# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL HELD JANUARY 6, 2020

#### **WORK SESSION**

The City 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 January 6, 2020 with attendance as follows:

Present: Mayor Pro Tem Bill Broadaway, Presiding

Councilmember Antonio Williams (arrived at 5:01 p.m.)

Councilmember Taj Polack Councilmember Brandi Matthews Councilmember David Ham Councilmember Gene Aycock Ron Lawrence, Attorney Tim Salmon, City Manager Melissa Capps, City Clerk

Jennifer Collins, Planning Director

Scott Williams, IT Director

Felicia Brown, Interim P&R Director Mike Wagner, Public Utilities Director Rick Fletcher, Public Works Director

Joe Dixon, Fire Chief

Erin A Fonseca, DGDC Marketing & Events Manager

Bernadette Dove, HR Director Catherine Gwynn, Finance Director

Shycole Simpson-Carter, Community Relations Director

Gladys McClary, Recreation Center Leader

Adam J. Twiss, Director of Paramount Theatre and GEC (arrived at 5:05

p.m.)

Ken Conners, News Director, Curtis Media Group

Eddie Fitzgerald, News Argus Reporter

Lonnie Casey, Citizen Bobby Mathis, Citizen Della Mathis, Citizen

Yvonnia Moore, Citizen (arrived at 5:01 p.m.)

Carl Martin, Citizen LeKeshia Polack, Citizen Kelvin Stallings, Citizen Sylvia Barnes, Citizen

Constance Coram, Citizen (arrived at 5:12 p.m.) Alicia Pierce, Citizen (arrived at 5:15 p.m.)

Absent: Mayor Chuck Allen

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

Adoption of the Agenda. Councilmember Aycock made a motion to adopt the agenda. Councilmember Polack seconded the motion. Mayor Pro Tem Broadaway, Councilmembers Polack, Ham and Aycock voted in favor of the motion. Councilmember Matthews did not vote, therefore her vote would be counted as an affirmative vote. The motion passed.

**T.C. Coley Center Update.** Ms. Felicia Brown shared the following information:

## **Purpose**

• Inform Council on the current status of the T.C. Coley Community Center, propose a way ahead, incorporate Council feedback/direction and make appropriate changes.

#### **Background**

- In 2016, City Council decided to renovate, not demolish what is now T. C. Coley Community Center (cost ~\$200K); more renovation needs to be done (\$TBD).
- Plans for a non-profit to operate facility did not materialize.
- In Feb 2019, City Council directed Parks and Recreation to operate the facility for one year. During this time, non-profits would be able to use the facility at no charge.

#### **Usage Report**

- In February 2019, there were 2 tenants in T. C. Coley Community Center
  - Ashford Boxing is located in the Gym area; 4-7pm, Mon-Fri; serves ~25 kids each day free; also serves 12 adults, \$50 per month; held 4 fundraisers (\$8,840); 2 Back-to-School events, ~300 people each
  - Prayer/Praise Worship Center is located in the back meeting room; hold services on Sundays
- Since P & R assumed control of the facility, there have been an additional five (5) uses by non-profits; 2 of the 5 uses were by the same non-profit on different dates
  - Delta Sigma Theta, Faith United Church (Banquet/Vacation Bible School),
     Tabernacle of Prayer and Creative Minds

## **Usage Requests**

- There have been at least 40 other interest calls that were not granted:
  - 10 calls for baby showers
  - 20 calls for family reunions
  - 10 calls for birthday parties
- There have been more calls/interest from the community wanting to rent facility for social/family functions; not as much interest from non-profits as anticipated.

