



John P. Franklin, Sr. City Council Building
Chattanooga, Tennessee

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

February 25, 2020
6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Council Chairman Erskine Oglesby, Jr. called the meeting to order with a quorum present that included Vice-Chairman Chip Henderson and Councilpersons Carol Berz, Anthony Byrd, Demetrus Coonrod, Russell Gilbert, Darrin Ledford, Jerry Mitchell and Ken Smith. Phil Noblett, City Attorney, and Nicole Gwyn, Council Clerk, were also present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilwoman Coonrod led the Assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance. She then invited Sylvester Harris to give an invocation.

APPROVAL OF LAST MINUTES

On motion of Councilman Smith and seconded by Councilman Gilbert, the minutes of the last meeting (February 18, 2020) were approved as published.

ORDINANCES – FINAL READING: (NONE)

ORDINANCES – FIRST READING:

2020-0012
CMT Investments, LLC % Matthew Mucciolo
Planning Version
District No. 2

Agenda Item VI(a):

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 38, ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 3820, 3834, AND 3836 HIXSON PIKE, FROM R-1 RESIDENTIAL ZONE AND R-4 SPECIAL ZONE TO C-2 CONVENIENCE COMMERCIAL ZONE, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

Councilman Mitchell informed the Council that he spoke to the Applicant, who has requested to table this item. Therefore, **Councilman Mitchell moved** to table, seconded by Councilman Ledford. The motion carried.

ACTION: TABLED

2020-0014
Leyui Lopez Perez
Staff Version
District No. 8

Agenda Item VI(b):

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 38, ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1915 SOUTH GREENWOOD AVENUE, FROM M-1 MANUFACTURING ZONE TO O-1 OFFICE ZONE.

Councilman Byrd informed the Council that he spoke to the Applicant via a language interpreter and felt that there was some language barrier. The Applicant wanted to pursue M-1 to R-1, but chose to withdraw the application. Therefore, **Councilman Byrd moved** to withdraw, seconded by Vice-Chairman Henderson. The motion carried.

ACTION: WITHDRAWN

Agenda Item VI(c):

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA TENNESSEE, INSTITUTING A 180 DAY MORATORIUM ON THE ACCEPTING AND PROCESSING OF APPLICATIONS FOR ANY NEW OUTDOOR ADVERTISING SIGNS AND ON THE CONSTRUCTION AND/OR INSTALLATION OF OUTDOOR ADVERTISING SIGNS, IN ADDITION TO THE CONVERSION OF EXISTING SIGNS AND POSTER PAPER OUTDOOR ADVERTISING SIGNS TO AN ELECTRONIC ADVERTISING OR MESSAGING SIGN, WITHIN THE CITY.

Councilman Smith informed the Council that he was not yet confident in this ordinance and wanted more time to ensure it covers bases. Therefore, **Councilman Smith moved** to defer to March 3, 2020. He was seconded by Councilman Byrd. The motion carried.

ACTION: DEFERRED UNTIL MARCH 3, 2020

RESOLUTIONS:

On motion of Vice-Chairman Henderson and seconded by Councilman Byrd,

RESOLUTION #30240

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A FIRST AGREEMENT TO EXERCISE OPTION TO RENEW, IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE FORM ATTACHED, WITH LOOKOUT VALLEY RECREATION ASSOCIATION FOR THE USE OF PROPERTY LOCATED AT 370 WARREN PLACE AND FURTHER IDENTIFIED AS TAX MAP NO. 144J-B-008.

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilwoman Berz and seconded by Councilman Gilbert,

RESOLUTION #30241

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT TO EXERCISE OPTION TO RENEW FOR AN ADDITIONAL TERM OF ONE (1) YEAR WITH DARDENELLE LONG, IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE FORM ATTACHED, FOR THE LEASE OF THE BARN AT BROWN ACRES GOLF COURSE FOR THE KEEPING OF ANIMALS AS CONSISTENT WITH ZONING REQUIREMENTS, WITH AN ADDRESS OF 406 BROWN ROAD ON A PORTION OF TAX PARCEL NO. 158I-G-001.

