

YOUTH AND FAMILY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

MINUTES

September 10, 2019

In Attendance

Councilwoman Demetrus Coonrod, Committee Chair, called the meeting to order at 3:28 p.m. in the Council Assembly Room. A quorum was present, including Council Chairman Erskine Oglesby, Council Vice-Chairman Chip Henderson and Council members Carol Berz, Anthony Byrd, Russell Gilbert, Darrin Ledford, Jerry Mitchell and Ken Smith. Also present were Phil Noblett, City Attorney and Keren Campbell, Council Support Specialist.

Others in Attendance

YFD: Ariel Ford, Director of Early Learning, Jaleesa Brumfield, Community Engagement Specialist.

Approval of Minutes

On motion of Councilman Ledford and seconded by Councilman Mitchell, the minutes from the last meeting (August 13, 2019) were approved as published.

Departmental Report - YFD

Ms. Ford introduced Ms. Broomfield who gave a PowerPoint presentation on the Barbershop Books initiative that included the following:

- Story
- Chattanooga Stats for Black Boys
- Four Key Factors
- What's Being Done
- Founder of Barbershop Books
- Ted Talk Video
- Personal Story
- Participating Barbers
- Barbershop Kings – Owner testimonial
- Parent's Perspective – testimonial

Councilman Smith had a question regarding the amount of shelves and the possibility of taking books home. Councilpersons Gilbert, Ledford, Byrd and Coonrod expressed their appreciation for this effort and the difference its making. Ms. Ford updated the Council regarding the creative curriculum in the early head start program. Upon no further questions or comments, the issue was closed.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Councilwoman Coonrod adjourned the meeting at 3:57 p.m.