



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

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

October 1, 2024
3:30 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Council Chairman Chip Henderson called the business meeting to order at 3:30 p.m. A quorum was present that also included Council Vice Chair Jenny Hill, and Councilpersons Ken Smith, Darrin Ledford, Isiah Hester, Carol Berz, Marvene Noel, and Demetrus Coonrod. Councilwoman Raquetta Dotley arrived after the call to order.

[Editor's Note: This meeting was live streamed on YouTube and is available to view [here](#).]

OTHER PARTICIPANTS

Mayor's Office: Tim Kelly, Mayor, and Steven Wilson, Interim Deputy Chief Operating Officer

City of Trostyanets, Ukraine: Yuri Bova, Mayor

Family Justice Center: Regina McDevitt, Executive Director

Purchasing: Debbie Talley, Chief Procurement Officer

Office of City Attorney: Phil Noblett, City Attorney

Regional Planning: Karen Rennich, Deputy Administrator

Council Office: Melissa Bardoner, Council Support Specialist, and Nicole Gwyn, Clerk to Council

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Henderson led the Assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS (2)

Proclamation – National Domestic Violence Awareness Month **By Councilwoman Carol Berz**

Councilwoman Berz presented the attached proclamation to Regina McDevitt, Executive Director of the Family Justice Center.

[Councilwoman Dotley joined the meeting during this section.]

Ms. McDevitt accepted the proclamation and thanked the Mayor's Office and City Council for their continued support of the Family Justice Center [listen [here](#)]. She also invited everyone to the Law Enforcement & Advocate Appreciation Day being held at the FJC on Wednesday, October 9, 2024, from 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Trostanets – Peer City Update

Mayor Kelly took a moment to acknowledge the devastation in Upper East Tennessee and Western North Carolina from Hurricane Helene. He mentioned the City's relief efforts and encouraged everyone to help.

Mayor Kelly then welcomed Mayor Bova and his delegation. Mayor Kelly's remarks, the update & presentation on Trostanets, and Mayor Bova's address may be viewed [here](#) in their entirety.

APPROVAL OF LAST MINUTES

On motion of Councilman Smith and seconded by Councilman Ledford, the minutes of the last meeting (September 24, 2024) were approved as published.

DISCUSSION AGENDA

PURCHASES

Councilwoman Berz invited Mr. Wilson to give a brief presentation on the first three purchases being recommended for Council approval (bidders: GFOA, Ernst & Young, and PFM Financial Advisors). The initial remarks, presentation, and ensuing discussion may be viewed [here](#). Upon no further questions or comments, the issue was closed.

FUTURE CONSIDERATIONS

Item 10(a)(i) – Parks: (Resolution relative to the waiver of Coolidge Park rental fees for the Devia family one-year memorial service)

Vice Chair Hill offered [additional information](#) regarding this item. Upon no further questions or comments, the issue was closed.

OTHER BUSINESS

Change in Meeting Agenda

Chairman Henderson announced that, due to National Night Out, this business meeting would not be recessed.

PARKS & PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

PROCEDURAL NOTE: Chairman Henderson yielded control of the meeting to Councilman Hester for the Parks & Public Works Committee.

CALL TO ORDER: Councilman Hester, Committee Chair, called the Parks & Public Works Committee to order at 4:15 p.m. with a quorum of all nine Councilmembers present. [View the committee [here](#).]

On motion of Councilman Smith and seconded by Councilman Ledford, the minutes of the last Parks & Public Works Committee meeting (September 17, 2024) were approved as published.

Councilman Hester instructed the Clerk to read each item on the committee agenda. Upon no questions or comments from the Council, the issues were closed.

[Vice Chair Hill briefly left & then later rejoined the meeting during this portion.]

PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE

PROCEDURAL NOTE: Councilman Hester yielded control of the meeting to Councilman Ledford for the Planning & Zoning Committee.

