

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE GOLDSBORO CITY COUNCIL
DECEMBER 5, 2022

WORK SESSION

The City Council of the City of Goldsboro, North Carolina, met in a Work Session in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 214 North Center Street, at 5:00 p.m. on December 5, 2022.

Call to Order. Mayor Ham called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Roll Call.

Present: Mayor David Ham, Presiding
Mayor Pro Tem Taj Polack
Councilwoman Hiawatha Jones
Councilwoman Brandi Matthews
Councilman Charles Gaylor, IV
Councilman Greg Batts

Also Present: Tim Salmon, City Manager
Ron Lawrence, City Attorney
Matthew Livingston, Assistant City Manager
Holly Jones, Deputy City Clerk
Laura Getz, City Clerk

Absent: Councilman Bill Broadway

Adoption of the Agenda. Upon motion of Mayor Pro Tem Polack, seconded by Councilwoman Jones, and unanimously carried, Council adopted the agenda.

Old Business.

NPO Workers Comp Requirements. Councilman Gaylor reviewed the past discussions regarding the workers compensation requirements for NPOs. He recommended a reimbursement up to \$350 for NPOs that show proof of workers compensation insurance.

Councilman Gaylor made a motion to create a \$350 per recipient reimbursement toward the actual premiums paid for workers compensation insurance, for the NPO’s to be funded by the city for FY 22-23. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Polack.

Council discussed the workers compensation insurance requirement and the proposed reimbursement.

The motion passed unanimously.

Boards And Commissions Vacancies Discussion. Holly Jones, Deputy City Clerk, provided an update to Council regarding Boards and Commissions vacancies. Council discussed the vacancies and made recommendations to be approved at the December 19, 2022 Council meeting. The recommendations were as follows:

Commission on Community Relations and Development

Reappoint Carole Battle and Chretien Dumond.
Appoint Oravan Sewthaisong and David Elliot.

Historic District Commission

Reappoint Beverly Weeks and Terry Cottle.
Reappoint Robert Pinder for 1 year.
Appoint Jonathan Chavous.

Recreation Advisory Commission

Reappoint Larry Gerrard.
Reappoint Danielle Baptiste for 1 year.

Mayor’s Committee for Persons with Disabilities

Reappoint Arndrea Thomas and Wanda Becton.
Appoint David Simmons, Antwan Williams, and Sandra Merritt.

Goldsboro Planning Commission

Reappoint Kevin Brown.

New Business.

Goldsboro Affordable Housing Committee & Strategic Plan. Matthew Whittle with Habitat for Humanity presented the following:

Goldsboro Affordable Housing Committee & Strategic Plan



The Need

From the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice
By UNC Greensboro Center for Housing & Community Studies

Impediment 6: Lack of Affordable Housing Plan

It was quite clear from public feedback – the residents of Goldsboro want an affordable housing plan that takes into consideration low- and moderate- income residents’ needs and most importantly listens to their voices. Comprehensive planning efforts too often appease developers and NIMBYist community organizations and ignoring the root causes of inequality.



The Solution

From the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice
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Goal 6: Assemble an Affordable Housing Steering Committee and Commission a 10-Year Plan to Address Affordable Housing



Vision

A city that prioritizes and promotes affordable housing opportunities and equitable community development.



Mission

To work in conjunction with the City’s leadership and staff to advise the City Council on matters pertaining to housing challenges, opportunities and options that will result in fair, safe and affordable housing throughout the City.



Affordable Housing: What?

- Housing is considered affordable when it costs less than 30% of gross household income.



Affordable Housing: Who?

- Everyone, but often encompasses those families whose housing needs are not being met by “normal” market forces.
- Typically these families range from under 50% median family income to 120%.



Affordable Housing: Where?

- Not isolated to specific areas
- Throughout the city, in every neighborhood
- Mixed-income neighborhoods beneficial



Affordable Housing Why?

- Goldsboro has a poverty rate of 24.3%
- 52% households under 80% median family income
- 27% households cost-burdened (30-50% income on housing)
- 18% households severely cost-burdened, (>50% income on housing)



Affordable Housing: Why?

- 2.0% households overcrowded
- 2.7% households lack complete plumbing and/or kitchen facilities
- 39% households have housing need
- 21% households have severe housing need



Affordable Housing Why?

- 12.3% of households receive a housing voucher
- 87% of housing units are occupied
 - 60% are renter-occupied
 - 40% are owner-occupied



Affordable Housing Spectrum



Housing Challenges

- **Housing Supply** – not enough units, especially at affordable prices
- **Housing Diversity** – not enough choice in type, size and/or price
- **Housing Quality** – high number of vacant and/or distressed houses not safe or healthy



Housing Challenges

- **Housing Displacement** – long-time homeowners & renters have difficulty remaining due to increasing costs (values, taxes, rents, repairs)
- **Homelessness** – those in need of supportive services for successful housing



Strategic Considerations

- Repair v. Demolition
- New Construction v. Renovation
- Crime & Safety – Reality v. Perception
- Condition of surrounding houses



Strategic Considerations

- Access to health care, grocery stores, recreation
- Access to employment opportunities
- Access to transportation
- Who owns the land



Strategic Considerations

- Gentrification v. importance of diverse neighborhoods
- Zoning & Land use
- Infrastructure needed
- Availability of credit/financing & down payment assistance



HOW?

- Create a new, limited scope Affordable Housing Advisory Committee to create this plan
- OR**
- Charge the Commission on Community Relations and Development to create an ad-hoc committee to create this plan



Committee Role

Role is TO:

- Create & propose to City Council a 10-year plan for affordable housing & equitable community development
- Assist & advise Council in monitoring plan & updating as necessary



Committee Role

Role is TO:

- Help identify new & creative solutions to ongoing housing & community development challenges
- Coordinate with Planning Board & Community Development/Relations Commission when appropriate



Committee Role

Role is NOT TO:

- Replace or compete with Planning Board or the Community Development/Relations Commission
- Have any policy, fiscal or regulatory authority
- Approve or block new development



Committee Membership

- Grassroots & impacted community members
- Affordable housing related agencies & nonprofits
- For-profit builders and businesses
- Other stakeholders: transportation, education, health, faith, military



Council thanked Mr. Whittle for all that he does for the community, and discussed the creation of a committee versus charging the Commission on Community Relations and Development with the creation of a 10-Year Affordable Housing Action Plan. Council agreed to address this issue at a later time.

