



City Council Building
Chattanooga, Tennessee
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
January 14, 2014
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 Henderson led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF LAST MINUTES

On motion of Councilman Anderson and seconded by Councilman Freeman, the minutes of the last meeting (January 7, 2014) were approved as published.

ORDINANCES – FINAL READING:

On motion of Councilman Mitchell and seconded by Vice Chairman Henderson,

MR-2013-131
Marcus Jones

ORDINANCE #12796

**AN ORDINANCE CLOSING AND ABANDONING THE UNOPENED 1300 BLOCK
OF AUBIN AVENUE BEGINNING AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 1.**

ACTION: APPROVED

On motion of Councilwoman Berz and seconded by Councilman Freeman,

ORDINANCE #12797

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 12757 KNOWN AS "THE FISCAL YEAR 2013-2014 BUDGET ORDINANCE" SO AS TO APPROPRIATE \$50,000.00 FROM THE GENERAL FUND CONTINGENCY TO THE CHATTANOOGA REGIONAL HOMELESS COALITION TO BE USED TO PROVIDE EMERGENCY NIGHT SHELTER FOR INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES DURING THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2014 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2014.

ACTION: APPROVED

ORDINANCES – FIRST READING:

A discussion ensued about the following:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE III, DIVISION 12, SECTION 2-193, RELATIVE TO POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.

Attorney Hinton discussed changes proposed by Council during its Agenda Session earlier today. He said his office had concerns about the language related to the "City Auditor to review personnel matters." He indicated that including that language would require more time for research.

He, therefore, proposed two options for the Council: either to defer the current version, or to adopt the revised version of the ordinance. **Vice Chairman Henderson moved to defer one week**, seconded by Councilman Gilbert.

ACTION: DEFERRED ONE WEEK

On motion of Councilman Anderson and seconded by Councilman Grohn,

2013-153
The Broadway Group, LLC,
John Haddock & Pamela Price
District No. 6
Planning Version

ORDINANCE #12799

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 38, ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 7345 LEE HIGHWAY, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED HEREIN, FROM R-4 SPECIAL ZONE TO C-2 CONVENIENCE COMMERCIAL ZONE, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

Grey Haynes (Planning) made a presentation on this ordinance and the Planning Commission's recommendation for approval with the two conditions. The Applicant was present; however, there was no opposition present. Gail Mantler of The Broadway Group addressed the Council on behalf of the Applicant.

ACTION: PASSED ON FIRST READING

On motion of Councilman Smith and seconded by Vice Chairman Henderson,

2013-155

Jack Killian/CD Properties, LLC

ORDINANCE #12800

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 38, ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2841 NORTHPOINT BOULEVARD, PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED HEREIN, FROM R-1 RESIDENTIAL ZONE TO R-4 SPECIAL ZONE.

Councilman Anderson noted that this zoning was not in District 7, contrary to the slide presentation.

ACTION: PASSED ON FIRST READING

RESOLUTIONS:

On motion of Councilwoman Berz and seconded by Councilman Anderson,

RESOLUTION #27776

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF HUMAN RESOURCES TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE POLICE EXECUTIVE RESEARCH FORUM FOR SERVICES RELATED TO THE CHIEF OF POLICE EXECUTIVE SEARCH, FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$39,000.00.

A discussion ensued with Chief of Staff Travis McDonough, who gave an overview of the engagement process for the executive search.

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilman Freeman and seconded by Councilman Anderson,

RESOLUTION #27777

A RESOLUTION TO CONFIRM THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF CAROLYN JACKSON AS THE ORCHARD KNOB NEIGHBORHOOD REPRESENTATIVE TO THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CITIZEN'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

ACTION: ADOPTED

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

Jeff Cannon, Chief Operating Officer, introduced the department reports:

Board Appointments

Donna Williams, Administrator of Economic and Community Development, informed the Council of two appointments to the *Community Advisory Committee*: Page Wichman (District 7) and Demetrus Coonrad Meniffee (District 9).

Council Invitation

Blythe Bailey, Administrator of the Transportation Department, invited the Council to attend a Transportation Department meeting on this Friday at 10 a.m. at the downtown library. Transportation will discuss its scope of work and goals.

Purchases

Brent Goldberg, Deputy Chief Operating Officer, briefed the Council on the following purchases:

R52528 - Public Works Estimated \$225,000.00 Annually
Blanket contract for Pebble Quickline
Lowest/Best Bidder: Southern Limo Co. (Unimin)

R80483 - Public Works Estimated \$170,000.00 Annually
Blanket Contract for Grounds Maintenance
Lowest/best bidder: Lawn Pro's of Chattanooga (30 locations), Grass Buster Lawn Maintenance (7 locations), Phifer Lawn Service (3 locations), US Lawns (1 location) & Ridgetop Contracting (1 location).

On motion of Councilwoman Berz, the above-listed purchases were approved.

ACTION: APPROVED

OTHER BUSINESS: (NONE)

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Economic and Community Development Committee
Councilman Anderson
(No report)

Budget and Finance Committee
Councilwoman Berz
(No report)

Public Safety Committee
Councilman Freeman
(No report)

Youth and Family Development Committee
Councilman Gilbert
(No report)

Audit Committee
Councilman Grohn
(No report)

RPA (Planning Committee)
Vice Chairman Henderson
(No report)

HR Committee (Human Resources)
Councilman Mitchell

- The committee met today after the Agenda Session.

Public Works and Transportation Committee
Councilman Smith
(No report)

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

Chairman Hakeem asked the Assembly if there were any persons wishing to address the Council on non-agenda items. Seeing none, this portion of the agenda was closed.

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Attorney Hinton reported on a settlement reached in the Emmer-Cooley case. As part of the settlement, the City would release of monies previously ordered by the court, plus approximately \$15,000 to Mr. Emmer and Mr. Cooley. With these payments, all lawsuits--including the one against the city in federal court--would be dismissed and the City would receive the resignation of Mr. Emmer and Mr. Cooley.

Councilman Freeman moved to approve the settlement as presented by the City Attorney. He was seconded by Councilman Anderson. The motion carried 6-to-3, with "NAY" votes by Councilwoman Berz, Councilman Smith and Vice Chairman Henderson.

ACTION: APPROVED

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Councilman Freeman, the meeting of the Chattanooga City Council was adjourned until Tuesday, January 21, 2014, at 6:00 p.m.



CHAIRMAN



CLERK OF COUNCIL

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