



**City of Greensboro Meeting Minutes - DRAFT**

**City Council**

**July 11, 2023, 5:30 pm**

**Katie Dorsett Council Chamber**

**300 West Washington Street, Greensboro, NC 27401**

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

Absent: Councilmember Zack Matheny

Also Present: City Manager Taiwo Jaiyeoba, Deputy City Manager Chris Wilson, City Attorney Chuck Watts, and City Clerk Angela Lord

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**A. CALL TO ORDER**

Note: These City Council minutes are a general account of the July 11, 2023 meeting. For full details of discussions, the meeting video can be located on the City of Greensboro website at <https://www.greensboro-nc.gov/government/city-council/council-meetings>.

This City Council meeting of the City of Greensboro was called to order at 5:30 P.M. on the above date in the Katie Dorsett Council Chamber of the Melvin Municipal Office Building.

Mayor Vaughan conducted a roll call to confirm Councilmembers in attendance; and asked for a motion to excuse Councilmember Matheny from the meeting.

Moved by Councilmember Wells, seconded by Councilmember Abuzuaiter to excuse Councilmember Matheny. The motion carried by voice vote.

**B. MOMENT OF SILENCE**

The meeting opened with a moment of silence.

**C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Vaughan recognized Councilmember Hightower to lead the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**D. COUNCIL PROCEDURE FOR CONDUCT OF THE MEETING**

Mayor Vaughan explained the Council procedure for conduct of the meeting; read a statement regarding banning from the Council meeting; and asked for vote on the motion to ban disruptive attendees.

Moved by Councilmember Thurm, seconded by Councilmember Abuzuaiter to approve a policy to ban disruptive meeting attendees. The motion carried 7 to 1 with Councilmember Hightower voting "No".

Discussion ensued regarding the policy; support and oppositions; and opportunities for virtual attendance.

**E. CEREMONIAL AND/OR PRESENTATION ITEMS**

**E.1 2023-490 City Manager Report**

City Manager Taiwo Jaiyeoba recognized guest Andrea White from Washington D.C.

Ms. White voiced appreciation for hosting by Greensboro staff.

**E.2 2023 – 466 Resolution Honoring the Late William Wesley McGuire**

Councilmember Hightower and Councilmember Wells read the resolution into the record; recognized family members in attendance; and presented the resolution to the family.

Ron McGuire voiced appreciation for the recognition.

**Moved By** Councilmember Hightower

**Seconded By** Councilmember Wells

Motion to adopt the resolution was approved.

Ayes (8): Mayor Vaughan, Mayor Pro-Tem Johnson, Councilmember Abuzuaiter, Councilmember Hightower, Councilmember Hoffmann, Councilmember Holston, Councilmember Thurm, and Councilmember Wells

Absent (1): Councilmember Matheny

**Carried (8 to 0)**

**149-23 RESOLUTION TO HONOR THE MEMORY OF THE LATE WILLIAM WESLEY MCGUIRE**

WHEREAS, on April 26, 2023, the community lost an outstanding community member with the passing of the late William Wesley McGuire;

WHEREAS, Mr. McGuire was born May 22, 1940 in Fayetteville, North Carolina (NC); starting a lifetime of community involvement, he participated in the Boy Scouts of America at an early age;

WHEREAS, he graduated from E.E. Smith High School; and attended the North Carolina Agricultural and Technical (A & T) State University in Greensboro;

WHEREAS, he served the United States of America as a paratrooper in the United States Reserves for seven years at Fort Bragg, NC;

WHEREAS, following his move to Greensboro in the 1970's, Mr. McGuire acquired the respected label of the Kings Forest neighborhood guardian;

WHEREAS, over time, Mr. McGuire was employed at Sears Distribution Center, the City of Greensboro Parks and Recreation Department, Guilford Technical Community College, First Student, and Black Diamond Transportation;

WHEREAS, Mr. McGuire (Wes as he was lovingly known) was respected as a key community supporter and advocate; he served as a member and the treasurer of the Concerned Citizens of Northeast Greensboro; was involved at the Peeler Recreation Center, Eastside Civitans, East Greensboro Pioneers, Greensboro Voters' Alliance, The Renaissance Co-Op, McGirt-Horton Library, Political Campaigns, Old North State Elks Lodge #87, the American Legion, and the Sportsman Club;

WHEREAS, additional, his community servanthood also included fifteen years on the Greensboro Transit Authority Board, later renamed the Greensboro Transit Advisory Commission; he also served on the Trustee Board, volunteered at the Summer Enrichment Program, and the Security Team at Shiloh Baptist Church in Greensboro;

WHEREAS, Wes was lovingly known as a positive and caring force, dedicating considerable time doing for others; and was an inspiring example of love and acceptance; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO:

1. That the City Council wishes to express its sense of loss and offer its condolences, sincere appreciation, and gratitude for the many years of dedicated community service by William Wesley McGuire. The legacy he leaves will be remembered by the residents of Greensboro.

