## WINSTON-SALEM CITY COUNCIL

# Regular Virtual Meeting August 16, 2021

#### **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, raise 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 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

#### **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 first consider the Consent Agenda and asked if there were any items that needed to be removed for discussion. Council Member Scippio removed C-13, C-31, and C-32. Council Member Taylor removed C-30.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tempore Adams, seconded by Council Member Clark, 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 Relating to the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budget Ordinances for the City of Winston-Salem, North Carolina: (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 2021-2022.

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

C-2. Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Enter Into a Contract with Cigna to Administer the City's Self-Funded Health Insurance Plans. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

# Approved by the Consent Vote.

C-3. Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Enter Into a Contract with Cigna to Administer the City's Self-Funded Dental Insurance Plans. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

## Approved by the Consent Vote.

C-4. Consideration Of Items Pertaining To The 2021 Byrne Justice Assistance Grant: (Recommended by Finance and Public Safety Committees)

Resolution Authorizing An Interlocal Agreement Between The City Of Winston-Salem, North Carolina And The County Of Forsyth, North Carolina To Share A 2021 Byrne Justice Assistance Grant Program Award.

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. Consideration of Items Pertaining to the 2021 BikeSafe Regional Coordinator Grant: (Recommended by Finance and Public Safety Committees)

Resolution Authorizing Acceptance Of A Grant From The North Carolina Governor's Highway Safety Program For A Second Year Of Funding For A Bikesafe Regional Coordinator Position.

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-6. Resolution Authorizing Acceptance Of A Grant From The North Carolina Governor's Highway Safety Program For Twelfth Year Funding Of The Forsyth County Joint DWI Task Force And Authorizing Execution Of An Interlocal Agreement Between The City Of Winston-Salem ("City") And The County Of Forsyth ("County") Accepting Said Grant Funding And Execution Of A Mutual Assistance Agreement Between The City, County, And The Town Of Kernersville For Continued Implementation Of The DWI Joint Task Force. (Recommended by Finance and Public Safety Committees)

#### **Approved by the Consent Vote.**

**C-7.** Resolution Authorizing a Land Lease with Glenda M. Cornatzer. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

C-8. Resolution Authorizing the Acquisition of Easements from Christopher M. Sahloff and Natalie J. Sahloff for the Little Creek Greenway Phase 2 Project by Deed or Condemnation - \$4,075. (Southwest Ward) (Recommended by Finance Committee)

## Approved by the Consent Vote.

C-9. 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 Widening of US Highway 158 (Reidsville Road), Pursuant to N.C.G.S. 160A-274 - \$9,600. (Northeast Ward) (Recommended by Finance Committee)

## Approved by the Consent Vote.

C-10. Resolution Authorizing Permanent Drainage Easement and Temporary Construction Easement Acquisitions for the Patterson Avenue Culvert Replacement Project by Deed, Dedication, or Condemnation - \$12,875. (Northeast and East Wards) (Recommended by Finance Committee)

## Approved by the Consent Vote.

**C-11.** Resolution Approving a Contract with Paymentus Corp. for Electronic Payment Solution. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

#### Approved by the Consent Vote.

C-12. Resolution Awarding a Contract to AXON Enterprise Equipment and Services for Body Worn Cameras and Conducted Electrical Weapons with Related Hardware, Software, Licensing, and Cloud Storage - \$6,702,065.30. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

#### Approved by the Consent Vote.

**C-14.** Resolution Awarding Contract for On-Call Fence Repairs for Recreation and Parks - Fence Builders, Inc. - \$50,000. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

## Approved by the Consent Vote.

C-15. Resolution Awarding Purchase Order for Side Loading Refuse Trucks - Carolina Environmental Systems, Inc. - \$926,426.28. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

#### Approved by the Consent Vote.

**C-16.** Resolution Awarding Purchase Order for Turnout Gear - Municipals Emergency Services, Inc. - \$167,439.68. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

#### Approved by the Consent Vote.

C-17. Resolution Awarding Purchase Order for Fire Pumper Trucks - The Sutphen Corporation - \$1,327,395.14. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

