



City Council Building
Chattanooga, Tennessee
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
August 6, 2013
6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Yusuf Hakeem called the meeting to order with Vice Chairman Henderson and Councilpersons Carol Berz, Chris Anderson, Moses Freeman, Russell Gilbert, Larry Grohn, Jerry Mitchell and Ken Smith all present. City Attorney Wade Hinton, Management Analyst Randy Burns and Deputy Clerk Nicole Gwyn were also present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilman Hakeem led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance and invocation.

APPROVAL OF LAST MINUTES

On motion of Councilman Anderson, the minutes of the last meeting (July 30, 2013) were approved as published.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS (2)

Presentation #1:

Chattanooga Zoo at Warner Park
Introduction by Dardenelle Long, CEO/President

Ms. Long recognized the new zoo staff members at the zoo: Liz Crow, Marisa Ogles, Mark Ryan. She also introduced two zoo consultants, David Walsh (Zoo Advisors in Philadelphia, PA) and Craig Rhodes (GLMV Architecture in Wichita, KS), who discussed the facilities plan for the zoo.

Presentation #2:

**Recognition of Student Athletes and
Brainerd Community Center Employees**
Introduction by Lurone Jennings, Administrator,
Department of Youth and Family Development

After introduction by Mr. Jennings, staff members Richard West (Sports Coordinator) and Montrell Beasley (RBI Coordinator) recognized athletes (ages ranging from ages 7 - 18) for outstanding performances in the classroom and within their various sports. They also recognized team coaches.

Jeff Cannon, Deputy Chief of Staff and Chief Innovations Officer, honored eleven (11) employees of the Brainerd Community Center for their humanitarian efforts in assisting residents displaced from the Patten Towers fire on May 28.

ORDINANCES – FINAL READING:

MR-2010-119
PAGE FAMILY PROPERTIES

On motion of Councilman Anderson and seconded by Councilman Gilbert,

ORDINANCE #12745

AN ORDINANCE CLOSING AND ABANDONING THE 5100 BLOCK OF CALHOUN AVENUE BEGINNING AT ITS INTERSECTION SOUTH OF 51ST STREET.

ACTION: APPROVED

On motion of Councilman Freeman and seconded by Councilman Anderson,

ORDINANCE #12746

MR-2012-045 MCCALLIE SCHOOL C/O BILL KROPFF (ABANDONMENT). AN ORDINANCE CLOSING AND ABANDONING AN UNOPENED ALLEY BETWEEN THE 2700 BLOCK OF BENNETT AVENUE AND THE 2700 BLOCK OF ANDERSON AVENUE, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

ACTION: APPROVED

ORDINANCES – FIRST READING:

MR-2013-042
WISE NORTH SHORE, LLC
C/O JOHN WISE

On motion of Councilman Smith and seconded by Councilman Grohn,

ORDINANCE #12747

AN ORDINANCE CLOSING AND ABANDONING A PORTION OF RIGHT-OF-WAY FOR THE 200 BLOCK OF SPEARS AVENUE TO THE 200 BLOCK OF VELMA STREET, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

ACTION: PASSED ON FIRST READING

MR-2013-055
Frank Goodwin

On motion of Councilman Freeman and seconded by Councilman Gilbert,

ORDINANCE #12748

AN ORDINANCE CLOSING AND ABANDONING AN UNOPENED PORTION OF THE 1400 BLOCK OF JEFFERSON STREET.

ACTION: PASSED ON FIRST READING

RESOLUTIONS:

On motion of Councilman Smith and seconded by Councilwoman Berz,

RESOLUTION #27608

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A GRANT OF PROMPT NOTIFICATION SYSTEM EASEMENT WITH THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY, FOR A WARNING SIREN AT 5401 SCHOOL DRIVE, TAX MAP NO. 100I-C-008, AS APPROVED IN RESOLUTION NO. 27333, AND TO EXECUTE CLOSING DOCUMENTS FOR THE RECEIPT OF \$2,100.00 AS COMPENSATION FOR THE PERMANENT EASEMENT RIGHTS.

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilman Anderson and seconded by Councilman Smith,

RESOLUTION #27609

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT TO ROSS GLASS & ALUMINUM FOR THE REPAIR OF BROKEN GLASS AND PANELS FOR THE HOLMBERG BRIDGE, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$11,824.00.

ACTION ADOPTED

On motion of Councilman Grohn and seconded by Councilman Smith,

RESOLUTION #27610

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT TO JAMES D. LEE, INC. FOR A SANITARY SEWER EASEMENT RELATIVE TO CONTRACT NO. W-10-011, EAST BRAINERD ROAD SANITARY SEWER RELOCATION PROJECT, TRACT NO. 1, PROPERTY LOCATED AT 8244 EAST BRAINERD ROAD, CHATTANOOGA, TN, TAX MAP NO. 171B-A-003, FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$58,056.00.

ACTION ADOPTED

On motion of Councilman Grohn and seconded by Councilman Smith,

RESOLUTION #27611

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT TO JAMES D. LEE, INC. FOR A SANITARY SEWER EASEMENT RELATIVE TO CONTRACT NO. W-10-011, EAST BRAINERD ROAD SANITARY SEWER RELOCATION PROJECT, TRACT NO. 3, PROPERTY LOCATED AT 8203 EAST BRAINERD ROAD, CHATTANOOGA, TN, TAX MAP NO. 1590-A-026, FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$27,090.00.

