

City Council Building  
Chattanooga, Tennessee  
March 20, 2007  
6:00 p.m.

Chairman Pierce called the meeting of the Chattanooga Council to order with Councilmen Bennett, Benson, Franklin, Gaines, Page, Robinson and Rutherford present; Councilman Rico was out of the city on business. 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 Bennett 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.

#### **WAIVE RENTAL FEES**

On motion of Councilwoman Robinson, seconded by Councilwoman Gaines,

**AN ORDINANCE WAIVING RENTAL FEES FOR USE OF THE TIVOLI THEATRE MARCH 28-31, 2007 FOR THE ARTS & EDUCATION COUNCIL OF THE CHATTANOOGA AREA, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF FOUR THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$4,950.00), WHICH FEES WOULD HAVE ACCRUED TO THE GENERAL FUND, IN SUPPORT OF THE 2007 CONFERENCE ON SOUTHERN LITERATURE AND AUTHORIZING TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE**

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

**AMEND ZONING ORDINANCE**

Councilman Benson stated that this matter is recommended for approval by the Legal and Legislative Committee.

On motion of Councilwoman Robinson, seconded by Councilwoman Bennett,  
**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 6958, AS AMENDED, KNOWN AS THE ZONING ORDINANCE, BY AMENDING ARTICLE V, SECTIONS 950 THROUGH 957, C-7 NORTH SHORE COMMERCIAL/MIXED USE ZONE, SO AS TO CLARIFY DESIGN GUIDELIENS AND SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS**

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

**REZONING**

**2007-022: Paragon Development, Inc.**

On motion of Councilwoman Rutherford, seconded by Councilman Page,  
**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 6958, AS AMENDED, KNOWN AS THE ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE TRACTS OF LAND LOCATED AT 6308, 6338, 6348 AND 6342 GRUBB ROAD, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED HEREIN, FROM R-4 SPECIAL ZONE TO C-2 CONVENIENCE COMMERCIAL ZONE, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS**

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

**LIFT CONDITION**

**2007-024: St. Elmo Improvement League**

On motion of Councilwoman Rutherford, seconded by Councilwoman Bennett,  
**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 6958, AS AMENDED, KNOWN AS THE ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO LIFT CONDITION NO. 1 OF ORDINANCE NO. 11428 (CASE NO. 2003-072) ON A TRACT OF LAND LOCATED AT 4501 ST. ELMO AVENUE, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED HEREIN, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS**

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

## REZONING

### **2007-028: Jerry Brock**

On motion of Councilwoman Rutherford, seconded by Councilman Franklin,  
**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 6958, AS AMENDED,  
KNOWN AS THE ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE A TRACT OF  
LAND LOCATED AT 2719 HICKORY VALLEY ROAD, MORE  
PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED HEREIN, FROM R-2 RESIDENTIAL ZONE TO R-  
4 SPECIAL ZONE**

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

## REZONING

### **2007-009: Phillip Barry Robertson**

The applicant was present; opposition was in attendance.

**Barry Robertson**, applicant, came forward and introduced his wife, Rebecca, and his contractor, Monty Veal. He stated that he wanted to give a synopsis of what is going on and would not be upset if this does not go through if it is the right thing and the right reason. He stated that he bought the building in November and walked down to Planning and went to each department and spoke with several people. He stated no one told him he could not do this as it is the job of the Council, yet everyone seemed to think it was a reasonable request. He stated that he talked to several department heads and had names but was not going to go over that; that he then made the application based on favorable talks with each and every individual he discussed this with. He stated that he wanted to buy this building; that most say it is in a rough neighborhood; that there are no homes in the area for probably a block-and-a-half. He stated that he made he request and came to the first (Council) meeting and Councilman Pierce wanted him to talk with Moses Freeman and find out what the neighborhood wanted. He stated they did that and got to the meeting and they voted him down; that his wife called and they said they would hold on the matter until he could get there. He stated when they were on East Main Street they did everything they could and made it a nice place and "started" that area which is now "going". He stated one of the objections stated was he might do the same thing and move away which almost made him "fall to the floor".

