

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA FEBRUARY 11, 2019

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Performances: March
8th, 9th, 15th, & 16th @
7:30 P.M.
&
March 10th & 17th @
2:00 P.M.



ROCKY MOUNT CITY COUNCIL VISION STATEMENT

Rocky Mount is a City composed of people of diverse backgrounds, heritages, and interests with a shared sense of values, stewardship and community.

It is a City where all citizens have the opportunity to realize their full potential through individual initiative and community support.

Its citizens enjoy and value the benefits of efficient, cost-effective and responsive public services, a strong and diversified economy, and superior cultural and educational resources.

Rocky Mount recognizes and appreciates its history while responding to the challenges and opportunities of regional and global change in a proactive and realistic manner.





W E L C O M E !

We are pleased you are attending a Rocky Mount City Council meeting. You are now participating in the process of representative government. We appreciate your interest and hope you and your fellow citizens will attend often. Democracy cannot endure without an informed electorate.

Rocky Mount has the Council-Manager form of local government. Policy is set by the Mayor and Council, who are elected by the people. The policy is implemented by the City Manager, who is appointed by the Council. The Council decides what is to be done. The City Manager, operating through the entire City staff, does it. This separation of policy-making and policy administration is considered the most economical and efficient form of City government.

COUNCIL MEETINGS

The City Council meets in regular session twice each month in the George W. Dudley City Council Chamber of the Frederick E. Turnage Municipal Building. These meetings are open to the public and are held on the following schedule:

2nd Monday - 7:00 p.m.

4th Monday - 4:00 p.m.

At these meetings, the City's business is conducted and ordinances and resolutions, the laws of Rocky Mount, are enacted. Ordinances take effect upon their adoption when approved by a majority of the Council. All ordinances must be in writing. They are introduced at one meeting and adopted at a subsequent meeting. The Council may, however, by an affirmative vote of five (5) members, adopt an ordinance at the same meeting it is introduced. The Council frequently uses this procedure.

Councilmembers receive the agenda for a Council meeting, together with detailed background material, on the Thursday prior to each regular meeting. This gives them the opportunity to study each item on the agenda prior to the meeting and consult with the City Manager or City staff members. If no additional pertinent facts are presented at the meeting, items are often acted upon without further discussion, particularly in routine matters. This procedure helps Council meetings to move more expeditiously.

INFORMAL WORK SESSIONS OR COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The Council generally conducts a work session or COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE meeting at 5:00 p.m. prior to the first regular monthly meeting. The COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE is the entire City Council meeting as a committee to discuss matters requiring more in-depth explanation, study or discussion. The Committee frequently makes recommendations to the City Council, however, no recommendations made by the COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE are final until accepted by the Council in a regular meeting.

These meetings are open to the public.





HOW A CITIZEN CAN BE HEARD

Citizens may appear before the Council to be heard on any subject related to City government, or any individual matter which may involve City government. A provision is made on each City Council agenda for **PETITIONS TO BE RECEIVED FROM THE PUBLIC**. At this time, citizens are encouraged to bring to the Council's attention matters that are not otherwise specifically listed on the agenda. If the matter you are interested in is specifically listed on the agenda, you are asked to address that issue when it is being considered. If you desire to be heard, you are asked to advise the Mayor in which item you are interested at the time it appears on the agenda. You will be requested to use the speakers stand, give your name and address and identify any group which you represent. Citizens addressing the Council on any matter shall not abuse their privilege and shall confine themselves to the question under debate, and avoid all personal or indecorous language. The City Clerk prepares the minutes of the meetings. After approval by the Council, these become the official record of the proceedings. The entire meeting is tape recorded for accuracy in preparing the minutes.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Prior to the enactment of some ordinances or resolutions, the law requires that the City Council conduct a public hearing in order that the public may have an opportunity to be heard. The most common of these are zoning ordinance changes, the ordering of public improvements and determination of assessments. Most public hearings are conducted in the general course of a regular meeting and are usually scheduled for the evening meeting of the City Council on the second Monday of each month to afford more citizens an opportunity to attend.

MAYOR

DAVID W. COMBS

CITY COUNCIL

TOM ROGERS, MAYOR PRO TEM
(Ward 5)

ANDRÉ D. KNIGHT (Ward 1)

REUBEN C. BLACKWELL, IV (Ward 2)

RICHARD E. JOYNER (Ward 3)

E. LOIS WATKINS (Ward 4)

W. B. BULLOCK (Ward 6)

CHRIS MILLER (Ward 7)

CITY STAFF

ROCHELLE D. SMALL-TONEY, *City Manager*

PAMELA O. CASEY, *City Clerk*

CHRIS BESCHLER, *Assistant City Manager*

NATASHA HAMPTON-CLAYTON, *Assistant City Manager*

TAMEKA KENAN-NORMAN, *Chief Communications & Marketing Officer*

RICHARD J. ROSE, *City Attorney*





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AGENDA FOR A REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROCKY MOUNT TO BE HELD MONDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2019 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.
4. Approval of the Minutes of a Regular Scheduled Meeting of the City Council Held January 28, 2019. [View](#)
5. Petitions to be Received from the Public.

