

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE  
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANFORD  
SANFORD, NORTH CAROLINA

The City Council met at the Sanford Municipal Center, 225 E. Weatherspoon Street, on Tuesday, December 2, 2003, at 7:00 P.M. The following people were present:

Mayor Winston C. Hester	Council Member Joseph E. Martin
Mayor Pro Tem Philip E. Dusenbury	Council Member James G. Williams
Council Member Clawson Ellis	Council Member Walter H. McNeil, Jr.
Council Member Cornelia P. Olive	Council Member Linwood S. Mann, Sr.
City Manager Leonard Barefoot	City Attorney Susan C. Patterson
City Clerk Bonnie D. White	

ORGANIZATIONAL SESSION

Mayor Winston C. Hester administered the Oath of Office for Council Members to Cornelia Poe Olive – Ward 2; Walter H. McNeil, Jr. – Ward 4; Linwood S. Mann, Sr. – Ward 5; and Philip E. Dusenbury – At Large. Family members joined the elected officials as they were sworn into office. Terms are for a four-year period. Oaths are on file in the City Clerk's Office.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AND INVOCATION

Mayor Hester called the meeting to order. The invocation was delivered by Reverend David A. Banks, Pastor of the Jonesboro United Methodist Church.

COUNCIL APPOINTMENT OF MAYOR PRO TEM

Mayor Hester opened the floor for nominations. Council Member Linwood Mann nominated Joseph Martin. Council Member Philip Dusenbury moved that the nominations be closed and appoint Mr. Martin by acclamation. Seconded by Council Member Cornelia Olive, it was unanimous to appoint Joseph Martin as Mayor Pro Tem.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Hester stated that Item 6B under the Special Agenda – Recognition of Community Appearance Awards and Historic Preservation Awards needed to be removed from the agenda; it will be on the December 16 agenda. On motion of Council Member Clawson Ellis, seconded by Council Member Walter McNeil, Jr., the amended agenda was approved.

CONSENT AGENDA

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The consent agenda item was approved upon motion of Council Member Walter McNeil, Jr. Seconded by Council Member Clawson Ellis, the motion carried unanimously.

SPECIAL AGENDA

Recognition of National Night Out Award Recipients

Council Member Walter McNeil, Jr., asked the National Night Out coordinators who were present to come to the front to be recognized and thanked by the Council for their

participation and hard work in helping their communities to grow through National Night Out. Mr. McNeil added that this is the City's 10<sup>th</sup> year in participating in National Night Out, and it is the eighth consecutive year receiving the national award. He stated it would not be possible without them and their participation. Mayor Hester thanked Council Member Walter McNeil, Jr. and City Clerk Bonnie White for their work in making National Night Out a success.

Recognition of Community Appearance Awards and Historic Preservation Awards – (Exhibit A)  
Item removed from agenda.

#### CASE FOR PUBLIC HEARING

Public Hearing Regarding FY 2002-2006 Community Development Block Grant Revitalization Strategies Program Amendment – (Exhibit B)

Planner II Karen Kennedy advised that the public hearing is a requirement by the Division of Community Assistance for Community Development Block Grant Funds to be transferred or amended for Year II of the Wicker Project. An amendment is necessary to move grant funds from the construction of a new building to house a mental health/dental clinic facility to the historic preservation of the old Wicker School main building which will be renovated to accommodate the dental clinic. The line item transfers consist of \$21,500 to public facilities for the public parking lot plans and moving the remainder of the money for historic preservation of the old Wicker School building. The public hearing is to make everyone aware of the amendment and to answer any concerns the public or council may have.

Mayor Hester opened the public hearing. Kate Rumely, Executive Director of Brick Capital Community Development Corporation, spoke in favor of the amendment. She said an amendment is necessary for adjustments that need to be made which are normal in community development work, as things change over the period of five years for the Wicker project.

No one spoke in opposition. The public hearing was closed.

Council Member Walter McNeil, Jr. made the motion to approve the amendment. Seconded by Council Member Philip Dusenbury, the motion carried unanimously.

#### REGULAR AGENDA

Consider Resolution Approving Financing Terms for Leaf Vacuum Truck – (Exhibit C)

Financial Services Director Melissa Cardinali explained that the resolution approves the financing terms of a leaf-vacuum truck. The purchase of the leaf-vacuum truck was approved in the Fiscal-Year 2003-2004 budget. Bids were mailed to the area banks, and three bids were received. RBC Centura submitted the lowest bid with a rate of 2.74 percent for four years. Council Member Clawson Ellis made the motion to approve the Resolution Approving Financing Terms for Leaf Vacuum Truck. Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Joseph Martin, the motion carried unanimously.

#### OTHER BUSINESS

City Manager Leonard Barefoot expressed thanks to City Clerk Bonnie White and Administrative Assistant Millie Johnson for coordinating the tree-lighting ceremony and to other employees for their participation.

City Manager Leonard Barefoot advised Council and the public that the Law and Finance Committee meeting scheduled for Wednesday, December 10, 2003, has been cancelled. The next City Council meeting will be held Tuesday, December 16 at 7 P.M. He announced the Christmas Parade will be held on Monday, December 8, at 7 P.M., with the same route as in the past.

Planner II Karen Jones announced that the Depot Park Tree Lighting Ceremony will be held Monday, December 8, before the parade. Santa will arrive on the train and refreshments will be sold. The ceremony will start at 5:30 P. M.

Captain Gary Tyson thanked Council for bringing toys for the Community Policing Toy Drive.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned on motion of Council Member Linwood Mann. Seconded by Council Member Cornelia Olive, the motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

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WINSTON C. HESTER, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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BONNIE D. WHITE, CITY CLERK