2. That a copy of this resolution shall be delivered to the family of the late William Wesley McGuire as a symbol of the gratitude of the residents of the City of Greensboro for his contributions in the community.

(Signed) Sharon Hightower

**Moved By** Councilmember Hightower  
**Seconded By** Councilmember Wells

Ayes (8): Mayor Vaughan, Mayor Pro-Tem Johnson, Councilmember Abuzuaiter, Councilmember Hightower, Councilmember Hoffmann, Councilmember Holston, Councilmember Thurm, and Councilmember Wells

Absent (1): Councilmember Matheny

**Carried (8 to 0)**

E.3 2023 – 465 Resolution to Honor the Late Richard H. Bowling, IV

Mayor Pro-Tem Johnson and Councilmember Holston read the resolution into the record; and presented to family members.

Family representatives voiced appreciation for the recognition.

**Moved By** Mayor Pro-Tem Johnson  
**Seconded By** Councilmember Holston

Motion to adopt the resolution was approved.

Ayes (8): Mayor Vaughan, Mayor Pro-Tem Johnson, Councilmember Abuzuaiter, Councilmember Hightower, Councilmember Hoffmann, Councilmember Holston, Councilmember Thurm, and Councilmember Wells

Absent (1): Councilmember Matheny

**Carried (8 to 0)**

**150-23 RESOLUTION TO HONOR THE MEMORY OF THE LATE RICHARD H. BOWLING, IV**

WHEREAS, on May 8, 2023, the community lost an outstanding community member with the passing of the late Richard H. Bowling, IV;

WHEREAS, as a native to Greensboro, Mr. Bowling was born January 4, 1939; lived and worked long hours on the family farm as a young child; and worked at the family owned private sound system company in his teenage years where he grew to appreciate and value work ethics and responsibilities;

WHEREAS, Mr. Bowling graduated from James B. Dudley High School; went advancing in pursuit of higher education attended North Carolina State University;

WHEREAS, when his collegiate studies were interrupted by the draft to serve in the United States Army for two years, he returned to school after serving his country to obtain an Electric Engineering degree;

WHEREAS, during his tenure at NCSU, Mr. Bowling participated in various sports leagues, tournaments and competitions held within the university;

WHEREAS, he began his business career as the only black engineer in the Missile Defense Division of Western Electric, now known as AT & T;

WHEREAS, showcasing his entrepreneurial skills, Mr. Bowling opened Cosmos I, a night-club that later expanded to include a restaurant, meeting space, wedding reception venue, and private party hot spot;

WHEREAS, heeding to growth demands, he changed business locations for an expansion, moving to the Freeman Mill Shopping Center, where he owned and managed the shopping center for approximately 29 years, which became the new location for his new and exciting disco club that yielded the name of Cosmos II;

WHEREAS, Mr. Bowling's experience in the disco world led to him being elected to the International Disco Association (IDA) steering committee; and as a panelist of the IDA Atlanta Georgia conference in 1977;

WHEREAS, additional he was the owner and operator of The Vineyard and M.C. Square; and co-owner and consultant of Trevi Foundation, Incorporated;

WHEREAS, Mr. Bowling fought for progress and advocated for business development in South East Greensboro as well as for minority owned businesses; he co-founded South East Economic Developments (SEEDS); and as a result of

his focus on equity, he inspired the founding of the Other Voices Leadership Program;

WHEREAS, in collaboration with Beta Epsilon Boule', the Guilford County School System, and NC A &T, he developed and hosted an African American Male Leadership Summit to address issues faced by young African American males;

WHEREAS, Mr. Bowling served many local organizations including the United Way of Greater Greensboro, The Greensboro Chamber of Commerce, served as the NC A & T basketball and football Public Announcer (PA); the Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association (CIAA) and Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference PA; served as a member of the Mayor's Committee on Drugs; the Mayor's Committee on Human Relations; the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, the Greensboro Men's Club; the National President of the American Bridge Association, the Sigma Pi Phi Fraternity Beta Epsilon Boule'; the Board of Management of Hayes-Taylor YMCA; and founded the Dudley Alumni Association (DAA) where he served 2 terms as the National President;