#### **Approved by the Consent Vote.**

**C-18.** Resolution Awarding Purchase Order for a Fire Aerial Ladder Truck - The Sutphen Corporation - \$1,303,612.77. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

**C-19.** Resolution Awarding Purchase Order for Laptop Computers - Dell Marketing L.P. - \$249,734. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

## Approved by the Consent Vote.

**C-20.** Resolution Awarding Annual Blanket Purchase Orders for Sole Source Information Systems and Technology Vendors. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

## Approved by the Consent Vote.

**C-21.** Resolution Approving Sole Source Purchase of a Handheld RAM Spectrometer for Raw Material Identification by the Winston-Salem Fire Department - Red Wave Technology - \$85,000. (Recommended by Finance and Public Safety Committees)

#### Approved by the Consent Vote.

C-22. Resolution Approving an Amendment to the Interlocal Agreement with the Village of Clemmons for the Use of Additional Surface Transportation Funds Allocated to the Winston-Salem Urbanized Area. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

## Approved by the Consent Vote.

C-23. Resolution Authorizing an Agreement with the North Carolina Department of Transportation for the Design and Construction of the Salem Creek Connector Landscaping and Lighting (U-2925C) - \$362,117. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

## Approved by the Consent Vote.

C-24. Resolution Authorizing an Agreement with Creative Corridors Coalition to Fund a Portion of Design for the Peter Oliver Park - \$34,000. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

## Approved by the Consent Vote.

C-25. Consideration of Items Relating to an Agreement with Davidson County Transportation: (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into an Agreement with Davidson County Transportation for the Receipt of Federal Transit Administration Section 5307 American Rescue Plan (ARP) Funding for Federal Fiscal Year 2021 Funds.

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-26.** Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Approve the Federal Transit Administration Fiscal Year 2021 Section 5307 American Rescue Plan Funding Sub-Allocation or Split Letter for the Piedmont Authority for Regional Transportation. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

C-27. Ordinance Amending Section 42-122(f) of the City Code Relating to 25 Miles per Hour Speed Limits - Plantation Drive, Sedge Hollow Drive, Land Grove Drive, Land Grove Court, and Welford Drive. (East and Northeast Wards) (Recommended by Public Safety Committee)

## Approved by the Consent Vote.

C-28. Ordinance Amending Section 42-97 of the City Code Relating to Weight Limitations on Thru Traffic on Certain City Streets - Arbor Road. (Northwest Ward) (Recommended by Public Safety Committee)

## **Approved by the Consent Vote.**

C-29. Resolution Changing the State Highway Secondary Road System Within the Existing Corporate Limits of the City of Winston-Salem. (North Ward) (Recommended by Public Safety Committee)

#### Approved by the Consent Vote.

C-33. Ordinance Amending Chapter 38 of the Code of the City of Winston-Salem Relating to Miscellaneous Offenses and Provisions. (Recommended by Community Development/Housing/General Government Committee)

#### **Approved by the Consent Vote.**

C-34. Resolution Authorizing The Nomination Of Larry W. Womble To The Citizens' Memorial Wall At New Evergreen Cemetery. (Recommended by Public Works Committee)

#### Approved by the Consent Vote.

C-35. Resolution Fixing Date for Public Hearing on a Petition to Close and Abandon an Unopened Portion of Aureole Street and Notice to All Persons Interested in the Closing Thereof (Southeast Ward) - Petition of the City of Winston-Salem. Public Hearing: September 20, 2021. (Recommended by Public Works Committee)

## Approved by the Consent Vote.

C-36. Resolution Fixing Date for Public Hearing on a Petition to Close and Abandon Ferrell Ct and Notice to All Persons Interested in the Closing Thereof (East Ward) - Petition of Steele Rolling Hills, LLC. Public Hearing: September 20, 2021. (Recommended by Public Works Committee)

# Approved by the Consent Vote.

C-37. Resolution Authorizing Execution of an Amendment to the Memorandum of Understanding Supporting a Regional Management Group for Water Supply Planning in the Yadkin-Pee Dee River Basin. (Recommended by Public Works Committee)

