

**City Council Building  
Chattanooga, Tennessee  
April 9, 2002  
6:00 p.m.**

Chairman Hakeem called the meeting of the Chattanooga Council to order with Council members Benson, Franklin, Littlefield, Lively, Page, Pierce, Robinson and Taylor present. City Attorney Randall Nelson, Management Analyst Randy Burns, and Council Clerk Carol O'Neal, CMC, were also present.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/INVOCATION**

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Councilman Benson gave invocation.

**RENAMING OF COLVILLE STREET RECREATION  
CENTER TO "WYATT RECREATION CENTER"**

**Councilmen Lively and Benson made the motion and second to move Resolutions 7(a) and (b) forward on the agenda, with the request that Resolution 7(b) be read first; the motion carried.**

Councilwoman Robinson stated that she invited the residents of the Colville area to be present relative to the Resolution honoring Mrs. Frances Wyatt. She recognized the presence of persons from the Colville Street, as well as the presence of Mrs. Wyatt's oldest son (Rodney Wyatt), sister (Moselle Phillips), nieces and nephews.

Councilwoman Robinson stated that she was honored to present the Proclamation signed this afternoon from the Mayor honoring Mrs. Wyatt for her 22 years as Director of the Colville Recreation Center. At this point, she read the proclamation, which has been spread upon the minutes.

**RENAMING OF COLVILLE STREET RECREATION  
CENTER TO "WYATT RECREATION CENTER"**  
**(Continued)**

**P R O C L A M A T I O N**

**Whereas:** Frances B. Wyatt was employed by the City of Chattanooga Parks, Recreation, Arts and Culture Department since January 12, 1979; and

**Whereas:** In 1992, the Tennessee Recreation and Parks Association bestowed the Donald H. Stanton Award (Ethnic Minority Section) upon the Colville Street Recreation Center (Mrs. Wyatt, Gerald Cunningham, and Rebecca Koontz were in charge of the programming for that facility at the time). Again, under her guidance the Donald H. Stanton Award - a statewide award for year-round exceptional programming - was awarded by TRPA to Colville Street; and

**Whereas:** Mrs. Wyatt facilitated the citywide St. Patrick's Day and Oktoberfest Tennis Tournaments. She also initiated the recreation youth participation in the Roscoe Tanner Leagues and Clinics, paying out of her own pocket for inner-city youth until she sought funding and scholarships were awarded through the Chattanooga Tennis Association. She later personally paid for youth at the Colville Recreation Center to receive additional professional tennis instruction. Obviously, her youth were champions; and

**Whereas:** Mrs. Wyatt was active in the Senior Games, coordinating volleyball, badminton, softball and basketball programs year round. She had been instrumental in implementing table tennis program until she asked Ivy Strickland at Shepherd Recreation Center to take it over; and

**Whereas:** Mrs. Wyatt served as the Treasurer for the Ethnic Minority Section for the Tennessee Recreation and Parks Association from its formation in 1986; and

**Whereas:** Through her heartfelt involvement with many of the youth at the Colville Street Recreation Center, they lovingly called her "Grandma"; and

**RENAMING OF COLVILLE STREET RECREATION  
CENTER TO "WYATT RECREATION CENTER"  
(Continued)**

**Whereas:** Frances B. Wyatt gave her life to recreation until November 15, 2001.

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that the Colville Street Recreation Center shall henceforth be renamed the

**Frances B. Wyatt Recreation Facility**

and known generally as the **Wyatt Recreation Center** from this day forward.

**I n Witness Whereof**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Chattanooga to be affixed, this the 9th day of April, 2002.

/s/ Bob Corker, Mayor

Councilwoman Robinson stated a celebration is scheduled for April 20 at noon at the Center that has been coordinated by Admin. Jerry Mitchell and Trinette Ballard of the Parks and Recreation Department. She stated that the Proclamation would be framed and presented at that time and hung on the "Wall of Honor" that Janie Maxwell is organizing.

On motion of Councilwoman Robinson, seconded by Councilman Franklin,  
**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RENAMING OF THE COLVILLE STREET  
RECREATION CENTER TO THE FRANCES B. WYATT RECREATION  
FACILITY, TO BE KNOWN AS THE "WYATT RECREATION CENTER"**  
was adopted.

