

Chattanooga City Council Chattanooga, Tennessee John P. Franklin, Sr. City Council Building

## **COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

May 31, 2022 6:00 PM

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Council Chairman Darrin Ledford called the meeting to order. A quorum of eight was present that also included Vice Chair Raquetta Dotley and Councilpersons Carol Berz, Demetrus Coonrod, Chip Henderson, Isiah Hester, Jenny Hill, and Marvene Noel. Councilman Ken Smith was not present at this meeting. Others present were Emily O'Donnell, City Attorney, and Nicole Gwyn, Council Clerk. Video of the meeting is available on YouTube by clicking <a href="https://example.com/here-neeting-nee

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Ledford opened the meeting by leading the Pledge of Allegiance. He then invited Dr. David Banks to give an invocation.

#### SPECIAL PRESENTATION

## Public Hearing - FY2023 Budgets

Chairman Ledford yielded the chair of the meeting to Councilwoman Berz, chair of the Budget and Finance Committee, for the hearing. Councilwoman Berz informed the Assembly that the hearing would take place for one hour, unless the Council needs more time. She also allotted two minutes per speaker. After which, she opened the floor to the public and recognized the following speakers.

	District	Budget Concerns:
Joshua Kapellusch	(N/A)	Financial health/sharing light and love
Lynn Rutherford	7	Head Start \$15 per hour/city step plan
Stephen Russell	3	Head Start living wage/COLA/city step plan
Brad Rayson	(N/A)	Employee compensation/city step plan
Angela Daniels	5	Arena of Praise Youth Job Fair
Audrey Ramsey	2	Gun violence/Investing in parents, students, teachers
Betty Maddox Battle	(N/A)	Homicide support group/conflict resolution
Jackie Simpson	9	Youth programming to stop violence
Alice Williams	5	Working at rec center/love for youth
Megan Godfrey	(N/A)	Homeless housing/Moment of silence for the homeless
Joe Hunter	(N/A)	Funding for youth services
Jasmin Townsend	(N/A)	Being a product of Head Start/Support for Head Start
Joe Clark	7	Funding for speed humps in the Westside
Dr. Everlena Holmes	9	Housing/Parents needing help/Saturday University
Cantus Griffith	6	Head Start budget/benefits of Head Start

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Once she confirmed that there were no more speakers, Councilwoman Berz informed the Assembly about the Council's budget deliberations taking place next Tuesday, June 7, during the 2:00 p.m. Strategic Planning meeting in the Assembly Room. She invited the public to attend.

Councilwoman Berz closed the public hearing at 6:37 p.m. She then returned the chair of the meeting to Chairman Ledford.

#### APPROVAL OF LAST MINUTES

**On motion of Councilwoman Hill** and seconded by Vice Chair Dotley, the minutes of the last meeting (May 24, 2022) were approved as published.

## **ORDINANCES - FINAL READING:**

2022-0095
Beacon Acquisitions
Planning Version #2/Alternate Version
District No. 1

On motion of Councilman Henderson and seconded by Councilwoman Hill,

#### **ORDINANCE #13837**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 38, ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 702 MANUFACTURERS ROAD, FROM M-1 MANUFACTURING ZONE TO R-RV-6 RIVER VIEW ZONE AND R-RF-6 RIVERFRONT ZONE, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

**ACTION: APPROVED** 

2022-0057 Tucker Baptist Church Planning Version #2 District No. 5

On motion of Councilman Hester and seconded by Councilwoman Coonrod,

#### **ORDINANCE #13838**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 38, ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE PART OF A PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1115 NORTH MOORE ROAD, FROM R-1 RESIDENTIAL ZONE TO R-3 RESIDENTIAL ZONE, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

The motion carried upon roll call vote as follows:

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Henderson	YES	Noel	YES
Hill	YES	Coonrod	YES
Hester	YES	Dotley	NO
Berz	YES	Ledford	YES

YES – Seven (7); NO – One (1)

**ACTION: APPROVED** 

On motion of Councilwoman Hill and seconded by Councilman Henderson,

## **ORDINANCE #13839**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 38, ZONING ORDINANCE, BY ADDING ARTICLE XVII, ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS, SECTIONS 38-764 THROUGH 38-771.

**ACTION: APPROVED** 

ORDINANCES – FIRST READING: (NONE)

## **RESOLUTIONS:**

On motion of Councilman Henderson and seconded by Councilman Henderson,

#### **RESOLUTION #31126**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REVISIONS AND ADDITIONAL POLICIES TO THE EMPLOYEE INFORMATION GUIDE (EIG) TO BE EFFECTIVE MAY 31, 2022, BY ADDING A NEW SOCIAL MEDIA POLICY; REVISIONS TO THE TELEWORK, GRIEVANCE AND BENEFITS POLICIES; AND SPELLING AND GRAMMATICAL CORRECTIONS THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE DOCUMENT.

**ACTION: ADOPTED** 

**PROCEDURAL NOTE**: With no objection from the Council, Chairman Ledford instructed the Clerk to group and read the following four resolutions for one Council vote.

## **RESOLUTION #31127**

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING MAYOR KELLY'S APPOINTMENT OF NATHAN BIRD TO THE HISTORIC ZONING COMMISSION, WITH A TERM EXPIRATION OF JUNE 19, 2023.

#### **RESOLUTION #31128**

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING MAYOR KELLY'S APPOINTMENT OF SHAWANNA KENDRICK TO THE CHATTANOOGA DOWNTOWN REDEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, WITH A TERM EXPIRATION OF MAY 31, 2025.