HUD Monitoring: CDBG FY19 & FY20. On August 8, 2022 thru August 12, 2022, HUD conducted a monitoring of the City's CDBG program to assess the City's performance and compliance with applicable federal requirements.

On October 11, 2022, HUD submitted a follow-up monitoring report to the City, citing 11 findings and 4 concerns, which resulted in a "Required Corrective Action" of repayment of CDBG funds in the amount of \$77,289.95.

The repayment must be made to HUD with non-federal funds, in which, HUD will return the funds back to the City’s CDBG line of credit for future program use. The following is a breakdown of the repayment items:

CDBG ACTIVITY	REPAYMENT AMOUNT
REHABILITATION DELIVERY: The City used HUD funds towards rehabilitation; however, according to HUD’s Integrated Disbursement and Information System (IDIS), the City did not carry out a HUD funded rehabilitation project.	\$42,560.97
WAYNE INITIATIVE FOR SCHOOL HEALTH (WISH): The City did not properly document a HUD National Objective and the eligibility of this project to ensure it was properly classified. Additionally, there was not sufficient beneficiary data in the records that matched what was put into IDIS.	\$10,000.00
WAYNE ACTION TEAM FOR COMMUNITY HEALTH (WATCH): The City did not properly document a HUD National Objective and the eligibility of this project to ensure it was properly classified. Additionally, there was not sufficient beneficiary data in the records that matched what was put into IDIS.	\$10,000.00
COVID-19 RESPONSE EFFORTS: The City did not properly document a HUD National Objective and the eligibility of this project to ensure it was properly classified.	\$3,888.98
MEPHIBOSHETH PROJECT, INC.: The City did not properly document a HUD National Objective and the eligibility of this project to ensure it was properly classified. Additionally, there was not sufficient beneficiary data in the records that matched what was put into IDIS.	\$5,000.00
GOLDSBORO-WAYNE TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY (GWTA): The City made an improper payment. The City’s written agreement (agency contract) did not adequately detail the allowable cost that will be paid and required source documentation needed for reimbursement.	\$5,840.00
TOTAL REPAYMENT:	\$77,289.95

It was recommended that City Council authorize the Finance Department to issue the repayment of CDBG funds to HUD from the General Fund.

Council discussed why the money had to be paid back. Felecia Williams, Community Relations Director, stated that we had 30 days to respond, and tried to provide proof that funds were eligible, but the response was insufficient.

Council asked for an explanation on how we would get the funding back. Felecia Williams, Community Relations Director stated that the funds will be returned to the CDBG line item once repaid to HUD.

Consent Agenda Review. Items H-U on the consent agenda were reviewed. Further discussion included the following:

Item I. Accept or Reject Initial Bid and Authorize Finance to Advertise for Upset Bids for 2009 Rose Street to Christopher White. Upon motion by Mayor Pro Tem Polack and seconded by Councilman Batts, Council unanimously accepted the initial bid.

The meeting recessed at 6:44 p.m.

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 December 5, 2022.

Mayor Ham called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Reverend Tom Millay with First Christian Church provided the invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Roll Call.

- Present:

Mayor David Ham, Presiding
Mayor Pro Tem Taj Polack
Councilwoman Hiawatha Jones
Councilwoman Brandi Matthews
Councilman Charles Gaylor, IV
Councilman Greg Batts
- Also Present:

Tim Salmon, City Manager
Ron Lawrence, City Attorney
Matthew Livingston, Assistant City Manager

Holly Jones, Deputy City Clerk
Laura Getz, City Clerk

Absent: Councilman Bill Broadway

Approval of Minutes. Mayor Pro Tem Polack made a motion to approve the minutes of the Work Session and Regular Meeting of November 21, 2022. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Jones and unanimously carried.

Presentations.

Order of the Long Leaf Pine Presentation. NC Representative Raymond Smith presented the Order of the Long-Leaf Pine to Ms. Comatha Boyette Johnson.

Public Hearings.

Z-21-22 Lane Farms, Inc. (Residential 20 Agriculture to General Business) – North side of Belfast Rd. west of US 117 (Future (I-795) – (Continued from 11/7/22). Ordinance Adopted.

ADDRESS: No physical address yet.
PARCEL #: 3601041212 (portion of)
PROPERTY OWNER: Lane Farms, Inc.
APPLICANT: Air Heaven Properties, LLC.

The applicant is requesting a rezoning for a 8.43 acre portion of the subject property from Residential 20 Agriculture (R-20A) to the General Business (GB) Zoning District. The purpose of the General Business (GB) Zoning District is to accommodate the widest range of uses providing general goods and services to the community. The district is intended to promote high quality, accessible developments serving the needs of the community and surrounding area.

Access: Belfast Rd.
Area: 8.43-acre portion of parcel (15.37-acre parcel)

SURROUNDING ZONING:

North: Residential 40 (R-40) & R-20A Conditional Zoning
South: General Business (GB)
East: Residential 20 Agriculture (R-20A) Conditional Zoning
West: Wayne County Zoning

The portion of the parcel proposed to be rezoned is currently vacant, the remaining occupied portion of the property contains a portion of a solar farm.

The City's Land Use Plan locates the portion of this parcel within two land use designations. The land use designations in which the portion of the parcel is located is Medium-Density Residential and Industrial. The portion proposed to be rezoned is primarily within the Industrial designation.

Medium-Density Residential: This designation was developed after evaluating the location of existing residential developments, identification of environmental constraints, and the location of infrastructure. Medium-Density designations exists in areas where water and sewer are available or where there are plans to extend water and sewer services. Corresponding zoning districts for the Medium-Density Residential designation are as follows; R-9SF, RM-9, R-12SF, and R-16.

Industrial: This designation was developed to establish and protect industrial areas for the use of prime industrial operations and for the distribution of products at wholesale.

