



City of Winston-Salem

101 North Main Street
Winston-Salem, NC 27101

Summary

City Council

Mayor Allen Joines
Mayor Pro Tempore Denise D. Adams
Council Member Scott Andree-Bowen
Council Member Barbara Hanes Burke
Council Member Robert C. Clark
Council Member Regina Ford Hall
Council Member Vivián V. Joiner
Council Member Annette Scippio
Council Member James Taylor, Jr.

Monday, April 7, 2025

6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Joines called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and asked the City Clerk to call the roll.

ROLL CALL

Present: 9 - Mayor Allen Joines, Council Member Scott Andree-Bowen, Council Member Barbara Hanes Burke, Council Member Robert C. Clark, Council Member Regina Ford Hall, Council Member Vivián V. Joiner, Council Member Annette Scippio, Council Member James Taylor Jr., and Mayor Pro Tempore Denise D. Adams

MOMENT OF SILENCE

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

RECOGNITION OF SERGEANT-AT-ARMS

Lieutenant Barry Martin and Fire Marshal Bradley Watson

CITY MANAGER UPDATE

City Manager introduced Jeff Fansler, Director of Transportation Department, who presented an update on the modernization of municipally managed on-street and off-street parking. "Pay by Phone" signage is currently being installed, with the program expected to launch on May 1st, 2025. The transportation team will lead a public education campaign on how to download and use the application. Existing parking restrictions will remain in place under the new system.

Mr. Pate welcomed the RiverRun International Film Festival, which will begin on April 11, 2025.

He also mentioned Community Engagement Events: Winston-Salem Police Department Community Day Recruitment Event on April 12 and Battle of the Badges Hockey Game between Police and Fire Departments on April 18th, 2025.

City Manager congratulated Tabettha Childress, Fire Department Senior Community Educator on receiving a Community Service Award for outstanding contributions to the community.

H HONORARIUMS**H-1. Proclamation Declaring April as National Fair Housing Month**

Dr. Ronnie Christian, Human Relations Interim Director received the proclamation.

H-2. Proclamation Declaring April as Cultural Awareness Month

Dr. Ronnie Christian and Julie Puckett, Human Relations Department received the proclamation.

H-3. Resolution Declaring a Week of Mourning in Memory of Dr. Virginia K. Newell

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tempore Adams, seconded by Council Member Joiner, that this Honorary Resolution be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Council Member Andree-Bowen, Council Member Burke, Council Member Clark, Council Member Ford Hall, Council Member Joiner, Council Member Scippio, Council Member Taylor, and Mayor Pro Tempore Adams

C CONSENT AGENDA

Items on the Consent Agenda have been unanimously recommended by a Committee of the City Council or are submitted in accordance with established procedure. There will be no discussion of the items unless a Council Member so request, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered individually. Items not removed from the Consent Agenda will be enacted with one motion.

Mayor Joines stated Council would first consider the Consent Agenda and asked if there were any items that needed to be removed for discussion. Item C-3 was removed.

Approval of the Consent Agenda

A motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Mayor Pro Tempore Adams, seconded by Council Member Scippio. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Council Member Andree-Bowen, Council Member Burke, Council Member Clark, Council Member Ford Hall, Council Member Joiner, Council Member Scippio, Council Member Taylor, and Mayor Pro Tempore Adams

C-1. Request for a Public Hearing on a Petition to Close and Abandon a Portion of Flag Street and Notice to all Persons Interested in Closing Thereof (East Ward)

Public Hearing Date - May 5, 2025

Approved by the Consent Vote.

C-2. Consideration of Items Related to Use of Choice Neighborhood Funds for Commercial Facade Improvement Grant Program by Housing Authority of Winston-Salem (HAWS) and Housing and Urban Development (HUD)
Approval:

Resolution Accepting Choice Neighborhood Grant for Implementation of the Commercial Facade Improvement Grant Program

Ordinance Amending the Project Budget Ordinance for the City of Winston-Salem, North Carolina for the Fiscal Year 2024-2025

Approved by the Consent Vote.