#### **RESOLUTION #31129**

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING MAYOR KELLY'S APPOINTMENT OF JACKIE DOWELL TO THE HAMILTON COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION, WITH A TERM EXPIRATION OF JUNE 9, 2024.

#### **RESOLUTION #31130**

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING MAYOR KELLY'S APPOINTMENT OF MARCUS JONES TO THE HAMILTON COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION, WITH A TERM EXPIRATION OF JUNE 9, 2024.

**Councilman Henderson moved** to approve all four resolutions. Councilwoman Berz seconded. The motion carried.

## ACTION: RESOLUTIONS 31127 - 31130 ADOPTED

**PROCEDURAL NOTE**: With no objection from the Council, Chairman Ledford instructed the Clerk to group and read the following two resolutions for one Council vote.

#### **RESOLUTION #31131**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS TO AWARD CONTRACT NO. Y-21-024-201, TO WILDER CONTRACTING, LLC, OF HARRISON, TN, FOR WARNER PARK POOL SHOWER IMPROVEMENTS AND SOFTBALL FIELD RESTROOM IMPROVEMENTS, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$139,788.00, WITH A CONTINGENCY AMOUNT OF \$14,000.00, FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$153,788.00.

#### **RESOLUTION #31132**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS TO RENEW ON-CALL BLANKET CONTRACT NO. E-19-011-202, FOR YEAR TWO (2) OF FOUR (4) FOR THE ROOF INSPECTIONS, REPAIRS, AND MAINTENANCE, WITH THE FOLLOWING TWO (2) VENDORS: (1) PORTER ROOFING CONTRACTORS, INC., OF MORRISON, TN; AND (2) TRI-STATE ROOFING CONTRACTORS, LLC, OF CHATTANOOGA, TN, FOR THE ANNUAL AMOUNT OF \$250,000.00 TOTAL, FOR USE BY ALL DEPARTMENTS.

**Councilwoman Hill moved** to approve both resolutions. Councilman Henderson seconded. The motion carried.

ACTION: RESOLUTIONS 31131 - 31132 ADOPTED

## **DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:**

## **Proposed Purchases**

Brent Goldberg, Chief Financial Officer, briefed the Council on the following proposed purchases:

**557905 Early Leaning** \$57,750.00

Diapers and Wipes

Lowest/Best Bidder: Diapers 4 Less

13460 60th Place N, #110 Plymouth, MN 55446

**561691** Human Resources \$664,119.00

Stop Loss Insurance

Lowest/Best Bidder: BlueCross BlueShield of TN

1 Cameron Hill Circle Chattanooga, TN 37402

200242 Waste Resources Division, Public Works \$2,300,000.00

Programmable Logic Controller (PLC) Services Lowest/Best Bidder: RMJ Consulting, LLC.

8052 Standifer Gap Rd. Suite A

Chattanooga, TN 37421

**REQ 116174 Fleet Management Division, Public Works** \$200,771.96

New 2024 International HV607 4x2 Chassis with

Dempster Dumpster Attachment Lowest/Best Bidder: Lee-Smith, Inc

2600 8th Avenue

Chattanooga, TN 37407

**Councilwoman Berz moved** to approve. Vice Chair Dotley seconded.

## ACTION: ALL PURCHASES APPROVED

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Budget and Finance Committee

Councilwoman Berz reported:

- The Council held a public hearing in this meeting for the FY23 budgets.
- The Council will begin deliberations next week, June 7, during the 2:00 p.m. Strategic Planning meeting.

Economic Development Committee Councilwoman Coonrod (No report)

Education and Innovation Committee Councilwoman Noel (No report)

Equity and Community Development Committee Vice Chair Dotley (No report)

Legislative Committee
Councilman Smith (Not present)

# Planning and Zoning Committee Councilwoman Hill reported:

• The committee will meet next week, June 7, after the 3:30 p.m. Agenda Session.

## Parks and Public Works

Councilman Hester reported:

• The committee met today in open meeting and will meet again in two weeks.

Public Safety Committee Councilman Henderson (No report)

## **Ad Hoc STVR Committee**

Councilman Henderson informed the Assembly that the committee would meet on next Tuesday at 12:30 p.m. in the J.B. Collins Conference Room.

## **COMMENTS FROM CHIEF MURPHY**

Police Chief Celeste Murphy addressed the Council and Assembly in light of the violence that took place this weekend. Her comments may be heard by clicking <u>here</u>.

# RECOGNITION OF PERSONS WISHING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL (Listen and view on YouTube <a href="here">here</a>)

Attorney O'Donnell read the rules of procedure for persons wishing to address the Council. After which, Chairman Ledford recognized the following persons:

District	Primary Topics:
8	Changing community norms/cultivating youth/CAHOOTS
8	Ego starvation problem/His teaching resources for youth
(N/A)	Police Association's 3-on-3 Basketball Event on July 26 at Avondale Center from 12:00 – 6:00 p.m.
(N/A)	Gun regulation locally
(N/A)	Covington House for homeless youth
(N/A)	Moms Demand Actions "Survivors Gathering" on June 4 at Tacoa Park from 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
	8 (N/A) (N/A) (N/A)

## ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Councilman Henderson,	, Chairman Ledford adjourned the meeting of the
Chattanooga City Council until Tuesday,	June 7, 2022, at 6:00 p.m.

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