# MINUTES OF MEETING OF MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL HELD JULY 16, 2018

## **WORK SESSION**

The Mayor and Council of the City of Goldsboro, North Carolina, met in a Work Session in the Large Conference Room, City Hall Addition, 200 North Center Street, at 5:00 p.m. on July 16, 2018 with attendance as follows:

Present: Mayor Chuck Allen, Presiding

Mayor Pro Tem David Ham Councilmember Antonio Williams Councilmember Bill Broadaway Councilmember Mark Stevens Councilmember Bevan Foster

Councilmember Gene Aycock Ron Lawrence, Attorney Scott Stevens, City Manager Melissa Corser, City Clerk

Randy Guthrie, Assistant City Manager LaToya Henry, Public Information Officer Jennifer Collins, Interim Planning Director

Kaye Scott, Finance Director Mike West, Police Chief

Patrick Lechner, Building Maintenance Superintendent

Bernadette Carter-Dove, HR Director

Ashlin Glatthar, Travel & Tourism Director

Scott Barnard, P&R Director

Felicia Brown, Assistant P&R Director (arrived at 5:12 p.m.)

Mike Wagner, Deputy Public Works Director – Utilities Sherry Archibald, Paramount Theatre & GEC Director

Bobby Croom, City Traffic Engineer

Joe Dixon, Fire Chief

Shycole Simpson-Carter, Community Relations Director

Allen Anderson, Chief Building Inspector

Marty Anderson, City Engineer

Julie Metz, DGDC Director (arrived at 5:15 p.m.)

Joey Pitchford, Goldsboro News-Argus

Ken Conners, News Director-Curtis Media Group East

Carl Martin, Citizen Lonnie Casey, Citizen Bobby Mathis, Citizen Della Mathis, Citizen

Shirley Edwards, Citizen

Taj Polack, Citizen Yvonnia Moore, Citizen

**Call to Order.** The meeting was called to order by Mayor Allen at 5:00 p.m.

Adoption of the Agenda. Councilmember Broadaway made a motion to adopt the agenda. Mayor Pro Tem Ham seconded the motion. Mayor Allen, Mayor Pro Tem Ham, Councilmembers Broadway, Stevens, Foster, and Aycock voted in favor of the motion. Councilmember Williams voted against the motion. Mayor Allen stated the motion passed 6:1.

**Golf Carts Discussion.** Mr. Scott Barnard shared the following information: Golf Cart Information (Purchase vs. Lease)

# Cart	s Description	Each	<u>Total</u>
58	2019 Club Car Precedent Gas Powered Golf Cart	4,000.00	232,000.00
2	2018 Club Car Carryall 500 Gasoline Utility Vehic	le 8,785.84	17,571.68
1	Range Cart	.00	.00

# Car	rts Description	<b>Monthly</b>	<u>Total</u>
58	2019 Yamaha Glacier Gas Powered Fleet Carts	2,821.70	163,658.60
2	Yamaha Used Fleet Utility Carts	.00	.00
1	Range Cart	.00	.00
	Total Lease Pricing		\$163,658.60

#### Includes:

- 1. Keep Current Sand Bottles
- 2. One Scheduled Maintenance on all carts (\$2,900/value)

#### *Note:*

If we continue current lease after August 1, it will cost \$95/cart or \$5,510/month. Currently, it costs \$47.45/cart or \$2,752.10/month.

Council discussed with staff leasing versus purchasing of golf carts, the number of carts needed, life expectancy of golf carts, cart use, cart management and maintenance. Councilmember Foster expressed concerns regarding the losses incurred by the golf course.

Mayor Allen made a motion to approve the purchase of 50 carts, 2 carry all carts and the lease of additional carts if needed for tournaments. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Broadaway. Mayor Allen, Mayor Pro Tem Ham, Councilmembers Broadaway, Stevens and Aycock voted in favor of the motion. Councilmembers Williams and Foster voted against the motion.

**Former WA Foster Survey.** Mr. Scott Stevens provided a copy of the Former WA Foster Survey. Council discussed the survey and ways to get the survey out. Councilmember Foster suggested adding it online and sending the survey in the water bills. Council agreed. Mr. Stevens stated they would go out in August.

**Mowing Discussion.** Mr. Patrick Lechner provided the following information:

# Mowing Update

Prior to Reorganization/Merger

- Streets & Storms Managed Lot and Right-of-Way (RoW) Mowing
  - o S&S Personnel Shifted from Primary Job to Mow Lots and RoW's
- Lots Mowed Continuously on a Two Week Rotation
  - o Entire Lots were Cut, Edged, Trimmed, Sprayed, etc. as Needed
  - o Multiple Adjacent Lots were Counted as One vs. Tracked Separately
  - o Six "Enhancement" Areas Monitored/Mowed Weekly
- RoW's were Mowed in Lieu of Primary Job Responsibilities
  - o Typically a Four to Five Week Rotation—working around other tasks
- Minimal Logs and Records Maintained
  - o Challenging to Manage as Areas were Added and/or Removed

## After Reorganization/Merger

- RoW Mowing Responsibilities Shared with Streets & Storm water
- Shifted four fulltime positions along with equipment from the S&S Division over to Buildings & Grounds
- All Lot Mowing Moved Under Building & Grounds
- Entire Lots no Longer Mowed—just outside 30' perimeter
  - Adjacent Lots are Grouped Together and Mowed as One—still tracked separately
  - o Reduced Lot Mowing Time by 50% to One Week
    - Kept Two-Week Rotation—second week used to mow RoW's
  - Interior Sections of the Lots Bush Hogged as Needed—projected every 4-6 weeks
  - o Six "Enhancement" Areas Monitored/Cut Weekly or as Needed
- RoW's Mowed Every Week on a Continuous Rotating Basis
  - o Alternates Between Buildings & Grounds and Streets & Storms
  - o Two Tractors w/Bush Hogs and Supporting Staff Mowing RoW's Daily

- o Maximized Equipment & Staff Capability—anticipate 3 Week Rotation
- Grounds Logs and Records More Detailed
  - o All City Maintained Lots and RoW's Listed and Reviewed Periodically
    - Joint Effort with Code Enforcement/Planning
  - o Efficient Routes Established for Lot and RoW Mowing Crews
  - o Daily Log Kept of Lots and RoW's Mowed
  - o Acreages Accurately Calculated

Mr. Lechner provided an example of lot calculation and lot perimeter mowing areas.

