

Action Agenda - December 14, 2015

A = APPROVAL
AD = APPROVAL DENIED
NA = NO ACTION
D = ACTION DEFERRED
R = REFERRED
C = REFERRED TO COMMITTEE
T = TABLED
RA = REMOVED FROM AGENDA
I = INTRODUCED
RW = REQUEST WITHDRAWN
O = OTHER

ACTION AGENDA FOR A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROCKY MOUNT HELD MONDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2015 AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE GEORGE W. DUDLEY CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER OF THE FREDERICK E. TURNAGE MUNICIPAL BUILDING.

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

I. Explanation

The North Carolina General Statutes require Cities to hold organizational meetings each Municipal election year after the results of elections are certified. During the organizational meetings, newly elected officials are administered the oath of office and other organizational matters are acted upon. This being a municipal election year, the Rocky Mount City Council is holding its organizational meeting this evening.

II. Opening of Meeting

1. Meeting Called to Order by Mayor Combs.
2. Prayer.
3. Roll Call by the City Clerk.
4. Approval of the Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the City Council Held November 23, 2015.
5. Presentation of Proclamation Proclaiming December 19, 2015 Chi Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Day in honor of its 90th Anniversary.

III. Organization

6. Administration of Oaths to Recently Re-elected Mayor and City Councilmembers by the Honorable Pell C. Cooper, District Court Judge, Seventh Judicial District:

- David W. Combs - Mayor
- Andre' D. Knight - Ward 1
- Ethel Lois Watkins - Ward 4
- Burnell Thomas Rogers - Ward 5

7. Seating of Sworn Councilmembers.

IV. Business Session

8. Roll Call of New Council by the City Clerk.

9. Election of City Treasurer (two-year term expires December 2017). Elect W. B. Bullock.

10. Election of Mayor Pro Tem (one-year term expires December 2016). Elect Lamont Wiggins.

R~ 11. Petitions to be Received From the Public.

Gwen Wilkins of 632 Amos Street requested that the 800 block of Amos Street be repaved as soon as possible.

William Benton, general partner with RM Wilson Housing, stated he is present should the Council have any questions relative to Item 19 on the agenda.

Nehemiah Smith, Jr. of 1620 E. Virginia Street complained about the continued lack of diversity in the Fire Department. He said recent hiring decisions make him continue to question the Fire Department's commitment to diversity.

Lewis Turner of 128 S. Washington Street stated he has been an advocate for citizens for a number of years and feels most matters have been resolved through compromise, however, he recently attempted to communicate with staff on behalf of a City employee and was unable to get anyone speak with him on the matter.

Bronson Williams 611 Hargrove Street stated that Councilmember Blackwell recently requested that consideration be given to renaming a City street in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. He suggested that the street should be a prominent street and recommended renaming Sunset Avenue from Meadowbrook to Nash Community College.

*Referred to the City Manager's Office.

Note: Citizens shall state their name and address for public record and limit presentations to three (3) minutes. Time will be monitored.

12. CONSENT AGENDA:

A. Fireworks Display:

- Request from Church on the Rise for Permission to Conduct a Fireworks at 3520 Bishop Road on Thursday, December 31, 2015 at 10:00 p.m.

B. Tax Releases and/or Refunds:

1. Schedule A - Acknowledge receipt of report of taxes under \$100 approved for release and/or refund by the City Manager;
2. Schedule B - Release taxes over \$100 as recommended.

A~ Recommended Action: Approve Consent Agenda (inclusive of fireworks request, subject to Compliance with the provisions of the City's policy and the North Carolina State Fire Code, and Release of Taxes).

13. Consideration of Minutes from a Committee of the Whole Meeting Held November 23, 2015:

1. Positive Image Campaign - Dorsey Tobias and Don Williams - approval for investment by the City in the amount of \$25,000 for Phase Two of Here's to Success Campaign;
2. Comprehensive Annual Financial Report - Amy Staton and Matt Braswell, Martin Starnes & Associates - Report only; no action;
3. Strategic IT Plan - Maurice Ferrell and Shannon Tufts, UNC/SOG (Added in Open Meeting) - Report only; no action;
4. Comprehensive Parks and Recreation Master Plan - Thom Moton, Jr. and Kelvin Yarrell - Report only; no action; and
5. Closed Session - Attorney/client privilege and property acquisition.

A~ Recommended Action: Approve Minutes.