## Facility Operational Costs

- Fiscal Year 2018-19
  - \$6,089.77 utility costs
  - \$5,460.00 interior maintenance: personnel, janitorial supplies, etc.
  - \$9,330.00 exterior maintenance: personnel, mulch, equipment, etc.
  - Total ~\$20K for < 20 hours / week
- FY 19-20 Budget
  - \$0 for T.C. Coley; demolishing Herman Park Center savings/offset TBD
  - Additional \$7,392.00 for HVAC Service Agreement
  - Additional events will increase utility and maintenance costs

# Proposed Rates Presented in Feb. 2019

- **RECREATION ROOM** (Kitchen use included):
- \$135/2 hours
- **Non-profit rate** is \$67.50/2 hours
  - \*\$100 Refundable Damage Deposit

#### Rentals in 2-Hr Blocks of Time

- **GYMNASIUM**:
- \$70/2 hours
- **Non-profit rate** is \$35/2 hours
- **MEETING ROOM** (back of building): **MEETING ROOM** (with mirrors):
- \$30/2 hours \$30/2 hours
- Non-profit rate is \$15/2 hours Non-profit rate is \$15/2 hours
- **COMMERCIAL EVENTS** (tickets sold/money exchanged on City property):
- \$300/2 hours
- **Non-profit rate** is \$150/2 hours

- **LONG TERM RENTALS** organization continuously occupying space with their items, regardless if organization uses space on daily basis or not:
- **GYMNASIUM** \$700/month
- **RECREATION ROOM** \$1,350/month
- **MEETING ROOM** (with mirrors) \$300/month
- **MEETING ROOM** (back of building) \$300/month

## Recommendations

- Allow Parks and Recreation to implement February 2019 proposed rates (same as in 2014) and market facility for community usage.
- Parks and Recreation will budget for expected increase usage with the next budget request.
- Parks and Recreation will update Council on use (benefit/cost) as part of the next budget request to include potential renovations.

Council discussed current tenants. Councilmember Ham asked to your knowledge do you know if Steve Ashford allowed someone to use the facility and charged for use. Ms. Brown stated to my knowledge, I am not aware of him charging someone to use the facility, I am aware of a couple of instances where people were in the facility but I am not aware of a charge. Monthly rental fees were discussed. Mayor Pro Tem Broadaway suggested \$450 or \$500 monthly charge for the gym.

Councilmember Matthews asked if Ashford Boxing is in the gym, would others be able to rent the gym, like would I be able to rent the gym for a couple of hours on the weekend if all of his equipment is in there. Ms. Brown replied if you all where to approve these rates as they are now, then we will of course go back to the current tenants in there and let know what Council has decided. Ms. Brown stated they would have a choice to make, do they want to stay and pay that or move out; with them being long-term renters, that means they are the only ones that can be in that facility, that's why they are having to pay that money, they would essentially be a tenant in that facility.

Councilmember Polack questioned who initially allowed the church. Ms. Brown stated I would have to lean back on the City Manager's Office and City Council as they were already in there when Parks and Recreation took it over. Mr. Octavius Murphy shared it was approved by the former city manager and the mayor and from that the board was created as they wanted to entertain all non-profits.

Councilmember Williams the bathrooms are in need of renovation. Ms. Brown stated that is correct and shared information regarding basic maintenance items Parks and Recreation has done since it took the center back over.

Councilmember Williams stated we do not have any city shelters available when there is a storm and I would like to see this used if needed.

Councilmember Ham asked what is our policy on liability insurance of renters. Ms. Brown responded for us, the way our policy is with liability insurance if someone is coming in to hold an event where they are inviting other members of the public to come in, we require them to have liability insurance, that is different for someone who is having a birthday party. It depends on the situation. Councilmember Ham asked if current tenants had presented liability Insurance. Ms. Brown stated Ashford Boxing did, the church provided their non-profit status and it was looked at how a church meeting differed from boxing.

Council continued to discuss long term rental amounts for the gym. Council consensus was \$500 for the gym. Councilmember Williams stated I would like to see a contract with some stipulations regarding use in case of an emergency for a shelter.

Councilmember Ham also requested Ms. Brown meet with the tenants to share what is going on, report back to Council in a couple of weeks and prepare a draft contract.

