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R	=	REFERRED	RW	=	REQUEST WITHDRAWN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

ACTION AGENDA FOR A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROCKY MOUNT HELD MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2017 AT 4:00 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 September 11, 2017.
5. Presentations and Recognitions:
 - a. Presentation of 2017 North Carolina Main Street Center “Main Street Champion” Award to Stepheny Houghtlin for Dedicated Support of the Downtown Revitalization Efforts of Main Street Rocky Mount;
 - b. Presentation of the 2017 National Main Street Center and North Carolina Main Street Award Recognizing the City of Rocky Mount Main Street Program as a “Main Street America Accredited Program” to the Central City Revitalization Panel and City Staff;
 - c. Presentation of Proclamation Proclaiming the Week of September 24-30, 2017 as Rail Safety Week in the City of Rocky Mount to North Carolina Operation Lifesaver Authorized Volunteer, Trooper Randy Bridges.
 - d. Presentation of Proclamation Proclaiming the Week of October 1-7, 2017 Public Power and Public Natural Gas Week in the City of Rocky Mount to Energy Resources Department Staff.
 - e. Presentation of Proclamation Proclaiming October 6th through October 10th as Thelonious Monk’s 100th Birthday Celebration.
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 asked the Council to focus on the 15 underserved African-American communities in the City.

Robert Cordell of 3300 Brookview Drive made the following three requests: 1) a sauna at the Senior Center; 2) renaming of West Thomas Street for Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.; 3) reduction in the \$25 motor vehicle fee.

Bronson Williams of 600 Hargrove Street voiced concern for citizens giving addresses during the public petition portion of the meeting. He agreed with the request to rename a major freeway in the City for Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and requested that Council meetings be televised.

Nehemiah Smith of 1620 E. Virginia Street commended the Council for efforts to bring growth back to the City and specifically for placement of the Downtown Community Facility in Edgecombe County. He stated Council had done a great job in hiring the new City Manager and reiterated his desire that the City do the best it can to add diversity in the Fire Department.

David Farris of 129 Wildwood Avenue told the Council that six honorees were honored last week in Greenville when they received national awards from the Boy Scouts of America and three of the six, Lamont Wiggins, Mayor Boddie and Bill Dautridge, were from Rocky Mount. He thanked Councilmember Wiggins for his work with the Boy Scouts and in the community.

7. **CONSENT AGENDA:**

A. Consideration of Adoption of the Following FY 2017-2018 Project Ordinance Amendment:

1. Appropriates NCDOT Grant funds for the purchase of additional 30 foot Low Floor Bus (\$470,000).

B. Temporary Street Closures:

1. From Pastor Mack E. Battle of East End Baptist Church to close the 900 block of East Highland Avenue from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 7, 2016 to celebrate the Church's 91st Anniversary;
2. Consideration of Request from Essence Hamlette to Close the 300 Block of Albemarle Avenue from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 14, 2017 for her son's birthday party;
3. Consideration of Request from Steve Yetman, City Engineer, on Behalf of RMECDC of an Ordinance Approving Temporary Street Closing for the 100th Birthday Celebration of Thelonious Monk (*ordinance adoption requirement of NCDOT standards*):
 - Closure of E. Thomas Street (US 64 Business West) from Atlantic Avenue to NE Main Street; Albemarle Avenue from Rose Street to E. Goldleaf Street; and NE Main Street from E. Thomas Street to E. Goldleaf Street from 1:30 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. on Saturday, October 7, 2017.

4. Consideration of Request from Steve Yetman, City Engineer, of an Ordinance Approving Temporary Street Closing for the Annual Christmas Parade (*ordinance adoption requirement of NCDOT standards*):

- Temporary Closure of the East Side of Main Street from Marigold Street to E. Thomas Street; Thomas Street from NE Main Street to N. Church Street; and Church Street from W. Thomas Street to Bassett Street from 1:00 p.m. until 4:30 p.m. on Sunday, December 3, 2017.

A~ Recommended Action: Approve Consent Agenda (inclusive of approval of adoption of Ordinances).

