



# City of Greensboro

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

## Meeting Minutes - Final City Council

Wednesday, October 7, 2015

5:30 PM

Council Chamber

### **Call to Order**

This City Council meeting of the City of Greensboro was called to order at 5:30 p.m. on the above date in the Council Chamber of the Melvin Municipal Office Building with the following members present:

Present: 9 - Mayor Nancy Vaughan, Mayor Pro-Tem Yvonne J. Johnson, Councilmember Marikay Abuzuaiter, Councilmember Mike Barber, Councilmember Jamal T. Fox, Councilmember Sharon M. Hightower, Councilmember Nancy Hoffmann, Councilmember Justin Outling and Councilmember Tony Wilkins

Moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Johnson, seconded by Councilmember Hightower to recess to closed session to preserve the attorney-client privilege between the City Attorney and Council, and to give instructions to legal counsel concerning the settlement of a claim and to discuss matters relating to the location or expansion of industries or other businesses, including potential economic development incentives that may be offered in negotiations pursuant to N.C.G.S. 143-318.11(a) (3)& (a)(4). The motion carried by voice vote.

City Council recessed to closed session at 5:06 p.m. City Council reconvened at 5:55 p.m. with all members in attendance.

Moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Johnson, seconded by Councilmember Hightower to return to open session. The motion carried by voice vote.

### **Moment of Silence**

The meeting opened with a moment of silence.

### **Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**

Mayor Vaughan recognized Councilmember Outling to lead the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

### **Recognition of Courier**

City Manager Jim Westmoreland recognized Shari Cook of the Human Resources Department who served as Courier for the meeting.

### **Council Procedure for Conduct of the Meeting**

Mayor Vaughan explained the Council procedure for conduct of the meeting.

## **I. CEREMONIAL AND/OR PRESENTATION ITEMS**

1. [ID 15-0822](#) Resolution Honoring the Memory of the Late June Ward

Councilmember Fox read the resolution into the record; and invited Betty Cone to come to the podium to accept the resolution.

Ms. Cone thanked Council for the resolution on behalf of the family; and spoke to her mother's involvement in the community.

**Moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Johnson, seconded by Councilmember Hightower, 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 Abuzuaite, Mike Barber, Jamal T. Fox, Sharon M. Hightower, Nancy Hoffmann, Justin Outling and Tony Wilkins

**0298-15 RESOLUTION HONORING THE MEMORY OF THE LATE MARY JUNE DARDEN WARD**

WHEREAS, on September 20, 2015, this community lost one of its community leaders with the death of the late Mary June Darden Ward at the age of 99;

WHEREAS, a native of Hertford County, Ms. Ward graduated from Murfreesboro High School in 1932 and at age 16, she commuted to Greensboro by train and enrolled at The Woman's College of the University of North Carolina where she earned an Elementary Education Degree in 1936;

WHEREAS, her teaching career began in the City of Burlington and continued in Lewisville, and Winston Salem;

WHEREAS, Ms. Ward was an active member of the Colonel Joseph Winston Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, The Garden Study Club, and The Women's Club of Winston Salem;

WHEREAS, as a member of the Centenary United Methodist Women in the 1970s, she led the project to stitch Avis Gallagher's needlepoint designs as kneelers for the chancel rail at the church;

WHEREAS, Ms. Ward assisted in the organization of the National School Superintendents Association conference in Winston Salem, was appointed by Governor James B. Hunt to the Historic Murfreesboro Commission in 1994, and was named an Emeritus Member in 2010 by the Secretary of Cultural Resources;

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to express its sense of loss and its sincere appreciation and gratitude for the many years of dedicated public service rendered by Mary June Darden Ward, the contributions she has made to our community, and the legacy she leaves.

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

1. That the City Council hereby expresses, on behalf of the citizens of Greensboro, a deep sense of loss and a feeling of respect and gratitude for the life of Mary June Darden Ward.
2. That a copy of this resolution shall be delivered to the family of the late Mary June Darden Ward as a symbol of the gratitude of the people of Greensboro for her many contributions to this community.

(Signed) Yvonne Johnson

**2. [ID 15-0825](#) Resolution Honoring the Memory of the Late Shirley Hayes**

Councilmember Fox read the resolution into the record; and invited the family to come forward to receive the resolution.

On behalf of the family, Steve Hayes thanked Council for the resolution; and spoke to his Aunt's character.

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

**Ayes,** 9 - Nancy Vaughan, Yvonne J. Johnson, Marikay Abuzuaite, Mike Barber, Jamal T. Fox, Sharon M. Hightower, Nancy Hoffmann, Justin Outling and Tony Wilkins

**0299-15 RESOLUTION HONORING THE MEMORY OF THE LATE SHIRLEY A. HAYES**

WHEREAS, on September 6, 2015, this community lost one of its community leaders with the death of the late Shirley A. Hayes;

WHEREAS, Ms. Hayes retired after a forty-year civilian and a twenty-eight-year military nursing career devoted to

community health awareness and empowerment and quality health care for soldiers;

WHEREAS, Ms. Hayes graduated from the Bronx Community College School of Nursing, CUNY-Herbert H. Lehman College, Long Island University, the Columbia Presbyterian Hospital/Columbia University Pediatric Nurse Practitioner Program, and received a certificate in Women's Health Care from the Margaret Sanger Center;

WHEREAS, Ms. Hayes was initiated into the Iota Chi Chapter of the Chi Eta Phi Sorority, Inc. in 1984, served as a member of the Chapter's Community Service Committee where she coordinated Community Health Awareness outreach activities with the Bronx Chapter – Lupas Foundation of America, Inc, the Parkchester Baptist Church Health Ministry, the Bronx Community Planning Board No. 9, and the Northeast Bronx Health Care Network Navigator's Breast Cancer Awareness Program;

WHEREAS, Ms. Hayes was the Choir Director for the Chi Eta Phi Sorority, Inc. Northeast Regional and National Meetings, a member of the Jacobi Medical Center, North Bronx Hospital Community Advisory Board, American Nurses Association and the American Red Cross Volunteer Program;

WHEREAS, Ms. Hayes served as a Pediatric Clinical Instructor and a Case Manager with the Montefiore Medical Center, specializing in the Sub-Acute Rehabilitation and Home Care aspects of healthcare;

