

**WINSTON-SALEM CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING**

**Council Chambers
101 N. Main Street**

February 18, 2019

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Joines called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and asked the City Secretary to call the roll.

ROLL CALL

Present: Council Member John C. Larson, Council Member Robert C. Clark, Council Member Dan Besse, Council Member Annette Scippio, Mayor Allen Joines, Mayor Pro Tempore Vivian H. Burke, Council Member Denise D. Adams, Council Member Jeff MacIntosh, and Council Member James Taylor Jr.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

RECOGNITION OF SERGEANT-AT-ARMS

Lt. John Morris

H HONORARIUMS

H-1. Resolution Honoring the 2018 City Of Winston-Salem Retired Employees.

Mayor Joines thanked the 74 retirees who were being honored for their service to the City, and stated that the names of all 2018 retirees would be displayed on the screen as the City Secretary read the resolution.

Mayor Joines invited the retirees who were present to shake the hands of Council and himself.

A motion was made by Council Member Besse, seconded by Council Member Taylor, that this Honorary Resolution be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Council Member Larson, Council Member Clark, Council Member Besse, Council Member Scippio, Mayor Pro Tempore Burke, Council Member Adams, Council Member MacIntosh, and Council Member Taylor

C CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Joines stated Council would now consider the Consent Agenda.

Mayor Joines recognized Ben Rowe, Assistant City Manager, for filling in for the City Manager, Lee Garrity.

Mayor Joines asked if there were any items that need to be pulled. Council Member Scippio pulled items C-5 and C-7.

A motion was made by Council Member Taylor, seconded by Council Member MacIntosh, to approve the Balance of the Consent Agenda. Motion carried with the following vote:

Aye: Council Member Larson, Council Member Clark, Council Member Besse, Council Member Scippio, Mayor Pro Tempore Burke, Council Member Adams, Council Member MacIntosh, and Council Member Taylor

C-1. Resolution Authorizing the City Manager or His Designee to Accept Less Than Full Repayment of Construction Loans, Not to Exceed \$30,000 Per Home Constructed for the Remaining Properties Eligible for Home Funds in the Ridgewood Place Subdivision and the East End Revitalization Area (Recommended by Finance and Community Development/Housing/General Government Committees).

Approved by Consent Vote.

C-2. Resolution Ratifying Action Taken on November 15, 2018, Regarding S.G. Atkins Community Development Corporations Repayment of the Construction Loan for 3248 Ridgeback Drive, and Making a Grant to the Development Project for the Repayment Shortage of the Construction Loan (Recommended by Finance and Community Development/Housing/General Government Committees).

Approved by Consent Vote.

C-3. Resolution Authorizing the Adoption of Procedures to Recommend Funds to be Recaptured and Reallocated to Meet the Expenditure Time Requirements for CDBG and HOME Funds (Recommended by Finance and Community Development/Housing/ General Government Committees).

Approved by Consent Vote.

- C-4. Consideration of Amendments to the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Budget Ordinances for the City of Winston-Salem, North Carolina: (Recommended by Finance Committee).
Ordinance Amending the Annual Appropriation and Tax Levy Ordinance.
Ordinance Amending the Project Budget Ordinance for the City of Winston-Salem, North Carolina for the Fiscal Year 2018-2019.

Approved by Consent Vote.

- C-6. Resolution Accepting a North Carolina Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Loan for the Neilson Water Treatment Plant Modernization Project. (Recommended by Finance Committee).

Approved by Consent Vote.

- C-8. Resolution Authorizing an Agreement with John Davenport Engineering, Inc. for Professional Engineering Services for the Two-Way Conversion of First and Second Streets and Liberty and Main Streets. (\$640,000) [Recommended by Finance and Public Works Committees].

Approved by Consent Vote.

- C-9. Resolution Awarding Contract for Examination of Annual financial Statements of the City of Winston-Salem for Fiscal Year 2019 (Recommended by Finance Committee.)

