

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL HELD
FEBRUARY 3, 2020

WORK SESSION

The Mayor and 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 February 3, 2020 with attendance as follows:

Present:

Mayor Chuck Allen, Presiding
Mayor Pro Tem Bill Broadaway
Councilmember Antonio Williams
Councilmember Taj Polack
Councilmember Brandi Matthews
Councilmember David Ham
Councilmember Gene Aycock
Ron Lawrence, Attorney
Tim Salmon, City Manager
Melissa Capps, City Clerk
Octavius Murphy, Assistant to the City Manager
Jennifer Collins, Planning Director
Brad Hinnant, Assistant IT Director
Felicia Brown, Interim P&R Director
Mike Wagner, Public Utilities Director
Rick Fletcher, Public Works Director
Joseph Dixon, Fire Chief
Erin A Fonseca, DGDC Marketing & Events Manager
Catherine Gwynn, Finance Director
Shycole Simpson-Carter, Community Relations Director
Adam Twiss, Paramount Theatre & Event Center Director
Obie Agbasi, Golf Director
Ashlin Glatthar, Travel & Tourism Director
Ken Conners, News Director, Curtis Media Group (arrived at 5:03 p.m.)
Eddie Fitzgerald, News Argus Reporter
Freeman Hardison, GWTA Board
Keyon Carter, Citizen
Lonnie Casey, Citizen
Bobby Mathis, Citizen
Della Mathis, Citizen
Yvonnia Moore, Citizen
Jay Bauer, Citizen
Amy Bauer, Citizen
LeKeshia Polack, Citizen
Patricia Polack, Citizen
Kelvin Stallings, Citizen
Sylvia Barnes, Citizen
Steve Ashford, Citizen
Mareese Mitchell, Citizen
Wells Warner, Golf Course Committee
Douglas Safford, Golf Course Committee
Joe Thomas, Citizen
Chretien Dumond, Commission on Community Development
Jimmie Edmundson, Citizen
Gloria Hurley, Citizen
Lisa Hurtado, Citizen
Anitra Hurley-Holmes, Citizen
Dustin Pittman, Citizen
Washea Lancaster, Citizen
Dwight Sutton, Citizen
Renardo Roberson, Citizen
Constance Coram, Citizen

Mark Metzler, Citizen
Lauren Metzler, Citizen
Kim Rhodes, Citizen
Alicia Pierce, Citizen
Georgia Dees, Citizen

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

Adoption of the Agenda. Upon motion of Councilmember Ham, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Broadaway and unanimously carried, Council moved Item E. Z-24-19 J.D. Pike, Jr. – West side of N. Center Street between W. Oak Street and W. Ash Street (CBD to GB) to Items Requiring Individual Action.

Upon motion of Councilmember Ham, seconded by Councilmember Polack and unanimously carried, Council approved the agenda as amended.

Goldsboro Municipal Golf Course Committee Presentation. Mr. Douglas Safford shared the following information:

Purpose and Duties

- Recommend ways to improve and enhance the quality of customer service and overall appearance of the golf course
- Review club house operations and overall maintenance and upkeep of the golf course.

Our Commitment

- Keeping GMGC Open and Affordable
- Finding Ways to Eliminate Unnecessary Expenditures
- Providing a Quality Place for All People to Enjoy The Game of Golf
- Being Good Stewards of Our Greenways

GMGC Committee Report Overview

- Obie Agbasi, Director
- Final Budget Numbers for 2019
- 2019 Completed Projects
- 2020 Projects for Committee and GMGC Staff

Golf Director – Obie Agbasi

16 Years of Experience In:

- Golf Course Management
- Tournament Operations
- Event Planning
- Budget Management
- Organizational Growth
- Business Development
- Client and Vendor Relations
- Training and Development
- Change Management
- Regulatory compliance
- Program Coordination
- Member Satisfaction

2019 Financial Overview

BUDGET	\$675,258
EXPENDITURES	- 533,844
REVENUES	555,061
P&L	\$ 21,217

*Used 83% of budget

Averaged 1944 rounds of golf per month

2019 Completed Projects

- Implemented Two additional Ways to Pay Dues
- Repaired Irrigation on #16
- Replaced Traps by Grass Bunkers on Holes 3 and 13
- Ramped Up Greens Maintenance to Improve Putting Surfaces
- Removed Fences and Pampas Grass to Speed Up Play
- Installed Booster Pump for Tennis Courts
- Sodded Areas to the Right of #15 Green and #10 Pond
- Linked Ponds on Holes 4 and 16 to Prevent Flooding onto John Street
- Provided a Place for City to Distribute Reclaimed Water
- Began Driving Range Upgrade Which is Almost Completed
- Increased Membership
- Joined the Eastern Women's League
- Hosting the Wayne County Ladies Amateur Tournament
- Hosted Veterans on Veterans Day
- Hosted Back to School Supplies in September, Food Drive in November and Toy Drive in December for Distribution in the Community
- Supported Summer Youth Program

