City Council Building Chattanooga, Tennessee November 21, 2006 6:00 p.m.

Chairman Pierce called the meeting of the Chattanooga Council to order with Councilmen Bennett, Benson, Franklin, Gaines, Page, Rico, Robinson and Rutherford present. City Attorney Randall Nelson, Management Analyst Randy Burns and Council Clerk Carol O'Neal were also present.

# PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/INVOCATION

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Councilwoman Robinson gave invocation.

## MINUTE APPROVAL

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

#### **BOY SCOUT TROOP 219**

Chairman Pierce recognized the presence of Boy Scout Troop 219 from Soddy Daisy. The Scout Master stated that the Scouts were present in an effort to work on their communication badge which requires them to attend a Council meeting.

Chairman Pierce expressed appreciation for their presence and noted his hope the Scouts will learn something about government and how it operates.

# <u>APPROPRIATION</u>

On motion of Councilman Benson, seconded by Councilwoman Gaines, AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FROM THE GENERAL FUND, OFFICE OF FAITH BASED INITIATIVE, TO FRONT PORCH ALLIANCE THE AMOUNT OF THREE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$3,000.00) TO BE USED FOR EXPENSES ASSOCIATED WITH THE CHATTANOOGA EASTSIDE TASKFORCE

# **CLOSE AND ABANDON**

# MR-2006-179: Yerbey Concrete Construction

On motion of Councilwoman Rutherford, seconded by Councilman Benson, AN ORDINANCE CLOSING AND ABANDONING A PORTION OF THE EASTERN RIGHT-OF-WAY OF THE 3800 BLOCK OF AGAWELA DRIVE, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED HEREIN AND AS SHOWN ON THE MAP ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF BY REFERENCE, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS

passed second and final reading and was signed in open meeting.

#### **CLOSE AND ABANDON**

MR-2006-187: Andy Schwall

On motion of Councilman Franklin, seconded by Councilman Rico,

AN ORDINANCE CLOSING AND ABANDONING THE 3000 BLOCK OF WATAUGA STREET, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED HEREIN AND AS SHOWN ON THE MAP ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE PART HEREOF BY REFERENCE, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS

passed second and final reading and was signed in open meeting.

## **CLOSE AND ABANDON**

MR-2006-192: Elder Healy & Company, LLC

On motion of Councilwoman Rutherford, seconded by Councilman Rico, AN ORDINANCE CLOSING AND ABANDONING AN UNOPENED ALLEY LOCATED ON THE NORTH LINE OF THE 1000 BLOCK OF APPLING STREET, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED HEREIN AND AS SHOWN ON THE MAP ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF BY REFERENCE, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS

## **REZONING**

2006-201: Engstrom Services

On motion of Councilwoman Gaines, seconded by Councilman Rico,

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 6958, AS AMENDED, KNOWN AS THE ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE TRACTS OF LAND LOCATED IN THE 600 BLOCK OF NORTH HOLTZCLAW AVENUE, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED HEREIN, FROM R-1 RESIDENTIAL ZONE TO R-4 SPECIAL ZONE, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS

passed second and final reading and was signed in open meeting.

# **REZONING**

2006-206: Chattanooga Neighborhood Enterprise

On motion of Councilwoman Rutherford, seconded by Councilman Rico, AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 6958, AS AMENDED, KNOWN AS THE ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE A TRACT OF LAND LOCATED AT 1115 EAST 8<sup>TH</sup> STREET, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED HEREIN, FROM R-1 RESIDENTIAL ZONE TO C-3 CENTRAL BUSINESS ZONE, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS

passed second and final reading and was signed in open meeting.

## **REZONING**

2006-208: Wilwat Properties, Inc.

Councilwomen Rutherford and Robinson made the motion and second to substitute the amendments to this ordinance; the motion carried.

On motion of Councilwoman Rutherford, seconded by Councilwoman Robinson,

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 6958, AS AMENDED, KNOWN AS THE ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE TRACTS OF LAND LOCATED IN THE 5700 THROUGH 5900 BLOCKS OF CASSANDRA SMITH ROAD AND THE 5900 BLOCK OF HIXSON PIKE, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED HEREIN, FROM R-1 RESIDENTIAL ZONE AND O-1 OFFICE ZONE, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS

## **REZONING**

# 2006-211: Valor, Inc.

Councilman Benson stated that a meeting was held within his district to answer questions about this request and it is his thought everyone is satisfied. He asked if any opposition to this request were present; there was no opposition in attendance.

Councilmen Benson and Bennett made the motion and second the substitute the amendment to this ordinance; the motion carried.