Council Committees. Mayor Pro Tem Broadaway reviewed the list of Council committees. Mayor Pro Tem Broadaway shared DGDC has requested David Ham for one more year. Additional discussion included who would fill-in while the Mayor was out, the Housing Authority Board, the GWTA Board, the DGDC Board and Mayor's Committee for Persons with Disabilities. Councilmember Matthews stated I have a question or question comment, so we have Councilmember Ham who has requested to stay on the DGDC Board, which was a board I was interested in, so my concern is we are just going to be in our own respective areas, it doesn't seem fair to me, you have two new councilmembers. Councilmember Matthews stated what if someone else wanted to sit on that board. Councilmember Matthews stated I think we all should move around a little bit and get our feet wet in different areas. Mayor Pro Tem Broadaway stated this s a year to year appointment, my understanding when I spoke with the new President of the DGDC, since they are almost in a transition from what they are to what they are going to be that they would like to have Councilmember Ham have one more year; again we can vote on that.

Mayor Pro Tem Broadaway shared he spoke with Councilmember Polack and he has expressed interest to serve on the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission.

Councilmember Matthews stated she would serve on the Mayor's Committee for Persons with Disabilities.

Councilmember Williams stated he would serve on the Law and Finance Committee.

Councilmember Williams made a motion Councilmember Matthews serve on the DGDC Board. Councilmember Polack seconded the motion. Councilmember Polack stated that is year to year right. Mayor Pro Tem Broadaway stated yes, the only reason I was saying that, we are in discussion, is while the DGDC will be in some form of a transition, my recommendation is we keep Mr. Ham and Ms. Matthews is welcome to attend those meetings. Councilmember Aycock asked if we could put another member on the board. Mayor Pro Tem Broadaway stated I do not see why we could not put another member on the board. Ms. Capps stated I believe there is one position on the DGDC Board and asked Ms. Fonseca if that was right. Ms. Fonseca stated DGDC Board membership is actually determined by the board, so I would really rather defer to the board. Councilmember Aycock stated could we just postpone that. Councilmember Williams stated we have the DGDC that has a profit side and a non-profit side, and you mean to tell me that they are going to tell a councilmember who they want to be up there and we have to accept it. Mayor Pro Tem Broadaway stated on their non-profit side they can. Councilmember Williams stated we do a lot for their non-profit side. Council discussed and agreed to ask the DGDC Board if two members could serve.

Councilmember Williams withdrew his motion to allow time to ask DGDC Board if two members could serve. Councilmember Polack withdrew his second.

Council discussed appointment to the GWTA Board. Councilmember Matthews stated I think Councilmember Williams you should be on that board again if there were no findings as to why you were removed and you have a desire to sit on that board. I do not see why there would be a problem.

Councilmember Aycock stated the board was the one who requested the removal.

Discussion continued.

Councilmember Aycock made a motion Councilmember Williams be reinstated to the GWTA Board. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Matthews. Councilmembers Williams, Polack, Matthews, Ham and Aycock voted in favor of the motion. Mayor Pro Tem Broadaway did not vote, his vote would be counted as an affirmative vote. The motion passed.

**Retreat Dates and Topics.** Mr. Salmon stated we have reserved the Goldsboro Event Center on February 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> to cover topics such as City Vision, Mission, Goals, and Values Strategic Plan; Council Ethics Training; Robert's Rules of Order; Economic Development Department/Plan Financial Audit and Budget Update; Personnel Policy Water Rate Study and

updates on various projects. I would like Council to let me know if these dates work and if there are any additional topics they would like to add.

Councilmember Williams requested to add summer youth employment and rail trail program that I suggested for Center Street, on the north end side of town.

**Consent Agenda Review.** Each item on the Consent Agenda was reviewed. Additional discussion included the following:

Item F. Advisory Boards and Commissions. Councilmember Williams expressed concern regarding appointments to the Historic District Commission. Councilmember Matthews expressed concerns regarding appointments to the Commission on Community Relations and Development. Councilmember Matthews recommended Mr. Ferguson for consideration on the Commission on Community Relations and Planning Commission. Councilmember Williams recommended Ms. Lancaster for Commission on Community Relations.

Discussion continued.

Council deferred appointments to the Commission on Community Relations, Historic District and Planning Commission.

