

# CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

City Council Chambers Monday, June 13, 2022 at 7:00 PM

# **MINUTES**

#### **Members Present**

Mayor, Becky S. Smith, Council Members: Brent Guffey, Kay McCathen, Brenda Boyd, Dan Boling, and Joe Will were all present. The following member was absent: Donnie Griffin. City Manager, James Inman and City Attorney, Dan O'Shea were present as well.

# Call to Order, Prayer, Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Smith called the meeting to order. First Baptist Church Pastor, Olin Byrum led the audience in prayer. Mayor Smith led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

# Adjustment and Approval of the Agenda

By motion of Kay McCathen and unanimous vote, the June agenda was approved with no revisions.

# Request to Speak/Opportunity for Public Comment

Mayor Smith opened the floor for public comment. There was none.

### **Consent Agenda**

The following items on the Consent Agenda were unanimously approved by motion of Dan Boling:

- **Approval of Minutes**: City Council will consider adopting the Regular Meeting Minutes of the May 9th, 2022 meeting.
- **Approval of Minutes:** City Council will consider adopting the Special Session Meeting Minutes of the May 12th, 2022 meeting.
- **Approval of Minutes:** City Council will consider adopting the Special Session Meeting Minutes of the May 17th, 2022 meeting.
- **Approval of Minutes:** City Council will consider adopting the Work Session Meeting Minutes of the June 6th, 2022 meeting.

#### **Establish Public Hearing:**

City Staff is requesting the establishment of a public hearing for Council to hear comments from citizens regarding the petition for voluntary annexation from Lennar Homes regarding property located off of Costner School Rd. Parcel Number #220086, #151795, and a portion of #305559.

By motion of Joe Will and unanimous vote, a public hearing regarding the annexation petition for Lennar Homes will be held on Monday, July 11, 2022 at 7:00PM in Council Chambers. Public notice will be given per NC General Statutes.

#### **Establish Public Hearing:**

City Staff is requesting the establishment of a public hearing for Council to hear comments from citizens regarding a rezoning request from Design Development Solutions for property located at tax parcel #202266 (7.05 acres), from Urban Residential (UR) and Rural (R) to Urban Residential Conditional District (URCD).

By motion of Dan Boling and unanimous vote, a public hearing regarding the rezoning request from Design Development Solutions will be held on Monday, July 11, 2022 at 7:00PM in Council Chambers. Public notice will be given per NC General Statutes.

# **Establish Public Hearing:**

City Staff is requesting the establishment of a public hearing for Council to hear comments from citizens regarding the proposed text changes in the following chapters of the Code of Ordinances: Chapter 93-Animals, Chapter 150 - Buildings & Minimum Housing Regulations, and a proposed new Chapter Camping & Mobile Vendor.

By motion of Brent Guffey and unanimous vote, a public hearing regarding the text amendment changes will be held on Monday, July 11, 2022 at 7:00PM in Council Chambers. Public notice will be given per NC General Statutes.

#### **Establish Public Hearing:**

City Staff is requesting the establishment of a public hearing for Council to hear public comment regarding rezoning request from Eastwood Homes for property located at tax parcels #306573 and #304904, from Neighborhood Residential (NR) and Rural (R) to Urban Residential Conditional District (URCD).

By motion of Joe Will and unanimous vote, a public hearing regarding the rezoning request from Eastwood Homes will be held on Monday, July 11, 2022 at 7:00PM in Council Chambers. Public notice will be given per NC General Statutes.

#### **Establish Public Hearing:**

City Staff is requesting the establishment of a public hearing for Council to hear public comment regarding an Economic Development Incentive for Project Trim.

By motion of Brenda Boyd and unanimous vote, a public hearing regarding an Economic Development Incentive grant will be held on Monday, July 11, 2022 at 7:00PM in Council Chambers. Public notice will be given per NC General Statutes.

#### **Establish Public Hearing:**

City Staff is requesting the establishment of a public hearing for Council to hear public comment regarding an Economic Development Incentive for Trinity Capital Advisors.

By motion of Brenda Boyd and unanimous vote, a public hearing regarding an Economic Development Incentive grant will be held on Monday, July 11, 2022 at 7:00PM in Council Chambers. Public notice will be given per NC General Statutes.

#### Public Hearing- Proposed FY 2022- 2023 Budget

As required by NCGS 159-12, the City is required to hold a public hearing prior to adopting the fiscal budget.

By motion of Brenda Boyd and unanimous vote, the public hearing was opened at 7:10 PM.

Mayor Smith asked if there was anyone to speak in favor of the 2022-2023 proposed budget. There was none.

Mayor Smith asked if there was anyone to speak in opposition of the 2022-2023 proposed budget. There was none.

By motion of Kay McCathen and unanimous vote, the public hearing to consider the adoption of the 2022-2023 proposed budget was closed at 7:12 PM. A copy of the budget ordinance is on file at City Hall.

# Ordinance- Proposed FY 2022- 2023 Budget:

Light discussion between Council and the City Manager ensued regarding the proposed 2022-2023 budget. This budget was completed with no tax increase to citizens. City Manager, James Inman thanked the Council for their hard work on behalf of the Staff.

By motion of Joe Will and unanimous vote, the 2022-2023 proposed budget was adopted.

# **Board Appointment Application:**

Director of Administration, Josh Ross addressed Council regarding all appointed boards and their vacancies.

By motion of Dan Boling and unanimous vote, Allen Hook and Charlene Hill were reappointed to serve on the Planning & Zoning Board of Adjustments. They will serve until 2025.

By motion of Brenda Boyd and unanimous vote, Allen Hook will serve as the 2022-2023 Planning & Zoning Board of Adjustments Chair.

By motion of Joe Will and unanimous vote, Dr. Robert Crouch and Michael Brooks were reappointed to serve on the ABC Board. They will serve until 2025.

By motion of Joe Will and unanimous vote, Michael Brooks will serve as the 2022-2023 ABC Board Chair.

By motion of Kay McCathen and unanimous vote, Nellie Floyd was reappointed to serve on the Downtown Development Board. She will serve until 2025.

By general consensus, Mayor and Council will continue to solicit applications from citizens to fill a vacancy on the Downtown Development and Planning & Zoning Board.

## **City Manager's Report**

City Manager James Inman, addressed Council regarding the following:

- <u>Budget Amendment</u>: City Staff is requesting the approval of a budget amendment regarding the general fund balance loan proceeds for Stinger Park and the Police Department equipment. By motion of Joe Will and unanimous vote, the budget amendment was approved.
- <u>City Manager Letter of Retirement</u>: City Manager, James Inman formally announced his retirement. Effective December 31, 2022 Mr. Inman will retire from the position of City Manager. By motion of Joe Will and a 4 -1 vote, with Dan Boling in opposition, Mr. Inman's retirement letter was accepted.

- <u>City Manager Vacancy Consideration</u>: By motion of Dan Boling and a 4-1 vote with Brent Guffey in opposition, Joshua Ross was appointed as the next City Manager effective November 1<sup>st</sup>.

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### **Council General Discussion**

Mayor Smith opened the floor for Council general discussion. Council members, Dan Boling, Joe Will, Kay McCathen, and Brenda Boyd commended City Manager, James Inman on a job well done and a happy retirement. Attorney Dan O'Shea and Code Enforcement Officer, Don Mauldin provided Council with an update on the Diflorio property on Costner School Road.

Being no further business to come before the boar meeting was adjourned at 7:46 PM.	rd, by motion of Brenda Boyd and unanimous vote,
Becky S. Smith, Mayor	Hydeia Y. Hayes, City Clerk