8. Consideration of Minutes from a Committee of the Whole Meeting Held September 11, 2017:
1. Downtown Community Facility Branding/Marketing - *Charles Penny* - approval of branding efforts as recommended;
 2. Budget Report, Final Quarter FY 2017 (Unaudited) - *Ken Hunter* – report only; no action;
 3. Business Services Relocation – *Amy Staton* – approval of naming building at 224 S. Franklin Street as recommended; and
 4. Human Relations Commission/Improving Race Relations in the City of Rocky Mount – *Archie Jones* – report only; no action.
 5. Chamber of Commerce Request – approved increase in level of benefits to the Chamber’s investment program, as recommended.

A~ Recommended Action: Approve Minutes and Recommendations.

9. Consideration of Releasing Interest (\$523.12) on Weed Cutting Assessments Relative to Private Properties Located at 334-342 Albemarle Avenue and 337 NE Main Street (principal and interest to be paid = Albemarle Avenue/\$168.10; NE Main Street/\$866.59 = \$511.57.

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

10. Consideration of Equipment Proposed to be Purchased with Funding (\$49,654) from the 2017 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG), If Awarded: (Nash County share - \$19,861.60/City share - \$29,792.40 to be used to purchase License Plate Reader System and 35 hockey puck style antennas; notification pursuant to grant requirement).

A~ Recommended Action: Acknowledge Notification of Planned Use of JAG Funds.

11. Consideration of Issuance of One-Time Special Amplified Sound Permit for the Monk Jazz Outdoor Concert and 100th Birthday Celebration of T.S. Monk from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. on Saturday, October 7, 2017.

A~ Recommended Action: Waive Permit for Mechanical Sound Producing Device Restrictions and Authorize the Chief of Police to Issue One-Time Special Amplified Sound Permit.

12. Consideration of Personnel Pay and Classification Plan Amendments to Add the Following New Positions:

Dept/Division	Classification	Range
CMO	Chief Communications and Marketing Officer	26
CMO	Media Relations Specialist	18

A~ Recommended Action: Adopt Resolution Enacting Changes Outlined Above.

13. Consideration of Electric Service Agreement with Boice Willis Clinic for Service at 91 Enterprise Drive (outlines terms and conditions for sale of electric power).

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

14. Consideration of Sidewalk Cost Reimbursement Agreement with WODA Construction, Inc. Relative to Ravenwood Crossing (outlines City's share of cost of sidewalk installation – estimated at and not to exceed \$30,000).

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

15. Consideration of 1) North Carolina Housing Finance Agency Urgent Repair Program Funding Agreement (details amount of award of \$75,000 and deadline for use of funds); and 2) 2017 Urgent Repair Program Assistance Policy (details eligibility requirements for program participants, selection process and over program process).

A~ Recommended Action: 1) Adopt Urgent Repair Program Assistance Policy;
2) Approve Funding Agreement; and
3) Authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to Execute the Agreement and Policy on Behalf of the City.

16. Consideration of Pole Attachment Agreement with Extenet Systems, Incorporated (outlines terms and conditions for Extenet to attach equipment to the City's utility poles; 5-year term).

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

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

- Adopt: No Parking Anytime on both sides of East Elm Street from Falls Road eastward for 0.13 miles

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

18. Consideration of Contract Renewal with Public Safety Corporation for False Alarm Tracking and Billing Services (extends term through August 23, 2018; all other terms remain the same).

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

19. Consideration of Contract Extension with Mullin & Lonergan Associates for Completion of the Annual Action Plan, Consolidated Plan, Citizen Participation Plan and Assessment of Fair Housing (extends term of contract to 2023 @ an additional cost of \$15,000).

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

20. Appointment:

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- a. Board of Adjustment (Alternate – expires 6/30/2020)
- b. Mayor’s Commission on Persons with Disabilities (expires 6/2018) – *Ruth Bowens**
- c. Rocky Mount-Wilson Airport Authority (expires 6/30/2019)
- d. Utility Service Review Board (Ward 1 - expires 6/30/2021) – *Jeanette Thomas-Cobb**

21. Consideration of: 1) Resolution Authorizing Emergency Repairs to the Tar River Water Supply Reservoir Dam; and 2) Budget Amendment for Tar River Water Supply Reservoir Dam Emergency Repairs.

A~ Recommended Action: Adopt Resolution and Budget Ordinance.