Ms. Collins shared for the Planning Commission Council has expressed they wanted membership scattered among the districts. Currently we do not have representation from District 1.

Consideration of commissions input was discussed.

Councilmember Aycock made a motion to appoint Jay Bauer to the Planning Commission. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Ham. Councilmember Williams stated I do not see a rush. Councilmember Matthews requested information regarding current board members and districts they reside in. Councilmember Polack asked about representation from his district. Mayor Pro Tem Broadaway, Councilmembers Ham and Aycock voted in favor of the motion. Councilmembers Williams, Polack and Matthews voted against the motion. The motion failed.

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

# **CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

The City 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 January 6, 2020 with attendance as follows:

Present: Mayor Pro Tem Bill Broadaway, Presiding

Councilmember Antonio Williams

Councilmember Taj Polack Councilmember Brandi Matthews Councilmember David Ham Councilmember Gene Aycock

Absent: Mayor Chuck Allen

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Pro Tem Broadaway at 7:00 p.m.

Pastor Adam Street with Madison Avenue Baptist Church provided the invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

**Approval of Minutes**. Councilmember Williams stated I noticed the minutes initially stated the Mayor started the meeting but looked further down and it showed the Mayor was absent; I would like that amended. Councilmember Aycock made a motion to approve the Minutes of the Work Session and Regular Meeting of December 2, 2019. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Polack. Mayor Pro Tem Broadaway, Councilmembers Polack,

Ham and Aycock voted in favor of the motion. Councilmembers Williams and Matthews voted against the motion. The motion passed 4:2.

**Public Comment Period.** Mayor Pro Tem Broadaway opened the public comment period. The following person spoke:

Susan Williams stated I know the Mayor is sick, I know what is wrong with him now, don't come to the public begging for money, he has property he can sell to pay his medical bills. Thank you Councilmember Polack, you got on my problem and fixed it. Keep up the good work and I'm glad to see you here. You to Ms. Brandi.

No one else spoke and the Public Comment Period was closed.

Consent Agenda - Approved as Recommended. City Manager, Timothy Salmon, presented the Consent Agenda and reminded Council during the Work Session Item F. Advisory Boards and Commissions was amended and appointments to the Commission on Community Relations, Historic District and Planning Commission were deferred. 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 B, C, D, E and F be approved as recommended by the City Manager and staff. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Ham and a roll call vote resulted in all members voting in favor of the motion. The items on the Consent Agenda were as follows:

CU-14-19 Zackell Perry – Southwest corner of E. Oak Street and N. John Street Intersection. (Used Automobile Sales). Approved. The applicant requests a Conditional Use Permit to allow operation of a used-car lot within the General Business District. The sale of used vehicles is a permitted use within the General Business zoning district after the issuance of a Conditional Use Permit approved by City Council.

The property was previously operated as a used car lot. Since the business has been closed for more than six (6) months, the applicant is required to reapply for a Conditional Use Permit for used automobile sales.

Frontage: 113.4 ft. (E. Oak St.)

109 ft. (N. John St.)

Area: 12,612 sq. ft., or 0.28 acres

Zoning: General Business (GB)

The submitted site plan indicates an existing 1,044 sq. ft. building proposed for use as a sales office. The remainder of the property is mostly paved and is proposed for employee and customer parking, as well as, the display of automobiles for sale. The applicant states there will be no outdoor storage on site.

Hours of Operation: 9:00 a. m. to 5:00 p. m.

(Monday - Saturday)

No. of Employees: 2

Parking is required at one space per employee and five customer spaces. The applicant proposes up to 7 display vehicle spaces and the site plan indicates both customer and employee parking. No loading space will be required since all vehicles will be driven to the site.

A Type A, 10 ft. wide landscape buffer is required along the southern property line and existing vegetation fulfills this requirement.

A Type C, 20 ft. wide landscape buffer is required adjacent to residentially-developed property to the west. An existing chain-link fence with privacy slats is located between the subject

property and an existing single-family dwelling. Due to limited space, the applicant is asking for a modification of the City's landscape requirement adjacent to residentially-developed property.

