

**City Council Building
Chattanooga, Tennessee
November 30, 2004
6:00 p.m.**

Chairman Benson called the meeting of the Chattanooga Council to order with Councilmen Franklin, Hakeem, Littlefield, Page, Pierce, Robinson and Taylor present; Councilman Lively was out of the city on business. City Attorney Randall Nelson, Management Analyst Randy Burns and Council Clerk Carol O'Neal, CMC, were also present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/INVOCATION

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Councilman Hakeem gave invocation.

MINUTE APPROVAL

On motion of Councilwoman Robinson, seconded by Councilman Taylor, the minutes of the previous meeting were approved as published and signed in open meeting.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION: NICKEY BOWMAN

Councilman Littlefield stated that he could not remember when in government he did not hear the name Nickey Bowman brought up in a very positive way whenever we seemed to be embarking on any major project; that Mr. Bowman's name seemed to be a part of helping to make it happen. He stated that he received a call from Darrell McDonald a few days ago who gave him a lot of information about Mr. Bowman and really wanted him (Littlefield) to recognize Mr. Bowman for just part of his contributions to the city. He stated in fact, the amount of material was very voluminous and thought we were going to end up with the City's first multi-page proclamation! He stated Mr. Bowman is present tonight with his wife, Peggy, his daughter and a host of brothers and sisters-in-law, as well as "Mr. Lincoln", former Councilman Don Eaves. He stated he would like to present to him with a token of the City's and Council's appreciation for what he has done.

**SPECIAL PRESENTATION: NICKEY BOWMAN
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Councilman Littlefield stated that the Chairman of the Council lives in East Brainerd and he (Littlefield) had the honor and responsibility of becoming the last Commissioner of Public Works in April of 1987 and Hamilton Place was opening in July of 1987. He stated practically all the roads were two lanes and Shallowford Road was a "cows trail! He stated with all the population growing out in Mountain Shadows and all that was happening around Hamilton Place the community had to be "sewn" together. He stated he talked with people in engineering and it as said we would never get to do that (bring the roads together) and it was indicated that Nickey Bowman owned the Igou Gap property. He stated he did not remember the details; however, Nickey stepped up and donated the property for us to extend the right-of-way and make it possible for people to get back and forth. He stated this is just one of the things he has done.

Councilman Littlefield asked Mr. Bowman's wife, Peggy, to come forward and stated that a new category has been created – Most Honored Citizen of Chattanooga. At this point he read the proclamation that has been spread upon the minutes.

Proclamation

Whereas, Nickey A. Bowman has demonstrated exceptional qualities of business, civic and religious effort and is individually responsible for obtaining the significant betterment of his community, and

Whereas, among the local boards and committees on which he has served are the Chattanooga Housing Authority Board of Directors and the Public Works Board of Appeals for Building Codes, and

Whereas, as a football player and graduate of the Central High School Class of 1950, he later provided the lighting for the school's current stadium and went on to become a tireless cheerleader for local recreation and a driving force in the creation of community centers throughout the City of Chattanooga -- providing lights for East Lake Recreation Center and East Lake Courts Center, and

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Whereas, Nickey Bowman has ministered to his fellow citizens through 30 years as a Gideon, service as a Deacon of Brainerd Hills Baptist Church and by devotion of his time and resources to additional missionary work including the donation of property to aid the Community Kitchen and such individual support for Senter School Gym that it bears his name today, and

Whereas, he is a Past President of the Expressway Optimist Club and previously was recognized as Optimist of the Year for 1974, and

Whereas, he unselfishly supported a wide diversity of local needs and causes such as spearheading the construction of the gymnasium at Hamilton County Juvenile Court and by donating land to connect Igou Gap Road to relieve traffic congestion in the Hamilton Place area, and

Whereas, he has been the owner of NABCO Electric since 1962 and has served his trade for more than 50 years as a member of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, as a member of the Apprenticeship Board for Local 175, and as President of the Board of Governors for the National Electrical Contractors Association for which he has also been recognized as recipient of the Award for Leadership for the East Tennessee Chapter, and

Whereas, he is a charter member of the National Knife Collectors Association, and

Whereas, he has most recently brought special honor and recognition to himself and to his community by his induction as a Fellow of the Academy of Electrical Contracting.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION: NICKEY BOWMAN
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Now, Therefore, Be It Proclaimed by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Chattanooga that

Nickey A. Bowman

Is recognized as a
Most Honored Citizen of Chattanooga

Dated this 23rd Day of November 2004

Councilman Littlefield stated that the proclamation was signed by Mayor Corker and Council Chairman Jack Benson. He stated that he was proud to present this to Mr. Bowman as a token of appreciation for all he has done for the city. He also presented a shadow boxed plate bearing the City's seal. Mr. Bowman graciously voiced "thank you" to everyone.

