

**MINUTES OF THE
OAK RIDGE CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

September 14, 2015

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Oak Ridge, Tennessee convened at 7:00 p.m. on September 14, 2015 in the Courtroom of the Municipal Building with Mayor Warren L. Gooch presiding.

INVOCATION

The Invocation was delivered by Mayor Warren L. Gooch.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Councilmember L. Charles Hensley.

ROLL CALL

Upon roll call the following councilmembers were present: Councilmember Trina Baughn; Councilmember Kelly Callison; Mayor Warren L. Gooch; Councilmember L. Charles Hensley; Councilmember Charles J. Hope, Jr.; and Mayor Pro Tem Ellen D. Smith.

Councilmember Rick Chinn, Jr. was absent during roll call; however, he arrived later in the meeting.

Also present were Mark S. Watson, City Manager; Kenneth R. Krushenski, City Attorney; Janice E. McGinnis, Finance Director; and Diana R. Stanley, City Clerk.

APPEARANCE OF CITIZENS

Mr. Jack Mansfield, 103 Hendrix Drive, expressed his disapproval for a recent situation involving former Oak Ridge Police Officer Cassen Jackson-Garrison.

(Councilmember Chinn arrived at this point in the meeting.)

Mr. Bill Tewes, 304 E. Forest Road, expressed his disapproval regarding suggestions to move the Secret City Festival to coincide with Veterans Day and for the City to commemorate Veterans Day for those who served their country.

Ms. Anne Garcia Garland, 120 Outer Drive, presented several inquiries regarding accounting related to Capital Maintenance for the Marina Building Restrooms.

Mr. Joseph Lee, 99 East Pasadena Road, remarked about the Oak Ridge Middle School Students' involvement in a recent STEM enrichment event held in Maryville, Tennessee and the importance of the focus of STEM as it relates to the community. Lastly, Mr. Lee commented that the City continue with the Municipal Technical Advisory Service (MTAS) police review.

Mr. Mike Mahathy, 113 Fallberry Street, commented about the use of Councilmember Baughn's personal e-mail being used as a communication tool for city business.

Ms. Paulie Brewer, 102 Nantucket Way, inquired about three (3) updates—Jackson Square Revitalization, CVMR's arrival, and the status of the Oak Ridge Mall (Main Street Project)

Mr. Matt Bailey, 17 Riverside Drive, commented regarding the MTAS police review and about Councilmember Baughn's involvement regarding the police review and its process.

PROCLAMATIONS AND PUBLIC RECOGNITIONS

Recognition of the City Council for their support of the organization's Middle School Exchange Program from The Sister City Support Organization.

Ms. Anna McCoig, Sister City Support Organization (SCSO) Board Member, addressed the City Council regarding her family's positive involvement in the Sister City Exchange Program and its great reaching impact on those involved either directly or indirectly with the program. Ms. McCoig acknowledged those SCSO board members in the audience and expressed her appreciation for their commitment to the program. Additionally, Ms. Veda Seay and Ainsleigh Raasch, Robertsville Middle School Students who participated in the Exchange Program, expressed their excitement about participating in the program.

(Diverting from the Presented Agenda)

At the request of the Mayor, the City Manager provided an update on the Oak Ridge Mall Redevelopment which he indicated was now being developed by RealtyLink as a replacement from Crosland Southeast and remarked about the positive work performed by the firm, as well as responded to questions of the Council.

SPECIAL REPORTS

Special Events Advisory Task Force Recommendations delivered by Chair Trina Baughn.

Special Events Advisory Task Force Chair Trina Baughn reviewed the task force's process of reviewing the festival and how the task force developed the recommendations that were presented before the Council.

[Number Assigned to the Resolution Later in the Minutes]

A RESOLUTION TO EXPAND THE SCOPE OF THE SECRET CITY FESTIVAL INTO A CELEBRATION OCCURRING WITHIN THE TIMEFRAME OF OCTOBER INTO VETERAN'S DAY (NOVEMBER 11) WITH A MINIMUM DURATION OF ONE WEEK WHICH INCLUDES THE SECRET CITY FESTIVAL.