The applicant is requesting the following modifications of the City's landscaping requirements:

- (1) Street Trees along N. John and E. Oak Streets;
- (2) Vehicular Surface Area landscaping; and
- (3) Landscaping required for a Type C, 20 ft. wide landscape buffer

At the public hearing held on December 16, 2019, no one appeared to speak for or against the request.

The Planning Commission, at their meeting held on December 16, 2019, recommended approval of the Conditional Use Permit to allow the operation of a used-car lot with the recommended modifications.

It was recommended Council accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission and

- 1. Adopt an Order approving the Conditional Use Permit to allow the a operation of a used-car lot; and
- 2. Approved the Conditional Use permit with the following modifications;
  - (1) Street Trees along N. John and E. Oak Streets;
  - (2) Vehicular Surface Area landscaping; and
  - (3) Landscaping required for a Type C, 20 ft. wide landscape buffer. Consent Agenda Approval. Aycock/Ham (6 Ayes)

**Farm Lease Agreements. Approved.** The City of Goldsboro or the City and the County of Wayne jointly own several tracts of land, which have been leased in the past for farming purposes.

Prior to 2013 seven properties had been under lease for farming through one-year leases approved by City Council during December of each year. In November of 2013, the City Council contracted farm leases for these seven properties for a period of three-years. The term extension was due to the investment farmers were making in the land regarding nitrogen, lime, etc. in preparation for growing crops.

Of the seven properties, one tract is for the sole purpose of livestock due to the topsoil being stripped and not feasible for growing crops. The current farm leases expired December 31, 2019 and listed as follows:

Location	Current Lessee	Acreage	Leased Price by Acre	Total Yearly Lease
Two Tracts on the west side of NC 111 South (Farm #11693)	Jonathan Gray	56.3 Acres	\$156.00/Acre	\$8,782.80
West side of NC 111 South (Farm #8742)	Jonathan Gray	24.2 Acres	\$156.00/Acre	\$3,775.20
West side of Miller's Chapel Road (Farm #11850)	Jonathan Gray	5.1 Acres	\$156.00/Acre	\$795.60
Northeast and Southeast corners of Arrington Bridge Road and Pecan Road (Farm #11852)	Jonathan Gray	43.4 Acres	\$156.00/Acre	\$6,770.40
Northeast corner of Arrington Bridge Road and S. John Street (Farm #12942)	Jonathan Gray	47.59 Acres	\$156.00/Acre	\$7,424.04

Location	Current Lessee	Acreage	Leased Price by Acre	Total Yearly Lease
Northeast corner of Genoa Road and Pecan Road (Farm #6599)	Alfred Parks	25.1 Acres	\$61.50/Acre	\$1,543.65
Northwest side of Pecan Road between Genoa and Mitchell Road (Farm # 11763 - Livestock Only)	Cameron Mitchell	12.9 Acres	\$50.00/Acre	\$645.00

Staff advertised an Invitation to Bid on the City's website beginning November 12, 2019 with bid submittals due December 2, 2019. Three farmers, all current lessees, submitted bids on one, some or all of the farm tracts.

Staff properly notified the public of the City's intent to lease property for Crop and Livestock use per G. S. 160A-272 (a1) for the following properties and bid amounts:

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Location	Alfred Parks	Jonathan Gray	Cameron Mitchell	Total Yearly Lease
Two Tracts on the west side of NC 111 South (56.3 Ac.)	\$136.50/Ac.	\$126.70/Ac. (Current Lessee)	No Bid	\$7,684.95
West side of NC 111 South (24.2 Ac.)	\$136.50/Ac.	\$126.70/Ac. (Current Lessee)	No Bid	\$3,303.30
West side of Miller's Chapel Road (5.1 Ac.)	\$80.00/Ac.	\$86.70/Ac (Current Lessee) Withdrew Bid	No Bid	\$408.00
Northeast and Southeast corners of Arrington Bridge Road and Pecan Road (43.4 Ac.)	\$95.10/Ac	\$97.70/Ac. (Current Lessee)	No Bid	\$4,240.18
Northeast corner of Arrington Bridge Road and S. John Street (47.59 Ac.)	No Bid	\$97.70/Ac. (Current Lessee)	No Bid	\$4,649.54
Northeast corner of Genoa Road and Pecan Road (25.1 Ac.)	\$73.50/Ac. (Current Lessee)	No Bid	No Bid	\$1,844.85
Northwest side of Pecan Road between Genoa and Mitchell Road – Livestock only (12.9 Ac.)	No Bid	No Bid	\$60.00/Ac.	\$774.00