Chairman Benson directed his statement to Mrs. Bowman and stated that her husband set a record for "whereas"; that we have never had a proclamation with more well deserved "whereas"!

JAPANESE VISITORS

Jim Frierson stated for the last ten years and longer people have been drawn to Chattanooga for a variety of reasons. He stated one company out of Japan, the Eon Company, is the largest supermarket in Japan and a retail powerhouse, indicating that they have been coming to Chattanooga since the late 1990's, sometimes even twice a year. He stated they have come to learn the lessons of a city that has undergone an urban renaissance and Chattanooga is a point of inspiration for them; that Mr. Sinouda is the guide and interpreter and has been here seven-or-eight times. He stated it is tradition for our international visitors to appear before the City Council for official greeting and introduced Mr. Inzuma as the spokesperson for the group.

Mr. Inzuma thanked for Council for their warm hospitality and especially thanked Jim Frierson for taking care of them for the last six years. He stated that he made his first visit to Chattanooga in 1998 and after that he has been visiting Chattanooga almost every year and the downtown area changes every time.

JAPANESE VISITORS (Continued)

Mr. Inzuma stated they have had many experiences in Chattanooga and referenced the buses, Warehouse Row, the Walnut Street Bridge and expressed that they understand what it is like to be successful like Chattanooga. He again expressed thanks to the Council for all they do and wished God's blessings upon them.

Mr. Frierson stated that the delegation consists of fifteen persons who will soon make a sizeable "dent" in Christmas shopping at Warehouse Row!

PRESENTATION TO PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Mike Hayes presented a plaque to Admin. Jerry Mitchell for all the hard work and dedication that has been given them, indicating that all the hard work could not have been done without the department's help. They also expressed thanks to Lee Greene and Greta Miles-Hayes.

Admin. Mitchell thanked Messrs. Hayes and Moseley for the tremendous working relationship over the last few years, indicating that special credit goes to the leaders of the City Council and Mayor; that without them they could not have had this great partnership. He stated that he wanted to honor Greta and Lee as they are the main ones that work with the youth association. He stated that this is one of the best partnerships they have and expressed thanks to the Council for helping to fund some of the efforts.

Councilman Franklin stated Lakeside is one of the last three recreations centers he has in his district; that Messrs. Moseley and Hayes have done an incredible job of managing both football and baseball and have been beneficial in developing the Booker T. Washington site. He stated the football field at Booker T. is better than most high school fields in Chattanooga! He stated they had a vision and have done a tremendous job, not only with Lakeside but all the programs and the people they deal with on a daily basis. He stated the department has been very diligent and concerned and do a lot for the area and indicated that County Commissioner Favors has been involved, as well. He stated this is an excellent partnership for both city and county governments and all individuals in the Washington Hills area and again expressed his thanks.

SPECIAL POLICEMAN (UNARMED)

On motion of Councilman Pierce, seconded by Councilman Franklin,
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF KENNETH BRUMFIELD AND TIFFANY D. GRAY AS SPECIAL POLICEMEN (UNARMED) FOR THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA DEPARTMENT OF NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES, ANIMAL SERVICES DIVISION, TO DO SPECIAL DUTY AS PRESCRIBED HEREIN, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS
was adopted.

SPECIAL POLICEMAN (ARMED)

On motion of Councilman Littlefield, seconded by Councilman Franklin,
A RSEOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPOINMENT OF LARRY B. BUSH AS SPECIAL POLICEMAN (ARMED) FOR ERLANGER HEALTH SYSTEMS TO DO SPECIAL DUTY AS PRESCRIBED HEREIN, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS
was adopted.

