

AGENDA SESSION MINUTES

CHATTANOOGA CITY COUNCIL

July 26, 2016

In Attendance

Council Vice Chair Jerry Mitchell called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. in the Council Assembly Room. A quorum was present, including Council members Russell Gilbert, Yusuf Hakeem, Chip Henderson and Ken Smith. Also present was Melinda Foster, Assistant City Attorney, and Nicole Gwyn, CMC, Clerk. Council members Chris Anderson, Carol Berz and Larry Grohn arrived after the call to order. Council Chairman Moses Freeman was not present.

Others in Attendance

Mayor's Office: David Carmody, Deputy Chief Operating Officer; Police Department: David Roddy, Police Chief of Staff; Economic and Community Development: Nick Wilkinson, Deputy Administrator, Economic Development; Outdoor Chattanooga: Phillip Grymes, Recreation Division Manager; City Attorney's Office: Keith Reisman, Assistant City Attorney.

Approval of Minutes

On motion of Councilman Henderson and seconded by Councilman Hakeem, the minutes of the last meeting (July 19, 2016) were approved as published.

Ordinances (Final Reading) – Agenda Items 5A – 5E

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

Ordinances (First Reading) - Agenda Item 6A

Councilman Henderson asked Mr. Carmody about the fees that would be changed by this ordinance. Mr. Carmody invited Mr. Grymes to discuss the fee changes and additional line items added by the ordinance. Upon no further questions, the issue was closed.

Resolutions – Agenda Item 7A

Mr. Wilkinson gave a visual presentation regarding the surplus of property at King & Market streets. After which, responded to Councilman Smith's question on whether the two buildings would be repurposed.

Resolutions – Agenda Item 7D

A discussion ensued with Chief Roddy on the purchase of 500 Spartan Plate Plus 3 (7" x 9") plates for rifle threats. He explained how adding the new plates was in line with new security protocols. He also responded to a question from Councilman Hakeem about the fire power of officers. Upon no further questions, the issue was closed.

Other Business

Special Exceptions Permit: RJV Liquor

Attorney Reisman briefed the Council on a request for a special exceptions permit for RJV Liquor in a C-2 area of District 6. Councilwoman Berz commented about the need for public notification with special exceptions permits are requested. She stated that she would ensure that there was notice of the special exceptions in this case, but reiterated that the law does not require public notice for the special exceptions. Attorney Reisman confirmed that neighborhood signs had been placed in the community. Councilwoman Berz requested to take a look at the law granting special exceptions. Attorney Reisman indicated that the City Attorney's Office would report back to the Council on the law governing special exceptions.

Councilman Anderson moved to add the RJV Liquor matter to next week's agenda. He was seconded by Councilwoman Berz. The motion carried.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Vice Chair Mitchell adjourned the meeting at 3:24 p.m.