



# City of Greensboro

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

## Meeting Minutes - Draft City Council

Tuesday, October 6, 2020

5:30 PM

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### Call to Order

This Virtual City Council meeting of the City of Greensboro was called to order at 5:30 p.m. on the above date. Mayor Vaughan took a roll call to confirm the following members were present:

Present: 9 - Mayor Nancy Vaughan, Mayor Pro-Tem Yvonne J. Johnson, Councilmember Marikay Abuzuaiter, Councilmember Sharon M. Hightower, Councilmember Nancy Hoffmann, Councilmember Michelle Kennedy, Councilmember Justin Outling, Councilmember Tammi Thurm and Councilmember Goldie F. Wells

### Council Procedure for Conduct of the Meeting

Mayor Vaughan explained the Council procedure for conduct of the meeting; and stated all remaining City Council meetings for the 2020 meeting schedule would take place virtually.

### I. CEREMONIAL AND/OR PRESENTATION ITEMS

1. [ID 20-0385](#) Resolution Honoring the Memory of the Late Frederick "Curly" Neal

Councilmember Abuzuaiter requested the item to be moved to later in the meeting to allow family members to join the meeting.

2. [ID 20-0539](#) Resolution Honoring the Memory of the Late Former Councilwoman and Senator Katie Grays Dorsett

Mayor Pro-Tem Johnson and Councilmember Hightower read the resolution into the record; and recognized speakers for the resolution.

Valerie Dorsett voiced appreciation for the resolution; and spoke to the character of Ms. Dorsett's service to Greensboro and as a mother.

Senator Gladys Robinson explained Ms. Dorsett had served as a mentor; spoke to her advocacy at the local and state level; highlighted Ms. Dorsett's service to High Point; and voiced appreciation to City Council for their work in the community.

Discussion took place regarding Ms. Dorsett's community involvement; serving as a role model; nomination for the Ruth Wicker Memorial to Women; personal experiences; maintaining balance; residence in District 2; and dedication across the state.

Mayor Vaughan stated a formal copy of the resolution would be provided to Valerie Dorsett and Senator Robinson.

**Moved by Councilmember Hightower, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Johnson, to adopt the resolution. The motion carried on the following roll call vote:**

**Ayes,** 9 - Nancy Vaughan, Yvonne J. Johnson, Marikay Abuzuaite, Sharon M. Hightower, Nancy Hoffmann, Michelle Kennedy, Justin Outling, Tammi Thurm and Goldie F. Wells

260-20 RESOLUTION TO HONOR THE MEMORY OF THE LATE FORMER COUNCILWOMAN AND SENATOR KATIE GRAYS DORSETT

WHEREAS, the late former Councilwoman and Senator Katie Grays Dorsett was born in Shaw, Mississippi on July 8, 1932; was the youngest of eight children; and passed away on July 6, 2020, two days shy of her 88th birthday, in Greensboro, North Carolina;

WHEREAS, she attended Shaw Public Schools in Bolivar County, Mississippi through grade eight; attended a private boarding school for high school; earned a bachelor's degree at age 20 from Alcorn State University, a historically Black college in Mississippi; received a Master's degree in Business Education from Indiana University; attended the University of Northern Colorado, Columbia University, Rutgers University and the University of North Carolina at Greensboro ultimately earning a Doctorate degree in 1975;

WHEREAS, Mrs. Dorsett served as Associate Professor at North Carolina Agricultural and Mechanical College for the Colored Race (now North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University) from 1955 to 1987;

WHEREAS, following the death of her son of sickle-cell anemia in 1988, Mrs. Dorsett crusaded for education and research on the blood disease; and founded the Triad Sickle-Cell Anemia Foundation, now known as Piedmont Health Services and Sickle Cell Agency;

WHEREAS, having the distinction of being the first African-American woman ever elected, Mrs. Dorsett served two terms on the Greensboro City Council from 1983 through 1986 during which she advocated for a review of the City of Greensboro Boards and Commissions membership; and was instrumental in the passing of a Greensboro City Ordinance for a Minority and Women's Business Enterprise Program;

WHEREAS, she served as a Guilford County Commissioner from 1990 to 1992; was appointed Secretary of the Department of Administration by former North Carolina Governor Jim Hunt; was the first African-American woman to hold a North Carolina Cabinet post and to be named to head a North Carolina state agency; and served four terms in the North Carolina Senate from 2003 to 2010;

WHEREAS, Mrs. Dorsett was inducted into the North Carolina Women's Hall of Fame in 2010;

WHEREAS, Mrs. Dorsett was an active community volunteer including the Governor's Council on Sickle Cell Syndrome; Mayor's Task Force on Substance Abuse; Housing Development Clearinghouse Commission; National Association for the Advancement of Colored People; Triad Sickle Cell Anemia Foundation; Parents Council on Education in the Greensboro Public School System; Young Women's Christian Association; Drug Action Council as President; Trustee of Guilford Technical Community College; Committee/Board Member, National Association of Counties; the Greensboro Citizens Forum; the Emergency Aid Act Recovery Committee for Greensboro Public Schools; Finance Committee for Greensboro Agency Transportation Express; and the League of Women Voters; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO:

1. That the City Council wishes to express its condolences, and offer its sincere appreciation and gratitude for the many years of dedicated public service of the late former Councilwoman and Senator Katie Grays Dorsett. Her legacy will be remembered by the outstanding contributions she made.
2. That a copy of this resolution shall be delivered to the family of the late former Councilwoman and Senator Katie Grays Dorsett as a symbol of the gratitude of the people of Greensboro for her devoted support and contributions to the community.

