

WINSTON-SALEM FINANCE COMMITTEE
Virtual Meeting
February 14, 2022

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Clark called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. and stated due to the pandemic, all Committee Members are participating virtually. For virtual meetings, Committee Members will be muted until asked to be heard. When there is a vote, it will be necessary to conduct a roll call vote. A Council Member will be recognized, raise their hand, and state their vote.

Present:

Council Member Robert Clark, Chair
Mayor Pro Tempore Denise D. Adams, Vice Chair
Council Member Jeff MacIntosh
Council Member James, Taylor, Jr.

Additional Attendees:

Mayor Allen Joines
Council Member John Larson
Council Member Annette Scippio
Council Member Kevin Mundy
Council Member Barbara Hanes Burke

CONSENT AGENDA

Chair Clark stated the Committee would first consider the Consent Agenda and that item C-4 needed to be continued to the April 11, 2022 Finance Committee Meeting by staff. He then asked if there were any other items that needed to be removed for discussion. Item C-12 was removed.

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

- Aye:** Council Member Clark, Mayor Pro Tempore Adams, Council Member MacIntosh, and Council Member Taylor
- C-1.** Information on Quarterly Key Work Item, Capital Project, and Performance Indicator Data.
- C-2.** Report on Reconciliation of Equipment Purchases to Budget.
- C-3.** Consideration of Items Related to the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budget Ordinances:

Ordinance Amending the Annual Appropriation and Tax Levy Ordinance for the City of

Winston-Salem, North Carolina for the Fiscal Year 2021-2022.

Ordinance Amending the Project Budget Ordinance for the City of Winston-Salem, North Carolina for the Fiscal Year 2021-2022.

Approved by the Consent Vote.

- C-5.** Resolution Approving a Contract with Data Network Solutions, Inc. for the Purchase of Data Center Storage Hardware - \$117,547.80.

Approved by the Consent Vote.

- C-6.** Resolution Awarding Contract for Investment Consulting Services for the City of Winston-Salem, North Carolina - Alex. Brown, a Division of Raymond James Financial Inc. - \$185,000.

Approved by the Consent Vote.

- C-7.** Resolution Awarding Construction Contract for Fire Station 3 Replacement - Holden Building Company, Inc. - \$4,357,750. (Northeast Ward)

Approved by the Consent Vote.

- C-8.** Resolution Authorizing a Change Order to Hodgin Construction Company in the Amount of \$116,610 for the Construction of Winston Lake Park Redevelopment, Phase 2. (East Ward)

Approved by the Consent Vote.

- C-9.** Resolution Authorizing Acquisition of Property on Crosland Road for Recreation and Park Use - \$55,000. (Northwest Ward)

Approved by the Consent Vote.

- C-10.** Consideration of Items Relating to Federal Transit Administration's Federal Fiscal Year 2021 Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Grant Awards for Eligible Recipients:

Resolution Approving The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Federal Fiscal Year 2021 Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility Of Seniors And Individuals With Disabilities Grant Awards For Eligible Recipients.

Ordinance Amending the Project Budget Ordinance for the City of Winston-Salem, North Carolina for the Fiscal Year 2021-2022.

Approved by the Consent Vote.

- C-11.** Consideration of Items Relating to the Federal Transit Administration's Federal Fiscal Year 2021 Section 5307 Job Access Reverse Commute (JARC) Grant Awards for Eligible Recipients:

Resolution Approving The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Federal Fiscal Year 2021 Section 5307 Job Access And Reverse Commute Grant Awards For Eligible Recipients.

Ordinance Amending the Project Budget Ordinance for the City of Winston-Salem, North Carolina for the Fiscal Year 2021-2022.

Approved by the Consent Vote.

C-13. Resolution Accepting a North Carolina Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Loan for the Neilson Water Treatment Plant Modernization Project.

Approved by the Consent Vote.

C-14. Approval of Finance Committee Summary of Minutes.

Approved by the Consent Vote.

C-4. Resolution Authorizing the Sale of City-Owned Vacant Lots on Motor Road Under the Upset Bid Procedure. (N.C.G.S. 160A-269) (Northeast Ward)

This item was continued by staff to the April 11, 2022 Finance Committee Meeting.