Equipment for RoW mowing

- Bush hog/Pull behind
- Side arm

Equipment for lot cutting/RoW

- Two zero turn mowers
- Weed eaters
- Backpack blowers

Council discussed. Mayor Allen stated I almost think you need a committee to look at these lots and are we going to mow them, there will be some you take heat for if you have been mowing each week and you go to once a month, someone may not like that. I think if we all need to agree on how to use are assets to mow.

Mr. Stevens stated if we change, we will have citizens who will not like it. We will mow the edge, but the middle of the lots will get taller, they will not get 4 feet tall, but they will not be mowed every two week, trying to put more mowers in the right-of-way. I think it is a good idea to have Council involved.

Councilmember Foster asked who maintained the track at Dillard and the Pat Best Memorial. Mr. Scott Barnard stated the school should be maintaining the Pat Best Memorial and track. Mr. Stevens stated we will verify that with the school system for you.

Mayor Pro Tem Ham and Councilmember Broadaway questioned how much we recover on lots we mow that are unmaintained by owners. Mayor Allen requested staff provide a listing of lots we mow with the assessments owed.

Summer Feeding Program. Councilmember Foster expressed concerns over locations of feeding programs and asked if we are missing kids. Councilmember Foster also asked if we had a contract with the provider of meals. Mr. Barnard stated we have an agreement with the Eastern North Carolina Food Bank. Councilmember Foster stated we have kids at camps and they are paying a fee to attend the camp, if I am paying for camp, I am paying for that meal but these campers are getting a meal provided by the food bank. Councilmember Foster stated I see a messed up line that we are sort of crossing, like you are almost making money off of camp; either the price of camp should go down or something. Mr. Stevens stated I will certainly look into it, I think there are such good records with those camps and the feeding programs, I am very confident we are following the guidelines for what the food is intended for, but I will confirm. Councilmember Foster requested the city attorney look into it as well. Transportation to feeding sites was also discussed. Mayor Allen agreed we need to look at how we are getting food in to the neighborhoods.

**Streetscape Project Update.** Ms. Julie Metz shared a public meeting has been scheduled to discuss the Center Street Streetscape Project, Phase 3 for July 30, 2018 at 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. or 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. in the Large Conference Room at City Hall. Ms. Metz reviewed renderings and provided an update on the project. Ms. Metz stated three options will be presented for the Freedom Tree; removal of the tree, no installation of a roundabout; or installation of a hybrid roundabout. Mayor Allen stated he felt removal of the Freedom Tree should be removed as an option. Council agreed.

Ms. Metz shared she is part of the 135<sup>th</sup> Memorial Committee and they are looking at this area as a potential location. Councilmembers Stevens and Aycock are also members.

Mayor Allen asked about parking and how would future development have access. Ms. Metz stated future development could gain access through the alleyway.

Ms. Metz also shared information regarding a roundabout at Elm Street.

**Parking Signs Removal for Downtown Area.** Mr. Bobby Croom shared the following information:

The Downtown Area as defined by the borders of Ash Street to the North, Elm Street to the South, William Street to the East, and George Street to the West contains approximately 350 traffic signs. Two categories of street signs make up over 50% of this total: No Parking signs (94) and Limited-Time Parking signs (88). Downtown Development, Planning and Engineering Departments undertook a joint effort to help determine how best to reduce this sign clutter and potentially reduce maintenance costs for these signs.

The City does not actively enforce timed parking spaces in the Downtown Area. Without the enforcement component, timed spaces rely on individual driver decisions and, over time, typically lead to the signs being ignored. It is proposed that all timed Limited-Time Parking Signs be removed from the Downtown Area.

In many downtown areas, by ordinance, drivers are allowed to park in designated spaces only. Therefore, parking outside of a clearly designated space is prohibited and No Parking signs can be redundant. It is recognized, however, that strategic No Parking signs can serve as a deterrent and provide assistance to drivers. Staff is recommending that approximately 54 of the 94 existing No Parking signs can be removed in the Downtown Area. Locations where the signs would not be removed include the Wayne County Courthouse, Goldsboro Fire Department, the Goldsboro Police Department and the John Street area.

Council discussed and agreed staff could proceed to remove signs in the Downtown Area as recommended above. Staff will begin work on sign removal and provide City Council with any necessary ordinance changes.

Consent Agenda Review. Each item on the Consent Agenda was reviewed.

There being no further business, the meeting recessed until the 7:00 p.m. meeting.

#### CITY COUNCIL MEETING

The Mayor and Council of the City of Goldsboro, North Carolina, met in regular session in Council Chambers, City Hall, 214 North Center Street, at 7:00 p.m. on July 16, 2018 with attendance as follows:

Present: Mayor Chuck Allen, Presiding

Mayor Pro Tem David Ham Councilmember Antonio Williams Councilmember Bill Broadaway Councilmember Mark Stevens Councilmember Bevan Foster Councilmember Gene Aycock

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Allen at 7:00 p.m.

Pastor Rob Whitner with Generation Church provided the invocation. The Pledge to the Flag followed.

**Approval of the Minutes.** Councilmember Broadaway made a motion to approve the Special Meeting Minutes of May 14, 2018 and the Special Meeting Minutes of May 31, 2018 as submitted. Councilmember Stevens seconded the motion. Mayor Allen, Mayor Pro Tem Ham, Councilmember Broadaway, Stevens and Aycock voted in favor of the motion. Councilmembers Williams and Foster voted against the motion. Mayor Allen stated the motion passed 5:2.

Resolution Expressing Appreciation for Services Rendered by Bruce Kornegay as an Employee of the City of Goldsboro for more than 19 Years.

Resolution Adopted. Bruce Kornegay retires on August 1, 2018 as an Equipment Operator with the Public Works Department of the City of Goldsboro with more than 29 years of service. Bruce began his career on August 2, 1989 as a Laborer I with the Public Works Department. On July 8, 1992, Bruce was promoted to Equipment Operator with the Public Works Department where he has served until his retirement. Bruce has proven himself to be a dedicated and efficient public servant who has gained the admiration and respect of his fellow workers and the citizens of the City of Goldsboro. The Mayor and City Council of the City of Goldsboro are desirous, on behalf of themselves, City employees and the citizens of the City of Goldsboro, of expressing to Bruce Kornegay their deep appreciation and gratitude for the service rendered by him to the City over the years. We express our deep appreciation and gratitude for the dedicated service rendered during Bruce's tenure with the City of Goldsboro. We offer Bruce our very best wishes for success, happiness, prosperity and good health in his future endeavors.