(Signed) Sharon Hightower

3. [ID 20-0160](#) Resolution Recognizing the Month of October 2020 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month

Councilmember Abuzuaite read the resolution into the record.

Catherine Johnson, Family Justice Center (FJC) Director, spoke to recent changes in domestic violence during COVID-19; recognized Sonya Desai in attendance; referenced the Commission on the Status of Women meeting; provided statistics explaining a 250% rise in domestic violence; spoke to the mission of the FJC; highlighted partners throughout the community; and spoke to shared efforts.

Mayor Vaughan voiced appreciation to the FJC and partnering agencies; referenced a triple homicide at the beginning of 2020; and spoke to the importance of making people aware of safe spaces.

Councilmember Abuzuaite voiced appreciation to the FJC; and commended their work to make Greensboro a better place to be.

**Moved by Councilmember Abuzuaite, seconded by Councilmember Wells, to adopt the resolution. The motion carried on the following roll call vote:**

**Ayes,** 9 - Nancy Vaughan, Yvonne J. Johnson, Marikay Abuzuaite, Sharon M. Hightower, Nancy Hoffmann, Michelle Kennedy, Justin Outling, Tammi Thurm and Goldie F. Wells

261-20 RESOLUTION DECLARING THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 2020 AS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

During National Domestic Violence Awareness Month, we reaffirm our dedication to creating a culture of safety and hope in our community where no one suffers the hurt and hardship caused by domestic violence. We recommit to doing everything in our power to uphold the basic human right to live free from violence and abuse and recognize our shared responsibility in ending this pervasive problem.

WHEREAS, domestic violence impacts women, men, and children of every age, background, and belief; and is rooted in a pattern of power and control;

WHEREAS, physical marks and scars are often the most obvious signs of harm, however, the extent of the pain goes much deeper and can impact one's mental, physical, emotional, and financial health;

WHEREAS, the national average shows that more than three individuals are murdered every day by an intimate partner, and in 2019, the North Carolina Coalition Against Domestic Violence reported that 57 women, men, and children were murdered in domestic violence-related homicides in our state; with Greensboro reporting 3 domestic violence related deaths;

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic has intensified the pressures that couples and families experience; the need for full community engagement to support those who are hurting and being hurt is paramount as the incidences of violence and abuse and domestic violence related homicide are on the rise in our community;

WHEREAS, the Guilford County Family Justice Center (FJC) has been a beacon of light during the pandemic, remaining open and assisting over 4,000 individuals through coordination among essential services including advocacy, law enforcement, and civil legal services;

WHEREAS, children and older adults impacted by domestic violence are even more isolated because of the pandemic creating an even greater need for innovative collaborations like the FJC's Pathways to Hope camping and mentoring program for children and the FJC's Elder Justice Committee coordinated community response;

WHEREAS, in a community partnership, the FJC in Greensboro has successfully brought together 17 agencies in one place to provide victims with easier access to comprehensive resources through a coordinated collaborative effort. This partnership provides hope and healing to victims of abuse and works diligently to hold offenders accountable;

WHEREAS, since the opening of the FJC in mid-June of 2015, over 45,000 citizens have been served, and on average, an individual works with five different organizations when visiting the FJC for the first time;

WHEREAS, by working together and promoting awareness in this community we can restore hope, stop the violence, and make our community safer for everyone; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO:

That it does hereby declare the month of October 2020, as "DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH" and urges citizens to increase their awareness and education of this destructive force, which deeply affects many families in our State and local community each year, and to become part of the efforts to stop violence in families.

(Signed) Marikay Abuzuaiter

4. [ID 20-0613](#) Resolution Recognizing National Epidermolysis Bullosa (EB) Week in October

Mayor Vaughan read the resolution into the record; and stated a copy would be forwarded to Brenda Keys.

**Moved by Councilmember Hightower, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Johnson, to adopt the resolution. The motion carried on the following roll call vote:**

**Ayes,** 9 - Nancy Vaughan, Yvonne J. Johnson, Marikay Abuzuaiter, Sharon M. Hightower, Nancy Hoffmann, Michelle Kennedy, Justin Outling, Tammi Thurm and Goldie F. Wells

262-20 RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING NATIONAL EPIDERMOLYSIS BULLOSA (EB) WEEK IN OCTOBER

WHEREAS, Epidermolysis Bullosa (EB) is a rare connective tissue disorder with many genetic and symptomatic variations, all sharing the presence of extremely fragile skin that results in the development of recurrent, painful blisters, open sores, and in some forms of the disease, in disfiguring scars, disabling musculoskeletal deformities, and internal blistering;

WHEREAS, approximately 1 out of every 20,000 individuals in the United States are affected by the disease and data from the National EB Registry indicates that it occurs in every racial and ethnic group throughout the world and affects both sexes equally;