CALL TO ORDER: Councilman Ledford, Committee Chair, called the Planning & Zoning Committee to order at 4:23 p.m. with a quorum of all nine Councilmembers present. [View the committee [here](#).]

MINUTE APPROVAL: **On motion of Councilman Smith** and second by Councilwoman Dotley, the minutes of the last Planning & Zoning Committee meeting (August 6, 2024) were approved as published.

Next week, October 8, 2024

Ordinances – First Reading:

Agenda Item 8(e) – Case No. 2024-0146

Agenda Item 8(f) – Case No. 2024-0148

Since these items are related, Ms. Rennich briefed the Council on them together. Chairman Henderson asked for additional information regarding the lift conditions and the relocation of the existing detention pond; Ms. Rennich responded. Upon no further comments or questions, the issues were closed.

Agenda Item 8(g) – Case No. 2024-0149

Chairman Henderson asked if there was any opposition for this item; Ms. Rennich responded. Upon no further comments or questions, the issue was closed.

Agenda Item 8(h) – Case No. 2024-0145

Councilwoman Dotley informed the Council that she had no information regarding this item and asked that the applicant reach out to her; Ms. Rennich affirmed. Upon no further comments or questions, the issue was closed.

Resolutions:

Agenda Item 9(h) – Case No. 2024-0147 (Special Exceptions Permit for a PUD Amendment)

This item is related to items 8(e) and 8(f); the Council was briefed on all three items together earlier in the committee meeting. Upon no further comments or questions, the issue was closed.

OTHER BUSINESS

Equivalency Mapping:

Councilman Ledford asked for an update; Ms. Rennich responded. The discussion may be viewed [here](#). Upon no further comments or questions, the issue was closed.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

[Councilwoman Berz exited the meeting at this time.]

ORDINANCES – FINAL READING:

On motion of Councilman Ledford and seconded by Councilman Smith,

ORDINANCE #14154

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 16, SECTION 16-2, RELATING TO THE AGE OF FIRE DEPARTMENT APPLICANTS.

The motion carried.

ACTION: APPROVED

ORDINANCES – FIRST READING:

PROCEDURAL NOTE: With no objection from the Council, Chairman Henderson instructed the clerk to group and read the following two ordinances for one Council vote.

MR-2024-0049
Chandla Pesnell
District No. 1

ORDINANCE #14155

AN ORDINANCE CLOSING AND ABANDONING A SEWER EASEMENT IN THE 100 BLOCK OF WILLIE WAY, BEGINNING AT MH #S154A008 THENCE TWO HUNDRED FORTY-TWO (242') FEET TO MH #S154A010, TAX MAP NO. 154A-A-018, AS DETAILED ON THE ATTACHED MAPS, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

MR-2024-0130
David G. Hulse
District No. 2

ORDINANCE #14156

AN ORDINANCE CLOSING AND ABANDONING A SANITARY SEWER AND EASEMENT IN THE 3700 BLOCK OF VALERIAN DRIVE, BEGINNING TWENTY-FOUR POINT EIGHTY-SIX (24.86') FEET FROM MH #S118F040 THENCE ONE HUNDRED THIRTY POINT FORTY-THREE (130.43') FEET TO TWENTY-FOUR POINT NINETY-THREE (24.93') FEET FROM MH #S118F042, FOR A TOTAL OF ONE HUNDRED THIRTY POINT FORTY-THREE (130.43') LINEAR FEET, TAX MAP NO. 118F-D-003, AS DETAILED ON THE ATTACHED MAPS, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

Vice Chair Hill moved to approve both ordinances. Councilman Hester seconded. The motion carried.

ACTION: ORDINANCES 14155 & 14156 PASSED ON FIRST READING

RESOLUTIONS:

PROCEDURAL NOTE: With no objection from the Council, Chairman Henderson instructed the clerk to group and read the following three resolutions for one Council vote.