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilman Byrd and seconded by Councilwoman Coonrod,

RESOLUTION #30242

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A SUPPLEMENTAL DONATION AGREEMENT, IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE FORM ATTACHED, ANY RELATED DOCUMENTS, AND A QUITCLAIM DEED BETWEEN THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA AND NIPPON PAINT AUTOMOTIVE AMERICAS, INC. FOR THE PROPERTY IDENTIFIED AS LOT ONE (1) OF HARRIET TUBMAN SUBDIVISION AND KNOWN AS TAX PARCEL NUMBER 136E-A-005 TO PROVIDE FOR THE ACQUISITION OF APPROXIMATELY AN ADDITIONAL 26,000 SQUARE FEET OF LAND DUE TO LOSS OF USE RELATED TO THE LOCATION OF THE TUBMAN SEWER RELOCATION PERMANENT EASEMENT.

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilwoman Berz and seconded by Councilman Mitchell,

RESOLUTION #30243

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE DISBURSEMENT OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS BY THE CITY TREASURER FOR THE DOWNTOWN CENTRAL BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT (CBID) IN COMPLIANCE WITH ORDINANCE NO. 13498.

The motion carried, with Councilman Gilbert voting “No.”

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilman Gilbert and seconded by Councilman Ledford,

RESOLUTION #30244

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF HUMAN RESOURCES OFFICER TO RENEW AN EXISTING AGREEMENT WITH RUSS BLAKELY AND ASSOCIATES, LLC TO PROVIDE BENEFIT ADVISOR AND OPEN ENROLLMENT SERVICES AND ACT AS AGENT OF RECORD FOR ALL BENEFIT OPTIONS AT NO COST OF THE SECOND OF TWO (2) OPTIONAL RENEWAL TERMS BEGINNING APRIL 1, 2020.

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilman Gilbert and seconded by Councilman Byrd,

RESOLUTION #30245

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF HUMAN RESOURCES OFFICER TO RENEW AN EXISTING AGREEMENT WITH COMPSYCH CORPORATION TO PROVIDE EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (EAP) SERVICES TO ELIGIBLE CITY EMPLOYEES AT THE RATE OF \$1.15 PER EMPLOYEE PER MONTH FOR NON-SWORN EMPLOYEES AND \$1.49 PER EMPLOYEE PER MONTH FOR SWORN EMPLOYEES FOR THE SECOND OF TWO (2) OPTIONAL RENEWAL TERMS BEGINNING APRIL 1, 2020, FOR AN APPROXIMATE ANNUAL COST OF \$40,000.00.

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Vice-Chairman Henderson and seconded by Councilman Ledford,

RESOLUTION #30246

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 FOR HDR ENGINEERING, INC. RELATIVE TO CONTRACT NO. W-16-017-101, MBWWTP SOLIDS PROCESS OPTIMIZATION IMPLEMENTATION – PHASE 2, A CONSENT DECREE PROJECT, FOR THE INCREASED AMOUNT OF \$159,282.00, FOR A REVISED CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$768,129.00.

ACTION: ADOPTED

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

RESOLUTION #30247

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 4 TO CDM SMITH RELATIVE TO CONTRACT NO. S-15-016-101, EAST LAKE WATER QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT, FOR AN INCREASED AMOUNT OF \$87,000.00, FOR A REVISED CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$768,800.00.

Vice-Chairman Henderson heard no objections from Chairman Oglesby about this District 7 item.

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilman Byrd and seconded by Councilwoman Coonrod,

RESOLUTION #30248

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 2 FOR CD TECHNICAL SERVICES RELATIVE TO CONTRACT NO. R-15-021-101, VARIOUS PARKS ADA COMPLIANCE, FOR ADDITIONAL PROFESSIONAL SERVICES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$9,400.00, FOR A REVISED CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$190,800.00.