WHEREAS, her volunteerism included the Democratic Women of Guilford County, train host aboard the Amtrak Piedmont and Carolinian trains within North Carolina, and as a greeter at the Charlotte Douglas International Airport;

WHEREAS, Ms. Hayes was the first African-American Nurse to serve as Chief Nurse of the USAR 808th Station Hospital in New York, and of the 348th General Hospital in New Jersey where she also oversaw operations of three other Nursing Section Satellites between New York and Pennsylvania;

WHEREAS, as a member of the First Baptist Church in Greensboro, Ms. Hayes participated in Christian Education, Music Ministries, Women's Ministries, Vacation Bible School, the American Baptist Conferences, and the Hampton University Choir Guild Conference;

WHEREAS, Ms. Hayes received many recognitions including the 2013 Hearts of Carolina Region American Red Cross Distinguished Service Award, the 2014 Chi Eta Phi Sorority, Inc., Northeast Region Soror of the Year, 2014 Montefiore Einstein Medical Center Cancer Center "Cancer Survivor of the Year", 2014 Presidential Volunteer Service Award, the 2015 North Carolina Governor Pat McCrory Citation for 10 years of service with the North Carolina Volunteer Train Host Association, and most recently received the Honorary Member of the Hughsonville, New York Fire Department;

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to express its sense of loss and its sincere appreciation and gratitude for the many years of dedicated public service rendered by Shirley A. Hayes, the outstanding contributions she has made to the community, and the legacy she leaves.

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

1. That the City Council hereby expresses, on behalf of the citizens of Greensboro, a deep sense of loss and a feeling of respect and gratitude for the life of Shirley A. Hayes.
2. That a copy of this resolution shall be delivered to the family of the late Shirley A. Hayes as a symbol of the gratitude of the people of Greensboro for her many contributions to this community.

(Signed) Marikay Abuzuaiter

3. [ID 15-0823](#) Resolution Honoring Jack D. Zimmerman for His Contributions to the Community and in Celebration of His 90th Birthday

Councilmember Fox read the resolution into the record; and invited Mr. Zimmerman to the podium.

Mayor Pro-Tem Johnson spoke to Mr. Zimmerman's positive impact on the community.

Mr. Zimmerman thanked Council for the opportunity to be recognized; and wished them well.

**Moved by Councilmember Abuzuaiter, 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, Mike Barber, Jamal T. Fox, Sharon M. Hightower, Nancy Hoffmann, Justin Outling and Tony Wilkins

0300-15 RESOLUTION HONORING JACK D. ZIMMERMAN FOR HIS CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE COMMUNITY AND IN CELEBRATION OF HIS 90TH BIRTHDAY

WHEREAS, Jack D. Zimmerman was born October 13, 1925 in northeast Guilford County and moved to Greensboro in the early 1950's;

WHEREAS, while serving on the Greensboro Police Department as a Patrol Officer and a Detective from 1951 through 1980, Mr. Zimmerman was instrumental in the organization of the Greensboro/Guilford County Crime Stoppers;

WHEREAS, Mr. Zimmerman campaigned for various seats on the City Council and served as Treasurer for multiple candidates running for office in Greensboro and Guilford County;

WHEREAS, his service to the community includes the Greensboro Neighborhood Congress, the Guilford County Commission on Aging, Transportation Planning Board, the Transportation Advisory Board, the Nursing Home Community Advisory Committee, Rosewood Neighborhood Association, Wilcox Neighborhood Association, was a founding member of the Northeast Greensboro Business Association, is a long time member of the Concerned Citizens of Northeast Greensboro, the Greensboro Civitan Club and assisting in the organization of National Night Out events;

WHEREAS, Mr. Zimmerman was a distributor for Amigo Wheel Chair Company in which he continues to champion disabled senior citizens with wheel chair needs and founded Jack Zimmerman and Associates, an Amway Product Company;

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to express appreciation for his contributions to the community, and to extend birthday congratulations on his 90th birthday celebration.

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

That it hereby honors Jack D. Zimmerman for his contributions to the City of Greensboro and in celebration of his 90th birthday.

(Signed) Marikay Abuzuaiter

**4. [ID 15-0826](#) Resolution Recognizing George A. Weiss in Connection with the Guilford County Say Yes to Education, Inc. Program**

Councilmember Outling read the resolution into the record; and presented the resolution to Assistant City Manager Mary Vigue.

Assistant City Manager Vigue stated she would provide the resolution at the Say Yes Planning Committee meeting next week.

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

**Ayes,** 9 - Nancy Vaughan, Yvonne J. Johnson, Marikay Abuzuaiter, Mike Barber, Jamal T. Fox, Sharon M. Hightower, Nancy Hoffmann, Justin Outling and Tony Wilkins

0301-15 RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING GEORGE A. WEISS IN CONNECTION WITH SAY YES TO EDUCATION IN GUILFORD COUNTY

WHEREAS, George A. Weiss is the CEO of Weiss Multi-Strategy Advisers LLC, formerly George Weiss Associates Inc., a multi-strategy hedge fund founded in 1978;

WHEREAS, Weiss earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Pennsylvania's Wharton School of Finance in 1965; received an Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree from Syracuse University; his educational philanthropy has been honored with the Cleveland E. Dodge Medal for Distinguished Service, and he is a life regent of the University of Hartford;

WHEREAS, in 2014 Weiss was awarded an honorary Doctor of Laws degree from the University of Pennsylvania;

WHEREAS, he is the founder of the Orphan Disease Pathway Project, a non-profit organization dedicated to finding cures and effective treatments for rare diseases;

WHEREAS, Weiss is a Trustee at Penn Medicine, a member of the Penn Medicine Executive Committee, is the former Vice Chair of the Board of Trustees, past Chair of the Development Committee, and former Chair of the Making History Campaign for the University of Pennsylvania;

WHEREAS, Weiss is the founder and Chairman of Say Yes to Education, a non-profit organization committed to opening access to post-secondary education for high poverty youth, beginning in 1987 with 112 students to nearly 140,000 students today;

WHEREAS, through fundraising, Say Yes and its local partners make it possible for a community's public high school graduates to receive full tuition scholarships to any in-state public college and university regardless of family income; said awards being granted after Pell grants and other financial aid have been taken into account;

WHEREAS, in September of 2015, Guilford County was announced as the next Say Yes to Education Community, representing the third Say Yes community nationally; to provide free tuition to Guilford County School graduates to in-state public colleges or universities;

WHEREAS, more than forty individuals, couples, foundations and businesses have raised \$32.5 million to contribute to the Say Yes scholarship fund for Guilford County Schools which hopes to raise a total of \$70 million.