Upon motion of Mayor Allen, seconded by Councilmember Stevens and unanimously carried, Council adopted the following entitled Resolution.

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-35 "RESOLUTION EXPRESSING APPRECIATION FOR SERVICES RENDERED BY BRUCE KORNEGAY AS AN EMPLOYEE OF THE CITY OF GOLDSBORO FOR MORE THAN 29 YEARS"

Mayor Allen presented Mr. Kornegay with a framed copy of the Resolution and thanked him for his years of service. Mr. Kornegay stated it has been an honor for the City of Goldsboro to allow me to work here through the years and I appreciate the opportunity to serve the City.

Resolution Expressing Appreciation for Services Rendered by Willette Davis as an Employee of the City of Goldsboro for more than 22 Years. Resolution Adopted. Willette Davis retires on August 1, 2018 as a Police Crime Analyst with the Goldsboro Police Department of the City of Goldsboro with more than 22 years of service. Willette began her career on August 16, 1995 as a Police Crime Analyst with the Goldsboro Police Department where she has served until her retirement. Willette has proven herself to be a dedicated and efficient public servant who gained the admiration and respect of her fellow workers and the citizens of the City of Goldsboro. The Mayor and City Council of the City of Goldsboro are desirous, on behalf of themselves, City employees and the citizens of the City of Goldsboro, of expressing to Willette Davis their deep appreciation and gratitude for the service rendered by her to the City over the years. We express to Willette our deep appreciation and gratitude for the dedicated service rendered during her tenure with the City of Goldsboro. We offer Willette our very best wishes for success, happiness, prosperity and good health in her future endeavors.

Upon motion of Mayor Allen, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Ham and unanimously carried, Council adopted the following entitled Resolution.

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-36 "RESOLUTION EXPRESSING APPRECIATION FOR SERVICES RENDERED BY WILLETTE DAVIS AS AN EMPLOYEE OF THE CITY OF GOLDSBORO FOR MORE THAN 22 YEARS"

Mayor Allen presented Ms. Davis a framed copy of the Resolution. Mayor Allen thanked Ms. Davis for her service.

Captain Stine stated if we had 10 more like Ms. Davis we would be dangerous. If you asked her to do something, she would get it to you right of way. She will be sorely missed. I wish her the very best in her retirement.

**Golden STAR Award.** Ms. Bernadette Carter-Dove, Human Resources Director shared the STAR award is to recognize employees in a timely manner for their contributions to the organization and the community. These contributions go above and beyond the normal scope of responsibilities of the performance of their duties.

The award focuses on customer service/professionalism, problem solving/quality improvement, teamwork/community partnership or other professional/personal achievement in a way that relates to the City's values and beliefs of integrity, professionalism, collaboration and promoting the quality of life. Anyone having knowledge of such characteristics displayed by an employee or group of employees may submit a nomination. The monthly recipients will receive a monetary award, a certificate signed by the City Manager and Mayor, and a pin signifying their STAR status.

Mayor Allen presented an award to the following employees for going above and beyond:

- Joseph Legg Police Department
- Mehujael Corbitt, Eddie Moses and Daniel Butler Public Works

**Keys to Healing – Hug & Love Key.** Mr. Bill Sutton shared information regarding the program, Keys to Healing – Hug and Love Key.

**Z-10-18 Lane Farms, Inc. – Southwest corner of Salem Church Road and US 70 Bypass. Public Hearing Held.** Applicant requests a zoning change from R-16 Residential to Highway Business.

Frontage: 500 ft. (on Salem Church Road)

2,400 ft. (on US 70 Bypass)

Area: 22 Acres (approx.)

Surrounding Zoning: North: R-20 and General Business

South: R-16 Residential East: R-16 Residential West: R-16 Residential

A portion of the property is occupied by Lanetree Conference Center and an area just north of Titleist Drive which is vacant.

A Conditional District has not been requested, however, the existing conference center would be a permitted use in Highway Business.

The City's adopted Land Use Plan designates this property for industrial use (north of Titleist Drive) and Office and Institutional (for the Conference Center). Industrial uses are also recommended to the east and to the north, across US 70 Bypass.

City water is available to serve the property and the developer can extend sewer service to the subject site. The property is not located within a Special Flood Hazard Area.

The applicant has indicated his desire to develop a portion of the property just north of Titleist Drive for patio homes in the future which would be permitted in the proposed Highway Business zone.

The property north of Titleist Drive is located just outside the city limits but is within the City's Extraterritorial Jurisdiction.

Mayor Allen opened the public hearing. No one spoke and the public hearing was closed.

No action necessary, the Planning Commission will have a recommendation for the Council's meeting on August 6, 2018.

CU-6-18 Glenn Price – West side of Millers Chapel Road between US 70 East and Wilson Street. Public Hearing Held. Applicant requests a Conditional Use Permit to allow the operation of a contractor's office with outdoor storage in the Airport-Business-1 zoning district.

The property is located within the Accident Potential Zone-1 and 75-79 decibel Noise Overlay District for Seymour Johnson Air Force Base.

Frontage: 100 ft.

Depth: 415 ft. (approx.) Area: 0.95 Acres

In 2017 Council approved a Conditional Use Permit to allow an automobile repair and shop for property immediately behind the subject site.

Previously, the property operated as a producer of rubber stamps. It has been more than six months since the facility was last operated and, therefore, a Conditional Use Permit will now be required.

City water and sewer are not available to the property. The property is not located in a Special Flood Hazard Area.

The submitted site plan shows that the property contains an existing single-story building with a 950 sq. ft. office area at the front and a 3,000 sq. ft. storage area at the rear which includes two vehicle bays.

The area behind the office is fenced in and is proposed for storage of the applicant's business vehicles and equipment. Applicant will be required to screen outside storage from off-site views.