Councilmember Baughn moved, seconded by Councilmember Hope to approve the resolution.

As part of consideration for this item, City Council discussed event factors, such as weather and seasonal sports that could impact festival attendance. Following these discussions, Councilmember Callison moved to amend the resolution to substitute language within the timeframe "of October into Veteran's Day" to "be determined by the Board of Directors with a minimum duration of one week." The motion was seconded by Councilmember Hensley.

Mayor Pro Tem Smith recommended deferring consideration of the resolution until after the formation of the Board of Directors that were action items in subsequent resolution(s) on the agenda. Councilmember Hensley agreed to withdraw his second which was also withdrawn by Councilmember Callison.

Mayor Pro Tem Smith moved to defer the main motion for the resolution until the remaining resolutions on the agenda pertaining to the recommendations of the Special Events Advisory Task Force had been considered. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Hensley and approved by unanimous voice vote with Councilmembers Baughn, Callison, Chinn, Hensley, Hope, Mayor Pro Tem Smith, and Mayor Gooch voting "Aye."

Resolution No. 09-95-2015

A RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT TO ESTABLISH A 501(C)(3) NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION WHOSE PURPOSE WILL BE TO ASSUME THE RESPONSIBILITY OF IMPLEMENTING THE SECRET CITY FESTIVAL/CELEBRATION WITH THE GOAL OF THE ORGANIZATION BECOMING SELF-SUSTAINING WITHIN FIVE (5) YEARS.

Councilmember Chinn moved, seconded by Councilmember Callison that the resolution be adopted.

Mayor Pro Tem Smith moved to amend the resolution to direct the City Manager to explore the possibility of existing 501(c) 3 organizations in the community implementing the Secret City Festival Celebration with the goal of the organization becoming self-sustaining within five (5) years based on the efficiencies that could be experienced in using an existing group that is involved with event planning and the involvement of such organizations in the current Secret City Festival. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Hensley.

Mr. Jon Hetrick, Recreation and Parks Director, responded to questions regarding the involvement of the Arts Council for booking entertainment and acting as a pass-through agent given their 501(c) 3 status for the Secret City Festival.

Mr. Mike Brown, 121 New Haven Road, Special Events Advisory Task Force Member, commented regarding the progression of the Secret City Festival to expand to multiple events in relation to current trends of festivals and commented about the importance of the establishment of the 501(c) 3 with a singular focus.

During discussions of this item, Council recognized that the body should determine a means on how to select the Board of Directors which was recommended by Mayor Gooch to include that in the resolution that established the recommended fourteen-member Board of Directors.

The amendment failed by board vote with Councilmembers Baughn, Callison, Chinn, Hensley, Hope, and Mayor Gooch voting "Nay," and Mayor Pro Tem Smith voting "Aye."

The resolution, as presented, was approved by unanimous board vote with Councilmembers Baughn, Callison, Chinn, Hensley, Hope, Mayor Pro Tem Smith, and Mayor Gooch voting "Aye."

Resolution No. 09-96-2015

A RESOLUTION TO APPOINT AT THE OCTOBER 2015 CITY COUNCIL MEETING, OR AS SOON THEREAFTER AS PRACTICAL, THE INAUGURAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THE 501(C)(3) NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION WHOSE PURPOSE WILL BE TO ASSUME THE RESPONSIBILITY OF IMPLEMENTING THE SECRET CITY FESTIVAL/CELEBRATION.

Councilmember Chinn moved, seconded by Councilmember Hope that the resolution be adopted.

The resolution, as presented, was approved by unanimous board vote with Councilmembers Baughn, Callison, Chinn, Hensley, Hope, Mayor Pro Tem Smith, and Mayor Gooch voting "Aye."

