

**FAYETTEVILLE CITY COUNCIL
WORK SESSION MINUTES
FAST CONFERENCE ROOM, 505 WINSLOW STREET
NOVEMBER 1, 2021
5:00 P.M.**

Present: Mayor Mitch Colvin

Council Members Katherine K. Jensen (District 1); Shakeyla Ingram (District 2) (via zoom); Tisha S. Waddell (District 3); D. J. Haire (District 4); Johnny Dawkins (District 5); Chris Davis (District 6) (via zoom); Larry O. Wright, Sr. (District 7); Courtney Banks-McLaughlin (District 8) (arrived at 7:37 p.m.) (via zoom); Yvonne Kinston (District 9)

Others Present: Douglas Hewett, City Manager
Karen McDonald, City Attorney
Telly Whitfield, Assistant City Manager
Jay Toland, Assistant City Manager
Adam Lindsay, Assistant City Manager
Gina Hawkins, Police Chief
Gerald Newton, Development Services Director
Alicia Moore, Senior Planner
Pamela Megill, City Clerk
Members of the Press

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Colvin called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

2.0 INVOCATION

The invocation was offered by Council Member Wright.

3.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: Mayor Pro Tem Jensen moved to approve the agenda with the removal of Items 4.02 and 4.04.

SECOND: Council Member Haire

VOTE: UNANIMOUS (9-0)

4.0 OTHER ITEMS OF BUSINESS

4.01 American Rescue Plan Act Committee Recommendations

Mayor Colvin thanked the three Committee chairs and Committee members for their hard work over the past couple of months and asked that everyone stay focused on the agreed upon outcomes for this meeting.

Mr. Adam Lindsay, Assistant City Manager, presented a PowerPoint presentation and stated on March 11, 2021, the American Rescue Plan Act was signed into law, and established the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds ("SLFRF") program. The SLFRF program is intended to provide support to state and local governments in responding to the economic and public health impacts of COVID-19 and in their efforts to contain impacts on their communities, residents, and businesses. The City of Fayetteville will be a direct recipient of \$40.4 million in SLFRF funds. The Treasury's Interim Final Rule governs the program and provides guidelines and principles for determining the types of programs and services that the funding can support. The Grant funding will be released in two tranches:

- 1/2 following enactment (not later than 60 days after enactment)
- 1/2 12 months following receipt of first payment

Mr. Lindsay provided an overview of eligible and ineligible uses of the funds, and stated each committee defined the problems faced due to COVID.

Mr. Jay Toland, Assistant City Manager, provided an overview of the outcomes and strategies from the Business and Economic Vitality Committee.

Dr. Telly Whitfield, Assistant City Manager, provided an overview of the outcomes and strategies from the Housing and Neighborhood Livability Committee.

Mr. Adam Lindsay, Assistant City Manager, provided an overview of the outcomes and strategies from the Infrastructure Committee.

Mayor Colvin asked Council members to cast votes on the list of potential projects. Votes cast were as follows:

Housing and Community Livability

Resilient Residents - 6 (Council Members Dawkins, Haire, Wright, Colvin, Banks-McLaughlin, and Ingram)

Thriving Communities - 3 (Council Members Jensen, Waddell, and Davis)

Expanded Community Capacity - 1 (Council Member Kinston)

Business and Economic Vitality

Invest in the Workforce - 6 (Council Members Jensen, Colvin, Wright, Ingram, Kinston, and Banks-McLaughlin)

Invest in Business Development - 4 (Council Members Waddell, Haire, Dawkins, and Davis)

Invest in Government Support Operations - 0

Infrastructure

Public Health Resiliency - 0

Multi Model Accessibility - 6.5 (Council Members Waddell, Kinston, Haire, Davis, Wright, Colvin, and Jensen =.5)

Safer Communities - 3 (Council Members Dawkins, Ingram, and Banks-McLaughlin)

Invest in target growth areas - .5 (Mayor Pro Tem Jensen)

Mayor Colvin stated staff will develop project/program options for uses of ARPA funds to meet Council's interest and will report back at a future Council meeting.

4.02 Home Occupations - City Code Review and Comparison to Peer Cities

This item was pulled from the agenda.

