



City of Greensboro Meeting Minutes - Final

City Council Special

February 24, 2025, 3:30 pm

McAdoo Conference Room

201 W. Market Street

3rd Floor

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

Also Present: City Manager Trey Davis, City Attorney Chuck Watts, and City Clerk Angela Lord

A. Call to Order

These City Council minutes are a general account of the February 24, 2025 Special meeting with the Guilford Council Delegation. 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>.

Delegation Members in Attendance: Chair Representative Amos Quick, Vice Chair Senator Gladys Robinson, Senator Michael Garrett, Representative John Blust, Representative Alan Branson, Representative Tracy Clark, and Representative Pricey Harrison.

Chairman Quick called the meeting to order at 3:30 P.M.; outlined the meeting agenda; and recognized the Guilford Delegation Members in attendance.

Mayor Vaughan voiced appreciation in flexibility in meeting times; and recognized City Council members in attendance.

B. Legislative Agenda Discussion

B.1 2025-170 Legislative Agenda Review

City Attorney Chuck Watts made a PowerPoint Presentation; reviewed the carry over 2024-25 Legislative items; policy proposals; explained North Carolina League of Municipalities (NCLM) support; highlighted housing development needs; outlined proposed funding requests; explained the intent to strikeout the PFOA/PFOS request; and reviewed water and sewer funding needs.

Deputy City Manager Chris Wilson spoke to the request for regional water and sewer extension; and to addressing contaminants concerns.

City Attorney Watts provided Water Resources (WR) images; highlighted Greensboro Transportation needs; and reviewed the Greensboro Police Department legislative request.

Greensboro Fire Chief Jim Robinson reviewed the need for fire station support of the Piedmont Triad International Airport; and highlighted PFOA/PFOS firefighting replacement foam.

City Manager Trey Davis highlighted the Real Time Intelligence Center; spoke to rising cost; reviewed the need for license plate readers; and referenced continuation of pilot programs.

Mayor Vaughan stated staff would provide additional information to the Delegation to streamline Council priorities.

The GC Delegation requested the City of Greensboro to prioritize camera needs; to coordinate traffic lights; concentrate on extinguishing combustible engine fires; provide information on Summerfield area water/sewer extensions; update on responsible parties for PFOS; and data on housing needs.

Fire Chief Robinson explained the cost and lack of certification on fire blankets; and voiced concern regarding parking deck charging stations.

Mayor Vaughan spoke to the need for tank farm funding.

City Manager Davis explained the identification of the missing middle in the housing market.

Councilmember Hightower referenced violence concerns; current housing needs; the need for traditional rental inspections; a twelve month rolling inspection cycle; down payment assistance; obtainable housing; and funding to assist in attracting developers to East Greensboro.

Representative Quick commended Greensboro Police Chief John Thompson for the reduction in homicides.

Police Chief Thompson referenced a Behavioral Health Response Team (BHRT) grant; spoke to collaboration with the state; to a local impact; highlighted the need for the Real Time Intelligence Center funding; and the license plate reader program.

Councilmember Hightower voiced appreciation for previous Bingham Park and Downtown Greensboro funding.

Mayor Vaughan clarified the request for reoccurring Folk Festival Funding; and spoke to support of federal funding.

Discussion took place regarding the Civil Rights Museum designation.

Representative Quick recognized Councilmember Pinder, and extended congratulatory wishes.

(A copy of the PowerPoint Presentation is filed in Exhibit Drawer H, No. 8, which is hereby referred to and made a part of these minutes.)

C. Adjournment

Being no additional business, Representative Quick declared the meeting adjourned.

The Special Delegation meeting was adjourned by consensus of the City Council.

The City Council Adjourned at 4:16 P.M.

Nancy Vaughan, Mayor

Angela R. Lord, City Clerk