2020 Projects for Committee and GMGC Staff

- Contract Out a Vendor to Provide Fresh Sandwiches with a Portion of Proceeds Returned to GMGC
- Follow Tree Cutting Recommendations by Joe Martikke, GMGC Superintendent
- Continue with Best Course Management Practices on Greens and Fairways and Address Low Wet Spots Course Wide
- Begin Recycling
- Urge NCDOT to Clean Out Perimeter Drainage Ditches
- Repaint Parking Spaces
- Develop an Event Center Parking Management Plan
- Budget the Repairs on Dirt Bunkers on 11 and 18 to be Waste Bunkers
- Budget a Golf Friendly Point of Sale System
- Reestablish our Tournament Committee

Mr. Safford stated the committee would like to thank City Manager Tim Salmon, Assistant to the City Manager Octavius Murphy, and Parks and Recreation Interim Director Felicia Brown for their participation at our monthly meetings. We'd also like to recognize Jon Johnson who stepped in as interim director after the retirement of Jody Dean up to the hiring of Obie Agbasi. Jon did an outstanding job and was a stabilizing force for GMGC during our transition period. Just a reminder, all committee meetings are open to the public. We meet the 3rd Wednesday of each month and invite the city council to come and see the course, experience the jewel of the city, and attend our meetings.

Additional discussion included the need for a golf friendly point of sale software.

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

Item I. Rental Rates for T. C. Coley Community Center. Mayor Allen shared when this came up, staff's recommendation was to tear the building down and we got involved because number one it is a very fragile neighborhood and anything we could do to make the neighborhood better, we wanted to do. Number two, there was a lot of history there, Mr. Coley meant a lot, the building meant a lot to people growing up in Goldsboro. Most important, I always have people coming in looking for cheaper rental rates. It just made sense to leave the building and we have put about \$200,000 in the building. The idea was to find an independent group to run it, but that never has worked out for several reasons. Maybe that does work out one day but for now we need to try to make the building useable.

Councilmember Matthews stated at the last meeting, Councilman Williams recommended \$500 and the board agreed kind of openingly, I'm looking at the contract and it says \$450, so I am just wondering when did it change.

Mayor Allen stated I've heard \$450 and \$500. It can be whatever the board wants it to be.

Councilmember Polack stated I just got the opportunity to speak to Mr. Ashford's advocates, is it prohibited for outside people to use that space as far as baby showers. I think the biggest misconception is in the community, what has been asked to me is we want to have things here but it is being shut down.

Mayor Allen stated if he has signed the lease he has rented the gym, the gym would not be available. A year or so ago when Councilmember Foster was here we had some back and forth and we just didn't rent to anyone.

Councilmember Matthews stated I thought it was closed to outside renters because they had to have that non-profit status.

Ms. Brown stated we were not renting it at all, non-profits were allowed to use it at no cost. In one of my presentations I shared we had received multiple calls from people wanting to rent especially the recreation room for baby showers, anniversary dinners, but we couldn't because council had decided to just let non-profits use it. From there this is how we have got to this point.

Council continued to discuss renters and rates.

Councilmember Williams stated I see where you did put something in the contract that if the city needed it for an emergency and asked if Ms. Brown had given Mr. Ashford the contract.

Ms. Brown stated I have not had an opportunity to speak with him since the initial contact discussing the rental rates. The current contract is based on the previous contract that was drawn up with changes to include the city being able to use it in emergency situations.

Councilmember Williams stated I see Mr. Ashford, I just want to bring you up to speed, what we suggested as a council, when we have emergencies, we have a problem when it comes to emergency storms and people being displaced, a lot of times they go to our schools, the schools can only hold displaced people for a certain amount of time and we wanted to be able to use that facility so people would not be put into the streets.

Item E. Z-24-19 J.D. Pike Jr. - West side of N. Center Street between W. Oak Street and W. Ash Street. Councilmember Williams stated can you elaborate for people who do not know what the requirements are for a general business, what can go there.

Ms. Collins stated so there are several uses, there is a table in the UDO. The central business district is just more restrictive. There are several uses that are not allowed in the central business district that are allowed in general business. Some of those would require a conditional use permit, and if they were in the general business it would come back before city council but there are some that are permitted out right. For example, a car wash is not allowed in a central business district but it is allowed in general business, assuming they met the UDO requirements. The central business district is more restrictive.

Councilmember Williams stated my concern is if we just allow this to be general business we do not know what kind of business, it could be a recycling plant, we just don't know. So I would just ask the council to wait until we have someone we know going in there and know what the requirements will be.

Councilmember Aycock asked if it could be a used car lot. Ms. Collins stated a used car lot requires a conditional use permit in general business.

Councilmember Matthews stated I have talked with Mr. Pike and he said it belongs to his family and they could possibly be considering selling it, but they cannot sell it with the current zoning. So that was one of the driving reasons they wanted to change it.

Mayor Allen stated they can sell it. I told Mr. Pike if they came up with a legitimate use, the council would help you, it would take about 60 days to get it rezoned. Because what happens is

if you start here, open this up here, what are you going to do when it gets to Walnut Street, Center Street or any other street, how are you going to treat other building owners differently. Then we have a problem. We need to try to keep everyone the same.

Councilmember Polack stated I had a similar rezoning in my neighborhood from R-1 to commercial for a bed and breakfast, and like you said the property was bought at a much lower price like \$200,000, as its initial selling price would have been a million dollars and I think the client wants to make a profit. It might be a strip club in two years based on zoning. We do not want to impede progress that has already been made. I think it is only fair to say, we need to know what it will be used for before we make a decision.

