

# AGENDA SESSION MINUTES

## CHATTANOOGA CITY COUNCIL

January 7, 2014

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### In Attendance

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Council Chairman Yusuf Hakeem; Vice Chairman Chip Henderson; Councilpersons: Chris Anderson, Carol Berz, Moses Freeman, Russell Gilbert, Larry Grohn, Jerry Mitchell and Ken Smith; City Attorney Wade Hinton

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### Others in Attendance

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Mayor's Office: Brent Goldberg, Deputy Chief Operating Officer; Economic and Community Development: Donna Williams, Administrator; Transportation: Blythe Bailey, Administrator; Youth and Family Development: Lurone Jennings, Administrator; Human Resources: Madeline Green, Director of Risk Management & Insurance; Randy Burns, Management Analyst, and Nicole Gwyn, Deputy Clerk

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### Ordinances (Final Reading) - Agenda Items 5A, 5B & 5C

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Attorney Hinton clarified the differences between items 5B & 5C, relative to bids. Upon no further questions, the issue was closed.

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### Ordinances (First Reading) - Agenda Item 6A

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Attorney Hinton briefed the Council on the following agenda item:

**An ordinance amending Chattanooga City Code, Part II, Chapter 2, Article III, Division 12, Section 2-193, relative to political activities.**

Vice Chairman Henderson sparked a discussion about bringing this item to committee before presenting for a vote. Councilman Gilbert moved to bring this ordinance to committee. It was seconded by Vice Chairman Henderson.

**The motion carried** upon roll call vote as follows:

<b>Anderson</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>Henderson</b>	<b>YES</b>
<b>Berz</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>Mitchell</b>	<b>NO</b>
<b>Freeman</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>Smith</b>	<b>NO</b>
<b>Gilbert</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>Hakeem</b>	<b>YES</b>
<b>Grohn</b>	<b>NO</b>		

Councilman Anderson requested that this legislation be placed on the committee schedule for next week. Chairman Hakeem stated that Councilman Mitchell would inform the Council of the next Human Resources Committee meeting date, but duly noted Councilman Anderson's request. Upon no further questions or comments, the issue was closed.

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**Ordinances (First Reading) – Agenda Item 6B**

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Vice Chairman Henderson noted that agenda item 7K grants the Applicant a temporary usage that would not be affected if agenda item 6B were denied. Upon no further questions or comments, this item was closed.

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**Ordinance (First Reading) – Agenda Item 6C**

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A discussion ensued with Mr. Bailey, who explained why the Transportation Department recommended approval for this zoning matter when Planning had recommended denial. Mr. Bailey noted that the Applicant was not present during the Planning meeting, which, from what he understood, resulted in Planning's denial. He noted that the Transportation engineer went to the site afterwards, and those findings subsequently led to Transportation's approval. Upon no further questions, the issue was closed.

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**Ordinance (First Reading) – Agenda Item 6D**

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There were no questions on this agenda item; therefore, the issue was closed.

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**Ordinances (First Reading) – Agenda Item 6E**

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Mr. Goldberg briefed the Council on this following agenda item:

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 12757 KNOWN AS "THE FISCAL YEAR 2013-2014 BUDGET ORDINANCE" SO AS TO APPROPRIATE \$50,000.00 FROM THE GENERAL FUND CONTINGENCY TO THE CHATTANOOGA REGIONAL HOMELESS COALITION TO BE USED TO PROVIDE EMERGENCY NIGHT SHELTER FOR INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES DURING THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2014 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2014.**

A discussion ensued with Stephen Wright, Executive Director of the Chattanooga Regional Homeless Coalition, and Charlie Hughes, Executive Director of the Community Kitchen. Ms. Williams also discussed her department's involvement with the coalition.

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**Resolutions – Agenda Item 7A**

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There were no questions on this agenda item; therefore, the issue was closed.

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**Resolutions – Agenda Item 7B**

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Ms. Williams responded to questions on this agenda item. Upon no further questions, the issue was closed.

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**Resolutions – Agenda Item 7C**

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There were no questions on this agenda item; therefore, the issue was closed.

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**Resolutions – Agenda Item 7D**

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There were no questions on this agenda item; therefore, the issue was closed.

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**Resolutions – Agenda Item 7E, 7F & 7G**

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Mr. Bailey responded to questions on these three agenda items. Upon no further questions, the issue was closed.

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**Resolutions – Agenda Item 7H**

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There were no questions on this agenda item; therefore, the issue was closed.

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**Resolutions – Agenda Item 7I**

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In the absence of the Human Resources Director, Ms. Green responded to questions on this agenda item. Upon no further questions, the issue was closed.

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**Resolutions – Agenda Item 7J**

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Mr. Jennings gave an overview on Phase 2 of the Lexis Reading program. After a brief discussion, the issue was closed.

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**Resolutions – Agenda Item 7K**

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This item had been discussed earlier in relation to agenda item 6B. Upon no additional questions, the issue was closed.

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**Resolutions – Agenda Item 7L**

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There were no questions on this agenda item; therefore, the issue was closed.

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**Adjournment**

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Chairman Hakeem adjourned the meeting at 4:17 p.m.