14. South Rocky Mount Community Center Renovation:

- a. Consideration of 1) Project Increase on Contract with DanCo Builders, Incorporated for Additional Project Requirements - \$120,000; 2) Budget Amendment Appropriating Funds in the General Capital Fund - \$155,160; and
- b. Consideration of 1) Acceptance of \$20,000 Grant from Rocky Mount Community Foundation for FY 2015-2016 to Assist with Basketball Court Renovations; 2) Budget Amendment Appropriating Grant Funds (\$20,000).

A~ Recommended Action: 1) Approve Increase in Project Cost and Authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to Execute Any Required Change Orders/Documents; 2) Accept Grant and Authorize the Mayor to Execute the Grant Agreement on Behalf of the City; and 3) Adopt Budget Ordinances.

15. Consideration of Sale of 2.26 Acres at 11875 Red Oak Battleboro Road to Virginia Electric and Power Company (Dominion) - bid of \$20,000 advertised for upset bids -

none received.

A~ Recommended Action: Adopt Resolution Accepting Offer to Purchase Property (authorizes Mayor and City Clerk to execute Deed).

16. Consideration of Memoranda of Agreement between the City of Rocky Mount and Rocky Mount/Edgecombe Community Development Corporation Relative to FY 2015-2016 Funding Allocations of Housing Incentive Program Funds (\$125,000).

A~ Recommended Action: Approve Agreement and Authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to Execute the Same on Behalf of the City.

17. Consideration of Approval of Parks and Recreation Comprehensive Master Plan.

A~ Recommended Action: Approve Plan.

18. Consideration of the Following Recommendations from the Traffic Engineer:

- Repeal: 45 MPH on SR 1539 (Instrument Drive) from a point 0.15 mile west of US 301, eastward to the Seaboard Coast Line Railroad.

A~ Recommended Action: Adopt Ordinance Amending the Traffic Control Ordinance Map.

19. Consideration of Recommendation of the Rocky Mount Housing Authority for the Transfer RM Wilson Housing for the Elderly to Mid-Atlantic Foundation (lease in effect until 9/8/2055; sale approved by HUD and Rocky Mount Housing Authority Board of Commissioners).

A~ Recommended Action: Approve Transfer of Property by the Rocky Mount Housing Authority.

20. Consideration of Resolution Exercising the Power of Eminent Domain to Acquire Certain Property at 207 and 209 Goldleaf Street and a Portion of 240 Atlantic Avenue.

A~ Recommended Action: Adopt Resolution.

21. Consideration of Bids:

a. Removal of Biosolids (Sludge) - award contract to Granville Farms, Incorporate to remove and land apply an estimated 18,000,000 gallons of biosolids per year @ rate of \$.0294/gallon; three-year contract effective January 1, 2016 (cost not to exceed \$868,000);

b. One (1) Kubota M11GXDTC Tractor on Bid Awarded by the National Joint Powers Alliance (NJPA) - award to Parker Farm Service @ total cost of \$122,563.05 under NJPA Contract #070313-AGI;

c. One (1) 2016 Terex Hi-Ranger LTM40 Articulating/Telescoping Aerial Device on Bid Awarded by the National Joint Powers Alliance (NJPA) - award to Terex USA, LLC @ total cost of \$132,345 under NJPA Contract #042815-TER;

d. One (1) RTX750 Tractor w/Vibratory Plow on Bid Awarded by the National Joint Powers Alliance (NJPA) - award to Vermeer Corporation @ total cost of \$97,340 under NJPA Contract #070313-VRM; and

e. Kaba Ilco Caterpillar 3516 Generator Rebuild - award contract to Gregory Poole Equipment Company @ total cost of \$175,776.39 (\$155,334.39 for rebuild plus \$20,442 for 60-month warranty).

RA*~& A~ Recommended Action: 1) Award Bids as Recommended; 2) Authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to Execute the Bid Contracts for (b), (c) and (d) on Behalf of the City; 3) Authorize the Purchasing Division to Issue a Purchase Order for (e) in Accordance with the Council's Award; and 4) Remove Item 21a from consideration.

*Item 21a was removed from the agenda.

22. Consideration of Canceling the Second City Council Meetings in December (Regular and Committee of the Whole) Scheduled for December 28, 2015.

A~ Recommended Action: Approve Cancellation of Meetings.

NA~ 23. Appointments:

a. Martin Luther King, Jr. Commission (Ex-officio - term expires 6/30/18);

b. Mayor's Commission on Persons with Disabilities (unexpired term expires 6/2017); and

c. Utility Service Review Board (Ward 6 - unexpired term expires 6/2018).

24. Closed Session:

- Property Acquisition

- Economic Development (added to agenda in open meeting)