Ms. Collins stated if you do recommend something other than what the Planning Commission recommends, I do suggest if you choose to deny, to deny without prejudice so the applicant is not limited to the six months.

Closed Session Held. Upon motion of Mayor Allen, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Broadaway and unanimously carried, Council convened into Closed Session to discuss a personnel matter.

Council came out of Closed Session.

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

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

The Mayor and 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 February 3, 2020 with attendance as follows:

Present: Mayor Chuck Allen, Presiding
Mayor Pro Tem Bill Broadaway
Councilmember Antonio Williams
Councilmember Taj Polack
Councilmember Brandi Matthews
Councilmember David Ham
Councilmember Gene Aycock

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

Minister Mack Murray with City Church of Goldsboro provided the invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Mayor Allen thanked everyone for the cards, texts, emails and support he has received during his time out. It means a lot to me and my family.

Employee Performance Awards. Employee of the Quarter. Ms. Ashlin Glatthar, Travel & Tourism Director shared during my leave of absence, Josie Jenkins went above and beyond her job description to manage important departmental tasks. She single-handedly planned and even served as tour guide for the new Visit Goldsboro tour series that launched last summer and continued into late fall, which ended up being over 10 tours. Josie went on to assist the script development and logistical planning for the upcoming History Channel show featuring Goldsboro, while simultaneously coordinating a successful familiarization tour for the first time attracting eight journalists to our area. Having only joined the department this year, Josie's ability to learn and act quickly is impressive, making her valuable to the department, and the city. Josie never hesitates to work weekends, and she gives it her all every day. Josie's exceptional commitment to special projects and the city, especially while the Tourism Director was on maternity leave, brings credit to herself and the City of Goldsboro.

Mayor Allen and Mr. Salmon presented Ms. Jenkins the Employee of the Quarter Award.

Supervisor of the Quarter. Chief Dixon shared Captain Person and the members of Engine Company 3 "A Shift" recognized and mitigated concerns associated with the City's "Greenway" initiative from New Hope Road to Gloucester Street (approximately 1 3/4 miles). This area is wooded, not visible from the road, and there was no plan in place for a timely response to an emergency on the trail. He and his crew did an assessment and presented the concern and potential solution to the Fire Chief. They then coordinated with the Parks & Recreation team to develop a marking system that is now stenciled seven times each quarter mile in a different color on the trail so citizens can report their exact location to "911" during an emergency. Under Captain Person's leadership, the crew also worked with James Boyette, the City's Geographic Information System expert, to design a map that depicts the markers and emergency access points which will be available to all City departments and the Wayne County Emergency Medical Service units so they may respond to calls for assistance in a timely and potentially life saving manner. Captain Person's outstanding efforts reflect credit upon himself and the City of Goldsboro.

Mayor Allen and Mr. Salmon presented Captain Person with the Supervisor of the Quarter Award.

Goldsboro Alumnae Chapter of the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Ms. Linda Farmer, President of the Goldsboro Alumnae Chapter of the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. stated Delta Sigma Theta is an international sorority founded on Christian principals by 22 collegiate, college educated women on the campus of Howard University in Washington, D.C. on January 13, 1913. Those 22 young women had a vision of helping communities in five specific areas; education, physical and mental health, economic development, social action and international awareness and involvement. Since 1965 the members of Goldsboro Alumnae members have been serving Goldsboro and Wayne County. Our Chapter has supported or contributed to the Empty Stocking Fund, United Way Fill the Theatre and Fall Harvest Project for the Salvation Army, Blessing Boxes, Workshops for first-time homebuyers in collaboration with the City of Goldsboro, estate planning, Healthy Heart Walk at Berkeley Mall, local academic scholarships, the Boys and Girls Club, non-partisan candidate forums, and many other events. Ms. Farmer stated the members of the Goldsboro Alumnae Chapter will continue to support the community. Ms. Farmer wished the Mayor well.

Ms. Alicia Artis stated in April 2018, the Chapter came to the City Council to ask for a prominent, non-scalable barrier between Tommy's Road Elementary School and the ABC Store to deter any potential threats being on the school property. We came today to thank the City Council for their role in filling our request for the prominent, non-scalable barrier between Tommy's Road Elementary School and the ABC Store. We want to thank you for working along with Wal-Mart and the Wayne County Public Schools to ensure the safety of our children.

Mayor Allen thanked the sorority for what they do for the Goldsboro community.

Presentation by the Interact Club of Goldsboro High School. Mr. Michael Cruz and Mr. Lovens Paul, members of the Interact Club shared the following information:

Thank you:

- Goldsboro Rotary Club
- Three Eagles Rotary Club
- InJoy Thrift
- Communities Supporting Schools
- Goldsboro Continental Societies
- Panera Bread
- KFC
- Brooklyn Pizza
- Chick-Fil-A

Without your ongoing support and that of the community, we would not be where we are today.

So, What have we been up to?

- Suicide Prevention Week
- International Day of Non-Violence: Walkout protest

- Goldsboro Out of the Darkness Walk
- Breast Cancer Awareness- Rock Painting
- World Interact Week

What's next?