RESOLUTION #32247

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TO APPLY FOR, AND IF AWARDED, ACCEPT A PATHWAYS TO REMOVING OBSTACLES TO HOUSING (PRO HOUSING) GRANT FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD) TO SCALE LAND BANK ACTIVITIES AND BUILD CAPACITY FOR PERMANENT AND LONG-TERM AFFORDABLE HOUSING SOLUTIONS IN CHATTANOOGA, WITH NO LOCAL MATCH REQUIREMENT, FOR AN AMOUNT UP TO \$7.5 MILLION.

RESOLUTION #32248

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO ENTER INTO AN AMENDMENT GRANT OR RECREATIONAL AND CONSTRUCTION EASEMENT WITH VINCENT PROPERTIES, LLC, IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE FORM ATTACHED, RELATED TO THE CONSTRUCTION, MAINTENANCE, OPERATION, AND ACCESS TO A DUMPSTER AREA LOCATED ADJACENT TO THE COOLIDGE PARK PROPERTY.

RESOLUTION #32249

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO ENTER INTO A LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, ACTING BY AND THROUGH ITS COMMISSIONER OF TRANSPORTATION, AND THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD, IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE FORM ATTACHED, FOR A TEMPORARY FORTY (40') FOOT LOCKED GATE OPENING IN THE STATE'S CONTROLLED ACCESS FENCE AT MILE MARKER 1.569 ADJACENT TO I-75N, WITH A TERM THAT WILL AUTOMATICALLY TERMINATE UPON COMPLETION OF THE CONSTRUCTION PROJECT, WITH THIS BEING AT AN ANNUAL FEE OF ZERO DOLLARS.

Vice Chair Hill moved to approve all three resolutions. Councilwoman Dotley seconded. The motion carried.

ACTION: RESOLUTIONS 32247 – 32249 ADOPTED

PROCEDURAL NOTE: With no objection from the Council, Chairman Henderson instructed the clerk to group and read the following three resolutions for one Council vote.

RESOLUTION #32250

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A SPEND LIMIT INCREASE FOR EXISTING MONDAY.COM BLANKET CONTRACT PA100296 YEARS THREE (3) AND FOUR (4) FOR PROJECT MANAGEMENT APPLICATION USED CITYWIDE, WITH AN INCREASE FROM \$75,000.00 TO \$150,000.00 ANNUAL SPEND LIMIT REPRESENTING A TOTAL ANNUAL INCREASE OF \$75,000.00 TO COVER THE COST OF ADDITIONAL PRODUCT LICENSES DUE TO THE EXPANSION OF THE PROJECT MANAGEMENT PLATFORM, WITH AN INITIAL SUBSCRIPTION SET UP AS A PILOT PROGRAM WITH 25 USERS AND HAS EXPANDED TO 300 USERS CITYWIDE AND EXPANDING.

RESOLUTION #32251

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING MAYOR KELLY'S APPOINTMENT OF BETSY HARTMAN TO THE BEER BOARD, FOR A TERM BEGINNING ON JULY 17, 2024, AND ENDING ON JULY 16, 2027.

RESOLUTION #32252

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING MAYOR KELLY'S APPOINTMENT OF ROGER RUPP TO THE AIR POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD, FOR A TERM BEGINNING ON OCTOBER 2, 2024, AND ENDING ON OCTOBER 1, 2028.

Councilwoman Dotley moved to approve the three resolutions. Vice Chair Hill seconded. The motion carried.

ACTION: RESOLUTIONS 32250 – 32252 ADOPTED

PROCEDURAL NOTE: With no objection from the Council, Chairman Henderson instructed the clerk to group and read the following five resolutions for one Council vote.

RESOLUTION #32253

A RESOLUTION FOR THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA TO APPLY FOR, AND IF AWARDED, ACCEPT A RIVERVIEW FOUNDATION GRANT FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE ACCESS POINT TO THE TENNESSEE RIVER AT TERMINAL ROAD, FOR AN AMOUNT OF \$75,000.00.