According to Seymour Johnson AFB 2011 Air Installation Compatible Use Zone (AICUZ) report, the subject property falls within the 75-79 day-night average sound level (DNL) noise zone. The proposed use is compatible as long as measures to achieve a noise level reduction of 30 decibels will be incorporated into the design and construction of portions of the building where the public is received.

In addition, the subject property is located within the APZ-1. The occupancy of the property would be limited to 26 people. The density is considered compatible because the calculated FAR (Floor/Area Ration) is less than the maximum FAR of 0.11 as required by the AICUZ report.

Mayor Allen opened the public hearing and the following person spoke after being properly sworn in:

Glenn Price stated I am the one asking for this and would like your approval. Let's revitalize this building that has not been used. As you can see it definitely needs an uplift. As far as outside storage, there will be very little outside storage, we are talking about a couple of trailers, a couple of dump trailers, everything else will be stored inside. That's all I have to say. Thank you.

No one else spoke and the public hearing was closed. No action necessary. Planning Commission will have a recommendation for the Council's meeting on August 6, 2018.

CU-7-18 Jay Patel – West side of Parkway Drive between Berkeley Boulevard and North Park Drive. Public Hearing Held. Applicant requests a Conditional Use Permit to operate an internet café/electronic gaming facility within one unit in a strip shopping center

Lot Frontage: 246.7 ft.

Lot Depth: 145 ft. Unit Area: 2,400 sq. ft.

Zone: General Business (GB)

Within the General Business zoning classification, internet cafés (electronic gaming operations) with no ABC permits are a permitted use only after the issuance of a Conditional Use Permit approved by City Council.

In May of 2017, Council adopted an Ordinance rewriting its regulations as they pertain to internet cafes/sweepstakes facilities and electronic gaming operations.

The new Ordinance now allows these uses only within the General Business zoning district if a Conditional Use Permit is granted. In addition, distances were established between internet cafes and other uses as follows:

500 ft. from Residentially zoned or developed property; Church, School, Day Care, Playground or Public Park

5,280 ft. from another internet café (One Mile)

The new Ordinance also reduced the parking requirement for internet cases to 1.5 spaces per computer and one space per employee.

Since the adoption of the new Ordinance, there have been no applications for internet cafés submitted for Conditional Use Permits.

The subject site meets all of the distance requirements with the exception of the distance between such facilities.

There is an existing internet café in the Pinewood Shopping Center that is approximately 4,842 ft. away from the applicant's site. A modification of the one-mile distance will be required from 5,280 ft. to 4,842 ft.

Hours of Operation: 8:00 a. m. to 11:00 p. m.

(Monday through Friday)

Noon to 6:00 p. m.

(Saturday)

No. of Employees: 2 No. of Computers: 25

Based on the number of computers, the use would require 40 parking spaces. There are 44 marked parking spaces serving the entire strip center which contains four individual businesses. There is an additional paved area on the lot that is not striped but which would provide up to 20 parking spaces.

The applicant contends that the majority of his business will be after 5:00 p. m. when at least one other business in the center is closed.

Mayor Allen opened the public hearing. No one spoke and the public hearing was closed. No action necessary. Planning Commission will have a recommendation for the Council's meeting on August 6, 2018.

#### **Planning Commission Excused.**

Public Hearing to Consider the Financing of the Central Police and Fire Department Expansion and Renovations to Fire Station #4. Public Hearing Held. Under Section 160A-20, the City must hold a public hearing on the installment financing before entering into a contract. Notice of the public hearing was published in the Goldsboro News-Argus on July 6, 2018.

The City of Goldsboro plans to construct a state-of-art 8,000 square foot expansion for police evidence and construct a 3,500 square foot dormitory building at Fire Station #4.

The City is soliciting bids for installment financing for these projects with an amount not to exceed \$5,300,000.

No action is required after the public hearing. At the next meeting, staff will have a recommendation for the bank financing along with the resolution authorizing the filing of the application with the Local Government Commission.

Mayor Allen opened the public hearing. No one spoke and the public hearing was closed.

Public Hearing – Recommended 2018-19 Annual Action Plan. Public Hearing Held. Approved. To allow the citizens of the City of Goldsboro the opportunity to discuss and express their concerns regarding housing and non-housing needs that exist in the Goldsboro community as they relate to the 2018-2019 Annual Action Plan for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and Home Investment Partnership (HOME) Programs.

HUD requires that the City's 2018-2019 Annual Action Plan be submitted by August 16, 2018. The FY18 federal appropriations process extended through May of 2018 and the City was notified of final allocations on May 16, 2018. Notifications of funding awards have historically occurred between January and March. Grantees receiving annual allocations of CDBG and HOME funds are statutorily required to submit grant agreements and annual action plans by August 16th, regardless of delays in the federal budget.

A thirty-(30) day comment period began on July 6, 2018 and will end on August 6, 2018. A public hearing must be held during this public comment period. Comments received at this public hearing and the public meeting scheduled for July 27, 2018 will be incorporated as part of the 2018-2019 Annual Action Plan. An advertisement was published in the Goldsboro News Argus on July 6, 2018, relative to the holding of a public hearing, public meeting, and thirty-day review. A second advertisement will be published at least 10 days prior to the scheduled July 27, 2018 public meeting.

The 2018-2019 Annual Action Plan identifies activities to be funded with the City's FY18 CDBG and HOME funding allocations. Primarily, for objectives of the CDBG and HOME program to develop viable urban communities by providing decent housing, suitable living environment, and expanding economic opportunities, mainly for persons of low-to-moderate income.

Fiscal Year 2018 funding allocations include \$339,336 for CDBG and \$228,922 for HOME. In addition, the City will have available approximately \$23,511 in prior year CDBG funds and \$118,697 in prior year HOME funds (prior year balances as of June 30, 2018). Staff through individuals, community groups, public forums, and intergovernmental/departmental discussions identified recommended activities during the planning process for the 2018-2019 Annual Action Plan. The 2018-2019 Annual Action Plan is the 4th year of implementing the Five-Year Consolidated Plan for 2015-2019. A draft of the 2018-2019 Annual Action Plan is available.

Mayor Allen opened the public hearing. No one spoke and the public hearing was closed.

