



City of Greensboro

Melvin Municipal Building
300 W. Washington Street
Greensboro, NC 27401

Meeting Minutes - Draft City Council Special Meeting

Friday, February 15, 2019

10:00 AM

ACC Hall of Champions Board Room

SPECIAL MEETING WITH THE GUILFORD COUNTY LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION

I. Social

II. Call To Order

This special meeting between the City Council of the City of Greensboro and the Guilford County Legislative Delegation was called to order at 10:00 a.m. on the above date at the ACC Hall of Champions Board Room with the following members present:

Mayor Nancy Vaughan, Mayor Pro-Tem Yvonne Johnson, Councilmember Marikay Abuziater, Councilmember Michelle Kennedy, Councilmember Sharon Hightower, Councilmember Nancy Hoffmann, Councilmember Justin Outling, Councilmember Tammi Thurm, and Councilmember Goldie Wells.

The following members of the Guilford County Legislative Delegation were present: Senator Gladys A. Roibinson, Representative Cecil Brockman, Representative Ashton Clemmons, Representative John Faircloth, Senator Michael Garrett, Representative Jon Hardister, Representative Pricey Harrison, Representative Amos L. Quick, and Senator Jerry W. Tillman.

Absent: Senator Rick Gunn

Also present were City Manager David Parrish, Interim City Attorney Jim Hoffman, Assistant City Attorney Jennifer Schneier; and City Clerk Angela R. Lord.

Mayor Vaughan and Senator Robinson brought greetings to the group; and introductions were made around the table.

III. Presentations

1. [ID 19-0091](#) Presentation of Greensboro's Proposed 2019 Legislative Agenda to the Guilford Delegation

Assistant City Attorney Schneier provided a PowerPoint Presentation (PPP) on the City of Greensboro's 2019 Legislative Agenda which highlighted eleven areas of interest specific to the City as follows: Body Worn Camera, Triad Connected Cities, Restore Transporations Funding, Small Business Enterprise, Repair of Nonresidential Buildings and Re-write of Planning Statutes, Collection of Parking Fines Linked to DMV Registration, Presumptive Disability for Fire Fighters, Healthcare for Retired Councilmembers, Fire Department: Search and Rescue Funds, Housing Restoration/Recovery GSO, and Medical Detox Facility. Assistant City Attorney Schneier distributed handouts for the North Carolina Search and Rescue Budget and the Triad Connected Cities May 2018 update.

Discussion took place regarding the City providing additional information and being specific in it's requests; lobbyist McQuire Woods; the importance of transparency; obligation of elected officials; the impact of the 2018 storm events; the opioid crisis; and drinking water safety concerns.

The Delegation requested the City to provide a bus cost comparison; data on firefighter illnesses; the structure of the Guilford County Commissioners Health Care retirement benefits plan; an update on imminent domain concerns

in regards to the Greensboro/Randolph County Megasite; an update on PFOS contaminants; the CureViolence and Alliance of Racial and Equality initiatives; and the Safer City Summit.

City Manager Parrish referenced general information on the City handouts provided to the Delegation.

Councilmember Wells spoke to needs regarding the North Carolina Freedom Park project; and requested the Delegation to reduce the threshold requirements.

Senator Robinson requested the Delegation to review the 2019 Legislative Agenda; and to identify items to sponsor.

Mayor Vaughan expressed appreciation for the Delegation members attending the meeting; and stated City Council would be recessing to a closed session.

Councilmember Hightower referenced the upcoming North Carolina League of Municipalities Town and State Dinner on February 20th.

Moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Johnson, seconded by Councilmember Hightower to go into closed session pursuant to N.C.G.S. Sections 143-318.11(a)(4) to discuss matters relating to the location or expansion of industries or other businesses in the area served by the City, including agreement on a tentative list of negotiations.

Council recessed to closed session at 11:29 a.m.

Council reconvened into open session at 12:10 p.m. with all members in attendance. Moved by Councilmember Abuziater, seconded by Councilmember Hoffmann to return to open session. The motion carried by voice vote.

(A copy of the PowerPoint Presentation and Handouts are filed in Exhibit Drawer B, Exhibit No. 4 which is hereby referred to and made a part of these minutes)

IV. Adjournment

Moved by Councilmember Thurm, seconded by Councilmember Wells, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried by voice vote.

THE SPECIAL MEETING ADJOURNED AT 12:11 P.M.

ANGELA R. LORD
CITY CLERK

NANCY VAUGHAN
MAYOR