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

That it hereby recognizes George A. Weiss for his outstanding contributions and service to Guilford County and Say Yes to Education communities.

(Signed) Sharon Hightower

5. [ID 15-0859](#) Resolution Declaring the Month of October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month

Councilmember Abuzuaiter read the resolution into the record; stated Council was provided purple bands to wear; spoke to the tree lighting; the Green Street Parking Deck being lit in purple; and invited Catherine Johnson to come to the podium to accept the resolution.

Mayor Vaughan recognized the partners involved represented this evening; and thanked them for coming.

Catherine Johnson with the Guilford County Family Justice Center thanked Council on behalf of the Center; recognized partners present who worked out of the Center; spoke to those who were served through the Center; to the work being done within the community; events taking place throughout the month; the expansion of partnerships; and thanked Council for their support of the Center.

Councilmember Hightower voiced appreciation for Ms. Johnson; and commended the work of the Center for

those in the community..

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

**Ayes,** 9 - Nancy Vaughan, Yvonne J. Johnson, Marikay Abuzuaiter, Mike Barber, Jamal T. Fox, Sharon M. Hightower, Nancy Hoffmann, Justin Outling and Tony Wilkins

**0302-15 RESOLUTION DECLARING THE MONTH OF OCTOBER AS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH**

WHEREAS, domestic violence is a pattern of control in an intimate relationship where one person uses coercion and violence to gain power and control over his or her partner;

WHEREAS, domestic violence includes not only physical abuse, but also mental abuse, emotional abuse, financial abuse, isolation, and sexual violence;

WHEREAS, intimate partner violence does not discriminate;

WHEREAS, the national average shows more than three women are murdered by an intimate partner in this country every day;

WHEREAS, in 2014, the City of Greensboro had 5 domestic violence related homicides, Guilford County reported 8 domestic violence related deaths in 2014; and the North Carolina Department of Justice reported that 64 women, men, and children were murdered in domestic violence-related homicides in the state;

WHEREAS, locally, Family Service of the Piedmont responded to over 2,536 crisis line calls in the last fiscal year and the Greensboro and High Point Police Departments along with the Guilford County Sheriff's Office collectively report responding to over 12,452 calls for service involving domestic violence;

WHEREAS, the Guilford County Department of Social Services investigated 5,636 reports of child abuse and neglect during the Fiscal Year 2015 in which 3% of those reports listed domestic violence as a primary threat to the household;

WHEREAS, it is estimated that anywhere between 3.3 million and 10 million children witness domestic violence annually;

WHEREAS, children who witness domestic violence are more likely to transmit violent behavior from one generation to the next and are more likely to exhibit behavioral and physical health problems;

WHEREAS, through a unique community partnership, the Guilford County Family Justice Center has served approximately 1200 citizens in crisis since its opening in mid-June 2015, and successfully brought together agencies throughout the County to provide victims with easier access to comprehensive resources in a single location through a coordinated collaborative effort, which has empowered family violence victims to live free from violence and abuse, and hold offenders accountable;

WHEREAS, domestic violence costs more than \$37 billion a year in law enforcement involvement, legal work, medical and mental health treatment, and lost productivity at companies;

WHEREAS, by working together and promoting awareness in this community we can protect the vulnerable, stop the violence, restore hope, and make a safer community for everyone.

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

That it does hereby declares the month of October 2015, as "DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH" and urges citizens to increase their awareness and education of this destructive force which deeply affects a large number of families in our State and local community each year, and to become part of the efforts to stop violence in families.

(Signed) Yvonne Johnson

6. [ID 15-0727](#) Resolution Recognizing October as Community Planning Month

Councilmember Hoffmann read the resolution into the record; stated a reception had taken place prior to the Council meeting to recognize persons involved in Planning; and presented the resolution to Planning Director Sue Schwartz.

Ms. Schwartz provided a PowerPoint Presentation which outlined the activities planned for the month of October; spoke to information provided on the City's website; thanked the citizens who served on boards and commissions involved in the Planning process throughout the City; recognized board members Anita Bachman and Paul Gilmer were in the audience; provided a quote from Daniel Burnham; and thanked Council for the recognition.

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

**Ayes,** 9 - Nancy Vaughan, Yvonne J. Johnson, Marikay Abuzuaiter, Mike Barber, Jamal  
T. Fox, Sharon M. Hightower, Nancy Hoffmann, Justin Outling and Tony  
Wilkins

0303-15 RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING COMMUNITY PLANNING MONTH

WHEREAS, The American Planning Association's National Community Planning Month is an opportunity to highlight the contributions sound planning and plan implementation make to the quality of Greensboro's built and natural environment; and the lives of its citizens; and

WHEREAS, National Community Planning Month provides an opportunity to publicly recognize the dedication of both the citizen planners serving on City boards and commissions and the professional planners who together, work to promote quality growth throughout Greensboro; and

WHEREAS, community planning efforts help manage change as Greensboro grows and develops by providing choices for how people work and live and play; and

WHEREAS, community planning provides opportunities for all residents to be meaningfully involved in the choices that determine the future of Greensboro; and

WHEREAS, the full benefits of planning are realized when public officials and citizens understand, support, and demand excellence in planning and plan implementation.

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

That October 2015 is hereby designated as Community Planning Month in the City of Greensboro, North Carolina; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council encourages citizens to participate in the Community Planning Month activities scheduled throughout the month of October.

(Signed) Yvonne Johnson

(A copy of the PowerPoint Presentation is filed in Exhibit Drawer X, Exhibit No. 28 which is hereby referred to and made a part of these minutes)

7. [ID 15-0801](#) Resolution Recognizing the Month of October as National Disability  
Employment Awareness Month

Councilmember Abuzuaiter read the resolution into the record; thanked Matt Stafford for requesting the item; and presented him with the resolution.