**GLENWOOD, CHURCHVILLE AND ORCHARD KNOB  
NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN**

Dana Stoogenke, Senior Planner with the Regional Planning Agency (RPA), presented the Plan and stated that the Plan is a product of a long planning process. She stated the Planning Commission recommends approval of the Plan and that RPA met three times with the community. She stated that the boundary for the Plan involves Orchard Knob Avenue and North Chamberlain Avenue to the west; Missionary Ridge to the east, McCallie Avenue to the south and Citico Avenue, Robbins Avenue and Memorial Hospital bound the northern boundary.

**GLENWOOD, CHURCHVILLE AND ORCHARD KNOB  
NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN (Continued)**

Mrs. Stoogenke stated three distinct neighborhoods are located in the area -- Churchville, Glenwood and Orchard Knob -- and that they all worked together on this document. She stated there are many stakeholders in this community, as well as institutional sites such as Parkridge Hospital, Orange Grove and Memorial Hospital. She read the Mission Statement contained within the document which references the three communities' common vision of providing economic empowerment, preservation of historic homes, and offering social and recreational activities to everyone in the neighborhood.

Mrs. Stoogenke continued by making reference to the existing conditions within the area, indicating that they looked at the development timeline for how things happened in the community. She referenced the Civil War Battle of Missionary Ridge in 1863, the first wave of home building in 1920, the building of the Tuberculosis Hospital in the 1940's and other institutional uses after that, to the establishment of the Glenwood Historic District in 1989. She stated that a consulting company was hired to assist in this effort and that of the three neighborhoods involved in the Plan, Glenwood is the only historic district. She stated the housing recommendation for Churchville in the northeast corner of the area is R-3, which is an apartment zone; that most houses in that area are single family or duplexes and the community would like for the zoning to reflect that. She stated a zoning study would be engaged after the Plan is adopted. She stated the second recommendation is for a small pocket of R-2 in the Glenwood area, which will not downzone the historic homes and that the other recommendation for office use is actually on McCallie with a mixture of commercial, residential and institutional use. She stated there are two assisted living facilities west of the Missionary Ridge and the Third Street area toward the east is a natural commercial area.

Mrs. Stoogenke stated that they worked hard with the community regarding the land use recommendations in an effort to come up with an agreement. She stated they came up with the best solution that satisfied both sides. She stated the core neighborhood would maintain its residential character, which is pretty important to all three neighborhoods. She stated the historic district only applies to Glenwood and that the national historic district notation does not have much "teeth"; that they have been "tossing around" the idea of a local designation, something that the RPA could help with. She stated while that study is going on with regard to the local district, she asked that the Council look at placing a moratorium on demolition permits in the Glenwood area to prevent historical houses from "going down".

**GLENWOOD, CHURCHVILLE AND ORCHARD KNOB  
NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN (Continued)**

Mrs. Stoogenke concluded her comments by stating that that they would like to work within the historical district boundary for some type of "pocket park"; that there are three nice pieces of property within that area. She stated there are many enhancements planned for streetscaping and traffic calming and other small improvements for sidewalks and safety issues. At this point she recognized those in attendance from the three neighborhoods in support of this Resolution and expressed thanks to all of them for working with the RPA during this process.

**Councilman Littlefield** stated that this matter came before the Legal and Legislative Committee today and is recommended for adoption to the full Council. At this point, he **made the motion to adopt the Ordinance; Councilman Lively seconded the motion.**

Jackie Thomas, President of the Glenwood Neighborhood Association, stated that this has been a long battle and the residents now feel this is a Plan they will actually benefit from. She stated they are now in agreement with the Plan and expressed thanks to Mrs. Stoogenke and the RPA staff; that the process has been well worth it and it is a Plan that the residents of Glenwood think can be used as a tool to improve their neighborhood.

Sister Bey stated that the Council has not kept their promise and that she is still angry with the Better Housing Commission as persons are still "messing" with her yard; that she plans to have the Secretary of HUD take a look into it. She stated that she lives in the Orchard Knob area, owns her home and made reference to the residents of McCallie Homes having no place to go.

Chairman Hakeem commended the neighborhoods for working together and stated that this has been one of the best things that could have been done for the district as it pulled people together even closer. He stated the Plan does suggest that an implementation committee be formed; that it is hoped everyone can start looking toward reasonable achievement of goals as provided for in this Plan. He stated once the Council adopts the Plan, the process is to work on implementation and together it can be successful.