Here are some of our big plans for this semester:

- Visits to Carver Heights Elementary
- Visits to senior Homes in Goldsboro
- Volunteering at InJoy Thrift
- Guatemala Water filter project.
- Black History Month and day of Social Justice
- World Press Freedom Day
- World Autism Awareness Day

Current stuff:

- Krispy Kreme Ticket Sale – Lose \$8 gain a dozen
- Elite Fundraising Discount Card – \$20 per card Discounts for a year

Basically, your support hasn't stopped, and neither will we. Thank you.

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

1. Dustin Pittman spoke on behalf of Ashford's Boxing Club.
2. Martha Bryan shared information regarding Night to Shine.
3. Cathy Stanzack shared she would support Ashford's Boxing Club in the amount of \$250 for one year.
4. Sylvia Barnes shared concerns regarding schools and spoke on the ¼ cent sales tax. Ms. Barnes also asked Council to consider the city taking on some of the burden of providing money to our students.

Mayor Allen shared we have passed a Resolution in support of the proposed ¼ cent sales tax. I think it is important for our citizens to understand it is for our inner city children just like it is for county children. I'm hearing that if the sales tax does not pass they are going to do a 3 cent property tax increase. The sales tax is not on medicine, it is not on groceries. The good thing about sales tax is everyone pays a little bit. Mayor Allen shared Council has discussed providing money and it needs to come up at budget time. How and what would we give and how would we measure it.

Councilmember Williams stated I voted for the teacher stipend.

5. Carmen Hayes Green shared concerns regarding a property line issue.

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

Consent Agenda - Approved as Recommended. City Manager, Timothy 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. Mr. Salmon reminded Council Item E. Z-24-19 J.D. Pike Jr. - West side of N. Center Street between W. Oak Street and W. Ash Street was moved to Items Requiring Individual Action during the work session. Mayor Pro Tem Broadway moved the items on the Consent Agenda, Items D, F, G and H be approved as recommended by the City Manager and staff. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Williams and a roll call vote resulted in all members voting in favor of the motion. The items on the Consent Agenda were as follows:

Z-23-19 D&J Sand and Gravel - East side of Claridge Nursery Road between W. US 70 Highway and W. US 70 Bypass (R-16 to I-2CD). Ordinance Adopted. The applicant requests the rezoning of approximately 115 acres from Residential (R-16) to General Industry Conditional District (I-2CD), which would limit the property to the operation of a sand and gravel business.

Sand and gravel operations are a permitted use within the General Industry (I-2) zoning district only after the issuance of a Conditional Use Permit approved by City Council. The applicant is requesting a Conditional Use Permit to allow the operation of a sand and gravel business within the General Industry (I-2) zoning district.

In addition to the rezoning request and conditional use permit, the applicant is requesting an off-premise sign to be located upon private property fronting Claridge Nursery Road since the subject property has no road frontage for commercial advertising signage. Council approval is required for off-premise advertising signs in accordance with the City's Unified Development Code.

Frontage: The tract has no road frontage
Area: 5,110,407 sq. ft. or approximately 115 acres
Zoning: Residential (R-16)

Surrounding Zoning:

North: Residential (R-16);
South: General Industry (I-2); Residential (R-16)
East: Residential (R-16); and
West: Residential (R-16)

Property is currently operated as a sand and gravel operation.

As previously stated, the applicant is requesting a zoning change from Residential (R-16) to General Industry Conditional District (I-2CD), which would limit the property to a sand and gravel business.

The applicant states that the sand and gravel business had been operating prior to his acquisition of the property in December of 2017 and that he was unaware that the property was zoned for residential purposes.

Now, the applicant is in need of commercial advertising signage for the promotion of his business. Council approval is required due to the fact that he has no road frontage required for commercially zoned properties.

Currently, the applicant proposes to locate the off-premise sign across the street from an access easement leading to the subject property off Claridge Nursery Road. The property is zoned General Business and would permit a freestanding sign in accordance with the City's Unified Development Code.

Hours of Operation: Monday – Friday
8:00 am to 5:00 pm
No. of Employees: 1-2

The submitted site plan indicates a 30 ft. wide ingress, egress and regress access easement extending from Claridge Nursery Road approximately 560 ft. eastward to the applicant's western property line.

According to the Unified Development Ordinance, 1 parking space per employee and 5 customer parking spaces are required for the sand and gravel business. Applicant is requesting a modification of the City's paving requirement for vehicular surface areas since commercial trucking operations will involve hauling and delivery of sand, gravel and similar materials. Landscaping: Existing vegetation surrounding the site satisfies the City's landscape requirements for the proposed use.

The City's Comprehensive Land Use Plan recommends Conservation and Medium Density residential development.

City water and sewer are not available to serve the property. Subject area is located in a Special Flood Hazard Area known as the 100-year floodplain.

At the public hearing held on January 21, 2020, no one spoke for or against the request. The Planning Commission, at their meeting held on January 27, 2020, recommended approval of the change of zone request from Residential (R-16) to General Industry (I-2). The Planning Commission also recommended approval for the request for an off-premise signage.