Mr. Stafford voiced appreciation for the resolution; and requested that people be recognized for their capabilities as well as their disabilities.

Councilmembers were invited to attend the 30th Anniversary of Shopper's Day on Thursday, December 3, 2015.

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

**Ayes,** 9 - Nancy Vaughan, Yvonne J. Johnson, Marikay Abuzuaiter, Mike Barber, Jamal T. Fox, Sharon M. Hightower, Nancy Hoffmann, Justin Outling and Tony Wilkins

0304-15 RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE MONTH OF OCTOBER AS NATIONAL DISABILITY EMPLOYMENT AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS, workplaces welcoming the talents of all people, including people with disabilities, are a critical part of efforts to building an inclusive community and strong economy;

WHEREAS, starting in 1945 when Congress adopted Proclamation 2664 declaring the first week in October "National Employ the Physically Handicapped Week", October is National Disability Employment Awareness Month (NDEAM) a time to celebrate the many and varied contributions of Americas' workers with disability;

WHEREAS, the 2015 theme is "My Disability is One Part of Who I Am";

WHEREAS, in 1990 President George H. W. Bush signed Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) into law and any employer with fifteen or more employees are subject to Title I of the ADA;

WHEREAS, in order to be protected by the ADA a person must be qualified for the job and have a disability as defined by law;

WHEREAS, the average cost of accommodating a disabled employee is less than \$600 and according to the 2014 American Community Survey (US Census) males in Greensboro with disability is 8.9% of the total labor force male population and females in Greensboro with disability is 10.3% of the total labor force female population;

WHEREAS, the national labor force employment of disabled people is 19.5%;

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Greensboro wishes to recognize National Disability Employment Awareness Month in October to raise awareness about disability employment issues and celebrate the many and varied contributions of people with disabilities.

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

That it hereby recognizes the month of October as National Disability Employment Awareness Month.

(Signed) Sharon Hightower

**8. [ID 15-0824](#) Resolution Recognizing the Guilford County Native American Association on the Celebration of the 38th Annual Pow Wow**

Mayor Pro-Tem Johnson read the resolution into the record; invited those present to come to the podium to receive the resolution; spoke to the service of Lonnie Revels on the City Council; and stated Mr. Revels was the first Native American to serve.

The Executive Director of the Guilford County Native American Association thanked Council for the resolution; spoke to the Association's 40th anniversary in September; voiced appreciation for Council support of the item; reminded those present that Lonnie Revels was instrumental in developing the first Pow Wow; thanked the City staff who assisted with the event annually; and stated that over 3,000 persons attended the event this year.



Ruth Revels requested that the City not charge so much for the event going forward.

Councilmember Wilkins voiced that Governor McCrory had referenced Ms. Revel's stories.

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

**Ayes,** 9 - Nancy Vaughan, Yvonne J. Johnson, Marikay Abuzuaite, Mike Barber, Jamal T. Fox, Sharon M. Hightower, Nancy Hoffmann, Justin Outling and Tony Wilkins

0305-15 RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE 38TH ANNUAL POW WOW OF THE GUILFORD NATIVE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION

WHEREAS, the Guilford Native American Association (GNAA) is a Native American community association in Guilford County, is a North Carolina State recognized Urban Indian Center, and is a United Way referral agency;

WHEREAS, since its incorporation in 1975 as a non-profit education advocacy group, the association has grown to encompass education assistance, employment, and job training and age-based community programs, and also operates the Guilford Native American Art Gallery in Greensboro;

WHEREAS, the GNAA is the oldest American Indian Urban Association in North Carolina and one of the oldest organizations of its kind in the United States;

WHEREAS, the primary goal of GNAA is to assist Indian people in achieving social and economic self-sufficiency and the association serves over 5,000 Native Americans in Guilford County and the surrounding counties;

WHEREAS, North Carolina is home to more than 122,000 Native Americans which is the largest indigenous population east of the Mississippi River;

WHEREAS, one of its major events since 1976 is an annual Pow Wow and cultural festival in which this traditional gathering brings together Native Americans representing all of the recognized tribes of North Carolina and the entire southeastern United States;

WHEREAS, GNAA recently celebrated its 38th annual Pow Wow on September 18 - 20, 2015 with song, dance, drum groups, traditional Native American food, arts and crafts, and special honors distributed throughout the weekend;

WHEREAS, the Pow Wow began each day with a Flag Song and the posting of the colors as they honored all veterans and active military members in attendance.

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

That it hereby recognizes the 38th Annual Pow Wow of the Guilford Native American Association and its outstanding contributions to the Native Americans of Guilford County and to the City of Greensboro.

(Signed) Marikay Abuzuaite

**9. [ID 15-0833](#) Resolution Recognizing the Imagine a Day Without Water Initiative on October 7th, 2015**

Councilmember Hoffmann read the resolution into the record; and presented it to Water Resources Director Steve Drew.

Mr. Drew thanked Council for the resolution; made a PowerPoint Presentation; spoke to raising awareness of maintaining the City's drinking water and infrastructure; referenced the situation in Columbia SC regarding the recent rainfall; spoke to the preparation of his staff should there be a weather related situation; provided an overview of the City's water process; importance to public safety and economic support; voiced that water was important to the City's quality of life; and thanked the citizens and Council for recognizing the importance and

value of the water utility.

**Moved by Councilmember Abuzuaiter, 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, Mike Barber, Jamal T. Fox, Sharon M. Hightower, Nancy Hoffmann, Justin Outling and Tony Wilkins

0306-15 RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE IMAGINE A DAY WITHOUT WATER INITIATIVE ON OCTOBER 7th

WHEREAS, Imagine a Day without Water is a national initiative with participants including water and sewer providers, organizations, and others to help raise awareness about water infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, it takes pipes, pumps, equipment, and people working 24/7 to deliver clean water to homes and businesses, and then remove and treat wastewater so it can safely be reused or returned to the environment; and

WHEREAS, Water infrastructure is largely invisible to the community and out of sight, out of mind for most people; and

WHEREAS, Greensboro is on a proactive path to rehabilitate and replace its water infrastructure to address these risks, and its sensible financial management strategies have allowed this to happen while maintaining reasonable rates that rank second lowest in the state among the largest utilities; and

WHEREAS, Greensboro is dedicated to ensure clean, safe water for residents.

