

# CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

City Council Chambers Monday, July 10, 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. **Proclamation Recognizing Police Department:** City Council will consider approving a proclamation recognizing the City of Bessemer City's Police Department for 10 years of service to the community.

**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 June 12th, 2023 meeting.
- 4. **Approval of Minutes:** City Council will consider adopting the Work Session Meeting minutes of the June 27th, 2023 meeting.

#### **Business Items**

- 5. Establish Public Hearing Besstown Rd: City Council will consider establishing a public hearing on Monday, August 14th at 7:00 PM to hear public comment regarding rezoning request from Exponential Development for property located at tax parcel #151220 (14.155 acres), from Rural (R) to Urban Residential Conditional District (URCD).
- 6. **Establish Public Hearing Petition for Voluntary Annexation Besstown Rd:** City Council will consider establishing a public hearing on Monday, August 14th at 7:00 PM to hear public comment regarding a voluntary annexation petition from Exponential Development for property located at tax parcel #151220 (14.155 acres).

## **City Manager's Report**

## 7. General

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.

- 8. **Closed Session:** City Council will go in to closed session as permitted under N.C.G.S. §143-318.11(a)(3)(6).
- 9. **Establish a Public Hearing**: City Council will consider establishing a public hearing for Monday, August 14th at 7:00 PM for an Economic Development project.

# Adjourn



# PROCLAMATION 10 YEARS OF SERVICE FOR THE BESSEMER CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

**WHEREAS**, the members of the City of Bessemer City Police Department play an important role in safeguarding the rights and freedoms of the residents of our community; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bessemer City Police Department was re-established on July 1, 2013; and

WHEREAS, the people of Bessemer City are grateful for our Police Officers who work diligently to build relationships with those in our community with the promise of a more safe, just, and equitable future for the people of our City; and

**WHEREAS**, Mayor and City Council would like to publicly honor the brave men and women who serve our community as Police Officers; and

**WHEREAS**, every day in the City of Bessemer City, Police Officers courageously risk their lives to protect and serve our community and preserve peace and order; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Bessemer City's Police Department provides a vital public service.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Mayor Becky S. Smith and the City Council do hereby recognize the City of Bessemer City's Police Department for their valor, courage, and 10 years of exemplary service to our community. I call on all citizens to join in by commemorating our law enforcement officers, who, by their faithful and loyal devotion to their responsibilities have rendered a dedicated service to our rights and security of all residents.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Bessemer City to be affixed on this 10th day of July 2023.

Becky S. Smith, Mayor		

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# CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

City Council Chambers Monday, June 12, 2023 at 7:00 PM

## **MINUTES**

#### **Members Present**

Mayor, Becky S. Smith, Council Members: Brenda Boyd, Kay McCathen, Donnie Griffin, Brent Guffey, Dan Boling, and Joe Will were all present. City Manager, Josh Ross and City Attorney, Dan O'Shea were present as well.

## Call to Order, Prayer, Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Smith called the meeting to order. Van Spencer, Pastor of Concord Methodist Church led the audience in prayer. Mayor Smith led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### Adjustment and Approval of the Agenda

By motion of Dan Boling and unanimous vote, the June agenda was approved with the following revision:

• (Additional Items) Budget Amendment 5 & 6 - City Council will consider approving a budget amendment regarding lease vehicles.

#### **Special Presentations**

<u>Recognition of Fred Lankford</u>- Mayor & City Council recognized Fred Lankford, Bessemer City Firefighter of 49 years posthumously. Mr. Lankford's family was present to accept this award on his behalf.

<u>Recognition of Pamela Underwood</u>- Mayor & City Council recognized Pamela Underwood, Bessemer City High School Art Teacher of 20 years. Mrs. Underwood has partnered with the City to provide student artwork for the Down Home Day, Christmas in the City, and Juneteenth Festivals.

#### 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 Donnie Griffin:

- **1. Approval of Minutes:** City Council will consider adopting the Regular Meeting minutes of the May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023 meeting.
- **2. Approval of Minutes:** City Council will consider adopting the Special Meeting minutes of the May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023 meeting.
- **3. Approval of Minutes:** City Council will consider adopting the Work Session Meeting minutes of the May 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023 meeting.