By motion, accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission and

1. Although not consistent with the City's adopted Comprehensive Land Use Plan (the proposed rezoning is conducive with the past and current operation of a sand and gravel operation) adopt an Ordinance changing the zoning for the property from Residential (R-16) to General Industry (I-2).
2. Approve an off-premise sign for the use of the sand and gravel operation, specific location, easements to be worked out between business owner and property owner. Consent Agenda Approval. Broadaway/Williams (7 Ayes)

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-2 "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GOLDSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA CODE OF ORDINANCES"

CU-13-19 Jerry Futrell – East side of US 117 South between Arrington Bridge Road and South George Street. Order Approved. An internet café was previously approved for 20 gaming machines at this location on September 3, 2013. On June 2, 2014, City Council denied a request to increase the number of gaming machines from 20 to 35 based on requiring 2 parking spaces per machine.

On August 4, 2014, the Council approved a parking ordinance amendment to the City's UDO requiring 1.5 parking spaces per machine. In addition, they approved the previous owner's request to allow an increase in the number of gaming machines from 20 to 35.

The previous owner closed the business in March of 2016 upon order from the District Attorney's office. Once software upgrades were installed and in compliance with State law, he reapplied for a Conditional Use Permit to operate an internet café in accordance with the City's Unified Development Ordinance. City Council approved site, landscape and floor plans for the previously approved 35 gaming machines on January 3, 2017.

On May 8, 2017, City Council amended the City's Electronic Gaming Ordinance. The following requirements were approved as they pertain to new gaming establishments proposed for operation in the City of Goldsboro's planning jurisdiction:

- (1) Electronic gaming operations are permitted only in the General Business (GB) zoning district after the obtainment of a Conditional Use Permit approved by City Council.
- (2) No establishment shall be located within five hundred (500) feet of any residentially zoned or developed property, church, school, day care, playground or public park. Where the proposed establishment is separated from residentially zoned or developed property by a four-lane highway, the five hundred (500) foot separation shall only apply to the properties along the sides and rear of the establishment.
- (3) No such establishment shall be located within one mile (5,280 ft.) of another such establishment.
- (4) The hours of operation for such operations shall be limited to 7:00 a. m. to 2:00 a. m.

City Council made no changes to the existing parking requirement of 1.5 spaces per gaming machine.

As previously stated, the applicant is requesting to amend an existing Conditional Use Permit for the operation of an internet café to increase the number of gaming machines from 35 to 101.

Frontage: 454.3 ft. (US 117)

Area: 97,220 sq. ft., or 2.23 acres
Zoning: General Business
Hours of Operation: 10:00 a.m. to 2 a.m. (7 days)
No. of Employees: 2 (17 employees; maximum 2 per shift)

Site and landscape plans for this operation were previously approved with Conditional Use Permit #CU-16-16. In addition, parking requirements were in compliance with the City's Unified Development Ordinance. The following modifications were approved:

- a. Rear yard landscape buffer due to grade separation at railroad tracks.
- b. Vehicular surface buffer at front due to existing paving and public right-of-way;
- c. Street tree requirement; and
- d. Distance from residentially zoned property from 200 ft. to 125 ft.

As previously stated, parking is required at 1.5 space per gaming machine. The applicant contends that the City current parking requirement is excessive based on the fact that only one customer can operate one gaming machine at any one time.

Currently, there are 52 paved parking spaces to serve the site. 152 parking spaces are required. Parking areas are available to meet the City's current parking requirements north and east of the facility. However, the applicant does not desire to provide paved parking in accordance with City standards. As such, the applicant is requesting a modification of the City's parking requirement from 152 to 52 parking spaces.

At the public hearing held on December 16, 2019 the applicant requested the public hearing remain open until January 21, 2020 due to the applicant not being able to attend the December 16, 2019 public hearing because of a family emergency. Keeping the public hearing open would allow the applicant the opportunity to speak regarding this request. City Council granted the applicant's request and the public hearing would remain open until the January 21, 2020 City Council meeting.

At the public hearing held on January 21, 2020, the applicant came forward to speak in favor of the request and no one appeared to speak against the request.

The Planning Commission, at their meeting held on January 27, 2020, recommended modifying the applicants request from 35 games to a maximum of 50 gaming machines. In addition, no additional parking is necessary due to the limitation of machines.

Staff recommended Council accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission and adopt an Order approving the Conditional Use Permit for the operation of an internet café by increasing the number of gaming machines from 35 to 50 located within the General Business District (GB) zoning district. Consent Agenda Approval. Broadaway/Williams (7 Ayes)

SITE-22-19 Wayne County Development Alliance, Inc. (Goldsboro Business Park, Lot No. 6 Shell Building). Approved. The property is located within the new Goldsboro Business Park on the east side of Patetown Road between Alpha Court and Industry Court.

Frontage: 349.50 ft. (Road "A")
+200 ft. (Road "B")
Depth: Approximately 480.15 ft.
Area: 217,364 sq. ft. or 4.99 acres
Zoning: I-2 (General Industry)

The property was rezoned from Residential (R-16) to General Industry (I-2) by City Council on July 16, 2018. It was one of 17 lots previously subdivided for commercial development and approved by City Council on August 5, 2019.

The site has been identified as Lot No. 6 in the Goldsboro Business Park.

The submitted site plan indicates that the building will contain 22,672 square feet. At this time, there is no specific use or tenant for the building.

Access and Parking: The site will be served by a 40 ft. wide curb cut proposed off Road “B” located at the end of the cul-de-sac.