WHEREAS, he was recognized and awarded with many honors including being named delegate from North Carolina to the White House Conference on Small Businesses; was the recipient of the Greensboro Merchants Association's Circle of Excellence Award for Sales and Marketing; received the Nathanael Greene Award from the Greensboro Area Chamber of Commerce; received The National Association for Community Leadership Distinguished Leadership Award; received the Greensboro Chamber of Commerce Other Voices Change Agent Award, was inducted into the James B. Dudley High School Educational and Sports Hall of Fame/ Hall of Distinction, Inc.; received the Achievement Award from Dudley Alumni Association, the Tau Omega Chapter Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Inc.; the 2013-14 Citizen of the Year Award; was inducted into the North Carolina State University's Forever Club; and served as the Grand Marshall for the 2021 Martin Luther King Annual Parade;

WHEREAS, Mr. Bowling will be remembered as a competitive bridge player where he was ranked 33<sup>rd</sup> nationally for years; for his love of golf, chess, table tennis, computer graphic designs, and for being a licensed private pilot; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO:**

1. That the City Council wishes to express its sense of loss and offer its condolences, sincere appreciation, and gratitude for the many years of dedicated

community service by Richard H. Bowling. The legacy he leaves will be remembered not only by the residents of Greensboro but nationally as well.

2. That a copy of this resolution shall be delivered to the family of the late Richard H. Bowling as a symbol of the gratitude of the residents of the City of Greensboro for his contributions in the community and across the country.

(Signed) Yvonne Johnson

E.4 2023-453 Mayors Committee on Persons with Disabilities Scholarship Recognitions

The Mayor's Committee for Persons with Disabilities Chair Paige Sprinkle spoke to the scholarship awards; and presented awards to this year's winners; and requested an annual \$20,000 financial support for the committee.

Mayor Vaughan requested staff to provide \$20,000 annual support.

**F. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

Tiffany Corbett voiced concern with Desmond Woods parking.

Mayor Vaughan requested zoning and code enforcement to connect with Ms. Corbett.

The following speakers spoke to Police/Censorship: Del Stone; Luis Medina; and Billy Belcher.

Malique Hough spoke to the homeless community, housing, and police engagement.

Keith Peterson spoke to Public Safety.

Grace Carmon-Garrett voiced concern regarding an ABC appointment.

Mayor Pro-Tem Johnson requested City Clerk Angela Lord to collect contact information for Ms. Carmon-Garrett.

Juno Rondelli voiced concerns regarding censorship and a Cuba Blockade.

Paulette Montgomery and Christine Hoepfner spoke to government accountability; Ms. Hoepfner provided a use of force graphic.

Mayor Vaughan requested staff research image provided by the speaker; and to provide definition for use of force.

Nyle Payne voiced concern regarding global warming.

Mayor Vaughan requested City Clerk Lord to provide Ms. Payne with Community Sustainability Council information.

Derek Mobley highlighted a Greensboro Jaycees survey.

Councilmember Hightower requested information to connect with Mr. Mobley regarding the survey results.

Jason Hicks voiced concerns regarding a vote recall.

Jeffery Wilkerson voiced concerns with youth engagement opportunities.

Mayor Vaughan requested staff to provide Mr. Wilkerson's contact information to Latisha McNeil.

**G. CONSENT AGENDA (One Vote)**

Mayor Vaughan asked if anyone wished to remove any items from the consent agenda; and reminded Council that any items removed from the consent agenda, other than for a recusal or for the purpose to vote 'No' would be placed on the next business meeting agenda as a business item.

Councilmember Hightower requested item G.8./2023-492 to be removed for the purpose of voting no.

**Moved By** Councilmember Holston

**Seconded By** Councilmember Thurm

Consent Agenda was adopted as amended.

Ayes (8): Mayor Vaughan, Mayor Pro-Tem Johnson, Councilmember Abuzuaiter, Councilmember Hightower, Councilmember Hoffmann, Councilmember Holston, Councilmember Thurm, and Councilmember Wells

Absent (1): Councilmember Matheny

**Carried (8 to 0)**

G.8 2023 – 492 Resolution Approving the Recommended Salary for the City of Greensboro ABC Board General Manager

Item pulled by Councilmember Hightower for the purpose in voting 'No'.