Resolution No. 09-97-2015

A RESOLUTION TO ENCOURAGE THE 501(C)(3) NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION WHOSE PURPOSE WILL BE TO ASSUME THE RESPONSIBILITY OF IMPLEMENTING THE SECRET CITY FESTIVAL/CELEBRATION TO DEVELOP A THEME FOR THE CELEBRATION AROUND THE ARTS, HISTORY, SCIENCE, AND CULTURE OF THE CITY OF OAK RIDGE EITHER DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY WITH OTHER ORGANIZATIONS.

Councilmember Baughn moved, seconded by Mayor Gooch that the resolution be adopted.

Councilmember Callison moved to strike the verbiage "Veterans" from the resolution so as to have it read "to develop a theme." The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Smith.

Mr. Bill Tewes, 304 E. Forest Road, does not want a Veterans theme incorporated with the Secret City Festival and would like to see more recognition from the City for Veterans.

Special Events Advisory Task Force Chair [Councilmember] Baughn responded that the Task Force recognized that this planning was an opportunity to pay tribute to the Veterans and to take on unique opportunities to pay tribute to Veterans aside from what is performed by other communities.

Mr. Mike Brown, 121 New Haven Road, Special Events Advisory Task Force Member, explained that the task force saw this as an opportunity to honor Veterans outside of what is experienced in other communities and felt that it was opportunity to fill a celebratory void.

Mr. Bill Tewes, 304 E. Forest Road, commented that he worked in Oak Ridge as a Special Engineer Detachment 9812 Army Corp of Engineers and requested appreciation by the City of Oak Ridge for Veterans.

Following discussion about a mechanism to celebrate Veterans and developing a theme of the Secret City Festival, the amendment was approved by board vote with Councilmembers Callison, Hensley, Hope, Mayor Pro Tem Smith, and Mayor Gooch voting "Aye," and Councilmembers Baughn and Chinn voting "Nay."

The resolution, as amended, was approved by board vote with Councilmembers Callison, Chinn, Hensley, Hope, Mayor Pro Tem Smith, and Mayor Gooch voting "Aye," and Councilmember Baughn voting "Nay."

Resolution No. 09-98-2015

A RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH A FOURTEEN (14) MEMBER BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THE 501(C)(3) NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION WHOSE PURPOSE WILL BE TO ASSUME THE RESPONSIBILITY OF IMPLEMENTING THE SECRET CITY FESTIVAL/CELEBRATION AND TO REQUIRE THE BOARD TO HIRE AN EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OR CONSULTANT WITHIN TWELVE (12) MONTHS OF THEIR FIRST MEETING.

Councilmember Chinn moved, seconded by Councilmember Callison that the resolution be adopted.

Councilmember Hensley moved to amend the resolution be reducing the Board of Directors from a 14-member board to a 10-member board as he felt the proposal contained too many board members. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Chinn. Councilmember Hensley recommended using the same appointment process that formed the Special Events Advisory Task Force via Resolution No. 02-19-2015 which specified that the Task Force shall be comprised of seven (7) members (each one appointed by a member of City Council) plus three (3) ex officio members (one each from the American Museum of Science and Energy, the Oak Ridge Convention and Visitors Bureau, and the Oak Ridge Recreation and Parks Advisory Board).

Following discussions amongst Council regarding some of the benefits that could occur, such as donations and expertise, of allowing a large number of board members to serve, Councilmember Hensley withdrew his motion. Councilmember Chinn also agreed to withdraw his second.

Mr. Mike Brown, 121 New Haven Road, Special Events Advisory Task Force Member, commented that the task force envisioned that the Board of Directors would decide their rules of order and appointment process, and the existing task force members were recommended to serve for continuity and Council appoint an additional seven members.

Councilmember Callison moved to amend the resolution to insert the verbiage "unlimited" for the number of non-voting, ex officio members and that the sentenced end after "specific areas of expertise," so that the resolution did not specify areas of expertise and that could be determined by the Board of Directors to eventually make those appointments. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Hensley.

