

**WINSTON-SALEM CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
Council Chambers
101 N. Main Street
March 25, 2019**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Joines called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. 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 Tylor, Jr.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

RECOGNITION OF SERGEANT-AT-ARMS

Lt. Vince Rega

HONORARIUMS

H-1. Resolution Honoring the 2019 Future Outstanding Women Leaders Scholarship Recipient.

Mayor Pro Tempore Burke presented the Resolution to Ms. Nicole Iturbide. Council Members Adams, Council Member Scippio, and Mrs. Nan Griswald, Outstanding Women Leader Committee Member, congratulated Ms. Iturbide and wished her much success.

Ms. Iturbide recognized her parents and thanked the Outstanding Women's Leaders Committee and the Mayor and City Council for the scholarship.

A motion was made by Council Member Taylor, seconded by Council Member Adams, 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

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Joines stated Council would first consider the Consent Agenda and indicated if there were no objections, staff requested that item C-1 be pulled and sent back to the Finance Committee. There were no objections.

Council Member Clark pulled item C-8.

A motion was made by Council Member Adams, seconded by Council Member Scippio, to approve the balance of the Consent Agenda. 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-2. Resolution to Apply for Safe Routes to School Non-Infrastructure Funding Grant. [Recommended by Finance and Public Works Committees].

Approved by Consent Vote.

C-3. Consideration of Resolutions Authorizing Municipal Agreements with the North Carolina Resolution Authorizing A Municipal Agreement With The North Carolina Department Of Transportation For The Maintenance Of Traffic Control Devices – Schedule A Signs

Resolution Authorizing A Municipal Agreement With The North Carolina Department Of Transportation For The Maintenance Of Traffic Control Devices – Schedule B Pavement Markings

Resolution Authorizing A Municipal Agreement With The North Carolina Department Of Transportation For The Maintenance Of Traffic Control Devices – Schedule C Signals

Resolution Authorizing A Municipal Agreement With The North Carolina Department Of Transportation For The Maintenance Of Traffic Control Devices -Schedule D Signals

Approved by Consent Vote.

C-4. Resolution Awarding a Purchase Order for Armor Ballistic Vests - Lawmen's Distribution, LLC - \$146,125. [Recommended by Finance and Public Safety Committees].

Approved by Consent Vote.

C-5. Resolution Awarding Contracts for Cleaning Services at Bowman Gray Stadium, the Winston-Salem Fairgrounds, and the Dixie Classic Fair - GrimeGuru Janitorial Services, LLC (\$133,000) and Affordable Cleaning Services (\$72,000). [Recommended by Finance Committee].

Approved by Consent Vote.

- C-6. Consideration of Items Related to the Washington Park Stream Stabilization Project (South Ward): North State Environmental, Inc. - \$747,745.76. [Recommended by Finance Committee]. Resolution Awarding Construction Contract for Washington Park Stream Stabilization.

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-7. Consideration of Amendments to the FY 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-9. Ordinance Establishing Standards for the Operation and Regulation of Micromobility Devices in Public Rights-Of-Way by the Addition of Article XIV to Chapter 78 of the City Code. [Recommended by Public Safety and Public Works Committees].

Approved by Consent Vote.

- C-10. Ordinance Amending Section 42-122 (f) of the City Code Relating to 25 Miles per Hour Speed Limits - Shadetree Drive (East Ward). [Recommended by Public Safety Committee].

Approved by Consent Vote.

- C-11. Ordinance Amending Section 42-177 of the City Code Relating to Nonresidential Parking in Residential Areas - Green Street and Brookstown Avenue. [Recommended by Public Safety Committee].

Approved by Consent Vote.

- C-12. Ordinance Amending Chapter 42, Article VI Impounding Of Certain Vehicles And Article VII Removal And Disposition Of Junked And Abandoned Vehicles And Vehicles Which Are Health Or Safety Hazards. [Recommended by Public Safety and Community Development/Housing/General Government Committees].

Approved by Consent Vote.

- C-13. Public Hearing on Petition to Close and Abandon a Portion of Primrose Lane Located off of Mashie Drive (Northwest Ward) – Mr. John Joseph Strzesak Jr. [Recommended by Public Works Committee].

Approved by Consent Vote.

Ordinance Ordering the Demolition and Removal of a Structure - Repairs more than 50% of value of structure (>50) six months.

- C-14. Daniel S. Carpenter, 828 N. Gray Avenue (East Ward) Ordinance Ordering the Demolition and Removal of a Structure - Repairs more than 50% of value of structure (>50) six months. [Recommended by Community Development/Housing/General Government].

Approved by Consent Vote.

