



City Council Building
Chattanooga, Tennessee
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
June 10, 2014
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. City Attorney Wade Hinton, Management Analyst Randy Burns and Deputy Clerk Nicole Gwyn were also present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilman Grohn led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance. For the invocation, he read Proverbs 6:16-19 and Philippians 2:3-4 from the Bible.

APPROVAL OF LAST MINUTES

On motion of Councilman Freeman and seconded by Councilman Gilbert, the minutes of the last meeting (June 3, 2014) were approved as published.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Chairman Henderson explained that during the public comments last week on non-agenda matters, one member of the audience wished to be recognized, but was not. Therefore, Chairman Henderson opened the floor to city employee Sydney McDonald, who spoke in support of an hourly pay increase for city employees.

ORDINANCES – FINAL READING:

MR-2014-041
Christopher A. Ciocci
Chattanooga Coca-Cola

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

ORDINANCE #12833

**AN ORDINANCE CLOSING AND ABANDONING THE SEWER EASEMENT
OFF THE 2100 BLOCK OF WEST SHEPHERD ROAD.**

ACTION: APPROVED

RESOLUTIONS:

On motion of Councilman Freeman and seconded by Councilman Anderson,

RESOLUTION #27903

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF \$93,282.46 FROM HAMILTON COUNTY AS THE CITY'S PORTION FROM THE 2014 REAL PROPERTY BACK TAX SALE FOR MARCH 2014 WITH \$89,356.02 BEING APPLIED AS THE CITY'S PORTION AND \$3,926.44 BEING APPLIED TO CITY ATTORNEY'S FEES.

ACTION: ADOPTED

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

RESOLUTION #27904

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$31 MILLION PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2014.

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilman Hakeem and seconded by Councilman Freeman,

RESOLUTION #27905

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF HUMAN RESOURCES TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH I/O SOLUTIONS FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF PROMOTIONAL ASSESSMENT CENTERS FOR THE POSITIONS OF FIRE LIEUTENANT AND FIRE CAPTAIN AND ASSESSOR TRAVEL EXPENSES, FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$55,740.00.

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilman Anderson and seconded by Councilman Smith,

RESOLUTION #27907

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RONNY RAHN TO USE TEMPORARILY THE RIGHT-OF-WAY LOCATED AT 1513 WILLIAMS STREET TO CONSTRUCT A CONCRETE RAISED LANDING ON THE EAST SIDEWALK OF THE EXISTING BUILDING, AS SHOWN ON THE MAP, PHOTO, AND DRAWING ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF BY REFERENCE, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

ACTION: ADOPTED

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

RESOLUTION #27908

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TACO MAMACITA, LLC C/O MICHAEL MONEN TO USE TEMPORARILY THE SIDEWALK LOCATED AT 122 WEST MAIN STREET FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A RAMP, AS SHOWN ON THE MAP AND DRAWINGS ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF BY REFERENCE, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilman Hakeem and seconded by Councilman Anderson,

RESOLUTION #27909

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SHARON CANNON C/O ZACHERY ATCHLEY TO USE TEMPORARILY THE RIGHT-OF-WAY FOR INSTALLATION OF FIVE GATEWAY SIGNS FOR IDENTIFICATION AT THE FIVE ENTRANCES OF BRAINERD ROAD MEDIAN AT MISSIONARY RIDGE TUNNEL; BRAINERD ROAD SHOULDER AT TUNNEL BOULEVARD ON THE NORTHERN SHOULDER OF THE 3400 BLOCK OF BRAINERD ROAD; SEMINOLE DRIVE SHOULDER AT ROSEMONT; TUNNEL BOULEVARD SHOULDER AT PINWOOD; TUNNEL BOULEVARD SHOULDER AT RIDGESIDE DRIVE, AS SHOWN ON THE MAP, PHOTOS, AND DRAWING ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF BY REFERENCE, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilman Hakeem and seconded by Councilman Freeman,

RESOLUTION #27910

A RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 27889 FOR THE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH AND FAMILY DEVELOPMENT TO ENTER INTO A RENTAL AGREEMENT WITH THE MCCALLIE/GPS AQUATIC CLUB FOR POOL RENTAL FEES IN THE SUM OF \$2,100.00 AND \$500.00 PER DAY FACILITY SERVICE FEES FOR THE CHATTANOOGA AREA SWIM LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP SCHEDULED ON JULY 10-12, 2014, FOR A TOTAL CONTRACT FEE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,100.00.