After discussions regarding the ambiguity of "unlimited" for ex officio members, Councilmember Callison

removed his amendment related to an unlimited number of ex officio members. Councilmember Hensley also agreed to remove his second. Afterwards, Councilmember Callison moved to amend the resolution to indicate that “the Board of Directors shall select non-voting, ex officio members,” and that sentence referenced in the resolution end following “specific areas of expertise.” The motion was seconded by Councilmember Hope.

Mayor Pro Tem Smith noted that she was in favor of recommending an amendment to the amendment presented by Councilmember Callison to identify area organizations to serve as ex officio with one (1) member each to include the America Museum of Science and Energy (AMSE), the Convention and Visitors Bureau (CVB), Recreation and Parks, the Children’s Museum of Oak Ridge, and the Arts Council. Councilmember Callison noted that he was not interested in altering his motion.

Councilmember Baughn, Callison, Chinn, Hensley, Hope, and Mayor Gooch called for the question.

The amendment was unanimously approved by board vote with Councilmembers Baughn, Callison, Chinn, Hensley, Hope, Mayor Pro Tem Smith, and Mayor Gooch voting “Aye.”

The resolution, as amended, was approved by board vote with Councilmembers Baughn, Callison, Chinn, Hensley, Hope, and Mayor Gooch voting “Aye,” and Mayor Pro Tem Smith voting “Nay.”

Mayor Pro Tem Smith noted that during consideration of the resolution, City Council had not determined a mechanism to determine how to select the Board of Directors. City Council determined to reconsider the resolution at the present September 14 City Council Meeting.

Mayor Pro Tem Smith moved to perform an appointment by election for the eight remaining Board of Director members at the October 12, 2015 City Council Meeting. The motion did not receive a second; however, in accordance with Parliamentary Procedure, a motion to reconsider an action must be introduced by the prevailing side.

Mayor Gooch moved, seconded by Councilmember Hensley to reconsider the resolution so that City Council can specify whether the remaining available positions on the Board of Directors would be selected by appointment or election. The motion was approved by unanimous board vote with Councilmembers Baughn, Callison, Chinn, Hensley, Hope, Mayor Pro Tem Smith, and Mayor Gooch voting “Aye.”

During discussions on a process to select the remaining eight members, Councilmember Hope moved, seconded by Councilmember Chinn to appoint the six positions from those on the Special Events Advisory Task Force who expressed an interest in continuing to serve with the remaining eight positions selected from an election.

Councilmember Baughn, Chinn, Callison, and Mayor Gooch called for the question.

The motion to approve the selection process via an election was approved by unanimous board vote with Councilmembers Baughn, Callison, Chinn, Hensley, Hope, Mayor Pro Tem Smith, and Mayor Gooch voting “Aye.”

The resolution, as amended, was approved by unanimous board vote with Councilmembers Baughn, Callison, Chinn, Hensley, Hope, Mayor Pro Tem Smith, and Mayor Gooch voting “Aye.”

Resolution No. 09-99-2015

A RESOLUTION TO EXPAND THE SCOPE OF THE SECRET CITY FESTIVAL INTO A CELEBRATION OCCURRING WITHIN THE TIMEFRAME TO BE DETERMINED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS WITH A MINIMUM DURATION OF ONE WEEK WHICH INCLUDES THE SECRET CITY FESTIVAL.

Mayor Gooch moved, seconded by Councilmember Baughn to approve the resolution.

Councilmember Callison moved to amend the resolution by substituting the presented language of the timeframe of the celebration “October into Veterans’ Day (November 11)” to read “to be determined by the Board of Directors.” The motion was seconded by Councilmember Chinn.

Mr. Matt Bailey, 17 Riverside Drive, commented about the weather conditions of a fall event and inquired as to whether discussions had occurred regarding expenses as it relates to security and the expansion of a celebration event.