C-38. Resolution Authorizing The City Manager To Execute An Amendment To The Deed Of Conservation Easement With The Downtown Winston-Salem Foundation For Merschel Plaza. (Northwest Ward) (Recommended by Public Works Committee)

## **Approved by the Consent Vote.**

**C-39.** Resolution Approving Additional Items Related to the Strollway Rehabilitation Project to Spend the Remaining Project Funds. (Recommended by Public Works Committee)

#### Approved by the Consent Vote.

**C-40.** Resolution Adopting the City of Winston-Salem Pedestrian Master Plan. (Recommended by Public Works Committee)

#### Approved by the Consent Vote.

C-41. Solid Rock United Bibleway Ministries, Inc, 3704 Southdale Avenue(Southeast 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 the Consent Vote.

**C-42.** Approval of Summary of Minutes.

# **Approved by the Consent Vote.**

C-13. Consideration of Items Related to Sprague Street Pool Conversion: (Southeast Ward) (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Resolution Awarding Construction Contract for Sprague Street Splashpad - Dreambuilt Construction, Inc. - \$520,200.

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Council Member Scippio stated water safety and teaching children how to swim should be a focus of the City. She noted the economic impact of the Aquatic Center in Greensboro and is concerned that by closing the pools it would hinder future athletes. She requested a discussion of her concerns in the future.

A motion was made by Council Member Taylor, seconded by Council Member Scippio, that the Resolution Awarding Construction Contract for Sprague Street Splashpad and the Ordinance Amending the Project Budget Ordinance for the City of Winston-Salem for the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 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-30. Resolution Approving Naming of Quarry Park in Honor of Timothy A. Grant. (Southeast Ward) (Recommended by Community Development/Housing/General Government Committee)

Council Member Taylor thanked Mr. Grant for his service to the City of Winston-Salem in the Recreation and Parks Department. He congratulated Mr. Womble for his nomination to the Citizens' Memorial Wall at New Evergreen Cemetery and congratulated Mr. William "Bill" Hayes for the naming of the Football Field and the installation of a statue in honor of Mr. Hayes at Bowman Gray Stadium.

A motion was made by Council Member Taylor, seconded by Council Member Scippio, that Resolution Approving Naming Of Quarry Park In Honor Of Timothy A. Grant 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-31. Resolution Naming the Football Field at Bowman Gray Stadium after William "Bill" Hayes. (East Ward) (Recommended by Community Development/Housing/General Government Committee)

Council Member Scippio stated her comments and motion would be for both C-31 and C-32. She stated that Coach Hayes is a living legend that began his career at Paisley High School and moved on to become the first African American coach in the ACC. He spent many years coaching at Wake Forest University, Winston-Salem State University, and North Carolina A&T. He holds the most career victories as a head football coach in the state of North Carolina. She stated it is an honor to recognize him by naming the football field as well as the installation of a statue of Coach William "Bill" Hayes at Bowman Gray Stadium.

A motion was made by Council Member Scippio, seconded by Council Member Taylor, that Resolution Naming the Football Field at Bowman Gray Stadium after William "Bill" Hayes and the Resolution Approving the Installation of a Statue of William "Bill" Hayes in the Bowman Gray Stadium Field House by Winston-Salem State University 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-32. Resolution Approving the Installation of a Statue of William "Bill" Hayes in the Bowman Gray Stadium Field House by Winston-Salem State University. (East Ward) (Recommended by Community Development/Housing/General Government Committee)

The motion to approve this item was made on C-31.

#### **GENERAL AGENDA**

G-1. Public Hearing on Resolution Approving Financial Assistance to Project Health Pursuant to N.C.G.S. 158-7.1 - \$264,592. (This item was continued from the May 3, 2021, June 21, 2021, and August 2, 2021 City Council Meetings)

Ken Millett, Director of Business Inclusion and Advancement, provided the staff report for this item.

Mayor Joines opened the Public Hearing and asked if there were opposition to this item. Hearing none, he closed the Public Hearing.