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

6. **CONSENT AGENDA:**

- A. Consideration of Recommendation for Approval of Award of Duty Sidearm to: [View](#)
 - Sergeant Christopher Moseley for 30 years of dedicated service, retirement date February 1, 2019; and
 - Sergeant Edwin Collins for 28 years of dedicated service, retirement date February 1, 2019.
- B. Consideration of Temporary Street Closing Request from Anne Craig, Station Square, to close Nash Street between Church and Main Streets from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 13, 2019 for the Spring Affair at Station Square. [View](#)
- C. Consideration of Budget Ordinance Amendment for Fiscal Year 2018-2019 (appropriates reimbursement of mutual aid expenses provided in the fall of 2018 - \$128,585). [View](#)

Recommended Action: Approve Consent Agenda (inclusive of approval of award of duty sidearms, approval of temporary street closure and adoption of budget ordinance).





7. **Public Hearing** Relative to Land Development Code Amendment Recommended for Approval and Found in Compliance with the Comprehensive Plan by the Planning Board Relative to Parking of Oversized Commercial Vehicles on Residentially-Zoned Property and Amending the Ordinance Adopted on July 9, 2018 to: [View](#)

- Allow commercial vehicles and trailers in excess of 25 feet in length, or 10,000 pounds gross weight rating, to park in the rear yard (behind the primary structure) on parcels having an area of one acre or more

Action to Date:

- *June 11, 2018 - Public Hearing relative to the following Land Development Code Amendment recommended for approval and found in compliance with the Comprehensive Plan by the Planning Board (PH continued):*
 - Amendment to LDC to define the maximum size of commercial vehicles and trailers allowed to park on properties with a residential use or zoning designation.
- *June 25, 2018 – public hearing continued;*
- *July 9, 2018 – Ordinance adopted (NOTE: not to be enforced for 90 days; staff to work with citizens in attempts to find solution for parking for commercial vehicles;*
- *September 24, 2018 – Update relative to parking of commercial vehicles and trailer in residential areas (removed from agenda)*
- *January 14, 2019 – Public Hearing Scheduled for February 11, 2019*

Recommended Action: Adopt Ordinance.

8. Consideration of Minutes and Recommendations from a Special Called Committee of the Whole Held January 28, 2019: [View](#)

- 1) Closed Session:
 - Personnel
 - Economic Development – Attorney/Client Privilege – moved to Regular Council meeting;
- 2) Amendments to Land Development Code Ordinance Prohibiting the Parking of Oversized Commercial Vehicles on Residentially Zoned Property – *Will Deaton (deferred to February 11, 2019 Committee of the Whole);*
- 3) Boards/Commissions/Committees – *Pam Casey (deferred to February 11, 2019 Committee of the Whole)*

Recommended Action: Approve Minutes.

9. Consideration of Proposal from Martin Starnes & Associates to Perform the City's Audit for Fiscal Year 2019 (13th year of service/\$55,000; no increase from prior year). [View](#)

Recommended Action: Award Contract to Martin Starnes & Associates and Authorize the Mayor and Director of Finance to Execute the Same on Behalf of the City.





10. Consideration of Engagement Letter/Proposal from Martin Starnes & Associates to Perform an Independent Auditor Statement for Financial Data (IAS-FD) for Tar River Transit FY 2018 – (submission will be required every 10 years due to a change in reporting requirements by the Federal Transit Administration - \$5,000). [View](#)

Recommended Action: Award Contract to Martin Starnes & Associates and Authorize the Mayor and Director of Finance to Execute the Same on Behalf of the City.

11. Consideration of Renewal of Contract with Compensation Claims Solutions (third party administrator for workers compensation/4-year contract @ \$35,000 annually). [View](#)

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

12. Consideration of Shared Use Parking Agreement with Edgecombe Community College (agreement outlines terms, reservation procedures and the City's improvements to parcels). [View](#)

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

13. Consideration of Bid for Multi-Year Lump Sum Tree Trimming – award to Xylem Tree Experts @ 3-year total cost of \$1,749,740 (3-year breakdown = Year 1 cost of \$411,840; Year 2 cost of \$691,200; and Year 3 cost of \$646,700). [View](#)

Recommended Action: 1) Award Bid as Recommended;
2) Authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to Execute the Bid Contract on Behalf of the City

14. Consideration of Scheduling City Council Retreat for February 20-22, 2019 at UNC School of Government, Chapel Hill, North Carolina (to begin @ 8:30 a.m. on February 20).