## Public Hearing- Proposed FY 2023- 2024 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 Kay McCathen and unanimous vote, the public hearing was opened at 7:15 PM.

City Manager, Josh Ross presented a review of the proposed budget. This budget has been prepared per the North Carolina Local Government Budget and Fiscal Control Act. This proposal encompasses Council's newly adopted mission, vision, values, and goals. The 2023-2024 proposed budget is a policy document that reflects the direction and objectives of the City Council. This proposed budget between all funds is approximately \$13,647,077. The following funds are in the budget: General, Water/Wastewater, Natural Gas, Stormwater, and Powell Bill. Each fund primarily includes operational expenses, payroll, and debt service for various projects. This year's proposed budget does not include a majority of department requests, which are needed to address existing and future growth. The City's goal is to respond to growth in our area by modifying and changing how services are delivered.

Per NCGS, the City must disclose its revenue-neutral tax rate. The City's revenue neutral tax rate is \$0.31 per \$100 of valuation (based on the City's 2023 TR-2 Report that includes changes to real property). The revenue-neutral property tax rate is the rate that is estimated to produce revenue for the next fiscal year equal to the revenue that would have been produced for the next fiscal year by the current tax rate if no reappraisal had occurred.

Mayor Smith asked if there was anyone to speak in favor of the 2023-2024 proposed budget. There was none.

Mayor Smith asked if there was anyone to speak in opposition of the 2023-2024 proposed budget. The following individual came forth:

-<u>Wayne Massagee of 107 Windward Drive</u>: Mr. Massagee addressed City Council regarding the recent Gaston County Tax Appraisal. Mr. Massagee expressed his concern of the increased cost for the community's population who are living on a fixed income.

By motion of Brenda Boyd and unanimous vote, the public hearing to consider the adoption of the 2023-2024 proposed budget was closed at 7:30 PM.

#### Ordinance- Proposed FY 2023- 2024 Budget:

Light discussion between Council and the City Manager ensued regarding the proposed 2023-2024 budget. This budget was completed with no tax increase to citizens. The tax rate will remain at \$0.45 City Manager, Josh Ross thanked the Council, Department Heads, and Staff for their assistance and dedication during the budget process.

Council member, Joe Will commended City Manager, Josh Ross on preparing a comprehensive and balanced budget.

By motion of Donnie Griffin and a 4:2 vote, with Joe Will and Brent Guffey in opposition, the 2023-2024 proposed budget was adopted. A copy of the budget ordinance is on file at City Hall.

#### Offer to Sell Property:

By motion of Joe Will and unanimous vote, City Council accepted the offer from Arctek Construction to purchase property on W. Iowa Avenue (0.18 acres) Parcel ID#151687 for \$1,100.00. Per NCGS, this offer was advertised in the local paper for 10 days. No bids were received.

#### **Board Appointment:**

Mayor and City Council reviewed applications received by citizens to serve on the following volunteer boards: Downtown Development Board, Planning & Zoning Board, Parks & Recreation Advisory Board, and the ABC Board. City Staff will bring in any candidates that Council would like to interview at the June 2023 Work Session.

#### 2023 Water Shortage Response Plan:

City Staff is requesting the approval of the 2023 Water Shortage Response Plan. The City is required to update/review the Plan every 5 years. Thus, it is due on June 2023. The only change being made to the plan is the name of the City Manager. The City Manager is now Josh Ross.

By motion Donnie Griffin and unanimous vote, City Council approved the 2023 Water Shortage Response Plan.

## **City Manager's Report**

City Manager, Josh Ross, addressed Council regarding the following:

