

# CITY COUNCIL AGENDA AUGUST 15, 2022



## THE SWEET SCIENCE

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Skill level does not matter.*

**Registration starts Monday, August 1  
Classes begin: Tuesday, September 6 at 5 p.m.**

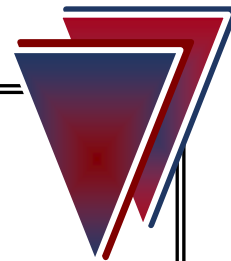
**Children ages 8 - 17 \$25 per month  
Adults 18 and up \$40 per month**

**Register at South Rocky Mount Community Center  
719 Recreation Drive or call 252-972-1169.**



**ROCKY MOUNT**  
SOUTH ROCKY MOUNT COMMUNITY CENTER  
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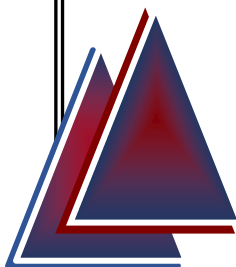
## ROCKY MOUNT CITY COUNCIL VISION STATEMENT

*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.**

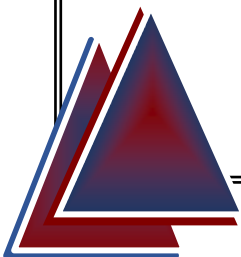
At these meetings, the City's business is conducted and ordinances and resolutions, the laws of Rocky Mount, are enacted. Ordinances take effect upon their adoption when approved by a majority of the Council. All ordinances must be in writing. They are introduced at one meeting and adopted at a subsequent 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.

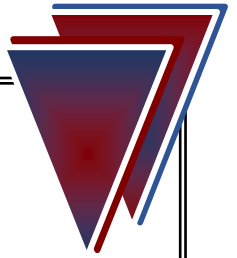
Councilmembers receive the agenda for a Council meeting, together with detailed background material, on the Thursday prior to each regular meeting. This gives them the opportunity to study each item on the agenda prior to the meeting and consult with the City Manager or City staff members. If no additional 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

C. SAUNDERS ROBERSON, JR.

### CITY COUNCIL

T. J. WALKER, JR., MAYOR PRO TEM (*Ward 4*)

ANDRÉ D. KNIGHT (*Ward 1*)

REUBEN C. BLACKWELL, IV (*Ward 2*)

RICHARD E. JOYNER (*Ward 3*)

LIGE DAUGHTRIDGE (*Ward 5*)

TOM HARRIS (*Ward 6*)

CHRISTINE CARROLL MILLER (*Ward 7*)

### CITY STAFF

PETER F. VARNEY, *Interim City Manager*

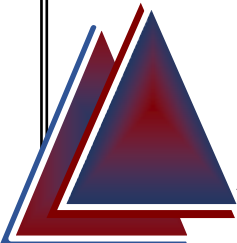
PAMELA O. CASEY, *City Clerk*

VACANT, *Assistant City Manager*

ELTON DANIELS, *Assistant City Manager*

KIRK BROWN, *Director of Communications, Marketing and Public Relations*

RICHARD J. ROSE, *City Attorney*





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## **PUBLIC PETITIONS**

The Public Petitions portion of the City Council meeting is an opportunity for public comment and the City Council appreciates your attendance and thanks you for expressing your views and opinions. The City Council values all citizen input.

This is an opportunity to raise a question or present a request to the Council; however, in most cases Councilmembers will not respond to public comments but may refer a matter to the City Manager or staff for follow up.

Time will be monitored in order to give everyone an opportunity to speak and speakers will have three minutes.

Please be aware that sign-in sheets must be presented to the Security Officer prior to the opening of the City Council meeting.

If an organized group is present to speak on a common issue, please designate one person to present the group's comments.

If your comments are in regard to an item that is the subject of a public hearing, please wait until that item is introduced to speak. Time will also be monitored.

If your comments are in regard to an evidentiary hearing additional time may be granted.