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

That it recognizes the Imagine a Day without Water Initiative on October 7th, and residents are asked to imagine a day without water, recognize the value of water and sewer service, and continue supporting improvements as needed to ensure continued reliable water and wastewater services.

(Signed) Marikay Abuzuaiter

(A copy of the PowerPoint Presentation is filed in Exhibit Drawer X, Exhibit No. 28 which is hereby referred to and made a part of these minutes)

## **II. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

Aaron Terranou, 106 Tatum Place spoke on behalf of a rezoning Council would be requested to consider on November 10th along Pisgah Church Road; stated the neighborhood was requesting that the rezoning be done within the character of the neighborhood; referenced the developer's proposal; impact on infrastructure; increase in traffic should the rezoning take place; and stated the neighborhood was a unique area.

Claire Stone, 4915 Kenview Street spoke to an issue with the Greensboro Transit Authority (GTA) regarding hiring former City employee Libby James as an intern; spoke to Ms. James' prior actions; voiced concern with civil rights issues as well as controversy that surrounded Ms. James during her career; and voiced concern with her possible rehire.

Mayor Pro-Tem Johnson requested the City Manager to meet with Transportation Director Adam Fischer regarding possible employment of former City employee Libby James with GTA; and to advise Council of the determination.

City Manager Westmoreland advised of his experience with Transportation; and informed Council he would look into the matter and provide an update.

Councilmember Hightower stated there would be a search committee for the next Transportation Manager; and spoke to the qualifications for the position.

Assistant City Manager David Parrish outlined the process that would be used.

Dr. Anjail Ahmad, 2 Ivy Glen Court spoke to her experience as a SCAT rider and former GTA board member; voiced agreement with Ms. Stone's comments; concern with bringing Ms. James back in the capacity to help hire her replacement; inquired what the cost would be to bring Ms. James back; spoke to the shortfall in transportation; to issues during Ms. James' tenure; and asked that Council consider the cost.

Rodney Stewart, 2203 Brandon Station Road Pastor of Restoration and Deliverance Ministry stated the Ministry had purchased property on Randolph Avenue from the City; spoke to challenges the Ministry had regarding petitioning to close Hoskins Avenue which was a wooded parcel that had a lot of negative things happening on it; spoke to the conditions of the street; actions of adjoining property owners; and stated they had followed the required process and protocol to close the street.

Mayor Pro-Tem Johnson stated she had spoken with Mr. Stewart and City staff regarding the issue; and asked if there was a way to get the street closed.

City Attorney Carruthers stated staff was continuing to look for solutions; explained the ordinance requirements; verified Hoskins Avenue was a paper street which had two lots which faced it; addressed the lack of the City's ability to close a paper street which would landlock two parcels of property; and spoke to the provisions of the state.

Mayor Pro-Tem Johnson inquired if there were alternative ingress and egress options for the property owners.

Mr. Stewart interjected that they were willing to provide an easement to the landowners.

City Attorney Carruthers spoke to an alternative access of the owners; and confirmed that an easement would not be considered street access under the City's ordinance.

Councilmember Hightower stated that she had spoken with Mr. Stewart; voiced appreciation that Mr. Stewart wished to assist District 1 and join the community; referenced this being a complex issue; and reminded Council that the City could not negotiate private sales.

Discussion took place regarding frustration of there being no solution; the lack of the City's ability to resolve the issue; whether the church could build without the street being closed; Mr. Stewart's efforts to contact the property owners; and impact on future expansion should the street not be closed.

Holden Cession, 1804 Spring Garden Street voiced concerns about treatment at the Greensboro Pride Festival event; about treatment and discrimination against transgender individuals; referenced altercations with the Greensboro Police Department; racial profiling; issues against black transgender women; spoke to resistance by some people; and scrutiny of the LGBT community.

Sallie Hayes-Williams, 1101 N. Elm Street thanked the 3% of persons who came out and voted in the primary election; emphasized that votes had power; referenced the resolutions read this evening; and spoke to her experience with domestic violence.

Marshall Bennett, 212 Mayflower Drive spoke to resolutions in support of offshore drilling adopted by coastal communities; emphasized that all North Carolina residents went to the coast; spoke to the risks and impacts of offshore drilling; requested Council to adopt a resolution opposing offshore drilling similar to the one he had provided; and stated he had provided his contact information.

Larcina Johnson, 5653 Hornaday Road voiced concern with hiring Ms. James back for Transportation; spoke to her experiences as a rider of the paratransit service provided by GTA; to her experiences with Ms. James; asked that the disabled be provided monthly ridership passes; and asked Council to review the issues.

Charles Coffey, 1903 Freeman Mill Road wished to speak on the Heritage House item. Mayor Vaughan requested he hold his comments until Council got to the item.

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

**Moved by Councilmember Fox, seconded by Councilmember Hoffmann, to adopt the Consent Agenda.. The motion carried by voice vote:**

**Ayes,** 9 - Nancy Vaughan, Yvonne J. Johnson, Marikay Abuzuaiter, Mike Barber, Jamal T. Fox, Sharon M. Hightower, Nancy Hoffmann, Justin Outling and Tony Wilkins

- 10. [ID 15-0782](#)** Resolution Calling a Public Hearing for 10/20/15 on Annexing Territory into the Corporate Limits - 4706 Sharon Donna Drive - .527 acres - Property of Clemente McWilliams - Satellite Annexation - Regular Annexation Petition.

