



Chattanooga City Council
Chattanooga, Tennessee
John P. Franklin, Sr. City Council Building
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
April 25, 2023
6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Council Chair Raquetta Dotley called the meeting to order. A quorum was present that also included Vice Chair Jenny Hill and Councilpersons Carol Berz, Chip Henderson, Isiah Hester, Darrin Ledford, Marvene Noel, and Ken Smith. Other participants present were Phil Noblett, City Attorney, and Melissa Bardoner, Council Support Specialist. Councilwoman Demetrus Coonrod was not present at this meeting. Video of the meeting is available on YouTube by clicking [here](#).

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilman Smith led the Assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF LAST MINUTES

On motion of Vice Chair Hill and seconded by Councilman Ledford, the minutes of the last meeting (April 18, 2023) were approved as published.

ORDINANCES – FINAL READING:

MR-2023-0005
EA Homes LP
District No. 4

On motion of Councilman Ledford and seconded by Councilman Smith,

ORDINANCE #13973

AN ORDINANCE CLOSING AND ABANDONING A SEWER EASEMENT LOCATED AT 7531 PINWOOD DRIVE, BEGINNING AT MH# S149B002 THENCE NORTHWEST 317 FEET TO MH# S149B003 THENCE NORTHEAST 294 FEET AND ENDING AT MH# S149B004, TAX MAP NO. 149C-A-009, AS DETAILED ON THE ATTACHED MAP, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

The motion carried.

ACTION: APPROVED

ORDINANCES – FIRST READING:

MR-2023-0030
Angel Franky Martinez
District No. 9

On motion of Councilman Ledford and seconded by Councilman Smith,

ORDINANCE #13971

AN ORDINANCE CLOSING AND ABANDONING A SEWER EASEMENT LOCATED IN THE 1800 BLOCK OF RIDGEWOOD DRIVE, BEGINNING AT MH#S156F093, THENCE SOUTHWEST 120 FEET TO MH#S156F016, TAX MAP NO. 156F-M-003, AS DETAILED ON THE ATTACHED MAP, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

The motion carried.

ACTION: PASSED ON FIRST READING

RESOLUTIONS:

On motion of Councilwoman Berz and seconded by Vice Chair Hill,

RESOLUTION #31584

A RESOLUTION TO AMEND RESOLUTION NO. 30548, REALLOCATING \$1,448,742.00 FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD) AWARDED UNDER THE CORONAVIRUS AID, RELIEF, AND ECONOMIC SECURITY ACT (CARES ACT) FOR THE ACQUISITION, RENOVATION, AND OPERATION OF A HOTEL/MOTEL TO SERVE AS A NON-CONGREGATE EMERGENCY SHELTER, TO BE REALLOCATED FOR ANY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) COVID ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES.

The motion carried.

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilwoman Noel and seconded by Councilwoman Berz,

RESOLUTION #31585

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS & OUTDOORS TO APPROVE CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 (FINAL) WITH ASTROTURF CONSTRUCTION CORPORATION, FOR THE JIM FROST STADIUM – CONVERSION OF NATURAL GRASS FIELD TO SYNTHETIC TURF TO THE DONATION AND FUNDING AGREEMENT, TO INCREASE BY \$78,762.00 DUE TO SUBGRADE REMEDIATION, ADDITION OF FROST STADIUM LOGO, DOUBLE BASE ANCHORS, AND OTHER CONSTRUCTION CHANGES FOR A REVISED PAYMENT AMOUNT OF \$161,262.00.

The motion carried.

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilman Hester and seconded by Councilman Smith,

RESOLUTION #31586

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS TO RENEW YEAR THREE (3) OF A FOUR (4) YEAR TERM FOR THE ON-CALL BLANKET CONTRACTS, FOR THE GEO-ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTING AND CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS TESTING SERVICES, CONTRACT NO. E-21-002-301, WITH THE FOLLOWING SEVEN (7) CONSULTANT FIRMS: (1) GEOSERVICES, LLC; (2) GEOSYNTEC CONSULTANTS; (3) K.S. WARE AND ASSOCIATES, LLC; (4) S&ME, INC.; (5) STANTEC CONSULTING SERVICES, INC.; (6) TERRACON CONSULTANTS, INC.; AND (7) THOMPSON ENGINEERING, INC., BASED UPON THE THREE (3) SERVICE CATEGORIES OF GEOTECHNICAL, CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS TESTING, AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES FOR EACH QUALIFIED CONSULTANT, FOR AN ANNUAL AMOUNT OF \$1.5 MILLION TO BE USED BY ALL DEPARTMENTS.

