



City Council Building  
Chattanooga, Tennessee  
**COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**  
February 24, 2015  
6:00 PM

**CALL TO ORDER**

Council Chairman Chip Henderson called the meeting to order with Vice Chair Dr. Carol Berz and Councilpersons Chris Anderson, Moses Freeman, Russell Gilbert, Larry Grohn, Yusuf Hakeem, Jerry Mitchell and Ken Smith all present. Also present were City Attorney Wade Hinton and Council Clerk Nicole Gwyn, CMC.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Councilman Smith led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF LAST MINUTES**

On motion of Councilman Anderson and seconded by Councilman Smith, the minutes of the last meeting (February 17, 2015) were approved as published.

**ORDINANCES – FINAL READING:**

**MR-2014-087**  
**David Noblit**

On motion of Councilman Mitchell and seconded by Councilman Smith,

**ORDINANCE #12912**

**AN ORDINANCE CLOSING AND ABANDONING AN OPENED ALLEYWAY IN THE 1000 BLOCK OF ENDICOTT STREET, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.**

**ACTION: APPROVED**

**MR-2014-135**  
**James E. Campbell**

On motion of Councilman Freeman and seconded by Councilman Gilbert,

**ORDINANCE #12913**

**AN ORDINANCE CLOSING AND ABANDONING AN OPENED UNNUMBERED BLOCK OF 4TH STREET AND CLOSING AND ABANDONING AN UNOPENED ALLEYWAY IN THE 300 BLOCK OF NORTH HAWTHORNE STREET, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.**

**ACTION: APPROVED**

**ORDINANCES – FIRST READING:**

**MR-2014-076**  
**Jerry Gamble**

On motion of Councilman Freeman and seconded by Councilman Gilbert,

**ORDINANCE #12914**

**AN ORDINANCE CLOSING AND ABANDONING AN UNOPENED ALLEY BEGINNING AT E. 19TH STREET GOING APPROXIMATELY 603 FEET IN A SOUTHWEST DIRECTION.**

**ACTION: PASSED ON FIRST READING**

**MR-2014-126**  
**Michael Doubleday**

On motion of Councilman Anderson and seconded by Vice Chair Dr. Berz,

**ORDINANCE #12915**

**AN ORDINANCE CLOSING AND ABANDONING AN UNOPENED ALLEY BEGINNING AT THE 3000 BLOCK OF ALTON PARK BOULEVARD AND GOING NORTHWEST APPROXIMATELY 360 FEET TO THE 300 BLOCK OF WEST AVENUE, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.**

**ACTION: PASSED ON FIRST READING**

**MR-2014-128**  
**Townson Ensberg**

On motion of Councilman Anderson and seconded by Councilman Freeman,

**ORDINANCE #12916**

**AN ORDINANCE CLOSING AND ABANDONING A PORTION OF THE 1500 BLOCK OF ADAMS STREET, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.**

**ACTION: PASSED ON FIRST READING**

**MR-2014-133**  
**Michael Doubleday**

On motion of Councilman Anderson and seconded by Councilman Freeman,

**ORDINANCE #12917**

**AN ORDINANCE CLOSING AND ABANDONING A PORTION OF THE 3000  
BLOCK OF WEST AVENUE, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.**

**ACTION: PASSED ON FIRST READING**

**RESOLUTIONS:**

On motion of Councilman Anderson and seconded by Councilman Smith,

**RESOLUTION #28159**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT TO THE DIALYSIS CLINIC FOR  
PERMANENT STORM DRAINAGE EASEMENTS AND TEMPORARY  
CONSTRUCTION EASEMENTS, RELATIVE TO CONTRACT NO. S-09-008-  
805, NORTH ST. ELMO DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT, FOR TRACT  
NOS. 5 AND 9, PROPERTY LOCATED AT TAX MAP NO. 155G-A-015 AND  
155G-A-016, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$32,345.00**

**ACTION: ADOPTED**

**DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:**

**Fire Department**

Chief Lamar Flint addressed the Council about the Automatic Aid Agreement, a memorandum of understanding between the City of Chattanooga and intergovernmental agencies in East Ridge, Red Bank, Signal Mountain and Soddy Daisy that would enhance public safety. Chief Flint sought the Council's support to move forward with discussions with the fire chiefs in these cities. Discussion ensued about the proposed MOU and the difference between an Automatic Aid Agreement and a Mutual Aid Agreement. There were no objections to Chief Flint.