WHEREAS, there is currently no cure for the disease and approximately 90 percent of individuals with EB report experiencing pain on an average day;

WHEREAS, EB is so rare that many health care practitioners have never heard of it or seen a patient with it;

WHEREAS, individuals with EB often feel isolated because of the lack of knowledge in the Nation about the disease and the impact that it has on the body;

WHEREAS, as first legislated by Ronald Reagan and the United States Congress in 1984 the last week of October would be an appropriate time to recognize National EB Week in order to raise public awareness about EB, its impact, and the need for additional research for a cure; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO:

That the City Council wishes to recognize October 25 through 31, 2020 as National Epidermolysis Bullosa Awareness Week in the City of Greensboro and join DEBRA (Dystrophic Epidermolysis Bullosa Research Association) of America to raise public awareness, recognize the need for a cure, and to foster understanding of the impact of the disease on patients and their families.

(Signed) Sharon Hightower

1. [ID 20-0385](#) Resolution Honoring the Memory of the Late Frederick "Curly" Neal

Councilmember Abuzuaiter read the resolution into the record.

Council commented on the character and abilities of Curly Neal; and referenced high school basketball games and family memories.

Laverne Neal voiced appreciation on behalf of the family and the Harlem Globetrotters (Globetrotters) organization.

RoCurl Neal echoed appreciation for the resolution.

Brett Meister Globetrotters Executive, spoke to a 20-year friendship; to the character and records set by Mr. Neal; to the commitment to his fan base; and reiterated appreciation for the recognition.

Long time friend, Gene Banks commended the recognition; stated Mr. Neal had represented Greensboro all over the world; and voiced that Greensboro's heroes needed to be recognized.

Chris Handles Franklin stated Mr. Neal was a friend and mentor; highlighted world travels; voiced Mr. Neal was about bringing people together; provided a quote from Mr. Neal, "you never know whose life you are touching"; and stated Mr. Neal loved Greensboro.

Abra Berkeley stated her grandfather, Abe Saperstein, had founded the Globetrotters; voiced appreciation on behalf of the Saperstein family; state Mr. Neal approached the world with smile and laughter; and explained the family history with Mr. Neal.

Irish Spencer, Power 97/WNAA 90.1, Fatman Radio personality and Fayetteville State University Assistant Vice Chancellor, referenced a family history; visits to the radio station to sign autographs; spoke to anticipation of a resolution for Mr. Neal; and voiced appreciation for honoring Mr. Neal.

Councilmember Abuzuaiter spoke to a connection with the Neal family; stated Mr. Neal did not forget his roots; and voiced appreciation for all the participants in the meeting.

Mayor Vaughan confirmed the family would be provided copies of the resolution.

**Moved by Councilmember Abuzuaiter, seconded by Councilmember Hightower, to adopt the resolution. The motion carried on the following roll call vote:**

**Ayes,** 9 - Nancy Vaughan, Yvonne J. Johnson, Marikay Abuzuaiter, Sharon M. Hightower, Nancy Hoffmann, Michelle Kennedy, Justin Outling, Tammi Thurm and Goldie F. Wells

263-20 RESOLUTION HONORING THE MEMORY OF THE LATE FREDERICK "CURLY" NEAL

WHEREAS, on March 26, 2020, this community lost one of its outstanding community leaders with the passing of the late Frederick "Curly" Neal;

WHEREAS, Curly, a native of Greensboro, North Carolina (NC) graduated from James B. Dudley High School and matriculated to Johnson C. Smith University in Charlotte, NC where he averaged 23.1 points a game, earning him

All-Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association (CIAA) honors;

WHEREAS, following his college career, Curly traveled worldwide and played for 22 seasons as a point guard with the Harlem Globetrotters from 1963 until his retirement in 1985, appearing in over 6,000 games in 97 countries;

WHEREAS, Curly was one of the more recognizable Globetrotters with his signature bald head, garnering his nickname as a reference to the Three Stooges' Curly Howard, which accompanied by his comedic timing on the court, helped to showcase his athletic prowess as the "Dribbling Wizard";

WHEREAS, his personality and talent helped him crossover into television, transforming him into an animated character in the Hanna-Barbera cartoon series for the Harlem Globetrotters, Super Globetrotters, and Scooby-Doo movie series, live-action Saturday morning children's show The Harlem Globetrotters Popcorn Machine, appearances in The White Shadow, Gilligan's Island, The Ed Sullivan Show, and The Love Boat, plus countless sports programs and national commercials;

WHEREAS, in 1986 Curly was inducted into the CIAA's John B. McLendon Hall of Fame; into the prestigious Legends Ring for his major humanitarian contributions and work for the Harlem Globetrotters organization in 1993; and the North Carolina Sports Hall of Fame in 2008;

WHEREAS, in 2008 his No. 22 jersey was retired in a ceremony in Madison Square Garden; and he continued to make appearances as a Globetrotter "Ambassador of Goodwill";

WHEREAS, Curly's legendary achievements as a Globetrotter and time at Dudley High School is memorialized as a mural in the basketball gym of the Hayes-Taylor Memorial Young Men's Christian Association (YMCA);

WHEREAS, Curly's virtuoso ball-handling skills, charisma, genuineness, and infectious smile helped bring joy to millions of fans worldwide; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO:

1. That the City Council wishes to express its condolences, and offer its sincere appreciation and gratitude for his many years of dedicated service. His legacy will be remembered by the outstanding contributions he has made to the community.
2. That a copy of this resolution shall be delivered to the family of the late Frederick "Curly" Neal as a symbol of the gratitude of the people of Greensboro for his many contributions to this community.