On motion of Councilman Franklin, seconded by Councilman Rico,

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 6958, AS AMENDED, KNOWN AS THE ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE TRACTS OF LAND LOCATED IN THE 7600 BLOCK OF SHALLOWFORD ROAD, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED HEREIN, FROM R-1 RESIDENTIAL ZONE TO O-1 OFFICE ZONE, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS

passed second and final reading and was signed in open meeting.

# <u>REZONING</u>

## 2006-212: Chattanooga Valued Partners, LLC

Councilmen Rico and Franklin made the motion and second the substitute the amendments to this ordinance; the motion carried.

On motion of Councilman Franklin, seconded by Councilwoman Bennett,

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 6958, AS AMENDED, KNOWN AS THE ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE PART OF A TRACT OF LAND LOCATED AT 6242 PERIMETER DRIVE, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED HEREIN, FROM M-2 LIGHT INDUSTRIAL ZONE AND R-1 RESIDENTIAL ZONE TO C-2 CONVENIENCE COMMERCIAL ZONE, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS

## **REZONING**

# 2006-214: DeFoor Brothers Development

On motion of Councilman Rico, seconded by Councilman Benson,

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 6958, AS AMENDED, KNOWN AS THE ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE A TRACT OF LAND LOCATED AT 2430 TIMBERLANE TRAIL, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED HEREIN, FROM R-1 RESIDNETIAL ZONE TO MXU MIXED USE ZONE

passed second and final reading and was signed in open meeting.

# <u>GRANT</u>

Councilman Benson stated this matter was discussed in today's Legal and Legislative Committee and approval is recommended.

Chairman Pierce stated there is someone present who would like to address the Council as they were not aware the matter was discussed in Committee.

Councilman Benson stated that the speaker should only address the issue of the grant and not the issue of the homeless shelter.

Chairman Pierce stated that the Resolution is tied to the homeless shelter and he did not see how to avoid anyone saying they can not speak about it.

Councilman Benson stated if the speaker addresses the homeless shelter it should be at the end of the agenda.

Mary Mai Williamson stated that she is a resident of the M. L. King area and would honor Councilman Benson's request and stick strictly to the grant. She stated that the Council needs to consider what the grant will be used for; that she made a presentation to the Council months ago in Committee and it was agreed at that time that there needed to be more information and all wholeheartedly agreed. She stated that she would argue if the Council acts on the \$20,000 as a grant they should get more information and it should come from an unbiased source, not her or anyone the Mayor chooses to represent to get information on behalf of this project. She further recommended that with the unbiased report the levels of communication be open, not only with the Council, but with the neighborhood.

# GRANT (Continued)

Ms. Williamson stated that the Council has been good to recognize early on that the neighborhood was not engaged; that the Mayor came to their neighborhood meeting only one time and has not spoken to any other neighborhood, including Jefferson Heights, the downtown area or other neighborhoods. She stated that she would wholeheartedly say if the \$20,000 is accepted do so with conditions, and those are that the Council not allow the city to choose – or her to choose—the person to do the research for the city. She stated if she could answer any questions she would be happy to do so and asked those from the neighborhood present to stand. She stated she is not alone in this as other neighborhoods are involved: Highland Park, Missionary Ridge, downtown and others.

Councilman Page reminded the Council if they do take the money for the survey, any expense greater than \$10,000 has to be approved by the Council, so there is a stop gap measure if we do accept money; that it has to be approved by the Council before it is expended.

Councilwoman Bennett stated one of the questions raised in Committee was that the neighborhood be informed that this is only for research; that the community would be kept informed. She stated that is very important as that was the agreement and what the Council understood.

On motion of Councilman Page, seconded by Councilwoman Rutherford,

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT A GRANT FROM THE CHATTANOOGA CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY FOUNDATION, MACLELLAN FOUNDATION FUND, IN THE AMOUNT OF TWENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$20,000.00), WHICH IS TO BE USED FOR THE CHATTANOOGA COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTER HOMELESS PROJECT

was adopted; Councilman Pierce abstained.

## <u>GRANT</u>

Councilman Page stated Resolutions (b) - (d) were discussed in last week's meeting of the Economic Development Committee and approval is recommended.

# **GRANT (Continued)**

On motion of Councilman Page, seconded by Councilwoman Robinson,

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO APPLY FOR AND, IF AWARDED, ACCEPT AN ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY BROWNFIELDS ASSESSMENT GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$200,000.00) TO CONDUCT A COMMUNITY-WIDE HAZARDOUS MATERIALS ASSESSMENT IN A LARGE AREA GENERALLY DESCRIBED AS THE EASTERN PART OF CHATTANOOGA'S URBAN CORE

was adopted.