Councilman Taylor joined in to thank the Staff and the neighborhood communities.

At this point, Councilman Pierce "called for the question" on the motion to adopt.

**GLENWOOD, CHURCHVILLE AND ORCHARD KNOB  
NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN (Continued)**

On motion of Councilman Littlefield, seconded by Councilman Lively,  
**A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE GLENWOOD, CHURCHVILLE AND  
 ORCHARD KNOB NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN**  
 was adopted.

**AMEND CITY CODE**

On motion of Councilman Pierce, seconded by Councilman Taylor,  
**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II,  
 CHAPTER 10, SECTION 10-5, AS AMENDED, TO EXCLUDE CERTAIN  
 PROPERTIES FROM THE ROSSVILLE AVENUE FIRE DISTRICT BOUNDARY**  
 passed second reading. On motion of Councilman Franklin, seconded by  
 Councilman Littlefield, the Ordinance passed third and final reading and was  
 signed in open meeting.

**CLOSE AND ABANDON**

**MR-2002-028: Zaremba Group, LLC**

On motion of Councilman Benson, seconded by Councilwoman Robinson,  
**AN ORDINANCE CLOSING AND ABANDONING PLATTED ROADS AND  
 ALLEYS LOCATED SOUTHWEST OF THE 7500 BLOCK OF SHALLOWFORD  
 ROAD, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED HEREIN AND AS SHOWN ON  
 THE MAP ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF BY  
 REFERENCE**  
 passed second reading. On motion of Councilman Page, seconded by  
 Councilman Taylor, the Ordinance passed third and final reading and was  
 signed in open meeting.

**CLOSE AND ABANDON**

**MR-2002-029: Parkridge Medical Center**

On motion of Councilman Page, seconded by Councilman Franklin,  
**AN ORDINANCE CLOSING AND ABANDONING A TEN FOOT (10')  
 WIDE, UNNAMED ALLEY LOCATED IN THE 2200 BLOCK OF VINE STREET,  
 MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED HEREIN AND AS SHOWN ON THE  
 MAP ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF BY REFERENCE,  
 SUBJECT TO THE RECORDATION OF A NEW SUBDIVISION PLAT**  
 passed second reading. On motion of Councilman Franklin, seconded by  
 Councilman Taylor, the Ordinance passed third and final reading and was  
 signed in open meeting.

### AMEND CITY CODE

On motion of Councilwoman Robinson, seconded by Councilman Pierce,  
**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II,  
 CHAPTER 26, SO AS TO DELETE SECTION 26-134(a) IN ITS ENTIRETY  
 AND SUBSTITUTE IN LIEU THEREOF A NEW SECTION 26-134(a) SETTING  
 ENTRANCE FEES AT THE CHATTANOOGA ZOO AT WARNER PARK**

passed second reading. On motion of Councilman Franklin, seconded by Councilwoman Robinson, the Ordinance passed third and final reading and was signed in open meeting.

### AMEND ZONING ORDINANCE

Jerry Pace, Director of Operations with the Regional Planning Agency, stated this Ordinance was discussed in last week's Legal and Legislative Committee where it was explained that the square footage unit (2000 square feet) for multi-family dwellings was inadvertently left out. Councilman Littlefield stated that the Legal and Legislative Committee recommends approval.

City Attorney indicated that a typographical error on page two of the Ordinance referencing "specific tanks" should read "*septic tanks*"; that the correction change would be made prior to next week.

On motion of Councilman Littlefield, seconded by Councilman Franklin,  
**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 6958, AS AMENDED,  
 KNOWN AS THE ZONING ORDINANCE, BY AMENDING ARTICLE V,  
 SECTION 404, SUBSECTIONS (2), (3) AND (6) TO INCORPORATE NEW  
 LANGUAGE RELATIVE TO MINIMUM LOT AREAS FOR MULTI-FAMILY  
 DWELLING UNITS**

passed first reading.

### REZONING

#### **2002-025: BST Family Trust**

Pursuant to notice of public hearing, the request of BST Family Trust to rezone a tract of land located at 3701 Tag Drive came on to be heard.

Mr. Pace stated that a request from the applicant was received asking that this matter be deferred 90 days. He stated this was discussed in Legal and Legislative Committee last week and the recommendation was for deferral.