## REZONING (Continued)

**Rebecca Robertson** reiterated that they bought the building at 621 East Eleventh Street in November and planned to do their primary residence and something, not exactly like the Jazz Junction; that they wanted to have one business downstairs on the first floor which has 10,000 square feet. She stated that they want to have an apartment for a friend in an effort to take care of her in the future and would still have room for another condo upstairs. She stated that is what they are planning; that they have a lot of preliminary things to do such as electrical and plumbing to bring it up to code before they can continue. She stated when she went before the neighborhood association last week as requested they were voted down the month before and last week they heard the petition and did not seem in favor but they also voted to “freeze” all rezonings in the M. L. King neighborhood until the City and neighborhood association got together to make a plan. She stated that is one thing the Council asked them to do to see if their request fits in the plan, yet apparently, there is not a set plan. She stated right now they are waiting to do something and are living temporarily with their daughter in St. Elmo and have been going back and forth to do more on the building on Eleventh Street. She asked the City Council to take consideration in what they have done previously on Main Street where they were for ten years; that they were there at the roughest time and they want to do the same on Eleventh Street to try to make it a better place.

**Monty Veal** of Monty Veal Construction stated he has known the Robertsons for ten years and everything they have done is excellent. He stated they are generous, kind people who took a chance on the building at Jazz Junction and also fixed the house in St. Elmo. He stated that it is his thought they will improve the property on Eleventh Street as there is not a house within two blocks of that building; that they are taking a little risk on the docket for the homeless as there are a lot of empty buildings. He stated if the request is granted an improvement will be seen on that property.

**Moses Freeman** of 807 East Tenth Street stated that he has had a hand in the revitalization of the M. L. King neighborhood since 1987, first as a Board member of Inner City Development, as Administrator of the City’s Neighborhood Services Department, as a staff member of the Community Impact Fund responsible for physical revitalization of the neighborhood, as a developer of new homes, as a resident and President of the neighborhood association for two-and-a-half years. He stated that he supports the request to change the property from M-1 to C-3; that it is only two-to-three blocks from some recently renovated buildings that are now condos and it is in the perfect position to continue the creation of housing in the downtown area and the property zoned M-1 would hinder such development.

## REZONING (Continued)

Mr. Freeman stated more housing is needed downtown and this location is right without intruding upon single family homes in the R-1 zone that is three blocks away. He stated that he supports the zoning because he is familiar with the work and contributions of the applicants without knowing them personally; that they did great work in creating a great place on East Main as a C-3 development. He stated the restaurant was as good as he would expect to find in a good food and high quality restaurant; that they did a lot for people downtown in providing live jazz, an African American art form. He stated they also offered and spent large sums of their own money to support the African-American Museum and the annual Jazz Festival at the Bessie Smith Hall.

**Destiny Richardson** of 1048 Flinn Street stated that she serves as Secretary to the M. L. King Neighborhood Association and wanted to clarify the question on what the members voted on. She stated she recorded the minutes of the February 15 neighborhood meeting that the Robertsons were invited to attend. She stated they were not present at the meeting when the rezoning issue was brought forward and a vote taken. She stated the change to commercial would be a broader change and the members were skeptical. She stated Merri Mai Williamson made the motion for the property to remain in the manufacturing zone and Rebecca Wood seconded the motion; that the motion passed with the majority voting in favor with two opposing and one abstaining. She stated as was mentioned earlier at the March 15 meeting they were told the matter passed in regard to forming a land use plan to have something in position for future rezoning issues that come up.

**Craig Fortier** of 918 Magnolia Street spoke next and stated that he was speaking on behalf of the opposition for the rezoning change. He stated at the present time the neighborhood is seeing a lot of dynamic changes in regard to zoning changes and they would like to put a halt to the dastardly change happening, to step back and take a look and see what is happening for the neighborhood with a plan. He stated the one concern in changing this particular property to commercial is there are outstanding questions on what the long term future of the commercial property could entail. He stated they have an outstanding area that is zoned for residential that anybody like the Robertsons could move into under an existing residential property and establish their residence at that place.

**Dr. Anita P. Conley** of 1020 East Tenth Street stated that she once served as President when the rezoning of the area occurred and one of the things that is needed is a land use plan, which should have been done before the rezoning. She stated they are at a place where they have several zoning changes for their small community.

## REZONING (Continued)

Dr. Conley stated that it is important for them to make sure what happens is really in the best interest of the entire community and neighborhood; that several voted against making the change. She stated when it was mentioned that the Robertsons plan to move in within a year, with that in mind if a land use plan is approved that would give enough time for them to come back. She expressed hope that the Council would think about the future of their community, where they are and where they stand in the future.