The amendment was unanimously approved by board vote with Councilmembers Baughn, Callison, Chinn, Hensley, Hope, Mayor Pro Tem Smith, and Mayor Gooch voting “Aye.”

The resolution, as amended, was unanimously approved by board vote with Councilmembers Baughn, Callison, Chinn, Hensley, Hope, Mayor Pro Tem Smith, and Mayor Gooch voting “Aye.”

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilmember Hensley requested to remove the following items from the Consent Agenda--approval of recognizing the 70th Anniversary of the surrender documents by Japan (V-J Day) to end World War II and approval of a proclamation declaring September 2015 as “Suicide Prevention Month.”

Following removal of those items, the remainder of the Consent Agenda was approved by unanimous voice vote with Councilmembers Baughn, Callison, Chinn, Hensley, Hope, Mayor Pro Tem Smith, and Mayor Gooch voting “Aye,” thereby:

- Approving the July 27, 2015 City Council Special Meeting Minutes.
- Approving the July 27, 2015 City Council Special Meeting Minutes.
- Approving the August 3, 2015 City Council Special Meeting Minutes.
- Approving the August 10, 2015 City Council Meeting Minutes.
- Approving the August 18, 2015 City Council Special Meeting Minutes.
- Adopting **Resolution No. 09-100-2015** to accept a \$113,623.66.00 reimbursement grant from the State of Tennessee , Department of Military, Tennessee Emergency Management Agency (TEMA) for expenses related to the severe winter storm during February 2015.
- Adopting **Resolution No. 09-101-2015** authorizing the Mayor and the City Manager to formally support city and community efforts to bring regattas and other rowing events to Oak Ridge through submission of letters and other communications.
- Adopting **Resolution No. 09-102-2015** approving revised bylaws for the Senior Advisory Board.
- Adopting **Resolution No. 09-103-2015** to extend the employee medical insurance contract between the City of Oak Ridge and the State of Tennessee Local Government Health Insurance Program for the period of January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016 at an estimated cost of \$4,520,000.00.
- Adopting **Resolution No. 09-104-2015** authorizing the application for and acceptance of

a grant from the Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT) for an Operating Assistance Grant to reimburse the City for up to eighty percent (80%) of the net operating expenses of the City's public transportation program in the estimated amount of \$165,500.00.

- Adopting **Resolution No. 09-105-2015** accepting a grant extension through July 31, 2020 from the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) for the Oral History Project, in the budgeted amount of \$100,000.00 per year subject to availability of DOE funding.

Items Removed from the Consent Agenda

Resolution No. 09-106-2015

A resolution recognizing the 70th Anniversary of the surrender documents by Japan (V-J Day) to end World War II.

Councilmember Hensley moved, seconded by Councilmember Chinn that the resolution be adopted.

The resolution was adopted by unanimous voice vote with Councilmembers Baughn, Callison, Chinn, Hensley, Hope, Mayor Pro Tem Smith, and Mayor Gooch voting "Aye."

Approval of a proclamation declaring September 2015 as "Suicide Prevention Month."

Mayor Gooch moved, seconded by Councilmember Hensley that the proclamation be approved.

The resolution was adopted by unanimous voice vote with Councilmembers Baughn, Callison, Chinn, Hensley, Hope, Mayor Pro Tem Smith, and Mayor Gooch voting "Aye."

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 09-107-2015

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AGREEMENTS WITH SECRET CITY FILMS AND BBB COMMUNICATIONS, LLC, FOR PRESERVATION OF ORAL HISTORIES OF KEY INDIVIDUALS IMPORTANT TO THE HISTORY OF OAK RIDGE IN THE ESTIMATED AMOUNT OF \$35,000.00 EACH.

Councilmember Hope moved, seconded by Councilmember Callison that the resolution be adopted.

Ms. Kathy McNeily, Oak Ridge Public Library Director, responded to questions and comments of City Council.