Upon motion of Councilmember Broadaway, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Ham and unanimously carried, Council:

- 1. Continued acceptance of citizen comments and participation for the 2018-2019 Annual Action Plan to be incorporated in the final submission to HUD;
- 2. Approved the adoption of the City of Goldsboro 2018-2019 Annual Action Plan, after the second public meeting scheduled for July 27, 2018 and at the end of the thirty-(30) day comment period scheduled to end August 6, 2018; and

3. Authorized the Mayor and staff to execute and file the Annual Action Plan, along with the required Certifications, the SF-424, and Grant Agreements that are required to receive CDBG and HOME funding for and on behalf of the City of Goldsboro, and to make minor changes to those documents where necessary.

**Public Comment Period.** Mayor Allen opened the public comment period and the following people spoke:

Ravonda Jacobs provided a handout to Council regarding an exchange of emails between the Historic District Commission members and information related to general statues for the Historic District Commission (a copy is on file in the Clerk's Office). Ms. Jacobs shared concerns regarding the Historic District Commission's chairman, members who may have a conflict of interest. She called for an investigation.

No one else spoke and the public comment period was closed.

Consent Agenda - Approved as Recommended. City Manager, Scott A. Stevens, presented the Consent Agenda. All items were considered to be routine and could be enacted simultaneously with one motion and a roll call vote. If a Councilmember so requested, any item(s) could be removed from the Consent Agenda and discussed and considered separately. In that event, the remaining item(s) on the Consent Agenda would be acted on with one motion and roll call vote. Councilmember Aycock moved the items on the Consent Agenda, Items K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R and S be approved as recommended by the City Manager and staff. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Broadaway and a roll call vote resulted in all members voting in the affirmative. Mayor Allen declared the Consent Agenda approved as recommended. The items on the Consent Agenda were as follows:

Z-9-18 Wayne County Development Alliance – East side of Patetown Road between North William Street and Stoney Creek (R-16 to I-2). Ordinance Adopted. The applicant requests a zoning change from R-16 Residential to I-2 General Industry.

Frontage: 1,600 ft. (approx.)
Depth: 2,000 (average)
Area: 115 Acres (approx.)

Surrounding Zoning: North: O&I, I-2 General Industry

South: O&I, R-9 and R-16 Res. East: O&I, R-12 and R-16 Res. West: R-6, R-16, NB, GB, O&I

While most of the property is located within the City's extraterritorial jurisdiction, there is a strip along the Patetown Road frontage that is within the city limits.

The City's Comprehensive Plan designates this property for medium-density residential development.

The property is currently vacant farmland.

The applicant proposes the development of an industrial park which would be subject to subdivision and site plan approval as development is proposed.

City water and sewer lines are available to the serve the property.

There is an existing building occupied by T. A. Loving Company along with an adjacent lot fronting on Patetown Road which is not included within this rezoning request.

At the public hearing held on June 25, 2018, one person spoke in opposition to the request citing problems with traffic on Patetown Road. One person appeared and spoke in favor of the request.

The Planning Commission, after the public hearing, recommended approval of the change of zone request from R-16 Residential to I-2 General Industry.

Staff recommended Council accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission and adopt an Ordinance changing the zoning for the property from R-16 Residential to I-2 General Industry. Although not compliant with the adopted Land Use Plan, given the property's size, location adjacent to other industrial uses and its access to City utilities, the rezoning would be compliant with surrounding zoning patterns and uses in the area. Consent Agenda Approval. Aycock/Broadaway (7 Ayes)

ORDINANCE NO. 2018-34 "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GOLDSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA CODE OF ORDINANCES"

CU-4-18 Bobby Reavis – South side of US 70 West between US 117 and the Little River. Approved. The applicant requests a Conditional Use Permit to allow the operation of a used car lot.

Frontage: 300 ft.

Depth: 685 ft. (average)

Area: 7.72 acres

Zoning: General Business

The property was previously occupied by Deacon Jones Nissan (new car dealership). The site contains an existing 17,700 sq. ft. building with a display area and offices at the front and service bays at the rear.

A 6 ft. tall chain link fence with privacy slats exists along the eastern and western property lines and extend along those lines to a point at the front of the existing building.

Two 30-ft. wide curb cuts provide full access ingress and egress to the site.

There is no space at the front of the site for installation of plant material without removal of existing asphalt. Vehicles will not be displayed in right-of-way areas.

The applicant has indicated that there may be up to 50 vehicles for display at this location. In addition, the applicant has a wrecker service and may store two to three vehicles at the rear of the site which will not be visible from the road. If this number increases, the applicant will be required to screen them from view.

Hours of Operation: 9:00 a. m. to 5:00 p. m. (Monday-Friday)

12 Noon-5:00 p.m. (Saturday)

No. of Employees: 2

The property is located within the 100-year floodplain for the Little River. If any new construction on the property is proposed, must meet the City's Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance.

Due to existing conditions, modifications of landscaping requirements will be necessary.

At the public hearing held on June 25, 2018, the applicant spoke in favor of the request. No one appeared in opposition.

The Planning Commission, after the public hearing, recommended approval of the Conditional Use Permit with a modification of landscape requirements and approval of the site plan detailing the development.

Staff recommended Council accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission and:

- 1. Adopt an Order approving a Conditional Use Permit to allow the operation of a used car lot; and
- 2. Approve the submitted site plan with a modification of landscape requirements. Consent Agenda Approval. Aycock/Broadaway (7 Ayes)

CU-5-18 Darryl Floars Motor Cars – South side of US 70 West between US 117 and the Little River. Approved. The applicant requests a Conditional Use Permit to allow the operation of a used car lot.

Frontage: 100 ft.

Depth: 618 ft. (average)
Area: 1.42 acres
Zoning: General Business

There is an existing 4,172 sq. ft. building on the lot which was previously occupied by Performance East. The site is surrounded by a six ft. tall chain link fence.

Site and landscape plans were approved for Performance East by Council in 2007 at the time an addition to the rear of the original building was proposed.

Although Performance East had previously sold vehicles at this location, it has since relocated to Corporate Drive and the site was vacant for more than six months. As a result, the applicant was advised to apply for a Conditional Use Permit.

Hours of Operation: 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. (Monday – Saturday)

No. of Employees: 4

Refuse Collection: To be provided privately;

The applicant intends to display up to 25 vehicles on the existing paved area. One curb cut provides ingress and egress to the site.

