

**FAYETTEVILLE CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL  
OCTOBER 10, 2022  
7:00 P.M.**

Present: Mayor Mitch Colvin

Council Members Shakeyla Ingram (District 2) (arrived at 7:19 p.m.); Mario Benavente (District 3); D. J. Haire (District 4); Johnny Dawkins (District 5); Derrick Thompson (District 6); Brenda McNair (District 7); Courtney Banks-McLaughlin (District 8); Deno Hondros (District 9)

Absent: Council Member Katherine K. Jensen (District 1)

Others Present: Douglas Hewett, City Manager  
Karen McDonald, City Attorney  
Adam Lindsay, Assistant City Manager  
Michael Gibson, Interim Assistant City Manager  
Kelly Olivera, Interim Assistant City Manager  
Gina Hawkins, Police Chief  
Jodi Phelps, Chief of Staff  
Jody Picarella, Chief Financial Officer  
Rob Stone, Construction Management Director  
Chris Cauley, Economic and Community Development Director  
Tyffany Neal, Transit Director  
Sheila Thomas-Ambat, Public Services Director  
Pamela Megill, City Clerk  
Members of the Press

**1.0 CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Colvin called the meeting to order.

**2.0 INVOCATION**

The invocation was offered by Pastor Rick Barber, The Restoration Place.

**3.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag was led by Mayor and City Council.

**4.0 ANNOUNCEMENTS AND RECOGNITIONS**

Mayor Colvin presented a proclamation to Mr. Albert Baker, Community Relations Manager and member of the Lumbee Tribe, proclaiming October 10, 2022, Indigenous People Day.

Council Member Benavente announced an event sponsored by the Community Awareness Alliance in recognition of World Homeless Day.

Council Member Banks-McLaughlin encouraged residents to attend the Bond Education Session on October 12, 2022, at the Lake Rim Recreation Center.

Council Member Banks-McLaughlin invited residents to attend movie night and a pumpkin carving event at E.E. Miller on October 13, 2022, from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.

## **5.0 CITY MANAGER REPORT**

No report was provided.

## **6.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**MOTION:** Council Member Benavente moved to approve the agenda.

**SECOND:** Council Member Haire

**VOTE:** UNANIMOUS (8-0)

## **7.0 CONSENT AGENDA**

**MOTION:** Council Member Haire moved to approve the consent agenda.

**SECOND:** Mayor Pro Tem Dawkins

**VOTE:** UNANIMOUS (8-0)

### **7.01 Approval of Meeting Minutes:**

September 6, 2022 - Work Session

September 12, 2022 - Discussion of Agenda Items

September 12, 2022 - Regular

September 19, 2022 - Special

September 21, 2022 - Agenda Briefing

September 26, 2022 - Discussion of Agenda Items

September 26, 2022 - Regular

### **7.02 Adoption of Capital Project Ordinance 2023-10 and Capital Project Ordinance Amendment 2023-14 to Appropriate North Carolina Department of Transportation Grant Funding for General Aviation Development and Security and Infrastructure Improvements**

Capital Project Ordinance (CPO) 2023-10 appropriates \$450,000.00 for security system upgrade (\$150,000.00), roof replacement at Fire Training Facility (\$100,000.00), and a digital display wall (\$200,000.00). Capital Project Ordinance Amendment 2023-14 appropriates \$2,522,939.00 for General Aviation Hangar Development project.

### **7.03 Adoption of Capital Project Ordinance 2023-11 and Special Revenue Fund Ordinance 2023-7 to Appropriate Federal Transit Administration Grant NC-2022-059-00 for Transit Capital and Planning Projects, and Adoption of Budget Ordinance Amendment 2023-6 to Carry Forward Local Match Funding from Fiscal Year 2022 to Fiscal Year 2023**

Capital Project Ordinance (CPO) 2023-11 will appropriate \$5,676,500.00 for the grant's capital projects that include three battery-electric/zero emission buses and charging infrastructure; three diesel replacement buses; bus shelters, sidewalks, and accessible bus stops along transit routes; upgrade to the video surveillance system; improvements to Transit's maintenance facility including installation of a back-up generator; and capital maintenance funding for repair or replacement of major bus components. The funding sources for this appropriation include \$4,791,175.00 of federal grant funding and a \$885,325.00 local match.

Special Revenue Fund Project Ordinance (SRO) 2023-7 will appropriate \$300,000.00 for a variety of eligible planning tasks and projects that include reporting and complying with FTA grant provisions and monitoring transit services. This project also includes funds for staff training. The funding sources for this appropriation include \$240,000.00 of federal grant funding and \$60,000.00 in local matching funds.

