

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, July 16, 2013, at 7 P.M., in the Council Chambers. The following people were present:

Mayor Cornelia Olive	Council Member Charles Taylor
Mayor Pro Tem Sam Gaskins	Council Member L. I. (Poly) Cohen
Council Member Jimmy Haire	Council Member Walter H. McNeil, Jr.
Council Member James Williams	Council Member Rebecca Wyhof
City Manager Hal Hegwer	City Clerk Bonnie D. White
City Attorney Susan Patterson	

Mayor Cornelia Olive called the meeting to order. A moment of silence was observed. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**PUBLIC COMMENT** - (Exhibit A)

Council Member Jimmy Haire said that a lot of the citizens present tonight are here to speak on the bond issue. He said that one thing he is proud of is that he puts himself in the position of other people. While everybody on this Council maybe familiar with this project, there are people in the public that are hearing about it for the very first time. Mr. Haire said that just because some people read the website or read the *Sanford Herald* every morning does not mean that everybody else does. There are people here tonight that when he contacted them about the bond issue they did not even know it was coming down the pipeline. Council has been talking about this issue for a whole year so Council is totally familiar with it, but that does not make everybody else familiar with it. He felt that if the bond referendum was put on the ballot in September, early voting begins August 22 and there is no way to inform the public of these complex issues between now and August 22. In July and August, people are at the beach, the mountains, the lake and more time is needed to inform the public; the bond referendum needs to be on the ballot in November. This gives staff the month of August to get it ready and September and October to spread the word. There will be people here tonight that do not subscribe to the *Sanford Herald* and when he sent a letter regarding this, they called him and said they did not know anything about this issue.

Paul Gay, Sr., residing at 2315 Radius Circle, stated that he would like for the bond referendum to be on the ballot in November. When you change something like voting on this issue from November to September 10, it makes him suspicious of somebody trying to pull the wool over somebody's eyes one way or another. He said that a lot of things are going on in August and November is when the referendum should be on the ballot.

Charles Sutherland, residing at 516 W. Makepeace Street, stated that he felt the bond referendum should be on the ballot in November. This gives time to inform the public about the details of the bond referendum. He said that information should be sent in the water bills so that everyone would know about the referendum and what it is about.

Donna Strickland, residing at 1708 Woodbridge Drive, requested that the bond referendum be placed on the ballot in November rather than September.

Curtis Brown, residing at 4505 Sparrow Circle, agreed with Mr. Haire that putting the referendum on the ballot in September does not give time enough to inform the people and that it should be on the ballot in November. He felt information should be sent out in the water bills.

Craig Peterson, residing at 401 N. Gulf Street, agreed with Mr. Haire. He said that according to the U. S. Elections Project website, North Carolina voter turnout has historically been greater in the general election versus the primaries. In 2002 presidential election, we had a 60 percent turnout in the general election and only 31 percent turnout in the primary and that is the primary with state and presidential candidates. For this reason, he feels the referendum should be held in November.

Reid Harris, residing at 2405 Piedmont Drive, stated that he felt the referendum should be on the November ballot. He is a strong believer in communications and it takes time to fully inform the citizens. Mr. Harris stated that he would like to see a small newsletter periodically with the water bill. He used the newsletter as one of his successful tools in his business experience.

Ken Laughinghouse, residing at 305 Hawkins Avenue, stated that he felt they should have the early vote on the bond referendum during the primary. The reason is he would like to hear what Council Members have to say and not have to hear a lot of information about that this individual wants to raise your taxes and that person wants to raise your taxes. The decision can already be made by the citizens on the bond referendum and it will not cloud the general election in November.

Ervin Fox, residing at 309 Maple Avenue, stated that he would like to see the bond referendum on the November ballot. He felt that more people would turn out to vote during the general election. He also likes the idea of putting information in the water bills and a newsletter to inform the public.