The property is located within the 100-year floodplain for the Little River. If any new construction on the property is proposed, must meet the City's Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance.

There are existing street trees at the front of the lot. Modifications were previously granted for Type A buffers along the eastern and western property lines, building setback and interconnectivity.

At the public hearing held on June 25, 2018, no one appeared to speak either for or against the request.

At their meeting after the public hearing on June 25, 2018, the Planning Commission recommended approval of the Conditional Use Permit and site plan as requested.

Staff recommended Council accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission and:

- 1. Adopt an Order approving a Conditional Use Permit to allow the operation of a used car lot; and
- 2. Approve the submitted site plan detailing the operation. Consent Agenda Approval. Aycock/Broadaway (7 Ayes)

 $Site, Landscape\ and\ Building\ Elevation\ Plans\ \textbf{-}\ Davita\ Dialysis.\ Approved.$ 

The property is located on the northeast corner of Adair Drive and Keenway Drive.

Frontage: 203 ft. (on Adair Drive)

301 ft. (on Keenway Drive)

Area: 75,358 sq. ft. or 1.73 acres

Zoning: Shopping Center

The site has been identified as lot #5 of the Adair Place Subdivision. City Council approved a preliminary plat for phased development of the subdivision on October 2, 2017.

The submitted site plan indicates a newly constructed single-story, 7,791 sq. ft. building to be used for a kidney dialysis center. The use is permitted within the Shopping Center zoning district.

The submitted building elevations indicate brick veneer and fiber cement lap siding as exterior building components.

Staff is working with the applicant to ensure building design standards are compliant with City regulations. Roof-top mechanical equipment will have to be screened from off-site views.

Adair Drive is paved to a terminus just south of the proposed site. One 36 ft. wide paved curb cut will provide access from Adair Drive. A future driveway connection is shown off of Keenway Drive which will be utilized when that street is improved.

Interconnectivity is not practical for the site therefore the applicant is requesting a modification of the interconnectivity requirement.

Parking for the site requires one space per 350 sq. ft. of gross floor area. A total of 23 parking spaces are required and 36 spaces have been provided including two handicap accessible spaces.

City sidewalks are required along both frontages of the proposed development. Combined frontage along Adair Drive and Keenway Drive is approximately 504 linear ft. Applicant will be required to install sidewalks or pay a fee in lieu in the amount of \$7,560.

Pedestrian access is shown from the parking lot into the principal building using handicap accessible ramps and walkways.

A 425 sq. ft. unenclosed and covered portico will serve as a customer drop off area and access into the main entrance of the facility.

A commercial refuse container will be located within a corral at the rear of the facility and will be appropriately screened from off-site views.

City Engineering will require approval of stormwater calculations and drainage plans prior to issuance of any building permits.

Street trees have been provided along Adair Drive and the future Keenway Drive. Type A Buffers have been proposed and meet the requirements of the Unified Development Ordinance.

A dry detention pond is proposed at the rear of the facility along the eastern property line. The pond will be required to be appropriately screened with evergreen shrubs.

At their meeting held on June 25, 2018, the Planning Commission recommended approval of the site, landscape and building elevation plans with a modification of the interconnectivity requirement.

Staff recommended Council accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission and approve the site, landscape and building elevation plans for Davita Dialysis with a modification of the interconnectivity requirement. Consent Agenda Approval. Aycock/Broadaway (7 Ayes)

Sale of Surplus Real Property Tax ID #3509-24-5448 Southeast Corner of East Walnut Street and Bright Street. Approved. In June, 2018 an offer to purchase the above referenced property was made by Frances A. Bentley. Ms. Bentley is the only

adjacent property owner and has offered to pay the City the sum of \$1.00 to acquire this property.

The City of Goldsboro acquired this property on June 18, 1981 for \$100 from Edwards & Jernigan, Inc. The property is substandard and contains only 5,257 sq. ft. It is zoned R-6 Residential which requires a minimum lot area of 6,000 sq. ft. The property's tax value is shown as \$3,500.

City crews have been required to mow the lot since its purchase and Ms. Bentley has expressed her willingness to maintain the property in the future if it is sold to her. She intends to fence in the property to reduce pedestrian traffic and resulting litter.

General Assembly of North Carolina, Session Law 2004-94, allows the sale of substandard surplus real property owned alone by the City or jointly owned by the City and by Wayne County by offering it for sale to the adjoining property owner(s) for \$1.00.

It is recommended that the offer by Ms. Bentley be accepted for the identified property at the southeast corner of East Walnut Street and Bright Street.

Staff recommended Council accept the offer of Ms. Frances A. Bentley in the amount of \$1.00 and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute a deed on behalf of the City of Goldsboro for the sale of property having Tax ID No. 3509-24-5448. Consent Agenda Approval. Aycock/Broadaway (7 Ayes)

Contract Award – Phase IV Sewer Collection Rehabilitation Formal Bid No. **2018-004.** Resolution Adopted. On Tuesday, July 3, 2018, three (3) sealed bids were received for the Phase IV Sewer Collection Rehabilitation Project.

The proposed work consists of installation of approximately 30,900 linear feet of cast-inplace-pipe (CIPP) rehabilitation of existing sanitary mains, including various root treatments, obstruction removals, cutting of intruding taps and asphalt or concrete surface repairs directly associated with the completion and restoration work detailed in the contract specifications.

T.A. Loving Company of Goldsboro, NC submitted the low bid for this project for a total cost of \$8,344,167.30. The nods received for this project are tabulated as follows:

	T.A. Loving Co.	Herring-Rivenbark	North American PL
Base Bid	\$4,861,971.50	\$5,142,550.00	\$5,457,880.00
Alternate No. 1	1,300,000.00	980,000.00	1,422,000.00
Alternate No. 2	<u>2,182,195.50</u>	2,256,853.00	<u>2,422,900.00</u>
Total Bids	\$8,344,167.30	\$8,379,403.00	\$9,302,708.00

The bids for this project have been reviewed by McKim and Creed, the engineering firm for this project, checked for accuracy, and found them to be in order. We have reviewed the financing of this project with the Finance Director and determined that contract ward is contingent upon approval of an additional Clean Water State Revolving Fund Loan.

CWSRF loan in the amount of \$6,268,832 with \$500,000 principal forgiveness, was originally awarded to the City of Goldsboro by CWSRF. Further review and consideration of the base bid, alternates one and two may be required.