A 25 ft. wide paved access drive is proposed and will provide access to a paved parking lot containing 29 parking spaces including 2 handicap accessible parking spaces located at the front of the building and a paved service, loading and delivery dock at the rear of the building. Service, loading and delivery docks shall be screened from off-site views to achieve a complete visual barrier.

Once a specific use is proposed for the site, additional parking spaces may be required in accordance with the City’s Unified Development Code.

Sidewalks and Pedestrian Access: Exterior sidewalks are proposed alongside Road “A” and Road “B”. 5 ft. wide interior concrete sidewalks are proposed for pedestrian access leading from designated parking areas to the building entrances using private walkways and handicap ramps.

Since the subject property is zoned I-2 (General Industry), a Type A, 10 ft. wide landscape buffer is required along portions of the northern, eastern and southern property lines.

The submitted site plan shows 9 street trees to be installed along Road “A” and 4 to be installed along Road “B”. Interior landscaping has been proposed for the parking lot and service and loading dock at the rear of the facility.

Once a specific use has been determined for the site, additional landscaping may be required in accordance with the City’s Unified Development Code.

Building elevations have been submitted and indicate pigmented split-face and smooth-faced CMUs, pre-finished metal panels, metal doors and frames and an anodized aluminum storefront.

Roof-top appliances and mechanical equipment proposed for installation shall be screened from off-site views to achieve a complete visual barrier.

Commercial lighting plans have been submitted and comply with the City’s commercial lighting ordinance.

The site is not located within a Special Flood Hazard area. City water and sewer are available to serve the site.

Stormwater calculations, grading and drainage plans have been submitted and are subject to approval by City Engineering before construction permits are released.

Refuse collection: A 15ft. x 20 ft. concrete pad is shown along the eastern property line for the location of a two commercial garbage dumpsters. The dumpster coral shall be built according to City standards and shall be screened from public view.

As previously stated, once a specific use is proposed for the site, additional requirements may apply in accordance with the City’s Unified Development Code. In addition, City Council approval may be required.

The Planning Commission, at their meeting held on January 27, 2020, recommended approval of proposed site plan.

Staff recommended Council accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission and approve the Site Plan. Consent Agenda Approval. Broadaway/Williams (7 Ayes)

Revising Council Meeting Dates for 2020. Approved. The City Council Meeting dates for 2020 were adopted on November 4, 2019.

Proposed retreat dates were listed as:

- February 10 and 11 (Monday and Tuesday)
- February 26 and 27 (Wednesday and Thursday)

The Council has confirmed retreat dates for February 26 and 27, 2020.

It is recommended Council adopt the revised Council Meeting schedule to list retreat dates as February 26 and February 27, 2020. Consent Agenda Approval. Broadaway/Williams (7 Ayes)

End of Consent Agenda.

Rental Rates for T. C. Coley Community Center Rental Rates for T. C. Coley Community Center. In 2016, City Council decided to renovate what is now T. C. Coley Community Center, with plans for a non-profit to operate the facility. Those plans did not materialize and in February of 2019, City Council directed Parks and Recreation to manage the facility for non-profits. In January, 2020 staff updated City Council on the facility's usage over the past year.

Staff are recommending fees be charged for use of this facility. In addition to the rental rates (see attached), staff also recommend a long term rental lease be executed for the Gymnasium for \$450/month or \$5,400 for the year.

Upon motion of Councilmember Williams, seconded by Councilmember Polack and unanimously carried, Council adopt the following entitled Resolution updating the rental fee schedule for T.C. Coley Community Center and authorized the Mayor and City Clerk to enter into a long term rental lease agreement of \$450/month or \$5,400 for the year for an organization to have sole use of the Gymnasium.

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-7 "A RESOLUTION UPDATING THE RENTAL FEE SCHEDULE FOR T. C. COLEY COMMUNITY CENTER WHICH NOW FALLS UNDER PARKS AND RECREATION FOR THE CITY OF GOLDSBORO"

Z-24-19 J.D. Pike Jr. – West side of N. Center Street between W. Oak Street and W. Ash Street. Denied without Prejudice. The applicant requests the rezoning of two lots from CBD (Central Business District) to GB (General Business). Applicant owns property directly north of the subject properties and currently zoned GB (General Business).

Lot 1:
Frontage: 91.5 ft. (N. James Street)
Area: 19,007 sq. ft., or 0.43 acres

Lot 2:
Frontage: 149 ft. (N. Center St.)
Area: 25,165 sq. ft., or 0.57 acres

Surrounding Zoning:
North: GB (General Business);
South: CBD (Central Business District);
East: CBD (Central Business District); and
West: CBD (Central Business District), and GB (General Business)

The two lots were formerly used for the operation of a used car business and service center. The site has been closed for more than six months and the owner has decided to sell the property.

As previously stated, the applicant is requesting a zoning change from CBD (Central Business District) to GB (General Business).

Currently, the applicant is in the process of selling the commercial property once operated for used car sales and service and formerly known as J. D. Pike Motor Company. He believes the marketability of the property will increase if the property is rezoned to GB (General Business). Land Use Plan Recommendation: The City's Comprehensive Land Use Plan recommends MU DT (Mixed Use Downtown) development.

