

**OAK RIDGE CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
Municipal Building Courtroom

November 12, 2018

Minutes

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Oak Ridge, Tennessee convened at 7:00 p.m. on November 12, 2018 in the Courtroom of the Municipal Building with Mayor Warren L. Gooch presiding.

**INVOCATION**

The invocation was given by Councilmember Derrick Hammond.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by members of the Robertsville Middle School Student Council.

**ROLL CALL**

Upon roll call the following Councilmembers were present: Councilmember Kelly Callison; Mayor Pro Tem Rick Chinn, Jr.; Councilmember Jim Dodson; Mayor Warren L. Gooch; Councilmember Derrick Hammond; Councilmember Charles J. Hope, Jr.; and Councilmember Ellen Smith.

Also present were Mark S. Watson, City Manager; Kenneth R. Krushenski, City Attorney, Mary Beth Hickman, City Clerk; and Janice McGinnis, Finance Director.

**PROCLAMATIONS AND PUBLIC RECOGNITIONS**

Public Recognitions

City Clerk Mary Beth Hickman swore in Police Chief Robin Smith.

Oak Ridge Fire Chief Darryl Kerley recognized Oak Ridge resident Tom Scott, Historian of the Society for the Preservation and Appreciation of Antique Motor Fire Apparatus in America (SPAAMFA).

Proclamations

*A proclamation honoring Leah Marcum-Estes on thirty years of service to the Oak Ridge Art Center.* Councilmember Smith moved for approval of the proclamation, and Councilmember Dodson seconded. The proclamation was approved unanimously by voice vote with Councilmembers Callison, Dodson, Hammond, Hope, Smith, Mayor Gooch and Mayor Pro Tem Chinn voting "Aye."

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Councilmember Smith requested that the following item be removed from the Consent Agenda for discussion:

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AND TRANSMIT A LETTER TO THE TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO PROVIDE THE 2018 UPDATE ON THE CITY'S EFFORTS TOWARD AN AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES (ADA) COMPLIANCE AND TRANSITION PLAN.

Mayor Pro Tem Chinn moved for approval of the Consent Agenda as amended, and Councilmember Callison seconded.

The Consent Agenda was approved unanimously as amended by voice vote with Councilmembers Callison, Dodson, Hammond, Hope, Smith, Mayor Gooch and Mayor Pro Tem Chinn voting "Aye."

Approval of the October 8, 2018 City Council regular meeting minutes

Approval of the October 11, 2018 City Council special meeting minutes

Approval of the October 29, 2018 City Council special meeting minutes

**Resolution No. 11-91-2018**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO APPLY FOR A SAFETY PARTNERS GRANT AND A PROPERTY CONSERVATION GRANT FROM THE TENNESSEE MUNICIPAL LEAGUE RISK MANAGEMENT POOL, WITH MAXIMUM REIMBURSEMENT AMOUNTS OF \$2,000.00 AND \$5,000.00 RESPECTIVELY, AND TO ACCEPT SAID GRANTS IF APPROVED.

**Resolution No. 11-92-2018**

A RESOLUTION TO AMEND RESOLUTION 5-28-2016, WHICH RESOLUTION APPROVED A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH CANNON & CANNON, INC., KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES RELATED TO THE OAK RIDGE TURNPIKE INTERSECTION PEDESTRIAN SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT, TO INCREASE THE COMPENSATION BY \$31,500.00.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS AND FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 2, TITLED "THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF OAK RIDGE, TENNESSEE," BY AMENDING THE ZONING MAP WHICH IS MADE A PART OF THE ORDINANCE BY CHANGING THE ZONING DISTRICT OF PARCEL 001.00, ANDERSON COUNTY TAX MAP 1010, GROUP A, FROM R-1-B, SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL, TO R-2/PUD, LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT WITH A PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT OVERLAY; PARCELS 001.00-063.00, ANDERSON COUNTY TAX MAP 107B, GROUP A, FROM R-3, MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL, TO R- 2/PUD, LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT WITH A PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT OVERLAY; A PORTION OF PARCEL 001.01, ANDERSON COUNTY TAX MAP 101G, GROUP A, FROM B-2, GENERAL BUSINESS, TO R-2/PUD, LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT WITH A PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT OVERLAY; AND PARCEL 003.00, ANDERSON COUNTY TAX MAP 107H, GROUP A, FROM R-3, MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL, TO R-2/PUD, LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT WITH A PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT OVERLAY; ALL PARCELS BEING LOCATED ON THE NORTH SIDE OF EDMOOR ROAD WEST OF PARK MEADE DRIVE AND EAST OF CENTENNIAL VILLAGE APARTMENTS; AND APPROVING THE ASSOCIATED PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT PRELIMINARY MASTER PLAN COLLECTIVELY CONTAINING APPROXIMATELY 117.04 ACRES.

Councilmember Dodson moved for approval of the ordinance, and Councilmember Hammond seconded. Community Development Director Wayne Blasius provided an overview of the ordinance and answered questions from Council.

The ordinance was approved unanimously by board vote with Councilmembers Callison, Dodson, Hammond, Hope, Smith, Mayor Gooch and Mayor Pro Tem Chinn voting "Aye."

On a motion by Mayor Pro Tem Chinn and seconded by Councilmember Dodson, the following item was deferred one month:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE MAIN STREET OAK RIDGE PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT (PUD) MASTER PLAN TO REMOVE MULTI-FAMILY USES AND TO ADD COMMERCIAL USES, SAID PROPERTY IS BORDERED BY RUTGERS AVENUE, SOUTH ILLINOIS AVENUE, SOUTH TULANE AVENUE, AND OAK RIDGE TURNPIKE AND CONTAINS PARCELS 003.00, 003.04, 003.05, 003.06,

003.08, 003.09, 003.10, 003.11, 003.12, 003.13, and 036.00, TAX MAP 099L, GROUP A, (APPROXIMATELY 58.54 ACRES), WITH NO CHANGE TO THE ZONING DISTRICT WHICH REMAINS UB-2/PUD, UNIFIED GENERAL BUSINESS WITH A PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT OVERLAY.

