



Chattanooga City Council
Chattanooga, Tennessee
John P. Franklin, Sr. City Council Building

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

June 27, 2023
6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Council Chair Raquetta Dotley called the meeting to order. A quorum was present that also included Vice Chair Jenny Hill and Councilpersons Carol Berz, Demetrus Coonrod, Chip Henderson, Isiah Hester, Darrin Ledford, Marvene Noel, and Ken Smith. Other participants present were Phil Noblett, City Attorney, and Nicole Gwyn, Council Clerk. Video of this meeting is available on YouTube by clicking [here](#).

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice Chair Hill led the Assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF LAST MINUTES

On motion of Councilman Smith and seconded by Councilman Henderson, the minutes of the last meeting (June 20, 2023) were approved as published.

ORDINANCES – FINAL READING:

On motion of Councilman Ledford and seconded by Councilwoman Coonrod,

ORDINANCE #13998

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 4, WHICH CHAPTER IS KNOWN AS “THE CHATTANOOGA AIR POLLUTION CONTROL ORDINANCE,” BY PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE OF CERTAIN FEDERAL REGULATIONS AND FOR CERTAIN HOUSEKEEPING PROVISIONS.

The motion carried.

ACTION: APPROVED

MR-2023-0039
Chattanooga Neighborhood Enterprise c/o Justin Tirsun
Version 2
District No. 9

On motion of Vice Chair Hill and seconded by Councilwoman Coonrod,

ORDINANCE #13999

AN ORDINANCE CLOSING AND ABANDONING AN UNOPENED RIGHT-OF-WAY IN THE 2500 BLOCK OF CHAMBERLAIN AVENUE, AS DETAILED ON THE ATTACHED MAPS, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

The motion carried.

ACTION: APPROVED

ORDINANCES – FIRST READING:

On motion of Councilman Ledford and seconded by Vice Chair Hill,

ORDINANCE #14000

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 5, SECTION 5-17, RELATIVE TO THE BEER BOARD TERM; FILLING VACANCIES; CHAIRMAN AND SECRETARY.

The motion carried.

ACTION: PASSED ON FIRST READING

RESOLUTIONS:

On motion of Vice Chair Hill and seconded by Councilman Ledford,

RESOLUTION #31676

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENTS OF BRUCE HUNT AND DEMETRIUS HOYLE AS SPECIAL POLICE OFFICERS (UNARMED) FOR THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CODES DIVISION, TO DO SPECIAL DUTY AS PRESCRIBED HEREIN IN THEIR POSITIONS AS CODE ENFORCEMENT INSPECTOR, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

The motion carried.

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilwoman Noel and seconded by Councilman Ledford,

RESOLUTION #31677

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS & OUTDOORS AND THE AQUATICS RECREATION MANAGER TO WAIVE FEES OF \$300.00 FOR THE POOL AT WARNER PARK FOR THE CHILDREN AND THEIR MOTHERS RESIDING AT ROOM IN THE INN ON MONDAY, JULY 31, 2023, FROM 5:30 P.M. TO 7:30 P.M.

The motion carried.

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilman Henderson and seconded by Councilman Ledford,

RESOLUTION #31678

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE PARKS & OUTDOORS PLAN, IN AN EFFORT TO ESTABLISH A PUBLIC VISION FOR THE FUTURE OF PARKS AND THE OUTDOORS IN CHATTANOOGA.

The motion carried.

ACTION: ADOPTED

PROCEDURAL NOTE: With no objection from the Council, Chair Dotley instructed the Clerk to group and read the following two resolutions for one Council vote.

RESOLUTION #31679

A RESOLUTION FOR THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA TO APPLY FOR, AND IF AWARDED, ACCEPT A BLUECROSS BLUESHIELD OF TENNESSEE BLUECARE GRANT FOR AN ACTIVATION TRAILER TO BE USED FOR THE GROW AND GO PROGRAM, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$70,000.00.

RESOLUTION #31688

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO ENTER INTO A CONSERVATION SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR 2023-2024 WITH THE TRUST FOR PUBLIC LAND, IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE FORM ATTACHED, FOR A TERM OF ONE (1) YEAR, FROM JULY 1, 2023, THROUGH JUNE 30, 2024, FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$150,000.00, TO BE PAID IN FOUR (4) QUARTERLY INSTALLMENTS OF \$37,500.00.

Councilwoman Berz moved to approve both resolutions. Vice Chair Hill seconded. The motion carried.

ACTION: RESOLUTIONS 31679 & 31688 ADOPTED

PROCEDURAL NOTE: With no objection from the Council, Chair Dotley instructed the Clerk to group and read the following seven resolutions for one Council vote.