RESOLUTION #32254

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS & OUTDOORS TO APPLY FOR, AND IF AWARDED, ACCEPT A CHILDHOOD OBESITY PREVENTION AND ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH AND SUSTAINABILITY GRANT FROM THE U.S. CONFERENCE OF MAYORS IN SUPPORT OF THE EVERY KID OUTDOOR PROGRAM, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$175,000.00.

RESOLUTION #32255

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS TO AWARD CONTRACT NO. E-13-002-201, WALNUT STREET PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE REPAIRS, FEDERAL PROJECT NO. STP-M/HPP-9202(134) STATE PROJECT NO. 33LPLM-F3-229, TO SOUTHERN ROAD AND BRIDGE, LLC, OF TARPON SPRINGS, FL, FOR IN THE AMOUNT OF \$34,656,886.00, WITH A CONTINGENCY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$335,928.56, FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$34,992,814.56.

RESOLUTION #32256

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS TO AUTHORIZE CHANGE ORDER NO. 2 FOR DESIGN, BID AWARD, AND CONSTRUCTION ADMINISTRATION SERVICES PROVIDED BY VOLKERT & ASSOCIATES, INC. FOR CONTRACT NO. E-13-002-103, WALNUT STREET BRIDGE REPAIR AND REHABILITATION, TDOT PIN #128099.00, FOR AN INCREASE OF \$307,741.93 FOR CONSTRUCTION ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES, NEPA DOCUMENTATION, PUBLIC RELATIONS, AND DECORATIVE LIGHTING ELEMENTS, FOR A TOTAL PROJECT COST OF \$896,141.93.

RESOLUTION #32257

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A SPEND LIMIT INCREASE FOR THE EXISTING BLANKET CONTRACT NO. 560047, PAVING AND CONCRETE REPAIR OR REPLACEMENT, CONTRACT NO. W-20-010-201, WITH TNT CONCRETE, LLC, OF CALHOUN, TN, FOR YEAR FOUR (4), FROM \$1.5 MILLION TO \$2.5 MILLION, REPRESENTING A TOTAL INCREASE OF \$1 MILLION TO COVER INCREASED USAGE BY VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS.

Vice Chair Hill moved to approve the five resolutions. Councilwoman Dotley seconded. The motion carried.

ACTION: RESOLUTIONS 32253 – 32257 ADOPTED

PROCEDURAL NOTE: With no objection from the Council, Chairman Henderson instructed the clerk to group and read the following five resolutions for one Council vote.

RESOLUTION #32258

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF OF POLICE TO APPLY FOR, AND IF AWARDED, ACCEPT A BUREAU FOR JUSTICE ASSISTANCE (BJA) FY-2024 COLLABORATIVE CRISIS RESPONSE TRAINING GRANT FOR FUNDS TO BE USED TO HELP THOSE EXPERIENCING A HEALTH-RELATED CRISIS, FOR A THIRTY-SIX (36) MONTH PERIOD BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2024, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2027, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$216,783.00.

RESOLUTION #32259

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF OF POLICE TO APPLY FOR, AND IF AWARDED, ACCEPT A COPS FY-2024 SAFER OUTCOMES: ESCALATING DE-ESCALATION CRISIS RESPONSE TRAINING GRANT FOR FUNDS TO BE USED FOR CRISIS INTERVENTION, TRAINING COURSES, CRISIS-RELATED EDUCATION, AND TRAINING SENSORY KITS FOR DE-ESCALATION, A DATABASE FOR REFERRALS, AND SPECIALIZED SUBJECT MATTER EXPERT TRAINING, FOR A TWENTY-FOUR (24) MONTH PERIOD BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2024, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2026, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$253,075.00.