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilwoman Coonrod and seconded by Councilman Byrd,

RESOLUTION #30249

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS TO AWARD CONTRACT NO. W-17-022-201 TO IPR SOUTHEAST, LLC OF STONE MOUNTAIN, GA, DOBBS BRANCH BASIN IMPROVEMENTS – PHASE 1, A CONSENT DECREE PROJECT, FOR THE CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$6,947,282.50, PLUS A CONTINGENCY AMOUNT OF \$350,000.00, FOR A TOTAL PROJECT COST OF \$7,297,282.50, SUBJECT TO SRF APPROVAL.

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilman Byrd and seconded by Councilwoman Coonrod,

RESOLUTION #30250

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS TO AWARD CONTRACT NO. W-17-020-201 TO IPR SOUTHEAST, LLC OF STONE MOUNTAIN, GA, DOBBS BRANCH BASIN IMPROVEMENTS – PHASE 2, A CONSENT DECREE PROJECT, FOR THE CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$9,148,525.50, PLUS A CONTINGENCY AMOUNT OF \$450,000.00, FOR A TOTAL PROJECT COST OF \$9,598,525.50, SUBJECT TO SRF APPROVAL.

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilman Byrd and seconded by Councilwoman Coonrod,

RESOLUTION #30251

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH AND FAMILY DEVELOPMENT TO RENEW A BLANKET PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH THE ELECTRIC POWER BOARD TO PAY CLIENT SERVICES PAYMENT FOR THE CITIZENS OF CHATTANOOGA THAT QUALIFY FOR ASSISTANCE UNDER THE LOW INCOME HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (LIHEAP) AND THE COMMUNITY SERVICES BLOCK GRANT (CSBG) PROGRAMS FOR A GRANT PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2019 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2020, WITHOUT ADDITIONAL FUNDING.

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilwoman Coonrod and seconded by Councilman Byrd,

RESOLUTION #30252

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH AND FAMILY DEVELOPMENT TO RENEW A BLANKET PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH ATLANTA GAS LIGHT COMPANY TO PAY CLIENT SERVICES PAYMENT FOR THE CITIZENS OF CHATTANOOGA THAT QUALIFY FOR ASSISTANCE UNDER THE LOW INCOME HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (LIHEAP) AND THE COMMUNITY SERVICES BLOCK GRANT (CSBG) PROGRAMS FOR A GRANT PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2019 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2020, WITHOUT ADDITIONAL FUNDING.

ACTION: ADOPTED

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

Proposed Purchases

Anthony Sammons, Deputy Chief Operating Officer, briefed the Council on the following proposed purchases:

PO553173 Public Works Department Total Estimate \$60,000.00 Annually
Blanket Contract Renewal - Corrugated Metal Pipe –
City Wide Services Division - Public Works Department
Lowest/Best Bidder: Hagan & Stone Wholesale, Inc.
P.O. Box 2847,
Cleveland, TN 37320

PO553093 Public Works Department Total Estimate \$32,000.00 Annually
Blanket Contract Renewal - Gamber Johnson
Police Vehicle Equipment - Fleet Management Division –
Public Works Department
Lowest/Best Bidder: On-Duty Depot, Inc.
10610 Dutchtown Road,
Knoxville, TN 37932

PO548120 Public Works Department Total Estimate \$1,000,000.00 Annually
Blanket Contract Renewal - Washed & Crushed Stone –
City Wide Services Division - Public Works Department
Lowest/Best Bidder: Vulcan Materials Company
6142 Shallowford Road, Suite 101
Chattanooga, TN 37421

PO553316 Public Works Department Total Estimate \$210,000.00 Annually
Blanket Contract Renewal - Downtown Landscape
Improvements & Maintenance - Parks Division –
Public Works Department
Lowest/Best Bidder: Sikes Services, LLC dba CityGreen Services
206 Merriman Avenue, Chattanooga, TN 37415

PO548162 Public Works Department Total Estimate 100,000.00 Annually
Blanket Contract Renewal - Overhead Crane
Maintenance & Repair – Waste Resources Division –
Public Works Department
Lowest/Best Bidder: Konecranes
4638 Resource Drive
Chattanooga, TN 37416