Budget Ordinance Amendment (BOA) 2023-6 will appropriate \$504,900.00 from General Fund fund balance to transfer to the Transit Operating Fund in order to provide the total local match for the two grant project appropriations. This local match funding was anticipated in the fiscal year 2022 year-end projections; however, transfer of the funds was delayed due to the timing of the receipt of the grant award

#### **7.04 Professional Service Contract Execution Recommendation - Program and Project Management for FY23 for Watershed Master**

Authorize the execution of an engineering service contract for professional services in the amount of \$717,740.00 for Program and Project Management for the remainder of FY23 to the consulting firm Freese and Nichols, Inc. (FNI).

This qualification based selection of FNI is utilizing the City's On-Call Professional Engineering Services for Comprehensive Stormwater Watershed Studies

#### **7.05 Award contracts for the purchase of Parks, Recreation, and Maintenance vehicle replacements**

Award a contract for the purchase of seven Ford F250 Trucks to Piedmont Truck Center, Inc., and two Ford F350 Trucks with 11' Body, two Ford F350 Trucks with 8' Flatbed, four Light Duty Pickup Trucks, and six Ford Transit Connect Vans Carthage, LLC dba Cooper Ford, Carthage, North Carolina.

#### **7.06 Resolution Directing Construction of Area 32 East Section II of the Phase 5 Annexation Utility Improvement Project be Undertaken**

**RESOLUTION DIRECTING CONSTRUCTION OF AREA 32 EAST SECTION II OF THE PHASE 5 ANNEXATION UTILITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT BE UNDERTAKEN. RESOLUTION NO. R2022-036**

### **8.0 STAFF REPORTS**

#### **8.01 Acceptance of the FY 2023 1st Quarter Strategic Performance Report**

Mr. Chris Lowery, Strategic and Performance Analytics Manager, and Mr. Andrew Brayboy, Senior Corporate Performance Analyst, presented this item with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation. The Fayetteville City Council has worked very diligently to commit this organization to high performance and to use data and stakeholder input to create a strategic plan for the City that is forward-thinking, progressive, relevant, and outcome-based.

The Mayor, City Council, and staff share a duty to ensure that the actions of public officials, employees, contractors, and volunteers of the City are carried out in the most responsible manner possible and that City policy, budgets, goals, and objectives are fully implemented.

In February 2021, the City Council met virtually in a two-day annual retreat to refine the City's strategic plan, prioritizing Targets for Action (TFA) for FY 2022. The City Council adopted the FY 2022 strategic plan at the June 2021 City Council Meeting. TFA are projects or initiatives identified by Council to move the needle toward defined outcomes laid out in the Council's strategic plan. TFA's are defined by a one-year action plan with milestones to focus the work of Council and staff.

The City Manager's Office has directed the Office of Strategy and Performance Analytics to meet regularly with teams to advance the Council's TFA and to report progress to City Council on a quarterly basis during a City Council Meeting. Staff has provided the status of the 1<sup>st</sup> Qtr. Strategic Performance Report as of September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022, for Council consideration moving forward to the next Council Retreat. Commitment to performance management and strategic planning strengthens the operations of the City of Fayetteville, ensuring excellent services and high quality of life for residents. It allows for long-range planning at the organizational level with alignment to departmental operations and performance expectations. With this system

in place, the City is able to allocate resources appropriately and build strategies for continuous improvement.

Discussion ensued.

**MOTION:** Council Member Hondros moved to accept the report.

**SECOND:** Council Member Ingram

**VOTE:** UNANIMOUS (9-0)

## **9.0 PUBLIC FORUM**

Dr. Michael Ruff, 319 Birnam Drive, Fayetteville, NC, expressed his support of the proposed Civil War History Center.

Ms. Elaine Merlino, 2112 Burnett Avenue, Fayetteville, NC, expressed concerns regarding the lack of safety in her neighborhood.

Mr. Chelinko Hurst, 1385 McCrary Drive, Hoke County, NC, expressed concerns regarding the death of Mr. Jason Walker.

Ms. Kaitlyn Potts, 2940 Bakers Mill Road, Fayetteville, NC, expressed concerns regarding safety of the natural gas pipeline.

Mr. Jose Cardona, 233 Addison Street, Fayetteville, NC, announced his opposition of Vote Yes, taxes and Council Composition.

Mr. Shaun McMillan, 6024 Goldenrain Drive, Fayetteville, NC, requested an independent oversight of the Fayetteville Police Department.

## **10.0 ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

### **10.01 Shopping Carts - Research Review and Policy/Program Options**

Consensus of Council was to move this item forward to a work session for presentation.

## **11.0 ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.