RESOLUTION #31681

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF AMANDA HICKMAN AS A SPECIAL POLICE OFFICER (UNARMED) FOR THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA, CHATTANOOGA PARKING AUTHORITY, TO DO SPECIAL DUTY AS PRESCRIBED HEREIN IN THE POSITION OF PARKING AMBASSADOR, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

RESOLUTION #31682

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF DESTINY WARD AS A SPECIAL POLICE OFFICER (UNARMED) FOR THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA, CHATTANOOGA PARKING AUTHORITY, TO DO SPECIAL DUTY AS PRESCRIBED HEREIN IN THE POSITION AS PARKING AMBASSADOR, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

RESOLUTION #31683

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF TIMOTHY STEVENS AS A SPECIAL POLICE OFFICER (UNARMED) FOR THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA, CHATTANOOGA PARKING AUTHORITY, TO DO SPECIAL DUTY AS PRESCRIBED HEREIN IN THE POSITION AS PARKING AMBASSADOR, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

RESOLUTION #31684

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF TRINITY DOUGLAS AS A SPECIAL POLICE OFFICER (UNARMED) FOR THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA, CHATTANOOGA PARKING AUTHORITY, TO DO SPECIAL DUTY AS PRESCRIBED HEREIN IN THE POSITION AS PARKING AMBASSADOR, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

RESOLUTION #31685

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF JANET COUNTRYMAN AS A SPECIAL POLICE OFFICER (UNARMED) FOR THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA, CHATTANOOGA PARKING AUTHORITY, TO DO SPECIAL DUTY AS PRESCRIBED HEREIN IN THE POSITION AS PARKING AMBASSADOR, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

RESOLUTION #31686

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF NATHANIEL BEGUE AS A SPECIAL POLICE OFFICER (UNARMED) FOR THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA, CHATTANOOGA PARKING AUTHORITY, TO DO SPECIAL DUTY AS PRESCRIBED HEREIN IN THE POSITION OF PARKING AMBASSADOR, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

RESOLUTION #31687

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF LLOYD HARRIOD AS A SPECIAL POLICE OFFICER (UNARMED) FOR THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA, CHATTANOOGA PARKING AUTHORITY, TO DO SPECIAL DUTY AS PRESCRIBED HEREIN IN THE POSITION AS PARKING AMBASSADOR, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

Councilman Hester moved to approve all seven resolutions. Vice Chair Hill seconded. The motion carried.

ACTION: RESOLUTIONS 31681 - 31687 ADOPTED

On motion of Councilman Hester and seconded by Councilman Henderson,

RESOLUTION #31680

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF WASTEWATER TO AWARD CONTRACT NO. W-21-012-103, TO JACOBS ENGINEERING GROUP, INC., FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR PROGRAM MANAGEMENT OF THE CONSENT DECREE IMPLEMENTATION, FOR YEAR TWO (2) OF FIVE (5) WITH THREE (3) ANNUAL RENEWALS, FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$3.3 MILLION.

The motion carried.

ACTION: ADOPTED

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

Proposed Purchases

Brooke Satterfield, Deputy Chief of Staff, briefed the Council on the following proposed purchases:

RFP# 200500,1 Department of Technology Services (DTS) \$78,496.60
DTS Edney 3rd Floor Workspace Redesign
Lowest/Best Bidder: Office Furniture Warehouse, LLC
1900 Stuart St
Chattanooga, TN 37406

REQ135287 - DTS \$246,246.18
EPB Street Scape invoice payments
Lowest/Best Bidder: EPB
10 MLK Blvd
Chattanooga, TN 37402

Councilwoman Berz moved to approve. Councilwoman Coonrod seconded. The motion carried.

ACTION: ALL PURCHASES APPROVED

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Affordable Housing Committee

Vice Chair Hill (No report)

Budget and Finance Committee

Councilwoman Berz reported:

- The committee met today in open meeting to follow-up on budget education matters. The committee will meet again in four weeks (July 25).

Economic Development Committee

Councilwoman Coonrod (No report)

Education and Innovation Committee

Councilwoman Noel (No report)

Equity and Community Development Committee

Councilwoman Coonrod (No report)

Legislative Committee

Councilman Smith (No report)

Planning and Zoning Committee

Councilman Ledford reported:

- The committee will meet on July 11, 2023.

Parks and Public Works

Councilman Hester reported:

- The committee met today in open meeting and will meet again in two weeks (July 11).

Public Safety Committee

Councilman Henderson (No report)

MEETING CANCELLATIONS

Chair Dotley announced the cancellation of all Council meetings on July 4, 2023 due to the holiday observance.

RECOGNITION OF PERSONS WISHING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL

(Listen and view on YouTube [here](#))

Attorney Noblett read the rules of procedure for persons wishing to address the Council. After which, Chair Dotley recognized the following persons:

Speaker Name	District	Primary Topics:
• Freddie Brooks	(N/A)	July 2 event to open the David J. Floyd Youth Camp <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Chair Dotley instructed the Clerk to add this event to the Council's calendars.
• Alan Green	(N/A)	Discussing the David J. Floyd Youth Camp agenda
• Monty Bell	(N/A)	Wants answers to charges against him/fraud against him

• Trina Coker	(N/A)	Believes city step plan is not equitable <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Chair Dotley referred the speaker to Ryan Ewalt, Chief Operating Officer
• Lacey Smith	(N/A)	Step plan issues/People over 40 years not advancing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Chair Dotley also referred the speaker to Mr. Ewalt.
• Benjamin Bell	7	Noise complaint at Gateway Towers/requested a moment of silence with their remaining speaking time
• Steve West	5	Concerns for long-term employees earning less than those they trained

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Councilman Henderson, Chair Dotley adjourned the meeting of the Chattanooga City Council until **Tuesday, July 11, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.**

COUNCIL CHAIR

CLERK OF COUNCIL