The General Business (GB) Zoning District is not a desired zoning district for the Medium-Density Residential designation nor the Industrial designation. The Goldsboro Land Use Plan desires for new Industrial development to take place within an existing or planned industrial park. Given that a portion of this parcel has already been developed as a solar farm, it has very minimal potential to be developed as a planned industrial park.

This is a rezoning proposal for an 8.43-acre portion to be rezoned from the Residential 20 Agriculture (R-20A) Zoning District to the General Business (GB) Zoning District. Despite the General Business (GB) designation not being compliant with the land use designation, there are several factors which support a rezoning. These factors include the fact that this property is not an existing industrial development, as well as it lacks the full capability to become a future industrial park due to the presence of an existing solar farm. The portion of the property proposed to be rezoned is adjacent to other properties that are located in the General Business (GB) Zoning District and would aid in the growth of this area as it has the potential to develop.

Staff has distributed this proposed rezoning to several different departments as well as Seymour Johnson Air Force Base and NCDOT. There were no comments or recommendations.

Staff is recommending approval of the rezoning request based on the fact that there is adjacent General Business (GB) zoning and that the presence of the existing solar farm limits this parcels capability to be utilized as a future industrial park or site.

The City of Goldsboro Planning Commission met on October 24, 2022 to review and make a recommendation regarding the rezoning proposal. The Planning Commission voted to adopt the Consistency Statement (attached) and recommend approval to City Council for the proposed rezoning. The vote was 5-0 in unanimous favor of approval.

Staff recommended that Council vote to adopt the recommendation for approval and consistency statement that the Planning Commission has provided and vote to adopt the Approval Ordinance with the inclusion of the Consistency Statement, or Council vote to deny and adopt the Ordinance to Deny with the inclusion of a statement that deems this rezoning request to be inconsistent.

Mayor Ham opened the public hearing. The following person spoke:

- 1. Tim Simpson, 108 Riverbend Place, stated he is a member of the Salem United Methodist Church that shares a side property line with the proposed rezoning parcel. He asked questions about the General Business Zoning. Kenny Talton, Planning Director, addressed his questions.

No one else spoke and the public hearing was closed.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Polack to adopt the Ordinance approving the rezoning request. The motion was seconded by Councilman Gaylor, and unanimously carried. Council adopted the following entitled Ordinance.

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-61 “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP AND COMPREHENSIVE LAND USE MAP OF THE CITY OF GOLDSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA”

Z-23-22 Wayne County Government Complex (I-2, HB, O&I I, R-9 to O&I II). Ordinance Adopted. – East of Clingman St. between Corporate Dr. and the intersection of Stronach Ave. and Fourth St.

PARCEL #:	3600-41-8229	3600-40-1194	3600-40-4062
	3600-51-1256	3509-49-5902	3600-40-5015
	3600-40-7478	3509-49-4788	3600-40-5058

PROPERTY OWNER: County of Wayne
APPLICANT: County of Wayne

The applicant is requesting a rezoning for 31.84 acres of property from General Industry (I-2), Highway Business (HB), Office and Institutional (O&I-1), and Residential (R9) to the Office and Institutional (O&I-II) Zoning District. The Office and Institutional (O&I-II) Zoning District is established to provide for the development of municipal service sites. The intent of this district is to regulate those developments needed to serve the City and surrounding community.

SURROUNDING ZONING:

- North: General Business (GB)
- South: Residential (R6/R9)
- East: Office and Institutional (O&I-1)/Residential (R9)
- West: General Industry (I-2)/Highway Business (HB)

The parcels proposed to be rezoned are currently occupied by Wayne County’s 911 Communications Center, Wayne County’s Facility Services and Wayne County’s Animal, Adoption and Education Center. In addition, newly acquired parcels include a 20,000 sq. ft. facility formerly utilized as a daycare and a church, and three existing single-family dwellings.

The City’s Land Use Plan locates these parcels within four land use designations. The land use designations are identified as Office and Institution, Commercial, Industrial and Medium-Density Residential.

Office and Institutional: This designation was developed primarily in areas that have already been developed or require buffering to prevent potential conflicting land uses. In addition, these areas have been utilized along transportation corridors to help serve as a buffer from roadways and highway corridors.

Commercial: Emphasis is on the preservation and development of the Central Business District, control of strip development, infill development in existing commercial locations, and prohibition of commercial encroachments on existing residential neighborhoods.

Industrial: This designation was developed to establish and protect industrial areas for the use of prime industrial operations and for the distribution of products at wholesale.

Medium-Density Residential: This designation was developed after evaluating the location of existing residential developments, identification of environmental constraints, and the location of infrastructure. Medium-Density designations exists in areas where water and sewer are available or where there are plans to extend water and sewer services. Corresponding zoning districts for the Medium-Density Residential designation are as follows; R-9SF, RM-9, R-12SF, and R-16.

The Office and Institutional (O&I-II) Zoning District is not a corresponding zoning district within the Commercial, Medium-Density Residential and the Industrial land-use designation. However, a large portion of the subject property proposed to be rezoned is located within the Office and Institutional land-use designation.

As previously stated, this is a rezoning proposal for 31.84 acres to be rezoned from General Industry (I-2), Highway Business (HB), Office and Institutional (O&I-1), and Residential (R9) to Office and Institutional (O&I-II) Zoning District.

Despite the fact that the Office and Institutional (O&I-II) Zoning District is not a corresponding zoning district in the Commercial, Industrial, and Medium Density Residential land-use designations, there are several factors which support the rezoning request. These factors include the fact that a significant portion of the subject property is in the Office and Institutional land-use designation. In addition, the parcels proposed to be rezoned are adjacent to other County facilities that are permitted uses in the Office and Institutional-II Zoning District. Lastly, the Office and Institutional (O&I-II) Zoning District would serve as an appropriate buffer to mitigate conflicting land uses between commercial, industrial and residential land uses.

Staff has distributed this proposed rezoning to several different departments as well as Seymour Johnson Air Force Base and NCDOT. NCDOT stated that future development of the properties would require driveway permits at a minimum along state-maintained roads. In addition, potential roadway improvements may be required based on the design of the development.

