



Electronic-Conducted (Virtual) Minutes
Chattanooga, Tennessee

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

July 21, 2020
6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Council Chairman Chip Henderson called the meeting to order by electronic means. A quorum was present that included Vice-Chairman Ken Smith and Councilpersons Carol Berz, Anthony Byrd, 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. A video of the meeting is available [here](#).

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilman Mitchell 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 (July 14, 2020) were approved as published. The motion carried unanimously (9-0) upon roll call vote.

ORDINANCES – FINAL READING:

PROCEDURAL NOTE: With no objection from the Clerk, Chairman Henderson instructed the Clerk to group and read the seven planning ordinances for one Council vote.

2020-0076
Tommy Austin
Planning Version
District No. 1

ORDINANCE #13577

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 38, ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 813A SIGNAL MOUNTAIN ROAD, FROM R-2 RESIDENTIAL ZONE TO C-2 CONVENIENCE COMMERCIAL ZONE.

2020-0072
Pratt & Associates, LLC
Planning Version
District No. 3

ORDINANCE #13578

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 38, ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE PROPERTIES LOCATED AT 5235 AND 5243 OLD HIXSON PIKE AND 5117 (PART) AND 5120 GOODEN LANE, FROM R-1 RESIDENTIAL ZONE TO R-3 RESIDENTIAL ZONE, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

2020-0066
SEI Ventures of TN, LLC
Planning Version
District No. 7

ORDINANCE #13579

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 38, ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE PROPERTIES LOCATED AT 1933 AND 1939 CENTRAL AVENUE AND 1936 MYRTLE STREET, FROM M-1 MANUFACTURING ZONE TO UGC URBAN GENERAL COMMERCIAL ZONE, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

2020-0071
Allen Jones
Planning Version
District No. 8

ORDINANCE #13580

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 38, ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1701 DODSON AVENUE, FROM M-3 WAREHOUSE AND WHOLESALE ZONE TO C-5 NEIGHBORHOOD COMMERCIAL ZONE.

2020-074
Joseph Ingram
Planning Version
District No. 8

ORDINANCE #13581

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 38, ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2202 BENNETT AVENUE, FROM R-2 RESIDENTIAL ZONE TO R-T/Z RESIDENTIAL TOWNHOUSE/ZERO LOT LINE, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

2020-0075
Matt Lyle
Planning Version
District No. 8

ORDINANCE #13582

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 38, ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE PROPERTIES LOCATED AT 1001 AND 1003 SOUTH BEECH STREET, FROM R-T/Z RESIDENTIAL TOWNHOUSE/ZERO LOT LINE ZONE TO UGC URBAN GENERAL COMMERCIAL ZONE, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

2020-0070
Joseph Ingram
Planning Version
District No. 9

ORDINANCE #13583

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 38, ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE PROPERTIES LOCATED AT 2501 AND 2505 EAST 12TH STREET AND 1024 PEACHTREE STREET, FROM R-2 RESIDENTIAL ZONE TO RT-1 RESIDENTIAL TOWNHOUSE ZONE.

Vice-Chairman Smith moved to approve all seven planning items. Councilman Ledford seconded. The motion carried unanimously (9-0) upon roll call vote.

ACTION: ORDINANCES 13577 – 13583 APPROVED

On motion of Councilman Gilbert and seconded by Councilwoman Berz,

ORDINANCE #13584

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 16, SECTIONS 16-59 - 16-66, REGARDING THE POLICE ADVISORY AND REVIEW COMMITTEE.

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

ACTION: APPROVED

ORDINANCES - FIRST READING:

2020-0038
ASA Engineering
Planning Version
District No. 4

Agenda Item VI(a)

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 38, ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 7301 SHALLOWFORD ROAD, FROM R-1 RESIDENTIAL ZONE TO C-4 PLANNED COMMERCE CENTER ZONE, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

Councilman Ledford informed the Council that he is still working on some conditional items with the ordinance. Therefore, **Councilman Ledford moved** to defer to August 18, 2020. Vice-Chairman Smith seconded. The motion carried unanimously (9-0) upon roll call vote.

ACTION: DEFERRED TO AUGUST 18, 2020

On motion of Councilwoman Berz and seconded by Councilman Gilbert,

ORDINANCE #13585

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 26, ARTICLE IV, SECTION 26-91, FEE SCHEDULE – MUNICIPAL GOLF COURSES AND CHAPTER 26, ARTICLE 1, SECTION 26-17, OTHER ACTS PROHIBITED.

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

ACTION: PASSED ON FIRST READING

RESOLUTIONS:

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

RESOLUTION #30420

A RESOLUTION TO CONFIRM THE RE-APPOINTMENT OF BILL LOCKHART TO THE SPORTS AUTHORITY BOARD REPRESENTING DISTRICT 7 WITH A TERM ENDING JULY 31, 2025.

