

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, March 1, 2016, at 7:00 p.m., in Council Chambers. The following people were present:

Mayor T. Chet Mann
Council Member Byron Buckels
Council Member James Williams
Council Member Rebecca Wyhof
City Manager Hal Hegwer

Mayor Pro Tem Sam Gaskins
Council Member Jimmy Haire
Council Member Norman Charles Post, III
City Attorney Susan Patterson
City Clerk Bonnie Davis

Absent:

Council Member Charles Taylor

Mayor Mann called the meeting to order. Council Member Williams delivered the invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no requests for public comment.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Mann requested that an item be added to the Agenda for a Proclamation acknowledging the 104th anniversary of the Girl Scouts of the USA. Council Member Post made a motion to approve adding this item to the Special Agenda. Seconded by Council Member Buckels, the motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Wyhof made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Gaskins, the motion carried unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of Council Work Session Minutes Dated January 5, 2016 (filed in Minute Book 85)

Approval of City Council Meeting Dated January 5, 2016 (filed in Minute Book 85)

Approval of Joint Interlocal Committee Meeting Minutes Dated January 11, 2016 (filed in Minute Book 85)

Approval of Council Work Session Minutes Dated January 12, 2016 (filed in Minute Book 85)

Approval of Council Work Session Minutes Dated January 19, 2016 (filed in Minute Book 86)

Approval of City Council Meeting Minutes Dated January 19, 2016 (filed in Minute Book 86)

Approval of Council Work Session Minutes Dated January 26, 2016 (filed in Minute Book 86)

Approval of City Council Meeting Minutes Dated February 2, 2016 (filed in Minute Book 86)

Council Member Post made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Seconded by Council Member Buckels, the motion carried unanimously.

SPECIAL AGENDA

Presentation of Proclamation Declaring the Week of March 6-12, 2016, as Girl Scout Week (Exhibit A)

Mayor Mann acknowledged that March 12, 2016, marks the 104th anniversary of Girl Scouts of the USA, read the proclamation and recognized members of Troop 1276 and Troop 1401, along with their leaders who were in attendance.

REGULAR AGENDA

Consider Renewal of Deer Urban Archery Season (Exhibit B)

City Manager Hegwer explained that the NC Wildlife Resources Commission seeks a request from the City to continue participating in the Deer Urban Archery Season. The next season will be January 14, 2017, through February 18, 2017. He confirmed there have been no problems with the program and specifics are available on the city's website.

Council Member Post made the motion to approve the Renewal of Deer Urban Archery Season and Council Member Buckels seconded the motion, which passed by a vote of five to one. Mayor Pro Tem Gaskins cast the dissenting vote.

Consider Ordinance Repealing Certain Speed Limits and Enacting New Speed Limits of Various Roads Within the City Limits of Sanford Due to the Renaming of US 421 to USA 421 Business (Exhibit C)

City Engineer Paul Weeks explained that this ordinance addresses several speed limit ordinances passed by NCDOT many years ago. Horner Boulevard has been labeled "US 421" but since completion, the Sanford Bypass is now known as "US 421" and Horner Boulevard is "US 421 Business." This name change affects a number of speed limit ordinances described in the ordinance but does not change the actual speed limits.

Mayor Pro Tem Gaskins made a motion to adopt the Ordinance Repealing Certain Speed Limits and Enacting New Speed Limits on Various Roads within the City Limits of Sanford due to the Renaming of US 421 to US 421 Business. Seconded by Council Member Wyhof, the motion carried unanimously.

Consider Ordinance Amending the Annual Operating Budget of the City of Sanford FY 2015-2016 – Police Body Cameras (Exhibit D)

City Manager Hegwer explained that this ordinance authorizes the purchase of 70 body cameras, a server and charging/docking stations to equip the uniform patrol division. Mayor Mann noted that the police department has researched this issue for quite some time.

Council Member Post made a motion to adopt the Ordinance Amending the Annual Operating Budget of the City of Sanford FY 2015-2016 for the purpose of Police Body Cameras. Seconded by Council Member Buckels, the motion carried unanimously.

Consider Ordinance Amending the Annual Operating Budget of the City of Sanford FY 2015-2016 – Cleanup (Exhibit E)

Financial Services Director Beth Kelly explained that this is a typical “clean up” amendment done annually and summarized the ordinance.

Mayor Pro Tem Gaskins made a motion to approve the Ordinance Amending the Annual Operating Budget of the City of Sanford FY 2015-2016 (“Cleanup” Amendment). Seconded by Council Member Williams, the motion passed unanimously.

Consider Replacement of Ordinance 2016-08, “Ordinance Amending the Official Zoning Map of the City of Sanford, North Carolina,” due to Clerical Error (Exhibit F)

City Attorney Patterson explained that on February 2, Council approved the rezoning of property on Bragg Street from R-17 Conditional Zoning District to General Commercial C2. When the ordinance was being signed, it was noted that the statement of consistency required for the Land Use Plan had not been included. A replacement ordinance has been prepared for Council’s approval which includes this language (stating that the 2020 Land Use Plan map does not identify a specific land use for the subject property; therefore, the current development trends and surrounding zoning of the neighborhood were considered). Attorney Patterson requested that a vote be taken to adopt and replace the previous ordinance, noting that proposed ordinance contains the correct text and it would still have an effective date of February 2, 2016.

Mayor Pro Tem Gaskins made a motion to adopt and replace the Ordinance Amending the Official Zoning Map of the City of Sanford, North Carolina, which was seconded by Council Member Post. The motion passed unanimously.

Other Business

Council Member Haire expressed regret about the fire on Bragg Street over the past weekend, which was the second major fire in 2016, and recognized the work by Chief Wayne Barber and the Sanford Fire Department.

Council Member Wyhof acknowledged the fire and police departments for hosting recent sessions of the Citizens’ Academy and invited fellow Council members to attend future sessions.

Mayor Mann stated that Council will soon be making appointments to local boards and commissions, stressing how important it is to find the most qualified and passionate people available. He also reminded Council of the grand opening event scheduled for the Buggy Company on Monday, March 7, and noted that Secretary Klutz (of the Department of Cultural Resources) will be attending. He and Manager Hegwer will attend the Mayors’ Metro Association meeting on March 2.

CLOSED SESSION

Attorney Patterson stated that a motion was needed to go into closed session in accordance with North Carolina General Statute 143-318.11(a)(5) to instruct the public body, staff or negotiating agent concerning the position to be taken in negotiating the price or other material terms of a contract or proposed contract for the acquisition of real property by purchase, option, exchange or lease.

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The motion to go into closed session was made by Mayor Pro Tem Gaskins. Seconded by Council Member Buckels, the motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Post made the motion to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Council Member Wyhof, the motion carried unanimously.

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

Respectfully Submitted,



T. CHET MANN, MAYOR

ATTEST:



BONNIE DAVIS, CITY CLERK