The lease term for all farm tracts excluding the livestock-only tract is for a period of three-years (January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2022). The lease term for the livestock-only tract located on the northwest side of Pecan Road between Genoa and Mitchell Road is for a period of eight-years (January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2027). Lease payments must be made prior to January 31, 2020.

All farm tracts, with the exception of the farm located on the northeast corner of Arrington Bridge Road and South John Street, are jointly-owned with the County of Wayne and the yearly proceeds are equally shared. For jointly-owned properties, lease agreements will be forwarded to the Wayne County Board of Commissioners for action at their next meeting if approved by the City Council.

It was recommended Council authorize the preparation and execution of farm lease agreements between:

- (1) The City of Goldsboro, the County of Wayne and Jonathan Gray for three years;
- (2) The City of Goldsboro and Jonathan Gray for three years;

- (3) The City of Goldsboro, the County of Wayne and Alfred Parks for three years; and
- (4) The City of Goldsboro, the County of Wayne and Cameron Mitchell for eight years.

Leases for jointly-owned property would be subject to Wayne County's approval of said leases with Jonathan Gray, Alfred Parks and Cameron Mitchell. Consent Agenda Approval. Aycock/Ham (6 Ayes)

Conveyance of Property to Rehab Development – Waiver of First Refusal and Amendment of Completion Date. Resolution Adopted. Rehab Development, Inc., the Design-Build company investing over \$12M in rehabilitating six historic buildings downtown has plans to begin construction in February of this year. All properties are in need of significant rehabilitation to make them productive once again. The completed project will result in 12,000 sq. ft. of commercial, ready-to-lease space and 63 market-rate residential units, successfully repurposing 68,000 sq. ft. of vacant, non-productive space.

Four of the six historic properties – 200 E. Walnut Street, 204 E. Walnut Street, 206 E. Walnut Street and 106 S. John Street were donated by the County in 2017 with the intent of actively marketing them for reinvestment to save and rehabilitate the properties. In partnership with the City, the properties were deeded to the Downtown Goldsboro Development Corporation to facilitate the marketing of the properties, with an emphasis on intended use and rehabilitation timeline. To ensure the properties would be protected, a series of covenants were written into the deed, including right of first refusal for the City of Goldsboro to purchase the properties and a completion date of May 31, 2020.

As per the deed, executed on December 12, 2017 between the City of Goldsboro and the Downtown Goldsboro Development Corporation, the DGDC has notified the City of Goldsboro of their intent to convey the properties to WNB Landlord, LLC, a subsidiary of Rehab Development, Inc. The City of Goldsboro is asked to waive its rights to the property at this time. Additionally, as the deed was written prior to the significant delay of the North Carolina historic tax credits, the DGDC requests the amendment of the May 31, 2020 deadline to match the agreement which states "no later than the date which is twenty-seven (27) months following the renewal date of the North Carolina Historic Tax Credit Program" WNB Landlord, LLC will need the properties conveyed before any work can begin.

It was recommended Council adopt the following entitled resolution, accepting and authorizing the Mayor to sign the waiver subject to City Attorney review, approval and based on the intent, expectations and assurances as stated herein and intended. Consent Agenda Approval. Aycock/Ham (6 Ayes)

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-1 "RESOLUTION CONVEYING PROPERTY TO REHAB DEVELOPMENT-WAIVER OF FIRST REFUSAL"

Amending Chapter 32, Section 32.311 Mayors Committee for Persons with Disabilities of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Goldsboro. Ordinance Adopted. The City of Goldsboro recognizes and values the importance of citizen participation in local government. The City utilizes boards and commissions as a mechanism to engage citizens in the democratic process. The Mayor's Committee for Persons with Disabilities membership is currently composed of 30 members.