(Signed) Marikay Abuzuaiter

## **II. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

Mayor Vaughan provided a summary of public forum comments received via the virtual comment email portal; stated comments would be posted to the City website for public access; and recognized speakers signed up for the public forum portion of the meeting.

Hester Petty voiced concerns regarding the Marcus Smith incident; access for comments during meetings; and referenced a contract with the Social Emotional Learning (SEL) group.

Lewis Pitts voiced concerns regarding the Marcus Smith case; spoke to taxpayer funds; referenced the Justice Coalition; and voiced concerns with the Greensboro Police Department.

Ben Holder provided a video that was displayed by Greensboro Television Network.

Gary Kenton voiced concerns regarding the 1979 event; and spoke to the Truth and Reconciliation Report.

### **III. CONSENT AGENDA (One Vote)**

Mayor Vaughan asked if anyone wished to remove any items from the Consent Agenda; and reminded Council that any items removed from the consent agenda, other than for recusal or for the purpose to vote 'No', would be placed on the next business meeting agenda as a business item.

**Moved by Councilmember Thurm, seconded by Councilmember Abuzuaiter, to adopt the consent agenda. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:**

**Ayes,** 9 - Nancy Vaughan, Yvonne J. Johnson, Marikay Abuzuaiter, Sharon M. Hightower, Nancy Hoffmann, Michelle Kennedy, Justin Outling, Tammi Thurm and Goldie F. Wells

**5. [ID 20-0658](#) Resolution Authorizing Submission of the Third Substantial Amendment to the 2019-2020 Annual Action Plan and Authorize the Use of \$200,000 in CDBG Funds**

264-20 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF THE THIRD SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT TO THE 2019-2020 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN AND AUTHORIZE THE USE OF \$200,000 IN FY 2019-2020 CDBG FUNDS

WHEREAS, under the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act of 1990, and implementing regulations issued by the Secretary of the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) on January 5, 1995, the City of Greensboro is required to prepare and submit to HUD a five-year consolidated plan for housing and community development activities and subsequent Annual Action Plans each fiscal year;

WHEREAS, an annual action plan has been prepared which describes the priority needs and strategies for the City of Greensboro fiscal year 2019-2020;

WHEREAS, the 2019-2020 Annual Action Plan was adopted by the City Council at its May 21, 2019 meeting;

WHEREAS, the first and second Substantial Amendments to the 2019-2020 Annual Action Plan were adopted by the City Council at its May 19, 2020 and August 18, 2020 meetings;

WHEREAS, the City of Greensboro proposes to substantially amend the 2019-2020 Annual Action Plan for a third time;

WHEREAS, the City of Greensboro is creating Neighborhood Reinvestment as a new project not previously described in the 2019-2020 Annual Action Plan funded with \$200,000 of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds;

WHEREAS, the City of Greensboro held a public comment period September 11 through September 15, 2020 with reasonable notice and opportunity to comment per the Greensboro Citizen Participation Plan; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO;

That the Third Substantial Amendment to the 2019-2020 Annual Action Plan developed and presented to City Council at its October 6, 2020 meeting and known as the Third Substantial Amendment to the 2019-2020 Annual Action Plan is hereby adopted.

That the submission of the Third Substantial Amendment to the 2019-2020 Annual Action Plan is hereby authorized and approved.

That the City Manager is designated as the official representative of the City of Greensboro, and is authorized to submit the final statement, all understandings and assurances contained therein, and directed to act in connection

with the submission of the final statement and to provide such additional information as may be required.

That the City Manager, as Chief Executive Officer, is authorized and consents on behalf of the City of Greensboro and her/himself (1) to assume the status of a responsible Federal official under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, insofar as the provisions of such act apply to the administration and conduct of local HUD activities as referred to above; and (2) to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal courts for the purpose of enforcement of their responsibilities as such an official.

(Signed) Tammi Thurm

6. [ID 20-0656](#) Resolution Authorizing a Contract for FY 2019-2020 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funds in the Amount of \$275,000 for Emergency Mortgage Assistance

265-20 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT FOR FY 2019-2020 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$275,000 FOR EMERGENCY MORTGAGE ASSISTANCE

WHEREAS, the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) allows for FY 2019-2020 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program funding to exceed the fifteen percent public services cap when activities are used to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic;

WHEREAS, FY 2019-2020 CDBG funding in the amount of up to \$275,000 is proposed for public service subsistence payments for households experiencing economic hardship due to the COVID-19 pandemic;

WHEREAS, FY 2019-2020 CDBG funding in the amount of up to \$275,000 will allow Housing Consultants Group to provide mortgage assistance to carry out the public service of subsistence payments;

WHEREAS, Federal CDBG funds in the amount of up to \$275,000 will be utilized to fund said contract; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO:

That the City Manager is hereby authorized to enter into contract with the aforementioned agency subject to the terms outlined above.