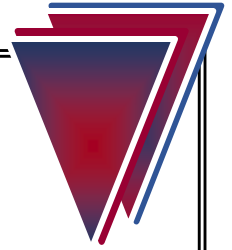
The City Council requests that you PLEASE ADHERE TO THE FOLLOWING GUIDELINES:

- **Complete a sign-in sheet;**
- **Address comments to the Council as a whole and not to individual Councilmembers or City staff;**
- **Speak from the podium in a civil, non-argumentative and respectful manner;**
- **Personal attacks which have the potential to disrupt the meeting will not be tolerated and you will be asked to sit down or be removed from the meeting;**
- **Keep comments to three minutes**

Thank you!



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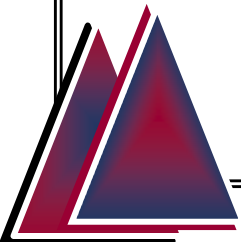


**AGENDA FOR A REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROCKY MOUNT TO BE HELD MONDAY, AUGUST 15, 2022 AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE GEORGE W. DUDLEY CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER OF THE FREDERICK E. TURNAGE MUNICIPAL BUILDING.**

**NOTICE:** The City Council meeting scheduled for Monday, August 15, 2022, may be held remotely via Zoom with Councilmembers accessing the meeting from individual locations. The City will be using YouTube to livestream the City Council meeting. To join the meeting click here: <https://www.youtube.com/user/CITYTV19>

1. Meeting Called to Order by the Mayor
2. Prayer
3. Roll Call by the Deputy City Clerk
4. Consideration of Minutes of a Regular Scheduled City Council Meeting held June 13, 2022  
[View](#)  
Recommended Action: Approve Minutes
5. Community Update – Interim City Manager Peter F. Varney
6. Presentations and Recognitions:
  - a. Consideration of Resolution Recognizing and Congratulating the Rocky Mount Parks and Recreation Department’s 12-U All-Star Softball Team on Winning the 2022 12U SWAC State Softball Championship; [View](#)
  - b. Consideration of Resolution Recognizing and Congratulating the Rocky Mount Parks and Recreation Department’s 14-U All-Star Softball Team on Winning the 2022 14U SWAC State Softball Championship; and [View](#)
  - c. Consideration of Resolution Recognizing and Congratulating the Rocky Mount Parks and Recreation Department’s Youth Track Team “Rocky Mount Rockets” on Qualifying for the Amateur Athletic Union (AAU) Nationals [View](#)

Recommended Action: Adopt Resolutions





7. Administration of Oath to Recently Elected City Councilmember Jabaris D. Walker, Ward 7, by the Honorable Quentin T. Sumner, Senior Resident Superior Court Judge, Judicial District 7A
8. Seating of Newly Sworn Councilmember
9. Roll Call of New Council by the Deputy City Clerk
10. Consideration of Resolution Expressing Appreciation to Chris Carroll Miller for Service as a Member of the City Council from October 14, 2002, until August 15, 2022 [View](#)

Recommended Action: 1) Adopt Resolution; and  
2) Present Resolution and Plaque

***Recess to Recognize Outgoing/Incoming Councilmembers (15 minutes)***

11. Petitions to be Received from the Public

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

12. **CONSENT AGENDA:**

- A. Consideration of Recommendation for Approval of Award of Duty Badge and Sidearm to Police Sergeant Keith Miller for 25 Years of Dedicated Service [View](#)
- B. Consideration of Request for Fireworks Display for the Benvenue Country Club Anniversary Celebration on Thursday, September 22, 2022, at dusk [View](#)

Recommended Action: Approve Consent Agenda (inclusive of approval of award of duty badge and sidearm and fireworks display)

13. Consideration of Resolution Endorsing Submission of Local Assistance for Stormwater Infrastructure Investment (LASII) Grant Application (maximum grant award = \$5M; no local match required) [View](#)

Recommended Action: Adopt Resolution (*confirms the City has or will comply with State and local laws; and provides authority for the City Manager to execute grant application*)







14. Consideration of Resolution of Intent to Enter into Lease Agreement with D'Chill Spot, LLC for City-Owned Property at 207-211 East Thomas Street (2-year lease; annual rent = \$41,800; term August 1, 2022 - July 31, 2024; resolution authorizes the Clerk to advertise proposed agreement pursuant to NCGS 160A-272) [View](#)