C-12. Consideration of Items Relating to CARES Act Funds:

Resolution Authorizing Recapture and Reallocation of Certain CARES Act Funds.

Ordinance Amending the Project Budget Ordinance for the City of Winston-Salem, North Carolina for the Fiscal Year 2021-2022.

Mayor Pro Tempore Adams pulled this item.

Marla Newman, Community Development Director, provided the staff report for this item.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tempore Adams, seconded by Council Member MacIntosh, for approval of item C-12. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

GENERAL AGENDA

Council Member Clark asked staff to give an update on the Weaver Plant Fire.

Patrice Toney, Assistant City Manager, gave a brief update.

Ben Rowe, Assistant City Manager, provided further information regarding the City's opening of the Fairgrounds' Education Building for citizens that were displaced because of the fire.

G-1.

Consideration of Items Relating to Authorizing the City Manager to Execute an Agreement with a Non-Profit to Disburse the Funding Approved for Residents within the One-Mile Radius Who Were Impacted by the Winston Weaver Fertilizer Plant Fire: (Recommended by Finance Committee with three in favor and one abstaining)

Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Execute an Agreement with a Non-Profit to Disburse the Funding Approved for Residents within the One-Mile Radius Who Were Impacted by the Winston Weaver Fertilizer Plant Fire.

Annual Appropriation and Tax Levy Ordinance for the City of Winston-Salem, North Carolina For The Fiscal Year 2021-2022.

Patrice Toney, Assistant City Manager, provided the staff report for this item.

Mayor Pro Tempore Adams spoke about her request to staff for this item to come to Council.

Council Member Larson stated that many people were adversely affected from something that was not their fault and need help. He requested more information on the process of the disbursement of funds.

Council Member MacIntosh stated this was an unexpected burden on the people who can least afford it. He also stated it was not the fault of the citizens impacted or of the City and its staff. He requested we reach out to our legislators in Raleigh to begin changing the way certain chemicals are regulated.

Council Member Scippio recommended staff look in to having an emergency relief fund on our budget for when situations like this arise in the future.

Council Member Burke stated her support of helping those affected by the fire, and noted that it was the worst fire in our City's history and it was located in marginalized communities.

Chair Clark stated he was concerned that this could become a tremendous precedent setting item. He also noted he thinks we need to be very concerned with how we give out the money and to who.

Mayor Joines stated he was concerned with the impact on small businesses.

Council Member Mundy asked about lost wages for businesses affected by the fire.

Angela Carmon, City Attorney, stated that the General Statutes allowed for the City to help low and moderate income residents, but it did not allow for businesses on their own.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tempore Adams, seconded by Council Member MacIntosh, for approval of item G-1. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Mayor Pro Tempore Adams, Council Member MacIntosh, and Council Member Taylor

Abstain: Council Member Clark

G-2. Consideration of Items Relating to the Choice Neighborhood Initiative:

Resolution Authorizing CDBG and General Obligation Bond Funds for Phase 1 of the Choice Neighborhoods Initiative.

Ordinance Amending the Project Budget Ordinance for the City of Winston-Salem, North Carolina for the Fiscal Year 2021-2022.

Marla Newman, Community Development Director, provided the staff report for this item.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tempore Adams, seconded by Council Member MacIntosh, for approval of item G-2. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

G-3. Resolution Authorizing the Use of the City’s Allocation of Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (CLFRF) for the Transformational Grant Phase for Non-Profit Organizations.

Scott Tesh, Budget and Performance Management Director, provided an introduction for this item.

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

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tempore Adams, seconded by Council Member MacIntosh, for approval of item G-3. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

G-4. Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Early Budget Forecast.

Scott Tesh, Budget and Performance Management Director, provided the staff report for this item.

G-5. Resolution Adopting the 2022-2025 Strategic Plan.

Scott Tesh, Budget and Performance Management Director, provided the introduction for this item.

Meridith Martin, Deputy Budget and Performance Management Director, provided the

staff report for this item.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tempore Adams, seconded by Council Member MacIntosh, for approval of item G-5. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

G-6. Update on Union Station. (East Ward)

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

Council Member Scippio spoke about the long process of trying to find a restaurant to go in Union Station.

Council Member MacIntosh requested information on what the lease rate was going to be for the previous potential tenant and when that was exactly.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further information to come before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 6:04 p.m.