(Signed) Tammi Thurm

7. [ID 20-0660](#) Ordinance Amending FY 19-20 CDBG Program Grant Project Budget Ordinance in the Amount of \$912,558

20-127 ORDINANCE AMENDING FY 19-20 CDBG BUDGET

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO:

Section 1

That the FY 19-20 CDBG Budget of the City of Greensboro is hereby amended as follows:

That the appropriations be increased, as follows:

Account	Description	Amount
212-2120-01.4110	Program Administration	\$54,035

Account	Description	Amount
212-2120-40.5282	Citywide Homeowner Housing Rehabilitation	\$383,523



Account	Description	Amount
212-2120-33.5931	Neighborhood Reinvestment	\$200,000

Account	Description	Amount
212-2120-82.5931	Emergency Assistance	\$275,000

And, that this increased is financed by the following revenue:

Account	Description	Amount
212-2120.01.7420	Mortgage Collection	\$912,558

## Section 2

And, that this ordinance should become effective upon adoption.

(Signed) Tammi Thurm

### 8. [ID 20-0667](#) Ordinance in the Amount of \$490,812 Amending the FY 20-21 Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Fund Budgets

20-128 ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FY 2020-21 WORKFORCE INNOVATION AND OPPORTUNITY ACT FUND BUDGETS

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO:

## Section 1

That the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Fund Budget of the City of Greensboro is hereby amended as follows:

That the appropriation to the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Fund Budget for Guilford WDB 2020 ETWI Fund be increased as follows:

Account	Description	Amount
216-0209-90.6051	Capital Expense (Mobile	\$ 450,000
216-0209-90.5223	Subscriptions	\$ 5,812
216-0209-90.5214	Office Equipment and Furniture	\$ 35,000
Total		\$ 490,812

and, that this increase be financed by increasing the following Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Fund accounts:

Account	Description	Amount
216-0209-90.7110	State Grant	\$ 490,812
Total		\$ 490,812

## Section 2

And, that this ordinance should become effective upon adoption.

(Signed) Tammi Thurm

### 9. [ID 20-0661](#) Ordinance Amending FY 19-20 HOME Program Grant Project Budget Ordinance in the Amount of \$57,462 for the Greensboro, Guilford County,

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Burlington and Alamance Consortium

## 20-129 ORDINANCE AMENDING FY 19-20 HOME BUDGET

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO:

## Section 1

That the FY 19-20 HOME Budget of the City of Greensboro is hereby amended as follows:

That the appropriations be increased, as follows:

Account	Description	Amount
213-9019-02.5282	Affordable Housing RFP	\$57,462

And, that this increase is financed by the following revenue:

Account	Description	Amount
213-9019-02.7420	Mortgage Collections	\$57,462

## Section 2

And, that this ordinance should become effective upon adoption.

(Signed) Tammi Thurm

**10. [ID 20-0681](#) Resolution Calling a Public Hearing for October 20, 2020 to Receive Public Comments for the 2020 Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Application in the Amount of \$241,872**

266-20 RESOLUTION CALLING A PUBLIC HEARING FOR OCTOBER 20, 2020 TO RECEIVE PUBLIC COMMENTS ON THE 2020 JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT APPLICATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$241,872

WHEREAS, in accordance with public safety funding federal regulation, 42 U.S.C. § 3751(a), the City of Greensboro wishes to apply for a formula based grant allocation through the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG), CFDA#16.738;

WHEREAS, the City is required to conduct a public hearing for the governing body to consider public;

WHEREAS, the Greensboro Police Department, High Point Police Department and Guilford County Sheriff's Department will propose the following grant allocation based on the grant solicitation requirements and formula that allows Cities to receive a higher allocation than Counties, even when Counties have the greater financial obligation;

WHEREAS, the allocation totals \$241,872 and the allocations for each jurisdiction are:

- Guilford County: \$ 59,544.80
- City of Greensboro: \$133,029.60
- City of High Point: \$ 49,297.60;

WHEREAS, the City of Greensboro's Police Department is to serve as the lead/fiscal agent for the grant in FY 2020; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO:

That the request to conduct a public hearing for October 20, 2020 to receive public comments on the proposed 2020 Justice Assistance Grant application in the total amount of \$241,872 to be divided between the Greensboro

Police Department (\$133,029.60); Guilford County Sheriff's Department (\$59,544.80); and the High Point Police Department (\$49,297.60).

(Signed) Tammi Thurm

11. [ID 20-0591](#) Budget Adjustments Approved by Budget Officer 9/5/2020 through 9/21/2020

Motion to approve the budget adjustments of 9/5/20 - 9/21/20 over the amount of \$50,000 was adopted.

(A copy of the report is filed in Exhibit Drawer C, Exhibit No.24 which is hereby referred to and made a part of these minutes.)

12. [ID 20-0590](#) Budget Adjustments Requiring Council Approval 9/5/2020 through 9/21/2020

Motion to accept the report of budget adjustments of 9/5/20 - 9/21/20 was adopted.