- Offer to Purchase Property: By motion of Brent Guffey and unanimous vote, City Council approved the purchase of property at 110 W. Virginia Avenue (Parcel ID#20803) for \$250,000.00 from Harry Petrey with Business Accelerator Program (BAP) funds. In 2022 the City received \$500,000 from the Federal Government for the BAP. This program was designed to help leverage economic growth in downtown by purchasing and rehabilitating historic buildings. Capital from the sale of property would be used to purchase and rehabilitate other historic buildings.
- <u>Budget Amendment #1</u>: By motion of Donnie Griffin and a 4:2 vote, with Joe Will and Brent Guffey in opposition, the budget amendment regarding the Stinger Park debt payment was approved.
- <u>Budget Amendment #2</u>: By motion of Donnie Griffin and a 4:2 vote, with Joe Will and Brent Guffey in opposition, the budget amendment regarding the Stinger Park initial payment was approved.
- <u>Budget Amendment #3</u>: By motion of Joe Will and unanimous vote, the budget amendment regarding Southridge Parkway Phase #1 new gas lines was approved.
- <u>Budget Amendment #4</u>: By motion of Dan Boling and a 4:2 vote, with Joe Will and Brent Guffey in opposition, the budget amendment regarding the Stinger Park IT Services was approved.
- <u>Budget Amendment #5</u>: By motion of Donnie Griffin and unanimous vote, the budget amendment regarding the vehicle leasing payment program was approved.
- <u>Budget Amendment #6</u>: By motion of Joe Will and unanimous vote, the budget amendment regarding the vehicle leasing payment program debt was approved.
- General: The Osage Mill redevelopment project is fully underway. City Staff will be able to open the City Swimming Pool on time this season. The needed repairs to the drainage system have been completed.

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Mayor Smith opened the floor for Council general discussion. There was none.

Adjournment	
Being no further business to come before the	board, by motion of Brenda Boyd and unanimous vote, the
meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM.	
Becky S. Smith, Mayor	Hydeia Y. Hayes, City Clerk



# 2023-2024 Budget Ordinance

**BE IT ORDAINED,** by the City Council of the City of Bessemer City, North Carolina:

Section 1. It is estimated that the following revenues will be available to the General Fund for the Fiscal

Year beginning July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2024:	•	
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$	3,200,000
Ad Valorem Taxes State Board Assessed		40,000
Prior Year Taxes		30,000
Motor Vehicle License		240,000
Gross Rental Vehicle Tax		600
Penalties & Interest		30,000
North Carolina Local Sales Tax		900,000
Solid Waste Disposal Tax		4,000
Beer & Wine Tax		20,000
Franchise Tax		450,000
PD Fees for Services		1,000
Confiscated Drug Money		500
Fire Department Grants		15,000
PD – Grants		85,000
Landfill Fees		450,000
Grave Opening/Closing		25,000
Cemetery Lot Sales		1,000
Zoning Permits & Fees		18,000
Grant - Kiser Center		5,000
Recreation Department Fees/Sponsors		100,000
Senior Events		6,000
Pool Fees/Concessions		100,000
Investment Earnings		20,000
Rent- Land		1,100
Miscellaneous Revenues		18,000
Insurance Proceeds		10,000
Administrative Charges - Enterprise Funds		950,000

**Fund Balance Appropriated** 

\$ 6,969,902

249,702

<u>Section 2.</u> The following amounts are hereby appropriated in the General Fund for the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 in accordance with the established chart of accounts:

Governing Body & Legal	\$ 83,595
Administration & Finance	907,076
Police Department	1,961,412
Fire Department	313,170
Garage Operations	224,697
Public Works Department	353,400
Sanitation Department	355,000
Planning & Zoning	102,003
Economic Development	120,638
Debt Service	1,230,287
Recreation Department	931,686
Parks & Gym	146,500
Pool & Concessions	206,438
Cemetery	34,000

\$ 6,969,902

<u>Section 3.</u> It is estimated that the following revenues will be available to the Water & Sewer Fund for the Fiscal Year 2023-2024:

Water Sales	\$ 2,300,000
Sewer Sales	2,300,000
Water Tap Fees	8,000
Water System Development Fees	50,000
Reconnect Fees	20,000
Penalties	75,000
Miscellaneous	15,000
Admin Activation Fee	20,000
Sewer Tap Fees	5,000
Sewer System Development Fees	30,000
Fund Balance Appropriated	60,839
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\$ 4,883,839

<u>Section 4.</u> The following amounts are hereby appropriated in the Water & Sewer Fund for the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 in accordance with the established chart of accounts:

Debt Service	\$ 617,395
Administration Share	650,000
Water/Wastewater Treatment	2,333,740
Public Works	1,278,704
New Line Construction	4,000