4.03 TA21-016: Proposed Text Amendments to the Unified Development Ordinance for Statements of Consistency and Reasonableness for Zoning Amendments, Pursuant to the North Carolina General Statutes

Dr. Gerald Newton, Development Services Director, presented this item and stated Chapter 160D of the North Carolina General Statutes requires statements of plan consistency and reasonableness as part of the review and approval process for amendments to the City's zoning regulations.

For any proposed zoning amendment (text or map), the reviewing board is required to comment on whether the proposed amendment is consistent with the City's comprehensive plan and any other adopted plan that is applicable. An additional statement of reasonableness is required for map amendments (rezonings). When approving or denying proposed zoning amendments, the City Council must approve these statements of consistency and reasonableness; such approval should be made as part of the Council's motion to approve to deny the underlying proposed amendment. Statements of consistency and reasonableness are already being used by the Planning Commission and Zoning Commission

for all zoning amendments, in compliance with N.C.G.S. Chapter 160D. The purpose of these proposed text amendments is to implement procedural clarifications to the text of Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) to reflect the requirements of the State law.

MOTION: Mayor Pro Tem Jensen move to direct staff to present the proposed text amendments to the Planning Commission for a legislative hearing and review.
SECOND: Council Member Dawkins
VOTE: UNANIMOUS (10-0)

4.04 "Can Do" Branding Flag and Seal Revised Options

This item was pulled from the agenda.

4.05 Parks and Recreation - Park Bond Report Card

Mr. Michael Gibson, Parks, Recreation and Maintenance Director, presented this item with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation and stated in March 2016, Fayetteville voters passed a \$35 million bond referendum for parks and recreation. To date, seven substantial projects have been completed totaling over \$3 million. The completed projects include multiple splash pads, renovations to several parks, and the Rowan Street Skateboard Park. The major projects currently in progress include the Bill Crisp Senior Center, Senior Center East, McArthur Road Sports Complex, Jordan Soccer Complex, the Tennis Center, D. Gilmore Therapeutic Center, and Mable C. Smith Park. All seven projects are in the process of design, bidding or construction.

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For the significant projects under design and/or construction, the current budgets are as follows:

Planned Use	Bond Proceeds	Other Funding	Total Projected
Senior Center East	\$6,197,900	\$ 27,900	\$6,225,800
Bill Crisp Senior Center	\$8,300,338	-	\$8,300,338
McArthur Sports Fields	\$3,677,663	-	\$3,677,663
Jordan Soccer Complex	\$1,835,241	-	\$1,835,241
Tennis Center	\$6,000,000	-	\$6,000,000
D. Gilmore Therapeutic Center	\$ 300,000	\$ 575,000	\$ 875,000
Mable C. Smith	\$ 756,660		\$ 756,660

Discussion ensued.

Mayor Colvin requested a list for 2022 expected completion of projects for the next report card presentation.

4.06 Proposed 2022 City Council Meeting Dates Calendar

Ms. Pamela Megill, City Clerk, presented this item and stated staff has provided a proposed 2022 City Council Meeting Dates Calendar. The calendar also identifies Council retreats, budget work sessions, and conferences for elected officials, to ensure that citizens are aware of all public meetings and events and that the City adheres to the NC Open Meetings Act.

Discussion ensued.

Consensus of Council was to direct staff to move this item forward to the next regular meeting for official adoption of the Resolution and calendar.

4.07 City Council Agenda Item Request - \$50,000 Additional Funding for Youth Anti-Gun Violence Promotion

Mayor Colvin presented this item and stated he is requesting an additional \$50,000.00 from the General Fund for the Youth Anti-Gun Violence promotion.

Consensus of Council was to direct staff to move this item forward.

4.08 City Council Agenda Item Request - Key to the District - Council Member Wright

Council Member Wright presented this item and stated he is interested in creating a form of recognition for citizens going above and beyond for each individual district. Mayor Colvin stated the Key to the City is the most distinguished and highest honor the City has to recognize City-wide individuals that have gone above and beyond. Mayor Colvin recommended honoring District honorees once a year at a Council meeting. Council Member Ingram recommended presenting the City coin and certificate of achievement to District designated honorees.

Consensus of Council was to direct staff to look at various options of ways to honor District residents.

5.0 ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:47 p.m.