Staff is recommending approval of the rezoning request based on the fact that that a significant portion of the subject property is in the Office and Institutional land-use designation. In addition, the parcels proposed to be rezoned are adjacent to other County facilities that are a permitted use in the Office and Institutional-II Zoning District. Lastly, the Office and Institutional (O&I-II) Zoning District would serve as an appropriate buffer to mitigate conflicting land uses between commercial, industrial and residential land uses.

The City of Goldsboro Planning Commission met on November 28, 2022 to review and make a recommendation regarding the rezoning proposal. The Planning Commission voted to adopt the Consistency Statement (attached) and recommend approval to City Council for the proposed rezoning. The vote was 5-0 in unanimous favor of approval.

Staff recommended that Council vote to adopt the recommendation for approval and consistency statement that the Planning Commission has provided and vote to adopt the Approval Ordinance with the inclusion of the Consistency Statement, or Council vote to deny and adopt the Ordinance to Deny with the inclusion of a statement that deems this rezoning request to be inconsistent.

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

A motion was made by Councilman Gaylor to adopt the Ordinance approving the rezoning request. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Polack, and unanimously carried. Council adopted the following entitled Ordinance.

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-62 “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP AND COMPREHENSIVE LAND USE MAP OF THE CITY OF GOLDSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA”

Z-24-22 Sport Durst Automobile Dealerships (SC, IBP-1 to GB). Ordinance Adopted. – East side of McLain Street between Oak Forest Road and East Ash Street Extension.

PARCEL #: 3518-99-6457 and 3518-99-7274
PROPERTY OWNER: HCM Properties of Goldsboro, LLC.
APPLICANT: Stephen L. Sutton

The applicant is requesting a rezoning for two parcels of property totaling 10.08 acres from Shopping Center (SC) and Industrial Business Park (IBP-1) to the General Business (GB) Zoning District. The General Business (GB) Zoning District is established to accommodate the widest range of uses providing general goods and services to the community. The intent of this district is to promote high quality, accessible developments serving the needs of the community and surrounding area.

SURROUNDING ZONING:

North: Industrial Business Park (IBP-I)/Shopping Center (SC)
South: General Business (GB)
East: Industrial Business Park (IBP-1)
West: General Business (GB)

The parcels proposed to be rezoned are currently vacant and utilized for agricultural purposes.

The City’s Land Use Plan locates these parcels within two land use designations. The land use designations are identified as Commercial and Industrial.

Commercial: Emphasis is on the preservation and development of the Central Business District, control of strip development, infill development in existing commercial locations, and prohibition of commercial encroachments on existing residential neighborhoods.

Industrial: This designation was developed to establish and protect industrial areas for the use of prime industrial operations and for the distribution of products at wholesale.

The General Business (GB) Zoning District is a corresponding zoning district within the Commercial land-use designation. However, it is not a corresponding zoning district within the Industrial land-use designation.

As previously stated, this is a rezoning proposal for two parcels of property totaling 10.08 acres to be rezoned from Shopping Center (SC) and Industrial Business Park (IBP-1) to General Business (GB) Zoning District.

Parcel #1: 3518-99-6457
Area: 221,459 sq. ft. or 5.084 acres

Zone: Shopping Center (SC)

Parcel #2: 3518-99-7274

Area: 217,887 sq. ft. or 5.00 acres

Zone: Industrial Business Park (IBP-1)

There are a couple of factors which support the rezoning request. These factors include that the proposed General Business Zoning District is identified as a corresponding district based off of the preferred future land-use for Parcel #1. Despite the fact that Parcel #2 is located in the Industrial land-use designation, development trends indicate that the proposed General Business Zoning District would be compatible with other zoning districts adjacent to the subject property and the E. US 70 Hwy. corridor.

Staff has distributed this proposed rezoning to several different departments as well as Seymour Johnson Air Force Base and NCDOT. There were no concerns or issues regarding the request.

Staff is recommending approval of the rezoning request based on the fact that tract #1 is a corresponding zoning district within the Commercial land-use designation. Despite the fact that tract #2 is located in the Industrial land-use designation, development trends indicate that the proposed General Business Zoning District would be compatible with other zoning districts adjacent to the subject property and the E. US 70 Hwy. corridor.

The City of Goldsboro Planning Commission met on November 28, 2022 to review and make a recommendation regarding the rezoning proposal. The Planning Commission voted to adopt the Consistency Statement (attached) and recommend approval to City Council for the proposed rezoning. The vote was 5-0 in unanimous favor of approval.

Staff recommended that Council vote to adopt the recommendation for approval and consistency statement that the Planning Commission has provided and vote to adopt the Approval Ordinance with the inclusion of the Consistency Statement, or Council vote to deny and adopt the Ordinance to Deny with the inclusion of a statement that deems this rezoning request to be inconsistent.

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

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Polack to adopt the Ordinance approving the rezoning request. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Jones, and unanimously carried. Council adopted the following entitled Ordinance.

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-63 "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP AND COMPREHENSIVE LAND USE MAP OF THE CITY OF GOLDSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA"

Non-Contiguous Annexation Petition – Harry and Mollie, LLC. Ordinance Adopted. – Located on the east side of N.C. Secondary Road No. 1758 (McLain St.) off E. US Hwy. 70 between N. Oak Forest Rd. and E. Ash St. Ext.

The City Council, at their meeting on November 21, 2022, scheduled a public hearing for the proposed annexation of the subject property. A public hearing notice was properly advertised stating the time, place and purpose of the meeting.

Pursuant to G. S. 160A-58, at the public hearing all persons owning property in the area proposed to be annexed, as well as the residents of the municipality, shall be given an opportunity to be heard on the proposed annexation.

If the Council determines that the proposed annexation meets all the requirements of G. S. 160A-58, it has the authority to adopt an annexation ordinance.

Attached is a report prepared by the Planning Department in conjunction with other departments, concerning the subject annexation area. All City services can be provided to the property.

It was recommended that Council, after the public hearing, adopt the following entitled Ordinance annexing Harry and Mollie, LLC. (Lot 12) effective December 30, 2022.

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

A motion was made by Councilman Gaylor to adopt the Ordinance approving the annexation request. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Polack, and unanimously carried. Council adopted the following entitled Ordinance.