At the Mayor's Committee for Persons with Disabilities meeting on December 19, 2019, members requested the city manager ask Council to reduce the number of members to 15 in order to have a quorum of members and active participation.

Staff recommends Council consider adopting the following entitled Ordinance amending Chapter 32, Section 32.311 Mayors Committee for Persons with Disabilities of the Code of Ordinances changing the membership from 30 members to 15 members. Consent Agenda Approval. Aycock/Ham (6 Ayes)

ORDINANCE NO. 2020 - 1 "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 32 BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND DEPARTMENTS OF THE CITY OF GOLDSBORO'S CODE OF ORDINANCES"

Advisory Board and Commission Appointments. Resolutions Adopted. There are currently several vacancies on Advisory Boards and Commissions. Citizen involvement is vital to the performance of City government. It is necessary that additional appointments be made in an effort to fill these vacancies.

Recommendations for appointments were requested from the respective Boards and Commissions. Applications were also solicited from the public at large.

The City Council met during the Work Session on December 16, 2019, to review vacancies and applications received to fill the current vacancies. With these appointments, one vacancy on the Goldsboro Municipal Golf Course Committee and one vacancy on the Local Firefighters Relief Fund Board of Trustees remain.

It is also customary for the City of Goldsboro to express its appreciation by Resolution to those members whose terms have expired, who have moved or resigned.

During the work session, Council deferred appointments to the Commission on Community Relations, Historic District and Planning Commission.

Staff recommended Council adopt the following entitled Resolutions:

- 1. Appointing members to various Advisory Boards and Commissions in the City of Goldsboro.
- 2. Commending those individuals whose terms have expired, who have moved or resigned. Consent Agenda Approval. Aycock/Ham (6 Ayes)

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-2 "RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBERS TO ADVISORY BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS"

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-3 "RESOLUTION COMMENDING INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE SERVED ON VARIOUS ADVISORY BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS OF THE CITY OF GOLDSBORO AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR ON BEHALF OF THE CITY COUNCIL TO PRESENT THE INDIVIDUALS WITH A CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION"

# **End of Consent Agenda.**

**City Manager's Report.** Mr. Timothy Salmon stated I would just like to wish everyone a Happy New Year. I look forward to working with y'all, especially next month on the Retreat. I look forward to presenting those topics.

**Mayor and Councilmembers' Reports and Recommendations.** Councilmember Aycock stated no comment.

Councilmember Ham stated no comment.

Councilmember Matthews stated no comment.

Mayor Pro Tem Broadaway stated no comment.

Councilmember Polack stated yesterday in church we had our new assignment where we say we are all in. My Pastor reminded me of the African proverb, "if you want to move somewhere fast, travel alone, but if you want to go somewhere far, travel together." So that is what I think we need to do moving forward. I just want to start with y'all, everybody makes resolutions to say what they would like to try to do differently, but I am a man of consistency and I want to meet every demand of my constituents in my district. I knocked on too many doors and looked into too many faces, made too many promises to my people in my district, and the only way I am going to accomplish what I said I would for them is if we come to majority on a lot of these issues, because if we don't we are depriving the people that we said we were going to serve. Making a point or trying to prove a point is not going to get anything accomplished in our community. It has not been done in the past and if we do not come to a majority, we are going to

be a disservice to the people we promised these things too. So I want to be an integral part of that change. Thank you.

Councilmember Williams stated I want to wish everyone a Happy New Year. It is a new year, new things. We have a lot we need to accomplish here in the City and the County. So let's get started. Happy New Year and God bless.

Mayor Pro Tem Broadaway stated our Mayor is doing very well and I would like for everyone to continue to pray for him and pray for his recovery.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Bill Broadaway
Mayor Pro Tem

Melissa Capps, MMC/NCCMC
City Clerk