Approved by Consent Vote.

- C-10. Resolution Awarding Contract for Mowing Services at Long Creek Golf Course (North Ward) [Recommended by Finance Committee].

Approved by Consent Vote.

- C-11. Resolution Awarding Purchase Order for Regular Cab and Chassis with Aerial Platform Lift (\$157,087) [Recommended by Finance Committee].

Approved by Consent Vote.

- C-12. Resolution Awarding Purchase Order for Ford F-550 with Aerial Platform Lift (\$105,022) [Recommended by Finance Committee].

Approved by Consent Vote.

- C-13. Resolution Awarding Purchase Order for Trans-Aid Buses (\$773,442) [Recommended by Finance Committee].

Approved by Consent Vote.

- C-14. Resolution Approving a Contract Change Order with Jordan Consultants, LLC for Architectural and Engineering Services for Hobby Park Development Phase 1. (South Ward) [\$24,950] (Recommended by Finance Committee).

Approved by Consent Vote.

- C-15. Resolution Approving a Change Order with Reynolda Electric Company, Inc. for Additional Services for Street and Security Lighting Maintenance throughout the City (\$50,000). [Recommended by Finance Committee].

Approved by Consent Vote.

- C-16. Resolution Authorizing a Change in Use of Funding to Habitat for Humanity of Forsyth County, Inc. and Execution of a Memorandum of Understanding with the North Carolina State Historic Preservation Office for 1603 and 1605-1607 North Cherry Street. (North Ward) [Recommended by Finance and Community Development/Housing/General Government Committees].

Approved by Consent Vote.

- C-17. Resolution Authorizing Subordination of a City/County Loan for the Enclave II at

Winston-Salem Development. (North Ward) [Recommended by Finance and Community Development/Housing/General Government Committees].

Approved by Consent Vote.

- C-18. Ordinance Amending Section 42-123(c) of the City Code Relating to 45 Miles per Hour Speed Limits (Southeast Ward) [Recommended by Public Safety Committee].

Approved by Consent Vote.

- C-19. Ordinance Amending Section 42-97 of the City Code Relating to Weight Limitations on Thru Traffic on Certain City Streets (South Ward). [Recommended by Public Works Committee].

Approved by Consent Vote.

- C-20. Ordinance Amending Section 42-154 of the City Code Relating to Handicap Parking on City Streets. (Southwest Ward) [Recommended by Public Works Committee].

Approved by Consent Vote.

- C-21. Resolution Requesting to Apply for Participation in the 2019 Watch for Me NC Program (Recommended by Public Safety Committee).

Approved by Consent Vote.

Ordinance Ordering the Demolition and Removal of a Structure [Repairs less than 50% of value of structure (<50) six months.]

- C-22. James E. Gillespie, 1008 Ada Avenue (Northeast Ward) Ordinance Ordering the Demolition and Removal of a Structure [Repairs less than 50% of value of structure (<50) six months.] (Recommended by Community Development/Housing/General Government Committee).

Approved by Consent Vote.

Ordinance Ordering the Demolition and Removal of a Structure [Repairs exceeding sixty-five percent (65%) of value of structure.]

- C-23. Jesus Carmona Arellanes, 709 Goldfloss Street (Southeast Ward) Ordinance Ordering the Demolition and Removal of a Structure [Repairs exceeding sixty-five percent (65%) of value of structure.] (Recommended by Community Development/Housing/General Government Committee).

Approved by Consent Vote.

- C-24. Laura Ann Blackburn, 2400 Druid Hills Drive Accy Bldg. (North Ward) Ordinance Ordering the Demolition and Removal of a Structure [Repairs exceeding sixty-five percent (65%) of value of structure.] (Recommended by Community Development/Housing/General Government Committee).

Approved by Consent Vote.

- C-25. James R. Conner, 3808 Southdale Ave (Southeast Ward) Ordinance Ordering the Demolition and Removal of a Structure [Repairs exceeding sixty-five percent (65%) of value of structure.] (Recommended by Community Development/Housing/General Government Committee).

