



City of Greensboro Meeting Minutes - DRAFT

City Council Work Session

May 25, 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, 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 25, 2023 work session 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 work session of the City of Greensboro was called to order at 2:04 p.m. on the above date.

Mayor Vaughan confirmed all Councilmembers were in attendance.

B. Presentations

B.1 2023-386 Budget Review / Planning Session

City Manager Taiwo Jaiyeoba introduced the items; spoke to previous work sessions; and outlined increase salaries for police.

Human Resource Benefits Manager, Deb Stephens made a PowerPoint Presentation (PPP); spoke to trends in healthcare; to budget development; to increased incentives; to fertility and family support; and to consumer driven health plans.

Discussion took place regarding health cost for employees.

Mayor Pro-Tem Johnson left the meeting at 2:20 p.m. and returned at 2:29 p.m.

Budget and Evaluation Director Jon Decker continued the PPP; gave an overview on the general fund revenues; spoke to property and sales tax; to the managers recommended budget; to property tax estimates; to general fund expenditures; to primary cost drivers; and to personnel and maintenance.

Discussion continued regarding Cost of Living Adjustments (COLA); and parking fees and violations.

Councilmember Thurm requested staff to provide data regarding parking fees.

Mr. Decker continued the PPP; spoke to personnel cost; to the general fund; to development services; to public safety positions; to community programs; to organizational support; to training and inspections; to maintenance and operations; to debt services; to water resource funds; to coliseum funds; to parking operations; to health insurance; and to internal service funds.

Finance Director, Marlene Druga continued the PPP; outlined strategic goals; initiatives; available fund balance trends; and spoke to comparison to peers municipalities.

Discussion ensued regarding data tracking; peer municipalities; future bond referenda; and yard waste collection carts.

(A copy of the PowerPoint Presentation is filed in Exhibit Drawer F, No. 22, which is hereby referred to and made a part of these minutes.)

C. Adjournment

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

The City Council Adjourned at 4:11 p.m.

Nancy Vaughan, Mayor

Victoria L. Howell, Deputy City Clerk