RESOLUTION #32260

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF JOSHUA WARE AS A SPECIAL COMMISSIONED POLICE OFFICER (UNARMED) FOR MCKAMEY ANIMAL SERVICES, TO PERFORM DUTIES EXPRESSLY LIMITED TO THE PERFORMANCE OF THE DUTIES IN THE POSITION OF ANIMAL PROTECTION OFFICER.

RESOLUTION #32261

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF CHAD ANTHONY WAYE AS A SPECIAL COMMISSIONED POLICE OFFICER (UNARMED) FOR MCKAMEY ANIMAL SERVICES, TO PERFORM DUTIES EXPRESSLY LIMITED TO THE PERFORMANCE OF THE DUTIES IN THE POSITION OF ANIMAL PROTECTION OFFICER.

Councilwoman Dotley moved to approve the four resolutions. Vice Chair Hill seconded. The motion carried.

ACTION: RESOLUTIONS 32258 – 32261 ADOPTED

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

[View [here](#)]

Recommended New Purchases

Ms. Talley (Purchasing) recommended the following new purchases for Council consideration:

REQ154635 Finance	\$75,000.00
Consulting Services	
Lowest/Best Bidder: Government Finance Officers Association	
203 North LaSalle Street, Suite 2700	
Chicago, Illinois 60601	
REQ154708 Finance	\$302,852.12
Consulting Services	
Lowest/Best Bidder: Ernst & Young	
1401 McKinney Street, Suite 1200	
Houston, TX 77010	

PA100385 Finance

Financial Advisory Services

Lowest/Best Bidder: PFM Financial Advisors
1735 Market Street, 42nd Floor
Philadelphia, PA 19103

Increase of \$145,000.00 for a
new annual amount of
\$363,500.00

PA100582 Technology Services

Affordable Housing Software to Support
Economic Development Affordable Housing

Lowest/Best Bidder: OpportunitySpace, Inc, dba Tolemi
295 Devonshire Street, 4th Floor
Boston, MA 02110

\$236,814.10

PA100599 Public Works Dept/Facilities Management

Card Access Security System Service and Parts

Lowest/Best Bidder: Gallaher & Associates, Inc.
3351 Regal Drive
Alcoa, TN 37701

\$250,000.00

REQ154434 Fire Department

Fire Apparatus Replacement

Lowest/Best Bidder: Spartan Fire, LLC dba Spartan Emergency Response
907 7th Avenue N
Brandon, SD 57005

\$5,581,194.00

PA100045 Parks and Outdoors

Alarm Monitoring Service

Lowest/Best Bidder: Preventia Security, LLC
1604 Old Lafayette Road
Fort Oglethorpe, GA 30742

No money will be added

REQ154589 Fleet Management Division, Public Works

2025 Peterbilt 520BP Dual Drive Chassis with Labrie Body

Lowest/Best Bidder: Labrie Environmental Group
175-B Rte Marie Victorin Levis,
Quebec Canada G7A 2T3

\$404,824.40

200703,3 Fleet Management Division, Public Works

2025 Kenworth T380 Stellar TMAX2 14ft Body with Crane Truck

Lowest/Best Bidder: Cherokee Truck Equipment
3510 Cummings Road
Chattanooga, TN 37419

\$267,560.00

REQ152415 Police Department

Ammunition

Lowest/Best Bidder: Precision Delta Corp.
205 W Floyce Street
Ruleville, MA 38771

\$122,140.04

Vice Chair Hill moved to approve all new purchases. Councilman Ledford seconded. The motion carried.

ACTION: ALL PURCHASES APPROVED

Sole Source Purchase

Ms. Talley reported the following sole source purchase:

DATE	DEPT.	SUPPLIER	ITEM DESCRIPTION	EXPLANATION	COST	DOCUMENTS
9/15/24	Technology Services & Police Department	Valorence, LLC dba Covert Law Enforcement 1756 North 8150 West Menden, UT 84325	Advanced Pole Cam Mini (High Performance)	This is the sole source purchase for (CLE) Advanced Pole Cam Mini (High Performance) for the Police Department. This item has been designed, and manufactured by Valorence, LLC. This is a Remotely Operated & Managed Surveillance System with Rapid Deployment pole or vehicle mount surveillance solution.	\$38,047.00	PUR154483

[No Council action was required for this report.]

