

**FAYETTEVILLE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
COUNCIL CHAMBER
MAY 11, 2020
7:00 P.M.**

Present: Mayor Mitch Colvin

Council Members Katherine K. Jensen (District 1); Shakeyla Ingram (District 2); Tisha S. Waddell (District 3) (via telephone); D. J. Haire (District 4); Johnny Dawkins (District 5); Chris Davis (District 6); Larry O. Wright, Sr. (District 7); Courtney Banks-McLaughlin (District 8); Yvonne Kinston (District 9)

Others Present: Douglas Hewett, City Manager
Karen McDonald, City Attorney
Kristoff Bauer, Deputy City Manager
Telly Whitfield, Assistant City Manager
Angel Wright-Lanier, Assistant City Manager
Gina Hawkins, Police Chief
Gerald Newton, Development Services Director
Kevin Arata, Corporate Communications Director
Taurus Freeman, Planning and Zoning Manager
Pamela Megill, City Clerk
Jennifer Ayre, Deputy City Clerk
Members of the Press

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Colvin called the meeting to order.

2.0 INVOCATION

The invocation was offered by Council Member Waddell.

3.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag was led by Mayor and City Council.

4.0 ANNOUNCEMENTS AND RECOGNITION

Dr. Jennifer Green, Cumberland County Medical Director, provided an update on the COVID-19 pandemic and stated the State-wide data and statistics is available on the State Health Department website. There have been 387 COVID-19 confirmed cases in Cumberland County and 11 deaths, the average age of those confirmed cases is 44 years old.

Discussion ensued.

Mr. Scott Bullard, Emergency Management Coordinator, provided an update on the COVID-19 pandemic and stated we are now on day 57 of the State of Emergency Declaration. The Red Cross is seeking blood donations and there are several locations operating this program. The hospital is now allowing one companion per patient to visit. The airlines are now mandating patrons must wear a mask to travel.

Council Member Ingram reminded everyone to complete the Census form if they have not already done so; we need the federal funding.

Mayor Pro Tem Jensen thanked Corporate Communications staff for all of their hard work on the video showcasing Fayetteville.

Mayor Colvin announced the Council is practicing social distancing and we will resume meeting in the Chamber. Thank you to staff for all of their hard work on the Zoom meetings.

5.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: Council Member Wright moved to approve the agenda with the addition of Item 10.02, Council COVID-19 Response and Recovery Committee Reports.
SECOND: Council Member Davis
VOTE: UNANIMOUS (10-0)

6.0 CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION: Council Member Waddell moved to approve the consent agenda with the exception of Items 6.01 and 6.05 for presentation and separate vote.
SECOND: Council Member Dawkins
VOTE: UNANIMOUS (10-0)

6.01 This item was pulled for presentation and separate vote.

6.02 Addition of Certain Streets to the City of Fayetteville System of Streets

The Fayetteville street system includes 745.35 center line miles and is one of the City's largest assets impacting every citizen, employee, emergency service personnel, commuter, and visitor. As new development progresses, new streets are built in accordance to the City's standards and can be designated for private or public ownership and maintenance. Council action is required to accept streets into the City's system. Streets added to that system qualify for Powell Bill Program allocations, which is a North Carolina funding program for the building and maintenance of city streets. Staff has identified a total of six recently that are ready for acceptance into the City's system of streets. Five are for subdivisions throughout the City, and one is part of a larger acquisition of property for a fire station; all six are now acceptable for addition to the City of Fayetteville system of streets. Five streets and drainage systems within the street rights-of-way have been inspected by staff. Council is also being requested to accept one existing street which will be brought up to City standards as the project progresses. The 0.78 mile addition will bring the City's street system total to 746.13 miles.

6.03 Resolution Authorizing a Quitclaim Deed of the City's Title to the County in Order to Expedite the Sale of Land

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FAYETTEVILLE TO DECLARE CITY PROPERTY SURPLUS AND QUITCLAIM CITY'S INTEREST IN JOINTLY HELD PROPERTY TO CUMBERLAND COUNTY. RESOLUTION NO. R2020-019

6.04 Request for Access Agreement from Neighboring Property Owner to Install a Groundwater Monitoring Well at 116 Chase Street

Council authorization of the City Manager to sign the Access Agreement on behalf of the City.

6.01 Emergency Loan Fund

Council Member Waddell stated she had pulled this item for presentation and separate vote.

Ms. Cynthia Blot, Economic and Community Development Director, presented this item and stated to facilitate the aid to the recent COVID-19 crisis, the City is soliciting the assistance of the Center for Economic Empowerment and Development (CEED), a North Carolina nonprofit corporation. CEED is a qualified 501(c)(3) organization that receives donations and grants to provide services and training to disadvantaged families, businesses, and people in the community to promote economic self-sufficiency and prosperity in alignment with the City's goals and priorities. The City is engaging CEED to administer loans to small businesses impacted by COVID-19. CEED is a nonprofit

community development corporation based in Fayetteville, NC, that has been in existence for 30 years and offering small business lending and training experience as a partner of the Small Business Administration (SBA) for 20 years. CEED will leverage its current capacities to operate the fund, maximize impacts, and minimize operating expenses. Loans will be designed to provide low-cost "bridge funding" to help businesses stay open and limit job losses until businesses can qualify for longer term disaster funding from SBA or others.

Discussion ensued.

MOTION: Council Member Dawkins moved to approve execution of the contract for the Emergency Bridge Loan Fund as presented with CEED as the program administrator.

SECOND: Council Member Davis

VOTE: UNANIMOUS (10-0)

6.05 Resolution Authorizing a Third Supplement to an Installment Financing Agreement for Fire Station 19 (3481 Walsh Parkway, 28311)

Council Member Kinston stated she had pulled this item for presentation and separate vote.