Recommended Action: Adopt Resolution

15. Consideration of Resolution of Intent to Enter into Lease Agreement with Sandra Taybron for City-Owned Property at the Helen P. Gay Train Station – Room 324 (2-year lease; annual rent = \$3,900; term August 1, 2022 – July 31, 2024; resolution authorizes the Clerk to advertise proposed agreement pursuant to NCGS 160A-272) [View](#)

Recommended Action: Adopt Resolution

16. Consideration of Lease Agreement with St. John AME Zion Church for Building at 250 Atlantic Avenue (6-month lease = first 3 months/no charge; next 3 months @ \$1,020 per month) [View](#)

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

17. Consideration of the Following Petitions for Annexation:

A. No. 328 – 9121 West Mount Drive (non-contiguous); and [View](#)

B. No. 329 – 9041 and 9053 West Mount Drive (3 non-contiguous properties) [View](#)

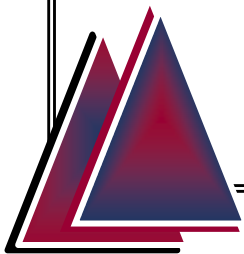
Recommended Action: 1) Acknowledge Receipt of Petitions; and  
2) Adopt Resolutions Ordering City Clerk to Investigate Sufficiency of Petition

18. Consideration of Second Amendment to HOME Reconciliation Agreement with Nash and Edgecombe Counties and the Town of Tarboro (amends agreement to provide for Nash County to administer HOME FY 22-23 funds through the County's administrative staff) [View](#)

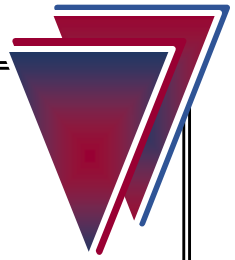
Recommended Action: 1) Approve Amendment; and  
2) Authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to Execute Same on Behalf of the City

19. Consideration of Pole Attachment Agreement with Metro Fibernet, LLC (outlines terms and conditions for attachment and maintenance of aerial cable, wires and association facilities on poles owned or jointly owned by the City and CenturyLink; 5-year term; estimated revenue = \$100,000) [View](#)

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







20. Consideration of Limited Notice to Proceed (LTP) Contract with Barnhill Contracting Company for Fire Station #2 Design-Build Project (feasibility assessment and design programming = \$85,000) [View](#)  
Recommended Action: Approve Contract and Authorize the City Manager to Execute Same on Behalf of the City
21. Consideration of 1) Bid for Business Services Renovations - Award to Mohammad Construction, LLC @ Total Cost of \$770,000 (HUB certified MWBE firm); and 2) Budget Ordinance Amendment Appropriating \$777,000 in the General Fund to Cover Project Expenses [View](#)  
Recommended Action: 1) Award Bid as Recommended and Authorize the Mayor to Execute the Contract on Behalf of the City; and  
2) Adopt Budget Ordinance
22. Consideration of the following Bids:
- a) One (1) Heil DuraPack HalfPack Refuse Body mounted on a 2022 Crane Carrier Cab Chassis – award to Carolina Environmental Systems @ total cost of \$346,986 (*based on bid awarded by Sourcewell Group Purchasing Program [Contract # 091219-THC-Mobile Refuse Collection Vehicles with Related Equipment, Accessories and Services]; and [View](#)*
- b) Five (5) 2023 Ford PI Utility AWD Vehicles - award to Performance Ford @ a total cost of \$197,574.40 (*purchases proposed to be made in accordance with Statewide Vehicle Contract and State of North Carolina Term Contract [NCGS 143-129(e) (9)] – Statewide Contract #070A-Fleet Vehicles) [View](#)*
- Recommended Action: 1) Award Bids as Recommended; and  
2) Authorize the Purchasing Division to Issue Purchase Orders and Execute Bid Documents in Accordance with the Council’s Award
23. Closed Session:  
Attorney-Client