**Moved By** Councilmember Hoffmann

**Seconded By** Councilmember Thurm

Motion to adopt the resolution was approved.



Ayes (8): Mayor Vaughan, Mayor Pro-Tem Johnson, Councilmember Abuzuaiter, Councilmember Hoffmann, Councilmember Holston, Councilmember Matheny, Councilmember Thurm, and Councilmember Wells

Noes (1): Councilmember Hightower

**Carried (8 to 1)**

**156-23 RESOLUTION APPROVING THE RECOMMENDED SALARY FOR THE CITY OF GREENSBORO ABC BOARD GENERAL MANAGER**

WHEREAS, the City of Greensboro ABC Board approved to increase the salary of the general manager up to and including \$200,000 annually effective and retroactive to May 30, 2023;

WHEREAS, N.C.G.S. 18B-700(g1) states that the salary authorized for the general manager, as defined in G.S. 18B-101, of a local board shall not exceed the salary authorized by the General Assembly for the clerk of superior court of the county in which the appointing authority was originally incorporated unless such compensation is otherwise approved by the appointing authority;

WHEREAS, in accordance with N.C.G.S. 18B-700(g1), City Council is being requested to approve said salary increase; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO:**

That it hereby approves the recommended salary increase of the general manager of the Greensboro ABC Board up to and including \$200,000 annually effective and retroactive to May 30, 2023 in accordance with N.C.G.S. 18B-700(g1).

(Signed) Nancy Hoffmann

**Moved By** Councilmember Holston

**Seconded By** Councilmember Thurm

**Carried**

G.1 2023 - 458 Resolution Authorize Reimbursement to Lollytogs, Ltd. d/b/a LT Apparel in the Amount of \$445,588.87

**Moved By** Councilmember Holston

**Seconded By** Councilmember Thurm

**Carried**

152-23 RESOLUTION IN AUTHORIZING A REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF GREENSBORO AND LOLLYTOGS, Ltd. d/b/a LT APPAREL IN AN AMOUNT OF \$445,588.87 FOR THE SEWER INFRASTRATURE EXTENSIONS AT N. SUMMIT AVE

WHEREAS, on October 19, 2021, the City Council of Greensboro adopted Resolution #303-21 in support of a North Carolina Commerce Industrial Development Fund - Utility Account application to assist with water and sewer infrastructure extensions for LT Apparel at N. Summit Avenue;

WHEREAS, the \$500,000 grant was awarded by the North Carolina Department of Commerce and the funds have been received by the City;

WHEREAS, LT Apparel has completed the extension of the public sewer line across the frontage of its property and provided the City all the documents related to the project;

WHEREAS, these documented expenses have been reviewed and approved by NC Commerce and City staff totaling \$445,588.87;

WHEREAS, this agreement will allow the City to reimburse the company for the extension of a public sewer line across the frontage of their property at N. Summit Avenue not to exceed the above amount; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO;

That the City Manager is hereby authorized to enter into a reimbursement agreement with the aforementioned company and authorizes the City Manager to execute documents related to the agreement in conformity herewith the applicable state and City regulations associated with the sources of funding.

(Signed) Hugh Holston

G.2 2023 - 462 Resolution- Guilford County Board of Education Schools School Safety Resource Officer Contract FY 23-24- \$1,635,444.30

153-23 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZNG EXECUTION OF CONTRACT WITH THE GUILFORD COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION FOR THE SCHOOL SAFETY RESOURCE OFFICER PROGRAM

Whereas, the Guilford County Board of Education desires the assistance of the City (Greensboro Police Department) in providing School Safety Resource

Officers for additional police services to create safe and crime free educational campuses;

Whereas, there is a need to maintain the School Safety Resource Officer Program (SRO) jointly operated by the Greensboro Police Department and the Guilford County Board of Education in select public schools;

Whereas, the City agrees to provide seventeen (17) officers to be assigned to specific middle/high schools by the Chief of Police and three (3) sworn supervisor to oversee the School Safety Resource Officers and program;

The Guilford County Board of Education shall reimburse the City \$1,635,444.30 for the salaries of the officers assigned to the program for the period of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024.

The Greensboro Police Department and the Guilford County Board of Education shall continue to work together to ensure the successful protection of those educational campuses.