Rebecca Robertson stated that she knows there are more residential places on M. L. King as she has looked at them and explained to the neighborhood association last week that they needed a place with a huge garage; that they have been looking about two years in the M. L. King neighborhood and have seen several houses but not one that would accommodate them. She stated that is why this building is perfect; that it is a huge warehouse that they could divide. She stated she does not know if the neighborhood association misunderstood but they are ready to do it and move in; that they presently live with their daughter in St. Elmo and they are ready to go in there. She stated she does not know how long it will take; that it would be less than a year to get started and get in there. She stated that she needs a home and they also bought it to have the opportunity to have somebody lease the downstairs space.

Councilwoman Rutherford asked Barry Bennett to refresh her on what can go in the M-2 zone as it stands now.

Barry Bennett, Executive Director of the Regional Planning Agency (RPA), responded light industrial and any type of light manufacturing could go in; that most of the M-2 uses are more intense outdoor uses which are prohibited. He stated M-2 provides for lumber yards and any type of wholesale and packaging-type manufacturing operation and contractor's storage yards -- a lot of uses that Planning felt would be more objectionable at that location. He stated C-3 is a very open, liberal zone that permits residential offices, commercial and some industrial uses, but the recommendation was to approve for specific uses only. He stated C-3 is much more restrictive than M-2 and those conditions go with the land and not the property owners.

Councilwoman Rutherford asked is commercial is normally more restrictive than this; that C-3 is actually a more liberal zone with conditions.

Councilwoman Bennett inquired as to the land use plan, noting that there was some discussion about a land use plan.

## REZONING (Continued)

Chairman Pierce stated that he would make a request for a land use plan after the discussion on the rezoning.

Mr. Bennett stated that they have not been directed to conduct a land use plan; that it is forthcoming.

Councilwoman Bennett inquired as to whether this could be deferred until a land use plan was completed.

Mr. Bennett stated that it could be deferred; that RPA is working on a number of projects right now and are somewhat short staffed. He stated they are working on the Fortwood zoning study that was given to them last week and is not sure of the time line in completing a land use study.

Councilman Benson stated that the RPA has the Wolftever Plan already out there that they are working on, the Fortwood Plan and others.

Mr. Bennett stated that they are looking at a number of different issues.

Councilman Benson stated that an ill-conceived plan is a rushed-up plan; that if it is done right RPA would need to take their time about it, which is his opinion. He stated he does not know whether this would be a priority and shoved above the others, but does not think the people in the Wolftever District would think that. He stated that he was trying to put himself in the M. L. King neighborhood residents' place; that if he had an M-2 zone in his community and that was rezoned he would put conditions on it that amounts to something.

Mr. Bennett stated that the M-2 zone is without conditions; that anything could go in that zone now.

Councilman Benson stated he would be on his knees begging someone to ask for a zoning change. He stated that his biggest fear is old zones without conditions pertaining to lighting, dumpsters, curb cuts -- everything! He stated if the property goes to C-3 conditions would be put on that.

Mr. Bennett stated that it could be conditioned for a specific proposed use for residential and restaurant only.

Councilman Benson stated that the seller can not come back and put something else in without going through the zoning process.

Mr. Bennett responded "right, they would have to reapply".

## REZONING (Continued)

Councilman Benson stated that it is like a "pig in a poke" situation.

Mr. Bennett stated that the Staff felt the existing unrestricted M-2 would prove more objectionable than C-3 with conditions.

Councilman Benson stated the Planning Commission felt the same as he remembers the discussion; that it was felt the C-3 would give more protection to the community.

Councilman Page inquired as to the conditions for the request and whether the neighborhood understands them.

Mr. Bennett stated there are four pages of conditions that normally accompany the C-3 zone, which is already very restrictive. He stated a restricting condition to the proposed use is not there but could be added.

Councilman Page noted the conditions and stated that it was his first impression that the neighborhood did not understand all the restrictions and after looking at them they look pretty numerous and restrictive. He stated that he wants to make sure those things have been included and the neighborhood understands as one of those in opposition mentioned that they were not sure if they were against it or not and suggested it be deferred. He asked what type of business the property will be used for as he is not sure what the applicant wants.

Mr. Bennett stated as he understands it the bottom level is for a restaurant and the top floor would be for residential use, which is exactly the thing they are trying to encourage in the downtown area, more mixed use, owner/occupied residential and commercial or office combination.

Rebecca Robertson stated that they do want a residence on the top, yet they have not decided with regard to the bottom floor; that they have to clean it up. She stated two people have expressed interest - one is an artist and the other a young lady who wants to put in a small reception area to have small weddings or gatherings.