0307-15 RESOLUTION CALLING A PUBLIC HEARING FOR OCTOBER 20, 2015 ON THE ANNEXATION OF TERRITORY TO THE CORPORATE LIMITS – 4706 SHARON DONNA DRIVE -- .527 ACRES

WHEREAS, the owner of all the hereinafter described property, which is non-contiguous to the City of Greensboro, has requested in writing that said property be annexed to the City of Greensboro;

WHEREAS, Chapter 160A, Section 58.1 of the General Statutes of North Carolina provides that territory may be annexed after notice has been given by publication one time in a newspaper of general circulation in the city;

WHEREAS, at a regular meeting of the City Council on the 7th day of October, 2015, the following ordinance was introduced:

AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING TERRITORY TO THE CORPORATE LIMITS (4706 SHARON DONNA DRIVE -- .527 ACRES)

Section 1. Pursuant to G.S. 160A-58.1, the hereinafter described territory is hereby annexed to City of Greensboro:

BEGINNING at the northwest corner of Lot 6 on Sheet 2 of Thorpe Square, recorded at Plat Book 162, Page 98; thence with the southern right-of-way line of Sharon Donna Drive S 81° 52' 58" E 120.00 feet to the northeast corner of said Lot 6; thence S 08° 07' 02" W 190.85 feet with the eastern line of said Lot to its southeast corner; thence N 82° 09' 45" W 100.97 feet with the southern line of said Lot to a #5 rebar; thence continuing with said southern line N 81° 29' 47" W 19.03 feet to the southwest corner of said lot; thence N 08° 07' 02" E 191.22 feet with the western line of said Lot 6 to the point and place of BEGINNING, being all of said Lot 6, and containing approximately 0.527 acres. The plat referred to hereinabove is recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds of Guilford County.

Section 2. The owner agrees to pay to the City of Greensboro an acreage fee of five hundred eighty dollars (\$580.00) per acre for water service and five hundred eighty dollars (\$580.00) per acre for sewer service immediately prior to the time of annexation, provided that each of these utilities are available at the time of annexation. Any utility line assessments which may have been levied by the County shall be collected either by voluntary payment or through foreclosure of same by the City. Following annexation, the property annexed shall receive the same status regarding charges and rates as any other property located inside the corporate limits of the City of Greensboro.

Section 3. The owner shall be fully responsible for extending water and sewer service to the property at said owner's expense.

Section 4. From and after the effective date of annexation, the above described territory and its citizens and property shall be subject to all debts, laws, ordinances and regulations in force within the City and shall be entitled to the same privileges and benefits thereof, subject to the provisions in Sections 2 and 3 above.

Section 5. From and after October 20, 2015, the liability for municipal taxes for the 2015-16 fiscal year shall be prorated on the basis of 8/12 of the total amount of taxes that would be due for the entire fiscal year. The due

date for prorated municipal taxes shall be September 1, 2016. Municipal ad valorem taxes for the 2016-2017 fiscal year and thereafter shall be due annually on the same basis as any other property within the city limits.

Section 6. That this ordinance shall become effective upon adoption.

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

That Tuesday, October 20, 2015 at 5:30 p.m. be fixed as the time and the Council Chambers in the Melvin Municipal Office Building as the place for the public hearing on the proposed annexation of territory to the City of Greensboro as above set out and that this resolution be published in a newspaper published in the City of Greensboro not later than October 10, 2015.

(Signed) Jamal Fox

11. [ID 15-0800](#) Motion to approve the minutes of the Regular meeting of September 1, 2015

Motion to approve the minutes of the Regular meeting of September 1, 2015 was adopted.

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

There were no public hearing agenda items.

#### **V. GENERAL BUSINESS AGENDA**

12. [ID 15-0805](#) Boards and Commissions Listing for October 7, 2015

Moved by Councilmember Hoffmann, seconded by Councilmember Fox to appoint Homer Wade to the Planning Board replacing Chuck Truby. The motion carried by voice vote. Moved by Councilmember Hoffmann, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Johnson to reappoint Karen Stout to the ABC Board. The motion carried by voice vote.

Moved by Councilmember Barber, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Johnson to appoint Deb Bowers to the alternate position of the Board of Adjustment. The motion carried by voice vote.

Councilmember Wilkins asked if there would be alternate positions for the Participatory Budgeting Steering Committee. Assistant City Manager Vigue responded that there would be opportunities going forward for residents to be involved in the Participatory Budgeting process; and that she would inform Council as the committee progressed.

13. [ID 15-0790](#) Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Enter Into an Operating Agreement Between the City of Greensboro and Greensboro Downtown Parks Inc. for LeBauer Park

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

**Ayes,** 9 - Nancy Vaughan, Yvonne J. Johnson, Marikay Abuzuaiter, Mike Barber, Jamal T. Fox, Sharon M. Hightower, Nancy Hoffmann, Justin Outling and Tony Wilkins

0308-15 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) TO ALLOW THE CITY TO ENTER INTO THE PUBLIC / PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP AND OPERATION OF LEBAUER PARK

WHEREAS, upon the death of Carolyn Weill LeBauer, the establishment of The Carolyn LeBauer Fund at the Community Foundation of Greater Greensboro (CFGG) made provisions so that \$10 million could be used for the development of an outstanding public park to be named The Carolyn and Maurice LeBauer Park (herein referred to as "LeBauer Park");

WHEREAS, pursuant to the bequest and establishment of the Carolyn LeBauer Fund terms directed the CFGG to partner with the governing body of the City to execute the vision, site location, construction and development of LeBauer Park. Additionally the bequest recommends the CFGG to create and hold, from that part of the Fund not utilized for site acquisition and development, a permanent Fund which can be utilized for ongoing park operations, improvements and maintenance.

WHEREAS, on April 1, 2014, the City Council by adoption of Resolution No. 86-14 agreed to accept the gift of a new park in downtown Greensboro, and directed the City Manager to work with the CFGG to develop a Memorandum of Understanding for construction of LeBauer Park;

WHEREAS, on December 16, 2014, the City Council by adoption of Resolution No. 330-14 authorized the City Manager to enter into a lease agreement with LeBauer Park, LLC to construct the park;

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2015 the Parks and Recreation commission by unanimous vote approved the proposed public / private management model;

WHEREAS, on July 28, 2014, through City Council Work Session staff provided a presentation / update / summary of LeBauer Park construction, programming and management model progress;

WHEREAS, the City intends to enter into a public-private partnership for the operation of the Carolyn and Maurice LeBauer Park and the operation of Center City Park, should that Park be acquired by the City and/or to the extent that the City contributes to the operation and maintenance of that park, herein collectively referred to as "the Park";

