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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R	= REFERRED	RW	= REQUEST WITHDRAWN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, NOVEMBER 13, 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 October 23, 2017.
5. Presentations and Recognitions:
 - Presentation of Proclamation Recognizing and Proclaiming October 21-22, 2017 as the 200th Anniversary of The Bahá'í Faith in the City of Rocky Mount to Mary Spires and Yalem Wiley.
6. Petitions to be Received from the Public.

Note: Please complete Citizen Sign-In Sheet and provide to City Clerk/Deputy City Clerk prior to speaking. Please limit presentations to three (3) minutes. Time will be monitored.

Randy Adcox provided information to the Mayor and Council relative to gang prevention through community intervention with high-risk youth from the National Crime Prevention website and his contact information. He stated a young lady he went to school with was kidnapped and murdered in December 1986. He told the Council he is concerned with crime in the city and proposed a crime prevention task force aimed at young people and working in conjunction with law enforcement and the Council be created. He said he has been asked by a group of citizens to serve on such a task force and would like to meet with interested Councilmembers .

Johnnie Cunningham told the City Council that 17 years ago today 6 children and 1 man died in a fire two blocks from a fire station and 3 blocks from the new event center. He

stated gentrification is spreading into impoverished black communities and just last week he helped remove a mother and 2 children out of home where 14 people resided. He asked for 30 seconds of silence in memory of the lives lost 17 years ago and stated we have to get children out of these houses.

Bronson Williams stated two of the children mentioned by Johnnie Cunningham were his classmates and he remembers the tragedy created by slumlords in the community. He said he was thankful to be at the committee of the whole meeting today where the Council discussed how to deal with gentrification and other issues impacting the community. He said he saw on Facebook that the city made it difficult for a citizen to open a business in Rocky Mount. He voiced concern that there is a miscommunication between elected officials and staff and miscommunication between staff to citizens. He complimented the City Manager on the job she is doing. He stated WNCR TV is moving to 21.1 and will soon be moving to a new location.

Nehemiah Smith congratulated Councilmembers who were recently reelected. He thanked the City Manager for her TABLE talk initiative in creating an environment where employees feel comfortable expressing concerns or suggestions and stated it is key to a healthy work place. He stated he would encourage black firefighters to attend these sessions. He told the Council at the intersection of Barnes and Virginia Streets there are 2 issues: 1) Baskerville and Parker Schools are located nearby and children are unsafe walking home because people often run the stop sign at that intersection creating a dangerous condition; and 2) late at night for the past month or so there has been a road block at that corner and that is upsetting to elderly citizens in the community. He asked that police monitor that intersection and that perhaps a caution light or speed bumps be installed.

Lewis Turner stated sidewalks are needed for children and he has been asking for sidewalks for 20 years. He asked that Sue Perry-Cole be allowed to speak in his time. Ms. Perry-Cole told the Council she will speak at the scheduled public hearing.

7. **CONSENT AGENDA:**

A. Temporary Street Closure:

- Consideration of Request from Willie and Christy Bryant, to Close the 700 Block of O'Berry Street from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, November 23, 2017 to feed less fortunate families for Thanksgiving.

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

- Budget Ordinance Amendment:

Appropriates funds in the General Account for the purchase of a new video camera, stabilizer and additional video production equipment for Public Affairs (\$23,100).

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Recommended Action: Approve Consent Agenda (inclusive of approval of adoption of Ordinance and street closure).

8. **Public Hearing** Relative to the Down East HOME Consortium Amended Citizen Participation Plan (requirement of HUD).

A~ Recommended Action: 1) Receive Public Comment;
2) Approve Plan; and
3) Authorize the Mayor to Execute the Same on Behalf of the City.

9. Consideration of the Recommendations from a Regular Scheduled Planning Board Meeting held August 8, 2017 and a Regular Rescheduled Planning Board Meeting held November 9, 2016 (**Action Deferred from September 11 and October 9, 2017 City Council Meetings*)

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

A. Consideration of 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 (7-6).**; and
 - 6) Chapter 7. GENERAL DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS; Sec. 709. Signs.; G. *Permitted wall signs, hanging signs, projecting signs and roof signs.*; **Table 7-2 (7-7).**

A~ Recommended Action: Adopt Ordinance Amending the Land Development Code and Map.

B. Consideration of 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

(NOTE: Planning Board recommendations recommended Tables 7-1 and 7-2 be replaced, rather than recommending that Tables 7-6 and 7-7 be added.)

A~ Recommended Action: Adopt Ordinance Amending the Land Development Code and Map.

10. Consideration of the Minutes from a Regular Scheduled Planning Board Meeting held October 10, 2017.

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Recommended Action: Acknowledge Receipt of Planning Board Minutes.

11. Consideration of Task Order No. 3 on On-Call Contract with Appian Consulting Engineers, P.A. (preliminary engineering, recommendations, construction cost estimates, alternatives/cost benefit analysis and summary report for drainage repairs at Coleman Avenue, Park Avenue and Jones Road – drainage issues date back to Hurricane Matthew may be eligible for FEMA reimbursement - \$18,500).

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Recommended Action: Approve Task Order and Authorize the Mayor to Execute the Same on Behalf of the City.

12. Consideration of Contract Amendment with CH2M Hill North Carolina, Inc. (amends contract to include oversight and inspection of 54” sewer outfall rehabilitation project - increases contract by \$119,800).

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Recommended Action: Approve Contract Amendment and Authorize the Mayor to Execute the Same on Behalf of the City.

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

Submitted by NCDOT for concurrence by City:

- Repeal: 45 MPH on SR 1544 (Halifax Road) from a point 0.65 mile south of SR 1765 (Pine Terrace Community Road), northward to SR 1604 (Hunter Hill Road); and
- Adopt: 45 MPH on SR 1544 (Halifax Road) between 0.645 mile south of SR 1765 (Community Drive) and 0.006 mile south of SR 1604 (Hunter Hill Road)

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

14. Consideration of Canceling the Second City Council Meeting in December (2nd regular meeting date falls on December 25, 2017).

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Recommended Action: Approve Cancellation of Meeting.

NA~ 15. Appointments:

- a. Board of Adjustment (Alternate – expires 6/30/2020);
- b. Human Relations Commission (Mayor appointment – expires 6/30/2019); and
- c. Martin Luther King, Jr. Commission (expires 6/30/2020)