Chairman Pierce inquired as to where the conditions came from; that he was not aware whether the neighborhood had the opportunity to review them or not. He stated the members in the neighborhood only received a copy this morning and if they know what the conditions are they may be more receptive to it.



## REZONING (Continued)

Mr. Bennett stated that he did not know if members of the neighborhood have seen them or not.

**Merri Mai Williamson** stated that she lives on East Tenth Street and did not receive the list of conditions until today. She stated the neighborhood association was not convened and (she) was not able to get them into the hands of the neighborhood or Board and as a result it was not brought to their attention when the original vote in February was taken or in March.

**Councilwoman Rutherford** stated that she would like for the Council to go ahead and move on this and have a week before second reading and at that time Councilman Pierce and the Robertsons can meet with the neighborhood, if necessary. She stated that she wants to recommend approval with the conditions the Planning Commission put on the ordinance.

Mr. Bennett suggested restricting use of the property to residential and whatever commercial use; that right now they are undecided what the bottom floor will be used for and it is still somewhat speculative.

Mr. Robertson stated whatever they do would have to be in the C-3 restrictions.

Chairman Pierce indicated the Robertson's would be moving one way or another and indicated that the ordinance would pass first reading tonight and would be held a couple weeks prior to second reading.

Councilman Franklin asked Councilwoman Rutherford for a point of clarification and asked if she would amend her motion to reflect what Mr. Bennett suggested.

**Councilwoman Rutherford** stated that she would like for the ordinance to be approved as it is written tonight on first reading. She stated that the neighborhood should get together with the Robertsons and Councilman Pierce for an opportunity to meet and go over the restrictions and let them, at that point, say what they want restricted to "this use" or "that use". She stated that she does feel from a purely business standpoint that something should be done as this has been deferred for close to a month. She stated that she made the motion with the understanding a meeting will take place before second reading. **Councilman Page** seconded the motion.

## REZONING (Continued)

Chairman Pierce asked those in opposition from the community to stand so the Council could recognize them. He stated he would like for them to get together and have a meeting between now and next Tuesday; that the matter has been delayed since the middle of February. He stated that Mr. Robertson felt everyone was favorable and started some work prematurely on the building which should not have happened. He stated he would like for everyone to come to the meeting in an effort to try to resolve the matter one way or another. He stated that he gave the conditions to a community representative this morning and half of them do not know what they are; that he would like for them to have an opportunity to view them.

Councilwoman Robinson stated that so many of the residents are present tonight and wish they could meet tonight.

It was noted from one of the residents in opposition that attempting to meet tonight would not be fair to the rest of the community and asked if they could meeting within the two weeks.

Chairman Pierce stated he did not think two weeks would "hurt" that much at this point.

Councilman Franklin asked if that would keep the Robertsons from moving in as far as the residence part.

Chairman Pierce stated they would have to build that. He stated that the motion is to pass the matter on first reading and come back in two weeks; that passage on first reading does not mean this is a "done deal", emphasizing that the neighborhood would have to get together and come back for second reading in two weeks.

Mr. Robertson stated that presumptions were made and electrical work was done, which was not true. He stated work was done; that the electrical wiring was done in 1932 and they were asked to do that, not made to do it. He stated the city wanted them to do it.

Chairman Pierce stated that does not justify four meters going there.

Mr. Robertson attempted to respond but was interrupted by Councilwoman Rutherford's "call for the question".

REZONING (Continued)

On motion of Councilwoman Rutherford, seconded by Councilman Page,  
**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 6958, AS AMENDED,  
KNOWN AS THE ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE A TRACT OF  
LAND LOCATED AT 621 EAST 11<sup>TH</sup> STREET, MORE PARTICULARLY  
DESCRIBED HEREIN, FROM M-2 LIGHT INDUSTRIAL ZONE TO C-3  
CENTRAL BUSINESS ZONE, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS**  
passed first reading; **second reading was tabled two weeks (April 3).**

CONTRACT

Councilman Benson stated that this matter was discussed at length in the Legal and Legislative Committee and approval is recommended. He stated the City's portion is just \$130,000.00

On motion of Councilman Benson, seconded by Councilwoman Bennett,  
**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF CONTRACT NO. R-07-1-  
201, RENAISSANCE PARK PAVILION, TO POINTE GENERAL  
CONTRACTORS, LLC IN THE AMOUNT OF FIVE HUNDRED TWENTY  
THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$520,000.00), PLUS A CONTINGENCY AMOUNT  
OF THIRTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$30,000.00), FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT  
NOT TO EXCEED FIVE HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS  
(\$550,000.00)**

was adopted.