City Attorney Report

Attorney Noblett reported a \$120,000.00 settlement to Frederick J. Moore, claim no. CO39133-102423.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Affordable Housing Committee
Vice Chair Hill (No report)

Budget and Finance Committee
Councilwoman Berz (Not present)

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 met today.

Parks and Public Works

Councilman Hester reported:

- The committee met today.

Public Safety Committee

Councilwoman Dotley (No report)

RECOGNITION OF PERSONS WISHING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL

[View [here](#)]

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

Speaker Name	District No.	Primary Topics:
• Josh Branum (GCAR)	(N/A)	May 2024 report on the nationwide economic impact of a typical home sale/Reminders about two upcoming GCAR events

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Vice Chair Hill, Chairman Henderson adjourned the meeting of the Chattanooga City Council until next Tuesday, October 8, 2024, at 3:30 p.m.

COUNCIL CHAIR

CLERK OF COUNCIL

*Attachment:
Proclamation – National Domestic
Violence Awareness Month*



2024 City Council Domestic Violence Proclamation

- WHEREAS,** The family is the foundation of a safe and healthy community and it is goal of these mayoral administrations for our communities to be safe; and
- WHEREAS,** Domestic violence impacts individuals in every community, regardless of age, economic status, sexual orientation, gender, race, religion, or nationality; in which, children are also affected. 1 in 3 women and 1 in 4 men have experienced physical violence by an intimate partner.
- WHEREAS,** More than half of crimes against persons in Tennessee are domestic violence-related. Research shows that domestic violence is often a root cause of other crimes, such as mass shootings and gun violence.
- WHEREAS,** Within the city of Chattanooga, we have experienced almost 800 domestic violence incidents so far this year of 2024.
- WHEREAS,** While domestic violence is not always revealed as physical abuse, it is also any pattern of behaviors that attempts to control and intimidate a partner or family member through fear, manipulation, isolation, financial abuse, physical abuse, sexual abuse, stalking, mental abuse, and/or verbal abuse. While physical injury with visible damage may often be the most obvious signs of offense, the effect of emotional, psychological, social, and spiritual trauma is much deeper and can have life-long consequences for survivors and their families.
- WHEREAS,** we as leaders in this community, realize that family is the foundation and core of a safe and healthy community and ending domestic violence requires a combined effort involving every part of our society, including law enforcement and our justice system to work together to hold offenders accountable and to protect and empower survivors and their children to create pathways to hope and safety.
- WHEREAS,** the Chattanooga Hamilton County Family Justice Center served almost 1100 victims in 2023 and provided 169 trainings. Together with their co-located partner organizations, there is help to hold offenders accountable and reduce recidivism while helping to ensure justice, victim safety and healing.



WHEREAS, during National Domestic Violence Awareness Month, we reaffirm our dedication to forging a community where no one suffers the pain and hardship that domestic violence causes~~and we recommit to doing all that is within our power to uphold the basic human right to be free from violence and abuse.

WHEREAS, We dedicate ourselves to create a community where domestic violence is not tolerated, where survivors are supported, where offenders are held accountable and where all people have an opportunity to thrive without fear of violence or abuse.

Now Therefore,

by the virtue of the authority vested in us, we do hereby proclaim October 2024 as

Domestic Violence Awareness Month

and call on all citizens to know the power of 'we'- as One Chattanooga- to observe and speak out against domestic violence and support efforts of law enforcement, the justice system, advocates, service providers, health care providers and the leadership of survivors to end domestic violence.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and caused the Seal of Chattanooga to be affixed this the 1st day of October 2024.



Carol Berz
Councilwoman, District 6