Following discussions, the resolution was approved by board vote with Councilmembers Callison, Chinn, Hensley, Hope, Mayor Pro Tem Smith, and Mayor Gooch voting "Aye," and Councilmember Baughn voting "Nay."

Resolution No. 09-108-2015

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A MEDIUM DUTY 4WD FORD DUMP TRUCK FROM LANDERS FORD, COLLIERVILLE, TENNESSEE, FOR USE BY THE RECREATION AND PARKS DEPARTMENT, IN THE ESTIMATED AMOUNT OF \$49,288.00.

Mayor Pro Tem Smith moved, seconded by Councilmember Hensley that the resolution be adopted.

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

Resolution No. 09-109-2015

A RESOLUTION APPROVING A CONTRACT WITH GRESHAM, SMITH AND PARTNERS, NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE, FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES RELATED TO THE RECONSTRUCTION OF A 13KV SPACER CABLE FOR THE ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT IN THE ESTIMATED AMOUNT OF \$56,000.00.

Councilmember Hope moved, seconded by Councilmember Hensley that the resolution be adopted.

Following responses by Mr. Jack Suggs, Electric Department Director, to questions and comments of City Council, the resolution was unanimously approved by board vote with Councilmembers Baughn, Callison, Chinn, Hensley, Hope, Mayor Pro Tem Smith, and Mayor Gooch voting "Aye."

Resolution No. 09-110-2015

A RESOLUTION AWARDED A CONTRACT (FY2016-051) TO FIRST PLACE FINISH, INC., OAK RIDGE, TENNESSEE, FOR THE ABATEMENT AND DEMOLITION OF 105 WADDELL PLACE, A CITY-OWNED RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURE, IN THE ESTIMATED AMOUNT OF \$26,821.00.

Councilmember Hensley moved, seconded by Councilmember Hope that the resolution be adopted.

Mr. Matt Wider, Community Development Specialist, responded to question and comments of City Council.

Following brief discussions, the resolution was unanimously approved by board vote with Councilmembers Baughn, Callison, Chinn, Hensley, Hope, Mayor Pro Tem Smith, and Mayor Gooch voting "Aye."

Resolution No. 09-111-2015

A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE POWER CONTRACT WITH THE TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY AND TO ESTABLISH NEW ELECTRIC RATES EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 2015.

Mayor Pro Tem Smith moved, seconded by Councilmember Hope that the resolution be adopted.

Electric Department Director Jack Suggs provided an overview of what was being considered by the City Council noting the two actions—new electric rates and a rate adjustment—both of which were being considered as a "pass through" from the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA).

The resolution was approved by board vote with Councilmembers Baughn, Callison, Hensley, Hope, Mayor Pro Tem Smith, and Mayor Gooch voting "Aye," and Councilmember Chinn voting "Nay."

CHARTER REVIEW COMMITTEE SELECTION PROCESS:

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE PROCESS FOR ELECTION OF THE MEMBERS OF THE 2015 CHARTER REVIEW COMMITTEE AND SETTING FORTH THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE CHARTER REVIEW COMMITTEE AS ESTABLISHED BY CITY CHARTER. (Option 1)

Mayor Pro Tem Smith moved, seconded by Councilmember Hope that the resolution be adopted.

Following discussions regarding councilmember's preference as to selection via an election or appointment, the motion failed by board vote with Councilmembers Baughn, Callison, Chinn, Hensley, and Mayor Gooch voting "Nay," and Councilmember Hope and Mayor Pro Tem Smith voting "Aye."

Resolution No. 09-112-2015

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE PROCESS FOR APPOINTMENT OF THE MEMBERS

OF THE 2015 CHARTER REVIEW COMMITTEE AND SETTING FORTH THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE CHARTER REVIEW COMMITTEE AS ESTABLISHED BY CITY CHARTER. (Option 2)

Councilmember Chinn moved, seconded by Councilmember Baughn that the resolution be adopted.

