

**FAYETTEVILLE CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
LAFAYETTE ROOM
JUNE 19, 2017
5:55 P.M.**

Present: Mayor Nat Robertson

Council Members Katherine K. Jensen (District 1); Kirk deViere (District 2); Mitchell Colvin, Jr. (District 3); Chalmers McDougald (District 4); Robert T. Hurst, Jr. (District 5); William J. L. Crisp (District 6); Larry O. Wright, Sr. (District 7); Theodore Mohn (District 8); James W. Arp (District 9)

Others Present: Douglas Hewett, City Manager
Karen McDonald, City Attorney
Kristoff Bauer, Deputy City Manager
Jay Reinstein, Assistant City Manager
Michael Petti, Assistant Police Chief
Rob Stone, Engineering and Infrastructure Director
Cheryl Spivey, Chief Financial Officer
Tracey Broyles, Budget and Evaluation Director
Kevin Arata, Corporate Communications Director
Michael Gibson, Parks, Recreation and Maintenance Director
Barbara Hill, Human Resource Development Director
Rebecca Rogers-Carter, Strategic Performance Analytics Director
Mark Brown, PWC Customer Relations Officer
Pamela Megill, City Clerk
Members of the Press

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Robertson called the meeting to order.

2.0 INVOCATION

The invocation was offered by Council Member Wright.

3.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: Council Member Mohn moved to approve the agenda.

SECOND: Council Member Jensen

VOTE: UNANIMOUS (10-0)

4.0 OTHER ITEMS OF BUSINESS

4.1 Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Budget Ordinance and Fee Schedule, the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Strategic Plan, the Fiscal Years 2018-2022 Capital and Technology Improvement Plans, Capital Project Ordinances 2018-1 through 2018-12, and Capital Project Ordinance Amendments 2018-1 through 2018-12

Mr. Douglas Hewett, City Manager, stated another option for Council to consider is to leave the tax rate at the current .4995, increase stormwater fee to \$51.00 (as recommended), that would leave \$3.9 million to make up. Ms. Tracey Broyles, Budget and Evaluation Director, listed the items in the Capital Improvement Projects (CIP).

Discussion of the proposed Fiscal Year 2017-2018 budget ensued. Council discussed ad valorem tax rates, solid waste fees, stormwater fees, debt service ratio, Capital Improvement Projects and expenses, fund balance, sales tax revenue, employee pay and benefit increase.

Mayor Robertson recessed the meeting at 7:15 p.m. Mayor Robertson reconvened the meeting at 7:25 p.m.

Discussion continued.

MOTION: Mayor Pro Tem Colvin moved to increase the stormwater fee to \$51.00 per year, increase the solid waste fee to \$108.00 per year, leave the tax rate at .4995, and leave the CIP funding in place, with no reductions. The budget ordinance to be brought before Council at the June 26, 2017, regular City Council meeting.

SECOND: Council Member deViere

Discussion continued.

FRIENDLY AMENDMENT:

Council Member Arp made a friendly amendment to (1) direct staff to visit with the City of Concord regarding their solid waste management efficiencies; (2) direct staff to expend the storm water funds and if they cannot do it internally, they hire a consultant/organization to help address our storm water fees; and (3) keep CIP Cape Fear River Trail and Legend Avenue intersection in the budget.

Council Members Colvin and deViere accepted Council Member Arp's friendly amendment.

VOTE: PASSED by a vote of 9 in favor to 1 in opposition (Mayor Robertson)

Mayor Robertson announced the special called meetings for June 20 and 21, 2017, are cancelled.

5.0 ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m.