Whereas, the Greensboro Police Department would like to enter into a contract with the Guilford County Board of Education for School Safety Resource Officers; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL, OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO:

That the Greensboro Police Department is hereby authorized to execute a contract with the Guilford County Board of Education for the School Safety Resource Officer program in Greensboro, NC for payment of \$1,635,444.30 (FY 2023-24) to be paid in quarterly reimbursements, to be funded with Guilford County Board of Education funds.

(Signed) Hugh Holston

G.3 2023 - 479 Ordinance Amending State, Federal, and Other Grants Fund Budget in the Amount of \$800,000 for Strategic Plan and Equipment Grant

23-089 ORDINANCE AMENDING STATE, FEDERAL AND OTHER GRANTS FUND BUDGET in the amount of \$800,000 FOR STRATEGIC pLAN AND EQUIPMENT GRANT

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO:

That the State, Federal and Other Grants Fund Budget of the City of Greensboro is hereby amended as follows:

That the appropriation for the State, Federal and Other Grants Fund be increased as follows:

Account name- Strategic Plan and Equipment Grant

<u>Account</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
220-35-3598150.5223	Subscriptions	\$284,600
220-35-3598150.5235	Small Tools & Equipment	\$390,400
220-35-3598150.5429	Other Contracted Services	125,000
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$800,000</b>

and, that this increase be financed by increasing the following State, Federal and Other Grants Fund accounts:

<u>Account</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
220-35-3598150.7104	Federal Forfeiture	\$800,000
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$800,000</b>

And, that this ordinance should become effective upon adoption.

(Signed) Hugh Holston

G.4 2023 - 480 Ordinance Amending State, Federal, and Other Grants Fund Budget in the amount of \$130,000 for GPD Motorist Assistance Vehicles

23-090 ORDINANCE AMENDING STATE, FEDERAL AND OTHER GRANTS FUND BUDGET FOR A NC DRUG EXCISE TAX GRANT FOR GREENSBORO POLICE DEPARTMENT

Section 1

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO:

That the State, Federal and Other Grants Fund Budget of the City of Greensboro is hereby amended as follows:

That the appropriation for the State, Federal and Other Grants Fund be increased as follows:

Account name- GPD Motorist Assistance Vehicles

<u>Account</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
220-35-3598151.6051	Licensed Vehicles	\$ 130,000
Total		
		\$ 130,000

and, that this increase be financed by increasing the following State, Federal and Other Grants Fund accounts:

<u>Account</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
220-35-3598151.7123	State Drug Excise Tax	\$ 130,000

Section 2

And, that this ordinance should become effective upon adoption.

(Signed) Hugh Holston

- G.5 2023-476 Resolution Authorizing Agreement with NCDOT Accepting Matching Funds in the Amount of \$301,658 for the FY 2021 and FY 2022 FTA Section 5307 Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Grant Program

154-23 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT WITH NCDOT ACCEPTING MATCHING FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$301,658 FOR THE FY 2021 AND FY 2022 FTA SECTION 5307 CONGESTION MITIGATION AND AIR QUALITY GRANT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, GTA purchased eight (8) replacement transit buses using \$3,663,000 in FTA Section 5307 funds;

WHEREAS, the City of Greensboro has requested the North Carolina Department of Transportation assist in the funding of this project for \$301,658 or 7% of the cost of the above project and this funding request has been approved;

WHEREAS, accepting matching funds from NCDOT will decrease the amount of City funds required for this project; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO:

That the City Manager is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with the Department of Transportation to accept state matching funds for FFY 2021 and FFY 2022 FTA Section 5307 Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Grant Program.

(Signed) Hugh Holston

G.6 2023-477 Resolution Authorizing Agreement in the Amount of \$271,741 with NC Department of Transportation for FY 2024 FTA Section 5303 Planning Assistance Grant

155-23 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$271,741 WITH NC DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR FY 2024 FTA SECTION 5303 PLANNING ASSISTANCE GRANT

WHEREAS, GTA intends to fund long and short-range service planning activities using FY2024 FTA Section 5303 Planning Assistance Grant funding, administered by the North Carolina Department of Transportation;

WHEREAS, the City of Greensboro has requested the North Carolina Department of Transportation to assist in the funding of this project in the amount of \$27,174 or 10% of the project cost;

WHEREAS, the City of Greensboro will provide a local match in the amount of \$27,175 or 10% of project cost; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO:

That the City Manager, is hereby authorized to enter into agreement with the Department of Transportation and execute all necessary documents for the FY 2024 FTA Section 5303 Planning Assistance Grant.