**Purchases**

David Carmody, Deputy Chief Operating Officer, briefed the Council on the following proposed purchases:

**R90928 - General Services**

Estimated \$175,000 Annually

Renewal of Blanket Contract for Ford Police  
Interceptor Sedan Basic Equipment Components  
Lowest/Best Bidder: Mountain View Ford, Inc.

**R87865 - General Services**

Estimated \$55,000 Annually

Renewal of Blanket Contract  
for Paint & Paint Supplies  
Lowest/Best Bidder: PPG Architectural Finishes Inc.

**R108022 - General Services**

Estimated \$200,000 Annually

New Blanket Contract for Emergency Services/ Disaster  
Lowest/Best Bidder: Belfor USA Group

**R89630 - Police Department**

Estimated \$59,988 Annually

Renewal of Blanket Contract for Janitorial Services  
Lowest/Best Bidder: Metro Janitorial Service, Inc.

**Councilman Anderson moved** to approve, seconded by Vice Chair Dr. Berz. The motion carried.

**ACTION: APPROVED**

**Emergency Purchase**

The emergency purchase of a backup pump for Spring Creek Station from Xylem, Inc. in the amount of \$294,748.80 plus freight was duly reported for the Department of Public Works and signed in open meeting.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

**Report on Mediation**

Attorney Hinton reported a mediation in the case of Jeffery Moore vs. City of Chattanooga that resulted in an agreed upon settlement of \$160,000 plus court costs and mediation costs. The settlement check would be made to Mr. Moore through his attorneys, Burnette, Dobson & Pinchak. **Councilman Anderson moved to approve** the settlement, seconded by Councilman Mitchell.

**ACTION: APPROVED**

**Ordinance Amendment**

Councilman Freeman discussed business owners who went before the Passenger for Hire (PVH) Board recently, but did not qualify for a license because their antique cars did not meet codes based upon the current PVH Ordinance. Angelique Needham and Hal Everette, owners of Chattanooga Depot Tours, asked Council to consider an amendment to the Passenger Vehicles for Hire Ordinance regarding “unique vehicles,” such as their antique Ford cars.

Councilman Freeman recommended sending this matter to the City Attorney to draft an ordinance regarding unique vehicles. He offered to sponsor the bill and asked that the ordinance be placed on next week’s agenda.

Chairman Henderson recommended sending this matter to committee. Attorney Hinton indicated that a draft of the ordinance would be ready for review in committee. Councilman Smith volunteered to hear this matter in a special session of the Public Works and Transportation Committee next Tuesday.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

### *Audit & I.T. Committee*

Councilman Grohn  
(No report)

### *Budget and Finance Committee*

Councilman Mitchell  
(No report)

### *Economic and Community Development Committee*

Councilman Anderson

- The committee met today, but he was unable to attend due to participating in a city-related mediation most of the day. Therefore, he deferred to Chairman Henderson on a report from the meeting.
- Chairman Henderson chaired today's ECD Committee meeting and reported the following: The committee met to hear a presentation from the Land Development Office on the Building Permit Fire Fee restructuring.

### *HR Committee (Human Resources)*

Vice Chair Dr. Berz  
(No report)

### *Planning & Zoning*

Councilman Hakeem

- The committee will meet next Tuesday (March 3) to discuss regular agenda items.

### *Public Safety Committee*

Councilman Freeman  
(No report)

### *Public Works and Transportation Committee*

Councilman Smith

- The committee met today to discuss tonight's agenda items and received a presentation by CARTA.
- There will be a special meeting of the committee next Tuesday regarding unique vehicles amendment to the Passenger Vehicle for Hire ordinance.

### *Youth and Family Development Committee*

Councilman Gilbert  
(No report)

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

Attorney Hinton read the rules of procedure for persons wishing to address the Council on non-agenda items. After which, Chairman Henderson recognized the following persons:

- **Justin Strickland (Chattanooga)** – Mr. Strickland, a member of the city's Passenger Vehicles for Hire (PVH) Board, encouraged the public to apply for and participate on the Board. He encouraged the Council to find ways in which the public could rate or write reviews on taxi companies. He indicated that an UBER Audit would be voted on at the next PVH Board meeting.
  - Councilman Hakeem said that he would have a conversation with Councilman Smith, chair of the Public Works and Transportation Committee, regarding the issues that Mr. Strickland brought forth today.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**On motion of Councilman Anderson,** the meeting of the Chattanooga City Council was adjourned until Tuesday, May 3, 2015, at 6:00 p.m.

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**CHAIRMAN**

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**CLERK OF COUNCIL**