\$ 4,883,839

Section 5. It is estimated that the following revenues will be	avallable	to the Natural Gas Fund for the
Fiscal Year 2023-2024:		
Sales of Gas	\$	1,500,000
Cut-ons and Reconnects		1,500
Fund Balance Appropriated		66,836
	\$	1,568,336
Section 6. The following amounts are hereby appropriated	in the Nati	ural Gas Fund for the Fiscal Year
2023-2024 in accordance with the established chart of accordance		
Debt Service	\$	144,030
Administration Share	·	300,000
Gas Operations		1,124,306
	\$	1,568,336
Section 7. It is estimated that the following revenues will be	available	to the Storm Water Fund for the
Fiscal Year 2023-2024:	. avamabic	
Storm Water Charges	\$	100,000
•	\$	100,000
Section 8. The following amounts are hereby appropriated	in the Stor	m Water Fund for the Fiscal Year
2023-2024 in accordance with the established chart of accordance		
Debt Service		
Debt Service	\$	35,958
Operations	\$	35,958 64,042
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	\$	100,000
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<u>Section 11.</u> There is hereby levied a tax rate of forty-five (\$.45) per one hundred dollars (\$100) valuation of property taxes as of January 1, 2023 for the purpose of raising the revenue listed 'Ad Valorem Taxes' in the General Fund. This rate is on a total valuation of property for the purposes of taxation of \$733,134,166 and an estimated rate of collection of 97%.

Section 12: Fees shall be charged as follows starting July 1, 2023:

Service	2023-2024
WATER	
Treated Water- Inside City	\$13.10 min. per month for 2,000 gal.
•	\$8.05 per 1,000 gal. over 2,000 gal.
Treated Water- Outside City	Double Rates Above
Water Deposit	\$200/\$250/\$400
Water Reconnect Fee	\$35-70
Broken Lock Fee	\$300
Meter Tampering Fee	\$500
Utility Cut off Fee	\$20
Utility Late Fee	15%
Administrative Fee	\$50
Illegal Turn-on Fee	\$200
Meter Reset Fee	\$300
Water Tap Fees*	
.75 Inch Line	\$950
1 Inch Line	\$1,000
1.5 Inch Line	\$1,100
2 Inch Line	\$1,200
*Plus the cost of me	
SEWER	
	\$18.65 min. per month for 2,000 gal. of water
Sewer- Inside City	metered
	\$14.30 per 1,000 gal. over 2,000 gal. of water metered
	\$10.00 per 1,000 gal. over 1 mil. gal. of water metered
Sewer- Outside City	Double Rates Above
Sewer Tap Fees	
4 Inch Line	\$700
6 Inch Line	\$1,000
Sewer User Surcharges	
High Strength BOD	\$.02400 per lb. (for high strength >250 mg/L)
High Strength TSS	\$0.0450 per lb. (for high strength >250 mg/L)
High Strength O & G	\$0.10 per lb. (for high strength >100 mg/L)
High Strength TKN	\$0.4830 per lb. (for high strength >25 mg/L)
High Strength TP	\$0.8470 per lb. (for high strength > 8 mg/L)
Initial Issuance Permit	SIU Fee- \$1,000 Local Permit Fee- \$500
Annual Maintenance Permit	SIU Fee- \$250 Local Permit Fee- \$100
Reopening Permit	SIU Fee- \$500 Local Permit Fee- \$250
Composite Sample Event	\$300
Acute Toxicity Screening	\$600
Chronic Toxicity Screening	\$1,200

