



City Council Building
Chattanooga, Tennessee
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
June 2, 2015
6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice Chair Freeman led the Assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF LAST MINUTES

On motion of Councilman Anderson and seconded by Vice Chair Freeman, the minutes of the last meeting (May 26, 2015) were approved as published.

ORDINANCES – FINAL READING: (NONE)

ORDINANCES – FIRST READING: (NONE)

RESOLUTIONS:

On motion of Councilman Henderson and seconded by Councilman Anderson,

RESOLUTION #28246

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHATTANOOGA FIRE DEPARTMENT TO ACCEPT DONATIONS UNDER \$10,000.00, WHICH CAN BE ACCEPTED WITHOUT COUNCIL APPROVAL, AND TO BE REPORTED TO COUNCIL ON A MONTHLY BASIS.

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilman Grohn and seconded by Councilman Smith,

RESOLUTION #28247

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS TO AWARD CONTRACT NO. W-10-004-201 TO RTD CONSTRUCTION, INC., EAST BRAINERD PUMP STATION UPGRADES, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,382,091.00, WITH A CONTINGENCY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$538,000.00, FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$5,920,091.00, SUBJECT TO SRF LOAN APPROVAL.

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilman Anderson and seconded by Councilman Grohn,

RESOLUTION #28248

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS TO AWARD CONTRACT NO. W-12-025-201 TO SAK CONSTRUCTION, LLC, TANNERY FLATS INTERCEPTOR REHABILITATION PROJECT, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,143,391.00, WITH A CONTINGENCY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$207,170.00, FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$4,350,561.00, SUBJECT TO SRF LOAN APPROVAL.

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilman Henderson and seconded by Councilman Smith,

RESOLUTION #28249

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO APPLY FOR AND, IF AWARDED, ACCEPT A FEDERAL LAND ACCESS PROGRAM (FLAP) GRANT FROM THE EASTERN FEDERAL LAND HIGHWAY DIVISION OF THE FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION TO EXTEND THE BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN TRANSIT NETWORK FROM DOWNTOWN CHATTANOOGA TO THE MOCCASIN BEND NATIONAL ARCHEOLOGICAL DISTRICT, WITH THE CITY'S MATCHING FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$234,260.00, FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$2,238,781.00.

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilman Gilbert and seconded by Councilman Hakeem,

RESOLUTION #28250

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO APPLY FOR AND, IF AWARDED, ACCEPT A CONGESTION MITIGATION AND AIR QUALITY IMPROVEMENT (CMAQ) GRANT FROM THE TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TDOT) TO INSTALL TRANSIT SIGNAL PRIORITIZATION, BIKE AND PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENTS, AND TRAFFIC SIGNAL TIMING IMPROVEMENTS AT THIRTY-TWO (32) SIGNALIZED INTERSECTIONS ALONG BRAINERD ROAD, LEE HIGHWAY, SHALLOWFORD ROAD, GUNBARREL ROAD, AND HAMILTON PLACE BOULEVARD, WITH THE CITY'S MATCHING FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$500,000.00, FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$2.5 MILLION.

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilman Anderson and seconded by Councilman Smith,

RESOLUTION #28251

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO ENTER INTO A PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT WITH TRIAD ELECTRIC, PROJECT NO. T-14-027-806, FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 509 RIVERFRONT PARKWAY AND TO ACCEPT A CONTRIBUTION TOWARDS THE COST OF SEVEN (7) PEDESTRIAN LIGHT POLES AND LIGHT FIXTURES, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10,337.32.

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilman Hakeem and seconded by Councilman Gilbert,

RESOLUTION #28252

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO ENTER INTO A PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT WITH THE BROADWAY GROUP, PROJECT NO. T-14-027-805, FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 3210 WILCOX BOULEVARD AND TO ACCEPT A CONTRIBUTION TOWARDS THE COST OF THE FIVE (5) PEDESTRIAN LIGHT POLES AND LIGHT FIXTURES, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$7,083.80.

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilman Smith and seconded by Vice Chair Freeman,

RESOLUTION #28253

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH TALLEY CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, INC. FOR CONSTRUCTION SERVICES ASSOCIATED WITH RESURFACING OF DESIGNATED ROADWAYS WITHIN THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA RELATIVE TO CONTRACT NO. T-15-001, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,882,788.00.

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilman Anderson and seconded by Vice Chair Freeman,

RESOLUTION #28254

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO PARTNER WITH OAK RIDGE NATIONAL LABORATORY TO APPLY FOR AND, IF AWARDED, ACCEPT A GRANT FROM THE ACCESSIBLE TRANSPORTATION TECHNOLOGIES RESEARCH INITIATIVE (ATTRI), A JOINT U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION INITIATIVE, TO IMPLEMENT TECHNOLOGIES THAT WILL PROVIDE BETTER ACCESS TO TRANSPORTATION FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES, VETERANS WITH DISABILITIES, AND OLDER ADULTS THROUGHOUT THE CITY.

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilman Gilbert and seconded by Councilman Anderson,

RESOLUTION #28255

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH AND FAMILY DEVELOPMENT TO ENTER INTO CONTRACTS WITH THE BELOW-LISTED SCHOOL BUS DRIVERS TO DRIVE PARTICIPANTS TO VARIOUS RECREATIONAL CENTERS ON FIELD TRIPS FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE, 2015, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$17,395.00, AND FOR THE MONTH OF JULY, 2015, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$21,455.00, FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$38,850.00.

