

WINSTON-SALEM CITY COUNCIL
Regular Virtual Meeting
August 17, 2020

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Joines called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and stated due to the safer at home order, all Council Members are participating virtually. Council Members will vote by a roll call vote. A Council Member will be recognized, raised their hand, and state their vote. He then asked the City Clerk 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 Denise D. Adams, Council Member James Taylor Jr., Council Member Jeff MacIntosh, and Council Member Morticia "Tee-Tee" Parmon

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Consideration of a Gun Violence Resolution.

Mayor Joines stated there was an additional item being proposed to be considered at tonight's meeting. He stated there would need to be unanimous consent for the item to be added to the agenda.

Council Member Scippio introduced the item.

Council Member Taylor objected to this item being added to the agenda.

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 the Council would now consider the Consent Agenda, and asked if there were any items that needed to be removed for discussion. Item C-13 was removed.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tempore Adams, seconded by Council Member Larson, 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 Adams, Council Member Taylor, Council Member MacIntosh, and Council Member Parmon

C-1. Resolution Authorizing the Sale of Fee Simple Right-of-Way to the North Carolina Department of Transportation, an Agency of the State of North Carolina, Related to the Winston-Salem Northern Beltway, Pursuant to N.C.G.S. 160A-274 (Unincorporated Land in Forsyth County). (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Approved by the Consent Vote.

- C-2.** Resolution Authorizing the Acceptance of a Gift Deed from Ramey Properties, LLC and Hubbard Realty of Winston-Salem, Inc. (Southeast Ward) (Recommended by Finance Committee)
Approved by the Consent Vote.
- C-3.** Resolution Authorizing Fee Simple Acquisition of Property for the Peace Haven at Allistair Traffic Signal Installation Project by Deed or Condemnation. (West Ward) (Recommended by Finance Committee)
Approved by the Consent Vote.
- C-4.** 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. (Recommended by Finance and Public Safety Committees)
Approved by the Consent Vote.
- C-5.** Resolution Authorizing The City Manager To Enter Into An Agreement For The Fiscal Year 2019 And Fiscal Year 2020 Federal Transit Administration Formula Program Section 5307 Funding Allocation Agreement With Davidson County Transportation. (Recommended by Finance Committee)
Approved by the Consent Vote.
- C-6.** Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into an Agreement with Willis Towers Watson Analytical Insurance Services, Inc. to Provide Employee Benefits Consulting Services - \$97,500. (Recommended by Finance Committee)
Approved by the Consent Vote.
- C-7.** 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. (Recommended by Public Safety Committee)
Approved by the Consent Vote.
- C-8.** Ordinance Amending Section 42-154 of the City Code Relating to Handicap Parking on

City Streets - 1429 West Fourth Street. (Recommended by the Public Works Committee)
Approved by the Consent Vote.

- C-9.** 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. (Recommended by Public Safety Committee)

Approved by the Consent Vote

- C-10.** Ordinance Amending Section 42-97 of the City Code Relating to Weight Limitations on Thru Traffic on Certain City Streets (Southwest Ward) - Densmore Street. (Recommended by Public Safety Committee)

Approved by the Consent Vote.

- C-11.** 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. (Recommended by Public Safety Committee)

Approved by the Consent Vote.

- C-12.** Consideration of Items Relating to the Acceptance of a Grant Award from the North Carolina Governor's Highway Safety Program: (Recommended by Finance and Public Safety Committees)

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-14.** Resolution Fixing Date for Public Hearing on a Petition to Close and Abandon a portion of an Unnamed Alley off of Mulberry Street (South Ward) – Petition of Leigh Ann Hallberg. (Recommended by the Public Works Committee)

Approved by the Consent Vote.

- C-15.** Consideration of Items Related to Screen Fence Installation at Truist Stadium: (Northwest Ward) (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Resolution Awarding Contract for Installation of Screen Fence at Truist Stadium - Seegars Fence Company of Greensboro, Inc. - \$102,165.23.

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-16.** Consideration of Items Regarding Contract for Installation of a New Traffic Signal at Peacehaven Road and Allistair Road: (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Resolution Awarding Contract for Installation of a New Traffic Signal at Peacehaven Road and Allistair Road (West Ward) - Garrett James Company, LLC - \$116,000.

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-17.** Resolution Awarding Construction Contract for Bolton Park Renovations (Southwest Ward) - ASJ Wilson Construction, LLC - \$184,400. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Approved by the Consent Vote.

- C-18.** Resolution Awarding Construction Contract for W.R. Anderson Gym Renovation (Southeast Ward) - Dalton Contracting, LLC - \$206,800. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Approved by the Consent Vote.

- C-19.** Resolution Awarding Construction Contract for Bethania-Freedman's Park (North Ward) - Garanco, Inc. - \$723,900. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Approved by the Consent Vote.