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilman Hakeem and seconded by Councilman Gilbert,

RESOLUTION #27911

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH AND FAMILY DEVELOPMENT TO APPLY FOR, AND ACCEPT, GRANTS AND DONATIONS THROUGH THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF GREATER CHATTANOOGA FOR THE YOUTH AND FAMILY DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITY FUND WHICH WILL BE DESIGNATED FOR TEMPS FOR TEENS FOR WORK SCHOLARSHIPS AND ADDITIONAL EDUCATIONAL SERVICES WHEN NEEDED FOR HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION.

ACTION: ADOPTED

ORDINANCES – FIRST READING:

On motion of Councilman Freeman and seconded by Councilman Gilbert,

ORDINANCE #12835

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 38, ZONING ORDINANCE, ARTICLE II, SECTION 38-2, DEFINITIONS, RELATIVE TO BUILDING HEIGHT AND GRADE PLANE.

ACTION: PASSED ON FIRST READING

On motion of Councilman Anderson and seconded by Vice Chair Dr. Berz, the following ordinance was moved to the end of the council's agenda for consideration. The motion carried.

ORDINANCE #12834

AN ORDINANCE, HEREINAFTER ALSO KNOWN AS "THE FISCAL YEAR 2014-2015 OPERATIONS BUDGET ORDINANCE", TO PROVIDE REVENUE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2014, AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2015; APPROPRIATING SAME TO THE PAYMENT OF EXPENSES OF THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT; FIXING THE RATE OF TAXATION ON ALL TAXABLE PROPERTY IN THE CITY, AND THE TIME TAXES AND PRIVILEGES ARE DUE, HOW THEY SHALL BE PAID, WHEN THEY SHALL BECOME DELINQUENT; PROVIDING FOR INTEREST AND PENALTY ON DELINQUENT TAXES AND PRIVILEGES; AND TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 2, SECTION 2-267, RELATIVE TO PAID LEAVE FOR ACTIVE-DUTY TRAINING AND TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 31, SECTIONS 31-36, 31-37, 31- 41, and 31- 43.

Councilman Mitchell moved to amend the Budget Ordinance as follows:

1. *Increase the Total Paving Amount from \$2.58 Million to \$3 Million*
2. *Offset the increase to total paving by reducing these line items:*
 - *General Government - Contingency Fund Appropriation*
 - *General Government - Renewal And Replacement*
 - *General Services - Building Maintenance - Contracted Repairs*
 - *Public Works - Solid Waste Refuse Collection Centers*
 - *Public Works - Citywide Services - Admin. Recycling - Renewal and Replacement*
 - *Park Management - Heritage Park*
 - *Youth and Family Development - Heritage House programs*

Councilman Smith seconded the motion on the amendments. Attorney Hinton distributed to each Councilperson copies of the recommended amendments, as read by Councilman Mitchell. Councilman Grohn asked for debate on the amendments prior to voting.

Councilman Freeman called the question. Councilman Grohn objected to the question because he wished to debate the budget line items that had been selected for reductions.

Chairman Henderson called a roll call vote on the question only. Upon 7-to-2 vote, the question called by Councilman Freeman was upheld:

Anderson	YES	Hakeem	YES
Berz	YES	Mitchell	YES
Freeman	YES	Smith	YES
Gilbert	YES	Henderson	NO
Grohn	NO		

Chairman Henderson called a roll call vote on Councilman Mitchell's motion to amend the budget ordinance. The motion carried 8-to-1 on roll call vote as follows:

Smith	YES	Freeman	YES
Mitchell	YES	Berz	YES
Hakeem	YES	Anderson	YES
Grohn	NO	Henderson	YES
Gilbert	YES		

Councilman Anderson moved to approve the budget as amended, seconded by Councilman Freeman. Chairman Henderson called for a roll call vote:

Anderson	YES	Hakeem	YES
Berz	YES	Mitchell	YES
Freeman	YES	Smith	YES
Gilbert	YES	Henderson	YES
Grohn	NO		

Upon 8-to-1 vote, the motion carried to approve the budget as amended.

