



CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

City Council Chambers

Monday, September 11, 2023 at 7:00 PM

AGENDA

Call to Order, Prayer, Pledge of Allegiance

Adjustment and Approval of the Agenda — *Items will only be added or removed with the approval of the Mayor and City Council.*

Special Presentations

1. **Dixie Youth 2023 World Series "Ponytails":** Mayor and City Council will formally recognize the Bessemer City Girls Softball team for winning for the 2023 World Series.

Request to Speak/Opportunity for Public Comment — *This is an opportunity for members of the public to express items of interest to the Mayor and City Council. This is not a time to respond or take action. Any necessary action will be taken under advisement. Speakers are asked to use proper decorum and to limit comments to no more than three minutes.*

2. **Public Comment Acknowledgment:** City Manager, Josh Ross will provide clarity on items mentioned during public comment, if needed.

Consent Agenda — *The items of the Consent Agenda are adopted on a single motion and vote, unless the Mayor and City Council wish to withdraw an item for separate vote and/or discussion.*

3. **Approval of Minutes:** City Council will consider adopting the Regular Meeting minutes of the August 14th, 2023 meeting.
4. **Approval of Minutes:** City Council will consider adopting the Work Session Meeting minutes of the August 29th, 2023 meeting.
5. **Street Closure - Trunk or Treat:** City administration is requesting the temporary closure of the 100 Block of West and East Virginia Avenue for the Halloween Trunk or Treat event on Saturday, October 28th, 2023.

Business Items

6. **Proclamation:** Dyslexia Awareness Month: Council will consider adopting a proclamation recognizing October 2023 as Dyslexia Awareness Month.
7. **Proclamation:** Domestic Violence Awareness Month: Council will consider adopting a proclamation recognizing October 2023 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

8. **Brownfields Grant Application:** Development Services, Nathan Hester will address Council regarding a Brownsfield grant application.
9. **Establish Public Hearing for Right of Way Closure:** City Council will consider establishing a public hearing on Monday, October 9th at 7:00 PM to hear public comment regarding a right of way closure on Hillcrest Drive. This portion of unimproved street right-of-way measures approximately 0.0921 acres.
10. **Establish Public Hearing for Rezoning Request (401 E. Alabama Avenue):** City Council will consider establishing a public hearing on Monday, October 9th at 7:00 PM to hear public comment regarding a rezoning request from Lightbeam Estates to rezone the parcel #121483 401 E. Alabama Avenue from City Center to Urban Residential (UR).
11. **Public Hearing for Rezoning Request-** City Council will hold a public hearing to hear public comment regarding a rezoning request from Stacy Ellis for property located at tax parcel #204346 from business campus production (BCP) to rural (R) for purposes of maintaining livestock.
12. **Ordinance Amending Zoning Map-** City Council will consider approving an ordinance regarding a zoning map amendment for property located at tax parcel #204346 from business campus production (BCP) to rural (R) for purposes of maintaining livestock.
13. **Annexation Agreement:** City Council will consider approving an annexation agreement with the City of Gastonia regarding areas adjacent to both municipalities. This agreement will allow both parties to facilitate efficient growth and land use planning.

City Manager's Report

14. **Resolution of Tentative Award:** City Council will consider adopting a resolution awarding the Vantine Pump Station and Sewer replacement project to Neill Grading & Construction Co, Inc. of Hickory, North Carolina. The bid amount was \$2,269,875 and the scope of work was negotiated to reduce the contract price to \$1,618,525. Said tentative award is contingent upon the approval of bidding documentation and the commitment of additional funding by the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality, Division of Water Infrastructure.

Council General Discussion — *This is an opportunity for the Mayor and City Council to ask questions for clarification, provide information to staff, request staff to report back, or place a matter on a future agenda.*

Adjourn