



City of Greensboro Meeting Minutes - DRAFT

City Council Work Session

January 12, 2023, 2:00 p.m.
Plaza Level Conference Room
300 West Washington Street
Greensboro, NC

Present: Mayor Nancy Vaughan, Mayor Pro-Tem Yvonne Johnson, Councilmember Marikay Abuzuaiter, Councilmember Sharon Hightower, Councilmember Nancy Hoffmann, Councilmember Hugh Holston, Councilmember Zack Matheny, Councilmember Tammi Thurm, and Councilmember Goldie Wells

Also Present: City Manager Taiwo Jaiyeoba, City Attorney Chuck Watts, City Clerk Angela Lord, Deputy City Clerk Tebony Rosa, and Assistant City Clerk Victoria Howell

A. Call To Order

This City Council work session of the City of Greensboro was called to order at 2:00 p.m. on the above date.

Mayor Vaughan took a roll call to confirm Councilmembers in attendance and stated that Mayor Pro-Tem Johnson and Councilmember Hoffmann would participate via zoom.

B. Presentations

B.1 2023-02 Manager's Minute

City Manager Taiwo Jaiyeoba introduced a video. A short video was provided for City Council.

B.2 2023-03 Calendar Year Highlights and Upcoming Year Focus Areas

Assistant City Manager Nasha McCray made a PowerPoint presentation (PPP); spoke to public libraries; to the History Museum; to the past year events and programs; to department strategic road map implementation; and to community outreach.

Assistant City Manager McCray highlighted Housing and Neighborhood Development; spoke to affordable housing; to funding; to homelessness; to housing stock; to the Lead Safe GSO program; to the Emergency Rental Assistance (ERAP) program; to the safe parking program; to Housing and Urban Development (HUD); to code compliance; to the receivership program; to private financing; to community engagement; and to the housing loan fund.

Assistant City Manager McCray highlighted Creative Greensboro; the Cultural Arts master plan; the Van Dyke Performance space; spoke to downtown arts; to national recognition; to Cultural Arts Center improvements; and to mural projects at Peeler Park and Hester Park.

Assistant City Manager McCray highlighted Guilford Works and Workforce Development accomplishments; spoke to leadership; to the Human Rights Department and Parks and Recreation (P&R) departmental accomplishments; to staff support; to programs and events; to expanding education; spoke to the Plan2Play program; to community partners; and to pool and golf course renovations.

Mayor Pro-Tem Johnson requested staff to provide an update on the Peeler pool and splash pad; and requested sustainability data for Windsor Chavis.

Councilmember Hightower requested staff to provide an update on Windsor Chavis programming.

Councilmember Matheny requested staff to provide Library and History Museum visitor data; and departmental collaboration efforts.

Discussion took place regarding public art; visitors guide; temporary housing; Creative Greensboro; P&R projects; and the Doorway project.

Assistant City Manager Trey Davis continued the PPP; spoke to public safety; to Guilford Metro 911; to the Computer-aid design (CAD) system; to National promotion; to the Fire Department and facilities; highlighted Camp Spark; spoke to the Greensboro Police Department (GPD); highlighted programs implemented; Behavioral Health Response Team (BHRT) expansion; and spoke to a Violence Prevention Coordinator.

Discussion ensued regarding GPD call response times; and police officer retention.

Assistant City Manager Larry Davis spoke to Council District's At a Glance software.

Chief Information Officer Rodney Roberts continued the PPP; highlighted the software; spoke to historical data; and to building permits.

Mayor Vaughan left the meeting at 3:40 p.m. and returned to the meeting at 3:43 p.m.

Councilmember Matheny left the meeting at 3:51 p.m.

Organizational Effectiveness and Development Division Manager Irish Good continued the PPP; spoke to Policy Foundations and Leadership Edge programs; highlighted employee training; team motivation; diverse and equitable cohorts; and recruitment and retention.

Deputy City Manager Chris Wilson spoke to Field Operations; to downed trees and leaf collection; provided an overview of department functions; inclement weather task; spoke to trash removal; to landfill closure impacts; to environmental initiatives; to recycling and bulk items; to power outages; and to staffing.

Councilmember Hightower requested staff to provide information on the Leaf Burrito program and to provide wayfinding signs update.

Councilmember Thurm requested staff to provide information on glass recycling.

(A copy of the PowerPoint Presentation is filed in Exhibit Drawer F, No. 2, which is hereby referred to and made a part of these minutes.)

C. Adjournment

Moved by Councilmember Holston, seconded by Councilmember Abuzuaiter, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried by affirmation.

The City Council Adjourned at 4:21 p.m.

Nancy Vaughan, Mayor

Victoria L. Howell, Assistant City Clerk