem, Chip Henderson, Jerry Mitchell and Ken Smith all present. City Attorney Wade Hinton and Council Clerk Nicole Gwyn, CMC, were also present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilman Hakeem led the Assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance. He then read James 4:4-5 of the Bible as well as a narrative on these verses.

APPROVAL OF LAST MINUTES

On motion of Councilman Anderson and seconded by Councilman Gilbert, the minutes of the last meeting (February 16, 2016) were approved as published.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Mayor's Council for Women – Education

Chairwoman Berz introduced Bea Lurie, the chair of the Mayor's Council for Women – Education. Ms. Lurie also recognized several committee members who were in attendance:

- Nicole Brown
- Leslie Berryhill
- Dr. Everlena Holmes
- Dr. Nicola Crisp
- Gladys Pineda-Loher

Ms. Lurie spoke on the work of the Council and discussed some of the key barriers affecting women in furthering their education. Ms. Berryhill, Mr. Brown and Dr. Crisp also responded to questions on the services provided by Chambliss and state funding.

ORDINANCES - FINAL READING: (NONE)

ORDINANCES - FIRST READING:

On motion of Councilman Mitchell and seconded by Councilman Anderson,

ORDINANCE #13027

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 11, BY ADDING ARTICLE XVII ENTITLED, "INNOVATION DISTRICT GRANTS".

ACTION: PASSED ON FIRST READING

RESOLUTIONS:

On motion of Councilman Anderson and seconded by Vice Chair Freeman,

RESOLUTION #28533

A RESOLUTION TO CONFIRM THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF PATRICK RYAN TO THE HISTORIC ZONING COMMISSION.

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilman Anderson and seconded by Vice Chair Freeman,

RESOLUTION #28534

A RESOLUTION TO CONFIRM THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF JAMES HOBBS TO THE BEER AND WRECKER BOARD.

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilman Grohn and seconded by Councilman Smith,

RESOLUTION #28535

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 (FINAL) FOR LAYNE INLINER, LLC RELATIVE TO CONTRACT NO. W-10-004-202, EAST BRAINERD SANITARY SEWER REHABILITATION, FOR A DECREASED AMOUNT OF \$1,966,448.79, FOR A REVISED CONTRACT AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$5,528,022.21, AND TO RELEASE THE REMAINING CONTINGENCY AMOUNT OF \$374,700.00.

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilman Smith and seconded by Councilman Anderson,

RESOLUTION #28536

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH HAMILTON COUNTY FOR THE 2016 GIS AERIAL IMAGERY (ORTHO PHOTOGRAPHY) UPDATE, FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$30,000.00.

ACTION: ADOPTED

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

Public Works Report – Urban Forestry

Justin Holland, Deputy Administrator of Public Works, introduced Gene Hyde, the city’s urban forester, to give a report on the state of the city’s trees. Mr. Hyde noted that Maria Prescott, Vice Chair of the Chattanooga Tree Commission, who was in the Assembly today. He then gave a presentation on the Urban Forestry Program that included information on the following:

- Members of the Chattanooga Tree Commission
- 2015 Activities – High level of operations
- 2015 Activities – High level of outreach
- Urban Ecosystems Analysis (canopy cover of select cities and analysis metrics)
- Value of Chattanooga’s Urban Forest
- Future Challenges
- Future Activities
- Canopy Cover of Broad Street 1938 vs. Broad Street 2013
- Chattanooga with and without trees

Mr. Hyde responded to questions about the preservation of historical trees and ways to get information to seniors regarding trees. Councilman Smith invited the Council to attend the Arbor Day event at Murray Hills walking track on March 4 at 11:00 a.m. Vice Chair Freeman invited the Council the commemorative tree planting taking place at Sculpture Field on March 4 at 2:00 p.m. Mr. Hyde also invited the Council to VW’s tree planting on March 5 at 9:00 a.m.

Purchases

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

R64511 - Information Technology	Estimated \$200,000 Annually
Blanket Renewal for Surveillance Camera Equipment	
Lowest/Best Bidder: ERM C II. L.P	
R71570 - Public Works	Estimated \$390,000 Annually
Blanket Contract Extension for Asphaltic Concrete	
Lowest/Best Bidder: Southeastern Materials	

R109597 - Public Works
Blanket Contract Renewal for Programmable
Logic Controller Services
Lowest/Best Bidder: Adman Electric Co, Inc.

Estimated \$60,000 Annually

R89921 - Public Works
Blanket Contract Renewal for Liquid Oxygen
Lowest/Best Bidder: Airgas USA, LLC

Estimated \$100,000 Annually

R111541 - Public Works
Blanket Contract Renewal for Custodial Services
Lowest/Best Bidder: Certified Maintenance Services

Estimated \$70,000 Annually

R108678 - Public Works
Blanket Contract Extension for Crushed Stone
Lowest/Best Bidder: Vulcan Materials Company

Estimated \$625,000 Annually

Councilman Hakeem asked if the addresses of the companies winning the bid could be added to the purchasing information. Ms. Woodward recommended adding a column for addresses on the purchasing spreadsheet that the Council receives with their purchasing documents.

Upon no further questions, **Councilman Anderson moved** to approve, seconded by Councilman Grohn. The motion carried.

ACTION: APPROVED

OTHER BUSINESS: (NONE)

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Audit & I.T. Committee
Councilman Grohn
(No report)

Budget and Finance Committee
Councilman Mitchell

- There will be a "Committee-of-the-Whole" next week (March 1) following the 3:30 Agenda Session to discuss the Medal of Honor Museum.

Economic and Community Development Committee
Councilman Anderson

- The committee will meet next week following the 3:30 Agenda Session to discuss the Land Bank Authority.

HR Committee (Human Resources)

Vice Chair Freeman

- The committee will meet next week (March 1) to discuss an impending contract with our health clinic. Our Human Resources Department will debrief us on the selection process for selecting a vendor for that contract.

Planning & Zoning

Councilman Hakeem

- The committee will meet next week following the 3:30 Agenda Session.

Public Safety Committee

Councilman Henderson

- The committee will be looking at developing a panel soon to address crime and safety in our community.

Public Works and Transportation Committee

Councilman Smith

- The committee will meet next week following the 3:30 Agenda Session.

Youth and Family Development Committee

Councilman Gilbert

(No report)

NEXT WEEK'S AGENDA:

Agenda Session

Chairwoman Berz announced that next week's Agenda Session will begin at 3:30 p.m. instead of its regular 3:00 time.

**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, Chairwoman Berz recognized the following:

- **Pam Durham (Chattanooga)** – She stated that someone had accused her of saying things about a city employee, and that she had not said those things.
 - Vice Chair Freeman requested to extend Ms. Durham's speaking time. Chairwoman Berz allowed the extension.
 - Gilbert commented to Ms. Durham about respecting Council staff when calling for assistance. Ms. Durham concurred and asked for mutual respect.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Councilman Anderson, Chairwoman Berz adjourned the meeting of the Chattanooga City Council until Tuesday, March 1, 2016, at 6:00 p.m.

CHAIRWOMAN

CLERK OF COUNCIL