Williams Gorham, residing at 902 Washington Avenue, said, "that on behalf of our City's Christians, I commend and applaud those of you who have worked tirelessly for what is best for all the citizens of Sanford. I do without malice, hereby, issued a steering warning to anyone in our City's leadership who has not done so. For it is, in part because of you, that there are still people in our City being crippled by the chains of injustice. It is in part because of you that I have supported leaders who have rewarded one county employee, denied the rest, and turned around and punished the City because of our leaders rewarding its City employees with a cost-of-living raise. It is in part because of some of you who have refused to strongly condemn the fact that we still have people languished in the corners of this City and find themselves exiled in their own homes because leaders rather spend money by putting police in schools and take the money that would keep jobs and teachers. Leaders that allow money and resources for such things many unmarked vehicles, they are cool and pretty but have no real contribution to stop and to supply the distribution of drugs and guns in our City." He said that now is the time to make justice a reality for all of God's children.

Janeth Benitec, residing at 44 Bayberry Lane, spoke regarding hydraulic fracking. She felt that disclosing the list of chemicals used in fracturing should be mandated so that people will know what could be in the water, streams and fields. She said it affects the health and the economy in a lot of ways especially if there are any spills or situations where a tank spills the chemicals. Public safety employees should know what they are dealing with in cleaning them up.

Sandy High, residing at 2204 Hampton Place, said that he agreed with Jimmy Haire and other speakers in that the bond referendum should be left on the November ballot.

Richard Hayes, residing at 2004 Vantage Pointe, spoke regarding hydraulic fracking. He said that is important that Council approve the resolution in support of full disclosure of chemical components with regard to hydraulic fracturing because many citizens do not yet understand the potential harm that awaits us if and when fracking for shale gas begins. He spoke on how it could put our groundwater in jeopardy and put public safety employees at harm if not disclosed.

Steven Craven, residing at 812 W. McIntosh Street, said that he felt that the bond referendum should be put on the November ballot.

#### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Council Member Poly Cohen made the motion to approve the agenda. Seconded by Walter McNeil, Jr., the motion carried unanimously.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Approval of City Council Minutes Dated February 19, 2013 – (Filed in Minute Book 79)

Approval of City Council Retreat Minutes Dated April 17, 2013 – (Filed in Minute Book 79)

Approval of City Council Retreat Minutes Dated May 15, 2013 – (Filed in Minute Book 79)

Approval of Law & Finance Committee Minutes Dated May 15, 2013 – (Filed in Vault)

Approval of Law & Finance Committee Minutes Dated May 29, 2013 – (Filed in Vault)

Approval of City Council Minutes Dated June 4, 2013 – (Filed in Minute Book 79)

Approval of City Council Retreat Minutes Dated June 5, 2013 – (Filed in Minute Book 79)

Approval of Law & Finance Committee Minutes Dated June 12, 2013 – (Filed in Vault)

Approval of City Council Budget Workshop Minutes Dated June 17, 2013 – (Filed in Minute Book 79)

Approval of City Council Minutes Dated June 18, 2013 – (Filed in Minute Book 79)

City Council Meeting  
July 16, 2013

Approval of Resolution Authorizing the Advertisement of an Electronic Auction to Sell Certain Personal Property of the City of Sanford – (Exhibit B)

Approval of Resolution in Support of the Temporary Closure of Portions of Several Streets for the Purpose of a 5K and 10K Fun Run and Fundraiser – (Exhibit C)

Approval of Ordinance Establishing No-Parking Zones along a Portion of Cross Street of the City of Sanford – (Exhibit D)

Approval of Marketing Agreement with Utility Service Partners Private Label, Inc. d/b/a Service Line Warranties of America (“SLWA”) – (Exhibit E)

Mayor Pro Tem Sam Gaskins made the motion to approve the consent agenda. Seconded by Council Member Jimmy Haire, the motion carried unanimously.

