LEGAL NOTICE
A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Oak Ridge, Tennessee convened at 7:00 p.m. on December 13, 2021 with Mayor Pro Tem Rick Chinn presiding.

INVOCATION
The invocation was led by Elder Henry Watson, Mt. Zion Baptist Church.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Jacob Berven, Oak Ridge High School Senior.

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

Also present were Mark Watson, City Manager; Tammy Dunn, City Attorney; Janice McGinnis, Finance Director; and Mary Beth Hickman, City Clerk.

THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS WERE TAKEN:

PROCLAMATIONS
Approved the following:

A proclamation recognizing Coach Joe Gaddis
A proclamation recognizing the winners of the 1st Annual Employee Art Contest

SPECIAL REPORTS
Approved the City Manager’s Evaluation Committee Report and accompanying resolution

A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE CITY MANAGER’S EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT TO EXTEND THE TERM BY ONE YEAR, TO PROVIDE FOR A NEW ANNUAL BASE SALARY AMOUNT OF $187,283.20 AND TO PROVIDE FOR A ONE-TIME CASH BONUS OF $2,500.00.

Removed from the Consent Agenda and approved the following:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO APPLY FOR, AND ACCEPT IF AWARDED, AN URBAN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING GRANT FROM THE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTERED BY THE TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO AMEND THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT (FY2021-074) WITH BARBERMcMURRAY ARCHITECTS, KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, FOR AS-NEEDED ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES FOR VARIOUS PROJECTS THROUGHOUT THE CITY TO ADD RENEWAL OPTIONS.

CONSENT AGENDA
Approved the following:

Minutes from the November 8, 2021 regular meeting

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT IF AWARDED A GRANT FROM THE GOVERNOR’S EARLY LITERACY FOUNDATION IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $6,000.00, WITH NO LOCAL MATCH REQUIRED, TO CONSTRUCT A STORY WALK IN BISSELL PARK.

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING BYLAWS AND RULES AND PROCEDURES FOR THE HEALTH AND EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES BOARD.
A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE REVISED BYLAWS AND APPROVING THE ADOPTION OF RULES AND PROCEDURES FOR THE SENIOR ADVISORY BOARD.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO APPLY FOR, AND ACCEPT IF AWARDED, AN ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS GRANT FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (FEMA) IN THE AMOUNT OF $81,844.43, WITH A TEN PERCENT (10%) LOCAL MATCH REQUIREMENT OF $9,093.83 FOR A TOTAL PROJECT COST OF $90,938.26.

A RESOLUTION WAIVING COMPETITIVE BIDS AND AUTHORIZING A THREE-YEAR AGREEMENT WITH ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEMS RESEARCH INSTITUTE, INC., REDLANDS, CALIFORNIA, FOR GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEM (GIS) SOFTWARE AND SERVICES IN THE AMOUNT OF $115,500.00.

A RESOLUTION TO EXTEND THE EMPLOYEE MEDICAL, DENTAL, VISION, AND HEARING INSURANCE CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF OAK RIDGE AND THE STATE OF TENNESSEE LOCAL GOVERNMENT HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2022 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2022, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $4,800,000.00.

A RESOLUTION APPROVING ANNUAL MAINTENANCE FEES FOR CUSTOMER INFORMATION SYSTEM, UTILITY BILLING, ENTERPRISE RESOURCE PLANNING, AND RELATED THIRD PARTY SOFTWARE WITH CAYENTA COMPANY, A DIVISION OF HARRIS CORPORATION, IN THE AMOUNT OF $251,284.95.

A RESOLUTION TO REQUEST UNCLAIMED BALANCE OF ACCOUNTS REMITTED TO STATE TREASURER UNDER UNCLAIMED PROPERTY ACT.

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES
The following ordinance listed below was approved on first reading. The ordinance has been published on the City’s website in its entirety (http://www.oakridgetn.gov). The ordinance is also available at the Oak Ridge Public Library and at the Office of the City Clerk in the Municipal Building during regular office hours. The ordinance is scheduled for second reading on January 10, 2022.