Mayor Pro Tem Smith moved to amend the last “be it further resolved” paragraph to read: prior to the next available meeting, each Councilmember shall submit his or her appointment for the Committee to the City Clerk for inclusion in the agenda material of the meeting in which the selection shall occur.” This motion was seconded by Councilmember Hope and approved unanimously by voice vote with Councilmembers Baughn, Callison, Chinn, Hensley, Hope, Mayor Pro Tem Smith, and Mayor Gooch voting “Aye.”

The resolution, as amended, was approved unanimously by board vote with Councilmembers Baughn, Callison, Chinn, Hensley, Hope, Mayor Pro Tem Smith, and Mayor Gooch voting “Aye.”

Resolution No. 09-113-2015

A RESOLUTION APPROVING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE FERGUSON GROUP, LLC, WASHINGTON, D.C., FOR THE PROVISION OF CONSULTING SERVICES TO PROVIDE GRANT SUPPORT AND TO DEVELOP A COMPREHENSIVE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT RELATIONS AGENDA AND ACTION PLAN FOR AGREED UPON PRIORITIES FOR THE CITY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$30,000.00 AT A MAXIMUM RATE OF \$425.00 PER HOUR WITH AN ALLOWANCE OF \$5,000.00 FOR EXPENSES.

Mayor Pro Tem Smith moved, seconded by Councilmember Hope that the resolution be adopted.

The resolution was approved by board vote with Councilmembers Callison, Hensley, Hope, Mayor Pro Tem Smith, and Mayor Gooch voting “Aye,” and Councilmembers Baughn and Chinn voting “Nay.”

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

(NONE)

FINAL ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES

Ordinance No. 13-2015

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 17-98 (AS AMENDED), SECTION 1, TO INCREASE THE MONTHLY RESIDENTIAL REFUSE COLLECTION FEE FROM \$7.00 TO \$10.50.

Councilmember Chinn moved, seconded by Councilmember Callison that the ordinance be approved on second reading.

The ordinance was approved by board vote with Councilmembers Callison, Chinn, Hensley, Hope, Mayor Pro Tem Smith, and Mayor Gooch voting “Aye,” and Councilmember Baughn voting “Nay.”

Ordinance No. 14-2015

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND TITLE 15, TITLED “MOTOR VEHICLES, TRAFFIC AND PARKING,” OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CITY OF OAK RIDGE, TENNESSEE, BY AMENDING SECTION 15-114, TITLED “CRASH HELMETS FOR DRIVER AND PASSENGER ON MOTORCYCLE OR MOTOR-DRIVEN CYCLE,” AND AMENDING SECTION 15-227, TITLED “USE OF SAFETY BELTS IN PASSENGER VEHICLES”; AND BY CREATING THE FOLLOWING NEW SECTIONS: SECTION 15-132, TITLED “NOTIFICATION OF CHANGE OF ADDRESS AND/OR NAME”; SECTION 15-228, TITLED “ILLUMINATION OF REGISTRATION (LICENSE) PLATE”; AND SECTION 15-349, TITLED

“TEXTING WHILE DRIVING PROHIBITED”; WITH ALL AMENDMENTS FOR THE PURPOSE OF BRINGING THE MOTOR VEHICLE PROVISIONS INTO COMPLIANCE WITH STATE LAW.

Councilmember Hensley moved, seconded by Councilmember Baughn that the ordinance be approved on second reading.

The ordinance was approved unanimously by board vote with Councilmembers Baughn, Callison, Chinn, Hensley, Hope, Mayor Pro Tem Smith, and Mayor Gooch voting “Aye.”

ELECTIONS/APPOINTMENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND SCHEDULING

Elections/Appointments

City Attorney Evaluation Committee

City Manager Evaluation Committee

Budget and Finance Committee

Mayor Gooch moved, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Smith to comprise the City Attorney Evaluation Committee of Charles J. Hope, Jr., Chair; Rick Chinn, and Warren L. Gooch; the City Manager Evaluation Committee of L. Charles Hensley, Chair; Kelly Callison, and Ellen D. Smith; and the Budget and Finance Committee of Trina Baughn, Chair; L. Charles Hensley; and Kelly Callison.

