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**FAYETTEVILLE CITY COUNCIL
DISCUSSION OF AGENDA ITEMS MEETING MINUTES
ST. AVOLD CONFERENCE ROOM, CITY HALL
MAY 26, 2026
5:30 P.M.**

Present: Mayor Mitch Colvin;

Council Members Stephon Ferguson (District 1); Malik Davis (District 2); Antonio Jones (District 3); D.J. Haire (District 4); Lynne Greene (District 5); Brenda McNair (District 7); Shaun McMillan (District 8); Deno Hondros (District 9)

Absent: Council Member Derrick Thompson (District 6)

Others Present: Douglas Hewett, City Manager
Jodi Phelps, Assistant City Manager
Jeffrey Yates, Assistant City Manager
Victoria Curtis, Assistant City Attorney
Michael Gibson, Interim Assistant City Manager
Roberto Bryan, Jr., Police Chief
Kevin Dove, Fire Chief
Gerald Newton, Development Services Director
Jerry Clipp, Human Resources Development Director
Christopher Cauley, Economic and Community Development Director
Brian McGill, Assistant Public Services Director
Jennifer Baptiste, Ombudsman
Jacqueline Abbott, Community Relations Manager
David Scott, Communications Manager
Kimberly Toon, Assistant Chief Financial Officer
Kecia Parker, Real Estate Manager
Andrew Mansell, Senior Assistant to the City Manager
Jennifer Ayre, City Clerk

Mayor Colvin called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Mayor Colvin asked Council to review the regular agenda for the May 26, 2026, meeting.

Discussion ensued regarding Item 7.0A2 - Approve Work Session Start Time from 3:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. and how the recommended time change was added to the consent agenda. Discussion ensued regarding the process for moving items from a Committee to Council for discussion and approval. Dr. Douglas Hewett, City Manager, stated staff is developing a flowchart that will be provided via an administrative report. Council Member McMillan stated he will pull the item to move it to a work session.

Council Member McMillan stated he would like to pull Item 7.0A4 - Revised Charter and Reconstitution of the Community Public Safety Advisory Board (CPSAB) and Item 7.0A12 - Authorize the City Manager to renew the Memorandum of Agreement with Cumberland County Schools. to provide Resource Officer (SRO) and Traffic Control Officer (TCO) - Renewal of Memorandum of Agreement with Cumberland County Schools. Dr. Hewett stated the SRO agreement is a one-year renewal with an option to renew for up to three years, confirms Cumberland County Schools' (CCS) responsibility to cover the full cost of SROs and TCOs, cleans up language in the agreement, and confirms the number of schools assigned SROs. There are no dedicated SROs assigned to elementary schools. Additionally, the Office of Community Safety will also be incorporated through programming.

The public hearings and the individuals signed up to speak were reviewed. Dr. Hewett stated today is the statutorily required public hearing for the budget, and no official action is required, staff will track questions for discussion at the next Budget Work Session.

Ms. Victoria Curtis, Assistant City Attorney, stated there was a staff report that was initially submitted for Item 10.02 - SUP26-02 Evidentiary Hearing for a Special Use Permit to allow for Salvage or Junkyard at 610 E Russell Street (0437915580000) owned by Russell Street, LLC, and after discussion with the applicant's attorney, it was recommended that the report be stricken from the record. Ms. Curtis stated Council is not allowed to take that as evidence during the discussion. Dr. Hewett stated the Mayor will recognize staff and they will give the presentation, then the attorney will give guidance, and then the Mayor will open the public hearing. The findings of fact that must be met are in the packet for Council, as well as at their dais.

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Mr. Christopher Cauley, Economic and Community Development Director, stated Item 7.0A10 - Adopt Resolution to Convey Real Property and Issue Loans for the Affordable Single-Family Housing Development Program is a resolution to convey 16 City-owned lots that non-profit and private developers will build homes on and sell to low-to-moderate income residents. Each organization will receive a \$50,000.00 interest-free construction loan, which will then transition into downpayment assistance. Discussion ensued.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

JENNIFER L. AYRE
City Clerk
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