

**WINSTON-SALEM CITY COUNCIL MEETING
REGULAR MEETING
Council Chambers
101 N. Main Street
September 19, 2022**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Joines called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and asked the City Clerk to call the roll.

ROLL CALL

Present: Council Member John C. Larson, Council Member Robert C. Clark, Council Member Kevin Mundy, Council Member Annette Scippio, Mayor Allen Joines, Mayor Pro Tempore Denise D. Adams, Council Member James Taylor Jr., Council Member Jeff MacIntosh, and Council Member Barbara Hanes Burke

MOMENT OF SILENCE

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

RECOGNITION OF SERGEANT-AT-ARMS

Lt. Kevin Burns

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 removed for discussion. Items C-20 and C-22 were removed.

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

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

C-1. Consideration of Items Related to the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget Ordinances:(Recommended by Finance Committee.)

Ordinance Amending the Annual Appropriation and Tax Levy Ordinance for the City of Winston-Salem, North Carolina for the Fiscal Year 2022-2023.

Ordinance Amending the Project Budget Ordinance for the City of Winston-Salem, North Carolina for the Fiscal Year 2022-2023.

Approved by the Consent Vote.

- C-2.** Consideration of Items Related to a Department of Homeland Security Assistance to Firefighters Grant: (Recommended by Finance and Public Safety Committees.)
- Resolution Authorizing Acceptance of Department of Homeland Security Assistance to Firefighters Grant to Implement Blue Card Command Training.
- Ordinance Amending the Annual Appropriation and Tax Levy Ordinance for the City of Winston-Salem, North Carolina for the Fiscal Year 2022-2023.
- Ordinance Amending the Project Budget Ordinance for the City of Winston-Salem, North Carolina for the Fiscal Year 2022-2023.
- Approved by the Consent Vote.**
- C-3.** Resolution Awarding Purchase Order for Aerial Ladder Fire Truck - Atlantic Emergency Solutions, Inc. - \$1,787,726. (Recommended by Finance Committee.)
- Approved by the Consent Vote.**
- C-4.** Resolution Awarding Purchase Order for Pumper Fire Truck Atlantic - Emergency Solutions, Inc. - \$846,171. (Recommended by Finance Committee.)
- Approved by the Consent Vote.**
- C-5.** Resolution Awarding Purchase Order for Turnout Gear - Municipal Emergency Services, Inc. - \$253,828. (Recommended by Finance Committee.)
- Approved by the Consent Vote.**
- C-6.** Resolution Awarding Purchase Order for Lifepak 1000 AED Kits - Stryker Sales, LLC - \$60,520. (Recommended by Finance Committee.)
- Approved by the Consent Vote.**
- C-7.** Resolution Awarding Purchase Order for Laptop Computers - Dell Marketing L.P. - \$224,860.48. (Recommended by Finance and Public Safety Committees.)
- Approved by the Consent Vote.**
- C-8.** Resolution Awarding Purchase Order for Rollout Refuse Carts - Toter, LLC - \$282,200.80. (Recommended by Finance Committee.)
- Approved by the Consent Vote.**
- C-9.** Resolution Awarding Contract for Dumpster Services - Republic Services of North Carolina, LLC - \$87,677.26. (Recommended by Finance Committee.)
- Approved by the Consent Vote.**
- C-10.** Resolution Awarding Contract for HEPA Filter Maintenance at Joint Firearms Training Facility - EVO Corporation - \$112,470. (Northeast Ward) (Recommended by Finance Committee.)
- Approved by the Consent Vote.**

- C-11.** Consideration of Items Regarding Contract for Easton Mobile Relocation and Repurpose: (Recommended by Finance Committee.)

Resolution Awarding Contract for Easton Mobile Relocation and Repurpose - LSNS Consulting, LLC - \$174,887.92. (Southeast Ward)

Ordinance Amending The Project Budget Ordinance For The City Of Winston-Salem, North Carolina For The Fiscal Year 2022-2023.

Approved by the Consent Vote.

- C-12.** Resolution Authorizing The City Manager To Enter Into A Contract With The Hartford For Life And Short-Term Disability Insurance - \$167,093. (Recommended by Finance Committee.)

Approved by the Consent Vote.

- C-13.** Casa Buena LLC, 1406 E. 24th Street (Northeast Ward) Ordinance Ordering the Demolition and Removal of a Structure [Repairs exceeding sixty-five (65%) of value of structure.] (Recommended by Community Development/Housing/General Government Committee.)

Approved by the Consent Vote.

- C-14.** BHENWEALTH INC. & Premier REO Solutions LLC, 1937 Bowen Blvd(Northeast Ward) Ordinance Ordering the Demolition and Removal of a Structure [Repairs exceeding sixty-five (65%) of value of structure.] (Recommended by Community Development/Housing/General Government Committee.)

Approved by the Consent Vote.

- C-15.** Monterius Williams 2415 N. Jackson Avenue (Northeast Ward) Ordinance Ordering the Demolition and Removal of a Structure [Repairs exceeding sixty-five (65%) of value of structure.] (Recommended by Community Development/Housing/General Government Committee.)