PROPERTY PURCHASE

On motion of Councilman Littlefield, seconded by Councilwoman Robinson,
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2900 HARRISON PIKE, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED HEREIN AND AS SHOWN ON THE MAP ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF BY REFERENCE, FROM THE TRUST FOR PUBLIC LAND IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$50,000.00) PLUS CLOSING COSTS
was adopted.

LEASE AGEEMENT

On motion of Councilman Pierce, seconded by Councilman Taylor,
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION, ARTS & CULTURE TO EXECUTE A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE BUSHTOWN NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION LEASING A BUILDING ADDITION LOCATED AT 601 NORTH ORCHARD KNOB AVENUE TO THE BUSHTOWN NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION FOR A TERM OF THIRTY (30) YEARS
was adopted.

CONTRACT

On motion of Councilman Littlefield, seconded by Councilman Franklin,
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION, ARTS AND CULTURE TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH ADAMSON & BROOKS GENERAL CONTRACTORS, RELATIVE TO CONSTRUCTION OF THE SHEPHERD RECREATION CENTER PAVILION, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED SEVENTY-TWO THOUSAND DOLALRS (\$72,000.00)

was adopted.

CONTRACT

On motion of Councilman Littlefield, seconded by Councilman Franklin,
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION, ARTS AND CULTURE TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH ORANGE GROVE, INC., RELATIVE TO CLEANING SERVICES AT WARNER PARK, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED THIRTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$35,000.00)

was adopted.

CONTRACT

On motion of Councilwoman Robinson, seconded by Councilman Taylor,
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION, ARTS AND CULTURE TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH CG SKATE, INC., RELATIVE TO MANAGEMENT AND OPERATION OF THE CHATTANOOGA SKATE PARK

was adopted.

CONTRACT

On motion of Councilman Taylor, seconded by Councilman Franklin,
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION, ARTS AND CULTURE TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH JORDAN, JONES AND GOULDING, INC., RELATIVE TO ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES FOR THE CHATTANOOGA PASSIVE PARK PROJECT AT ENTERPRISE SOUTH, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED EIGHTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$85,000.00)

was adopted.

CONTRACT

On motion of Councilman Littlefield, seconded by Councilman Franklin,
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION, ARTS AND CULTURE TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH CONSOLIDATED TECHNOLOGIES, INC., RELATIVE TO MONTAGUE PARK, FOR GOUND WATER MONITORING IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED TWENTY-TWO THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$22,200.00) AND DESIGN SERVICES FOR A PERMEABILITY COVER IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED TWENTY-EIGHT THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$28,900.00)

was adopted.

AD VALOREM TAXES

Councilman Page stated Resolutions (j) and (k) were discussed in a joint meeting of the Legal and Legislative and Economic Development Committees and approval is recommended. He stated Attorney Alfred Smith represented both entities and is present this evening in the event there are questions.

On motion of Councilman Page, seconded by Councilman Littlefield,
A RESOLUTION TO MAKE CERTAIN FINDINGS RELATING TO THE KINGDOM SIGNS, LLC PROJECT, TO DELEGATE CERTAIN AUTHORITY TO THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD OF THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA, AND TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AND EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF AD VALOREM TAXES

was adopted.

AD VALOREM TAXES

On motion of Councilman Littlefield, seconded by Councilman Taylor,
A RESOLUTION TO MAKE CERTAIN FINDINGS RELATING TO THE DUPONT-SABANCI INTERNATIONAL, LLC PROJECT, TO DELEGATE CERTAIN AUTHORITY TO THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD OF THE COUNTY OF HAMILTON, TENNESSEE, AND TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AND EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF AD VALOREM TAXES

was adopted.

OVERTIME

Overtime for the week ending November 26, 2004 totaled \$102,456.63.

PERSONNEL

The following personnel matters were reported for the various departments:

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT:

- **JAMES H. FRANCIS, JR.** – Return from Family Medical Leave, Heavy Equipment Operator, Citywide Services, effective November 16, 2004.
- **MOUNIR Y. MINKARA** – Hire, Water Quality Manager, Engineering, Pay Grade 29/Step 6, \$59,744.00 annually, effective November 24, 2004.