Mr. Jay Toland, Chief Financial Officer, presented this item and stated the City entered into an Installment Financing Agreement, dated June 17, 2011, between the City and Bank of America, for the purpose of financing a new fire station. While the loan is amortized over a 15-year period through June 17, 2026, Bank of America's commitment to loan the funds was for a three-year period, which expires June 17, 2020. Specific terms and conditions agreed to in the original agreement can be reviewed, re-negotiated and possibly modified. The loan can be extended if the bank and City negotiate and agree to term modifications. All other terms and conditions contained in the original agreement shall not change. At the end of the first three years on June 17, 2014, Bank of America and the City agreed to new and modified terms and signed the first supplement to the original agreement. Three years later on June 17, 2017, a second three-year supplement to the original agreement was signed and will expire on June 17, 2020. If Bank of America and the City do not agree to extend the term of the loan, the outstanding principal balance totaling \$1,160,008.46 plus accrued interest will become due on June 17, 2020.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A THIRD SUPPLEMENT TO INSTALLMENT FINANCING AGREEMENT IN CONNECTION WITH THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW FIXED RATE PERIOD TO MATURITY FOR AN OUTSTANDING INSTALLMENT FINANCING AGREEMENT. RESOLUTION NO. R2020-020

MOTION: Council Member Kinston moved to adopt the resolution authorizing a third supplement to installment financing agreement in connection with the establishment of a new fixed rate period to maturity for an outstanding installment financing agreement.

SECOND: Council Member Waddell

VOTE: UNANIMOUS (10-0)

7.0 STAFF REPORTS

7.01 Fayetteville Police Department 2020 - 1st Quarter Review

Ms. Gina Hawkins, Police Chief, presented the Fayetteville Police Department 2020 1st Quarter Review with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation. Chief Hawkins reported on the following: crime statistics, crime trend analysis, community engagement, crime fighting strategies, domestic violence unit, overdose death prevention, narcotics unit, 911 call center, employee staffing and recruitment.

Discussion ensued.

MOTION: Council Member Dawkins moved to accept the report.
SECOND: Council Member Wright
VOTE: UNANIMOUS (10-0)

8.0 PUBLIC FORUM

Mr. Carlos Davis, 2039 Birchcreeft Drive, Fayetteville, NC, expressed concerns regarding the PWC assessment and City annexation and asked if a staff member could contact him to discuss and answer questions.

Ms. C.J. Hammonds, 3111 Marita Drive, Raeford, NC, expressed the need for a Homeless Center to be built in the City of Fayetteville.

Ms. Tracey Morrison, 264 Colinwood Drive, Raeford, NC, expressed the need for a Homeless Center to be built in the City of Fayetteville.

9.0 PUBLIC HEARINGS

9.01 Phase 5 Annexation Area 21 Public Hearing on Preliminary Assessment Roll

Mr. Mark Brown, PWC, Customer Relations Director, stated this is a public hearing to receive public comment for annexation areas and is part of the statutory requirement process. Preliminary Assessment Notices were mailed on May 1, 2020, informing property owners of their assessments and public hearing date. A notice was published in The Fayetteville Observer on May 1, 2020, for the preparation of the preliminary assessment roll and public hearing.

This is the advertised public hearing set for this date and time. There was no one present to speak and the public hearing was opened and closed.

This item was to hold a public hearing. No action was taken.

10.0 OTHER ITEMS OF BUSINESS

10.01 Discussion of the 2040 Comprehensive Plan (Future Land Use Map, Plan, and Demographic Profile Report)

Mr. Taurus Freeman, Planning and Zoning Manager, introduced this item and stated the City engaged Steward Inc. and Crawford and Associates to update the Land Use Map and develop a detailed plan that incorporates existing vision and guidance for development and redevelopment within the City of Fayetteville.

Mr. Jake Petroski, Consultant with Stewart, presented the Future Land Use Plan with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation. Mr. Petroski briefed the Council on the following items: purpose and overview, planning process, district meetings summary, future land use map and character area descriptions, future land use goals and recommendations, land use policies and strategies, implementation recommendations and community profile.

Discussion ensued.

Mr. Taurus Freeman stated no action is required this evening, this item was for information and discussion purposes only. This item will be brought back to City Council in the form of a public hearing on May 26, 2020. Mayor Colvin asked Council Members to e-mail any additional questions they may have on this item to Mr. Freeman.

10.02 Council COVID-19 Response and Recovery Committee Reports

Mr. Kristoff Bauer, Deputy City Manager, presented the Neighborhood Revitalization and Improvement Committee report with the

aid of a PowerPoint presentation and stated Council Member Haire is the Chair of this Committee, with Council Members Ingram and Waddell also serving.

Ms. Angel Wright-Lanier, Assistant City Manager, presented the Business Recovery and Economic Development Committee report, with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation and stated Mayor Pro Tem Jensen is the Chair of this Committee, with Council Members Dawkins and Davis also serving.

Dr. Telly Whitfield, Assistant City Manager, presented the Homeless and Poverty Recovery Committee report with the aid of the PowerPoint presentation and stated Council Member Wright is the Chair of this Committee, with Council Members Banks-McLaughlin and Kinston also serving.

MOTION: Council Member Waddell moved to place this item on the June 1, 2020, work session agenda.

SECOND: Council Member Davis

VOTE: UNANIMOUS (10-0)

11.0 ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

11.01 FEMA Public Assistance - Quarterly Update

This item was for information only, and was not presented.

11.02 Unified Development Ordinance Text Amendments: UDO Task Force

This item was for information only, and was not presented.

12.0 ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:34 p.m.