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND TITLE 7, TITLED “FIRE PROTECTION AND FIREWORKS,” OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CITY OF OAK RIDGE, TENNESSEE, BY DELETING SECTION 7-109, TITLED “FIREWORKS – DISCHARGE PROHIBITED,” AND SUBSTITUTE THEREFORE A NEW SECTION 7-109, TITLED “FIREWORKS – DISCHARGE AND SALE PROHIBITED: EXCEPTIONS,” TO CLARIFY THE PROHIBITION ON DISCHARGING FIREWORKS BY CONSUMERS AND ALLOWING THE DISCHARGE OF FIREWORKS BY PROFESSIONALS WITH PROPER PERMITS IN PLACE.

The following ordinance was postponed to the January 10, 2022 meeting:


FINAL ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES
The following ordinance was amended and adopted on second reading and will become effective on December 23, 2021. The ordinance has been published on the City’s website in its entirety (http://www.oakridgetn.gov). The ordinance is also available at the Oak Ridge Public Library and at the Office of the City Clerk in the Municipal Building during regular office hours.

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND TITLE 11, TITLED “MUNICIPAL OFFENSES,” CHAPTER 1, TITLED
“MISCELLANEOUS,” OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CITY OF OAK RIDGE, TENNESSEE, BY DELETING SECTION 11-111, TITLED “SMOKING AT PLAYGROUNDS PROHIBITED,” AND SUBSTITUTE THEREFOR A NEW SECTION 11-111, TITLED “SMOKING, USE OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS, AND USE OF VAPOR PRODUCTS AT PARKS, PLAYGROUNDS, GREENWAYS, AND PUBLIC PROPERTY PROHIBITED; EXCEPTIONS,” TO EXPAND THE PROHIBITION AGAINST SMOKING ON PLAYGROUNDS TO INCLUDE THE USE OF VAPING PRODUCTS AND TO PROHIBIT THE USE OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS AND VAPOR PRODUCTS TO PARKS, GREENWAYS, AND OTHER CITY-OWNED PROPERTY THAT IS ACCESSIBLE BY YOUTH.

RESOLUTIONS
Approved the following:

A RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT (FY2022-065) TO BASELINE SPORTS CONSTRUCTION, LLC, KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, FOR THE RESURFACING OF THE WALKING/RUNNING TRACK AT BLANKENSHP FIELD IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $49,568.00.

A RESOLUTION TO AMEND RESOLUTION 11-123-2021, WHICH RESOLUTION MODIFIES THE PROPERTY TRANSFER AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND TN OAK RIDGE ILLINOIS LLC TO FACILITATE A NEW DEVELOPMENT CONCEPT FOCUSED ON TWO MULTI-STORY APARTMENT BUILDINGS WITH A RETAIL AND MIXED-USE COMPONENT, TO CORRECT ENTITY NAMES REGARDING THE PROJECT.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO APPLY FOR, AND ACCEPT IF AWARDED, A T-MOBILE HOMETOWN GRANT FOR AN INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENT AT WILSON STREET AND MAIN STREET EAST IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE VISION FOR DOWNTOWN OAK RIDGE.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF THREE-PHASE PAD MOUNTED TRANSFORMERS FROM POWER SUPPLY COMPANY, LLC, CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $747,275.85 FOR USE BY THE ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT.

A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE CITY OF OAK RIDGE, TENNESSEE 2022 STATE LEGISLATIVE AGENDA TO INFORM STATE OFFICIALS OF KEY PROJECTS, POLICIES, AND PRIORITIES IN THE CITY OF OAK RIDGE, AND TO HELP SECURE FUNDING FOR AGREED UPON PRIORITIES OF THE COMMUNITY.

A RESOLUTION TO GENERALLY ESTABLISH MONTHLY REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS AND MONTHLY WORK SESSION MEETINGS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2022.

ADJOURNMENT: 8:12 p.m.

Mary Beth Hickman, City Clerk
CITY OF OAK RIDGE, TENNESSEE