#### <u>GRANT</u>

On motion of Councilman Rico, seconded by Councilman Franklin,

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO APPLY FOR AND, IF AWARDED, ACCEPT AN ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY BROWNFIELDS CLEANUP GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$200,000.00) TO COMPLETE THE FINAL STAGE OF CLEANUP IN THE ONGOING REDEVELOPMENT OF THE FORMER CAVALIER SITE, WHICH, IF AWARDED, WILL REQUIRE LOCAL MATCHING FUNDS OF ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$100,000.00) TO BE PROVIDED BY THE SOUTHEAST TENNESSEE LOCAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

was adopted.

## **GRANT**

On motion of Councilman Franklin, seconded by Councilman Rico,

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO APPLY FOR AND, IF AWARDED, ACCEPT AN ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY BROWNFIELDS REVOLVING LOAN FUND GRANT IN AN AMOUNT UP TO ONE MILLION DOLLARS (\$1,000,000.00) TO ESTABLISH A REVOLVING LOAN FUND FOR BROWNFIELDS CLEANUP AND REDEVELOPMENT, WHICH, IF AWARDED, WILL REQUIRE LOCAL MATCHING FUNDS OF UP TO TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$200,000.00)

was adopted.

# **CONTRACT**

On motion of Councilman Franklin, seconded by Councilwoman Gaines,

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF GENERAL SERVICES TO ENTER INTO AND EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH ARTECH DESIGN GROUP, INC. FOR ARCHITECTURAL, ENGINEERING, AND INTERIOR DESIGN SERVICES FOR THE RENOVATION OF THE OUTDOOR CHATTANOOGA BUILDING AT COOLIDGE PARK IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED FORTY-TWO THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED SEVENTY-EIGHT DOLLARS (\$42,878.00)

was adopted.

# **ACCEPT DONATION**

On motion of Councilwoman Rutherford, seconded by Councilwoman Gaines, A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE DONATION OF ONE HUNDRED (100) STUFFED ANIMALS, VALUED AT APPROXIMATELY FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00), TO THE CHATTANOOGA FIRE DEPARTMENT FROM BARNES & NOBLE BOOKSELLERS TO BE GIVEN TO CHILDREN AT FIRE AND MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT SCENES AND EXPRESSING THE GRATITUDE OF THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL FOR SAID DONATION

was adopted.

#### **AGREEMENT**

Councilman Benson stated that this matter was discussed at length in today's Legal and Legislative Committee meeting with all parties involved and approval is recommended.

Councilmen Franklin and Rico made the motion and second to approve this Resolution.

Guy Bilyeu, Executive Director of the Humane Educational Society, expressed thanks to the Council and stated that he was present to talk about the future of animals and where we are with respect to the contract provided. He stated he is very excited about what they have been able to do and they have been recognized nationally; that out of 4,600 shelters in the United States, 100 were nominated and they received second place by the American Humane Society. He expressed pride in what has been done within the shelter in an older building and noted that he has been honest about the euthanasia rates. He expressed excitement about the Zero Campaign and urged the entire community to get to zero and the only way possible is by spaying and neutering. He referenced black Labrador retrievers being shipped as some communities do not have them and noted that there are 50 in his shelter.

# **AGREEMENT (Continued)**

Mr. Bilyeu stated 40 animals are turned into the shelter everyday, which is horrible and has to stop; that the only way is by having a strong spay and neuter program and this Council putting money in that direction to stop euthanasia.

**Dr. Tai Federico** of 11 Brelsford Road in Chattanooga stated that he is currently serving as President of the Board of Directors of the Humane Educational Society. He stated that he just wanted to remind the Council of all the accomplishments of the Humane Society in the past years, despite the overwhelming lack of support. He stated they continue to make enormous strides and will continue after the city withdraws their support. He stated he would ask some people in government not to continue to use the Humane Society as a scapegoat in an effort to make their own project look necessary when, in fact, it is not. He stated they would continue to serve the community and animals; that residents in Chattanooga and Hamilton County think they are doing a good job. He urged everyone to come by and see the incredible work they do and look at the numbers to see how great a job they are doing and give the support needed.

Chairman Pierce asked Dr. Federico is he supports the Resolution or not.

Dr. Federico responded that he thought he did and responded "yes"; that would be in favor of passing it!

Chairman Pierce asked those in support of HES to stand. A majority of those in the audience stood.

Councilman Benson stated that Chairman Pierce did not word his request objectively; that he asked for those in support of the Humane Society to stand, noting that everyone in the room supports the Humane Society.