PAYMENT AUTHORIZATION

On motion of Councilwoman Rutherford, seconded by Councilman Franklin,  
**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT TO THE CHATTANOOGA-  
HAMILTON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT FOR PHARMACEUTICAL  
ANTIDOTES FOR THE CHATTANOOGA FIRE DEPARTMENT IN AN  
AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-THREE THOUSAND  
SEVEN HUNDRED THIRTY-THREE AND 98/100 DOLLARS (\$133,733.98)**

was adopted.

## CHANGE ORDER

On motion of Councilman Franklin, seconded by Councilwoman Bennett, **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 RELATIVE TO THE STRUCTURED CABLING FOR CITY HALL RENOVATIONS CONTRACT WITH INTEGRATED NETWORKING TECHNOLOGIES, LLC (INTEC), WHICH CHANGE ORDER INCREASES THE CONTRACT AMOUNT BY SIX HUNDRED SEVENTY-EIGHT DOLLARS (\$678.00), FOR A REVISED CONTRACT AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED NINETY-NINE THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED SEVENTY-SEVEN AND 81/100 DOLLARS (\$99,377.81)** was adopted.

## OVERTIME

Overtime for the week ending March 16, 2007 totaled \$71,433.07.

## PERSONNEL

The following personnel matters were reported for the various departments:

### **PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT:**

- **ROGER L. SAMPLES** – Extension of Leave of Absence, Crew Worker Senior, City Wide Services, effective February 13 – March 16, 2007.
- **SALEM K. TEMPLIN** – Lateral Transfer, Crew Supervisor, Sr., City Wide Services (Stormwater Operations), Pay Grade 12/Step 3, \$31,213.00 annually, effective March 8, 2007.
- **CHARLES L. WOOD** – Termination, Landfill Technician Sr., Waste, effective March 5, 2007.
- **JONATHAN HAGEN** – Hire, Water Quality Technician, Engineering, Pay Grade 10/Step 5, \$31,050.00 annually, effective March 16, 2007.
- **MARCUS V. STAMPS** – Suspension (3 days without pay), Crew Worker, City Wide Services, effective March 9, 12,13, 2007.
- **C. G. SMITH** – Retirement, Heavy Equipment Operator, Waste, effective March 15, 2007.

**PERSONNEL (Continued)**

- **KENNETH A. PHILLIPS, JR.** – Family Medical Leave, Crew Worker Senior, Waste, effective November 17, 2006 – February 13, 2007.
- **JEREMY H. POARCH** – Promotion, Plant Engineer, Waste, Pay Grade 29/Step 1, \$49,338.00 annually, effective March 9, 2007.

**CHATTANOOGA POLICE DEPARTMENT:**

- **MARVIN SCOTT CRIDER** – Suspension (7 days without pay), Police Officer, effective March 13-19, 2007.
- **TAMMY BOSTICK-MCLINTOCK** – Leave Without Pay, Police Services Technician, effective March 16 – April 12, 2007.
- **DERRICK PENDERGRASS** – Suspension (3 days without pay), Police Officer, effective March 21-23, 2007.

**CHATTANOOGA FIRE DEPARTMENT:**

- **JAMES M. ASHLEY, JASON L. ASHLEY, BENJAMIN C. BRADLEY, MATTHEW W. BROWN, JASON GERARD COLLINS, RANSOM R. EVANS, JEFFREY B. MCCOMMON, IAN M. MOON, CHADD M. NICHOLS, CHRISTOPHER O’KELLEY, JENNY L. PARKER, KERRIN M. PARKER, ROBERT P. ROARK, MATTHEW K. ROREX, CHRISTOPHER I. SALONEY, CHARLES T. WALKER, TIMOTHY B. WATERS** – Hire, Firefighter, Pay Grade F1/Step 1, \$27,869.00 annually, effective March 16, 2007.