(A copy of the report is filed in Exhibit Drawer C, Exhibit No.24 which is hereby referred to and made a part of these minutes.)

13. [ID 20-0675](#) Motion to Approve the Work Session Minutes of the September 1, 2020 meeting

Motion to approve the minutes of the Work Session of September 1, 2020 was adopted.

14. [ID 20-0709](#) Motion to Approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 1, 2020

Motion to approve the minutes of the Regular meeting of September 1, 2020 was adopted.

#### **IV. PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA**

15. [ID 20-0670](#) Public Hearing for Resolution Amending Resolution #5-20 Authorizing an Economic Development Incentive to Syngenta Crop Protection, LLC in an Amount Not to Exceed \$1,730,149

Mayor Vaughan stated this was the time and place set for a public hearing to consider item #15/ID 20-0670, a Resolution Amending Resolution #5-20 Authorizing an Economic Development Incentive to Syngenta Crop Protection, LLC in an Amount Not to Exceed \$1,730,149; and that representatives were available for questioning if needed.

No one asked to speak to the item; therefore, the public hearing closed.

City Manager David Parrish provided an overview of the item; explained the language amendment requested regarding investment in an impact zone; and confirmed the other components of the initiative would remain the same.

**Moved by Councilmember Hoffmann, seconded by Councilmember Thurm, to adopt the resolution. The motion carried on the following roll call vote:**

**Ayes,** 9 - Nancy Vaughan, Yvonne J. Johnson, Marikay Abuzaiter, Sharon M. Hightower, Nancy Hoffmann, Michelle Kennedy, Justin Outling, Tammi Thurm and Goldie F. Wells

267-20 RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION #5-20 AUTHORIZING AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

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INCENTIVE TO SYNGENTA CROP PROTECTION, LLC IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,730,149

WHEREAS, on May 17, 2005, the City Council adopted Economic Development Guidelines whereby the City may participate financially in the development of certain private improvements to promote economic development in accordance with the Guidelines and NCGS Section 158-7.1;

WHEREAS, Syngenta Crop Protection, LLC (the Company) is considering Greensboro in addition to other cities located in the United States for its corporate office and research facility;

WHEREAS, the Company has requested that the City provide for an economic development incentive grant in an amount not to exceed \$1,730,149, based upon a projection of anticipated new personal and real property taxes, for the retention of 650 jobs and investment of at least \$68,000,000 in real property and personal property on or before December 31, 2023;

WHEREAS, if approved by City Council, the Company would be reimbursed seventy percent (70%) of the incremental increase in property taxes assessed to the property where the facility is located and collected by the City for a period of ten (10) years beginning no earlier than Fiscal Year 2021-2022, provided the facility is located in the City of Greensboro;

WHEREAS, but for the City's grant, the Company will not remain in Greensboro;

WHEREAS, the retention of 650 jobs and investment in real and personal property is expected to generate public benefit by increasing taxable property in the City;

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on January 16, 2020, in accordance with N.C.G.S. 158-7.1 setting out the particulars of the request and the public benefits to be derived from said improvements;

WHEREAS, the City Council adopted Resolution #5-20 which required the Company to locate its facility within a designated Impact Zone in Greensboro;

WHEREAS, the Company is considering a location that is not within a designated Impact Zone;

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on October 6, 2020, in accordance with N.C.G.S. 158-7.1 setting out the particulars of the request and the public benefits to be derived from said improvements; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO;

(1) That in accordance with the City's New Economic Development Incentive Guidelines, and pursuant to N.C.G.S. 158-7.1, a grant reimbursement and participatory agreement between the City of Greensboro and Syngenta Crop Protection, LLC as grantee in an amount not to exceed \$1,730,149 for the retention of 650 jobs with an average annual wage of \$107,000 and investment of at least \$68,000,000 in real and personal property at a facility located in the City of Greensboro on or before December 31, 2023.

(2) The City Manager is hereby authorized to execute, on behalf of the City of Greensboro, the proper agreement.

(3) The grant shall be paid in ten consecutive installments after investment has been made and jobs are retained and confirmed with the City according to the benchmarks.

(4) The economic development incentive grant may be adjusted by the City Manager on an annual basis subject to the appropriate budget ordinance amendment if the City's portion of the property taxes assessed to and collected from the property exceed the projected amounts.

(5) The project shall comply with the City's Minority/Women Business Enterprise Program Plan as it applies to Economic Development Project M/WBE Subcontracting Goals.

(6) In accordance with NCGS 158-7.1(h), the agreement shall include provisions approved by the City Attorney to recapture a portion of the incentive in the event the jobs are not retained throughout the ten (10) year payment installment period.

(Signed) Nancy Hoffmann

## **V. GENERAL BUSINESS AGENDA**

16. [ID 20-0710](#) Ordinance Amending Chapter 16 of the Greensboro Code of Ordinances to Define Micromobility Vehicles and Update the Standup Electric Scooter Share Permit Program

**Moved by Councilmember Thurm, seconded by Councilmember Abuzuaiter, to adopt the ordinance. The motion carried on the following roll call vote:**

**Ayes,** 9 - Nancy Vaughan, Yvonne J. Johnson, Marikay Abuzuaiter, Sharon M. Hightower, Nancy Hoffmann, Michelle Kennedy, Justin Outling, Tammi Thurm and Goldie F. Wells

20-130 ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 16 OF THE GREENSBORO CODE OF ORDINANCES WITH RESPECT TO STANDUP ELECTRIC SCOOTERS BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO:

Section 1. Section 16-1. - Definitions of Chapter 16, Motor Vehicles and Traffic, is hereby amended as follows:

Section 16-1. - Definitions.