### **REZONING (Continued)**

Councilman Page stated that he wanted to make sure the neighborhood was notified that this matter would be deferred 90 days; that at the conclusion of last week's Committee meeting he wanted to make sure the applicant and people opposed were agreeable and have been notified of that process.

Raymond Belvin of 3817 Lightfoot Mill Road stated that he lives directly across the street from the subject property. He stated those in opposition were not given an explanation as to why the deferral has been requested.

William Shelton, a Trustee of BST Family Trust and owners of the property, stated that many know they have had a considerable problem with development and use of this property through the years. He stated that they thought they had a program put together that would be acceptable, but they do not; that they are reconsidering their position. He stated there are two options they are considering, one is to sell, which is in negotiation at the moment, and the other would be to aggressively move to get a palatable client to build an M-2 type facility on the property.

Chairman Hakeem inquired as to **the date this matter would come back** before the Council? The response was **July 23**.

Mr. Belvin stated that the date does not really matter to those in the community and asked if the matter would have to go back through the process? Chairman Hakeem indicated that the matter would come back directly to the Council.

On motion of Councilman Page, seconded by Councilman Franklin,

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 6958, AS AMENDED, KNOWN AS THE ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE A TRACT OF LAND LOCATED AT 3701 TAG DRIVE, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED HEREIN, FROM M-3 WAREHOUSE AND WHOLESALE ZONE TO M-2 LIGHT INDUSTRIAL ZONE, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS**

was deferred 90 days at the request of the applicant (July 23, 2002).

### **REZONING**

#### **2002-055: Hefferline & Kronenberg Architects**

Pursuant to notice of public hearing, the request of Hefferline & Kronenberg Architects to rezone a tract of land located in the 1300 blocks of Carter Street and Fort Street came on to be heard.

The applicant was present; there was no opposition.

### REZONING (Continued)

Mr. Pace stated that this request is located within the Southside area near the redevelopment of the Trade Center; that zoning in the area is all M-1 with some C-3 sites. He stated this matter is recommended for approval from both the Planning Staff and Commission with fourteen conditions attached, which are the normal conditions placed on properties within the Southside. He stated the design of the building is such that it is set back two-to-three feet and that he spoke with the building inspector who felt comfortable with the intent of the zero setback along 80 per cent of the primary street.

Councilwoman Robinson inquired as to the proposed use for the property? Mr. Pace stated that the development would be a twelve-room hotel with retail on the same site.

The applicant stated the use would be mixed use and expressed appreciation to the Council for approval of this request.

On motion of Councilman Littlefield, seconded by Councilman Franklin,  
**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 6958, AS AMENDED,  
 KNOWN AS THE ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE A TRACT OF  
 LAND LOCATED IN THE 1300 BLOCKS OF CARTER STREET AND FORT  
 STREET, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED HEREIN, FROM M-1  
 MANUFACTURING ZONE TO C-3 CENTRAL BUSINESS ZONE, SUBJECT TO  
 CERTAIN CONDITIONS**

passed first reading.

### CHANGE ORDER

On motion of Councilman Littlefield, seconded by Councilman Taylor,  
**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF CHANGE ORDER  
 NO. 1, RELATIVE TO THE CONSTRUCTION OF PHASE I CAP – STAGE B,  
 CONTRACT NO. SL-1-98, WITH D. R. PHILLIPS CONTRACTING  
 COMPANY, INC., WHICH CHANGE ORDER DECREASES THE CONTRACT  
 AMOUNT BY ONE HUNDRED TEN THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED EIGHTY  
 AND 89/100 DOLLARS (\$110,280.89), FOR A REVISED CONTRACT  
 PRICE OF FIVE MILLION TWO HUNDRED SEVEN THOUSAND FOUR  
 HUNDRED AND 37/100 DOLLARS (\$5,207,400.37)**

was adopted.

### OVERTIME

Overtime for the week ending April 5, 2002 totaled \$120,453.13.

**PERSONNEL**

The following personnel matters were reported for the various departments:

**FINANCE DEPARTMENT, DIVISION OF DISBURSING:**

- ✍ **TIFFINEE FORD** – Hire, Office Assistant, Sr., Pay Grade 5/Step 1, \$18,674.00 annually, effective April 5, 2002.