RESOLUTION #30421

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO NON-PROFIT LEASE STANDARD FORM AGREEMENT, IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE FORM ATTACHED, WITH FORGOTTEN CHILD FUND, INC., TO AMEND THE RENEWAL OPTIONS TO ONE ADDITIONAL TERM OF SIX (6) MONTHS.

RESOLUTION #30422

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE INTERIM TREASURER TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH E-GOVERNMENT SOLUTIONS FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION AND MAINTENANCE OF A CITY WIDE MUNICIPAL PROPERTY TAX BILLING AND COLLECTION SOFTWARE SYSTEM FOR THREE (3) YEARS BEGINNING JULY 1, 2020, PLUS TWO (2) ONE YEAR EXTENSIONS, FOR AN ANNUAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$64,000.00.

RESOLUTION #30423

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS TO RELEASE THE THIRD PAYMENT OF THE APPROVED CONTRACT FUNDS TO COLAB FOR KIVA FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$43,000.00.

Vice-Chairman Smith moved to approve the four resolutions. Councilman Ledford seconded. The motion carried unanimously (9-0) upon roll call vote.

ACTION: RESOLUTIONS 30420 - 30423 ADOPTED

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

RESOLUTION #30424

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS TO APPLY FOR AND, IF AWARDED, ACCEPT A TOURISM ENHANCEMENT GRANT FOR THE ENHANCEMENT OF EXISTING TOURISM NEEDS AT THE AQUARIUM PLAZA, FOR AN AMOUNT UP TO \$75,000.00.

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

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilwoman Berz and seconded by Councilman Gilbert,

RESOLUTION #30425

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING YEAR ONE (1) OF A FIVE (5) YEAR TERM FOR THE ON-CALL BLANKET CONTRACT(S) FOR ON-CALL DESIGN AND PLAN PRODUCTION SERVICES, CONTRACT NO. S-20-004-100, WITH THE FOLLOWING FIRMS: (1) WK DICKSON; (2) VOLKERT; (3) BARGE DESIGN; (4) S&ME; (5) RK&K; (6) GEOSYNTEC; (7) CTI; (8) CROY; (9) CHAZEN; (10) BROWN & CALDWELL; AND (11) ARCADIS, THAT EACH CONSULTANT QUALIFIED FOR THE RENEWAL OF THE FIVE (5), ONE (1) YEAR BLANKET CONTRACTS FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES ESTIMATED AT \$250,000.00 TOTAL ANNUALLY FOR ALL ELEVEN (11) PROFESSIONAL FIRMS FOR USE BY ALL DEPARTMENTS.

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

ACTION: ADOPTED

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

Proposed Purchases

Vickie Haley, Interim Director of Purchasing, briefed the Council via electronic means on the following proposed purchases:

198785 City Wide Services Division, Public Works \$40,000.00

Personal Protective Safety Equipment

Lowest/Best Bidder:

1. Roll-Aid Industrial Supply P.O. Box 2346 Chattanooga, TN 37409
2. Environmental & Hygiene Safety, Inc P.O. Box 4931 Chattanooga, TN 37405

R199553 City Wide Services Division, Public Works \$46,000.00

High Visibility Work Clothing

Lowest/Best Bidders:

1. Reflective Apparel Factory - 1649 Sands Place, Suite J Marietta, GA 30067
2. Safety Products, Inc - 3517 Craftsman Blvd Lakeland, FL 33803

R199789 City Wide Services Division, Public Works \$42,000.00

Portable Toilet Rental Services

Lowest/Best Bidders:

1. American Rooter & Portables, LLC - P.O. Box 938 Cleveland, TN 37311
2. Port-o-Toilet LLC dba Pit Stop Portables - 1516 East Main Street Chattanooga, TN 37404

PO 554861 City Wide Services Division, Public Works \$41,000.00

Grounds Maintenance for Enterprise South Industrial Park

Lowest/Best Bidder: R & A Property Maintenance
865 Old Hwy 58
Dunlap, TN 37327

PO 555892 Waste Resources Division, Public Works Increase of \$250,000 for a total
Liquid Sodium Bisulfite estimated annual spend of \$980,500

Lowest/Best Bidder: Southern Ionics
PO Box 1217
West Point, MS 39773

R193372 Human Resources \$15,000 Annually for Administration

Flexible Spending Account Administration \$500,000 Employee Funded Claims Payment

Lowest/Best Bidder: Interflex Payments LLC dba Ameriflex, Inc.
2508 Highlander Way, Suite 200
Carrollton, TX 75006

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

ACTION: ALL PURCHASES APPROVED

OTHER BUSINESS:

Workforce Development Donation

Councilman Oglesby announced that ECD's Workforce Development has received a \$24,000.00 donation from Norfolk Southern Railroad for workforce development, in conjunction with UTC's Manufacturing and Excellence Program. He noted that this program will be discussed next week during the ECD Department Report.

