WINSTON-SALEM PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

August 10, 2020 Virtual Meeting

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Taylor called the meeting to order at 6:07 and thanked all of the City's Public Safety Departments. He stated due the Safer At Home Order, all Committee Members are participating virtually. For virtual meetings, Committee Members will be muted until asked to be heard. When there is a vote, it will be necessary to conduct a roll call vote. A Committee Member will be recognized, and will raise their hand and state their vote.

Present:

Council Member James Taylor, Jr., Chair Council Member Jeff MacIntosh, Vice Chair Council Member John Larson Council Member Morticia "Tee-Tee" Parmon

Additional Attendees:

Council Member Dan Besse Council Member Annette Scippio

CONSENT AGENDA

Chair Taylor stated the Committee would first consider the Consent Agenda and stated staff has requested item C-5 be withdrawn from consideration. He asked if there were any other items the Committee wished to remove for discussion.

A motion was made by Council Member MacIntosh, seconded by Council Member Larson, to approve the balance of the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Council Member Council Member Taylor, Council Member Council Member MacIntosh, Council Member Council Member Larson, and Council Member Council Member Parmon

C-1. Resolution Authorizing Acceptance of a Grant From The North Carolina Governors Highway Safety Program for Eleventh Year Funding of the Forsyth County Joint DWI Task Force and Authorizing Execution of an Interlocal Agreement Between the City of Winston-Salem, the County of Forsyth, and the Town of Kernersville, to Accept Grant Funding and Execution of a Mutual Assistance Agreement Between the Same Parties for Continued Implementation of the DWI Joint Task Force - \$138,676.

Approved by the Consent Vote.

C-2. Consideration of Items Relating to the Acceptance of a Grant Award from the North Carolina Governor's Highway Safety Program:

Resolution Authorizing Execution of Acceptance of a Grant Award from the North Carolina Governor's Highway Safety Program for the BikeSafe Regional Coordinator Position - \$5,000.

Ordinance Amending the Project Budget Ordinance for the City of Winston-Salem, North Carolina for the Fiscal Year 2020-2021.

Approved by the Consent Vote.

C-3. Ordinance Amending Section 42-122(f) of the City Code Relating to 25 Miles per Hour Speed Limits (Southeast Ward) - Stonefield Crossing Drive, Stonefield Crossing Court, and Stonefield Glen Way.

Approved by the Consent Vote.

C-4. Ordinance Amending Section 42-97 of the City Code Relating to Weight Limitations on Thru Traffic on Certain City Streets (Southwest Ward) - Densmore Street.

Approved by the Consent Vote.

C-6. Resolution Awarding Purchase Order for Police Pursuit Vehicles - Asheville Ford, LLC - \$2,042,670.60.

Approved by the Consent Vote.

C-7. Consideration of Items Relating to the Issuance of a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity:

Ordinance Authorizing the Issuance of a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Hook & Ladder Entertainment, LLC for the Operation of One Trolley Pub in the City of Winston-Salem (East, Northwest, and North Wards).

Ordinance Amending Section 78-358(b) of the City Code Relating to Trolley Pub Routes and Stops on City Streets.

Approved by the Consent Vote.

C-8. Approval of Public Safety Committee Summary of Minutes.

Approved by the Consent Vote.

C-5. Resolution Awarding Purchase Order for Street Smart Communications Software - Street Smart, LLC - \$181,200.

This item was pulled by staff.

GENERAL AGENDA

G-1. Consideration of Items Regarding the 2020 Byrne Justice Assistance Grant:

Resolution Authorizing an Interlocal Agreement Between the City of Winston-Salem, North Carolina and the County of Forsyth, North Carolina to Share a 2020 Byrne Justice Assistance Grant Program Award.

Ordinance Amending the Project Budget Ordinance for the City of Winston-Salem, North Carolina for the Fiscal Year 2020-2021.