CHATTANOOGA FIRE DEPARTMENT:

- **HAROLD WOODEN, JAMES B. CAPLEY** – Retirement, Captain/Firefighter, effective November 26, 2004.
- **JOHN VLASIS** – Retirement, Battalion Chief/Firefighter, effective November 26, 2004.

Chief Coppinger recognized the retirement of Captains Wooden and Capley and Battalion Chief Vlasis after 28 years each of exemplary performance.

CHATTANOOGA POLICE DEPARTMENT:

- **ED BRADLEY** – Retirement, Police Officer, effective November 26, 2004.
- **BOBBY J. MOSES, JR.** – Reinstatement, Police Officer, Pay Grade P1/Step 5, \$35,212.00 annually, effective November 26, 2004.
- **MICHAEL ADAMS** – Reinstatement, Police Officer, Pay Grade P1/Step 1, \$29,437.00 annually, effective November 26, 2004.
- **JUDY A. SMITH** – Hire, Property Services Clerk, Pay Grade P7/Step 1, \$21,624.00 annually, effective November 26, 2004.

PERSONNEL (Continued)

- **RACHEL E. SMITHERS, JENNIFER R. JOHNSON** – Hire, Communications Clerk, Pay Grade P11/Step 1, \$26,402.00 annually, effective November 29, 2004.

CANCELLATION OF COUNCIL MEETINGS SCHEDULED FOR DECEMBER 21 AND 28

City Attorney Nelson stated that he has been asked by several sources for the Council to take up the schedule for prospective meetings during the holiday season. He stated that he needs to know in order to set an appropriate agenda.

Councilman Pierce stated that this matter was tentatively discussed without the presence of the Chairman. He stated it is felt that it is the consensus of the Council to cancel the meetings for the weeks of December 21 and 28 in regard to Christmas and New Year's. He **made the motion to cancel Council meetings for December 21 and 28; Councilman Page seconded the motion; the motion carried.**

DISTRICT 7 CHRISTMAS PARTY

Councilman Taylor invited everyone to the District 7 Christmas Party scheduled for December 13 from 5-7 at Coolidge Park. He stated there would be entertainment and a good time for all.

CHATTANOOGA SYMPHONY'S WOOD QUINTET

Councilman Page announced that the Chattanooga Symphony's Wood Quintet would be playing at the North River Civic Center on Friday beginning at 6 p.m. He stated he would love to have a good turnout. He invited everyone to come out for a joyful evening.

DISTRICT 4 COMMUNITY MEETING

Chairman Benson expressed thanks to everyone from administration that attended the District 4 community meeting held on Monday evening. He stated 180 citizens were in attendance, as well as many administrators and other department representatives.

COVENANT COLLEGE STUDENTS

Chairman Benson acknowledged the presence of a large number of students from Covenant College. He stated they were present at today's Committee meetings and could see why the Council was able to move through the agenda as rapidly this evening due to discussion in Committee earlier.

COMMITTEES

Councilman Littlefield stated that the **Legal and Legislative Committee would meet on Tuesday, December 7 at 3 p.m.**

Councilman Hakeem scheduled a meeting of the **Public Works Committee for Tuesday, December 7 at 4 p.m.**

HEARING: JIM HOSTETTER

City Attorney Nelson announced that Councilman Franklin will not be able to attend the hearing on December 13 at 9 p.m. for Jim Hostetter. He stated Councilman Hakeem has already signed on as alternate and would serve on the panel with Councilmen Page and Taylor for that meeting. Councilman Hakeem acknowledged that he would be available to serve.

SYLVIA BENNETT

Sylvia Bennett thanked the Council for putting two more animal services officers back "on the road", expressing hope that there would be better coverage than before. She thanked them for what they are doing in providing help for the animals.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Councilman Franklin, seconded by Councilman Taylor, Chairman Benson adjourned the meeting of the Chattanooga Council until Tuesday, December 7, 2004 at 6:00 p.m.

CHAIRMAN

CLERK OF COUNCIL

(A LIST OF NAMES OF PERSONS IN ATTENDANCE IS FILED WITH MINUTE MATERIAL OF THIS DATE)