Chairman Pierce stated that they support the contract.

Councilman Benson stated that is the issue. He stated he was sorry if he misheard; that it was his thought he asked those to stand who were in support of the Humane Society.

**Carl Epperson**, a resident of Boynton Terrace in Golden Gateway, spoke next. He stated that he had an occasion when his sister-in-law came to town and they went to the Humane Society. He urged everyone who is a citizen to go and look at the conditions; that while he was there he saw dogs being stuffed in trash bags, the freezer and the dumpster. He stated it was filthy!

# **AGREEMENT (Continued)**

Mr. Epperson stated that he wants the city to move ahead with the proposed new shelter; that the Humane Society has done the best they can. He stated if he had a telephone or cable service that could not really accomplish what he needs he would not want to keep paying and will change to something else. He urged the Council not to throw money on something that is not working; that a lot of people here may not agree but those who know him know he is known for "swimming upstream" and he is against this.

Councilman Benson stated that the Humane Society is housed in an old building and we want to have something Chattanooga can be proud of; that we want to get away from under a monopoly where there is no competition. He stated he has been out there and it has been made a lot better and urged Mr. Epperson to go back. He stated that time a quasi-governmental entity is needed to take care of this necessity. He stated that we have no choice but to take whatever contract they can demand and they have been in a position to double charges as we have no other place to put the stray and abandoned animals but there; that we have to pay the price.

At this point, Councilman Rico called for the question.

Prior to the vote, Councilmen Bennett and Benson recognized persons affiliated with Animal Care Trust.

Councilman Benson thanked the leaders of the Animal Care Trust for helping with this situation. He recognized "Barby" Wilson and Carla McKamey Valdez and noted Mrs. Valdez's family has provided the lead gift and they are continuing to find more lead gifts. He expressed thanks to her for the gift.

On motion of Councilman Franklin, seconded by Councilman Rico,

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE AND THE HUMANE EDUCATIONAL SOCIETY OF HAMILTON COUNTY, INC., IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE FORM ATTACHED HERETO, FOR THE OPERATION OF AN ANIMAL SHELTER FOR THE PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2006 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2008

was adopted.

## **TEFRA HEARING**

On motion of Councilwoman Bennett, seconded by Councilman Franklin, A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING THE CITY ATTORNEY TO HOLD THE TEFRA HEARING ON BEHALF OF THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE SALE OF THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA, GENERAL OBLIGATIONS BONDS, SERIES 2006A, WHICH HEARING SHALL BE AT 11:00 A.M. ON DECEMBER 1, 2006 IN THE CITY COUNCIL ASSEMBLY ROOM was adopted.

# **OVERTIME**

Overtime for the week ending November 17, 2006 totaled \$9,788.54.

## **PERSONNEL**

The following personnel matters were reported for the various departments:

#### PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT:

- ➤ **JONATHAN B. MOUNTCASTLE** Promotion, Assistant Engineer Designer, Engineering, Pay Grade 15/Step 1, \$32,115.00 annually, effective November 10, 2006.
- ➤ RONALD SIMMONS Promotion, Assistant Engineering Designer, Engineering, Pay Grade 15/Step 6, \$40,007.00 annually, effective November 10, 2006.
- ➤ WILLIAM E. CANNON Promotion, Assistant Engineering Designer, Engineering, Pay Grade 15/Step 5, \$38,429.00 annually, effective November 10, 2006.
- ➤ **JOHN D. COFFELT** Suspension (2 days without pay), Heavy Equipment Operator, City Wide Services, effective November 8-9, 2006.
- ➤ JASON PAYNE Promotion, Engineering Designer, Land Development, Pay Grade 17/Step 5, \$41,382.00 annually, effective October 27, 2006.
- ➤ **JOEL T. BAGGETT** Promotion, Constructing Inspector, Land Development, Pay Grade 13/Step 7, \$38,680.00 annually, effective November 10, 2006.

# **PERSONNEL (Continued)**

## CHATTANOOGA POLICE DEPARTMENT:

➤ EDWARD BENCOSME – Voluntary Demotion, Communications Officer, Pay Grade 11/Step 3, \$29,858.00 annually, effective November 24, 2006.

#### CHATTANOOGA FIRE DEPARTMENT:

- > SAM E. ELLISON Resignation, Lieutenant, effective November 19, 2006.
- ➤ MICHAEL THOMAS Suspension (Two 12-hour day suspensions without pay and 6 month probation, date to be determined by Deputy Chief), Senior Firefighter.