Council Member Larson, asked for clarification regarding this item.

Chair Taylor provided an overview of the discussion with this item from Finance Committee.

Tasha Logan Ford, Assistant City Manager, provided the staff report for this item.

A motion was made by Council Member MacIntosh, seconded by Council Member Parmon, that the Resolution Authorizing an Interlocal Agreement Between the City of Winston-Salem, North Carolina and the County of Forsyth, North Carolina to Share a 2020 Byrne Justice Assistance Grant Program Award and the Ordinance Amending the Project Budget Ordinance for the City of Winston-Salem, North Carolina for the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 be forwarded without recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye:

Council Member Council Member Taylor, Council Member Council Member MacIntosh, Council Member Council Member Larson, and Council Member Council Member Parmon

G-2. Ordinance Amending Chapter 38, Article I, Section 38-10 (i) of the Winston-Salem City Code to Allow State and/or Federal Wildlife Officers to Discharge Rifles for the Purpose of Eliminating Deer Within the Boundaries of Smith Reynolds Airport Until August 19, 2021.

Tasha Logan Ford provided an introduction for this item.

Lori Sykes, Public Safety Attorney, provided the staff report for this item.

Council Member Parmon questioned the one year sunset term of one year.

Mark Davidson, Smith Reynolds Airport Director, provided a report.

A motion was made by Council Member Parmon, seconded by Council Member MacIntosh, that the Ordinance Amending Chapter 38, Article I, Section 38-10 (i) of the Winston-Salem City Code to Allow State and/or Federal Wildlife Officers to Discharge Rifles for the Purpose of Eliminating Deer Within the Boundaries of Smith Reynolds Airport Until August 19, 2021 be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye:

Council Member Council Member Taylor, Council Member Council Member MacIntosh, Council Member Council Member Larson, and Council Member Council Member Parmon

G-3. Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into an Interlocal Agreement Between the City of Winston-Salem on behalf of the Winston-Salem Police Department, the County of Forsyth on behalf of the Forsyth County Sheriff's Office, and the Town of Kernersville on behalf of the Kernersville Police Department, for the Formation of a Drug Task Force and to Enter into a Lease Agreement for Office and Work Space for Said Drug Task Force.

Tasha Logan Ford, Assistant City Manager gave an introduction for this item.

Captain Mike Cardwell, Winston-Salem Police Department Special Investigations Division, provided the staff report for this item.

Kirk Bjorling, Real Estate Administrator, provided further information regarding the office space that will be utilized.

A motion was made by Council Member MacIntosh, seconded by Council Member Larson, that the Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into an Interlocal Agreement Between the City of Winston-Salem on behalf of the Winston-Salem Police Department, the County of Forsyth on behalf of the Forsyth County Sheriff's Office, and the Town of Kernersville on behalf of the Kernersville Police Department, for the Formation of a Drug Task Force and to Enter into a Lease Agreement for Office and Work Space for Said Drug Task Force be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

G-4. Resolution To Support And Adopt The Northern Piedmont Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan.

August Vernon, Emergency Management Director, provided the staff report.

A motion was made by Council Member Larson, seconded by Council Member MacIntosh, that the Resolution to Support and Adopt the Northern Piedmont Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Counc

Council Member Council Member Taylor, Council Member Council Member MacIntosh, Council Member Council Member Larson, and Council Member Council Member Parmon

Gun Violence Discussion.

Assistant Chief Weaver, Winston-Salem Police Department, provided an introduction of this item.

Assistant Chief Miles, Winston-Salem Police Department, provided information and statistics regarding this item.

Council Member Parmon made a statement regarding her concerns about the gun violence in the East Ward and in the City as it relates to juveniles.

Council Member Scippio made as statement regarding the impact gun violence is having on the community.

Chair Taylor expressed his concern regarding gun violence and stated the City is committed to help aide in the process, but it will also take community involvement to help combat the problem.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 7:13 p.m.