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ACTION AGENDA FOR A REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROCKY MOUNT HELD MONDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2020 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
4. Approval of the Minutes of a Regular Scheduled Meeting of the City Council Held October 26, 2020

A~ Recommended Action: Approve Minutes

5. Community Update – City Manager Rochelle D. Small-Toney
6. Petitions to be Received from the Public

The following individuals spoke (more details to be included in minutes):

- *Ron Magnum*
- *Samuel Battle*
- *Nehemiah Smith*
- *Bronson Williams*

7. A. **Public Hearing** and Consideration of Exercising Option to Purchase a 55.52-Acre Parcel of Land on Thomas A. Betts Parkway for Economic Development (total purchase price \$740,000 including related closing costs)
- B. Consideration of FY 2020-2021 Budget Ordinance Amendment Appropriating Funds in the General Fund for Acquisition of 55.52-Acre Parcel of Land on Thomas A. Betts Parkway (\$740,000 = \$725,000 acquisition costs; \$15,000 closing and related expenses)

- A~ Recommended Action: 1) Receive Public Comment;
2) Authorize Option to Purchase/Acquire Property;
3) Authorize the City Manager Execute Closing Documents on behalf of the City; and
4) Adopt Budget Ordinance
(*subject to reconsideration upon receipt of comments)

**Written comments will be accepted up to 24 hours after the public hearing. Please submit written comments to pamela.casey@rockymountnc.gov*

8. Consideration of Approval of Award of Duty Sidearms and Badges to the following Retiring Police Officers for Dedicated Service:
- a. Chief George Dewayne Robinson – 30 years of service; retirement date December 1, 2020;
 - b. Captain Donald Moseley - 27 years of service; retirement date January 1, 2021; and
 - c. Sergeant Scott Hale – 27 years of service; retirement date January 1, 2021

A~ Recommended Action: Approve Award of Duty Sidearms and Badges

9. 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

10. Consideration of Budget Ordinance Amendment for FY 2020-2021 for Reimbursement of Electric Mutual Aid Relative to Hurricane Isaias (appropriates funds for reimbursement of expenses for mutual aid provided to the Town of Belhaven and the City of Washington relative to Hurricane Isaias; increases overtime budget for the current year and offsets mutual aid costs - \$39,157)

A~ Recommended Action: Adopt Ordinance

11. Consideration of Water Assessment Contract with Cirilo Rivas Martinez and Jesus L. Martinez for Water Service at 4417 Ottermount Court (\$265 water meter and capacity fees prepaid; \$4,000 water main and tap fee to be assessed)

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

12. Consideration of FY 2021 5303 Metropolitan Planning Program Grant from the North Carolina Department of Transportation/Public Transportation Division (City designated Federal Transit Administration recipient for the Rocky Mount Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization) for Various Planning Activities for the Transit Department (TOTAL \$53,950 - FTA = \$43,160; State = \$5,395; Local Match = \$5,395)

- A~ Recommended Action: Approve Grant Agreement and Authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to Execute Required Documentation and Certifications
13. Consideration of Authorizing Use of Upset Bid Process Relative to Offer from Historic Peoples Building, LLC to Lease Parking Spaces (45 City-owned @ \$100 per year per space for years 1-5; \$125 per year per space for years 6-10; and market rate for each of the 3-renewal terms based on rate for other off-street City lots)
- Note: Current lease approved in 2005 for 45 spaces on Tarboro Street; requested action relocates parking from Tarboro Street to: 14 spaces on Sunset Avenue; 31 spaces on NE Main Street*
- A~ Recommended Action: 1) Adopt Resolution Authorizing Use of Upset Bid Process (authorizes the City Clerk to Advertise Offer for Upset Bids pursuant to G.S. 160A-269); and
2) Authorizes the Mayor and City Clerk to Execute the Restated Parking Lot Lease on Behalf of the City (in the event no upset bids are received)
14. Consideration of Temporary Amendment to Lease Agreement with the Rocky Mount Area Chamber of Commerce for Space (approx. 5,200 sq. ft.) at the Helen P. Gay Train Station (amendment reduces monthly rent from \$2,197 to \$1,100 beginning January 1, 2021 until June 30, 2021 – to be reviewed by Lessor and Lessee by June 1, 2021 to assess if need for reduction continues)
- A~ Recommended Action: Approve Amendment to Lease Agreement and Authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to Execute Same on Behalf of the City
- A~ 15. Appointments:
- a) Animal Care and Control Advisory Board – 2 vacancies (Wards 1 and 3)
 - b) Board of Adjustment – 2 vacancies (Ward 4 and 1 alternate)
 - c) Central City Revitalization Panel – 2 vacancies (ex-officios)
 - d) Community Appeals Board – 1 vacancy (Ward 4)
 - e) Human Relations Commission – 2 vacancies (Chamber and Human Relations) – *Chamber Appointee – Maria Chavez-Cadena*
 - f) Mayor’s Commission – 1 vacancy
 - g) Planning Board – 1 vacancy (Ward 4) – *Monika Underhill*
 - h) Redevelopment Commission – 1 vacancy
 - i) Tree Advisory Board – 2 vacancies (Wards 3 and 4)
 - j) Utility Service Review Board - 1 vacancy (Ward 4)
 - k) Workforce Housing Advisory Commission – 2 vacancies (Faith-based Community Member; Business Community Member)
 - l) Braswell Memorial Library Board – 1 vacancy
 - m) Carolinas Gateway Partnership (designated by City Manager) – 1 public member or Councilmember; 1 private member
 - n) Tar River Transit Governing Board – Councilmember
 - o) Upper Coastal Plain Brownfields Coalition Steering Committee – Councilmember

- A~ 16. Consideration of Canceling the Second City Council Meeting in December (2nd regular meeting date falls on December 28, 2020)
17. Crime Report - Interim Police Chief Charles Williams (*added to agenda in open meeting*)
18. Closed Session (*added to agenda in open meeting*)
- Attorney-Client Privilege