C-4. Resolution Authorizing an Amendment to the Lease Agreement with Old Salisbury Holdings, LLC, located at 1320 Old Salisbury Road

Approved by the Consent Vote.

- C-5.** Resolution Authorizing the Expenditure of Out of County Service Funds from the Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Utility Commission for the Design and Construction of Municipal Infrastructure Improvements at Union Cross Industrial Center Pursuant to N.C.G.S. 160A-499 and Amending the City of Winston-Salem 2025-2030 Capital Plan

Approved by the Consent Vote.

- C-6.** Consideration of Items Related to the North Carolina Department of Transportation Agreement for Replacement of the Old Greensboro Road Bridge over Brushy Fork Creek (HM-0004)(East Ward):

Resolution Authorizing an Agreement with the North Carolina Department of Transportation for the Replacement of the Old Greensboro Road Bridge over Brushy Fork Creek - \$4,815,000

Ordinance Amending the Project Budget Ordinance for the City of Winston-Salem, North Carolina for the Fiscal Year 2024-2025

Approved by the Consent Vote.

- C-7.** Mayor Joines' Recommendation for Appointment to the Transportation Advisory Committee:
First Alternate:
Council Member Regina Ford Hall

Approved by the Consent Vote.

- C-8.** Mayor Joines' Recommendations for Re-Appointment to the Urban Food Policy Council:
Christopher J. Jeffords - Term Expires September, 2027
Justin L. Wilson - Term Expires September, 2027

Approved by the Consent Vote.

- C-9.** Approval of the Committee of the Whole of the City Council Summary of Minutes, March 17, 2025

The Minute Document was approved by the Consent Vote.

- C-10.** Approval of the City Council Summary of Minutes, March 17, 2025

The Minute Document was approved by the Consent Vote.

G GENERAL AGENDA

- C-3.** Resolution Rescinding, In Part, a Prior Resolution Allocating a \$410,000 Transformational Grant to Christ Rescue Temple Apostolic Church
- Shantell McClam, Director of Neighborhood Services answered Council Members' questions.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tempore Adams, seconded by Council Member Scippio, that this Resolution be Approved. The motion carried unanimously.

- G-1.** Public Hearing and Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing Economic Development Assistance through the Spec Building Revolving Loan Program to Front Street Capital for Construction of a Speculative Building at Union Cross Industrial Center Pursuant to N.C.G.S. 158-7.1

Ken Millett, Director of Business Inclusion and Advancement presented Item G-1. Mayor Joines opened the Public Hearing and asked if there was anyone in the Council Chamber that wished to be heard regarding this item.

1. Coleman Team, President and Managing partner of Front Street Capital, 450 N. Patterson Avenue, Suite 300, Winston-Salem, NC 27101
2. Ellis Keifer, Vice President of Economic Development, Greater Winston-Salem, Inc., 525 Vine Street, Suite 240, Winston-Salem, NC 27101

The opposition was presented by:

1. Daniel Rose, 1332 Pleasant Street, Winston-Salem, NC 27107
2. Paula Traffas, 845 Knollwood Street, Winston-Salem, NC 27103
3. Rebecca Johnson, 4361 Johnsborough Court, Winston-Salem, NC 27104

Seeing no one else, Mayor Joines closed the Public Hearing.

A motion to approve item G-1 was made by Council Member Clark, seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Adams. The motion carried by the following vote:

- Aye:** 8 - Council Member Andree-Bowen, Council Member Burke, Council Member Clark, Council Member Ford Hall, Council Member Joiner, Council Member Scippio, Council Member Taylor, and Mayor Pro Tempore Adams

- G-2.** Motion to Excuse Council Member Scippio from Voting on Item G-3

A motion to excuse Council Member Scippio from voting on item G-3 was made by Mayor Pro Tempore Adams, seconded by Council Member Clark. The motion carried by the following vote:

- Aye:** 8 - Council Member Andree-Bowen, Council Member Burke, Council Member Clark, Council Member Ford Hall, Council Member Joiner, Council Member Scippio, Council Member Taylor, and Mayor Pro Tempore Adams

G-3. Consideration of Items Related to Funding to Family Services, Inc., for a Non-Congregate Emergency Shelter:

Resolution Authorizing Funding to Family Services, Inc. for a Non-Congregate Emergency Shelter

Ordinance Amending the Project Budget Ordinance for the City of Winston-Salem, North Carolina for the Fiscal Year 2024-2025

Shereka Floyd, Housing Programs Manager, Neighborhood Services Department made a presentation on item G-3.