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

The subject property is located within the City of Goldsboro's Historic District. Any exterior improvements to the property including signage shall comply with the Historic District guidelines before a building permit can be issued in the future.

At the public hearing held on January 21, 2020, no one spoke for or against the request. The Planning Commission, at their meeting held on January 27, 2020, recommended approval of the change of zone request from Central Business District (CBD) zoning district to General Business (GB) zoning district.

Councilmember Ham made a motion to deny the change of zone request from Central Business District (CBD) zoning district to General Business (GB) zoning district without prejudice. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Polack. Mayor Allen, Mayor Pro Tem Broadaway, Councilmembers Williams, Polack, and Ham voted in favor of the motion. Councilmembers Matthews and Aycock voted against the motion. Mayor Allen stated the motion passed 5:2.

City Manager's Report. Mr. Timothy Salmon stated Parks and Recreation hosted a Wayne County Special Olympics Basketball Skill competition on January 28th – 30th at our W. A. Foster Center Gymnasium with over 130 athletes. We are starting to advertise for over 35 additional part-time staff to support summer programs. The NC Freedom Fest website and Facebook pages are up; <http://www.ncfreedomfest.org/>; <https://www.facebook.com/events/2899614230089836/> and will be updated as we continue to prepare for this event that will thank those currently serving in our Armed Forces. Our Travel & Tourism Director, Ms. Ashlin Glatthar received the NC Soccer Association "2019 Media Award" last weekend in Hickory, NC. Upcoming events include the Historic District Commission Meeting February 4th, 5:30 p.m., Anteroom, City Hall and the Mayor's Youth Council on February 5th, 6:00 p.m., Council Chambers, City Hall. Thank you.

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

Proclamation – Black History Month. Mayor Allen proclaimed the month of February 2020 in the City of Goldsboro and encouraged all citizens to observe this month by participating and supporting all festivities celebrating the proud heritage of African Americans.

Councilmember Aycock stated I would like to welcome back the Mayor, we are glad to have you. You hear so many bad things about certain schools and what we saw tonight with Goldsboro High School with the Interact Club really was inspiring. Again, Ashford Boxing, I appreciate the lady offering the \$250, believe me I'm going to try to find some way to help you on that. These young people, when they have nothing to do, they are going to find something to do and it is not going to be what we want them to do. Our Boys and Girls Club does so much for our community, but we have got to get these kids involved in these programs. I understand that, if they are not getting to the W.A. Foster Center, because they do not have transportation, then I think we have a Parks and Rec. bus that maybe we need to look at possibly picking them up.

Councilmember Ham stated I wanted to acknowledge the two gentlemen from Goldsboro High School that spoke from the Interact Club. We saw what they had achieved which was impressive, we saw what their future projects are which are challenging. We saw something else, two good public speakers, you two guys spoke with a sense of purpose, and they commanded the audience. I commend them for that. Finally, I too want to welcome the Mayor back, we all have missed him, we have missed him publically and on this Council. Mayor, welcome back.

Councilmember Matthews stated thank you for each of you being here. I just wanted to remind you all we do have a system in place through our city website, it's called citizen request form, that is where you can go, as well as dialing 311, to report any of your non-emergency issues, so I just wanted to remind everybody this is an option when you have an issue moving forward. I have to echo what they said, I was thoroughly impressed with the Interact Club of Goldsboro High School. I am an advocate for youth leadership and our young people are phenomenal and they are doing phenomenal things and it is our responsibility to harvest and nurture that as much as we absolutely can. They are truly the gold in Goldsboro that I often times speak about and I also want to personally thank them because I received their blessing box donation right before the year ended. Because of their donations we were able to make several

trips back and forth to several of the blessing boxes here, so I thank them and commend them for their work and look forward to partnering with them. Have a good night.

Mayor Pro Tem Broadway stated I'd like to speak first about the Interact Club, a lot of times, we really don't see how many great things are going on in the community. A lot of people are doing a lot of good things, you go to the library, you go to W.A. Foster, you go to the Arts Council, and we throw up our hands and say this is just little ole Goldsboro, there are a lot of good people doing a lot of good work and these young people are a good example of that good work. The next thing I wanted to say is I am glad the Mayor is back, I never thought he did much but now I found out he does more than I thought he did. I am glad he is back, welcome back Mayor.

Councilmember Polack stated I want to piggyback on what everyone has said about the students from Goldsboro High School, which I am proud to be a part of; it's a sad day and time when the youth can be more mature and responsible than our adults in the community. That is a pure depiction of that. I think they did an excellent job tonight. I think they can leave a template in the minds of adults of how we should conduct ourselves. If we can focus more on compassion instead of contradictions, and being on one accord instead of being on a state of discord. I had a humbling experience last week working along with the Salvation Army. Just ride through the parking lot at Wal-Mart and see what you see, a 77 year old lady and her 58 year old son, an amputee, cannot afford medication, we gripe and complain about things we cannot foresee the future of, our sickness or health, it is not promised to any of us, but that was just a humbling experience. Also, to go into the woods across from Dominos, I know we see a lot of panhandlers, one of the things I speak on, but I can guarantee you, I saw not one of those panhandlers in those communities. We do have an issue with people who are using the system but that night I saw families, in the woods, I'm talking about little kids in a tent. It was very humbling, and I see Ms. Dees in the audience, she knows I have a love for dogs, I was in the veterinary office and I heard a kid sniffing, his dog was about to pass away, we are talking about an animal, and we are human beings, I think we should exhibit the characteristics of compassion. I think the city holistically on one accord, I think we would be a better place and that is what I pray for. Thank you.