Electric Standup electric scooter means a two-wheeled device with no more than three 12-inch or smaller diameter wheels, that has handlebars, a floorboard, is designed to be stood upon when by the user while riding, and is powered by electricity with a motor of seven hundred fifty (750) watts or less that is capable of propelling the device with or without human propulsion. The electricity is stored on board in a rechargeable battery. The maximum motor-assist speed shall be set at a speed no greater than (20) miles per hour (mph) on a paved level surface ground.

Electric assisted bicycle means a bicycle with two or three wheels that is equipped with a seat or saddle for use by the rider, fully operable pedals for human propulsion, and an electric motor of no more than 750 watts, whose maximum speed on a level surface when powered solely by such a motor is no greater than 20 miles per hour.

Bicycle means a nonmotorized vehicle with two or three wheels tandem, a steering handle, one or two saddle seats, and pedals by which the vehicle is propelled, or an electric assisted bicycle, as defined in G.S. 20-4.01(7a). (1977, c. 1123, s. 1; 2016-90, s. 13(c).)

Micromobility vehicle means a lightweight, electric-powered vehicle with maximum propulsion speeds of 20 mph or less, including electric assisted bicycles and standup electric scooters.

Motor vehicle means a vehicle which is self-propelled or is designed to run upon the highways and is pulled by a self-propelled vehicle. This does not include mopeds as defined in G.S. 105-164.3 or micromobility vehicles.

Vehicle means every device in, upon, or by which any person or property is or may be transported or drawn upon a highway, excepting devices moved by human power or used exclusively upon fixed rails or tracks; provided that for the purposes of this chapter, bicycles and all micromobility vehicles shall be deemed vehicles.

Shared-use path means a paved pathway for bicycles and pedestrians either paralleling a roadway and located within the right-of-way of said roadway, or located within a public easement or right-of-way other than that of a roadway, and designated by signage as a public trail or greenway.

Section 2. ARTICLE V. – BICYCLES, SKATEBOARDS, AND SCOOTERS of Chapter 16, Motor Vehicles and Traffic, is hereby amended as follows:

ARTICLE V. – BICYCLES, SKATEBOARDS, AND SCOOTERS AND MICROMOBILITY VEHICLES

Section 3. Section 16-221, of Chapter 16, Motor Vehicles and Traffic, is hereby amended as follows:

Sec. 16-221. - Impoundment of bicycles and micromobility vehicles scooters.

Any law enforcement officer or parking enforcement employee of this city may impound any bicycle or standup electric scooter micromobility vehicle operated or parked in violation of the provisions of this article and retain possession of the same until ownership is established; provided that nothing herein contained shall be construed to limit the authority of law enforcement officers to take into custody any bicycle or scooter micromobility vehicle believed to be stolen.

An administrative fee incurred by the city set by the city manager or his designee incident to impounding and storing a bicycle or scooter micromobility vehicle shall be paid by the owner or person in charge of the impounded bicycle or scooter micromobility vehicle to the city.

Section 4. Section 16-222 of Chapter 16, Motor Vehicles and Traffic, is hereby amended as follows:

Sec. 16-222. - Use of skateboards, roller skates, and non-motorized scooters.

(a) It shall be unlawful for any person riding on a skateboard, roller skates or non-motorized scooter to ride any of such devices on any street, on the premises of the municipal building or of any municipal parking facility, or to ride any of such devices on any sidewalk located in the central business district of the city. In addition, it shall be unlawful for any person riding on a skateboard, roller skates or a non-motorized scooter to ride any such device on the sidewalks adjacent to South Elm Street between McGee Street and West Gate City Boulevard.

(b) It shall be unlawful for any person to operate a standup electric scooter on the premises of any municipal parking facility or on any sidewalk.

(c) It shall be unlawful for any person to operate a standup electric scooter on streets with a speed limit exceeding 35 miles per hour.

(d) It shall be unlawful for any person to operate a standup electric scooter unless that scooter is equipped with reflectors or reflective paint on the base and handle-bar support column.

Section 5. Section 16-224 of Chapter 16, Motor Vehicles and Traffic, is hereby amended as follows:

Sec. 16-224. - Clinging to motor vehicle.

It shall be unlawful for any person riding a bicycle, micromobility vehicle, sled, roller skates, skateboard, or nonmotorized vehicle to attach it or himself to a vehicle which is in motion on a street.

Section 6. Section 16-225 of Chapter 16, Motor Vehicles and Traffic, is hereby amended as follows:

Sec. 16-225. – Bicycle and micromobility vehicle brakes.

It shall be unlawful to ride a bicycle or a micromobility vehicle on a street unless it is equipped with brakes in good working order adequate to control and stop the movement of the bicycle or micromobility vehicle.