### **SPECIAL AGENDA**

Presentation by the 4-H Young Commissioners – (Exhibit F)

Bill Stone, with the NC Cooperative Extension Service, stated that the 4-H Young Commissioners Youth Leadership Program is a youth leadership program comprised of twelve rising 7<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> graders. This inaugural venture is a collaborative project through 4-H Youth Development, NC Cooperative Extension, and Lee County Government. The goal of the program is to teach youth valuable leadership skills and life skills necessary for success while also increasing their understanding of local government. Each participant stated their name at the podium. Austin Dowdy, Nicky Quinones and Kevin Ramirez gave an overview of the program, the activities that have taken place, and the activities to occur next week.

Presentation of National Night Out Proclamation – (Exhibit G)

Mayor Olive read the proclamation proclaiming National Night Out on Tuesday, August 6, and urging all citizens to participate in this crime-fighting campaign. Kelly Miller, Coordinator for the City of Sanford, advised that 35 sites are registered to participate and four more sites that may participate. She explained the activities that have been held leading up to the National Night Out campaign.

Council Member Walter McNeil, Jr. thanked Mrs. Miller for her hard work and with 35 sites participating, this could be the largest NNO event held.

### **CASE FOR PUBLIC HEARING: held with the Planning Board.**

Application by Martin Eye Associates - to rezone 0.90 acres +/- addressed as 2805 S. Horner Blvd, located in the southeastern corner of the intersection of Grimm Street and S. Horner Blvd. from Light Industrial (LI) Zoning District to General Commercial (C-2) Zoning District. The property is the same as depicted on Lee County Tax Map 9652.20 as Tax Parcel 9652-80-4891-00 Lee County Land Records – (Exhibit H)

Planner II Amy McNeill stated that staff recently received a request to rezone 2805 South Horner Blvd, which is located at the intersection of S. Horner Blvd & Grimm Street. The site is developed as a bank with a parking lot with landscaping and is for sale.

Dr. Alex Martin of Martin Eye Associates has requested to rezone the site from Light Industrial (LI) to General Commercial (C-2) because Light Industrial (LI) allows banks and financial institutions, but does not allow medical offices, such as an optometrist office and it is the understanding of staff that Dr. Martin intends to relocate his office to this location.

The site is served by public water and sewer and is accessed via two public streets – S Horner Blvd, which is an NCDOT maintained public street and Grimm Street, which is a City-maintained unimproved street.

There is a mix of Industrial (LI) to General Commercial (C-2) zoning in the area.

The 2020 Land Use Plan Map identifies the subject property as Highway Corridor Overlay area and this is an area with a high level of design that is located on one of our main streets.

Staff recommends that the City Council support this request based on the current development of the site, the other General Commercial (C-2) zoning in the area. The 2020 Land Use Plan identifies this area as Highway Overlay, which is typically associated with commercial development.

Mayor Olive opened the public hearing. With no one speaking in favor or in opposition, the public hearing was closed.

*The Planning Board retired to the West End Conference room to deliberate.*

### **DECISIONS ON PUBLIC HEARINGS**

Application by Steve Malloy of Adcock & Associates Real Estate - to rezone 3.12 acres +/- located east of and adjoining 3290 McDonald Drive from Residential Single-family (R-20) Zoning District to Light Industrial (LI) Zoning District. The property is the same as depicted on Lee County Tax Map 9651.12 as Tax Parcel 9661-05-0902-00 Lee County Land Records – (Exhibit E)

Assistant Community Development Director Marshall Downey explained that the Planning Board met and discussed the request and recommended unanimously that City Council approve the rezoning request. In making this decision, the City Council finds that the request appears to be reasonable and in the public interest based on the existing zoning of Light Industrial (LI) on the adjoining lot which fronts McDonald Drive. The 2020 Land Use Plan does not identify a specific land use for the subject property, so basically zoning in the area should be considered in making this decision. – (Exhibit I)

- Consider Ordinance Amending the Official Zoning Map of the City of Sanford, North Carolina (Exhibit J)  
Mayor Pro Tem Sam Gaskins made the motion to adopt the Ordinance Amending the Official Zoning Map of the City of Sanford, North Carolina. Seconded by Council Member Poly Cohen, the motion carried unanimously.