Approved by Consent Vote.

- C-26. Daniel W. Donathan, 3852 Crusade Drive (Northeast Ward) Ordinance Ordering the Demolition and Removal of a Structure [Repairs exceeding sixty-five percent (65%) of value of structure.] (Recommended by Community Development/Housing/General Government Committee).

Approved by Consent Vote.

- C-27. Approval of Summary of Minutes.

Approved by Consent Vote.

- C-5. Approval of a Project Budget Ordinance, Including Additional Funds, for

Rehabilitation of 108 Units of Rental Housing for Families, Known as Southgate Apartments. (East Ward) [\$150,000] (Recommended by Finance Committee).

This item was pulled by Council Member Scippio. She wanted to note how pleased she was that these developers were working in the East Ward, and how good of a job they were doing with the Southgate Apartments.

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

Aye: Council Member Larson, Council Member Clark, Council Member Besse, Council Member Scippio, Mayor Pro Tempore Burke, Council Member Adams, Council Member MacIntosh, and Council Member Taylor

C-7. Resolution Authorizing a Lease Extension for a Portion of the Second Floor in the Winston Mutual Building for the Police Departments Crime Prevention Unit (East Ward) [Recommended by Finance Committee].

This item was pulled by Council Member Scippio. She wanted to recognize the fact that the Winston Mutual Building is one of the few buildings left that represent a major African-American business, and she is pleased with the City's actions to continue to support this building.

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

Aye: Council Member Larson, Council Member Clark, Council Member Besse, Council Member Scippio, Mayor Pro Tempore Burke, Council Member Adams, Council Member MacIntosh, and Council Member Taylor

G GENERAL AGENDA

G-1. Public Hearing on Petition to Close and Abandon a Portion of Vine Street and Adjoining Parcels (Alleys) and Notice to All Persons Interested in the Closing Thereof. (Recommended by Public Works Committee).

Mayor Joines opened the Public Hearing and asked if there were anyone in the Council Chamber that wished to speak for or against this item. Seeing none, he closed the Public Hearing and recognized Council Member Scippio.

A motion was made by Council Member Scippio, seconded by Council

Member Taylor, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Council Member Larson, Council Member Clark, Council Member Besse, Council Member Scippio, Mayor Pro Tempore Burke, Council Member Adams, Council Member MacIntosh, and Council Member Taylor

G-2. Resolution Awarding Contract with MGT of America Consulting, LLC for the City of Winston-Salem Disparity Study. (\$333,570) [Finance and Community Development/Housing/General Government Committees forwarded this item to Council with three in favor, none opposed, and one abstaining.]

A motion was made by Council Member Adams, seconded by Council Member Taylor, that this Resolution be approved.

Council Member Clark voiced that he would not be supporting this item, as he was not impressed with the information received from the housing study recently completed for the City, and he did not believe it was a good use of City funds.

Mayor Pro Tempore Burke asked about the workforce demographics for MGT of America Consulting, LLC.

Tiesha Hinton, Assistant Director of the Office of Business Inclusion and Advancement, gave the staff report.

Council Member Adams voiced her opinion on the necessity of having this study done for the City.

Council Member Besse requested Mrs. Hinton explain the function of a local disparity study. Mrs. Hinton gave a brief explanation.

Council Member Clark questioned if MGT of America, LLC is a certified MWBE firm for the City of Winston-Salem. Mrs. Hinton answered no, but they have committed to contracting 34% out to certified MWBE firms.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Council Member Larson, Council Member Besse, Council Member Scippio, Mayor Pro Tempore Burke, Council Member Adams, Council Member MacIntosh, and Council Member Taylor

Nay: Council Member Clark

G-3. Mayor Joines Recommendation for Appointment to the MWBE Advisory

Committee:

Cornelius Graves - Term Expiring January 2022.