TTO with Pesticide Analysis	\$550
TTO without Pesticide Analysis	\$500
SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT FEES	
** System development fees are calculated by the Co	ouncil-Adopted System Development Fee Schedule
Calculator. Examples	are provided below:
Residential Dwelling Unit	
2 Bedrooms	\$3,861
3 Bedrooms	\$4,211
4 Bedrooms	\$5,573
Church without a Kitchen or Daycare	\$4,869
Full Service Restaurant (20 emp.)	\$5,410
Convenience Store with Food Preparation (2,500 sq. ft.)	\$16,230
Stores & Shopping Center without Food Service	
(25,000 sq. ft.	\$27,050
AVAILABILITY FEES	
Water and Sewer Availability Fees	
Inside Customer Connected to Water but Not Sewer	\$18.65 per month
Inside Customer Connected to Sewer but not Water	\$80 per month
Inside Customer not Connected to Water or Sewer	\$93.10 per month (\$13.10 Water + \$80 Sewer)
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METER CHECKS	
One Check Per Year	\$0
Defective Meter Replacement	\$0
Non-Defective Meter Check	\$25 + Cost of Testing
STORM WATER	
Residential	\$3.07
Commercial	\$6
Industrial	\$12
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SOLID WASTE	
Waste Collection Weekly	\$12 per month per container
Waste Collection Bi-Weekly (Commercial Only)	\$24 per month per container
Solid Waste Fee (Bulk, Brush, and Debris***	- \$12 per residential/apartment unit
***This fee is only applied to units that are	not charged a solid waste collection fee.
PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT	
Board of Adjustment	
Variance Request	\$500
Appeals	\$500
Conditional Use Permit	\$700
Special Use Permit (SUP)	\$500
Planning Board	

Zoning Map Amendment(Rezoning)	\$600
Zoning Text Amendment	\$600
Other Fees	
Zoning Verification Letter	\$100
New Single Family	\$200
New Multi Family	\$200 + \$10 per unit
Additions	\$100
Accessory	\$100
Non- Residential up to 5,000 Sq. Ft.	\$200
Non-Residential 5,001-10,000 Sq. Ft.	\$350 + \$5 per 1,000 Sq. Ft.
Non-Residential Greater Than 10,001 Sq. Ft.	\$500 + \$5 per 1,000 Sq. Ft.
Minor Subdivision Plat	\$200
Major Subdivision Plat	\$600 + \$50 per lot
Recombination Plat	\$50
Zoning Permits	
Sign Permit	\$100
Accessory Building Verification (No Building Permit	ć.
Required)	\$50
Accessory Building Verification (Building Permit	\$100
Required)	
Zoning Certificate of Compliance	\$100
Demolition Permit	\$100
Home Occupation Permit	\$100
Temporary Use Permit	\$150
Telecommunication Tower Permit	\$2,500
Telecommunication Tower Permit (Co-Location)	\$500
Fence Permit	\$25
Driveway Permit	\$50
CITY COUNCIL	
Code Enforcement Appeal	\$150
Annexation Petition	\$350
Street/Alley/ROW Closing Petition	\$500
CODE ENFORCEMENT	
Grass Cutting	
Grass Cutting Maintenance Show Up Fee	\$50
Grass Cutting Maintenance Administrative Fee*	\$200
****Plus Cost Mow	
NATURAL GAS	
Gas Per MCF****	
Residential (All Usage)/Month	Operating Expense + \$10.40 per MCF
Business Level 1 (1-24,000 MCF)/Month	Cost at Gate + \$6 per MCF
Business Level 2 (24,001-30,000 MCF)/Month	Cost at Gate + \$4 per MCF
Business Level 3 (30,001 MCF or More)/Month	Cost at Gate + \$2.50 per MCF
***** Rates above are base	

OTHER FEES	
Return Check Fee	\$35
Copies	
B & W Up to 8.5 X 14	\$.45/page
Color up to 8.5 X 14	\$.50/page
	\$75 + additional fees for waste exceeding 1
City Truck Rental	ton.
CEMETERY FEES	
Cemetery Lot	\$1,000
Grave Marking Fee	\$100
Grave Opening	\$435-825 per City Cemetery Ordinance
MOTOR VEHICLE	
Motor Vehicle Tag Fee	\$30

<u>Section 13:</u> All other fees for service, surcharges, etc. previously established by Council shall remain the same unless adjusted at some future date. All billing not paid on the due date is subject to a 15% late penalty.

<u>Section 14:</u> The Budget Officer is hereby authorized to transfer appropriations within a fund as contained herein as follows:

- a. The Budget Officer may transfer amounts between object of expenditure within a department as defined by Ordinance without limitations.
- b. The Budget Officer may transfer amounts up to \$7,500 between departments as designed by Ordinance of the same fund with report on such transfers at the next regular Council meeting.

<u>Section 15:</u> Copies of the Budget Ordinance shall be furnished to all Department Heads for guidance in the disbursement of funds. A copy shall always be available for public inspections in the City Clerk's office.

