



Electronic-Conducted (Virtual) Minutes
Chattanooga, Tennessee

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

February 23, 2021
6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Council Chairman Chip Henderson called the meeting to order by electronic means. A quorum of eight was present via electronic means that included Vice-Chairman Ken Smith and Councilpersons Carol Berz, Demetrus Coonrod, Russell Gilbert, Darrin Ledford, Jerry Mitchell and Erskine Oglesby, Jr. Other panelists present via electronic means: Phil Noblett, City Attorney, and Nicole Gwyn, Council Clerk. Councilman Anthony Byrd joined the meeting later. Video of this meeting is available on YouTube by clicking [here](#).

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilman Gilbert led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF LAST MINUTES

On motion of Councilwoman Berz and seconded by Councilman Oglesby, the minutes of the last meeting (February 16, 2021) were approved as published. The motion carried unanimously (8-0) upon roll call vote.

ORDINANCES – FINAL READING:

2021-0008
SSP Lucey, LLC
District No. 9

On motion of Councilwoman Coonrod and seconded by Councilman Gilbert,

ORDINANCE #13653

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 38, ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO LIFT CONDITIONS FROM ORDINANCE NO. 6120 FOR RETENTION OF EASEMENT FROM SANITARY SEWER AND STORM DRAIN, FROM PART OF THE ABANDONED 1300 BLOCK OF ANDERSON AVENUE, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED HEREIN.

The motion carried unanimously (8-0) upon roll call vote.

ACTION: APPROVED

ORDINANCES – FIRST READING:

On motion of Councilwoman Berz and seconded by Councilman Oglesby,

ORDINANCE #13654

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 9365 SUBSTITUTING “ARTSBUILD” FOR ALLIED ARTS OF GREATER CHATTANOOGA, INC.” AS THE OFFICIAL ARTS AGENCY OF THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA TO REFLECT THE DESIGNATED NAME AS “ARTSBUILD” AS THE OFFICIAL ARTS AGENCY OF THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA.

The motion carried unanimously (8-0) upon roll call vote.

ACTION: PASSED ON FIRST READING

RESOLUTIONS: PROCEDURAL NOTE: Chairman Henderson instructed the Clerk to group and read the next three resolutions for one Council vote.

RESOLUTION #30657

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO ENTER INTO A DONATION AGREEMENT, IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE FORM ATTACHED, WITH THOMAS W. POPP AND WIFE, LADONNA S. POPP, FOR THE ACCEPTANCE OF TAX PARCEL NO. 110F-C-018 ON HAMILL ROAD AND TO EXECUTE ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY FOR THE COMPLETION OF THE TRANSACTION.

RESOLUTION #30658

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT TO AWARD UP TO \$360,000.00 IN HOME PROGRAM FUNDING TO CHATTANOOGA NEIGHBORHOOD ENTERPRISE, INC. TO ASSIST IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE MAI BELL 2, A RENTAL HOUSING DEVELOPMENT LOCATED AT 1715 UNION AVENUE CONSISTING OF FORTY-SEVEN (47) UNITS, OF WHICH NINE (9) UNITS ARE RESERVED FOR INCOME-QUALIFIED HOUSEHOLDS.

RESOLUTION #30659

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE LAND DEVELOPMENT OFFICE AND CHATTANOOGA-HAMILTON COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING AGENCY TO REVIEW THE EXISTING CODES AND PROVIDE SUGGESTIONS ON NEIGHBORHOOD LIMITATIONS OF NON-OWNER OCCUPIED SHORT-TERM VACATION RENTALS IN THE SHORT-TERM VACATION RENTAL DISTRICT.

Vice-Chairman Smith moved to approve. Councilwoman Coonrod seconded. The motion carried unanimously (8-0) upon roll call vote.

ACTION: RESOLUTIONS 30657 - 30659 ADOPTED

On motion of Councilman Oglesby and seconded by Councilwoman Coonrod,

RESOLUTION #30660

A RESOLUTION TO MAKE CERTAIN FINDINGS RELATING TO THE RESERVE AT MOUNTAIN PASS, LP PROJECT, TO DELEGATE CERTAIN AUTHORITY TO THE HEALTH, EDUCATIONAL, AND HOUSING FACILITY BOARD, AND TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AND EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF AD VALOREM TAXES.