**REGULAR AGENDA**

**Consider Terms of Appointments to the Historic Preservation Commission - (Exhibit K)**

City Attorney Susan Patterson advised that when the appointments were made at the Council's June 18, 2013, meeting, three appointments were made. They were John Sheuring, who reapplied and has served on that board, Jonah Godfrey and Christy Crouch; however, we need to assign them to certain terms. There are two terms that expire June 30, 2016 and one term that expires June 30, 2015. Council needs to assign a term to each of the three appointees.

Mayor Pro Tem Sam Gaskins requested that John Sheuring be assigned to the 2016 appointment. Council Member Charles Taylor made the motion that John Sheuring and Christy Crouch be assigned to the 2016 appointments. Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Sam Gaskins, the motion carried unanimously. Therefore, Jonah Godfrey was appointed to the term ending 2015.

**Consider Employee Non-Recurring Salary Payment – (Exhibit L)**

City Manager Hal Hegwer said this issue was discussed at the last Law and Finance meeting. He wanted to clear up that Council was sent out a couple of different scenarios regarding this issue and the exhibit placed at Council's seats, is the correct copy. On one of them was the ABC's funds for two years and the last copy is ABC funds for one year. He said that this is a one-time pay adjustment for employees. We were anticipating ABC funds that we received at the end of 2012 that would be rebudgeted with additional fund balance, but technically all of the funds would come from fund balance.

Council Member McNeil stated that due to our good employees of the City, he made the motion to give the employees a one-time bonus of \$500 for this year. Council Member James Williams seconded the motion.

City Attorney Patterson advised that in order to have this to go through so the Finance Department can balance the expenditure with an appropriation, we need the motion to have in it where the funds come from so we can balance the money going out with the money coming in, whether it is from Fund Balance or otherwise, so staff does not have to come back with a budget amendment. If you tell staff now, they can implement it.

Mr. McNeil and Mr. Williams amended their motion to include this verbiage. Mr. Hegwer said it would come from the General Fund, Utility Fund, and the Golf Fund. He referred to Exhibit H.

Mr. Taylor asked that this adjustment be for just city employees and not elected officials.

The vote was unanimous to give City employees a \$500 one-time bonus.

**Consider Resolution of the Sanford City Council in Support of Full Disclosure of Chemical Components With Regard to Hydraulic Fracturing – (Exhibit M)**

City Attorney Patterson advised that at the Law and Finance meeting, staff was directed to prepare a resolution in support of full disclosure of chemical components with regard to hydraulic fracturing and in the interest of the health, safety, and welfare of all the citizens being the primary concern of the City Council. While understanding the need for trade secrets, the full

disclosure to local governments of the chemical components which may impact the environment or the citizens of the areas in which they are implemented, seems reasonable in order to protect well-being of the jurisdictions. This resolution for Council's consideration requests that full and complete disclosure of chemical components for the hydraulic fracturing process be recommended by the North Carolina Legislature. If Council adopts the resolution, staff will present it to the Legislature.

Council Member Rebecca Wyhof made the motion to adopt the Resolution of the Sanford City Council in Support of Full Disclosure of Chemical Components With Regard to Hydraulic Fracturing. Seconded by Council Member Charles Taylor, the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Olive recessed the meeting for a ten-minute break at 8:05 P.M. The meeting was reconvened at 8:15 P.M.