Staff recommended Council adopt the following entitled Resolution authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute a contract for \$8,344,167.30 with T.A. Loving Company for Phase IV Sewer Collection Rehabilitation Project, contingent upon approval of additional State Revolving Loan funding. Consent Agenda Approval. Aycock/Broadaway (7 Ayes)

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-38 "RESOLUTION AWARDING AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT FOR PHASE IV SEWER COLLECTION REHABILITATION PROJECT FORMAL BID NO. 2018-004"

**Budget Amendment - Outstanding Purchase Order Adjusting Entries.** 

**Ordinance Adopted.** It is a practice of the City of Goldsboro when incurring expenses to encumber money through the use of a purchase order. Purchase orders remain outstanding until the item or service being procured is received by the affected department. At that time, the purchase order is closed out through the issuance of a payment check.

Accounting standards for municipal governments necessitate that certain book entries be undertaken at the conclusion of a fiscal year. These entries, in effect, close outstanding purchase orders from the previous fiscal year, and re-appropriate funds for the same purpose for the new fiscal year. Failure to accurately reflect the receipt of materials, supplies and services during the same year in which monies are appropriated distorts the City's financial statements. Generally accepted accounting principles mandate that appropriations and expenditures correspond to the same fiscal year.

The City of Goldsboro has its financial records and subsidiary systems on an on-line computer basis; therefore, it is necessary to make adjusting entries concerning outstanding purchase orders as close to the beginning of a new fiscal year as possible. As in previous instances, these transactions do not alter the City's unappropriated, unrestricted fund balances. These entries basically appropriate sufficient funds to correspond with the budget year in which purchase order payments will be made by the City.

Staff recommended Council adopt the following entitled Ordinance amending the Budget Ordinance for the 2018-19 Fiscal Year by re-appropriating monies associated with outstanding 2017-18 purchase orders. Consent Agenda Approval. Aycock/Broadaway (7 Ayes)

ORDINANCE NO. 2018-35 "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE BUDGET ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF GOLDSBORO FOR THE 2018-19 FISCAL YEAR"

Goldsboro Tourism Council Appointment. Resolutions Adopted. Mr. Ross Halverson was appointed to the Tourism Council as a hotelier on April 2, 2018 with his term to expire on December 31, 2019. Mr. Halverson has resigned effective June 8, 2018.

Ms. Elba Gutierrez has submitted an application to serve on the Goldsboro Tourism Council. The Goldsboro Tourism Council (GTC) and the Wayne County Tourism Development Authority (WCTDA) have recommended Ms. Gutierrez to fill the unexpired hotelier term left by Mr. Halverson's resignation. One additional hotelier application for the Tourism Council has been submitted although the GTC and TDA boards do not recommend this applicant due to a current member of the board representing the same hotel.

Staff recommended Council adopt the following entitled Resolutions:

- 1. Appointing Ms. Elba Gutierrez to the Goldsboro Tourism Council.
- 2. Commending Mr. Ross Halverson who has served on the Goldsboro Tourism Council. Consent Agenda Approval. Aycock/Broadaway (7 Ayes)

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-39 "RESOLUTION APPOINTING A MEMBER TO AN ADVISORY BOARD AND COMMISSION"

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-40 "RESOLUTION COMMENDING AN INDIVIDUAL WHO HAS SERVED ON THE GOLDSBORO TOURISM COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GOLDSBORO AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR ON BEHALF OF THE CITY COUNCIL TO PRESENT THE INDIVIDUAL WITH A CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION"

**Monthly Reports. Accepted as Information.** The various departmental reports for the month of June, 2018 were submitted for the Council's approval. It was

recommended that Council accept the reports as information. Consent Agenda Approval. Aycock/Broadaway (7 Ayes)

#### **End of Consent Agenda.**

**Right-of-way Reimbursement for Central Heights Realignment (Project U-5724). Resolution Adopted.** The realignment of Central Heights Road at Berkeley Boulevard is a funded transportation highway project with right-of-way currently in progress and construction scheduled for FY 2019. This project will align Central Heights Road with Royall Avenue at Berkeley Boulevard by relocating Central Heights Road from south of the railroad to north of the railroad.

The project will include the extension of Fallin Boulevard at Berkeley Boulevard to Central Heights Road and the realignment and extension of Oak Forest Road over Norfolk Southern Railroad to Central Heights Road. The project will also include the widening of Oak Forest Road to Gateway Drive.

In order to include the realignment and extension of Oak Forest Road over Norfolk Southern Railroad to Central Heights Road within the project scope, a Municipal Agreement between the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) and City of Goldsboro has been prepared. The agreement indicates the City of Goldsboro agrees to participate in the right of way costs and NCDOT is responsible for acquiring any needed right of way for the extension of Oak Forest Road.

NCDOT sees the value in the extension of Oak Forest Road, at the City's request, and agrees to assist the City in acquiring the right of way and construction of the extension. The City shall participate in the actual project right of way cost up to a maximum amount of \$500,000 in three installments over three years.

The City shall make payment in three installments and upon execution of the Agreement by the City, the City shall submit the first installment of \$125,000 to NCDOT. NCDOT shall invoice the City for the second installment in the amount of \$187,500 on July 1, 2019 and for the third installment of \$187,500 on July 1, 2020.

Upon motion of Councilmember Aycock, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Ham and unanimously carried, Council:

- 1. Adopt the following entitled Resolution authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute an Agreement with the North Carolina Department of Transportation for right of way reimbursement up to a maximum amount of \$500,000 for Project U-5724.
- 2. Adopt the following entitled ordinance appropriating the Unassigned Fund Balance of the General Fund in the amount of \$125,000 for the first installment.

