



City Council Building  
Chattanooga, Tennessee  
**COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**  
April 30, 2019  
6:00 PM

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Council Chairman Erskine Oglesby called the meeting to order with Vice-Chairman Chip Henderson and Councilpersons Carol Berz, Anthony Byrd, Demetrus Coonrod, Russell Gilbert, Darrin Ledford, Jerry Mitchell and Ken Smith. Phil Noblett, City Attorney, and Nicole Gwyn, Council Clerk, were also present.

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Councilman Gilbert led the Assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance. He then invited Pastor Jordan of Venue Church to give the invocation.

## **APPROVAL OF LAST MINUTES**

**On motion of Councilman Byrd and seconded by Councilman Ledford**, the minutes of the last meeting (April 23, 2019) were approved as published.

## **SPECIAL PRESENTATION**

### ***Proclamation – Boys Leadership Summit By Councilwoman Demetrus Coonrod***

Councilwoman Coonrod presented the following mayoral proclamation to the six (6) organizers of the 2019 Boys Leadership Summit:

- Whereas*, In the Spring of 2010, author and radio personality Michael Baisden’s “1 Million Mentors” Campaign was held in Chattanooga. He challenged the attendees with the following statement, “What are you going to do when I leave Chattanooga?” and
- Whereas*, In 2010, a group of men from various organizations with an interest in helping young African-American males become successful and productive adults, responded to that question and joined together to host the first Boys’ Leadership Summit in October of that year; and
- Whereas*, The annual event targets males in grades 6-12, as well as college males. It includes workshops, trainings, and other activities to help attendees learn to cope with issues and problems facing youth today. In addition, organizers have worked with organizations such as Big Brothers Big Sisters, and the Boys and Girls Club of Chattanooga to link boys with access to mentors; and

Whereas, On March 30, 2019, over 300 young men attended this year's summit on the campus of UTC; and

Whereas, The founders and organizers of the Boys Leadership Summit have provided a platform for conversations that will engage, empower, and encourage young men to achieve to greater heights.

**Now Therefore,**

I, Andy Berke, Mayor of the City of Chattanooga, do hereby recognize and acknowledge the organizers of the **Boys Leadership Summit**

**Montreal Beasley, Ladarius Price,  
Chris Ramsey, Troy Rogers,  
Chris Sands, & Temus Terry**

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Chattanooga to be affixed this the 30<sup>th</sup> Day of April, 2019

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*Andy Berke, Mayor*

Chris Ramsey, one of the recipients, expressed thanks on behalf of the organizers, and spoke on the power of unity bringing forth this event.

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**ORDINANCES – FINAL READING:**

**2019-024  
John Smotherman  
Alternate Version  
District No. 6**

On motion of Councilwoman Berz and seconded by Councilman Ledford,

**ORDINANCE #13456**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 38, ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 7315 TYNER ROAD AND 7445 LEE HIGHWAY, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED HEREIN, FROM R-1 RESIDENTIAL ZONE TO C-2 CONVENIENCE COMMERCIAL ZONE, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.**

**ACTION: APPROVED**

**ORDINANCES – FIRST READING:**

**Agenda Item VI(a):**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 11, ARTICLE XX, SHORT TERM VACATION RENTAL CERTIFICATE.**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 11, ARTICLE XX, SECTION 11-513, SHORT TERM VACATION RENTAL CERTIFICATE. (COUNCILWOMAN COONROD, ALTERNATE VERSION)**

**Councilwoman Coonrod moved** to table this item. She was seconded by Councilman Byrd. The motion carried.

**ACTION: TABLED**

**ORDINANCE #13457**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, CHAPTER 26, ARTICLE I, SECTION 26-22, BY DELETING THE CAPTION “RESERVED” AND ADDING A NEW HEADING ENTITLED, “NON-MOTORIZED WATERCRAFT PUBLIC LAUNCH ACCESS”.**

**Councilman Ledford moved** to approve the original version, with the intent of amending. He was seconded by Councilman Byrd. The motion carried. **Councilman Ledford moved** to amend by removing the reference to the board that was to be created and moving all appeals for paddleboards to the Passenger Vehicle for Hire Board under Sec. 35-17 of City Code. The motion was seconded by Councilman Byrd. The motion carried. **Councilman Ledford moved** to approve as amended, seconded by Councilman Smith. The motion carried.