(Signed) Hugh Holston

G.7 2023-478 Ordinance in the Amount of \$271,741 Establishing the Budget for FY 2024 FTA Section 5303 Planning Assistance Grant

23-091 ORDINANCE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$271,741 ESTABLISHING THE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024 FTA SECTION 5303 PLANNING ASSISTANCE GRANT

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO:

Section 1

That the Grant Project Budget for the FY 2024 FTA Section 5303 Planning Assistance Grant be established as follows:

<u>Account</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
220-47-4798011.4110	Salaries and Wages	\$ 75,000
220-47 4798011.4510	FICA Contribution	\$ 5,664

220-47-4798011.4520	Retirement Contribution	\$ 10,664
220-47-4798011.4610	Health Coverage-Active	\$ 8,600
220-47-4798011.4650	Dental Coverage-Active	\$ 480
220-47-4798011.4710	Life Insurance-Active	\$ 192
220-47-4798011.5413	Consultant Services	<u>\$ 171,141</u>
	Total	\$ 271,741

And, that this increase be financed by increasing the following revenues:

<u>Account</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
220-47-4798011.7100	Federal Grant	\$217,392
220-47-4798011.7110	State Grant	\$ 27,174
220-47-4798011.9564	Transfer from Transit Fund	<u>\$ 27,175</u>
	Total	\$271,741

## Section 2

And, that this ordinance should become effective upon adoption.

(Signed) Hugh Holston

## **H. PUBLIC HEARING**

### H.1 2023-506 Resolution Authorizing an Economic Development Incentive to Project Sage in the Amount not to Exceed \$1,500 per Job

Mayor Vaughan taking the prerogative of the Chair, moved item H.9./2023-506 up prior to the Public Comment portion of the meeting; and stated this was the time and place set for a public hearing to consider Item H.9. a Resolution Authorizing an Economic Development Incentive to Project Sage in the Amount not to Exceed \$1,500 per Job.

Marshall Yandle Economic Development and Small Business Manager made a PowerPoint Presentation (PPP); outlined the incentive request; and highlighted staff recommendations.

Discussion took place regarding hiring incentives to include working with NC Works; and recent economic development announcements.

(A copy of the PowerPoint Presentation is filed in Exhibit Drawer F, No. 28, which is hereby referred to and made a part of these minutes.)

**Moved By** Mayor Vaughan  
**Seconded By** Mayor Pro-Tem Johnson

Motion to adopt the resolution was approved.

Ayes (8): Mayor Vaughan, Mayor Pro-Tem Johnson, Councilmember Abuzuaiter, Councilmember Hightower, Councilmember Hoffmann, Councilmember Holston, Councilmember Thurm, and Councilmember Wells

Absent (1): Councilmember Matheny

**Carried (8 to 0)**

151-23 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVE TO PROJECT SAGE IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,500 PER JOB

WHEREAS, on May 17, 2005, the City Council adopted Economic Development Guidelines whereby the City may participate financially in the development of certain private improvements to promote economic development in accordance with the Guidelines and NCGS § 158-7.1;

WHEREAS, Project Sage (the Company) is considering expanding at the Piedmont Triad International Airport in addition to other options within the United States;

WHEREAS, the Company has requested that the City provide an economic development incentive grant in the amount of \$1,500 per job, for the creation of 280 new jobs and a projected investment made directly by the company or made at the direction of the company in the amount of \$55,700,000 in real property and/or personal property on or before December 31, 2027;

WHEREAS, the Company would be eligible, per the Economic Development Guidelines, for an additional \$250 incentive per job for any new employee whose permanent address is located in an Impact Zone or who is hired through NCWorks Career Centers;

WHEREAS, but for the City's incentive grant, the Company would not expand in the Greensboro area;

WHEREAS, the addition of 280 new jobs and investment in real and/or personal property is expected to generate public benefit by increasing taxable property and employment in the City;



WHEREAS, the City Council finds that because of this overall public benefit there should be an exception to the Economic Development Incentive Program as the company would not locate in the City of Greensboro corporate limits;

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on July 11, 2023, in accordance with NCGS § 158-7.1 setting out the particulars of the request and the public benefits to be derived from said improvements; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO;

