



City of Greensboro Meeting Minutes - DRAFT

City Council Work Session

May 23, 2023, 1:00 p.m.
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 Zack Matheny, Councilmember Tammi Thurm, and Councilmember Goldie Wells

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

A. Call To Order

Note: These City Council minutes are a general account of the May 23, 2023 work session. 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 work session of the City of Greensboro was called to order at 1:05 p.m. on the above date.

Mayor Vaughan confirmed all members of Council were present.

B. Presentations

B.1 2023-385 Budget Review / Planning Session

City Manager Taiwo Jaiyeoba introduced the item; provided an overview; spoke to health and insurance; to the general funds; to the fund balance; to Police salaries; to a compensation overview; to compression; to priorities; and to housing and safety.

Mayor Vaughan left the meeting at 1:06 p.m. and returned at 1:08 p.m.

Human Resource Director, Jamiah Waterman and Deputy Budget Director Tiffany Jones made a PowerPoint Presentation (PPP); outlined the FY 2023-24 budget development; the Public Safety Compensation Survey 2023; the market rate and control points; recruitment and retainment; and comparisons to peer municipalities.

Discussion took place regarding sign on bonuses; bilingual employees; a take home car program; step and merit programs; the recommended budget; public safety; and tax rates.

Councilmember Matheny entered the meeting at 2:20 p.m.

Mayor Vaughan requested staff to include Burlington in labor market studies; to research innovated options to exclude a tax increase; to provide options for reductions in budget; and to compare Greensboro facility usage fees to other municipalities.

Discussion continued regarding personnel increases; community partners; building maintenance; onboarding police officers; and benefits.

Councilmember Hightower requested staff to research building sustainability.

Councilmember Thurm requested staff to outline detailed budget line items in the FY 24-25 budget presentation.

Discussion ensued regarding property tax; incentives; the trolley program; and departmental equity.

Mayor Vaughan requested staff to research future Trolley funding options following the pilot program.

(A copy of the PowerPoint Presentation is filed in Exhibit Drawer F, No. 21, which is hereby referred to and made a part of these minutes.)

B.2 2023-400 Regency Inn/Oaks Discussions

Neighborhood and Development Director Michelle Kennedy spoke to the DRAFT Resolution; and introduced Stepup President and CEO Tod Lipka.

Mr. Lipka spoke to staffing; to the hotel purchase; to project estimates; and to facility rehab.

Discussion took place regarding project operations; current investments; case management; funding; certification; county support; school conversions; permanent supportive housing; and transitional housing.

Mr. Lipka highlighted local hiring and training; onboarding processes; and orientation.

C. **Adjournment**

Moved by Councilmember Wells, seconded by Councilmember Thurm, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried on the following by affirmation.

The City Council Adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Nancy Vaughan, Mayor

Victoria L. Howell, Deputy City Clerk