**ACTION: AMENDED AND PASSED ON FIRST READING**

**ORDINANCE #13458**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 26, SECTION 26-3 RELATING TO OPERATION OF VEHICLES IN PARKS; CHAPTER 26, SECTION 26-4 RELATING TO RECKLESS SPEEDS; CHAPTER 24, SECTION 24-33 RELATING TO OVERTAKING AND PASSING OF VEHICLES PROCEEDING IN THE SAME DIRECTION; AND CHAPTER 24, SECTIONS 24-511 THROUGH 24-523, TO ESTABLISH RULES AND REGULATIONS RELATING TO THE OPERATION OF THE REGULATION OF DOCKLESS SMALL VEHICLE SHARING PROGRAMS.**

Councilman Gilbert moved to approve, seconded by Councilman Byrd. The motion carried. **Councilman Mitchell moved** to amend the age of operation from “16 years” old to “14 years” old minimum. He was seconded by Councilman Gilbert. Attorney Noblett confirmed that the change would affect Section 24-520.

The motion carried upon roll call vote as follows:

<b>Berz</b>	<b>ABSTAIN</b>	<b>Ledford</b>	<b>NO</b>
<b>Byrd</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>Mitchell</b>	<b>YES</b>
<b>Coonrod</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>Smith</b>	<b>ABSTAIN</b>
<b>Gilbert</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>Oglesby</b>	<b>YES</b>
<b>Henderson</b>	<b>ABSTAIN</b>		

Yes – Five (5); No – One (1); Abstain – Three (3)

**Councilman Mitchell moved** to approve as amended, seconded by Councilman Gilbert. The motion carried upon roll call vote as follows:

<b>Berz</b>	<b>Abstain</b>	<b>Ledford</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Byrd</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Mitchell</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Coonrod</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Smith</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Gilbert</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Oglesby</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Henderson</b>	<b>No</b>		

Yes – Five (5); No- Three (3); Abstain – One (1)

**ACTION: PASSED ON FIRST READING**

**RESOLUTIONS:**

On motion of Councilman Byrd and seconded by Councilwoman Coonrod,

**RESOLUTION #29902**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A LEASE AGREEMENT, IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE FORM ATTACHED, WITH DEW EDNEY, LLC, FOR OFFICE SPACE IN SUITE 905 OF THE EDNEY BUILDING, 1100 MARKET STREET, FOR A TERM OF FIVE (5) MONTHS, AT \$3,000.00 PER MONTH, FOR THE OCCUPANCY OF APPROXIMATELY 1,847 SQUARE FEET OF SPACE FOR USE BY THE OFFICE OF YOUTH AND FAMILY DEVELOPMENT FOR THE LOW INCOME HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, FOR A TOTAL PROJECT COST OF \$15,000.00.**

Councilwoman Coonrod wanted to clarify for the use of grant funds for this office space, which will be used for data dumping and sharing information for the five-month LIHEAP program. Upon no questions, the motion carried.

**ACTION: ADOPTED**

**Agenda Item VII(b):**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF HUMAN RESOURCES OFFICER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH GALLAGHER BENEFITS SERVICES, INC. TO CONDUCT A COMPENSATION STUDY FOR THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$98,500.00.**

**Councilman Gilbert moved** to defer one (1) week to May 7, 2019 so that the city can examine other components with this agreement. He was seconded by Councilman Byrd. The motion carried.

**ACTION: DEFERRED TO MAY 7, 2019**

On motion of Councilman Gilbert and seconded by Councilwoman Coonrod,

**RESOLUTION #29903**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF HUMAN RESOURCES TO EXTEND AN EXISTING AGREEMENT WITH UNUM GROUP TO PROVIDE GROUP LIFE INSURANCE AT THE RATE OF (\$0.119) PER \$1,000.00 OF COVERED SALARY AND ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT (AD&D) INSURANCE AT THE RATE OF (\$0.019) PER \$1,000.00 OF COVERED SALARY AND WILL OFFER CITY EMPLOYEES VOLUNTARY LIFE AND (AD&D) INSURANCE FOR A FIRST OF TWO (2) OPTIONAL RENEWAL TERMS BEGINNING JULY 1, 2019, AT THE APPROXIMATE COST OF \$515,000.00.**