- That in accordance with the City’s Economic Development Incentive Program Guidelines, and pursuant to NCGS 158-7.1, a grant reimbursement and participatory agreement between the City of Greensboro, as grantor, and the Company, as grantee, in an amount not to exceed \$1,500 per job that is contingent upon the creation of 280 new jobs (above its current level of 688 employees) paying not below \$15.00 per hour with an average annual wage of \$88,761 and investment made or caused to be made by the company of approximately \$55,700,000 in real and/or personal property at the Piedmont Triad International Airport on or before December 31, 2027.
- The City Manager is hereby authorized to execute, on behalf of the City of Greensboro, the proper agreements to effectuate the incentive grant and any other related documentation.
- The incentive grant shall be paid in annual installments after investment has been made and provided new jobs are created according to the benchmarks and confirmed by the City.
- The project shall comply with the City’s Minority/Women Business Enterprise Program Plan as it applies to Economic Development Project M/WBE Subcontracting Goals.
- In accordance with NCGS 158-7.1(h), the agreement shall include provisions approved by the City Attorney to recapture the incentive in the event the jobs are not retained for a certain period or there is a lower capital investment than specified in the incentive grant agreement.

(Signed) Nancy Vaughan

**I. GENERAL BUSINESS AGENDA**

- I.1 2023-481 Resolution Accepting Transfer of Lease with NCDOT for 602 South Regional Road

Mayor Vaughan introduced the item; and stated the item had been postponed from the June 20, 2023 City Council meeting.

Discussion ensued regarding additional information provided by City staff.

Councilmember Hightower requested staff research a rerouting of tractor trailers.

**Moved By** Councilmember Thurm

**Seconded By** Councilmember Abuzuaiter

Motion to adopt the resolution was approved.

Ayes (8): Mayor Vaughan, Mayor Pro-Tem Johnson, Councilmember Abuzuaiter, Councilmember Hightower, Councilmember Hoffmann, Councilmember Holston, Councilmember Thurm, and Councilmember Wells

Absent (1): Councilmember Matheny

**Carried (8 to 0)**

157-23 RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE LEASE TRANSFER OF  
PROPERTY AT 602 SOUTH REGIONAL ROAD FROM THE NORTH  
CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) has offer a no-cost transfer of the lease for property located at 602 South Regional Road for use as oversized vehicle parking;

WHEREAS, the transfer is subject to the following conditions:

- 1) Property is accepted 'as is',
- 2) Damaged caused by its use for oversized vehicle parking will be repaired by the City to permit continued use,
- 3) 60 day Notice of termination of the lease should the property be required in association with a roadway project,
- 4) The same terms and conditions apply to the use of the property for a mobility hub.

WHEREAS, the property is well situated for use as oversized vehicle parking and will be incorporated into the City's oversized vehicle parking lease program; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO:**

That the City Manager is authorized to accept the transfer of the lease for the property at 602 South Regional Road subject to the conditions above.

(Signed) Tammi Thurm

- I.2 2023 – 302 Resolution to Transfer 508 Pine Street and Development Agreement of \$48,645 with Habitat for Humanity of Greater Greensboro, Inc.

**Moved By** Mayor Pro-Tem Johnson

**Seconded By** Councilmember Abuzuaiter

Motion to adopt the resolution was approved.

Ayes (8): Mayor Vaughan, Mayor Pro-Tem Johnson, Councilmember Abuzuaiter, Councilmember Hightower, Councilmember Hoffmann, Councilmember Holston, Councilmember Thurm, and Councilmember Wells

Absent (1): Councilmember Matheny

**Carried (8 to 0)**

158-23 RESTION TO AUTHORIZE A NO COST TRANSFER OF 508 PINE STREET TO HABITAT FOR HUMANITY OF GREATER GREENSBORO and AUTHORIZE DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT OF \$48,645

WHEREAS, Habitat for Humanity of Greater Greensboro responded to the Request for Proposals under the Non-Profit Tornado Disaster Recovery Program for the acquisition and historically sensitive rehabilitation of 508 Pine Street, a distressed foreclosed single family property owned by the City;

WHEREAS, the cost to acquire, rehabilitate and sell the property for affordable homeownership exceeds the sale price resulting in a need for \$48,645 in gap subsidy;

WHEREAS, sufficient funds are available in the 2016 Housing Bond and Tornado Disaster Recovery accounts for this activity;

WHEREAS, the City will provide a no-cost transfer of the property for affordable housing and a development agreement for the gap subsidy; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO:

That it approves the no-cost transfer of foreclosed surplus property located at 508 Pine Street to Habitat for Humanity of Greater Greensboro, Inc., for rehabilitation and sale for affordable homeownership to a family under 80% of area median income, and to authorize the City Manager to execute sale and closing documents and development agreement.