Chattanooga Veteran's Appreciation Day

Councilwoman Coonrod informed everyone that the Chattanooga Veterans Appreciation Day has been rescheduled due to the COVID-19 pandemic to November 7, 2020. All health and safety precautions that have been implemented by the city and the county as well as guidelines from the CDC will be enforced. Mask and sanitation devices will be provided for veterans and attendees. She informed everyone that on July 20, 2019, Mayors Andy Berke and Jim Coppinger recognized the Chattanooga Veterans Appreciation Day, alongside the city and county and District 28 State Representative Yusuf Hakeem.

Honor Air Chattanooga

Councilman Ledford read a news release about the Honor Air Chattanooga. In celebration of Chattanooga Veterans Appreciation Day on July 20, 2020, a new project, "Honor Air Chattanooga," will host a complimentary biannual flight for World War II, Korean War, and Vietnam War veterans to Washington D.C. to visit their respective memorials. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and concerns for veterans, the inaugural flight scheduled for October 3 of this year was cancelled. In the summer or fall of this year, the Greater Chattanooga area veterans will embark on a one-day trip to Washington, D.C. to visit their respective memorials. Honor Air Chattanooga was established to allow veterans to be honored in a way deserving of a hero. Each veteran will be accompanied by a personal escort as well as a national security escort. Honor Air Chattanooga is accepting applications for the trip. More information is available at www.honorairchattanooga.org.

Congressional Aid to Cities

Councilwoman Coonrod informed everyone that Congress is positioned to provide direct budget aid to cities. The Senate Finance Committee recently released their framework, but it did not include funding for state and local governments. She encouraged everyone to contact Congressman Chuck Fleischmann at his Chattanooga office, 423-756-2342, or his D.C. office, (202) 225-3271, to seek his support of funding for local municipalities.

Challenge to Black Residents

Councilwoman Coonrod made comments regarding "black-on-black" violence after video circulated about an incident across the street from the Avondale Center. She challenged black residents to join the next Council meeting to let the Council know what they want in their communities.

Board Appointment

Councilman Gilbert appointed Alan Jay Holman to the Office of Multicultural Affairs Advisory Board for District 5.

Brainerd Mural

Councilman Gilbert encouraged everyone to go view the new Brainerd YFD Center Mural.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Budget and Finance Committee

Councilwoman Berz

- The committee met today during the Strategic Planning meeting to look at some proposed budget amendments and decided that no further amendments would be made at this time.

Economic and Community Development Committee

Councilman Oglesby

(No report)

Human Resources Committee

Councilman Gilbert

(No report)

Planning and Zoning Committee

Councilman Ledford

(No report)

Public Safety Committee

Councilman Byrd

(No report)

Public Works and Transportation Committee

Councilman Mitchell reported:

- The committee met today and will meet again in two weeks (August 4, 2020). During that meeting, CDOT will give a presentation on the city's treatment of alleys.

Youth and Family Development Committee

Councilwoman Coonrod

(No report)

Legislative Committee

Vice-Chairman Smith:

- During the Other Business section of the meeting, he informed everyone that the committee will meet next [via electronic means] to discuss the "8 Can't Wait" resolution.

RECOGNITION OF PERSONS WISHING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL

(Listen by clicking [here](#))

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

Name	District	Primary Topic:
• Casey Crook	3	Council's budget rhetoric regarding public input and outcry
• Ben Campbell	2	Correlations between oppression, white supremacy, and crime
• Mary Twitty	1	Cognitive dissidence contributing to a lack of support
• Winston Hearn	1	Proposed budget amendments not being accepted
• Geoffrey Maldahl	7	Lack of hope mirrored by people addressing the Council
• Christopher Corley	2	Council deflecting responsibility and continuing status quo
• Lucy Schultz	1	Work done by the people, but Council keeps moving goal posts
• Sarah Kantor	8	Council not listening to protestors on the budget amendments
• Alfred Brummitt	5	Asks City to renew lease with Eastgate Seniors Center

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Councilman Oglesby, Chairman Henderson adjourned the meeting of the Chattanooga City Council until Tuesday, July 28, 2020, at 6:00 p.m. [Editor's Note: Any person may join the electronic-conducted meetings of the Chattanooga City Council at the scheduled time by visiting online at council.chattanooga.gov.]

CHAIRMAN

CLERK OF COUNCIL