

AGENDA SESSION MINUTES

Chattanooga City Council

January 12, 2021

Call to Order

Council Vice-Chairman Ken Smith called the electronic-conducted (virtual) meeting to order at 3:30 p.m. A quorum was present, including Council members Carol Berz, Anthony Byrd, Demetrus Coonrod, Russell Gilbert, Darrin Ledford, Jerry Mitchell, and Erskine Oglesby, Jr. Other panelists present via electronic means: Phil Noblett, City Attorney, and Keren Campbell, Council Support Specialist. Council Chairman Chip Henderson was not present.

Approval of Minutes

On motion of Councilman Ledford and seconded by Councilwoman Coonrod, the minutes of the last meeting (January 5, 2021) were approved as published.

Ordinances (Final Reading) – Agenda Items 5A

This item had been discussed at previous open meetings. Upon no questions or comments, the issue was closed.

Ordinances (First Reading) – Agenda Items 6A & 6B

These items had been discussed at previous open meetings. Upon no questions or comments, the issues were closed.

Ordinances (First Reading) – Agenda Items 6C

Councilman Ledford inform that Council that he would be seeking to defer this item until March 8t, 2021. Upon no further comments or questions, the issue was closed.

Ordinances (First Reading) – Agenda Items 6D

Councilman Gilbert stated that he would be requesting to der this item for a week. Upon no further questions or comments, the issue was closed.

Ordinances (First Reading) – Agenda Items 6E

Councilwoman Berz expressed that she would seeking to defer this item for a week. Upon no further comments or questions, the issue was closed.

Ordinances (First Reading) – Agenda Items 6F, 6G & 6H

These items had been discussed at previous open meetings. Upon no questions or comments, the issues were closed.

Resolutions – Agenda Items 7F, 7G, 7H & 7I

These items had been discussed at previous open meetings. Upon no questions or comments, the issues were closed.

Future Considerations (3 Week Look Ahead)

Councilman Oglesby asked for further information on the East Lake Contract. He asked if Councilman Mitchell would bring forth a discussion during the next Public Works & Transportation Committee; Councilman Mitchell agreed.

Councilman Gilbert inquired about the steps going forward with the Disparity Study resolution. Mr. Noblett stated that an updated copy had been sent to the Council Clerk. Vice-Chairman Smith asked Mr. Noblett to send it to the full Council. Councilman Mitchell confirmed that it was in the Council's electronic folder and asked if the item would be heard during Legislative Committee or the regular Agenda Session. Councilwoman Coonrod asked the Council to review the legislation for it to be heard during Legislative Committee. Vice-Chairman Smith added the Disparity Study for discussion at the Legislative Committee already scheduled for next week, January 19th.

Upon no further questions or comments, the issue was closed.

Other

Councilwoman Coonrod asked that an amendment be made allowing leeway for members of the Police Advisory and Review Committee who currently are not voting members. Vice-Chairman Smith asked Mr. Noblett about drafting up of this item and instructed him to proceed. The Councilwoman informed the Council that she would appoint Kanika Wellington-Jones for District 9 on the PARC. Upon no further questions or comments, the issue was closed.

Councilman Byrd asked if the PARC quarterly report would be given in Public Safety Committee or Agenda Session. Vice-Chairman Smith confirmed it should be done during committee. Councilman Byrd asked Council Staff to schedule the Public Safety Committee for January 26th.

Upon no further questions or comments, the issue was closed.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Vice-Chairman Smith adjourned the meeting at 3:47 p.m.

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