Consider Changing the Date of the Bond Referendum Election from November 5, 2013 to September 10, 2013

Mayor Pro Tem Sam Gaskins stated that first he wanted to commend Mr. Haire for sending out letters and recruiting the speakers tonight to support Mr. Haire's position. He said he wanted to address Mr. Gay's concern about changing the date. Mr. Gaskins stated that the primary date was not available when Council passed it initially. At that time, Council did not know they would be holding a primary. Now we know we are going to be spending an additional \$35,000 to hold a primary, which at this time we have two races. With only two races, we ran into this situation that could be very beneficial for the bond issue because this could be the headline. Mr. Gaskins said that as Mr. Haire mentioned, not everyone reads the *Sanford Herald* but there have been a minimum of four front page articles on the bond referendum. People are aware of it. For the concern about people being busy during August, near the end of October and throughout October, we are preparing for the second largest holiday - Halloween, a lot of evening school events, football on weekends, Christmas is being put on the shelves, people are making family plans for Thanksgiving, so you do not simply pick and choose election dates based on when it is convenient for people because most people are busy. He said that being involved in education, we can teach people all we want but we cannot learn for people; you have to be motivated in order to learn. Those people who are motivated, which is an excellent example tonight, when they were motivated, people will go out and find out what is going on with the bond issue; it will bring out more people who are educated on the bond issues that will vote on it regardless of whether they vote for or against it. He strongly believes that by moving it to September, we will have a much better educated electorate coming out and they will come out primarily for the bond referendum. At this time, there are only two other races involved.

Mr. Gaskins said that earlier when this first came up when there was no primary election available, he personally asked that we not hold it in November to give the people the opportunity to actually pay their taxes this year so they would have a better opportunity to evaluate their individual positions on what their expenditures were before facing the potential of any tax increase with the bond issues. At that time, Mr. Haire was passionately speaking to have an earlier vote so now we have the opportunity to bring the vote where it won't be messy, as Mr. Laughinghouse suggested being confused with the other races, but most importantly, the people who will come out to vote are probably coming out for the bond issues and they will be educated

on that because they will learn. If the information is out there, the people who are interested are the ones who will come out and learn about the bond issues and vote on them intelligently.

Council Member Charles Taylor stated that while he can appreciate Mr. Gaskins being entitled to his own opinion, information out on bond referendums globally speaks otherwise. He said it is very clear if you do some google searches, there is a 40-page document drafted by Jacob Rugh of Princeton University, and the name of it is *Provision of Local Public Goods Analyzing Municipal Bond Elections*. Mr. Taylor encouraged everyone to read that document because you will see, quite contrary to what Mr. Gaskins just reported. He spoke from a document that was drafted in 2007, a study conducted by Texas State University, explaining the effects of public participation and the state of local economy on municipal bond elections. Mr. Taylor said that Texas dealt with 38 bond referendums. It gives you an overview on the actual municipal bonds and what the demographics were and demonstrated the municipal financing and accounting of those bonds, as well as a voter profile. It also goes into great depth of what is public participation, why involve the public, measuring effective public participation, and linking public participation to municipal bond passage. He said that none of these items fall in line with Mr. Gaskins' thinking. Mr. Taylor stated that it talks about the economy and the economy theory of voting behavior, which is a premise of why we are here tonight to discuss this issue. He added that when you look at binary data and you see the statistics that point out time and time again nationwide that the better the turnout the better chances of the bonds passing. Mr. Haire made great reference to the last bond referendums passed in the state; only two did not pass – one was the Wilmington ballpark and the fact that Garner wished they had theirs in November.

Mr. Taylor quoted statements made by Mr. Gaskins from the June Council meetings along with Council Members McNeil and Cohen. He said he reads the comments with dismay because it is very clear that once the issue was voted down to postpone it to a later date, that there was a mad scramble and he can appreciate the suspicion that Coach Gay had tonight in talking about the bond referendums. Mr. Taylor said it makes him suspicious and when he looks at the dynamics, (not speaking for conservatives or Republicans, but speaking for Charles Taylor), there are things he does not like about the bond referendums, but you will never see him take away from the opportunity to get the maximum vote and maximum involvement, whether they pass or not. Mr. Taylor stated that he hopes when you look the elections and look whose running and the dynamics, he is sure the conservatives would love to have this in September because they can stay focused on the bond referendums, killing it, and then turning around and focusing on the candidates in November. He said think about what you are doing, the motives behind it, why you decided to do this, and really question - is it in the best interest of this City? He would never take away the opportunity for the citizens to speak and be heard and be educated. The documents online tell you a 60 to 90-day window to promote bond referendums; you are trying to do it in 30 days. He would welcome any input from the group and he asked if staff has contacted the Institute of Government, School of Government or NC League of Municipalities, because of the conversations he had, staff may need to make a phone call.