**CHATTANOOGA POLICE DEPARTMENT:**

- ✍ **BRAD WALSH** -- Resignation, Police Officer, effective April 4, 2002.
- ✍ **PAMELA L. CHATFIELD** – Transfer, Personnel Assistant, Pay Grade 7/Step 8, \$28,572.00 annually, effective April 5, 2002.

**PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT:**

- ✍ **WILLIAM P. MILES** – Hire, Equipment Operator, Sr., Citywide Services, Pay Grade 8/Step 1, \$22,153.00 annually, effective April 3, 2002.
- ✍ **RICKY D. COLSTON, JR., RODERICK HEATHINGTON** – Lateral Transfer, Crew Supervisor, Sr., Citywide Services, Pay Grade 12/step 3, \$29,421.00, annually, effective April 12, 2002.
- ✍ **JERRY L. HATTER, DENNIS MOORE** – Lateral Transfer, Crew Worker, Citywide Services, Pay Grade 3/Step 3, \$17,941.00 annually, effective April 10, 2002.
- ✍ **NATHANIAL JENNINGS** – Lateral Transfer, Crew Worker, Pay Grade 3/Step 11, \$25,071.00 annually, effective April 10, 2002.
- ✍ **CHARLES G. FULTS, TERRANCE T. ALLEN** – Lateral Transfer, Crew Worker, Citywide Services, Pay Grade 3/ Step 1, \$17,680.00 annually, effective April 10, 2002.
- ✍ **ALEX CHANDLER, JR.** – Lateral Transfer, Crew Worker, Citywide Services, Pay Grade 3/ Step 8, \$22,219.00 annually, effective April 10, 2002.
- ✍ **GARY TAYLOR** – Lateral Transfer, Crew Worker, Citywide Services, Pay Grade 5/ Step 7, \$24,305.00 annually, effective April 10, 2002.

**PERSONNEL (Continued)**

- ✍ **CLARENCE W. MCDOWELL** – Lateral Transfer, Crew Worker, Sr., Citywide Services, Pay Grade 5/Step 3, \$20,491.00 annually, effective April 10, 2002.
- ✍ **KENNETH ANDERSON** – Dismissal, Concrete Worker, Citywide Services, effective March 28, 2002.
- ✍ **ANGELA R. PATTON** – Promotion, Administrative Secretary, Engineering, Pay Grade 9/ Step 2, \$24,453.00 annually, effective February 22, 2002.
- ✍ **MATTHEW T. TUCKER** – Hire, Information Technician, Engineering, Pay Grade 10/Step 3, \$26,871.00 annually, effective April 19, 2002.
- ✍ **HOLLY L. MCCORKLE** – Hire, Information Technician, Engineering, Pay Grade 10/ Step 1, \$24,474.00 annually, effective April 19, 2002.

**PURCHASE**

On motion of Councilman Taylor, seconded by Councilman Franklin, the following purchase was approved for use by the Public Works Department:

**CHENEY LIME AND CEMENT COMPANY (Lowest and best bid)**  
**R0061572/P0017325**

Bulk Lime Kiln Dust

**(Price information available and filed with minute material of this date)**

**SHERMAN DIXIE CONCRETE (Only bidder)**  
**R0058544/P0017186**

Concrete Sewer Pipe

**(Price information available and filed with minute material of this date)**

**PURCHASES**

On motion of Councilman Benson, seconded by Councilman Littlefield, the following purchases were approved for use by the Department of Finance, Purchasing Division:

**PURCHASES (Continued)**

**COCA COLA BOTTLING CO. (Only bidder)**  
**R0037711/P0017345**

Soft Drink Products, Twelve Months Requirements Contract

(Price information available and filed with minute material of this date)

**PURCHASES**

On motion of Councilman Benson, seconded by Councilman Littlefield, the following purchases were approved for use by the Department of Finance, Bicentennial Library Division:

**MT. MORIAH DODGE (Sole source)**  
**R0051573/B0000680**

Cargo Van per TCA 6-56-304.02, Statewide Contract 4026359, SWC 224

\$15,860.41

**PURCHASES**

On motion of Councilman Benson, seconded by Councilman Littlefield, the following purchases were approved for use by the Department of Finance, Air Pollution Control Bureau Division:

**BILL HEARD CHEVROLET, INC. OF ANTIOCH, TN (Single Source)**  
**R0049112/P0017527**

Sport Utility Truck per TCA 6-56-304.06, Contract 4026314, SWC 223

\$22,729.22

**BOARD APPOINTMENT**

On motion of Councilman Lively, seconded by Councilman Littlefield, the following Board appointment was approved:

**LIBRARY BOARD:**

- ✍ Appointment of **MAI BELL HURLEY** to fill the unexpired term of Curtis Drake to expire July 1, 2002 and re-appointing her for a full three year term expiring July 1, 2005.

