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<b>AD</b>	=	<b>APPROVAL DENIED</b>	<b>T</b>	=	<b>TABLED</b>
<b>NA</b>	=	<b>NO ACTION</b>	<b>RA</b>	=	<b>REMOVED FROM AGENDA</b>
<b>D</b>	=	<b>DEFERRED</b>	<b>I</b>	=	<b>INTRODUCED</b>
<b>R</b>	=	<b>REFERRED</b>	<b>RW</b>	=	<b>REQUEST WITHDRAWN</b>
			<b>O</b>	=	<b>OTHER</b>

**ACTION AGENDA FOR A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROCKY MOUNT HELD MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2017 AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE GEORGE W. DUDLEY CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER OF THE FREDERICK E. TURNAGE MUNICIPAL BUILDING.**

1. Meeting Called to Order by the Mayor.
2. Prayer.
3. Roll Call by the City Clerk.
- A~ 4. Approval of the Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the City Council Held August 28, 2017.
5. Presentations and Recognitions:
  - Presentation of Proclamation Proclaiming the Month of September as Senior Center Month in the City of Rocky Mount to Brian Harrell, Senior Center Manager, and Senior Center Members; and
  - Presentation of Proclamation Proclaiming September 11<sup>th</sup> as First Responders Day in the City of Rocky Mount to James Moore, Police Chief, and Michael Varnell, Fire Chief.

6. Petitions to be Received from the Public.

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

**Johnny Cunningham** of 1105 Branch Street told the Council there are 15 African-American communities in the City that are being underserved and treated unfairly. He stated the Council has sorely failed the black community.

**Curmilus Dancy**, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President of the Rocky Mount NAACP read a prepared statement requesting the removal of the Confederate statue currently at Battle Park. He proposed it be relocated to private property.

**Lewis Turner** of 158 S. Washington Street requested more information relative to rezoning petitions on the agenda.

**Bronson Williams** of 600 Hargrove Street reiterated his request that a prominent corridor in Rocky Mount be named for Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. He urged quick action relative to removing the Confederate statue. He voiced approval of the proposed branding for the Rocky Mount Event Center.

**Samuel Battle** of 261 Middle Street said he just returned from the prison system. He said he was talking with gang members at the back to school backpack drive in Meadowbrook Park and witnessed disrespect by youth to Police. He said they need help and programs plus jobs, mentors and money.

**Nehemiah Smith** of 1620 E. Virginia Street said the Fire Department is a tainted process and as much an affront as the Confederate monument. He added that the monument must be removed. He added that the Council Chamber needs of repair.

**Randy Adcox** of 3212 N. Halifax Road said he believes the Confederate monument was erected to honor Veterans. He offered relocation of the statue further into Battle Park where it is less prominent and not in public view as a solution.

7. Consideration of Tax Releases and/or Refunds:

- Schedule A – taxes under \$100 approved for release and/or refund by the City Manager; and
- Schedule B – taxes over \$100 recommended for release and/or refund by the City Council.

A~ Recommended Action: 1) Acknowledge Receipt of Report from the City Manager of Schedule A Taxes Approved for Release and/or Refund; and  
2) Approve Release and/or Refund of Taxes Listed on Schedule B.

8. Consideration of the Minutes and Recommendations from a Regular Scheduled Planning Board Meeting held August 8, 2017:

***\*Overview of request(s) and recommendation(s) by the Director of Planning and Development or his designee***

A. **Public Hearing** Relative to the Following Rezoning Request Recommended for Approval and Found in Compliance with the Comprehensive Plan by the Planning Board:

- Request by Lisa Robertson to rezone ±3.52 acres located at 420 Jones Road and 2221 Curtis Ellis Drive from R-15 to O-I.

A~ Recommended Action: Acknowledge Receipt of Planning Board Minutes and Adopt Ordinance Amending the Land Development Code and Map.