Councilmember Williams stated in these trying times in our city and in our country, we must keep in alignment of things that keep us better, better people. There has been a lot of losses. Again my condolences to the Jacobs family, such a tremendous loss to this community. It is going to take each and every one of us to fill that void that is now lost which Pinky embodied and represented. She stood for fairness, justice and equality for all. As we reflect on the death of her as well as Kobe Bryant and others let's ask ourselves how do we move forward? I believe more energy should be dedicated to issues that are facing our city. I continue to stand on truth. There seems to be some that want to continue to feed those beasts of hate, disparity and the spirit of confusion and they use supermarket style tabloid entities to push their false information. I don't live there and I don't choose to live there and nor should you, it is a sunken place. When you have local tabloids calling our community boneheads for voting for me, that is not a reflection of me or my community. It is a reflection of that person. Anyone who truly knows me, rejects this misrepresentation of me being perceived as some evil abuser which I am far from. My work in this community will speak for me, not gas lighting cheap headlines. I would hope that you truly educate yourselves pertaining to seeking out the truth. I have addressed this on many occasions but let me state again for the record. July 10, 2018 the board of elections exonerated me, they stated I did preside in my district. November 12, 2018 Chief Judge Heath exonerated me of all false charges. July 15, 2019 censure hearing I was exonerated and in that hearing a lot of vital information came out that some are choosing to ignore. I have suffered greatly both emotionally and financially because of these false allegations. Many of you have stopped supporting me and my place of business but I have upheld my oath to the citizens of Goldsboro. When you have groups that ignore clear, factual evidence and they continue to push a fairytale agenda, my advice you should probably run the other way. Run towards love. Run towards peace. Run towards unity. See to me, these are not just words they are actions that I live by. If people have time so late in life, in their 60s and 70s to fuel false narratives that is a pretty sad person. I don't feel the narratives of the scary black man. This isn't Wilmington on Fire insurgence of 1898, this is Goldsboro 2020, which should be the year of vision, the year of faith and the year of renewal. I want to give my energy to positive progress. To those that are facing attacks like I have I pass along the advice given to me by an 80-year-old constituent, "for those that persecute you bless them until you bless the hell out of them, because if God isn't in them,

what do you think is.” For God is love. What people say about you does not make you that person, you control your destiny, if you have a dream and vision, go after that dream. Some walk around like they are totally perfect, no one on earth is. I would say to you stay encouraged. I believe I’m in the seat to remind others to never stop fighting for what you believe in. Don’t let anyone break your spirit with lies, deceit and propaganda. Even though one may lie on you and 100 followers believe the lie and spread the lie, you continue to hold your head high and stand on the truth. Don’t feed the hate mongers feed the love inside you. I send blessings to all of those that write and tell untruths to our community. I forgive them for how they have hurt me and my community. The power of forgiveness lightens the load. I pray for courage for those who have stayed away from me based on the lies and the fear because I forgive you and may you one day forgive yourself. These groups that have dedicated much of their time and money to slander me and they wish for my demise, I think their time could have been better served helping someone in need, a plan on how to unify us all, or solving some of the major issues we face. I wish these people would ask themselves is this going to get them into heaven any sooner or lead them straight to...anyways. If you think Antonio Williams is so bad why aren’t you praying for me or saying let’s communicate to figure this out. Most of these people have never even asked me my side of the story because they just went on assumptions, shame on you. I can’t tell you what to do but if you want to follow a sea of distractions so be it. I feel way too much time has been spent on this absurdity. We must continue to fight for democracy and that means if you feel something is wrong you have the right to challenge the system. I have challenged the system by asking are we truly doing all we can do to make the city better. You do not have to live in a city where your life is dictated to you, you shouldn’t be condemned because you think differently than the status quo. I pray that this year, 2020 will be clearer vision, clearer perception for all of our community. My 2020 vision means we’re coming out of poverty in this community. I am focusing on positivity and solutions like getting someone who is homeless a home. It frustrates me that the population is continuing to be ignored and we don’t have more remedies to help them. We have a lot of our citizens dealing with substance abuse apparently there is something missing with them, they are depressed or feel hopeless. I much rather spend my time focusing on fixing those problems and uplifting the city. We can stomp out poverty by bringing in better jobs. I want to focus on working together, moving us back to a top 10 city within the United States. I’m focusing on working with the people who have the courage to ask why and who have solutions to solve problems. Who’s ready to work, because that’s what I’m doing. Again, it’s Black History Month let’s remember the many accomplishments but let’s also remember the many sacrifices they didn’t come easily and how far we still have to go. We are going to get there but we must keep moving forward.

Councilmember Williams passed out and read a resignation letter from his reinstated position on the GWTA Board.

Mayor Allen shared this Thursday there is a career fair at the Maxwell Center for 8th graders and 10th graders from 9:30 am to 2:45 p.m. and I would encourage everybody to go.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

Chuck Allen
Mayor

Melissa Capps, MMC/NCCMC
City Clerk