The motion carried unanimously (8-0) upon roll call vote.

ACTION: ADOPTED

PROCEDURAL NOTE: Chairman Henderson instructed the Clerk to group and read the next three resolutions for one Council vote. Councilman Byrd joined the meeting at this time, taking the quorum to nine

RESOLUTION #30661

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY TREASURER TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT, IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE FORM ATTACHED, WITH NATIONWIDE RECOVERY SERVICE TO PROVIDE COLLECTION SERVICES FOR THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA FOR THREE (3) YEARS BEGINNING MARCH 1, 2021, PLUS TWO (2) CONSECUTIVE ONE (1) YEAR EXTENSIONS.

RESOLUTION #30662

A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE CONTRACT WITH RUSS BLAKELY AND ASSOCIATES, LLC, SO AS TO EXTEND THE TERM FOR THREE (3) MONTHS THROUGH JULY 1, 2021, AT NO COST TO PROVIDE BENEFIT ADVISORY AND OPEN ENROLLMENT SERVICES AND ACT AS AGENT OF RECORD FOR ALL BENEFIT OPTIONS.

RESOLUTION #30663

A RESOLUTION TO EXTEND THE CONTRACT TERM WITH COMPSYCH CORPORATION FOR THE EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (EAP) RATES FOR ELIGIBLE EMPLOYEES ARE \$1.15/EMPLOYEE PER MONTH AND \$1.49/EMPLOYEE PER MONTH FOR SWORN EMPLOYEES, FOR A TOTAL CONTRACT COST NOT TO EXCEED \$43,500.00.

Councilman Gilbert moved to approve. Councilwoman Berz seconded. The motion carried unanimously (9-0) upon roll call vote.

ACTION: RESOLUTIONS 30661 - 30663 ADOPTED

Agenda Item VII(g):

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF HUMAN RESOURCES OFFICER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH JOHNSTON & ASSOCIATES, INC. FOR THIRD PARTY ADMINISTRATION OF INJURY ON DUTY OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH PROGRAMS FOR A TWO (2) YEAR TERM, WITH A RENEWAL OPTION FOR AN ADDITIONAL THREE (3) YEARS, FOR A TOTAL CONTRACT COST NOT TO EXCEED \$183,480.00 PER YEAR.

Councilman Gilbert moved to defer to March 9, 2021. Councilwoman Berz seconded. The motion carried unanimously (9-0) upon roll call vote.

ACTION: DEFERRED TO MARCH 9, 2021

Agenda Item VII(i):

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER (CIO) TO ENTER INTO A ONE (1) YEAR AGREEMENT WITH CORNERSTONE ONDEMAND, INC. FOR THE LEARNING MANAGEMENT SYSTEM SOFTWARE AND SUPPORT, TO BE USED BY THE CITY'S HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT, FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$37,515.50.

Brent Messer, Chief Information Officer, joined the panel at the request of Councilman Gilbert and informed the Council that the deferral would not hurt software services. After which, **Vice-Chairman Smith moved** to defer to March 9, 2021. Councilman Mitchell seconded. The motion carried unanimously (9-0) upon roll call vote.

ACTION: DEFERRED TO MARCH 9, 2021

On motion of Councilwoman Berz and seconded by Councilman Oglesby,

RESOLUTION #30664

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENTS AND RE-APPOINTMENTS FOR THE BOARD OF CONSTRUCTION APPEALS; CHATTANOOGA HOUSING AUTHORITY; CHATTANOOGA PUBLIC ART COMMISSION; FORM-BASED CODE COMMISSION; AND WASTEWATER REGULATIONS APPEAL BOARD, AS OUTLINED WITH THE FOLLOWING PARTICULARS.

The motion carried unanimously (9-0) upon roll call vote.

ACTION: ADOPTED

2021-0048
DIAMOND BROWN
District No. 8

On motion of Councilman Byrd and seconded by Councilwoman Coonrod,

RESOLUTION #30665

A RESOLUTION APPROVING A SPECIAL EXCEPTIONS PERMIT FOR USE OF A LATE NIGHT ENTERTAINMENT FACILITY LOCATED AT 2301 MILNE STREET, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED IN THE ATTACHED DOCUMENTS.