B. **Public Hearing** Relative to the Following Land Development Code Amendments Recommended for Approval and found in Compliance with the Comprehensive Plan by the Planning Board:

- **PURPOSE OF AMENDMENTS:** to revise the following Chapters and Sections of the Land Development Code of the City of Rocky Mount to align with the State General Statutes, correct misaligned text and clarify the intended application of regulations:
  - 1) Chapter 3. DEVELOPMENT REVIEW ADMINISTRATION; Sec. 308. Board of adjustment.; F. *Board rules and procedures*.;
  - 2) Chapter 3. DEVELOPMENT REVIEW ADMINISTRATION; Sec. 312. Development review procedures.; G. *Written notice*.; H. *Published notice*.; I. *Posted notice*.; and K. *Summary of procedures requiring notice*. **Table 3-1. Notice Summary**;
  - 3) Chapter 7. GENERAL DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS; Sec. 704. Landscaping and buffering.; C. *Landscaping procedures and general requirements*.; 6. Maintenance requirements.;
  - 4) Chapter 7. GENERAL DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS; Sec. 709. Signs.; E. *Signs not requiring a permit*.; 4. *Display of official governmental flags*.;
  - 5) Chapter 7. GENERAL DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS; Sec. 709. Signs.; F. *Permitted freestanding signs*.; **Table 7-1**.; and
  - 6) Chapter 7. GENERAL DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS; Sec. 709. Signs.; G. *Permitted wall signs, hanging signs, projecting signs and roof signs*.; **Table 7-2**.

D\*~ Recommended Action: Adopt Ordinance Amending the Land Development Code and Map.

***\*Deferred to the October 9, 2017 City Council Meeting***

9. **Public Hearing** Relative to the Following Land Development Code Amendments Recommended for Approval and Found in Compliance with the Comprehensive Plan by the Planning Board at a Regular Rescheduled Planning Board Meeting held November 9, 2016:

- Amends Land Development Code to replace Tables 7-1 and 7-2 inadvertently deleted in December 2016 :

D\* Recommended Action: Adopt Ordinance Amending the Land Development Code and Map.

***\*Deferred to the October 9, 2017 City Council Meeting***

A~ 10. Consideration of Offer (\$1 per year for 25 years, with 1 additional automatic renewal unless terminated) from Rocky Mount Dam, LLC to Lease City-Owned Property Located in the Tar River Below the Rocky Mount Mills Dam Known as Panther Island (*deferred from June 26, July 10 and August 14, 2017 meetings*).

11. Consideration of Application for One (1) Additional Taxi Right License for Zabdiel Uri Dewar.

A~ Recommended Action: Approve Issuance of Additional Taxi Right License as Recommended and Authorize the City Clerk to Execute the Same on Behalf of the City.

12. Consideration of Ordinance Ordering the Community Code Inspector to Proceed with Demolition of the Following Substandard Properties:

- a. 1332 Maple Street
- b. 538 Center Street
- c. 512 Arlington Street
- d. 1415 Branch Street
- e. 200 S. Howell Street
- f. 515 Carolina Avenue

A~ Recommended Action: Adopt Ordinance.

13. Consideration of Releasing Interest (\$2,580.31) on a Demolition Assessment and Weed Assessments (\$450.21) Relative to Private Properties Located at 401 Cedar Street (principal and interest to be paid = demolition/\$6,239.28; weed/\$842.87)

A~ Recommended Action: Approve Recommendations and Authorize the Mayor and/or City Clerk to Execute Any Necessary Documentation.

14. Consideration of FY 2018 5339 Statewide Bus and Bus Facility Grant Agreement from the North Carolina Department of Transportation for Replacement of Existing Para-Transit Vehicles and Bus Stop Signage for Fixed Route ((FTA = \$314,880; NCDOT = \$39,360; City Local Match = \$39,360).

A~ Recommended Action: 1) Accept Grant and Authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to Execute the Grant Agreement and Any Other Required Documentation on Behalf of the City; and  
2) Adopt Resolution.

NA~ 15. Appointment:

- Utility Service Review Board (Ward 1 - expires 6/30/2021)

A~ 16. Consideration of Scheduling City Council Candidates Briefing with the City Manager for Monday, September 25, 2017 at 10:00 a.m.

17. Closed Session:

- ~~Economic Development~~;
- Personnel; and

- Attorney-Client