Adopted this the 12th day of June, 2023.

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# CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION

City Council Chambers Tuesday, June 27, 2023 at 4:30 PM

## **MINUTES**

#### Call to Order

Mayor Becky S. Smith called the meeting to order.

#### **Members Present**

Mayor, Becky S. Smith, Council Members: Joe Will, Kay McCathen, Brenda Boyd, Brent Guffey, Dan Boling, and Donnie Griffin were all present. City Manager, Josh Ross and department heads was present as well. A quorum was present.

#### **Department Head Reports**

Bessemer City department heads gave reports on their department's status:

JoD Franklin, Parks and Recreation Director- Mr. Franklin addressed Council regarding Stinger Park and the upcoming Baseball Tournament. Stinger Park is almost complete. We will host the June 2023 Dixie Youth Softball league the weekend of June 30, 2023 thru July 5, 2023. After the Tournament, City Staff will begin planning a ribbon cutting.

Diane Jenkins, Finance Director- Ms. Jenkins addressed Council regarding the audit and end of the year reporting.

Jamie Ramsey, Director of Operations- Mr. Ramsey addressed Council regarding the vantine pump station project, a recent violation mail out, and the progress of the Foundry Commercial project.

Hydeia Hayes, Human Capital Officer & City Clerk – Ms. Hayes addressed Council regarding the Juneteenth Festival and City Manager's evaluation. The City Manager's evaluation was due at the last Regular meeting. The remaining evaluations are due soon, so that they can be reviewed at the next Regular meeting in July. Ms. Hayes thanked Mayor and City Council for allowing City Staff to host the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Juneteenth Festival.

#### **Advisory Board Appointments Discussion**

Mayor and City Council reviewed all applications received by citizens to serve on a volunteer board. City Council made the following appointments:

By motion of Joe Will and unanimous vote, Wendy Burgess and Pamela Gladney were reappointed to serve on the Planning & Zoning Board of Adjustments. They will serve until 2026.

By motion of Joe Will and unanimous vote, Katie Love was appointed to serve on the ABC Board. She will serve until 2026.

By motion of Dan Boling and unanimous vote, Dana Ijames and William Whitmire were reappointed to serve on the Downtown Development Board. They will serve until 2026.

By motion of Donnie Griffin and unanimous vote, Erika Nixon was appointed to serve on the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board. She will serve until 2026.

By general consensus, Mayor and Council will continue to solicit applications from citizens to fill two vacancies on the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board.

## **Budget Amendments**

Year-end budget amendments to close out the fiscal year 2022-2023. The first budget amendment regarding fund balance appropriation for contracted services was adopted by motion of Dan Boling and unanimous vote. The second budget amendment regarding appropriations in the water and sewer fund was adopted by motion of Kay McCathen an unanimous vote. The third budget amendment pertaining to the Natural Gas fund was approved by Brent Guffey.

## **City Manager's Report**

Josh Ross, City Manager- Mr. Ross commended staff for working well together to aid emergency services at the Livent fire. Mr. Ross also informed Council that a developer was looking to possible build a multifamily housing building along Besstown Road. More details will be formally presented to Council at the July 2023 Regular Meeting.