Councilmember Baughn remarked, regrettably, that she would be unable to serve on the Budget and Finance Committee.

Councilmember Hensley nominated Mayor Pro Tem Smith to replace Councilmember Baughn on the Budget and Finance Committee. The nomination was seconded by Mayor Gooch, and approved unanimously by voice vote with Councilmembers Baughn, Callison, Chinn, Hensley, Hope, Mayor Pro Tem Smith, and Mayor Gooch voting “Aye.”

Mayor Gooch moved to divide the question by appointing the Budget and Finance Committee, aside from the City Attorney and City Manager Evaluation Committees. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Hope and approved by unanimous voice vote with Councilmembers Baughn, Callison, Chinn, Hensley, Hope, Mayor Pro Tem Smith, and Mayor Gooch voting “Aye.”

City Attorney Evaluation Committee and City Manager Evaluation Committee

Mayor Gooch moved, seconded by Councilmember Hensley to appoint the City Attorney and City Manager Evaluation Committee as follows--the City Attorney Evaluation Committee will be comprised of Charles J. Hope, Jr., Chair; Rick Chinn, and Warren L. Gooch; the City Manager Evaluation Committee will be comprised of L. Charles Hensley, Chair; Kelly Callison, and Ellen D. Smith. The motion was approved by unanimous voice vote with Councilmembers Baughn, Callison, Chinn, Hensley, Hope, Mayor Pro Tem Smith, and Mayor Gooch voting “Aye.”

Budget and Finance Committee

Mayor Gooch moved, seconded by Councilmember Hensley to establish the Budget and Finance Committee with Kelly Callison; L. Charles Hensley; and Ellen D. Smith. The motion was approved by unanimous voice vote with Councilmembers Baughn, Callison, Chinn, Hensley, Hope, Mayor Pro Tem Smith, and Mayor Gooch voting “Aye.”

Additionally, Mayor Gooch moved to elect Councilmember Kelly Callison as Chair of the Budget and

Finance Committee. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Hensley and was approved by unanimous voice vote with Councilmembers Baughn, Callison, Chinn, Hensley, Hope, and Mayor Pro Tem, and Mayor Gooch voting “Aye.”

Announcements

Councilmember Hensley noted that the Land Bank sold a property on Decatur Road that is currently under construction for a house.

Scheduling

[Diverting from the original order of the agenda.]

CITY MANAGER’S REPORT

Emergency Purchase-Replacements Parts for Emergency Pump Repair at the Turtle Park Sewer Pump Station

The City Manager noted that an emergency purchase had occurred for replacement parts for a damaged pump at Turtle Park Sewer Pump Station during August 2015. This information was presented to City Council in accordance with Section 5-404 of the City Code. No action was required by the City Council for this item.

Additionally, the City Manager noted that a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) for the Manhattan Project National Park Signing Ceremony was scheduled to occur in Washington D.C. on November 10, and a secondary setting in local community areas was tentatively for November 12 which would involve several events in the community with various organizations, including the Oak Ridge Schools.

COUNCIL REQUESTS FOR NEW BUSINESS ITEMS OR FUTURE BRIEFINGS

Mayor Gooch requested that city staff develop and present a proposal to City Council to form a committee to support an effort by Senator Lamar Alexander’s to rename Pellissippi Parkway the *Oak Ridge Corridor* with Councilmember Chinn to serve as Chair of the committee.

SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS

CITY ATTORNEY’S REPORT

(NONE)

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

Signature on file _____
Diana R. Stanley, City Clerk

APPROVED BY CITY COUNCIL
October 12, 2015

Signature on file _____
Warren L. Gooch, Mayor