A motion was made by Council Member Adams, seconded by Council Member Taylor, that this Appointment be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Council Member Larson, Council Member Clark, Council Member Besse, Council Member Scippio, Mayor Pro Tempore Burke, Council Member Adams, Council Member MacIntosh, and Council Member Taylor

G-4. Mayor Joines Recommendation for Appointment to the Public Assembly Facilities Commission:

Kathleen Garber - Term Expiring August 2021.

A motion was made by Council Member Taylor, seconded by Council Member Adams, that this Appointment be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Council Member Larson, Council Member Clark, Council Member Besse, Council Member Scippio, Mayor Pro Tempore Burke, Council Member Adams, Council Member MacIntosh, and Council Member Taylor

G-5. Mayor Joines Recommendations for Appointment to the Affordable Housing Coalition:

Paula McCoy - Term Expiring February 2022.

Tom Williams - Term Expiring February 2020.

Jon Lowder - Term Expiring February 2020.

Lisa Sari - Term Expiring February 2022.

George Redd - Term Expiring February 2021.

Nakida McDaniel - Term Expiring February 2021.

Donna Woodson - Term Expiring February 2022.

Ryan Ammann - Term Expiring February 2021.

Joseph Crocker - Term Expiring February 2022.

Derwin Montgomery - Term Expiring February 2020.

Paul Norby - Term Expiring February 2020.

A motion was made by Council Member Adams, seconded by Council Member Scippio, that this Appointment be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Council Member Larson, Council Member Clark, Council Member Besse, Council Member Scippio, Mayor Pro Tempore Burke, Council Member Adams, Council Member MacIntosh, and Council Member Taylor

G-6. Public Comment Period:

Public Comment Period is 30 minutes.

Persons may sign up to speak with the City Secretary in the lobby outside of Council Chambers from 6:30-6:55 p.m. or by calling 336-727-2224 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Persons addressing City Council are asked to limit their comments to 3 minutes.

Bradley Pender

Spoke on a specific assault case against Tyra Watkins, and the lack of police action following the reported assault.

Laurie Coker

Spoke as an advocate for Miss Tyra Watkins, and requested all citizens get the public safety and service they deserve.

Phillip Carter, 1148 E Fifth St.

Spoke about the proposed improvements to Happy Hill, and his belief that the residents of that community did not get the proper voice regarding these decisions. He also requested the City to restore and preserve the shelter located at Happy Hill, as it was built in 1940.

Ryan Nicholas, 816 Decatur Street

Spoke on the need for justice restoration regarding police and conflicts that arise.

Sid Brown, 6111 University Parkway, Apt. 3

Thanked Council Member Adams and spoke of the prayer walks he is conducting throughout the City.

Lillian Podlog, 1453 Brookwood Drive, Apt. C

Spoke in favor of removing the confederate statue located at the intersection of 4th Street and Liberty Street, as well as the poverty level and lack of affordable housing in the City of Winston-Salem.

Joseph Robak

Spoke on the lack of affordable housing in the City.

MAYOR/COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mayor Pro Tempore Burke commended Mrs. Podlog on her well-spoken comments, and noted that the City needs young, passionate individuals to sit on the Boards and Commission for the City to help make positive changes.

Council Member Besse requested Catrina Thompson, Chief of Police, give a brief explanation of how a domestic violence dispute/complaint is handled when it is not seen by police officers.

Chief Thompson gave a brief explanation.

Council Member Besse recognized Officer Shupe and Officer Ruiz for their recent heroic acts.

Mayor Pro Tempore requested staff review the City's Citizen Police Review Board and its procedures.

Chief Thompson noted that any citizen can file a formal complaint against a police officer with the Police Department, prior to going to the Citizen Police Review Board.

Mayor Joines thanked the citizens who came and spoke, and invited all citizens to attend the Annual State of the Community event being held February 26, 2019 at 10:30 am at the Hanesbrands Theatre.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the City Council, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm.