



City Council Building
Chattanooga, Tennessee
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
February 27, 2018
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. Phil Noblett, Deputy City Attorney, and Nicole Gwyn, Council Clerk, were also present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilman Byrd led the Assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF LAST MINUTES

On motion of Councilman Oglesby and seconded by Councilman Ledford, the minutes of the last meeting (February 20, 2018) were approved as published.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS (2)

Presentation #1

“2018 Social Work Day Proclamation”
Presented By Councilwoman Carol Berz

Councilwoman Berz asked Dr. Valerie Radu to come forward. She asked the social workers and social work students in the Assembly to stand for recognition. She thanked Dr. Radu and presented Dr. Radu with a proclamation by Mayor Berke for Social Work Day (*see wording attached*). Dr. Radu recognized the social work students in the Assembly today and thanked the Council for funding programs in the city that help citizens meet their social service needs.

Presentation #2

“Special Presentation Honoring Molly Cooper”
Presented by Councilman Chip Henderson

Councilman Henderson asked Molly Cooper of the Mayor's Office to come forward. He informed the Assembly that this would be Ms. Cooper's last week working for the city. He presented her with a proclamation from the Council (*see wording attached*). Ms. Cooper expressed thanks to the Council and introduced her work family to her home family: her parents, husband and three daughters.

ORDINANCES – FINAL READING:

MR-2017-176
Title Guaranty and Trust Company
% Kevin Boehm
District No. 7

On motion of Councilman Oglesby and seconded by Councilman Ledford,

ORDINANCE #13285

AN ORDINANCE CLOSING AND ABANDONING A PORTION OF THE UNOPENED RIDGEWAY AVENUE OFF THE 6200 BLOCK OF WESTRIDGE ROAD, AS DETAILED ON THE ATTACHED MAP, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

ACTION: APPROVED

ORDINANCES – FIRST READING:

On motion of Councilman Henderson and seconded by Councilman Byrd,

ORDINANCE #13286

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 11, BUSINESSES, TRADES, AND OCCUPATIONS, RELATING TO SHORT-TERM VACATION RENTALS.

Before he made the motion, Councilman Henderson asked for the revised map to be placed on the presentation screen for the Assembly to view. While the map was being projected, Councilwoman Berz informed the Assembly that the Council has discussed all agenda items thoroughly and on multiple occasions in prior meetings. Councilman Henderson explained that the STVR map had been enlarged north to Amnicola Highway and East to Missionary Ridge. Upon no questions or additional comments, the motion carried.

ACTION: PASSED ON FIRST READING

RESOLUTIONS:

On motion of Councilman Gilbert and seconded by Councilwoman Berz,

RESOLUTION #29337

A RESOLUTION DECLARING SURPLUS OF PROPERTY LOCATED AT 5909 HANCOCK ROAD, IDENTIFIED AS TAX MAP NO. 148P-A-005.

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilman Gilbert and seconded by Councilwoman Berz,

RESOLUTION #29338

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A DONATION AGREEMENT WITH CHATTANOOGA METROPOLITAN AIRPORT AUTHORITY, A REGISTERED NON-PROFIT, IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE FORM ATTACHED, AND TO EXECUTE ANY RELATED DOCUMENTS BETWEEN THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA AND CHATTANOOGA METROPOLITAN AIRPORT AUTHORITY FOR THE CONVEYANCE OF PROPERTY LOCATED AT 5909 HANCOCK ROAD, IDENTIFIED AS TAX MAP NO. 148P-A-005.

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilwoman Berz and seconded by Councilman Gilbert,

RESOLUTION #29339

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT TO EXERCISE OPTION TO RENEW FOR A ONE (1) YEAR TERM WITH DARDENELLE LONG, IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE FORM ATTACHED, FOR THE LEASE OF THE BARN AT BROWN ACRES GOLF COURSE FOR THE KEEPING OF ANIMALS AS CONSISTENT WITH ZONING REQUIREMENTS, WITH AN ADDRESS OF 406 BROWN ROAD ON A PORTION OF TAX PARCEL NO. 158I-G-001.