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-64 "AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING CERTAIN NON-CONTIGUOUS REAL PROPERTY TO THE CITY OF GOLDSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA"

Z-25-22 Harry & Mollie, LLC (SC, IBP-1 to GB). Withdrawal Approved, and 6-month Reapplication Wait Period Waived. – East side of McLain Street between Oak Forest Road and East Ash Street Extension.

PARCEL #: 3519-90-5459

PROPERTY OWNER: Harry and Mollie, LLC.

APPLICANT: Harry and Mollie, LLC

The applicant is requesting a rezoning for 175.23 acres from Shopping Center (SC) and Industrial Business Park (IBP-1) to the General Business (GB) Zoning District. The General Business (GB) Zoning District is established to accommodate the widest range of uses providing general goods and services to the community. The intent of this district is to promote high quality, accessible developments serving the needs of the community and surrounding area.

SURROUNDING ZONING:

North: Industrial Business Park (IBP-I)/Shopping Center (SC)

South: General Business (GB), Residential (R16/R20A/R9CZ)
East: Industrial Business Park (IBP-1), Residential (R20A)
West: General Business (GB)

The parcels proposed to be rezoned are currently vacant and utilized for agricultural purposes.

The City's Land Use Plan locates these parcels within two land use designations. The land use designations are identified as Industrial and Conservation.

Industrial: This designation was developed to establish and protect industrial areas for the use of prime industrial operations and for the distribution of products at wholesale.

Conservation: This designation includes areas that have been evaluated based on land conservation values such as prime agricultural soils, ecological habitats, historic resources, scenic and open space benefits. Examples include City, County and State-owned open spaces, recreational areas, flood-damaged buy-out properties, privately-owned conservation areas, wetlands or larger transitional buffer areas.

The General Business (GB) Zoning District is not a corresponding zoning district within the Industrial land-use designation. There are no corresponding zoning districts in the Conservation land-use designation.

As previously stated, this is a rezoning proposal for 175.23 acres to be rezoned from Shopping Center (SC), Industrial Business Park (IBP-1) to General Business (GB) Zoning District. This is a general rezoning. As such, all uses must be considered in the proposal to rezone the property.

The subject property is adjacent to property commonly identified as the Park East Industrial Park. It is one of two industrial parks in Wayne County.

According to the City of Goldsboro's Comprehensive Land-Use Plan (CLUP), incompatible non-industrial uses shall not be allowed to encroach upon existing or planned industrial sites. Rezoning the property to General Business will create opportunities for uses permitted by right in the General Business (GB) Zoning District to locate adjacent to existing or planned industrial sites. In addition, the CLUP encourages new industrial development to locate in existing or planned industrial parks. Rezoning the property to General Business (GB) reduce opportunities for attracting new and existing industries to Park East. There is also currently Shopping Center zoning that is present on the parcel, this zoning district has the potential to accommodate a majority of the same types of land uses that the General Business district would accommodate. Lastly, it will decrease the existing industrial park's potential for future growth and development.

Staff has distributed this proposed rezoning to several different departments as well as Seymour Johnson Air Force Base and NCDOT. There were no concerns or issues regarding the request.

Staff is recommending denial of the rezoning request. There are several factors that would support not approving the rezoning request. According to the City of Goldsboro's Comprehensive Land-Use Plan (CLUP), incompatible non-industrial uses shall not be allowed to encroach upon existing or planned industrial sites. Rezoning the property to General Business will create opportunities for uses permitted by right in the General Business (GB) Zoning District to locate adjacent to existing or planned industrial sites. In addition, the CLUP encourages new industrial development to locate in existing or planned industrial parks. Rezoning the property to General Business (GB) reduce opportunities for attracting new and existing industries to Park East. Lastly, it will decrease the existing industrial park's potential for future growth and development.

The City of Goldsboro Planning Commission met on November 28, 2022 to review and make a recommendation regarding the rezoning proposal. The Planning Commission voted to adopt the Inconsistency Statement (attached) and recommend denial to City Council for the proposed rezoning. The vote was 4-0 in favor of denial. One Planning Commission member abstained from voting due to a business relationship defined as a conflict of interest.

Staff recommended that Council vote to adopt the recommendation for denial and Inconsistency Statement that the Planning Commission has provided and vote to adopt the Denial Ordinance with the inclusion of the Inconsistency Statement, or Council vote to approve and adopt the Ordinance to Approve with the inclusion of a statement that deems this rezoning request to be consistent with the City's Land-Use Plan.

Kenny Talton, Planning Director, stated that the applicant had requested for the application to be withdrawn, and for Council to waive the 6-month wait period to resubmit an application.

Council discussed the request.

A motion was made by Councilman Gaylor to approve the request to withdraw the application and to waive the 6-month wait period to resubmit an application. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Polack. Mayor Ham, Mayor Pro Tem Polack, Councilmembers Jones, Matthews, and Gaylor voted in favor of the motion. Councilman Batts did not vote, however, pursuant to NCGS G.S. 160A-75, Councilman Batts vote would be considered an affirmative vote. The motion passed.

Public Comment Period. Mayor Ham opened the public comment period. The following person spoke:

1. Terri Bradley, Commission for Community Relations and Development Chair, spoke about the Commission and assured Council that they are putting together a comprehensive plan and doing their due diligence. She also spoke to the challenges involved.

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

Consent Agenda – Approved as Recommended. City Manager Tim Salmon 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. Mayor Pro Tem Polack moved the items on the Consent Agenda, Items H-U be approved as recommended by the City Manager and staff. The motion was seconded by Councilman Gaylor, and a roll call vote resulted in all members voting in favor of the motion.

The items on the Consent Agenda were as follows:

Operating Budget Amendment FY22-23. Ordinance Adopted. Council adopted the FY22-23 annual operating budget on June 20, 2022.

Community Relations – CDBG Repayment

The City’s response to the HUD monitoring letter from October 11th, requires the repayment of activities deemed ineligible by HUD. The activities consisted of the following:

IDIS #	Description	Amount	Date of Transaction
678	Rehabilitation Delivery	\$42,560.97	Payroll Related Jun-Jul-Aug 2020
682	WISH	10,000.00	6/24/2020
683	WATCH	10,000.00	6/9/2020
685	COVID-19 Response Efforts	3,888.98	7/27/2020; 9/14/2020
686	Mephibosheth, Inc.	5,000.00	8/4/2020
676	GWTA	5,840.00	12/3/2019
	Total	\$77,289.95	

The repayment is to occur on or before December 11, 2022. These expenditures shall be funded with a reduction of contingency in the General Fund.