ACTION ADOPTED

On motion of Councilwoman Berz and seconded by Councilman Anderson,

RESOLUTION #27612

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO ACCEPT A GRANT FROM THE BENWOOD FOUNDATION TO HOST A THINK BIKE WORKSHOP IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE DUTCH CYCLING EMBASSY AND THE ROYAL NETHERLANDS EMBASSY, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$6,500.00.

Councilman Smith noted that this resolution had been discussed today in Public Works and Transportation Committee meeting. He also noted that a 2-day Think Bike Workshop is planned for September 23-24, 2013. Upon no further questions or comments, the motion carried.

ACTION ADOPTED

On motion of Councilman Gilbert and seconded by Councilwoman Berz,

RESOLUTION #27613

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF OF POLICE TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH METRO SERVICES, INC. FOR HVAC MECHANICAL UPGRADES LOCATED AT THE POLICE SERVICE CENTER IN THE MAJOR CRIMES OFFICES, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$24,983.00.

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilman Anderson and seconded by Councilman Mitchell,

RESOLUTION #27614

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO NEGOTIATE WITH OFFICIALS FROM THE CHATTANOOGA HOUSING AUTHORITY FOR THE PURPOSE OF PURCHASING THE HARRIET TUBMAN SITE, SUBJECT TO CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL.

Attorney Hinton read the rules for persons wishing to address the Council on this matter. Chairman Hakeem then opened the floor to those wishing to speak:

- **Patrick Kellogg** (of N. Hawthorne St.) - He is excited about this expenditure and will do surveys to see what the community wants to happen with this land. He would like to consider what is "economic development" in relation to the land use. He believes a covenant on the land is needed.

Chairman Hakeem thanked Mr. Kellogg for his comments. After further discussion, the motion to approve the resolution passed 8-to-1, **with Councilman Smith voting "NAY."**

ACTION: ADOPTED

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

Refunds

Mr. Kean presented the following refund:

- CBT Manufacturing Co. Inc.-Map#146P-K-001 \$1,636.75

Councilwoman Berz moved to approve. The motion carried.

ACTION: APPROVED

Purchases

Mr. Kean briefed the Council on the following purchases:

R77625 - General Services Estimated \$16,000.00 Annually
Blanket Contract for Annual Inspection
of Aerial/Man Lift Equipment
Lowest/Best Bidder: American Test Center

R78329 - Public Works \$17,050.00
Purchase of Two (2) Trailers
Lowest/Best Bidder: Mid-South Equipment Company

PO0034461 - General Services Estimated \$30,000.00 Annually
Renewal of Citywide Blanket Contract for Soft Drinks
Lowest/Best Bidder: Coca-Cola Bottling Company

PO0033995 - General Services (N/A)
Renewal of Blanket Contract for Uniform Rental
Lowest/Best Bidder: Aramark Uniform Services

Councilman Anderson moved to approve the submitted purchases. The motion failed a second. A discussion ensued about the blanket contract renewals up for consideration.

On motion of Councilwoman Berz and seconded by Councilman Mitchell, the purchases (5) were approved with the exception of the one item:

PO511192 - General Services (N/A)
Renewal of Citywide Blanket Contract
for Temporary Employment Services
Lowest/Best Bidder: Outsource Staffing

The motion to approve "with the exception of the one piece" passed 8-to-1, with Vice Chair Henderson voting "NAY." Mr. Kean indicated that he would follow-up with the Purchasing Department regarding PO511192.

ACTION APPROVED WITH THE EXCEPTION OF ONE ITEM

OTHER BUSINESS:

Employee Transactions

(Employee Transaction Report received by Council)

Appointment

Councilman Mitchell appointed **Janice Robinson** to the *Zoning Appeals Board*.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Economic and Community Development Committee

Councilman Anderson

(No report at this time)

Budget and Finance Committee

Councilwoman Berz

- Thanks to everyone who attended the Council's first budget work session today.
- Another budget work session will take place next week on Tuesday, August 13, in the J.B. Collins Conference Room from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- The Fire & Police Pension Quarterly Report will be presented during the Agenda Session on August 20th.

Public Safety Committee

Councilman Freeman

- The committee met today for a public hearing on local event halls. The information gathered will be compiled and sent to the Administration for recommendations on an ordinance.
- Thanks to Molly Cooper and Travis McDonough for helping coordinate the hearing.

Youth and Family Development Committee

Councilman Gilbert

(No report at this time)

Audit Committee

Councilman Grohn

(No report at this time)

RPA (Planning Committee)

Vice Chairman Henderson

(No further report)

HR Committee (Human Resources)

Councilman Mitchell

(No further report)

Public Works and Transportation Committee

Councilman Smith

- The committee will meet next week immediately after the Agenda Session to get back on their regular meeting schedule.
- Thanks to Councilwoman Berz for facilitating the budget work session today.

**RECOGNITION OF PERSONS WISHING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL
(Non-Agenda Items)**


Attorney Hinton read the guidelines for persons wishing to address the Council on non-agenda items. Upon which, Chairman Hakeem opened the floor to the public. With no one from the public wishing to speak, this item was closed.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Councilman Mitchell, the meeting of the Chattanooga City Council was adjourned until Tuesday, August 13, 2013, at 6:00 p.m.



CHAIRMAN



CLERK OF COUNCIL

(A full digital audio of this Council meeting, August 6, 2013,
has been filed in the Clerk of the Council's office)