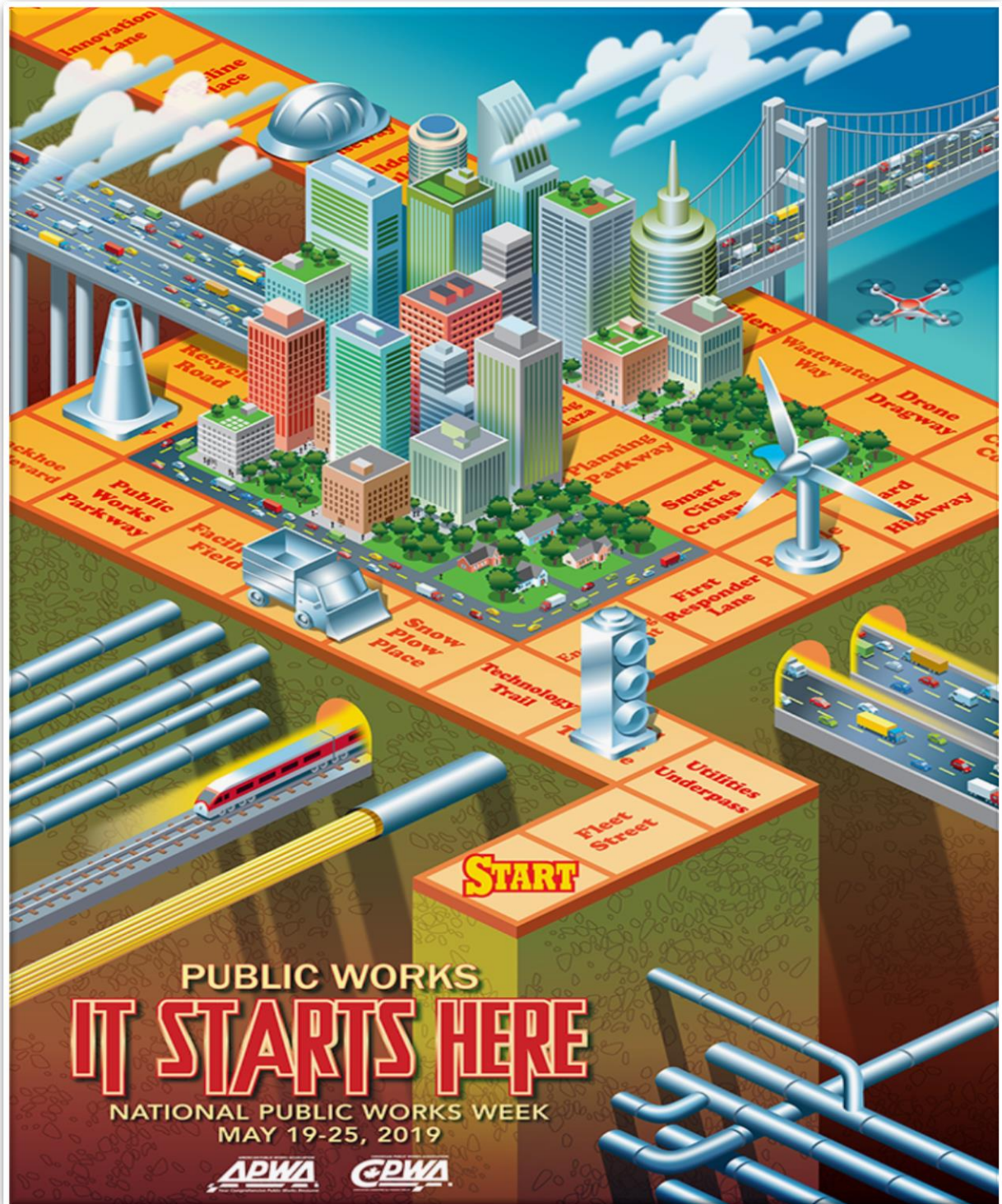


CITY COUNCIL AGENDA MAY 13, 2019



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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, *Assistant City Manager*
TAMEKA KENAN-NORMAN, *Chief Communications & Marketing Officer*
RICHARD J. ROSE, *City Attorney*