- C-20.** Resolution Awarding Construction Contract for Winston Lake Phase 2 Improvements (East Ward) - Hodgin Construction Co. - \$2,756,195. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Approved by the Consent Vote.

- C-21.** Resolution Awarding Contract for the Purchase with Installation of Soccer Field Lighting (North and Southwest Wards) - Musco Sports Lighting, LLC - \$1,117,000. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Approved by the Consent Vote.

- C-22.** Resolution Awarding Purchase Order for Police Pursuit Vehicles - Asheville Ford, LLC - \$2,042,670.60. (Recommended by Finance and Public Safety Committees)

Approved by the Consent Vote.

- C-23.** Resolution Awarding Purchase Order for Heavy Duty Low Floor Hybrid Electric

Buses - New Flyer of America, Inc. - \$6,348,992. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Approved by the Consent Vote.

C-24. Resolution Approving an Agreement with Villas at Peace Haven II, LLC. to Maintain a Decorative Street Lighting System (West Ward). (Recommended by the Public Works Committee)

Approved by the Consent Vote.

C-25. Resolution To Support And Adopt The Northern Piedmont Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan. (Recommended by Public Safety Committee)

Approved by the Consent Vote.

C-26. Approval of Summary of Minutes.

Approved by the Consent Vote.

C-13. Consideration of Items Relating to the Use of Coronavirus Relief Funds: (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Resolution Approving the Use of Coronavirus Relief Funds and Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into an Interlocal Agreement with Forsyth County for the Grant of those Funds.

Ordinance Amending the Annual Appropriation and Tax Levy Ordinance for the City of Winston-Salem, North Carolina for the Fiscal Year 2020-2021.

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

Council Member Besse removed this item.

Ben Rowe, Assistant City Manager, provided the staff report for this item.

A motion was made by Council Member Besse, seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Adams, stating the following: "I move a substitute resolution to do the following:

--The second round of CARES act funds distribution from the county to Winston-Salem of \$2,690,204 remains allocated to covering a portion of the existing salaries budgeted for sworn police and certified fire personnel.

The savings from that new revenue placement are directed to the following:

--\$1 million remains reserved for community equity investments through the Community Investment Review Committee process.

--\$166,650 is assigned to cover the cost of raising the city minimum wage to \$14.31/hour, effective 1/1/21.

--\$364,985 is assigned to cover the cost of a 1% public safety salary supplement for

sworn police and certified fire personnel, effective 1/1/21.

--\$1,158,569 is assigned to reduce the budgeted drawdown from city general fund reserves.

Make the corresponding adjustments to the Annual Appropriations and Tax Levy Ordinance, the Project Budget Ordinance, and the Personnel Ordinance." The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Nay: Council Member Clark

GENERAL AGENDA

G-1. Consideration of Items Regarding the 2020 Byrne Justice Assistance Grant: (Finance and Public Safety Committees Forwarded this Item Without Recommendation)

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.

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

Natoshia Miles, Assistant Police Chief, provided the staff report for this item.

A motion was made by Council Member Taylor, seconded by Council Member MacIntosh, 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 Ordinance Amending the Project Budget Ordinance for the City of Winston-Salem, North Carolina for the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 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 Adams, Council Member Taylor, Council Member MacIntosh, and Council Member Parmon

G-2. Consideration of Items Relating to the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Budget Ordinances for the City of Winston-Salem, North Carolina: (Finance Committee Forwarded this Item Without Recommendation)

Ordinance Amending the Annual Appropriation and Tax Levy Ordinance for the City of Winston-Salem, North Carolina for the Fiscal Year 2020-2021.

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

Ben Rowe, Assistant City Manager, provided the staff report for this item.

A motion was made by Council Member Larson, seconded by Council Member Scippio, that the Ordinance Amending the Annual Appropriation and Tax Levy Ordinance for the City of Winston-Salem, North Carolina for the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 and Ordinance Amending the Project Budget Ordinance for the City of Winston-Salem, North Carolina for the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 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 Adams, Council Member Taylor, Council Member MacIntosh, and Council Member Parmon

G-3. Mayor Pro Tempore Adams' Recommendation for Reappointment to the Piedmont Triad Airport Authority:

Mayor Allen Joines - Term Expiring June 2023

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tempore Adams, seconded by Council Member Scippio, that the reappointment of Mayor Allen Joines to the Piedmont Triad Airport Authority term expiring June 2023 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 Adams, Council Member Taylor, Council Member MacIntosh, and Council Member Parmon

G-4. Public Comment Period.

Public Comment Period was heard.

MAYOR/COUNCIL COMMENTS

Council Member Taylor noted that the Winston-Salem Police Department banned the prone restraint over 25 years ago.

Council Member Clark requested staff review policy regarding public comment at the Committee level.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Winston-Salem City Council, the meeting adjourned at 8:17 p.m.