The motion carried.

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilman Hester and seconded by Councilwoman Berz,

RESOLUTION #31587

A RESOLUTION TO AMEND RESOLUTION NO. 31478, FOR THE ON-CALL BLANKET CONTRACT(S) FOR ON-CALL DESIGN AND PLAN PRODUCTION SERVICES, CONTRACT NO. S-20-004-100, SO AS TO CHANGE THE CONTRACTING NAME OF (9) CHAZEN, TO THE CONTRACTING NAME OF LABELLA ASSOCIATES, EFFECTIVE AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2021.

The motion carried.

ACTION: ADOPTED

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

Proposed Purchases

Julia Bursch, Deputy Chief Operating Officer, briefed the Council on the following:

200477 CDOT/Traffic Operations Division	\$80,000.00
Traffic Sign Posts	
Lowest/Best Bidder: Vulcan Inc.	
P. O. Box 1850	
Foley, AL 36536	

200467,1 Wastewater	\$325,000.00
Remote Monitoring Services for the	
Cryogenic Oxygen Generation System	
Lowest/Best Bidder: Solutionwerks, Inc.	
74 Sail Away Lane	
Moneta, VA 24121	

Councilwoman Berz moved to approve. Councilman Hester seconded. The motion carried.

ACTION: BOTH PURCHASES APPROVED

RFP Format Recommendation

Ms. Bursch recommended the following for approval as a Competitive Sealed Proposal instead of a Competitive Sealed Bid in compliance with City Code 2-554:

DEPARTMENT	SUMMARY	DOCUMENTATION LINK
Human Resources	Onsite Pharmacy Services- Each provider of this category of services provides a unique model of operations. The City needs to be able to actively make sure that the model provided meets the City's needs.	RFP Format Determination

Vice Chair Hill moved to approve the issuance of the RFP. Councilwoman Noel seconded. The motion carried.

ACTION: APPROVED TO ISSUE THE RFP

Sole Source Purchase

Ms. Bursch reported the following sole source purchase.

Date	Dept.	Description	Cost	Supplier	Explanation	Justification
4/17/26	Community Health	Radio Advertisements for Community Outreach Partnership	\$49,941.00	Brewer Media Group 1305 Carter Street Chattanooga, TN 37402	This is the only vendor whose radio stations reach the Community Safety and Gun Violence Prevention division's African American target market.	Sole Source Justification

No Council action was required.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Affordable Housing Committee

Vice Chair Jenny Hill

- The committee met today in open meeting. There was a presentation on the allocation for this year's CDBG (Community Development Block Grant) funds.

Budget and Finance Committee

Councilwoman Berz (No report)

Economic Development Committee

Councilwoman Coonrod (Not present)

Education and Innovation Committee

Councilwoman Noel (No report)

Equity and Community Development Committee

Councilwoman Coonrod (Not present)

Legislative Committee
Councilman Smith (No report)

Planning and Zoning Committee
Councilman Ledford

- The committee will meet on May 2, 2023.

Parks and Public Works
Councilman Hester (No report)

Public Safety Committee
Councilman Henderson

- The committee will meet on May 16, 2023, for the PARC (Police Advisory and Review Committee) Quarterly Report.

RECOGNITION OF PERSONS WISHING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL (Listen and view on YouTube [here](#))

Attorney Noblett read the rules of procedure for persons wishing to address the Council. After which, Chair Dotley recognized the following persons:

Speaker Name	District	Primary Topics:
• Mike Smith	3	Informed Council of Chattanooga Regional Homeless Coalition's annual education conference, from June 27-June 29, 2023, at the Chattanooga Convention Center. He also thanked La Paz for their services and support.
• Joshua Kapellush	(N/A)	Advocation for unsheltered citizens in the community. He thanked Mike Smith for the work he's doing with the Chattanooga Regional Homeless Coalition and urged Council to attend the annual education conference.
• Don Benedict	7	Barking dog ordinance – expressed frustration with Go Dog Chattanooga located on 20 th Street and the process inquired on prosecuting through the City Court. <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Councilwoman Berz inquired about the possibility of pursuing private action.○ Mr. Noblett advised Mr. Benedict to contact Mr. Smith in the City Attorney's Office to get the relevant City Code sections to pursue private action.
• Joe Hunter	(N/A)	Retiring on Friday from Teen Empowerment / Youth Enrichment and Gang Intervention Program(s). Thanked Council for their previous support.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Vice Chair Hill, Chair Dotley adjourned the meeting of the Chattanooga City Council until Tuesday, May 2, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.

COUNCIL CHAIR

CLERK OF COUNCIL