PO553394 Public Works Department Total Estimate \$55,000.00 Annually
Blanket Contract Renewal - Water Analysis Services –
Water Quality Division - Public Works Department
Lowest/Best Bidder: Waypoint Analytical, Inc.
2790 Whitten Road
Memphis, TN 38133

PO553395 Public Works Department Total Estimate \$100,000.00 Annually
Blanket Contract Renewal - Protective Footwear –
Parks Division - Public Works Department
Lowest/Best Bidder: Cintas Corporation
2131 Polymer Drive
Chattanooga, TN 37421

PO553854 and PO553855 Public Works Department Total Estimate \$3,500,000.00 Annually
Two Blanket Contract Renewals - Mechanical Services –
Waste Resource Division - Public Works Department
Lowest/Best Bidders:
1. H & H Brown - 1803 Polk Street, Chattanooga, TN 37408
2. Acme Industrial Piping - 4301 Rossville Blvd, Chattanooga, TN 37407

Regarding PO553093 (Public Works), Councilman Gilbert commented on wanting to see this service brought back in-house to be done by city employees. Regarding PO553316, Councilman Gilbert and Councilwoman Coonrod commented on wanting funds to go to other parts of the city for landscaping. Councilwoman Coonrod also questioned if the services provided by PO553316 would conflict with the Downtown CBID services, to which Mr. Sammons responded about the specific areas where the contract will be used. Upon no further questions or comments, **Vice-Chairman Henderson moved** to approve, seconded by Councilman Ledford. **The motion carried, with Councilman Gilbert voting “No.”**

ACTION: ALL PURCHASES APPROVED

OTHER BUSINESS:

Acknowledgements

Councilman Byrd acknowledged members of the Tubman Opportunity Steering Committee who were present in the Assembly today: Ken Smith, Sylvester Harris, Geraldine Hendley, and Johnnie Ware.

Councilwoman Coonrod also acknowledged Dr. Everlena Holmes for keeping District 9 informed.

Board Appointment

Councilwoman Coonrod appointed Shane Morrow to represent District 9 on the *Office of Multicultural Affairs Advisory Board*.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Budget and Finance Committee

Councilwoman Berz

(No report)

Economic and Community Development Committee

Councilman Byrd

(No report)

Human Resources Committee

Councilman Gilbert

(No report)

Planning and Zoning Committee

Councilman Ledford reported:

- The committee will meet next week (March 3) after the 3:00 p.m. Agenda Session.

Public Safety Committee

Councilman Smith

(No report)

Public Works and Transportation Committee

Councilman Mitchell reported:

- The committee will meet next week after the Planning and Zoning Committee.

Youth and Family Development Committee

Councilwoman Coonrod

(No report)

Legislative Committee

Vice-Chairman Henderson reported:

- The committee met today in open meeting and voted to change the Council's Strategic Planning and Agenda Session meeting schedules. He informed the Assembly of the following new schedules effective March 17, 2020, for a one-month trial period:
 - Strategic Planning will take place at 2:00 p.m., meeting on the first and third Tuesdays.
 - Agenda Session will continue to meet every Tuesday, but the start time will change from 3:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Council Meeting Notice

Chairman Oglesby announced that the March 3, 2020, Council meeting will start at 4:00 p.m. instead of 6:00 p.m. to give residents more opportunity to get to the polls that election day.

**RECOGNITION OF PERSONS WISHING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL
(Non-Agenda Items) – URL: <https://youtu.be/7IK19aqlQmM?t=1454>**

Attorney Noblett read the rules of procedure for persons wishing to address the Council. After which, Chairman Oglesby recognized the following persons:

Name (Street, City, District, Assoc.):	Primary Topic:
• Tiffany Rankin (Lincoln Park N. A.)	Lincoln Park being nominated to national register; city compliance with Certified Local Government Program.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Oglesby adjourned the meeting of the Chattanooga City Council. The next meeting will take place on **Tuesday, March 3, 2020, at 4:00 p.m.**

CHAIRMAN

CLERK OF COUNCIL