ACTION: ADOPTED

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

RESOLUTION #29340

A RESOLUTION TO AMEND RESOLUTION NO. 28058 AUTHORIZING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH PUBLIC FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT, INC. FOR FINANCIAL ADVISORY SERVICES FOR A PERIOD OF THREE (3) YEARS COMMENCING AUGUST 20, 2015, WITH ONE (1) OPTIONAL THREE (3) YEAR EXTENSION, FOR AN ESTIMATED ANNUAL AMOUNT OF \$110,000.00.

ACTION: ADOPTED

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

RESOLUTION #29341

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH HEFFERLIN + KRONENBERG ARCHITECTS, PLLC FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RELATIVE TO CONTRACT NO. R-17-004-101, GREENWAY FARM NEW CONFERENCE FACILITY, FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$76,000.00.

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilman Byrd and seconded by Councilwoman Coonrod,

RESOLUTION #29342

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 2 (FINAL) TO LAYNE INLINER, LLC OF ORLEANS, IN, RELATIVE TO CONTRACT NO. W-12-030-201, HIGHLAND PARK REHABILITATION PROJECT, A CONSENT DECREE PROJECT, FOR A DECREASED AMOUNT OF \$195,250.05, TO RELEASE THE REMAINING CONTINGENCY AMOUNT OF \$50,000.00, FOR A REVISED CONTRACT AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$2,216,275.83.

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilwoman Berz and seconded by Councilman Henderson,

RESOLUTION #29343

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 (FINAL) TO NABCO ELECTRIC COMPANY, INC. OF CHATTANOOGA, TN, RELATIVE TO CONTRACT NO. W-10-012-201, TELEMETRY AND SCADA UPGRADES, A CONSENT DECREE PROJECT, FOR A DECREASED AMOUNT OF \$5,633.52, TO RELEASE THE REMAINING CONTINGENCY AMOUNT OF \$90,000.00, FOR A REVISED CONTRACT AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$893,125.93.

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilwoman Berz and seconded by Councilman Byrd,

RESOLUTION #29344

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CORBIN AND CORTNEY GEARY, PROPERTY OWNERS, TO USE TEMPORARILY THE UNOPENED CITY RIGHT-OF-WAY BETWEEN 1210/1218 AND 1300 HAMILTON AVENUE FOR THE PURPOSE OF IMPROVING THE UNOPENED RIGHT-OF-WAY FOR PUBLIC ACCESS, AS SHOWN ON THE MAPS ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF BY REFERENCE, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

Councilwoman Berz informed Chairman Mitchell that the Council deferred this matter until he was present this week. She confirmed his support of this District 2 resolution prior to making her motion to approve. The motion carried.

ACTION: ADOPTED

PURCHASES:

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

R162158 - Public Works Estimated \$150,000 Annually
New Blanket Contract for Raising or Lowering
Manhole Services-Waste Resources Division
Lowest/Best Bidder: Mayse Construction Co.
P.O. Box 23027
Chattanooga, TN 37422

PO542338 - Public Works Estimated \$30,000 Annually
Blanket Contract Renewal for Erosion Control
Materials - City Wide Services
Lowest/Best Bidder: Jen-Hill Construction Material
P.O. Box 1192
Hendersonville, TN 37077

PO537482 - Public Works Estimated \$160,000 Annually
Blanket Contract Renewal Emulsified Asphalt
for Local Pickup-City Wide Services
Lowest/Best Bidder: Hudson Materials Company
1615 Sholar Ave. Suite 200
Chattanooga, TN 37406

PO540500 - Public Works Estimated \$30,000 Annually
Blanket Contract Renewal for Grounds Maintenance
for Selected City Properties
Lowest/Best Bidder: R & A Property Maintenance, Inc.
865 Old Hwy 28
Dunlap, TN 37327

PO542814 - Public Works Estimated \$70,000 Annually
Blanket Contract Renewal for Water Analysis
Services - Water Quality Division
Lowest/Best Bidder: TestAmerica Laboratories, Inc.
2960 Foster Creighton Drive
Nashville, TN 37204

Councilwoman Berz moved to approve, seconded by Councilman Oglesby. The motion carried.

