AGENDA SESSION MINUTES
CHATTANOOGA CITY COUNCIL
July 11, 2017

In Attendance

Council Chairman Jerry Mitchell called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. in the Assembly Room. A quorum was present, including Vice-Chairman Ken Smith and Council members Carol Berz, Anthony Byrd, Demetrus Coonrod, Russell Gilbert, Chip Henderson, Darrin Ledford and Erskine Oglesby. Assistant City Attorney Valerie Malueg and Council Support Specialist Keren Campbell were also present.

Others in Attendance

Economic and Community Development: Donna Williams, Administrator; Youth and Family Development: Lurone Jennings, Administrator, and Jason McKinney, Deputy Admin. of Education; Mayor’s Office: Maura Sullivan, Chief Operation Officer.

Approval of Minutes

On motion of Councilman Gilbert and seconded by Vice-Chairman Smith, the minutes of the last meeting (June 27, 2017) were approved as published.

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

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

Ordinances (First Reading) – Agenda Items 6A, 6B, 6C, 6D, 6E, 6F, 6G, 6H, 6I, 6J, 6K & 6L

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

Resolution - Agenda Item 7A

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

Resolution - Agenda Item 7B

Vice-Chairman Smith requested a briefing from Ms. Williams. During which, she responded to his questions on why these parcel numbers were being donated and why it was done through Cornerstones. Upon no further questions or comments, the issue was closed.

Resolution - Agenda Item 7C

Councilman Oglesby stated that he would be asking for a deferral. There being no questions or other comments, the issue was closed.
Resolution - Agenda Item 7D, 7E, 7F, 7G, 7H, 7I & 7J

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

Resolution - Agenda Item 7U

Councilwoman Coonrod informed the Council that she thought the program was beneficial to children, but there was a need for evaluation on whether it is working or not. She asked Mr. Jennings to give a brief overview on this resolution. After which, Mr. Jennings and Mr. McKinney responded to questions from Council on the following:

- The number of kids who participate in the program (Vice-Chairman Smith)
- Whether the program was open only to kids within the City limits (Vice-Chairman Smith)
- Were any participants from the County (Vice-Chairman Smith)
- Amount of hours put into the program by the organization (Vice-Chairman Smith)
- Whether this program benefits YFD centers (Councilman Byrd)
- Statement regarding the benefit of the program to kids (Councilman Byrd)
- Whether there was a better performance overall for the program (Councilman Byrd)
- What the $100,000 would be used for in the program (Councilman Oglesby)

Councilman Gilbert informed the Council about the AAU being on the national level and that there have been kids that have received a full ride to college through AAU. He discussed students being exposed to scouts through the program and the competitiveness of the program. He also informed the Council of the cost of entering tournaments.

Councilwoman Coonrod informed the Council that she would move to defer this resolution. Ms. Sullivan responded to question from Councilwoman Berz about any impact from postponing it.

Upon no further questions or comments, the issue was closed

Adjournment

There being no further business, Chairman Mitchell adjourned the meeting at 3:33 p.m.