Mr. Gaskins thanked Mr. Taylor for quoting him on what he was saying. He had asked that people be able to postpone this bond referendum until after they were able to see their property taxes, which would be the end of December and January but that was taken away. That option is off the table and what he said tonight is since we do not have that option, we want the

people who will be interested and most searching for that information – the information will be available for it because much of it is already available and has been available; there were at least four, possibly five, front-page articles where the bond referendum was in the title.

Mr. Taylor asked staff what has been their involvement with the North Carolina League of Municipalities as well as the School of Government. Mr. Hegwer replied that as far as talking about the time and period of what it needs to be in preparation in terms of educating the public, he has not asked that question. Mr. Taylor encouraged staff and general counsel to contact them and also recommended talking to Bob Joyce, at the Institute of Government who is the expert and guru on election law in the State of North Carolina.

Mayor Olive recognized and thanked Board of Elections Director Nancy Kimble for being present at the meeting.

Mr. Williams asked Ms. Kimble what kind of time frame it would take if Council decided to go with the September 10 ballot? Ms. Kimble replied that she has talked with their printers and with the people at the State in order to have the ballots ready, which the Board of Elections has to have them ready by August 10. It would take them about five days to get them printed and in their hands; it does not include having the coding done. If she is able to contact the coding company, they can have it all ready to go if that is the date Council decides on; they will take care of it.

Mr. Hegwer said that staff has visited several communities that have undergone bond referendums. They visited the Town of Morrisville and Garner who both have had successful referendums. By this Friday, staff will have the basic, factual information for the campaign to go out. It is not promotional materials; it is simply to give the voters all the information in order to make an informed decision. Staff will have them in terms of social media, our website, displays and brochures so we can educate the public. Mr. Hegwer said he did not know how long it would take to educate the public. Mr. Bridwell will be making presentations to different clubs. Mr. Hegwer said it is not to promote the referendum; it is only to inform the public and provide the factual information.

Mr. McNeil asked Ms. Kimble if there were any laws that would prohibit the bond issue from happening on September 10. Ms. Kimble replied no.

Mr. Taylor said that he had a conversation with a current City Council member yesterday and he was surprised to hear one of the first comments were “it would benefit his race if the bond was held in September.” Mr. Taylor stated that it is comments like this that gives credence to the suspicion that was discussed by Coach Paul Gay tonight. He said that he hopes as they enter a vote on whether to hold it in November or September, that they will not look at it from a selfish standpoint of how our individual races would turn out.

Mayor Pro Tem Sam Gaskins made the motion to move the bond referendum from November to September (to the primary election). Council Member Poly Cohen seconded the motion.

Council Member Taylor stated that he would like for staff to consult with Bob Joyce (even though the vote will take place) at the League of Municipalities just to let them know their opinion on that. Attorney Patterson replied that Mr. Joyce is at the School of Government and she has spoken with him. Mr. Taylor asked if it was regarding this issue. Attorney Patterson replied she has spoken with him in the past and recently regarding many things, including preclearance and changing the date of the referendum. Mr. Taylor asked if she has spoken with him regarding the primary versus the general election. Attorney Patterson replied that she was sure it was probably part of the discussion; she did not remember all of it because she has spoken to a lot of people on this issue. She has spoken with the Board of Elections to see if it can be done, the bond counsel to make sure we cross all our T's and dot all the I's, working with the Finance Department to make sure that they have done all they are required to do. It is a tight time frame but it does have enough days to change it, if Council so chooses. The only restriction the law has is it cannot be within 30 days either side of another election.