(Signed) Yvonne Johnson

- I.3 2023 - 488 Resolution To Approve The Six Year Maintenance and Support Contract In the Amount of \$8,219,917.02 With Motorola Solutions

**Moved By** Councilmember Abuzuaiter

**Seconded By** Councilmember Thurm

Motion to adopt the resolution was approved.

Ayes (8): Mayor Vaughan, Mayor Pro-Tem Johnson, Councilmember Abuzuaiter, Councilmember Hightower, Councilmember Hoffmann, Councilmember Holston, Councilmember Thurm, and Councilmember Wells

Absent (1): Councilmember Matheny

**Carried (8 to 0)**

159-23 RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SIX YEAR MAINTENANCE AND SUPPORT AGREEMENT WITH MOTOROLA FOR THE 800 MHZ EMERGENCY RESPONSE SYSTEM. THE TOTAL COST OF \$8,219,917.02, IS SHARED EQUALLY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,109,958.51 EACH, BETWEEN GM911 AND GUILFORD COUNTY FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2023 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2029

WHEREAS, the City and Guilford County share in the responsibility of the emergency response system;

WHEREAS, it is vital to the citizens that an emergency response system is reliably supported and maintained;

WHEREAS, the emergency response system is a sole product of Motorola;

WHEREAS, the cost savings are greater with a six year term;

WHEREAS, both the City and Guilford County equally share of all of the costs to maintain the emergency response system; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO:

That the City Manager is authorized to enter into this agreement with Motorola for the maintenance and support for the 800 MHZ Emergency Response System.

(Signed) Marikay Abuzuaiter

- I.4 2023-505 Resolution Approving \$1,200,000 Addendum to the Management and Operations of Transit Services Agreement with RATP Dev USA, Inc.

**Moved By** Councilmember Hightower  
**Seconded By** Councilmember Wells

Motion to adopt the resolution was approved.

Ayes (8): Mayor Vaughan, Mayor Pro-Tem Johnson, Councilmember Abuzuaiter, Councilmember Hightower, Councilmember Hoffmann, Councilmember Holston, Councilmember Thurm, and Councilmember Wells

Absent (1): Councilmember Matheny

**Carried (8 to 0)**

160-23 RESOLUTION APPROVING ADDENDUM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,200,000 TO THE MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONS OF TRANSIT SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH RATP DEV USA, INC.

WHEREAS, at the March 1, 2022 meeting, City Council approved a five-year contract with RATP Dev USA Inc. for the Management and Operations of Transit Services provided by the Greensboro Transit Agency;

WHEREAS, during FY 2023-2024 GTA will implement several enhancements to Fixed Route Services;

WHEREAS, these service enhancements will cost an estimated \$1,200,000 during FY 2023-2024 not accounted for in the service contract;

WHEREAS, the RATP Dev Year 2 contract maximum will increase from \$23,346,738 to \$24,546,738; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO:

The City Manager is hereby authorized to execute the contract addendum between the City of Greensboro and RATP Dev USA Inc. to increase the RAPT DEV Year 2 contract maximum by \$1,200,000.

(Signed) Sharon Hightower

**J. MATTERS TO BE DISCUSSED BY THE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL**

Mayor Vaughan opened the floor to Boards and Commissions appointments.

Moved by Councilmember Hoffmann, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Johnson to appoint Janne Cannon to the Library Board of Trustees. The motion carried by voice vote.

Council Comments:

Discussion took place regarding police take home cars; press conferences; current and recent events attended; economic development announcements; and recent violent crimes.

Councilmember Thurm requested staff to schedule a Participatory Budgeting work session.

Councilmember Hightower requested staff to research the release of Body Worn Camera footage; to research review of parking ordinance; to provide an update for area plan staff positions; and to research investment in crime areas.

Mayor Vaughan requested staff to connect NC Works with High School training.

**K. MATTERS TO BE PRESENTED BY THE CITY MANAGER**

There were no items for discussion by the City Manager.

**L. MATTERS TO BE PRESENTED BY THE CITY ATTORNEY**

There were no items for discussion by the City Attorney.

**M. ADJOURNMENT**

YJ HH

Moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Johnson, seconded by Councilmember Holston, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried by affirmation.

The City Council Adjourned at 8.20 P.M.

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Nancy Vaughan, Mayor

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Angela Lord, City Clerk