ACTION: ALL PURCHASES APPROVED

OTHER BUSINESS:

District 4 Thanks

Councilman Ledford thanked Lt. Shawn Hickey (CPD), Justin Holland (Public Works) and John Bridger (Regional Planning) for participating in the joint city-county community meeting held in the East Brainerd with Hamilton County Commissioner Sabrena Smedley. He thanked them for providing updates and useful information to the citizens who attended.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Budget and Finance Committee

Councilman Henderson

(No report)

Economic and Community Development Committee

Councilman Oglesby reported:

- The committee met in open meeting today for an ECD departmental report, where the annual report on the status of the housing PILOT was presented.

Human Resources Committee (HR)

Councilman Gilbert

(No report)

Planning and Zoning Committee

Councilman Ledford reported:

- The committee will meet next week (March 6) after the Agenda Session to review planning and zoning cases and the Brainerd overlay.

Public Safety Committee

Councilman Byrd

(No report)

Public Works and Transportation Committee

Councilwoman Berz reported:

- The committee will meet next week after the Agenda Session to review items on next week's and the following week's agendas.

Youth and Family Development Committee

Councilwoman Coonrod

(No report)

Innovation Technology Committee

Vice-Chairman Smith reported:

- The committee will meet next after the Agenda Session to discuss lighting on the Walnut Street Bridge.

RECOGNITION OF PERSONS WISHING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL

(Non-Agenda Items)

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

- **Kirkland Robinson (Arlington Terrace/District 7)** - He is concerned with economic development in the 37410 zip code of Alton Park. He received several phone calls asking him to appear before the Council to speak about a lack of economic development. He appealed to the City for assistance to independent, private entrepreneurs already operating in Alton Park. He did an internal and external survey on the potential for enterprise in South Chattanooga and asks support in the Alton Park area. He asked that

the City to support Charles Clay, owner of a pallet business in Alton Park. He asked for authorization the use of a city-owned, surplus property (the former Key James Brick building) owned by the city for Mr. Clay to produce his pallets.

- **Everett Curtis (East Lake/District 7)** - He wanted to know if there was an ordinance regarding parking cars in front of houses on the lawns. He complained about his neighbors in East Lake parking in their yards and trash from his neighbors' houses. He informed the Council of a vacant property in his neighborhood where people have left mattresses and trash. He asked the Council to come out and look at the condition of Dodds Avenue and East Lake.
- **Latisha Petty (Chattanooga)** - She is a student from Chattanooga State majoring in human services. She discussed how social workers impact the community by helping improve family relationships and guide families through counseling processes. She discussed how social workers help families with long- and short-term goals. She talked about how social workers helped her after the loss of her mother, which inspired her to join the profession. She values social workers and hopes to inspire others because, she said, "social workers rock."
- **Zemiah Sims (Chattanooga State)** - She is a student from Chattanooga State as a social worker. She discussed how social workers impact lives and tackle social issues that benefit the nation. She discussed helping people see a new outlook on themselves and their community. She discussed how social workers help citizens reach positive results with problems in the nation.
- **Elizabeth Adkins (Chattanooga State)** - She is a student from Chattanooga State and wanted to reflect on the personal social assistance she and her family have received through social workers and social services. She has worked with homeless families through Family Promise on 11th Street. She discussed the network of social services network working with the homeless community on 11th Street. She wanted to address issues with immigration as the daughter of an immigrant. She has worked on the 20-year census at Family Promise and found that Mexican families have one of the lowest rate of homelessness due to having multi-generational homes. She discussed children being able to stay with relatives after their parents were deported. She asked that people address immigration, but not attack Mexicans, who are doing the best they can.
- **Jacqueline (UTC)** - She is from the UTC Social Work Department. She came before the Council regarding funding for homeless coalition. She found a homeless coalition "Blueprint to End Homelessness in the Chattanooga Area." She discussed the goal of the blueprint and found that there were no funds dedicated since 2016 regarding ending homelessness. The blueprint resulted in the ESG grant and HRPR grant. She discussed the Adverse Childhood Experience Movement that works to eliminate those adverse childhood experiences. She asked the Council how the city can get on track for ending homelessness, and what happened to the past funding.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Councilman Oglesby, Chairman Mitchell adjourned the meeting of the Chattanooga City Council until Tuesday, March 6, 2018, at 6:00 p.m.