**ACTION: ADOPTED**

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

**RESOLUTION #29904**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF HUMAN RESOURCES TO EXTEND AN EXISTING AGREEMENT WITH THE HARTFORD TO PROVIDE PENSION LONG-TERM DISABILITY (LTD) INSURANCE AT THE RATE OF FORTY-EIGHT CENTS (\$0.48) PER ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00) OF COVERED SALARY AND A FAMILY MEDICAL LEAVE ACT (FMLA) LEAVE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM AT THE RATE OF ONE AND 85/100 DOLLAR (\$1.85) PER EMPLOYEE PER MONTH AND WILL OFFER CITY EMPLOYEES VOLUNTARY SHORT-TERM DISABILITY (STD) INSURANCE FOR FIRST OF TWO (2) OPTIONAL RENEWAL TERMS BEGINNING JULY 1, 2019, AT THE APPROXIMATE COST OF EIGHT HUNDRED TWENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$820,000.00).**

The Clerk asked for clarification in the reading of the item on the agenda because the beginning date was omitted from the agenda. Attorney Noblett read the beginning date of July 1, 2019, into the record. Upon no further questions, the motion carried.

**ACTION: ADOPTED**

On motion of Councilwoman Berz and seconded by Councilman Ledford,

**RESOLUTION #29905**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS TO FINALIZE THE FIRST OF TWO OPTIONAL RENEWALS OF AN AGREEMENT WITH CLUB PROPHET SYSTEMS TO PROVIDE CITY GOLF COURSES WITH A POINT OF SALE AND TEE TIME RESERVATION SYSTEM ANNUALLY, FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$13,000.00.**

**ACTION: ADOPTED**

On motion of Councilman Ledford and seconded by Councilman Smith,

**RESOLUTION #29906**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH WISER CONSULTANTS, LLC FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES ASSOCIATED WITH HAMILTON PLACE BOULEVARD MODIFICATIONS, T-18-009-101, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$493,381.00, WITH A CONTINGENCY AMOUNT OF \$49,338.10, FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$542,719.10.**

**ACTION: ADOPTED**

On motion of Councilman Byrd and seconded by Councilwoman Coonrod,

**RESOLUTION #29907**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH MACHINIC, INC. FOR ARTWORK CREATION SERVICES FOR PHASE II OF THE PATTEN PARKWAY ARTWORK PROJECT, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$300,000.00.**

**ACTION: ADOPTED**

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

**RESOLUTION #29908**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH P&C CONSTRUCTION, INC. RELATIVE TO CONTRACT NO. D-17-019-201, FOR CONSTRUCTION SERVICES ASSOCIATED WITH PATTEN PARKWAY PEDESTRIAN PLAZA, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,913,688.40, WITH A CONTINGENCY AMOUNT OF \$391,368.84, FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$4,305,057.24.**

Vice-Chairman Henderson asked Blythe Bailey, Transportation Administrator, about a report on the monument moving. Mr. Bailey agreed to report back to the Council in December about this since he will need to check with the committee overseeing the move.

Councilman Gilbert asked Daisy Madison, Chief Finance Officer, about the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Waterfront funds being used as a source since this construction is downtown. Ms. Madison informed the Council that this construction was not part of the waterfront plan. Councilman Gilbert inquired about whether this was in the map of the waterfront funds. Ms. Madison agreed to check on that. The motion carried.

**ACTION: ADOPTED**

## **DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:**

### **Proposed Purchases**

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

**PO 545069 - Information Technology Department** Estimated \$500,000.00 Annually  
Blanket Contract Renewal - Technology, Security &  
Communication Solutions - Information Technology Department  
Lowest/Best Bidder: Tyler Technologies, Inc.  
5519 53rd Street  
Lubbock, TX 79414

**PO 540239 - Information Technology Department** Estimated \$1,500,000.00 Annually  
Blanket Contract Renewal - Technology Products,  
Services & Solutions - Information Technology Department  
Lowest/Best Bidder: Insight Public Sector  
6820 S. Harl Avenue  
Tempe, AZ 85283

**PO 543015 - Information Technology Department** Estimated \$35,000.00 Annually  
Blanket Contract Renewal - NetMotion Premium Maintenance –  
Information Technology Department  
Lowest/Best Bidder: Insight Public Sector  
6820 S. Harl Avenue  
Tempe, AZ 85283

**R181666 - Public Works Department** Estimated \$200,000.00 Annually  
New Blanket Contract - Police Vehicle Lighting &  
Equipment Installation - Fleet Management Division –  
Public Works Department  
Lowest/Best Bidder: On-Duty Depot  
10610 Dutchtown Road  
Knoxville, TN 37932

**PO 543280 & 543281 - Public Works Department** Total Estimated \$150,000.00 Annually  
Blanket Contract Renewals - Paper Goods - City Wide –  
Facilities Management Division - Public Works Department  
Lowest/Best Bidders:  
1. AVM Enterprises, Inc. - 8925 Transport Lane, Ooltewah, TN 37363  
2. American Paper & Twine Company - 2134 Amnicola Highway, Chattanooga, TN 37406