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AGENDA FOR A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROCKY MOUNT TO BE HELD MONDAY, MAY 13, 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 April 22, 2019.
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5. Presentations and Recognitions: [View](#)
 - Presentation of Proclamation Proclaiming the Week of May 19th – 25th, 2019 as Public Works Week in the City of Rocky Mount to Public Works Director Brad Kerr and Water Resources Director Brenton Bent; and
 - Presentation of Certificate in Recognition and Appreciation of Mae Parker for 28 Years of Commitment to the Keep America Beautiful Advisory Board of Nash and Edgecombe Counties (as a City of Rocky Mount at-large member).
6. 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.
7. Report from Nexsen Pruet – Comprehensive Employment/Management Review.
8. **CONSENT AGENDA:**
 - A. Consideration of the Following Requests for Temporary Street Closures: [View](#)
 1. From Donald Dantzler, Germantown Celebration Committee, to close the 1000 Block of New Street (intersects at Beamon Street) to the 1300 Block of Luper Street (intersects at Beamon Street) and the 1100 Block of Boone Street from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 25, 2019 for the Committee of Germantown Celebration; and





2. From Steve Yetman, City Engineer, of Street Closures for the Annual Juneteenth Community Empowerment Festival as Follows and Consideration of Ordinance Approving Temporary Street Closings (*ordinance adoption requirement of NCDOT standards*):

- Temporary Closures of N. Church Street from W. Thomas Street to Falls Road; Gay Street from N. Church Street to N. Franklin Street; W. Goldleaf Street from N. Church Street eastward for 150 feet; one lane closure on N. Franklin Street from Falls Road to Gay Street; and detour of traffic on N. Church Street onto W. Thomas Street and N. Grace Street on Friday, May 31, 2019 at 12:00 p.m. until Saturday, June 1, 2019 at 10 p.m.

B. Consideration of FY 2019 Project Ordinance Amendment Increasing Appropriations in the Occupancy Tax Fund (funds scheduled FY 2019 transfer to the General Fund appropriated in FY 2019 adopted Annual Operating Budget - \$500,000).

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

9. **Public Hearing** and Explanation of Feasibility Study Relative to Annexation No. 314 – CSX Transportation, Inc. [View](#)

Recommended Action: 1) Explanation of Feasibility Study by the City Manager; and
2) Acknowledge Receipt of Feasibility Study and Adopt Ordinance Extending the Corporate Limits.

10. Consideration of FY 2020 Budget Review Work Session Schedule: [View](#)

- Wednesday, May 8 – 2020-2024 Proposed CIP Document Distributed to City Council
- Monday, May 13 – Presentation of 2020-2024 Proposed CIP During Committee of the Whole
- Thursday, May 16 – Proposed FY 2020 Budget Distributed to City Council
- Thursday, May 23 @ 4 p.m. – Presentation of FY 2020 Budget and Council Work Session (Committee Room)
- Tuesday, May 28 – Council Work Session Following the 4 p.m. Regular Council Meeting
- Wednesday, May 29 @ 4 p.m. – Council Work Session (Committee Room)
- Monday, June 3 @ 4 p.m. – Council Work Session (Committee Room)
- Wednesday, June 5 @ 4 p.m. (if necessary) – Council Work Session (Committee Room)
- Monday, June 10 @ 7 p.m. – Public Hearing on the Budget During Regular City Council Meeting (Council Chamber)
- Monday, June 24 @ 4 p.m. – Budget Adoption During Regular City Council Meeting (Council Chamber)

Recommended Action: Approve FY 2020 Budget Review and Schedule Work Sessions.





11. Consideration of 1) Property Acquisition of Undeveloped Lots Relative to Substation 7 Rebuild Project; and 2) Compensation to Property Owner for Lots Inadvertently Transferred to the City During Previous Property Transaction (total acquisition price = \$1,500; new parcels to be acquired – Parcel #3759-40-3585 and #3759-40-5220; inadvertently acquired parcels - #3759-40-1691 and #3759-40-2616). [View](#)

Recommended Action: Authorize Property Acquisition at Recommended Price.

12. Consideration of Property Exchange with Log Cabin Homes, Ltd. for Property Located on the East Side of Middle Street and 410 N. Pearl Street for City-Owned Property Located at 2305 N. Wesleyan Boulevard Through June 30, 2026 in Connection with the Monk to Mill Trail Project, Pursuant to Resolution of Intent to Exchange Real Property Adopted by Council on April 22, 2019 (resolution authorized City Clerk to public a notice of intent in the Rocky Mount Telegram setting the value of the properties and announcing the City Council’s intent to authorize the exchange at its May 13, 2019 regular meeting). [View](#)