Approved by the Consent Vote.

- C-16.** Cenia Odeth Leon, 2512 Machine Street (Northeast Ward) Ordinance Ordering the Demolition and Removal of a Structure [Repairs exceeding sixty-five (65%) of value of structure.] (Recommended by Community Development/Housing/General Government Committee.)

Approved by the Consent Vote.

- C-17.** Benancio Salgado & Tina M. Salgado, 2821 Manchester Street (Northeast Ward) Ordinance Ordering the Demolition and Removal of a Structure [Repairs exceeding sixty-five (65%) of value of structure.] (Recommended by Community Development/Housing/General Government Committee.)

Approved by the Consent Vote.

- C-18.** Consideration of Items Related to a Contribution to the Film Partnership of North Carolina's Workforce Development Initiative in Winston-Salem: (Recommended by Finance Committee.)

Resolution Approving a Contribution of \$100,000 to the Film Partnership of North Carolina.

Ordinance Amending the Project Budget Ordinance for the City of Winston-Salem, North Carolina for the Fiscal Year 2022-2023.

Approved by the Consent Vote.

- C-19.** Consideration of Items Relating to the Stonewall Neighborhood: (Recommended by Community Development/Housing/General Government Committee.)

Resolution Approving The Continuation Of The Stonewall Neighborhood As a No Parking On Lawn Area.

Ordinance Amending Chapter 42 of the Winston-Salem City Code Relating to Parking of Certain Vehicles Prohibited on Front Lawns.

Approved by the Consent Vote.

- C-21.** Fixing the Date for a Public Hearing on Resolution Supporting the Eligibility of Property for the National Register of Historic Places - Downtown Winston-Salem Historic District. Public Hearing: October 3, 2022. (Recommended by Community Development/Housing/General Government Committee.)

Approved by the Consent Vote.

- C-23.** Resolution Revising the Public Purpose Attached to the Sale of Certain City-Owned Land by Private Sale (N.C.G.S. 160A-279) to United Health Centers. (East Ward) (Recommended by Finance Committee.)

Approved by the Consent Vote.

- C-24.** Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Approve Claims Settlements in an Amount Not to Exceed \$100,000. (Recommended by Finance Committee.)

Approved by the Consent Vote.

- C-25.** Resolution Authorizing Payments to Waste Management of Carolinas Inc. and Waste Management Recycle America for Recycling Services. (Recommended by Finance Committee.)

Approved by the Consent Vote.

- C-26.** Resolution Authorizing a Lease with the State of North Carolina for Space in City-Owned Property at 226 South Liberty Street. (South Ward) (Recommended by Finance Committee.)

Approved by the Consent Vote.

- C-27.** Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into a Utility Relocation Agreement with Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC for the Relocation of Utility Facilities on W. First Street - \$100,650. (Northwest Ward) (Recommended by Finance and Public Works Committees.)

Approved by the Consent Vote.

- C-28.** Consideration of Items Related to the First and Second Streets Two-Way Conversion Project: (Recommended by Finance and Public Works Committee.)

Resolution Authorizing The City Manager To Execute A Change Order With Sharpe Brothers, A Division Of Vecellio And Grogan, Inc. For Additional Expenses Related To A Delay Claim Request And Unforeseen Electrical Conduit Needs Associated With The First And Second Streets Two-Way Conversion Project - \$300,000.

Ordinance Amending the Project Budget Ordinance for the City of Winston-Salem, North Carolina for the Fiscal Year 2022-2023.

Approved by the Consent Vote.

- C-29.** Resolution Authorizing Temporary Construction Easement Acquisitions for the Underwood Avenue Culvert Repair Project by Deed or Condemnation - \$1,425. (North Ward) (Recommended by Finance Committee.)

Approved by the Consent Vote.

- C-30.** Approval of Summary of Minutes.

Approved by the Consent Vote.

- C-20.** Consideration of Items Relating to WinstonNet and the Forsyth County Digital Equity Committee Pilot Program: (Recommended by Finance Committee.)

Resolution Authorizing the Use of the City's Allocation of Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (CLFRF) to Partner with WinstonNet for the Forsyth County Digital Equity Committee Pilot Program - \$2,000,000.

Ordinance Amending the Project Budget Ordinance for the City of Winston-Salem, North Carolina for the Fiscal Year 2022-2023.

Meridith Martin, Budget and Performance Management Deputy Director, provided a staff report for this item.

In response to Mayor Pro Tempore Adams, Tom Kureczka, Chief Information Officer, stated individuals receiving the equipment will go through training and will keep the devices.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tempore Adams, seconded by Council Member Taylor, that Item C-20 be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

C-22. Resolution Amending Articles II and III of the City of Winston-Salem Personnel Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Offer Competitive Market Adjustments, Permitting Adjusted Seniority for Newly Hired Employees, and Authorizing In-Service Vacation Payouts for City Employees. (Recommended by Community Development/Housing/General Government Committee.)