**PO 543278 & 543279 - Public Works Department** Total Estimated \$1,000,000.00 Annually  
Blanket Contract Renewals - Plumbing Services –  
City Wide - Facilities Management Division - Public Works Department  
Lowest/Best Bidders:  
1. Keefe Plumbing & Heating Company, Inc. - 1820 East 23rd Street Chattanooga, TN 37404  
2. Chase Service, LLC - 6123 Airways Blvd Chattanooga, TN 37421

**PO 543499 Public Works Department** Estimated \$100,000.00 Annually  
Blanket Contract Renewal - Janitorial & Custodial Services –  
Waste Resource Division – Public Works Department  
Lowest/Best Bidder: Custom Custodial Services  
4300 North Access Road  
Chattanooga, TN 37415

**PO 548606 & 548607 - Public Works Department** Total Estimated \$125,000.00 Annually  
Blanket Contract Renewals - PVC Pipe & Fittings –  
Waste Resources Division - Public Works Department  
Lowest/Best Bidders:  
1. Piping Supply Company 3008 North Hickory Street Chattanooga, TN 37406  
2. Consolidated Pipe & Supply Company, Inc. 1332 Stuart Street Chattanooga, TN 37406

**On motion of Vice-Chairman Henderson** and seconded by Councilman Ledford, all purchases were approved.

**ACTION: ALL PURCHASES APPROVED**

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

*Budget and Finance Committee*

Councilwoman Berz reported:

- The schedule for the Council’s budget education sessions was distributed today. Details about the sessions will be distributed next week.
- The sessions will take place May 7 – June 25.

*Economic and Community Development Committee*

Councilman Byrd reported:

- The committee met today in open meeting to hear a presentation by River City Company on the Business Improvement District.
- The Council heard a presentation on Predatory Lending today in the 1:30 p.m. open meeting by CNE and the Mayor’s Council for Women.

*HR Committee (Human Resources)*

Councilman Gilbert  
(No report)

*Planning and Zoning*

Councilman Ledford reported:

- The committee will meet next week (May 7) after the 3:00 p.m. Agenda Session.



*Public Safety Committee*

Councilman Smith reported:

- The committee met today in open meeting with Chief Roddy about the Police Advisory and Review Committee legislation. The committee will hear back from Chief Roddy on a timeline for the review committee.

*Public Works and Transportation Committee*

Councilman Mitchell reported:

- The committee met today and will meet again in two (2) weeks after the 3:00 p.m. Agenda Session.

*Youth and Family Development Committee*

Councilwoman Coonrod

(No report)

*Legislative Committee*

Vice-Chairman Henderson

(No report)

**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 Oglesby recognized the following persons:

- **Jim Johnson** (Chattanooga) – He has been attending meetings with developer for the Publix coming to Broad Street. The opposition has been against what he called “bad suburban development in an urban setting.” Once the opposition’s concerns reached corporate ears, Publix was willing to address the community’s concerns. He read some of what the developer has planned for now. He hates that some people were willing to accept the grocery store at all costs. He believes such an attitude weakened the city’s advantage.
- **Christopher Dahl** (E. 12<sup>th</sup> St.) – He brought his son to ask about sewer issues. He noted that there is a pungent smell from Moccasin Bend and from a plant in South Chattanooga. He believes the smells need to be remediated. Regarding a separate matter, he wanted to comment on the city’s board process. He believes that board members should be required to sign that they will abide by Robert’s Rules of Order.
- **Jared Story** (Chattanooga) – He read a statement from Concerned Citizens for Justice regarding the proposed police advisory and review committee. Community organizations and community members have been wanting an oversight board for the police department for years and have spoken to the Council about it. CCJ asked to defer the currently-proposed legislation for a community-led oversight board. Their letter to the Council has been ignored. He discussed the type of police oversight board model that CCJ would like to see put in place.
- **Susan Bureau** (Hixson) - She wants to know how to give community input on the short-term vacation rentals.
  - Mr. Noblett informed Ms. Bureau about public meetings that will be schedule by RPA and placed on the RPA website. He also explained the process of bringing the matter back by before the Council upon the request of two council member.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**On motion of Councilman Mitchell**, Chairman Oglesby adjourned the meeting of the Chattanooga City Council until Tuesday, May 7, 2019, at 6:00 p.m.

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**CHAIRMAN**

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**CLERK OF COUNCIL**