An analysis of the Contingency Appropriation for the General Fund is presented:

Date	Description	Adopted
6/20/2022	Ord 2022-31 FY22-23 Adopted Budget	\$ 1,075,365.00
11/21/2022	Ord 2022-60 11/21/22 Golf Carts & Storage	(266,000.00)
	Current Year Appropriations	<u>\$ 809,365.00</u>
12/5/2022	CDBG Payback 10/11/22 Monitoring Letter	\$ (77,289.95)
	Proposed	<u>\$ (77,289.95)</u>
	Proposed Ending Balance - Contingency General Fund	<u><u>\$ 732,075.05</u></u>

An analysis of Appropriated Fund Balance for the General Fund is presented:

Date	Description	Adopted
6/20/2022	Ord 2022-31 FY22-23 Adopted Budget	\$ -
8/15/2022	FY21-22 Purchase Order Rollovers	\$ 1,183,863.21
9/6/2022	Insurance Proceeds FY22 for Purchase of Chevrolet Tahoes	\$ 11,000.00
	Current Year Appropriations	<u>\$ 1,194,863.21</u>
	Proposed	<u>\$ -</u>
	Current Year with Proposed	<u><u>\$ 1,194,863.21</u></u>

Staff recommended that City Council adopt the following entitled ordinance to amend the FY22-23 Operating Budget for the General Fund. Consent Agenda Approval. Polack/Gaylor (6 Ayes)

ORDINANCE NO. 2022 -65 “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE BUDGET ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GOLDSBORO FOR THE 2022-23 FISCAL YEAR”

Accept or Reject Initial Bid and Authorize Finance to Advertise for Upset Bids for 2009 Rose Street to Christopher White. Resolution Adopted. Staff has received an offer to purchase city/county owned property. Council must either accept or reject the offer, and if accepted authorize advertisement for upset bids (G.S. 160A-266 and 160A-269).

The following offer has been received for the sale of surplus real property under Negotiated offer, advertisement, and upset bid process (G.S. §160A-266(a) (3))

2009 Rose Street
Offeror: Christopher White
Offer: \$5,500.00
Bid Deposit: \$300.00
Parcel #: 54277 Pin #: 3509849535
Tax Value: \$11,000.00 Zoning: R9

The offer is at least 50% of the tax value of the property. The bid deposit of 5% has been received in the form of a personal check. The Planning Department shall notify the adjoining property owners via mail that the property is available for sale via upset bid.

Staff recommended that City Council accept or reject the offer on 2009 Rose Street, and if accepted, adopt the following entitled resolution authorizing Finance to advertise for upset bids. Consent Agenda Approval. Polack/Gaylor (6 Ayes)

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-113 “RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING UPSET BID PROCESS”

Ordinance Amendment – “Panhandling”. Ordinance Adopted. City of Goldsboro Code of Ordinances Title IX Chapter 96. Nuisances. contains rules and regulations regarding nuisances within the City.

Sec. 96.12 Aggressive panhandling prohibited on city streets, sidewalks, and other public places. Provides regulations for aggressive panhandling within the City. The current definitions do not clearly differentiate between “panhandling” and “aggressive panhandling”, nor have prohibited areas been clearly defined. This has created confusion regarding enforcement actions.

Additionally, enforcement actions have been hindered due to the difficulty of identifying and notifying individuals, tracking ordinance violations, and identifying repeat offenders. Adding a Panhandling Permit process would standardize and streamline enforcement actions while enhancing public safety.

Per discussion at the November 7, 2022 Council Meeting, the attached amendment provides updated language and procedures regarding the regulation of panhandling as outlined in “General Regulations”.

Staff recommended that Council accept the staff’s recommendation and adopt the following entitled amendment changing “General Regulations” as indicated above. Consent Agenda Approval. Polack/Gaylor (6 Ayes)

ORDINANCE 2022-66 “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 96 ENTITLED “NUISANCES” OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GOLDSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA”

Resolution – Radio Telemetry Upgrade Project – Phase III - \$316,388.00. Resolution Adopted. The City of Goldsboro contracted with CITI in May/2020 to conduct a three-phase project to improve and upgrade the existing telemetry system. Phase I was the physical radio propagation test which was completed May 2020. Phase II was to setup fiber optic networks for all 4 water tanks and this was completed June 2021. Phase III is upgrading the telemetry system which needs to be completed so all the telemetry system will be brought up to date.

This is the final phase of the project. CITI will install equipment at 2 water elevated tanks as data collectors to reach the remotes sites around the City. They will also be replacing the obsolete radio equipment located at the lift stations near those water elevated tanks. Doing this will bring the system up to current operating standards.

Staff recommended that Council approve the following entitled Resolution and authorize the completion of Radio Telemetry Upgrade Project – Phase III to bring the system up to current standards. Consent Agenda Approval. Polack/Gaylor (6 Ayes)

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-114 “RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CITY STAFF TO EXECUTE THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTATION TO COMPLETE RADIO TELEMARY PROJECT PHASE-III”

Resolution – Contract to proceed with New Hope Bar Screen Upgrade project \$335,400.00. Resolution Adopted. The City of Goldsboro owns and operates one (1) bar screen at New Hope lift station. The lift station was put in service in 1993. The bar screen is original equipment for that lift station. With 29 years of operational use the bar screen has exceeded is operational life expectancy.

The purpose work consists of removing the existing bar screen at New Hope lift station and replacing it with a new bar screen. The project was published as FB 2022-004. Bids were received until 2:00pm 9/22/22. Laughlin-Sutton Construction company was the lowest bid for the New Hope Bar Screen replacement.