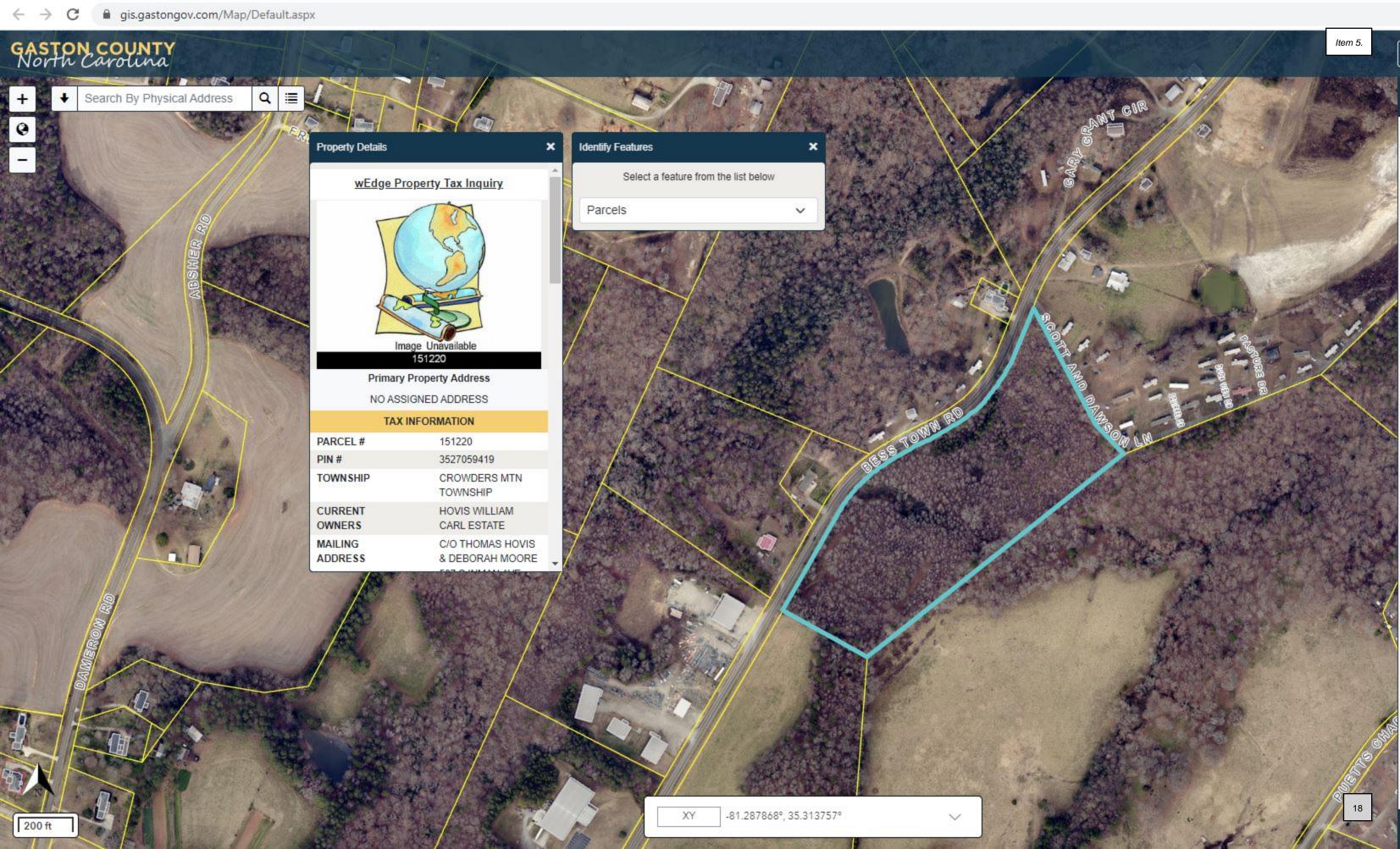
#### **Council General Discussion**

Mayor Smith opened the floor for Council general discussion. There was none.

## Adjourn

Being no further business to come before the boat Brenda Boyd and unanimous vote.	ard, the meeting was adjourned at 6:08 PM by motion of
Bronda Boya and anaminous vote.	
Becky S. Smith, Mayor	Hydeia Y. Hayes, City Clerk









#### Bessemer City – Multi-Family Exhibit B

The property to be annexed begins along the centerline of Besstown Road at the corner of the Kiser Melvin property (Deed 500)(PIN # 3527042319) and follows the centerline Northeast for 1,426.5 linear feet until terminating at the corner of the property owned by DCA Real Estate Holdings, LLC (Deed 503) (PIN# 3527262792). The property then turns South at 27 degrees 49 minutes and 17 seconds, East for 510.87 linear feet. After 510.87 linear feet, the property boundary heads South at 34 degrees, 33 minutes and 25 seconds, East for 150.63 linear feet (Deed 505). At this point, the property turns South at 51 degrees, 34 minutes and 43 seconds, West for 1,1187.47 linear feet along the Kiser Property (PIN # 3527145654). The boundary then returns to the starting point moving North at 61 degrees 19 minutes and 4 seconds West for 379 linear feet until closing the loop.

The total site area includes 14.155 acres of vacant land, zoned Rural.