Michelle Speas, Chief Operating Officer and Executive Director of Family Services, Inc. 1200S. Broad Street, Winston-Salem, NC 27101 answered Council Members' questions.

A motion was made by Council Member Andree-Bowen, seconded by Council Member Clark, that this Resolution be Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Council Member Scippio was excused from voting on item G-3.

Aye: 7 - Council Member Andree-Bowen, Council Member Burke, Council Member Clark, Council Member Ford Hall, Council Member Joiner, Council Member Taylor, and Mayor Pro Tempore Adams

G-4. Adoption of a Resolution Regarding the North Carolina League of Municipalities' 2025 City Vision Annual Conference

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tempore Adams, seconded by Council Member Clark, that this Resolution be Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Council Member Andree-Bowen, Council Member Burke, Council Member Clark, Council Member Ford Hall, Council Member Joiner, Council Member Scippio, Council Member Taylor, and Mayor Pro Tempore Adams

G-5. Adoption of an Ordinance Amending Chapter 2, Article III, Entitled "Boards and Commissions" of the Winston-Salem City Code, Division 19 Entitled "Civil Service Board"

Sharon Wojda, Assistant City Manager gave a brief explanation of the item.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tempore Adams, seconded by Council Member Joiner, that this Ordinance be Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Council Member Andree-Bowen, Council Member Burke, Council Member Clark, Council Member Ford Hall, Council Member Joiner, Council Member Scippio, Council Member Taylor, and Mayor Pro Tempore Adams

G-6. Resolution Ratifying City Manager's Actions Regarding a Contractual Amendment with Novant Health

William Crandell, Interim Director of Human Resources Department presented the item.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tempore Adams, seconded by Council Member Joiner, that this Resolution be Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Council Member Andree-Bowen, Council Member Burke, Council Member Clark, Council Member Ford Hall, Council Member Joiner, Council Member Scippio, Council Member Taylor, and Mayor Pro Tempore Adams

G-7. Resolution Pledging to Practice and Promote Civility in the City of Winston-Salem

City Manager, William Pate gave a briefing on item G-7.

A motion was made by Council Member Scippio, seconded by Council Member Joiner, that this Resolution be Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Council Member Andree-Bowen, Council Member Burke, Council Member Clark, Council Member Ford Hall, Council Member Joiner, Council Member Scippio, Council Member Taylor, and Mayor Pro Tempore Adams

CLOSED SESSION

A motion that the Winston-Salem City Council go into Closed Session pursuant to G.S.§143-318.11(a)(3) to discuss potential litigation items with the City Attorney and to preserve the attorney/client privilege, and pursuant to G.S.§143-318.11(a)(4) to discuss matters relating to the location or expansion of industries or other businesses was made by Council Member Clark, seconded by Council Member Ford Hall. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Council Member Andree-Bowen, Council Member Burke, Council Member Clark, Council Member Ford Hall, Council Member Joiner, Council Member Scippio, Council Member Taylor, and Mayor Pro Tempore Adams

A motion to end Closed Session was made by Mayor Pro Tempore Adams, seconded by Council Member Andree-Bowen. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Council Member Andree-Bowen, Council Member Burke, Council Member Clark, Council Member Ford Hall, Council Member Joiner, Council Member Scippio, Council Member Taylor, and Mayor Pro Tempore Adams

MAYOR/COUNCIL COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further information to come before the City Council, the meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

A motion to adjourn was made by Mayor Pro Tempore Adams, seconded by Council Member Scippio. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Council Member Andree-Bowen, Council Member Burke, Council Member Clark, Council Member Ford Hall, Council Member Joiner, Council Member Scippio, Council Member Taylor, and Mayor Pro Tempore Adams