### **COMMITTEES**

Councilman Franklin reminded Council members of the **Public Works Committee meeting scheduled for Tuesday, April 16 at 5 p.m.**

Councilman Littlefield stated that the **Legal and Legislative Committee** met today at 3 p.m. and heard and approved from Planning two items that were on tonight's agenda and another case that is scheduled to come before the Council May 14 regarding Brainerd Hills. He stated the Committee also heard a report from the City Attorney on the status of the Charter and indicated that each member of the Council would review the finished copy. He stated there are plans to put the redlined and final copy of the Charter on the City's web site to be accessible to anyone who wishes to go in and peruse the document in detail. He stated the Committee received additional documentation regarding the text of the Court Order which precipitated the change in the form of government with reference to the numbers where all items in the Court Order are located in the Charter. He stated this was a very complicated project and commended the City Attorney for the good work performed in a short period of time. He stated the Committee also discussed the noise ordinance with the intention of it coming back with an additional draft. He stated the Committee **is scheduled to meet Tuesday, April 16 at 3 p.m.**

Councilman Taylor scheduled a meeting of the **Budget and Finance Committee for Tuesday, April 16 immediately following the meeting of the Parks and Recreation Committee** for discussion of the interim Capital Budget.

### **REBECCA ROBINSON**

Rebecca Robinson addressed the Council regarding the decision that was recently made to charge a \$3 admission fee to the Booker T. Washington State Park.

Councilman Pierce informed Ms. Robinson that her concern regards a fee that is levied at the State level and not by the City of Chattanooga or Hamilton County governments.

Ms. Robinson explained that she wanted all elected parties to understand; that her comments are not really directly at the City, but indirectly it is. She expressed how unfair it is to ask people to pay \$3 to enter Booker Washington Park when there is nothing there for them. She stated Coolidge Park has a lot to offer and there is no charge and she is very displeased with the decision and poor judgment.

**CLARENCE DODDS**

Clarence Dodds of the Any Boy Can organization stated that he has been a resident of Chattanooga for 83 years, indicating that the present type of government was in effect in 1917. He stated people are not being informed as they should about what is happening at Council meetings until they see it on television. He stated that it is his thought that every Council member should have a district meeting to discuss items on the agenda on Monday evening so that people will know what will happen at the Tuesday (Council) meeting. He stated Council members were elected to "run our business and not to boss us". He stated, "we are the boss and we can 'take you out' anytime we get ready with a two-thirds recall vote"; that "twenty-two persons are present this evening and know what is happening and that is all". He stated that he has seen three turnovers in Chattanooga and made reference to the Roosevelt era and the Chattanooga-born singer, Bessie Smith.

Mr. Dodds continued by stating that that there were fifty-five murders on East Ninth Street in 1955 and making it a two-way road is nothing and Chattanooga needs a new image; that all the ironworks companies and neighborhood grocery stores have been "run out of town". He stated he has owned three businesses in Chattanooga in forty-two years and employed more than 40 persons, both black and white. He chronicled his involvement as an early black participant in many events in Chattanooga, proudly stating that he was the first and only black man in Chattanooga to ever scout for a major league baseball team (St. Louis Cardinals) and was the first black to run the 440 relay at Baylor School in 1937 (a record that has yet to be broken), and saved two police officers. He stated he is "the most decorated Negro soldier in Chattanooga", having received the "Bronze Star" and twelve other citations. He stated former City Commissioners Clark, Rose, McInturff, Eberle and Turner were five of the most credible men who ever sat on the City Commission and (who) accepted all citizens. He stated today if a person is not a big celebrity they are "looked over". He expressed hope that a change would be made.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chairman Hakeem adjourned the meeting of the Chattanooga Council until Tuesday, April 16, 2002 at 6 p.m.

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**CHAIRMAN**

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**CLERK OF COUNCIL**

**(A LIST OF NAMES OF PERSONS IN ATTENDANCE IS FILED  
WITH MINUTE MATERIAL OF THIS DATE)**