WHEREAS, it is desirable for the City, in accordance to the bequest and in the public interest to increase efficiencies that the partnership with CFGG continues, and the Park is managed and operated by a third party GDP, which includes but not limited to the following: scheduling, planning, implementing, managing, operating, maintaining and evaluating programs, events, space and amenities and employing staff responsible for the operation, management, janitorial, maintenance and general upkeep as outlined within the MOU;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the bequest, consideration and attention will be given to including, within the Park, outstanding recreational equipment and facilities for children, suitable athletic facilities for people of all ages, educational and learning environments and facilities that may relate to matters of nature study, science and natural history, and attractive landscaping and the creation of tasteful manmade features;

WHEREAS, the City desires and intends to provide for the continued operation of the Park as public recreational and park facilities in a manner as will honor the bequest of and serve the needs of the residents, and provide for its residents a learning and recreational environment with a customer service level commensurate with other facilities, where all services provided shall compare favorably to the services, standards and practices of similar parks in the United States, and where the facilities are operated in accordance with the highest standards, including the management of the operations.

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

The City Manager is authorized to enter into negotiations and execute an MOU that will allow the City to enter into the public-private partnership with GDP for the purposes of securing: budgetary savings each year, private sector support, enhancement of City property, strategic enhancement of City infrastructure, operational expansion, and corresponding economic development impacts.

(Signed) Jamal Fox

14. [ID 15-0785](#) Ordinance in the Amount of \$1,065,100 Amending the Street and Sidewalk Capital Project Fund Budget for Project U-5532 A: Aycock Street & Walker Avenue Pedestrian Improvement Project

Councilmember Abuzuaiter thanked staff for their work on the project.

**Moved by Councilmember Abuzuaiter, seconded by Councilmember Barber,**

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

**Ayes,** 9 - Nancy Vaughan, Yvonne J. Johnson, Marikay Abuzuaite, Mike Barber, Jamal T. Fox, Sharon M. Hightower, Nancy Hoffmann, Justin Outling and Tony Wilkins

15-0125 ORDINANCE AMENDING THE STREET AND SIDEWALK CAPITAL PROJECT FUND BUDGET FOR PROJECT U-5532 A: AYCOCK STREET & WALKER AVENUE PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Section 1:

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

That the Street and Sidewalk Capital Project Fund Budget of the City of Greensboro be amended as follows for Project U-5532 A: Aycock Street & Walker Avenue Pedestrian Improvement Project:

Account	Description	Amount
401-4561-01.5410	Professional Services-Capital Projects	\$141,000
401-4561-01.6012	Land Right-of-Way	\$ 50,000
401-4561-01.6015	Sidewalk Construction	\$874,100
TOTAL		\$1,065,100

And, that this appropriation be financed by increasing the following accounts:

Account	Description	Amount
401-4561-01.7100	Federal Grant	\$852,080
401-4561-01.9471	Transfer from Bond Fund	\$213,020
TOTAL		\$1,065,100

Section 2:

And, that this ordinance should become effective upon adoption.

(Signed) Marikay Abuzuaite

**15. [ID 15-0815](#) Ordinance in the Amount of \$1,210,347 Amending The FY 15-16 General Fund Budget And The FY 15-16 General Capital Improvements Fund Budget**

Charles Coffee, 1903 Freeman Mill Road provided the history of the demise of the building; spoke to the appropriation and collection of funds; responsibilities of the owners; to documents filed in the court system; referenced conversations with the City prior to the closing of the building; stated the Association worked closely with the Police Department; and confirmed that some of the owners had paid their Association dues.

Councilmember Wilkins asked about the number of owners who were current; and about the timeframe that they had gotten behind in their dues.

Mr. Coffee provided the number of owners and number of units that dues had been paid on.

Councilmember Hightower asked about the number of units owned by Mr. Coffey; referenced the amount of water liens against the property; lack of improvement to the property; amount of money spent on public safety calls to the property; spoke to the City responsibility to improve the area; and the need to move forward with the item.



Councilmember Barber referenced good points made by Councilmember Hightower; stated he received a call from a realtor regarding a prospective owner for the property; verified he was not making any representation; and asked if Council would consider a two week continuance of the item.

Moved by Councilmember Barber, seconded by Councilmember Wilkins to continue the item for two weeks.

Discussion ensued regarding clarification of the continuance; no further delay in the process; lack of the prospective buyer in the past two years; legal ramifications should the item be postponed; the need to move forward with the item to assist Southeast Greensboro; timeframe for bringing a continuance forward; process for negotiation with the owners; persons being displaced; putting the property back on the City tax rolls; and verification that a two week delay would not compromise the City.

Planning Director Sue Schwartz provided an outline of what adoption of the ordinance would allow the City to do in moving forward; and verified that the City would not be in a position to entertain any type of development of the property until they had acquired ownership.

Further discussion took place regarding the possible postponement of the item; that both the City and a developer could move forward within the next two weeks; information that could be provided to a developer by the City; and information provided to Council.

Mayor Pro-Tem Johnson called the question.

Councilmember Wilkins suggested the item be run through the committee structure of Council.

Discussion took place regarding risk to the City; Council voting at the last meeting that the item would not need to go through a committee; and reference to the number of work sessions the item had been discussed at.

Mayor Vaughan stated a motion was on the floor. The motion FAILED 7-2 with Councilmembers Barber and Wilkins voting 'yes'.

Councilmember Wilkins voiced concerns that the item would not move through a committee; spoke to the lack of a legal deadline for the item; inquired as to the funding for the purchase; how many units the City would acquire; and ramifications should the owners not wish to convey the units to the City.

City Attorney Carruthers responded that there were approximately 177 units plus the common area; emphasized that offers were made based on appraisals; addressed the condemnation process; verified that the City would follow the same procedure with all of the owners; and provided the status of the event center located in the vicinity of the structure.

