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FAYETTEVILLE CITY COUNCIL  
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES  
J.W. SEABROOK AUDITORIUM  
FAYETTEVILLE STATE UNIVERSITY  
1200 MURCHISON ROAD  
DECEMBER 6, 2023  
6:00 P.M.

Present: Mayor Mitch Colvin

Council Members Katherine K. Jensen (District 1); Malik Davis (District 2); Mario Benavente (District 3); D. J. Haire (District 4); Lynne Greene (District 5); Derrick Thompson (District 6); Brenda McNair (District 7); Courtney Banks-McLaughlin (District 8); Deno Hondros (District 9)

Others Present: Douglas Hewett, City Manager  
Lachelle Pulliam, Interim City Attorney  
Adam Lindsay, Assistant City Manager  
Kelly Olivera, Assistant City Manager  
Jeffrey Yates, Assistant City Manager  
Jodi Phelps, Chief of Staff  
Pamela Megill, City Clerk  
Jennifer Ayre, Deputy City Clerk  
Members of the Press

## 1.0 Welcome

Mr. Ricardo Morgan, Master of Ceremonies, welcomed those in attendance.

## 2.0 Posting of the Colors

Police and Fire Departments Honor Guard Team performed the Posting of the Colors followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

## 3.0 Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag was recited by those in attendance.

## 4.0 National Anthem

Ms. Musik Blyther sang the National Anthem.

## 5.0 Invocation

The invocation was offered by Pastor E.B. Herman, Harvest Family Church.

## 6.0 Administration of Oaths of Office

Mr. Mitch Colvin was sworn in by Ms. Sandra Morrisey, Notary Public.

Ms. Kathy Jensen, District 1, was sworn in by The Honorable Claire Hill, Superior Court Judge.

Mr. Malik W. Davis, District 2, was sworn in by The Honorable Toni King, Chief District Court Judge.

Mr. Mario Benavente, District 3, was sworn in by The Honorable Anita Earls, North Carolina Supreme Court Associate Justice.

Mr. D. J. Haire, District 4, was sworn in by The Honorable Mike Morgan, Retired North Carolina Supreme Court Associate Judge.

Ms. Lynne B. Greene, District 5, was sworn in by The Honorable Diane Wheatley, North Carolina Representative, District 43.

Mr. Derrick Thompson, District 6, was sworn in by Mr. Walter Pikul, Notary Public.

Ms. Brenda McNair, District 7, was sworn in by The Honorable Gale Adams, Superior Court Judge.

Ms. Courtney Banks-McLaughlin, District 8, was sworn in by The Honorable Val Applewhite, North Carolina Senator, District 19.

Mr. Deno Hondros, District 9, was sworn in by The Honorable Cull Jordan, District Court Judge.

#### **7.0 Call to Order**

Mayor Colvin called the meeting to order and thanked all present for their attendance.

#### **8.0 Election of Mayor Pro Tem**

Mayor Colvin called for nominations for the position of Mayor Pro Tempore.

**MOTION: Council Member Haire moved to nominate Council Member Jensen for the position of Mayor Pro Tempore.**

**SECOND: Council Member Hondros**

**VOTE: PASSED by a vote of 9 in favor to 1 in opposition (Council Member Banks-McLaughlin)**

#### **9.0 Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

#### **10.0 Retire the Colors**

The Fayetteville Police and Fire Departments Honor Guard Team retired the colors.

Respectfully submitted,

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PAMELA J. MEGILL  
City Clerk

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MITCH COLVIN  
Mayor

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