The motion carried in favor with a four to three vote. Council Members James Williams, Walter McNeil, Sam Gaskins, and Poly Cohen voted in favor to move the bond referendum from November to September (the primary election). Voting against were Council Members Jimmy Haire, Charles Taylor, and Rebecca Wyhof.

Consider Introduction of the Bond Order Authorizing the Issuance of \$4,000,000 General Obligation Greenway Bonds of the City of Sanford, North Carolina – (Exhibit N)

Mayor Olive read the Introduction of the Bond Order Authorizing the Issuance of \$4,000,000 General Obligation Greenway Bonds of the City of Sanford into the record as shown on Exhibit N.

Mayor Pro Tem Sam Gaskins made the motion to approve the introduction of the Bond Order Authorizing the Issuance of \$4,000,000 General Obligation Greenway Bonds of the City of Sanford, North Carolina. Seconded by Council Member Poly Cohen, the motion carried unanimously.

Consider Introduction of the Bond Order Authorizing the Issuance of \$6,500,000 General Obligation Streetscape Bonds of the City of Sanford, North Carolina – (Exhibit O)

Mayor Olive read the Introduction of the Bond Order Authorizing the Issuance of \$6,500,000 General Obligation Streetscape Bonds of the City of Sanford into the record as shown on Exhibit O.

Council Member James Williams made the motion to approve the introduction of the Bond Order Authorizing the Issuance of \$6,500,000 General Obligation Greenway Bonds of the City of Sanford, North Carolina. Seconded by Council Member Poly Cohen, the motion carried unanimously.

Consider Introduction of the Bond Order Authorizing the Issuance of \$2,000,000 General Obligation Sidewalk Bonds of the City of Sanford, North Carolina – (Exhibit P)

Mayor Olive read the Introduction of the Bond Order Authorizing the Issuance of \$2,000,000 General Obligation Sidewalk Bonds into the record as shown on Exhibit P.

Council Member Walter McNeil, Jr. made the motion to approve the introduction of the Bond Order Authorizing the Issuance of \$2,000,000 General Obligation Sidewalk Bonds of the City of Sanford, North Carolina. Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Sam Gaskins, the motion carried unanimously.

Consider Introduction of the Bond Order Authorizing the Issuance of \$2,000,000 General Obligation Parks and Recreation Bonds of the City of Sanford, North Carolina – (Exhibit Q)

Mayor Olive read the Introduction of the Bond Order Authorizing the Issuance of \$2,000,000 General Obligation Parks and Recreation Bonds into the record as shown on Exhibit Q.

Mayor Pro Tem Sam Gaskins made the motion to approve the introduction of the Bond Order Authorizing the Issuance of \$2,000,000 General Obligation Parks and Recreation Bonds of the City of Sanford, North Carolina. Seconded by Council Member Poly Cohen, the motion carried unanimously.

Consider Resolution of the City of Sanford, North Carolina Regarding Bond Orders Authorizing the Issuance of \$4,000,000 General Obligation Greenway Bonds, \$6,500,000 General Obligation Streetscape Bonds, \$2,000,000 General Obligation Sidewalk Bonds and \$2,000,000 General Obligation Parks and Recreation Bonds, Setting a Public Hearing Thereon and Directing Publication of a Notice of Said Public Hearing – (Exhibit R)

Mayor Olive read the resolution of the City of Sanford, North Carolina Regarding Bond Orders Authorizing the Issuance of \$4,000,000 General Obligation Greenway Bonds, \$6,500,000 General Obligation Streetscape Bonds, \$2,000,000 General Obligation Sidewalk Bonds and \$2,000,000 General Obligation Parks and Recreation Bonds, Setting a Public Hearing Thereon and Directing Publication of a Notice of Said Public Hearing. The resolution sets the public hearing date for Monday, July 29, 2013, at 7 P.M., in the Council Chambers at City Hall, located at 225 East Weatherspoon Street, Sanford, NC. The notice will be published in *The Sanford Herald* on or before the 19th day of July, 2013.