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

**Ayes,** 8 - Nancy Vaughan, Yvonne J. Johnson, Marikay Abuzuaiter, Mike Barber, Jamal T. Fox, Sharon M. Hightower, Nancy Hoffmann and Justin Outling

**Nays,** 1 - Tony Wilkins

15-0126 ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FY 15-16 GENERAL FUND BUDGET AND THE FY 15-16 GENERAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FUND BUDGET

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

That the General Fund and General Capital Improvements Fund Budget of the City of Greensboro are hereby amended as follows:

Section 1

That the appropriation to the General Fund be increased as follows:

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Account	Description	Amount
101-9590-01.6411	Transfer to General Capital Improvements Fund	\$1,210,347
Total		\$1,210,347

And, that this increase be financed by increasing the following account:

Account	Description	Amount
101-000-00.8900	Appropriated Fund Balance	\$1,210,347
Total		\$1,210,347

## Section 2

That the appropriation to the General Capital Improvements Fund be increased as follows:

Account	Description	Amount
411-2201-01.5288	Property Acquisition	\$1,210,347
Total		\$1,210,347

And, that this increase be financed by increasing the following account:

Account	Description	Amount
411-2201-01.9101	Transfer from General Fund	\$1,210,347
Total		\$1,210,347

## Section 3

That this ordinance shall be effective upon adoption.

(Signed) Sharon Hightower

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

Mayor Pro-Tem Johnson requested staff to research the installation of crosswalks and sidewalks in the vicinity of Page High School; and provide an update to Council.

Councilmember Barber requested City Manager Westmoreland set up a meeting between the City and a local Time Warner representative to discuss concerns he had heard from residents; and to provide an executive summary outlining the process of approval for the Franchise Agreement with Time Warner. Councilmember Barber commended staff for their work on the text amendment regarding the distillery matter; and requested that it be placed on the earliest upcoming agenda. Councilmember Barber requested staff to research the development of a potential ordinance prohibiting drones from flying over private property; and to have the Communications Department market information to the public that the City was working on the issue to show that the City was getting out in front of the issue.

Councilmember Fox voiced appreciation for the work of staff; announced the upcoming Guilford Cup football game at Jaycee Park on October 17th; provided the history of the City wins of the Guilford Cup last year; reminded the audience that they would collect food and partner with United Way; stated there would be new events forthcoming; asked staff to connect with NCDOT regarding trash pickup along Highway 29 and to research refreshing signage and landscaping to the 'Welcome to Greensboro' areas; particularly in areas along Cone Boulevard and Bessemer/Summit Avenues; and to provide Council with the proposed use for the former Libby Hill establishment on Summit Avenue.

City Manager Westmoreland confirmed that staff would look at alternate ideas to enhance the areas referred to

by Councilmember Fox.

Councilmember Wilkins congratulated Mayor Vaughan and Councilmember Outling on their success in the primary election; voiced congratulations to Messrs. King and Collins; expressed condolences to the family of Jacqueline Manzi who was the first female Chair of the Guilford County Commissioners; and referenced a quote from Ms. Manzi.

Councilmember Abuzuaiter referenced a gas station going in at the former Libby Hill site; stated she had spoken with City Manager Westmoreland and City Attorney Carruthers regarding concerns with House Bill 318; voiced concern by someone regarding the City funding only the Faith Action IDs; outlined the impact to Faith Action and the ID program should the bill go through; referenced language in the current contract regarding supporting the function of the ID cards; outlined how Faith Action IDs assisted the immigrant community; referenced what the City funding could provide to Faith Action; asked for Council's continued support to Faith Action; spoke to the uses of the Faith Action ID; and asked City Attorney Carruthers to speak to the actuality of the agreement.

City Attorney Carruthers responded that he had read the contract and reviewed the amendment to House Bill 318; referenced the language in Exhibit A of the contract regarding what City funds would be used for; stated it would not be appropriate for the City to continue funding the current contract beyond September 29th given the wording in Exhibit A; and spoke to the services of Faith Action which provided immigration support.

Councilmember Abuzuaiter referenced language in Exhibit A of the contract; the Police Department using the IDs for identification; and inquired if there was a policy regarding funding.

Discussion ensued regarding the City funding Faith Action activities other than ID cards; if an ordinance or policy existed for Faith Action; contractual duties of non-profits; and amendment of the current contract to allow continued funding for other services and activities of Faith Action.

Councilmember Abuzuaiter verified that there was no language in the contract or policy stating the City had to accept the ID cards; and referenced the requirements of other non-profits the City funded.

City Attorney Carruthers spoke to the law; voiced that he did not have the level of comfort to continue with the current contract unless it was modified; and voiced appreciation for Councilmember Abuzuaiter's dedication to the project.

Councilmember Abuzuaiter affirmed that she would agree to the modification to the contract language.

Councilmember Wilkins referenced discussions in work sessions regarding the ID cards; Faith Action using City funds for something other than what it was designated for; asked if Faith Action would need to come back to the City during the next budget season; and why the City was funding Faith Action if the non-profit was fully funded through other means.

City Manager Westmoreland spoke to the purview of Council to modify contracts; and verified the City had not yet received a request from Faith Action..

Discussion took place regarding funding for Faith Action; a list of services and activities provided by Faith Action on their website and in their brochure; waiting to vote until after a revised schedule of services had been received from Faith Action; and wording for the amendment to the contract.

Councilmember Abuzuaiter reviewed the list of services provided by Faith Action; provided an outline of other entities that provided funding to Faith Action; and spoke to other non-profit organizations funded by the City.

**Moved by Councilmember Hightower, seconded by Councilmember Abuzuaiter to amend the current Faith Action contract with the continued funding, just to delete the language regarding designated funding for the Faith Action ID. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes,** 8 - Nancy Vaughan, Yvonne J. Johnson, Marikay Abuzuaiter, Mike Barber, Jamal T. Fox, Sharon M. Hightower, Nancy Hoffmann and Justin Outling

**Nays, 1 - Tony Wilkins**

Councilmember Hightower congratulated the Fire Department on their Class 1 certification; spoke to initiatives with the Fire Department; stated she had attended the Dudley Hall of Fame Event on Saturday evening; referenced those in the Hall of Distinction; asked for an update on the status of the Randleman Road Corridor Study; announced the upcoming Food Desert Storm event in two weeks; and inquired about the status of the International Restaurant Row.

**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 Mayor Pro-Tem Johnson, seconded by Councilmember Outling, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried by voice vote.

THE CITY COUNCIL ADJOURNED AT 8:35 P.M.

ELIZABETH H. RICHARDSON  
CITY CLERK

NANCY VAUGHAN  
MAYOR