CHAIRMAN

CLERK OF COUNCIL

ATTACHMENTS:
Social Work Day Proclamation
Molly Cooper Proclamation

PROCLAMATION #1

Whereas, The Social Work Profession is dedicated to enhancing the well-being of others and meeting the basic needs of all people, especially the most vulnerable in our society; and

Whereas, Social Workers embody this year's Social Work Month theme, "Social Workers: Leaders. Advocates. Champions;" and

Whereas, The Social Work profession is expected to grow faster than average over the next seven years, with more than 649,000 people expected to be employed as social workers by 2024; and

Whereas, Social Workers are present throughout our society, including the government, schools, universities, social service agencies, communities, the military and in health care and mental health organizations; and

Whereas, Social Workers are the largest group of suppliers of mental health services in the United States and the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs is one of the largest employers of social workers holding advanced degrees; and

Whereas, Social Workers are present in times of crisis, helping people overcome issues such as death and grief and helping people and communities recover from natural disasters such as floods and hurricanes; and

Whereas, Social Workers have pushed for decades to ensure rights for all, including women, African Americans, Latinos, people who are disabled, people who are LGBTQ and various ethnic, cultural and religious groups; and

Whereas, The Social Work Profession has helped bring about some of the most profound, positive changes in our society over the past century, including voting rights, improved workplace safety, minimum wage and social safety net programs that help prevent poverty and hunger; and

Whereas, Social Workers continue to engage and bring together individuals, communities, agencies and government to help society solve some of the most pressing issues of the day, including immigration reform, equal rights for all, affordable and good health care and mental health care for all; and protecting the environment.

Now Therefore,

In recognition of the numerous contributions made by America's Social Workers,
I, Andy Berke, Mayor of the City of Chattanooga, do hereby proclaim March 2018 as

National Social Work Month

And call upon all citizens to join the National Association of Social workers and the City of Chattanooga
in celebration and support of the Social Work Profession.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal
of the City of Chattanooga to be affixed this the 13th Day of February, 2018

Andy Berke, Mayor

PROCLAMATION #2

- Whereas** Molly Cooper has been a dedicated public servant for the citizens of Chattanooga for the past five years;
- Whereas** She has worked tirelessly to meet the needs of countless constituents who rely on members of the Council to bring resolution to complex problems;
- Whereas** Ms. Cooper has used the input from the citizens to change how the city delivers services;
- Whereas** She has played a leadership role in developing the fallen five memorial, the heroes run, the Chattanooga marathon, and countless other events and programs that bring Chattanooga together;
- Whereas** She has served with the highest level of commitment, integrity, and honesty;
- Whereas** Her impact on the City of Chattanooga and its residents will be felt for many years to come;

Now Therefore,

Be it proclaimed that we, the Chattanooga City Council,
recognize and gratefully acknowledge

Molly Cooper

for her selflessness, extraordinary service and dedication to the City of Chattanooga.

Jerry Mitchell, Chairman, District 2

Ken Smith, Vice Chairman, District 3

Chip Henderson, Councilman, District 1

Darrin Ledford, Councilman, District 4

Russell Gilbert, Councilman, District 5

Dr. Carol Berz, Councilwoman, District 6

Erskine Oglesby, Jr. Councilman, District 7

Anthony Byrd, Councilman, District 8

Demetrus Coonrod, Councilwoman, District 9