Marquis Barnett, Human Resource Director, provided the staff report for this item.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tempore Adams, seconded by Council Member Scippio, that item C-22 be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

GENERAL AGENDA

G-1. Public Hearing on a Petition to Close and Abandon a Portion of Torrance Drive and Notice to all Persons Interested in the Closing Thereof (Northwest Ward) - Petition of John Shipley. (Recommended by Public Works Committee with three in favor and one excused)

Mayor Joines stated that Council Member MacIntosh would need to be excused from voting on this item.

Mayor Pro Tempore Adams made a motion, Seconded by Council Member Clark, to excuse Council Member MacIntosh to from voting on item G-1. Motion carried with the following vote:

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

Mayor Joines opened the Public Hearing and asked if there were anyone in the Council Chamber that wished to be heard regarding this item. Seeing none, he closed the Public Hearing.

A motion was made by Council Member Burke, seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Adams, that Item G-1 be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Excused: Council Member MacIntosh

G-2. Public Hearing on Resolution To Revise The Ward Boundaries Of The City Of Winston-Salem As A Result Of The 2020 Census.

Aaron King, Assistant City Manager, provided the staff report for this item.

Angela Carmon, City Attorney, stated she had consulted with the North Carolina School of Government and clarified that the proposed resolution would become effective in July 2023

Mayor Joines opened the Public Hearing and asked if there were anyone in the Council Chamber that wished to be heard regarding this item.

Opponents:

Phillip Carter, 965 Mount Zion Place Apt. K Winston-Salem

Chenita Johnson, 3411 N. Patterson Avenue, Winston-Salem, spoke on behalf of Coalition 4 Accountability & Transparency

Eunice Campbell, 5743 Antietam Drive, Winston-Salem, spoke on behalf of Coalition 4 Accountability & Transparency

Carolyn Highsmith, 3335 Anderson Drive, Winston-Salem

Mayor Joines asked if there were anyone else that wished to be heard regarding this item. Seeing none, he closed the Public Hearing.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tempore Adams, seconded by Council Member MacIntosh, for approval of Item G-2 the Resolution to revise the ward boundaries of the City of Winston-Salem as a result of the 2020 Census, the ward realignment, and map included with the agenda item.

Council Member Scippio made a substitute motion, seconded by Council Member Larson, to continue Item G-2, the Resolution to revise the ward boundaries of the City of Winston-Salem as a result of the 2020 Census to the City Council meeting on October 17, 2022 to allow staff to provide more education to the community. Motion failed with the following vote:

Aye: Council Members Larson and Scippio

Nay: Council Members: Clark, Mundy, Mayor Pro Tempore Adams, Taylor, MacIntosh, and Barbara Hanes Burke

Council Member Scippio made a substitute motion, seconded by Council Member Larson, to approve Item G-2 Resolution to revise the ward boundaries of the City of Winston-Salem as a result of the 2020 Census, the Ward Realignment Plan, and the Map included with the agenda item, except for Census Blocks 1014, 1015, and 1016 which shall remain in the East Ward. Motion failed with the following vote:

Aye: Council Members Larson and Scippio

Nay: Council Members: Clark, Mundy, Mayor Pro Tempore Adams, Taylor, MacIntosh, and Barbara Hanes Burke

Mayor Joines stated Council would now consider the original motion made by Mayor Pro Tempore Adams, seconded by Council Member MacIntosh, for approval of this item. Motion carried with the following vote:

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

Nay: Council Member Scippio

G-3. Resolution Approving The Sale Of City-Owned Land By Private Sale To The Arts Based School Supporting Organization. (East Ward) (Finance Committee forwarded this item without recommendation.)

A motion was made by Council Member Scippio, seconded by Council Member Larson, to continue Item G-3, the Resolution approving the sale of city-owned property by private sale to the Arts Based School Supporting Organization, to the October 17, 2022, City Council Meeting.

Council Member Scippio stated because of misinformation, a community meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 28, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. at Sims Neighborhood Center in Happy Hill.

Council Member Clark requested information regarding how many lots are available for building in the Happy Hill area and the owners of the properties.

Mayor Pro Tempore Adams and Council Member MacIntosh noted this property was selected for affordable housing.

The motion carried with the following vote:

Aye: Council Member Larson, Council Member Clark, Council Member Scippio, and Mayor Pro Tempore Adams

Nay: Council Member Mundy, Council Member Taylor, Council Member MacIntosh, and Council Member Burke

Mayor Joines broke the tie with an "Aye" vote.

G-4. Public Comment Period.

Public Comment Period was heard.

MAYOR/COUNCIL COMMENTS

Council Member Scippio stated the East Ward will kick off a food drive next Saturday. She said Second Harvest Food Bank is moving to a new facility and needs donations. She stated this food drive is in honor of the late Joycelyn Johnson, former Council Member of the East Ward. She stated donation boxes are located all around the East Ward including City and County government buildings.

Council Member Clark noted his concerns about excessive parking ticket late fees being charged to citizens by private companies in downtown.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the City Council, the meeting adjourned at 8:09 p.m.