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-41 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR RIGHT OF WAY REIMBURSEMENT UNDER PROJECT U-5724 REALIGNMENT OF CENTRAL HEIGHTS ROAD

ORDINANCE NO. 2018-36 "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE BUDGET ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF GOLDSBORO FOR THE 2018-19 FISCAL YEAR"

City Manager's Report. Mr. Scott Stevens introduced new Fire Chief Joseph Dixon. For those that have not met our new fire chief, I would like to introduce and tell you a little about Joe Dixon who I have selected as the next Fire Chief for the City of Goldsboro replacing Chief Gary Whaley who retired last November. I officially made this announcement in early April, but we didn't swear in Chief Dixon until July 2nd. I am always looking for the best candidate to fill any job opening with the City and I believe Chief Dixon to be an excellent fit. He served 25 years with the Howard County Maryland Department of Fire and Rescue Services in various capacities, most recently as Assistant Fire Chief. He holds a B.S. Degree in Fire Service from the University of

Maryland University College and a Master's Degree in Organizational Leadership from Waldorf College. He has an extensive list of Specialized Programs Completed, Senior Level Experiences, numerous Awards and Accomplishments, and is actively involved professional associations related to the fire service. In talking with his references, it is clear that he has made a lasting impression on those that work with him and has done a great job preparing himself for this position as Fire Chief with the City of Goldsboro. Chief Dixon impressed me and our group of assessors with his calm demeanor, knowledge of the department and community, his competitive spirit, and the fact that he likes to use data to make informed decisions. Chief, you are coming to a department that is committed to this City and willing to take direction on how to best serve its citizens. I feel fortunate to have someone with your background, enthusiasm, and work ethic to lead our fire department. Goldsboro is a great community. I would like to say congratulations and welcome to Chief Joe Dixon. I would offer him the opportunity to say a few words.

Chief Dixon stated thank you again. I am never at a loss of words to promote the Goldsboro Fire Department or the City of Goldsboro. The community has been very welcoming. The Department has already started looking at cost saving measures. Looking forward to doing great things in Goldsboro. Thank you for your trust and faith.

## Council welcomed Chief Dixon.

Mr. Stevens also introduced Ms. LaToya Henry, the new Public Information Officer. He stated as I stated before I am always looking for the best candidate to fill any job opening with the City and I believe LaToya certainly fits that bill as well. LaToya is a skilled communications professional with 16 years of experience in the industry. She most recently served as public information specialist with the City of Norfolk's Department of Utilities. There she coordinated public relations planning and execution of a wide variety of information and outreach initiatives, including public notification for the department's large multi-million-dollar capital improvement program. She also worked as a public affairs specialist with the City of Durham, where she managed social media in the Public Affairs Office and coordinated public relations for the Department of Water Management. She began her career as a newspaper reporter, including a stint at the Free Press in Kinston, N.C. She grew up in Goldsboro, N.C., has a bachelor's degree in Communication from Peace College. I feel very fortunate to have someone with LaToya's communication skills and background of working with a large public utility and a North Carolina city as our Public Information Officer. She has a good understanding of municipal operations and I believe she will help the City better engage with the community. I would like to say congratulations and welcome her.

Ms. Henry stated she is excited to be back home in Goldsboro. I look forward to telling our Goldsboro story and the wonderful things going home.

Council welcomed Ms. Henry.

Mr. Stevens also shared S&P Global Rating announced this week that it raised its rating to 'AA' from 'AA-' on Goldsboro's existing general obligation debt. Moody's rating stayed stable at Aa2. Staff was very pleased with these ratings and Ms. Kaye Scott and her staff deserve our appreciation for their efforts.

Council thanked Ms. Scott and her staff.

**Mayor and Councilmembers' Reports and Recommendations.** Mayor Allen read the following Resolution:

Resolution Expressing Appreciation for Services Rendered by Barry Driscoll as an Employee of the City of Goldsboro for More Than 12 Years. Resolution Adopted. Barry Driscoll retires on August 1, 2018 as Chief Treatment Plant Operator at the Water Treatment Plant in the Public Utilities Department at the City of Goldsboro with 10 years of service. Barry began his career with the City of Goldsboro on November 1, 2006 as a Water Plant Superintendent with the Public Utilities Department. Barry resigned on February 19, 2008 and was re-hired on November 2, 2009 as a Water Plant Operator. On November 28, 2009, Barry was promoted to Chief Treatment Plant

Operator at the Water Treatment Plant in the Public Utilities Department where he has served until his retirement. Barry has proven himself to be a dedicated and efficient public servant who has gained the admiration and respect of his fellow workers and the citizens of the City of Goldsboro. The Mayor and City Council of the City of Goldsboro are desirous, on behalf of themselves, City employees and the citizens of the City of Goldsboro, of expressing to Barry Driscoll their deep appreciation and gratitude for the service rendered by him to the City over the years. We express our deep appreciation and gratitude for the dedicated service rendered during Barry's tenure with the City of Goldsboro. We offer Barry our very best wishes for success, happiness, prosperity and good health in his future endeavors.

Upon motion of Mayor Allen, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Ham and unanimously carried, Council adopted the following entitled Resolution.

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-37 "RESOLUTION EXPRESSING APPRECIATION FOR SERVICES RENDERED BY BARRY DRISCOLL AS AN EMPLOYEE OF THE CITY OF GOLDSBORO FOR 10 YEARS"

Councilmember Aycock stated no comment.

Councilmember Foster stated no comment.

Mayor Pro Tem Ham shared during his tenure he has had the opportunity to represent the City and the Mayor at various events. This past Saturday will be unsurpassed, I believe, that was the Moses' Family Gathering. He shared information regarding the Moses' family. He stated I have left dinners after providing comments, but I had no desire to leave. The common theme was family. Mayor Pro Tem Ham stressed the importance of family. He stated it was a great, great evening.

Councilmember Stevens stated I want to say thank you to Amy and Jay Bauer for continuing their push to educate African American culture in Goldsboro and Wayne County on the 135<sup>th</sup> Colored Troop. They are seeking to get a monument in the downtown area. Councilmember Stevens stated I also want to say there are some things that are not perfect. I have gone through things and I believe every Councilmember on this has gone through things. Although they are not perfect, nothing changes by the snap of your fingers. We are aware of what is going on and we will continue to fight with our minds versus our fists.

Councilmember Williams stated it has been a tough couple of months. I would like to thank my family and friends. I would also like to thank my attorney and all the people who prayed, the community that held fast and were firmly with me through this ordeal. Going forward I am willing to focus with the help of the Council. Councilmember Williams shared he would like to focus on attainable housing, fight for activities and programs for our youth, continue to fight for a livable wage for all city employees and focus on solutions for our city's poverty.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Chuck Allen	
Mayor	
Melissa Cors	er, MMC/NCCM