ACTION: ADOPTED

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

Emergency Purchase

The following emergency purchase was duly reported by David Carmody, Deputy Chief Operating Officer, and signed in open meeting by Lee Norris, Public Works Administrator:

R115598 - Public Works	\$206,424.56
Emergency Purchase of Compressor Rebuild Services	
Supplier: Centerfugal Technologies, Inc.	

Proposed Purchases

Mr. Carmody briefed the Council on the following proposed purchases:

R58986 - General Services Estimated \$1,000,000 Annually
Blanket Contract Renewal for Sedans and Light Trucks
Lowest/Best Bidder: Brooker Ford, Inc.

R112171 - Public Works Estimated \$50,000 Annually
Multiple New Blanket Contracts for Grounds
Maintenance for Selected City Properties
Lowest/Best Bidders: Durango Enterprises, L&M Landscape,
AB Property Preservation, and
Special Touch Lawn Care Service

R115377 - Public Works \$201,196.68
The Purchase of one (1) Bypass Pump
Lowest/Best Bidder: Xylem, Inc.

R77328 - Public Works Estimated \$56,000 Annually
Blanket Contract Extension for Mowing Services
Lowest/Best Bidder: Special Touch Lawn Service

Councilman Anderson moved to approve, seconded by Vice Chair Freeman. The motion carried.

ACTION: APPROVED

OTHER BUSINESS:

Agenda Change

On motion of Councilman Smith and seconded by Councilman Mitchell, the first reading of the operating budget was moved to next Tuesday's (6/9) agenda. Upon no further question, Vice Chair Freeman called the *question*. The motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Audit & I.T. Committee
Councilman Grohn
(No report)

Budget and Finance Committee
Councilman Mitchell

- The committee held another budget work session this week, chaired by Councilman Anderson. There will be one more budget more budget work session next Tuesday, with the Chief Fred Fletcher presenting the Police Department's budget. The committee will also discuss the capital budget next week.
- The committee will meet next Tuesday after Agenda Session for a presentation by Les Lee, the Council's representative on the Fire and Police Pension Board.

Economic and Community Development Committee

Councilman Anderson

- He chaired the budget work session today, where the committee heard from Youth and Family Development, Public Works and Land Development (recap), Fire Department, City Court and other revenue sources.
- The committee met today to hear about the Kore development PILOT at 1400 Chestnut, which will appear on the agenda next week.

HR Committee (Human Resources)

Vice Chair Freeman

- He will update the Council soon on the schedule for the HR Committee soon.
- The committee is in the final stages of employee evaluations and will to have the evaluation completed and presented within the next couple of weeks.

Planning & Zoning

Councilman Hakeem

- The committee met today to review agenda items from next week's agenda.
- The committee will meet next Tuesday after Agenda Session for presentations on a series of topics, including Form-based Code and short-term vacation rentals.

Public Safety Committee

Councilman Henderson

(No report)

Public Works and Transportation Committee

Councilman Smith

- The committee met earlier today to review the agenda items voted on tonight. During the meeting, the committee received a presentation on paving projects.
- The committee will meet next Tuesday for a presentation on the updated procedures for street names.

Youth and Family Development Committee

Councilman Gilbert

(No report)

NEXT WEEK'S AGENDA:

- Attorney Hinton informed the Council that a Fire and Police Pension item will be added to next week's agenda.

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, Chairwoman Berz recognized the following persons:

- **Mark Gilliland (Chestnut Ln.)** – He stated that he does not believe the budget process is democratic and asked for civilian oversight. He stated that the rights of he and other members of Concerned Citizens for Justice were violated by a city security officer that tried to stop them from distributing flyers on a public street.
- **Mike Dougherty (Brainerd area)** – He stated that \$60.7 million allocated to the Police Department is a “disparity” in the budget. He voiced concerns about problems being “policed” and recommends increasing funding for other solutions.
- **Jared Story (Hunter Village Dr.)** – He stated that he does not believe that neighborhood associations do not represent all views of the young people in the streets. He gave an example of what he considered to be over-policing by officers on bikes at an event where there was “true community policing.”
- **Madeline Dougherty (Tally Rd.)** – She read a statement expressing her concerns about the Family Justice Center being funded by the Police Department. She recommends placing the center under Youth and Family Development or Economic and Community Development.
- **Perrin Lance (Mississippi Ave.)** – He stated that he would like greater access on how the budget operates. He suggested that the city run test pilot programs with Participatory Budgeting.
- **Pastor Charlotte Williams (Heathfield Dr.)** – She stated that she represents organizations that seek to build communities of self-determination.
- **Helen Burns Sharp (Walnut St.)** – She believes Chattanooga needs policies and procedures for tax abatements (PILOTs and TIFs). She disagrees with the PILOT discussed earlier today in committee meeting because she does not see the public benefit.
 - Attorney Hinton indicated that a framework for the procedure on TIFs was in the works and would be sent via email to the Council.
 - Councilman Anderson stated that TIFs and PILOTs would be discussed in committee soon.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairwoman Berz adjourned the meeting of the Chattanooga City Council until Tuesday, June 9, 2015, at 6:00 p.m.

CHAIRWOMAN

CLERK OF COUNCIL