#### MAYOR'S OFFICE:

➤ CATHY JUSTICE – Resignation, Special Project Assistant, effective November 10, 2006.

# **PURCHASES**

On motion of Councilwoman Rutherford, seconded by Councilman Rico, the following purchases were approved for use by the Public Works Department:

# GARDNER DENVER NASH LLC (CT) (Lowest and best bid) R0093593/B0003576

One Compressor

\$24,860.00

# TRINITY HIGHWAY SAFETY LLC (Only bid) R0088555/B0003021

Guardrails

\$65,000.00

# **PURCHASES (Continued)**

# SOUTHERN UNDERGROUND (Best bid) R0093521/B0003590

**Excavator** 

\$71,590.00

# **HOTEL PERMITS**

On motion of Councilman Rico, seconded by Councilwoman Robinson, the following hotel permits were approved:

BLIFF VIEW INN - T.C. THOMPSON HOUSE - 212 High Street, Chattanooga, TN

COURTYARD BY MARRIOTT - 200 Chestnut Street, Chattanooga, TN

GLENDALE COURTS - 930 Signal Mountain Road, Chattanooga, TN

HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS HOTEL & SUITES – 4820 Hixson Pike, Hixson, TN

STONEFORT INN - 120 East 10th Street, Chattanooga, TN

#### **REFUNDS**

On motion of Councilwoman Rutherford, seconded by Councilman Rico, the Administrator of Finance was authorized to issue the following refunds due to State Appeals Commission reassessment:

**EQI FINANCING PARTNERSHIP IV LP** \$ 7,773.72

TRADE CENTER HOTEL ASSOCIATION 4,728.22

CENTER STREET ASSOCIATES LP 2,491.58

# **REFUNDS**

On motion of Councilwoman Rutherford, seconded by Councilman Rico, the Administrator of Finance was authorized to issue the following refund due

withdrawal of assessment per the State Comptroller's Office; the company does not operate in Hamilton County:

#### FREEDOM AIRLINES

\$145,131.61

# **PURCHASE**

On motion of Councilwoman Rutherford, seconded by Councilman Rico, the following purchase was approved for use by the General Services Division:

# BARGE WAGGONER SUMNER & CANNON, INC. (Single source)

Professional Services for Environmental Reports at the Chattanooga Resource Center per TCA-6-56-305.6

\$15,907.34

#### **REJECT ALL BIDS**

On motion of Councilman Rico, seconded by Councilman Franklin, all bids on R0089459. Disparity Study for the Office of Minority Affairs, were duly rejected due to changes in specifications. (It was noted that the recommendation to reject all proposals permits the Office of Multicultural Affairs time to further evaluate the design and methodology of the Disparity Study and additional time to review the data contained in the 2006 State of Chattanooga Region Report.)

#### **ALLIED ARTS TOUR**

Councilwoman Rutherford announced that the Allied Arts Tour is scheduled for Tuesday, December 5. She stated that CARTA will pick up the Council members around 1:20 p.m. to view the art that has recently been installed downtown. She expressed hope for good attendance from the Council.

(Councilwoman Rutherford excused herself from the meeting at this point.)

# **COMMITTEES**

Councilman Rico reminded Council members of the meeting of the **Public** Works Committee scheduled for Tuesday, November 28 beginning at 4 p.m.

Councilwoman Gaines reminded Council members of the meeting of the Parks and Recreation Committee scheduled for Tuesday, November 28 at 3:30 p.m.

# SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

City Attorney Nelson stated that the Council will have a **special meeting two** weeks from today, December 5, at 10 a.m. to accept bids coming in for bonds that will be issued on that day. He stated it will be important to have good attendance and is aware two Council members can not be here. He reiterated that sufficient attendance is needed that day.

#### **JERRY MCQUEEN**

Jerry McQueen of 7001 Tyner Road stated that she came before this Council six years ago when Mr. Littlefield was on the Council and at the time told the Commission she represented the peace officers throughout the world. She stated her attorney, Brian Sims from Palm Beach, Florida, was here at the time to make compensation to all policemen in the area, but there was such conflict at the time – black policemen were keeping to themselves and white policemen were, as well – and the Wadie Suttles issue was going on. She stated that she and Tom Kennedy could not get together on anything and she had more property that she could use in 200,000 years! She stated that she decided to put everything aside and go out and show the world what was happening in the community, and that is what she did and it took 26 years. She stated she is back to say they (peace officers) are here representing the police and she sees that the police are asking for a raise which they should have gotten 26 years ago. She stated they want to try tie that raise to them and that is what she is here for.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

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**CLERK OF COUNCIL**