Mayor Pro Tem Sam Gaskins made the motion to adopt the resolution. Seconded by Council Member Walter McNeil, the motion carried unanimously.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

Council Member Charles Taylor requested that a resolution be prepared commemorating Robert Lemmond's life and service to this community. He passed on July 11 and served on the Planning Board. He was very soft spoken and passionate about what he did. Mr. Taylor asked for an update on the RFI's for the golf course.

Mr. Taylor said he was riding down Hawkins Avenue and he saw the Waste Industries truck picking up a trashcan and it knocked it over. He saw the gentleman get out of the truck and set the trashcan back up. It was good to see the pride take place especially going through the transition we have gone through.

Mayor Pro Tem Gaskins said we had a second major loss, Ms. Sara Reeves. She and her husband, Charlie Reeves, have done so much. A lot of it showed up under the auspices of the

City Council Meeting  
July 16, 2013

county commissioners - the gifts and work they have done for Sanford and Lee County is phenomenal, from the library to the Kiwanis Park and many other gifts.

Mr. Gaskins recognized and thanked Financial Services Director Melissa Cardinali for the work she has done. Mrs. Cardinali is leaving the City of Sanford and has done an outstanding job for the City on the budgets and bond issues.

Ms. Wyhof thanked City staff for the work they did on getting everything together for "The Main Street Matters" video for the Benjamin Moore contest. It was a lot of energy and momentum put into that project.

Mr. McNeil also thanked Mrs. Cardinali for the work she has done for the City.

Mr. Taylor mentioned that the Local Government Study Group for the Mining Board will be having our big meeting on Friday in the Archdale Building, Fifth Floor Conference Room from 1 PM to 4 PM. The draft will be presented at that meeting. They did put some information regarding chemical disclosure in that document. They have laced it with maintaining local authority throughout the document and avoiding unfunded mandates. He commended Public Works Director Vic Czar and Assistant Community Development Director Marshall Downey for sticking it out last Friday because it was a very, very long meeting.

City Manager Hal Hegwer stated that Council will need a special council meeting on Monday, July 29, at 7 PM, to take up matters for the General Obligation Bonds to hold public hearings. Also on that special agenda, we will approve minutes that night and have street closings for National Night Out.

City Manager Hegwer added that we will have to move the Council meeting on August 6 from 7 PM to 1 PM that day due to National Night Out events.

Mr. Hegwer stated that RFIs for the golf course were sent out two weeks ago.

Mr. Hegwer stated that Financial Services Director Melissa Cardinali is leaving the employment with the City. She has been with the City for fifteen and one-half years. He wished her much success in her new job and she has done an outstanding job with the City.

Mr. Taylor said he would like for the newspaper to acknowledge the RFI for the golf course in an article because he understands there are some local people who may want to participate.

Mayor Olive welcomed and thanked County Commissioner Kirk Smith, School Board Member Tamara Brogan, and Nancy Kimble for attending the meeting tonight.

Mayor Olive extended her condolences to the Robert Lemmond family. He has been a pillar on our Planning Board for years and has been such a loyal participant. She told Mrs. Cardinali we did not want her to leave and wished her well.

City Council Meeting  
July 16, 2013

**ALL EXHIBITS CONTAINED HEREIN ARE HEREBY INCORPORATED BY  
REFERENCE AND MADE A PART OF THESE MINUTES.**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Council Member Walter McNeil made the motion to adjourn. Seconded by Council Member Rebecca Wyhof, the motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

\_\_\_\_\_  
CORNELIA P. OLIVE, MAYOR

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
BONNIE D. WHITE, CITY CLERK