The motion carried unanimously (9-0) upon roll call vote.

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilwoman Berz and seconded by Councilman Gilbert,

RESOLUTION #30666

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHATTANOOGA POLICE DEPARTMENT TO ACCEPT AN AWARD OF \$28,000.00 FROM HAMILTON COUNTY VIA THE 2019 HSGP (HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM) TO FUND TWO PROJECTS: (1) \$18,000.00 ACTIVE SHOOTER TRAINING; AND (2) \$10,000.00 FOR POLICE CANINE, FOR THE PERIOD OF SEPTEMBER 1, 2019 ENDING APRIL 30, 2022.

The motion carried unanimously (9-0) upon roll call vote.

ACTION: ADOPTED

PROCEDURAL NOTE: With no objection from the Council, Chairman Henderson instructed the Clerk to group and read the remaining six resolutions for one Council vote.

RESOLUTION #30667

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS TO AWARD CONTRACT NO. R-15-002-202, STERCHI FARM PHASE 2, TO THOMAS BROTHERS CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, INC., OF HIXSON, TN, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$247,520.55, WITH A CONTINGENCY AMOUNT OF \$10,000.00, FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$257,520.55.

RESOLUTION #30668

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS TO APPROVE CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 (FINAL), FOR WILLOUGHBY ROOFING AND SHEET METAL, INC., RELATIVE TO CONTRACT NO. Y-20-010-201, REPLACEMENT ROOFING SYSTEMS FOR AVONDALE HEAD START, FOR A DECREASED AMOUNT OF \$76.00, TO RELEASE THE REMAINING CONTINGENCY AMOUNT OF \$6,850.00, FOR A REVISED CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$68,453.00.

RESOLUTION #30669

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS TO APPROVE CHANGE ORDER NO. 1, FOR CROWDER GULF, OF THEODORE, AL, RELATIVE TO CONTRACT NO. E-20-008-201, DISASTER COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL SERVICES CONTRACT, FOR AN INCREASED AMOUNT OF \$1,232,250.29, FOR A REVISED CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$1,679,790.29.

RESOLUTION #30670

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS TO RENEW CONTRACT NO. W-19-024-201 WITH BLD SERVICES, LLC, FOR SANITARY SEWER MAINLINE FULL WRAP SERVICE CONNECTION SEALS, FOR ONE (1) YEAR WITH ONE (1) YEAR RENEWAL OPTION REMAINING, FOR THE AMOUNT OF \$460,000.00 ANNUALLY.

RESOLUTION #30671

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO APPROVE CHANGE ORDER NO. 1, FOR GRESHAM SMITH RELATIVE TO CONTRACT NO. T-15-010-101, MOCCASIN BEND CONNECTOR (MANUFACTURERS/HAMM ROAD GATEWAY), FOR AN INCREASED AMOUNT OF \$34,600.00, FOR A REVISED CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$271,595.00.

RESOLUTION #30672

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH GEOSTABILIZATION INTERNATIONAL, LLC RELATIVE TO CONTRACT NO. T-21-007 FOR CONSTRUCTION SERVICES ASSOCIATED WITH THE SLOPE REPAIR AND STABILIZATION OF GRANADA DRIVE, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SPECIFICATIONS AS SHOWN ON STATE WIDE CONTRACT SWC 191 SLOPE STABILIZATION SERVICES, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$280,130.00, WITH A CONTINGENCY AMOUNT OF \$70,032.50, FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$350,162.50.

Councilman Gilbert moved to approve. Councilman Byrd seconded. The motion carried unanimously (9-0) upon roll call vote.