- C-15. John G. Rafferty Trust & John G. Rafferty, 1424 Fitch Street (East Ward) Ordinance Ordering the Demolition and Removal of a Structure - Repairs more than 50% of value of structure (>50) six months. [Recommended by Community Development/Housing/General Government Committee.]

Approved by Consent Vote.

- C-16. Eloy M. Pena, 2303 Waughtown Street (Southeast Ward) Ordinance Ordering the Demolition and Removal of a Structure - Repairs more than 50% of value of structure (>50) six months. [Recommended by Community Development/Housing/General Government].

Approved by Consent Vote.

- C-17. Approval of Summary of Minutes.

Approved by Consent Vote.

- C-1. Resolution Authorizing Modification and Execution of a Lease for Surplus Space in the Union Station Building at 300 South Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive under the Provisions of N.C.G.S. 160A – 272 (East Ward).

This Resolution was referred back to the Finance Committee, due back on 4/8/2019.

- C-8. Resolution Approving Modifications to Lending Guidelines for Single-Family Rehabilitation and the Transforming Urban Residential Neighborhoods (TURN) Program. [Recommended by Finance and Community Development/Housing/General Government Committees].

Council Member Clark requested a report of how many substandard houses are in Winston-Salem. He voiced concerns regarding the effectiveness of this plan and noted that he observed the Happy Hill neighborhood and the quality of the houses built by Habitat. He stated if the City truly wants to address affordable housing and substandard housing, there needs to be a plan that cost less than \$65,000 per house. He challenged staff to work with the community to be creative with ideas to help with the issue. He said the City would never make a dent if it is only fixing 1% of the houses each year.

Council Member Adams stated the City is reviewing other avenues to bring remedies to this crises noting collaborating with the recently created NLC Task Force as well as Federal, State, and Non-Profit Organizations. She stated this is a national issue and invited everyone to attend the "Now What Do We Do" meeting on April 20th to further discuss ideas.

Council Member Larson stated he liked the idea of reinvesting in older neighborhoods as well as expediting the turnaround time for projects that are underway.

Mayor Pro Tempore Burke shared the City has been struggling for years to help older neighborhoods and stated the need to shorten the turnaround time for projects that are underway.

Tasha Logan Ford, Assistant City Manager, stated a report has been provided regarding the number of homes completed in each Ward and noted that the Southeast Ward had the highest number of homes that were done. She stated if the public would like to see a home that has been renovated they could contact Community Development and they would provide the list. She explained a lot of the work that is done is interior work involving ceilings and some handicap accessibility issues such as access to the bathrooms. She stated with increasing the limits we could start to see more of the curb appeal items addressed.

Council Member MacIntosh pointed out that Winston-Salem is not alone in the lack of quality affordable housing noting the housing crises goes with poverty as much as everything else. He stated with the formation of Poverty Thought Force Commission it is a start in solving the poverty issue.

Mayor Pro Tempore Burke requested information regarding the number of residence that are still in some of the past houses that were renovated.

Mayor Joines concurred with Council Member MacIntosh and Council Member Adams regarding affordable housing being a nationwide issue and noted he is Chairing a group of North Carolina Mayors to help with the crises.

A motion was made by Council Member Clark, seconded by Council Member Scippio, 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. Mayor Joines' Recommendations for Appointments to the Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee.

Glenn Orr, Jr. - Categorical Position - Term Expiring March 2022.

Mark Dunnagan - Term Expiring March 2022.

Brenda Diggs - Term Expiring March 2022.

Gayle Anderson - Term Expiring March 2022.

Daisy Rodriguez - Term Expiring March 2022.

Brian Heelan - Term Expiring March 2022.

Bill Hayes - Term Expiring March 2022.

Paul Ford - Term Expiring March 2022.

Melissa Vickers - Term Expiring March 2022.

A motion was made by Council Member Larson, 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-2. Mayor Joines' Recommendation for Reappointment to the City/County Planning Board.

George M. Bryan Jr. - Term Expiring February 2023.

A motion was made by Council Member MacIntosh, seconded by Council Member Larson, that this Reappointment 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-3. 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.

Jo Ann Allen, PO Box 284, Winston-Salem, NC 27102

Ms. Allen voiced concerns regarding Winston-Salem being among the lowest rating for children in poverty and stated that with 250,000 citizens in Winston-Salem, she does not feel as though Public Comment Period should be limited to 30 minutes.

Austin Hicks, West Forsyth High School

Mr. Hicks invited the Mayor and City Council Members to attend a Town Hall Meeting on April 7, 2019, at the 5th Street Library, to address the issue of poverty in the City of Winston-Salem.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the City Council, the meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.