ACTION: PASSED ON FIRST READING

Chairman Henderson allowed Councilman Hakeem to address the request made by SEIU and city employees for an hourly pay increase. After which, other councilpersons made comments on this same topic. During this time, Councilman Grohn stated several concerns about the budget and noted his main objections to the budget as follows: wage issues for city firefighters, not enough time to research Budgeting for Outcomes and no key performance indicators.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

Purchases

Brent Goldberg, Deputy Chief Operating Officer, briefed the Council on the following purchases:

R95814 - General Services Estimated \$1,100,000 Annually
Blanket Contract for Multi-Function Devices (Copiers)
Lowest/Best Bidder: Canon Solutions America

R74988 - General Services Estimated \$500,000 Annually
Blanket Contract Renewal for Verizon Wireless
Cellular Devices and Wireless High Speed
Lowest/Best Bidder: Verizon Wireless

R61261 - Public Works Estimated \$75,000 Annually
Blanket Contract Renewal for Household
Hazardous Waste Disposal
Lowest/Best Bidder: Environmental Enterprises, Inc.

R31507 - Public Works Estimated \$75,000 Annually
Blanket Contract Renewal for Emulsion Polymer
Lowest/Best Bidder: Nalco Company

R92606 - Youth and Family Development Estimated \$130,000 Annually
Purchase Contract for Food and Kitchen Supplies
Lowest/Best Bidder: IWC Food Service

On motion of Councilman Mitchell, the above-listed purchases were approved.

ACTION: APPROVED

OTHER BUSINESS:

Councilman Hakeem recognized residents from the Eastdale and Glenwood communities who were present who had concerns about the Eastdale center. He informed the residents that 9 of 14 items that had been outlined by the community had been completed. He noted that there would be further discussions with Administration on a timeline for capital improvements.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Economic and Community Development Committee

Councilman Anderson

- The committee met today for a presentation by Kim White on River City's City Center Plan and downtown market analysis.
- The committee will meet again next week to hear about the proposed agreement for the Chattem PILOT. The first reading of the PILOT would take place on June 24.

Budget and Finance Committee

Councilman Mitchell

- The Council spent the last two weeks vetting the budget. He thanked all Council members and administration for their part in presenting the budget.

Public Safety Committee

Councilman Freeman

- The committee will meet next week (June 17) to discuss an Animal Control Ordinance. The City Attorney's Office will present an outline.

Youth and Family Development Committee

Councilman Gilbert

- The committee will meet in two weeks (June 24) for updates.

Audit & I.T. Committee

Councilman Grohn

(No report)

Planning & Zoning

Councilman Hakeem

- The committee will meet next week on planning agenda items. He also Administration to bring a preliminary discussion on YFD facilities, capital improvements and timelines.
- There will be guests from Atlanta addressing the Council next week on economic development tools. They will join the Council on next Tuesday between 1:00 - 2:30 in the Council conference room.
 - Councilman Anderson concurred with Councilman Hakeem and requested the contact information of the guests to speak with them prior to Tuesday's meeting.

HR Committee (Human Resources)

Vice Chair Dr. Berz

(No report)

Public Works and Transportation Committee

Councilman Smith

- The committee will meet next week immediately after Agenda Session.

**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:

- **Steve West (SEIU)** - He voiced concerns about certain city employees not feeling like they are a part of city government and expressed disappointment about employee pay.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Councilman Mitchell, the meeting of the Chattanooga City Council was adjourned until Tuesday, June 17, 2014, at 6:00 p.m.



CHAIRMAN



CLERK OF COUNCIL

**(A full digital audio of this Council meeting has been
filed in the Clerk of the Council's office)**