**PURCHASE**

On motion of Councilwoman Rutherford, seconded by Councilman Franklin, the following purchase was approved for use by the Public Works Department:

**CLASSIC CITY MECHANICAL (Best bid)**  
**R0095386/B0003804**

Open Trench Boring (*Infratech Corporation was the lowest bidder, but withdrew its bid.*)

\$135.45 per foot

**PURCHASE**

On motion of Councilwoman Rutherford, seconded by Councilwoman Robinson, the following purchase was approved for use by the Department of Education, Arts and Culture:

**WALLACE TILE, INC. (Lowest and best bid)**  
**R0095248/B0003788**

Removal and Replacement of Flooring at North River Civic Center

\$19,468.00

**PURCHASE**

On motion of Councilwoman Rutherford, seconded by Councilman Franklin, the following purchase was approved for use by the Chattanooga Fire Department:

**ASAP SOFTWARE (Single source)**  
**R0097283**

Software Licenses (Microsoft)

\$25,504.82

**RESCIND BID**

On motion of Councilman Franklin, seconded by Councilman Page, the following purchase was rescinded and will be re-bid with clearer specifications:

**MSA MILLENNUM**  
**R0095469/B0003806**

**HOTEL PERMITS**

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

**BLUFF VIEW INN-MARTIN HOUSE**, 412 East Second Street, Chattanooga, TN

**CHATTANOOGA MARRIOTT**, Two Carter Plaza, Chattanooga, TN

**PURCHASE**

On motion of Councilwoman Bennett, seconded by Councilwoman Robinson, the following purchase was approved for use by the Chattanooga Police Department:

**HPI INTERNATIONAL, INC. (Lowest and best bid)**  
**R0095648/B0003812**

Photographic Supplies (*B & H Photo Video submitted the lowest bid; however, they bid only fourteen (14) of the sixty-six (66) items required.*)

\$20,044.58

**PURCHASE**

On motion of Councilwoman Rutherford, seconded by Councilwoman Robinson, the following purchase was approved for use by the Chattanooga-Hamilton County Bicentennial Library:

**BRODART (Lowest and best composite bid)**  
**R0096961/B0003915 and R0096967/B0003914**

Furniture (*Requisitions were combined to make one award to one vendor for all pieces to match.*)

\$16,369.15

**PURCHASE**

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

**COS BUSINESS PRODUCTS & INTERIOR (Only bid)**  
**R0097146/B0003824**

Furnishings for Mayor's Office/City Hall per Ordinance 10913 which allows for the award of an "only bid" after re-bidding the second time.

\$214,655.00

**PURCHASE (Continued)**

Councilman Page asked Paul Page to explain why one bid was received and asked if there were any irregularities in the process.

Mr. Page responded that the bid was advertised twice and each time only one bid was received. He stated they went to other cities and no others bid; that this was very competitive.

Chairman Pierce asked if local entities knew.

Mr. Page responded "yes"; that it was advertised in the paper twice.

Councilman Benson inquired as to the number of offices that this purchase involved.

Mr. Page responded "roughly 25-28 offices and common areas".

**PURCHASE**

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

**SYNERGY TELECOM, INC. (Best bid)**  
**R0004531/B0003849**

117 Telephone Sets, Station Cords for Nortel Option 11 PBX

\$21,645.00

**AUTHORIZE RPA TO CONDUCT A LAND USE STUDY**

On motion of Councilman Franklin, seconded by Councilwoman Bennett, the Regional Planning Agency (RPA) was given authorization to conduct a land use study of the M. L. King area.

**COMMITTEES**

Councilman Benson scheduled a meeting of the **Legal and Legislative Committee for Tuesday, March 27 at 3 p.m.**



**COMMITTEES (Continued)**

Councilman Franklin scheduled a meeting of the **Safety Committee for Tuesday, March 27 beginning at 4 p.m.** to hear a report from the Fire Department regarding their involvement with Enterprise South.

Councilman Page scheduled a meeting of the **Economic Development Committee for Tuesday, April 17 immediately following the Public Works Committee.**

Councilwoman Robinson scheduled a meeting of the **Health, Human Services and Housing Opportunities Committee for Tuesday, April 10 at 4 p.m.** to hear a report from BettyeLynn Smith regarding Community Impact as to what they have done this past year and to make the Council aware of the work that is underway for this year. She stated Ms. Smith will talk about the housing initiative they want to undertake for the city of Chattanooga next year.

Councilwoman Rutherford reminded Council members of the meeting of the **Education, Arts and Culture Committee scheduled for Tuesday, April 3 immediately following the Public Works Committee.**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chairman Pierce adjourned the meeting of the Chattanooga Council until Tuesday, March 27, 2007 at 6:00 p.m.

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CHAIRMAN

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CLERK OF COUNCIL

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