Staff recommended that Council adopt the following entitled resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute the contract in the amount of \$335,400.00 with Laughlin-Sutton Construction Company to remove and install a new bar screen at New Hope lift station. Consent Agenda Approval. Polack/Gaylor (6 Ayes)

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-115 “CONTRACT TO PROCEED WITH THE REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT OF THE NEW HOPE LIFT STATION BARSCREEN”

Resolution – Contract to proceed with Water Reclamation Facility Bulk Chemical Storage Tank Upgrade project \$118,450.00. Resolution Adopted. The City of Goldsboro owns and operates two (2) 10,000-gallon Chemical Bulk Storage Tanks at the Water Reclamation Facility. One (1) 10,000-gallon Sodium Hypochlorite tank was installed in Y 2000 and the 10,000-gallon Caustic Soda tank was install in Y1993. The Caustic Soda tank has met its operational life expectancy and needs to be replaced.

The purpose of the work consists of removing the existing 10,000-gallon Caustic Soda tank and associated plumbing and replacing it with a new 10,000-gallon Chemical Bulk storage tank and associated chemical feed lines. The project was published as IFB 2022-015. Bids were received until 2:00pm 7/22/22. Dellinger Inc. was the lowest bid for the New Bulk Chemical Tank replacement.

Staff recommended that Council adopt the following entitled resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute the contract in the amount of \$118,450.00 with Dellinger Inc. to remove the existing Caustic tank and install a new replacement Bulk Chemical Storage Tank. Consent Agenda Approval. Polack/Gaylor (6 Ayes)

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-116 “CONTRACT TO PROCEED WITH THE REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT OF CHEMICAL BULK STORAGE TANK AT THE WATER RECLAMTION FACILITY”

Resolution – Automatic Transfer Switch for Water Treatment Plant Upgrade Project \$240,905.00 Automatic Transfer Switch for Neuse River Pump Station Upgrade project \$90,365.95, and Westbrook Pump Station Generator system upgrade project \$794,571.00. Resolution Adopted. The City of Goldsboro owns and operates one (1) automatic transfer switch at the Neuse River Pump Station and one (1) automatic transfer switch at the Water Treatment Facility. These ATSS at the facilities assist in transferring power from commercial power to generator power during power outages. This keeps equipment operable at the designated facilities during the power loss situations. The City of Goldsboro owns and operates one (1) generator at the Westbrook pump station. Westbrook Pump Station is the main wastewater pump station for the City of Goldsboro. The generator maintains power to this facility during power outages. The generator was installed new in 1994.

The Automatic Transfer Switches for the Water Plant and the Neuse River Pump Station are in poor condition and are in need of replacement and the Westbrook Generator has exceeded its life expectancy. These items need replacement to keep these crucial facilities operational. §143-129 establishes the State bidding requirements for purchase of apparatus, supplies, materials, or equipment. Subsection (e)(3) grants the city authority to exempt purchases from the bidding requirements when purchases are made through a cooperative bidding group. Sourcewell is such a group and Gregory Poole is the local dealer for Sourcewell contract #120617-CAT.

Staff recommended that Council adopt the following entitled Resolution to purchase and install the Automatic Transfer Switch for the Water Treatment Facility, Automatic Transfer Switch for the Neuse River Pump Station, and Westbrook Pump Station Generator. Consent Agenda Approval. Polack/Gaylor (6 Ayes)

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-117 “RESOLUTION OF INTENT TO PURCHASE USING PROCUREMENT EXCEPTION”

Intent to Purchase using Procurement Exception. Resolution Adopted. The City of Goldsboro owns and operates four (4) sand filters used at the Water Reclamation Facility. These sand filters further filter the water that has been discharged from the clarifiers in the wastewater treatment process. They are crucial to the treatment process.

Sand filter #2 underdrain system has failed and now is need of repair. Mixing this system with another manufacturer’s product would not be possible as the parts are incompatible. These sand filters are manufactured by Aqua Aerobic Systems Inc and the parts and services needed to rebuild sand filter #2 will be purchased directly from the manufacturer. General Statute 143-129 establishes the State bidding requirements for purchase of apparatus, supplies, materials, or equipment. Subsection (e)(6)(i) grants the city authority to exempt purchases from the bidding requirements when performance and price competition for these products are not available.

Staff recommended that Council adopt the following entitled Resolution to purchase the sand filter service and repair parts using the procurement exemption and authorize the purchase to maintain compatibility with the current system. Consent Agenda Approval. Polack/Gaylor (6 Ayes)

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-118 “RESOLUTION OF INTENT TO PURCHASE USING PROCUREMENT EXCEPTION”

Non-Contiguous (Satellite) Annexation Petition – J and J Daniels Farming Enterprises, LLC. Referred to the Clerk. Located on the east side of South NC 111 Hwy. (Corner of South NC 111 Hwy. and Ditchbank Rd.)

The applicant is requesting that non-contiguous property described by metes and bounds in Item 2 of the attached petition be annexed to the City of Goldsboro. Maps showing the property proposed to be annexed are attached. City council approved the change of zone request (Z-14-22) for the above property from Wayne County Community Shopping/City of Goldsboro Residential (R20) to Residential (R9) on July 11, 2022.

Area: 475,235 sq. ft. or 10.91 acres

Pursuant to G.S. 160A-58, City Council shall fix a date for public hearing on the proposed annexation if the petition is considered sufficient by the City Clerk. Sufficiency requires the City Clerk to make the following findings:

1. The nearest point on the proposed satellite corporate limits must be not more than three miles from the primary corporate limits of the annexing city;

2. No point on the proposed satellite corporate limits may be closer to the primary corporate limits of another city than to the primary corporate limits of the annexing city;
3. The area must be situated that the annexing city will be able to provide the same services within the proposed satellite corporate limits that it provides within its primary corporate limits;
4. The area within the proposed satellite corporate limits, when added to the area within all other satellite corporate limits, may not exceed 10% of the area within the primary corporate limits of the annexing city.

The City Council, at their meeting on December 5, 2022 would request the City Clerk to determine the sufficiency of the petition. If the petition is determined to be sufficient, a public hearing would be scheduled and a report would be prepared by the Planning Department, in conjunction with other City departments, for submission to the Council.

Staff recommended that Council request the City Clerk to examine the annexation petition to determine its sufficiency. Consent Agenda Approval. Polack/Gaylor (6 Ayes)

SU-13-22 Accessory Dwelling. Approved. – East side of W. New Hope Rd., located between the intersection of Cuyler Best Rd. and S. Harding Dr.