In response to Mayor Pro-Tem Adams, Ms. Laura Lee, Greater Winston-Salem Inc. stated some jobs would be transferring from Davidson County and 263 new jobs would be created.

Eric Billings, Nature's Value, stated this is an exciting opportunity for the company to move to the City of Winston-Salem. He provided information regarding the new and transferring jobs and about charitable donations to citizens of Winston-Salem.

Mark Owens, President of Greater Winston-Salem Inc. thanked Mr. Billings and his team for considering Winston-Salem, the Mayor and City Council for considering this opportunity as well as Ms. Lee and Mr. Millett for their roles in helping in this process.

In response to Mayor Pro-Tem Adams, Ms. Lee stated the State has approved a Job Development Investment Grant Agreement of \$1.954 million dollars which will be paid out over a 12-year period.

A motion was made by Council Member Clark, seconded by Council Member Scippio, that the Resolution Approving Financial Assistance to Project Health Pursuant to N.C.G.S. 158-7.1 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, Council Member MacIntosh, and Council Member Burke
- G-2. Public Hearing on a Petition to Close and Abandon a Portion of Sherwood Drive and Notice to All Persons Interested in the Closing Thereof (Southwest Ward) Petition of Sara March Barber. (Recommended by Public Works Committee)

Mayor Joines opened the Public Hearing and asked if there were any one in opposition of this street closing. Seeing none, he closed the Public Hearing.

A motion was made by Council Member MacIntosh, seconded by Council Member Mundy, to approve the Resolution Ordering the Closing and Abandonment of a Portion of Sherwood Drive. 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

G-3. Consideration of Items Relating to Nondiscrimination Ordinances: (Recommended by Community Development/Housing/General Government Committee with three in favor and one abstaining)

Ordinance Amending Chapter 38 of the Code of the City of Winston-Salem to Create Nondiscrimination in Public Accommodations and Nondiscrimination in Employment Ordinances.

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

Lee Garrity, City Manager, provided an introduction of this item

Angela Carmon, City Attorney, provided the presentation for this item.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tempore Adams, seconded by Council Member Mundy, that the Ordinance Amending Chapter 38 of the Code of the City of Winston-Salem to Create Nondiscrimination in Public Accommodations and Nondiscrimination in Employment Ordinances and the Ordinance Amending the Annual Appropriation and Tax Levy Ordinance for the City of Winston-Salem, North Carolina for the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 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

**G-4.** Resolution Accepting American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds.

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

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tempore Adams, seconded by Council Member Scippio, that the Resolution Accepting American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds 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

**G-5.** Public Comment Period.

Public Comment Period was heard.

**G-6.** Closed Session.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tempore Adams, seconded by Council Member MacIntosh, that the Winston-Salem City Council go into closed session pursuant to:

- (1) N.C.G.S. §143-318.11(a)(5) to provide instructions to staff in negotiating the purchase price and other material contract terms for the purchase, for affordable housing purposes, of properties owned by:
  - (i) Elsie Hege Kinney, PIN# 6823-74-8313 located at 0 Peters Creek Parkway,

- (ii) Ogburn Investments, Inc, PIN# 6833-18-1869 located at 412 Elmwood Dr.,
- (iii) Hillcrest Property Development, LLC, PIN# 6804-80-4359 located at 210 Hillcrest Center Dr.,
- (iv) Kostis Properties, LLC, PIN# 6804-80-5597 located at 2415 Hillcrest Center Circle, and
- (v) Kostis Properties, LLC, PIN# 6804-80-2621 located at 290 Hillcrest Center Dr., and
- (2) N.C.G.S. §143-318.11(a)(3) to consult with and provide direction to the city attorney and to protect the attorney-client privilege. The motion carried unanimously.

Closed Session began at 7:49 p.m.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tempore Adams, seconded by Council Member MacIntosh, to end the Closed Session and resume Regular Session. Motion carried unanimously.

Regular Session resumed at 8:15 p.m.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the City Council, the meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.