### **FINAL ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES**

#### **Ordinance No. 19-2018**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 2, TITLED "THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF OAK RIDGE, TENNESSEE," BY AMENDING THE ZONING MAP WHICH IS MADE A PART OF THE ORDINANCE BY CHANGING THE ZONING DISTRICT OF PARCEL 007.00, ANDERSON COUNTY TAX MAP 100H, GROUP A, (APPROXIMATELY 0.59 ACRES) FROM R-2, LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL, TO R-3, MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL; SAID PARCEL BEING LOCATED AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF LAFAYETTE DRIVE AND MARQUETTE ROAD.

Councilmember Dodson moved to open the public hearing, and Councilmember Smith seconded. The motion carried.

Randy Collins, 107 Maryville Circle, Oak Ridge, spoke in opposition to the ordinance due to his concerns about the parking lot of the proposed development backing up to his residence and about possible spot rezoning.

Kathy Moore, 140 Baltimore Drive, Oak Ridge, spoke in opposition to the ordinance and stated she is opposed to a commercial building being constructed on the property.

Laura Lynn Riden, 129 Liberty Court, Oak Ridge, stated that as a resident of Willow Place subdivision, she wants to maintain the aesthetics of the area with the construction of her building.

Mayor Pro Tem Chinn moved to close the public hearing, and Councilmember Smith seconded. The motion carried.

Councilmember Hope announced he would recuse himself on the vote, as Ms. Riden is his insurance agent.

The ordinance was adopted by board vote with Councilmembers Callison, Dodson, Hammond, Smith, Mayor Gooch and Mayor Pro Tem Chinn voting "Aye." Councilmember Hope recused himself and did not cast a vote.

### **RESOLUTIONS**

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AND TRANSMIT A LETTER TO THE TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO PROVIDE THE 2018 UPDATE ON THE CITY'S EFFORTS TOWARD AN AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES (ADA) COMPLIANCE AND TRANSITION PLAN.

Mayor Pro Tem Chinn moved for approval of the resolution, and Councilmember Callison seconded. Public Works Director Shira McWaters provided an overview of the resolution and answered questions from Council.

The resolution was approved unanimously by board vote with Councilmembers Callison, Dodson, Hammond, Hope, Smith, Mayor Gooch and Mayor Pro Tem Chinn voting "Aye."

A RESOLUTION TO AMEND RESOLUTION 8-95-2017, WHICH RESOLUTION APPROVED A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH TRESTLES, LLC, NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE, FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES RELATED TO THE TURTLE PARK WASTEWATER PUMP STATION CONSTRUCTION PROJECT, TO INCREASE THE COMPENSATION BY \$30,000.00.

Councilmember Dodson moved for approval of the resolution, and Councilmember Callison seconded. Public Works Director Shira McWaters provided an overview of the resolution and answered questions from Council.

During discussion on the resolution, Mayor Gooch requested that if future projects are delayed and the cost is effected, the item needs to be reviewed by the Budget and Finance Committee.

The resolution was approved unanimously by board vote with Councilmembers Callison, Dodson, Hammond, Hope, Smith, Mayor Gooch and Mayor Pro Tem Chinn voting "Aye."

### **APPEARANCE OF CITIZENS**

Rebecca Williams, 102 Deerfield Lane, Oak Ridge, reminded Councilmembers about the Winter Farmers Market to be held on Saturday, December 1, 2018 in the Gymnasium of St. Mary's School. She also thanked the City for their assistance in helping the Winter Farmer's Market to obtain a grant.

Rose Weaver, 142 Hendrix Drive, Oak Ridge, stated she is excited about the new preschool and encouraged the contractor on the project to provide subcontracting opportunities for minorities.

### **ELECTIONS/APPOINTMENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND SCHEDULING**

#### **Announcements**

#### **Scheduling**

City Manager Mark Watson stated that there may be a need for a special called City Council meeting prior to the December work session. He also informed Council that the November 13, 2018 work session and the November 21, 2018 Budget and Finance Committee meeting are cancelled.

The City Manager indicated there would be a special called meeting on November 27, 2018 to swear in newly elected Council members and that the City Manager Evaluation Committee will meet one hour prior to the special called meeting.

### **COUNCIL REQUESTS FOR NEW BUSINESS ITEMS OR FUTURE BRIEFINGS**

### **SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS**


#### **CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

City Manager Mark Watson stated that the contractor for the Pre-K project plans to work with Administrative Services Director Bruce Applegate to conduct a job fair in the Scarboro Community and more information would be forthcoming after the Thanksgiving holiday.

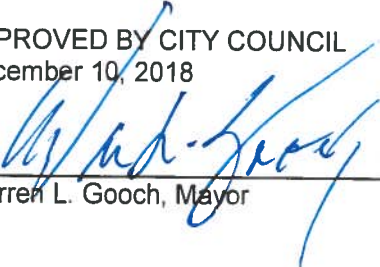
The City Manager also informed Council that the Oak Ridge Site Specific Advisory Board is recruiting members if they know of individuals who may be interested in serving.

#### **CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

**ADJOURNMENT:** 8:13 p.m.

  
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Mary Beth Hickman, City Clerk

APPROVED BY CITY COUNCIL  
December 10, 2018

  
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Warren L. Gooch, Mayor