ACTION: RESOLUTIONS 30667 - 30672 ADOPTED

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

Proposed Purchases

Anthony Sammons, Deputy Chief Operating Officer, briefed the Council on the following proposed purchases:

R207492 - City Wide Services Division, Public Works \$75,000.00

Corrugated Metal Pipe

Lowest/Best Bidder:

1. Piping Supply Company - 3008 N. Hickory Street, Chattanooga, TN 37406
2. Straight Path Distributing, LLC - 205 Old Snapps Ferry Road, Chuckey, TN 37641

R207203 - Fleet Management Division, Public Works \$600,000.00

Service Repair & Outside Parts for All Medium and Heavy Duty Trucks

Lowest/Best Bidders:

1. MHC Kenworth - Chattanooga 7831 Lee Hwy Chattanooga, TN 37421
2. Lee-Smith, Inc - 2600 8th Avenue Chattanooga, TN 37407
3. Chattanooga Truck Center - 1716 Church Road Chattanooga, TN 37421

R206768 - Parks Division, Public Works \$600,000.00

Grounds Maintenance for City Parks

Lowest/Best Bidders:

1. Sikes Services, LLC dba CityGreen Services P.O. Box 4250 Chattanooga, TN 37405
2. ERMC Property Management LLC 2226 Encompass Drive Suite 116 Chattanooga, TN 37421
3. Alicity Clean Energy LLC dba Alicity CMS - P.O. Box 80243 Chattanooga, TN 37414
4. Excellent Lawncare, LLC - 6050 Shallowford Road P.O. Box 23203 Chattanooga, TN 37422

R202000 - Fleet Management Division, Public Works \$237,500.00

Paint and Body Repairs on Medium and Heavy Duty Vehicles

Lowest/Best Bidders:

1. MHC Kenworth - Chattanooga - 7831 Lee Hwy Chattanooga, TN 37421
2. Lee-Smith, Inc - 2600 8th Avenue Chattanooga, TN 37407

R201999 - Fleet Management Division, Public Works \$237,500.00

Paint and Body Repairs on Light Duty Vehicles

Lowest/Best Bidder:

1. Maaco Collision Center - 4005 Dodds Avenue, Chattanooga, TN 37407
2. MHC Kenworth - Chattanooga - 7831 Lee Hwy, Chattanooga, TN 37421

R208067 - Youth and Family Development Department \$30,920.43

Recreation Division

MX5400HST Utility Tractor for Summit of Softball Field

Lowest/Best Bidder: Kubota of Chattanooga
2628 Rossville Blvd
Chattanooga, TN 37404

Councilwoman Berz moved to approve all purchases. Councilman Oglesby seconded. The motion carried upon roll call vote as follows:

Berz	YES	Mitchell	YES
Byrd	YES	Oglesby	YES
Coonrod	YES	Smith	YES
Gilbert	NO	Henderson	YES
Ledford	YES		

YES - Eight (8); NO - One (1)

ACTION: ALL PURCHASES APPROVED

OTHER BUSINESS:

CPD Report

Chief David Roddy addressed questions from Councilman Byrd about a video showing an apprehension on Thursday.

Electronic Meetings

Attorney Noblett updated the Council on the status of electronic meetings for the Council.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Budget and Finance Committee

Councilwoman Berz
(No report)

Economic and Community Development Committee

Councilman Oglesby reported:

- The committee met today in open meeting for the annual PILOT update.

Human Resources Committee

Councilman Gilbert reported:

- The HR Department gave a department report to the Council today.

Planning and Zoning Committee

Councilman Ledford reported:

- The committee will meet in two weeks, March 9th, after the 3:30 p.m. Agenda Session.

Public Safety Committee

Councilman Byrd
(No report)

Public Works and Transportation Committee

Councilman Mitchell reported:

- The committee met today in open meeting and heard a presentation on sewer rates.
- The committee will meet again on March 9th after the 3:30 p.m. Agenda Session.

Youth and Family Development Committee
Councilwoman Coonrod
(No report)

Legislative Committee
Vice-Chairman Smith
(No report)

RECOGNITION OF PERSONS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL
(Click [here](#) to listen to this portion of the meeting.)

Attorney Noblett read the rules of procedure for persons who had registered to address the Council. After which, Chairman Henderson recognized the following persons:

Speaker Name	District	Primary Topics:
• Ginger Moss	2	Public safety and questions that should be asked
• Christopher Dahl	8	Discriminatory legislation and no answer from departments on their policies.
• Jim Johnson	n/a	Disagrees with the proposed vegetative standards

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Councilman Oglesby, Chairman Henderson adjourned the meeting of the Chattanooga City Council for two weeks **until Tuesday, March 9, 2021**, at 6:00 p.m.

CHAIRMAN

CLERK OF COUNCIL