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<b>AD</b>	=	<b>APPROVAL DENIED</b>	<b>T</b>	=	<b>TABLED</b>
<b>NA</b>	=	<b>NO ACTION</b>	<b>RA</b>	=	<b>REMOVED FROM AGENDA</b>
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<b>O</b>	=	<b>OTHER</b>	<b>RCA</b>	=	<b>REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA</b>

**ACTION AGENDA FOR A REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROCKY MOUNT HELD MONDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2023, 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. Consideration of Minutes of Regular Scheduled City Council Meeting held June 12, 2023

**A~** Recommended Action: Approve Minutes

**\*\*A~/** 5. Consideration of additions or deletions to the agenda:

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- a) Request from Representative Shelly Willingham give short presentation
- b) Consideration of a 6% COLA (Cost of Living Adjustment) for City of Rocky Mount employees who did not receive at least a 5% increase after the pay study implementations
- c) Consideration of a 15% increase for sanitation workers

**\*\*request 5a – Approved; request 5b and 5c – Tabled**

6. Community Update – City Manager Keith Rogers Jr.
7. Presentations and Recognitions:
  - Presentation of information by Representative Shelly Willingham (*addition to agenda in open meeting*)
  - Consideration of Resolution Recognizing and Honoring the Heroic Efforts of Employees of the Streets and Stormwater Division in Saving the Life of a Fellow Employee; and
  - Presentation of Proclamation Proclaiming October 29, 2023 as Wilson-Rocky Mount-Tarboro Chapter of the Links, Incorporated 75th Anniversary Celebration Day; and
  - Presentation of Proclamation Proclaiming the Month of October 2023 as Disability Employment Awareness Month in the City of Rocky Mount to Archie Jones, Director of Human Relations

**A~** Recommended Action: Adopt Resolution

8. Petitions to be Received from the Public

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

- *Richard Petway*
- *Rasheed Muhammad*
- *Dr. Kim Koo*
- *Sue Perry Cole*
- *Mumtaz Shaik*
- *Arnie Jones*
- *Nathlyn Ohree*
- *Clay Turner*
- *Curmilus Dancy*
- *Sydney Meeks*

9. **CONSENT AGENDA:**

A. Consideration of the Following Tax Releases and/or Refunds:

- Schedule A - Report of taxes under \$100 approved for release and/or refund by the City Manager; and
- Schedule B - Report of taxes over \$100 recommended for release and/or refund by the City Council

*City Manager Recommendation: Approve Tax Releases*

B. Consideration of Request from the Public Works Department for an Ordinance Approving a Temporary Street Closing for the Fourth Annual Downtown Rocky Mount Halloween Bash (ordinance adoption requirement of NCDOT standards):

- The Temporary Closure is along Tarboro Street between Main Street and Washington Street; and
- Traffic both days will be detoured onto NE Main Street, West on East Thomas Street, North on Falls Road and East onto Goldleaf Street; and
- The first closure and detour will be in effect from 3:00 pm on Saturday October 28, 2023 to 12:00 am (midnight) on Sunday October 29, 2023; and
- The second closure and detour will be in effect from 3:00 pm on Tuesday October 31, 2023 to 12:00 am (midnight) on Wednesday, November 1, 2023

*City Manager Recommendation: Approve Temporary Street Closure*

C. Consideration of Resolution Authorizing Lease Agreement with the National Railroad Passenger Corporation (AMTRAK) for City-Owned Property at 101 Coastline Streer (10-year lease; rent shall consist of a pro-rata share of the stations operational cost on an annualized basis. This pro-rata share will start at \$6,300 monthly for year one of the contract. Rent will escalate annually at a rate equal to the Consumer Price Index for subsequent years - lease was advertised pursuant to G.S. 160A-272

*City Manager Recommendation: Adopt Resolution*

D. Consideration of the following Project Ordinances:

- 1) Appropriates Funds in the Public Safety Fund for the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) for the purchase of technology improvements (\$46,239 = \$32,367 allocated to the City of Rocky Mount; \$13,871.70 allocated to Nash County)
- 2) Appropriates Funds in the Public Safety Grants Fund for the 2023 Assistance for Firefighters Grant (AFG23) for the purpose of purchasing replacement self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) [\$453,925; local match = \$41,266]

*City Manager Recommendation: Adopt Ordinances*

E. Consideration of Resolution Certifying Sufficiency by the City Clerk and Scheduling Public Hearing for November 13, 2023 for the following Annexation Petition (Department of Development Services Staff will prepare Feasibility study):

- Annexation No. 333 – Culpepper Limited Partnership (Bethlehem Road) Property – contiguous (Resolution Certifying Sufficiency, Resolution Scheduling Public Hearing)

*City Manager Recommendation: 1) Adopt Resolution Certifying Sufficiency; and  
2) Adopt Resolution Scheduling Public Hearing (November 13, 2023)*

F. Consideration of Certified Statement and Letter from the City Manager to North Carolina Department of Transportation Certifying FY 2023 Funds (\$224,999) were Expensed by Fiscal Year End (6/30/2023) and that FY 2024 Funds (\$426,000) will be spent by the End of FY 2024 (requirement of State Maintenance Assistance Program [SMAP] funding application for Transit)

*City Manager Recommendation: 1) Authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to Execute the Required Certification on Behalf of the City; and  
2) Authorize the City Manager to Execute Letter of Intent*

G. Consideration of Ordinance Authorizing the Execution of the Amended and Restated Full Requirements Power Sales Agreement (FRPSA) between the City of Rocky Mount and the North Carolina Eastern Municipal Power Agency (NCEMPA)

*City Manager Recommendation: Adopt Ordinance*

A~ Recommended Action: Approve Consent Agenda inclusive of:

- 1) Approve Tax Releases;
- 2) Approve Temporary Street Closing;
- 3) Adopt Ordinances and Resolutions;
- 4) Authorize Mayor to Execute Lease Agreement on behalf of the City; and
- 5) Authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to Execute the Required Certification on Behalf of the City; and Authorize the City Manager to Execute Letter of Intent

10. **Public Hearing** Relative to FY 2023 Section 5310, 5311 and 5339 Community Transportation Program Grants for Funding through the North Carolina Department of Transportation (will fund a portion of administrative, operating and capital expenses incurred by Tar River Transit – total funding = \$2,069,182/local match = \$245,433

A~ Recommended Action: 1) Receive Public Comment;  
2) Adopt Resolution; and  
3) Authorize the City Manager, Mayor and City Clerk to Execute Required Documentation and Certifications, including Subsequent Grant Agreement(s)

NA~ 11. Appointments:

- a) Animal Care and Control Advisory Board - three (3) appointments: Wards 1, 2, and 7;
- b) Board of Adjustment - two (2) appointments: (2) Alternate Members;
- c) Business Development Authority – one (1) appointment (Mayoral appointments);
- d) Central City Revitalization Panel - four (4) appointments: one (1) Historic Preservation Commission; one (1) Commercial Builder/Developer; and two (2) Ex-Officios;
- e) Community Appeals Board - two (2) appointments: Wards 2, and 4;
- f) Historic Preservation Commission – one (1) appointment;
- g) Mayor’s Commission on Persons with Disabilities – one (1) appointment;
- h) Planning Board - one (1) appointment – Ward 4;
- i) Tree Advisory Board – one (1) appointment – Ward 2;
- j) Utility Service Review Board – three (3) appointments: Wards 1, 4, and 7; and
- k) Workforce Housing Advisory Commission – four (4) appointments: Ward 5, one (1) Business Community member, and two (2) Faith-Based Community members