This Special Use Permit was voted on and approved at the November 21, 2022, meeting and is not eligible for further deliberation or discussion.

Staff recommended that Council review the Order to Approve, and Mayor Ham to sign the order. Consent Agenda Approval. Polack/Gaylor (6 Ayes)

SU-14-22 Fly Buy Auto, LLC. Approved. (Used Car Sales) – Northeast side of US Hwy 70 E (Warren Supply).

This Special Use Permit was voted on and approved at the November 21, 2022, meeting and is not eligible for further deliberation or discussion.

Staff recommended that Council review the Order to Approve, and Mayor Ham to sign the order. Consent Agenda Approval. Polack/Gaylor (6 Ayes)

SU-15-22 C.A.L.M. Properties & Investments, LLC (Triplex). Approved. –Corner of Wayne Ave. and Sycamore St.

This Special Use Permit was voted on and approved at the November 21, 2022, meeting and is not eligible for further deliberation or discussion.

Staff recommended that Council review the Order to Approve, and Mayor Ham to sign the order. Consent Agenda Approval. Polack/Gaylor (6 Ayes)

Rescheduling Council Meetings for 2023. Approved. The Goldsboro City Council normally meets the 1st and 3rd Mondays of every month for their Regular Council Meeting.

The following meetings need to be rescheduled due to holidays:

- Monday, January 2, 2023 due to New Year's
- Monday, January 16, 2023 is in observance of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Birthday
- February 20, 2023 due to Council Retreat
- Monday, July 4, 2023 due to Independence Day
- Monday, September 4, 2023 is in observance of Labor Day

Staff suggests Council consider rescheduling the above meetings to the following dates:

- Monday, January 9, 2023
- Monday, January 23, 2023
- Council Retreat will be held February 22-23, 2023
- Combining the July meetings to Monday, July 17, 2023
- Tuesday, September 5, 2023

Staff recommended that Council accept staff recommendations and approve the 2023 regular Council Meeting schedule. Consent Agenda Approval. Polack/Gaylor (6 Ayes)

Boards and Commissions Meetings for 2023. Approved. The City of Goldsboro's General Rules of Order for Boards and Commissions states that each December council adopts a comprehensive meeting schedule for all City public bodies.

Boards and Commissions members were requested to review dates for 2023 to determine conflicts with holidays or other city events. These dates may be amended with proper notice to the clerk's office.

Staff recommended that Council accept staff recommendations and approve the 2023 Boards and Commissions Meetings schedule. Consent Agenda Approval. Polack/Gaylor (6 Ayes)

End of Consent Agenda.

Items Requiring Individual Action.

Encroachment Agreement for Cry Freedom Missions. Resolution Adopted. Cry Freedom Missions (CFM) requests the installation of an air filtration and exhaust system, which is required for the commercial kitchen as part of their business expansion at 111 N. Center Street, Goldsboro, NC. While building permits were obtained initially, the contractor did not secure a hood permit. It was noted on a field inspection that the new hood/air ventilation system encroached over 6 feet into a city pocket park. As such, City Inspectors notified the contractor and informed them that design plans, along with a permit application, would be required per state building code. It was also noted that, in part due to the height and extension from the building, an encroachment agreement is required.

It is the City's understanding that design options are limited, such that while it may be possible to design other options, they are cost prohibitive. One option that would also satisfy the legal way forward is the use of an encroachment agreement. that allows CFM property to extend over a portion of the City's property and gives CFM no other rights. Staff believes this is the most efficient solution. The City Attorney has drafted an agreement that allows work on the property and ventilation hood to move forward.

Staff recommended that the Council approve the following entitled resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute the proposed encroachment agreement, at no direct cost to the City.

Matthew Livingston, Assistant City Manager, presented the item. Jonathan Chavous and Bill Royal, representing Cry Freedom Missions, provide further information. Council discussed the encroachment and proposed agreement.

A motion was made by Councilman Gaylor to approve the proposed encroachment agreement. The motion was seconded by Councilman Batts. Mayor Ham, Mayor Pro Tem Polack, Councilman Gaylor, and Councilman Batts voted in favor of the motion. Councilwoman Jones and Councilwoman Matthews voted against the motion. By a vote of 4-2 the motion passed, and Council adopted the following entitled Resolution.

RESOLUTION 2022-119 "RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN ENCROACHMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF GOLDSBORO AND CRY FREEDOM MISSIONS"

City Manager's Report. Tim Salmon thanked everyone that helped with the Jingle in the Park, the Christmas parade, and Lights Up events.

Mayor and Councilmembers' Comments.

Councilwoman Jones congratulated Continental Sister Comatha Johnson on her award. She also challenged everyone that if there is anyone you have not forgiven, this is a great time of year to do so.

Mayor Pro Tem Polack gave a shout out to Mr. DeCarlo Russell who reached out to him over the Thanksgiving season, and donated 30 pounds of turkey barbecue, which was distributed to the homeless community by Mr. Thomas Rice. He also thanked everyone on behalf of his granddaughter for allowing her to ride on the sleigh Saturday in the parade; she thoroughly enjoyed herself.

Councilwoman Matthews had no comment.

Councilman Gaylor thanked Mayor Pro Tem Polack for bringing his granddaughter to the parade; it made it all worthwhile. He also thanked everyone for their work on the parade, and those that repaired the sleigh.

Councilman Batts had no comment.

Mayor Ham added to the comments about the Christmas Parade and stated they were blessed that the parade went off as scheduled in light of the weather. He stated that the town and community really come out for worthy causes, and events such as the parade and Lights Up really brings out the holiday spirit in people. Mayor Ham stated that Goldsboro is a city on the move and is moving forward. He stated our ability to come together and do good things for the City of Goldsboro and make it grow is evidenced by events like that.


Closed Session.


Upon motion of Mayor Pro Tem Polack, seconded by Councilwoman Jones and unanimously carried, Council went into Closed Session to discuss litigation.

After the Closed Session was held, Council came out of Closed Session and back into Open Session.

There being no further business, Mayor Ham adjourned the meeting at 9:20 p.m.




David Ham
Mayor


Holly Jones
Deputy City Clerk