Section 7. Section 16-227 of Chapter 16, Motor Vehicles and Traffic, is hereby amended as follows:

Sec. 16-227. – Driving bicycles Use of bicycles and micromobility vehicles on sidewalks.

It shall be unlawful to drive or ride a bicycle or micromobility vehicle within a sidewalk area in the central business district unless it is at a permanent or temporary driveway. All other sidewalks shall be for the joint use of

pedestrians and non-motorized bicycles requiring manual power. In the interest of public safety, the director shall be authorized to prohibit the operation of bicycles and micromobility vehicles on other sidewalks located in high pedestrian traffic areas. All bicycles and micromobility vehicles shall yield the right of way on sidewalks to pedestrians.

Section 8. Section 16-228, of Chapter 16, Motor Vehicles and Traffic, is hereby amended as follows:

Sec. 16-228. - Bicycle-street lanes.

The street or portions of streets designated in traffic schedule no. 11 are established as bicycle street lanes for the use of bicycles or standup electric scooters and micromobility vehicles. When official traffic signs are in place designating a bicycle-street lane, it shall be unlawful for any person to park, drive, or enter any vehicle (except a bicycle or standup electric micromobility vehicle scooter as defined above) within a bicycle-street lane as designated by traffic schedule no. 11.

Section 9. Chapter 16, Motor Vehicles and Traffic, is hereby amended as follows:

Sec. 16-229. – Standup electric scooter share Shared micromobility service permit.

(a) It shall be unlawful for any person or persons to operate a commercial standup electric scooter share shared micromobility service program within any public right-of-way without first obtaining a permit from the Director of Transportation and paying the proper fees.

(b) The Director of Transportation may issue a permit for the operation of a Standup Electric Scooter Share Shared Micromobility Program Service.

(c) For good cause, the Director of Transportation may revoke any permit issued under this Section. Good cause shall include, but shall not be limited to the following:

(1) Permittee failed to pay a fine imposed by the City of Greensboro within 30 days;

(2) Permittee failed to pay a permit fee within 30 days following notice of nonpayment;

(3) Permittee has violated any statute or ordinance governing operation of the powered scooters micromobility vehicles; or

(4) Permittee has violated one or more conditions of the permit.

(d) Any authorized employee of the City or designated official may impound any standup electric scooters micromobility vehicles found in violation of this section and charge an impound fee.

Section 10. Chapter 16, Motor Vehicles and Traffic, is hereby amended by adding a new section as follows:

Sec. 16-230. – Number of riders on a micromobility vehicle.

It shall be unlawful for more than one person to ride upon a micromobility vehicle at a time.

Secs. 16-230231—16-240. - Reserved.

(Signed) Tammi Thurm

**17. [ID 20-0702](#)**

**Resolution Adopting Intergovernmental Agreement for Participation in Guilford County Local Government COVID-19 Reimbursement Program**

**Moved by Councilmember Wells, seconded by Councilmember Abuzuaiter, to**

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**adopt the resolution. The motion carried on the following roll call vote:**

**Ayes,** 9 - Nancy Vaughan, Yvonne J. Johnson, Marikay Abuzuaiter, Sharon M. Hightower, Nancy Hoffmann, Michelle Kennedy, Justin Outling, Tammi Thurm and Goldie F. Wells

**268-20 RESOLUTION ADOPTING INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT FOR PARTICIPATION IN GUILFORD COUNTY LOCAL GOVERNMENT COVID-19 REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, Guilford County has received an allocation of approximately \$93.7 million from the federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act ("CARES" Act);

WHEREAS, Guilford County has subsequently adopted an allocation plan allocating \$15.1 million to other local governments within Guilford County, including Guilford County Schools;

WHEREAS, Guilford County has specifically allocated \$2,947,260 for reimbursable expenses incurred by the City of Greensboro

WHEREAS, the proposed Intergovernmental Agreement identifies eligible COVID-19 related expenses for reimbursement;

WHEREAS, for administrative convenience, payroll costs for public safety employees are considered payments for services substantially dedicated to mitigating or responding to the COVID-19 emergency;

WHEREAS, the City of Greensboro will submit appropriate public safety payroll costs to Guilford County for reimbursement in accordance with the Intergovernmental Agreement; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO:

That the Mayor is authorized to sign and approve the Intergovernmental Agreement for Participation in Guilford County Local Government COVID-19 Reimbursement Program

(Signed) Goldie Wells

**Matters to be discussed by the Mayor and Members of the Council**

There were no items for discussion by the City Council.

**Matters to be presented by the City Manager**

There were no items for discussion by the City Manager.

**Matters to be presented by the City Attorney**

There were no items for discussion by the City Attorney.

**Adjournment**

Moved by Councilmember Kennedy, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Johnson, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

**Ayes:** Mayor Vaughan, Mayor Pro-Tem Johnson, Councilmembers Abuzuaiter, Hightower, Hoffmann, Kennedy, Outling, Thurm, and Wells.

THE CITY COUNCIL ADJOURNED AT 6:45 P.M.

ANGELA R. LORD



CITY CLERK

NANCY VAUGHAN  
MAYOR