

**HIGH POINT CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
September 16, 2024 – 5:30 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – MUNICIPAL BUILDING
211 South Hamilton Street**

ROLL CALL, MOMENT OF SILENCE, AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Jefferson called to order the Regular Meeting of the High Point City Council and stated all members were present except for Council Member Andrew. He called for a Moment of Silence and the Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Present: Mayor Cyril Jefferson, Mayor Pro Tem Michael Holmes, At-Large Council Member Britt Moore, At-Large Council Member Amanda Cook, Council Member Vickie McKiver, Council Member Tyrone Johnson, Council Member Monica Peters, and Council Member Patrick Harman

Absent: Council Member Tim Andrew

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tempore Holmes, seconded by Council Member Johnson, to adopt the agenda as presented.

The motion carried with the following vote:

Aye: Mayor Jefferson, Mayor Pro Tem Holmes, At-Large Council Member Moore, At-Large Council Member Cook, Council Member McKiver, Council Member Johnson, Council Member Peters, and Council Member Harman

Absent: Council Member Andrew

RECOGNITIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

2024-361 Proclamation-City of High Point - Constitution Week

Mayor Jefferson will present a proclamation recognizing the period beginning September 17 and ending September 23, 2024, as Constitution Week.

Mayor Jefferson read the Proclamation.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

2024-367 Public Comment Period

A Public Comment Period will be held on the first Monday of the regular City Council meeting schedule at 5:30 p.m. or as soon thereafter as reasonably possible following recognitions, awards, and presentations. Our policy states persons may speak on any item not on the agenda.

* Persons who have signed the register to speak shall be taken in the order in which they are listed. Others who wish to speak and have not signed in will be taken after those who have registered.

* Persons addressing City Council are asked to limit their comments to 3 minutes.

- * Citizens will be asked to come to the podium, state their name and address and the subject(s) on which they will comment.
- * If a large number of people are present to register concerns about the same subject, it is suggested that they might be acknowledged as a unified group while a designated speaker covers the various points. This helps to avoid repetition while giving an opportunity for people present with the same concerns to be recognized.

Thanks to everyone in the audience for respecting the meeting by refraining from speaking from the audience, applauding speakers, or other actions that distract the meeting.

Kenneth Orms, 3525 Sainsbury Ln.

Mr. Orms spoke to an email he sent to Elected Officials and Staff, his discontent in not receiving a response, and his frustration regarding the City not taking responsibility for a property matter.

Kenneth Brown, City of High Point Employee

Thanked everyone for listening to concerns regarding pay, spoke to participation in pay surveys, and significant challenges regarding the pay of some City Employees.

Willie Kittrell, State Regional and Tournament Director for AAU

Spoke to his previous attendance at a public comment period, discontent regarding the schedule for the High Point athletic fields and the staff who sets the schedule, and the lack of economic impact of not having the tournament in High Point.

Mayor Jefferson noted that staff addressed concerns by offering alternative locations.

Terrell Easter, AAU Representative

Mr. Easter noted he did receive correspondence from staff regarding alternative locations. He noted those location would not be feasible due to the need of having everyone in one location. He spoke to his efforts in trying to schedule the fields well in advance, his discontent regarding how the field schedules are handled, and expressed frustration in dealing with the Parks & Recreation staff.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tempore Holmes, seconded by Council Member Johnson, to approve the consent agenda.

Motion carried with the following vote:

Aye: Mayor Jefferson, Mayor Pro Tem Holmes, At-Large Council Member Moore, At-Large Council Member Cook, Council Member McKiver, Council Member Johnson, Council Member Peters, and Council Member Harman

Absent: Council Member Andrew

2024-338

Consideration of a Contract with Moetivations, Inc.

City Council is requested to consider a contract with Moetivations, Inc. for an amount not to exceed \$177,697.92 to provide temporary staffing for 911 Communications for a period of six months and authorize the appropriate City Official(s) to execute all necessary documents. (Recommended by the Finance Committee)

Approved by the consent vote.

2024-339

Consideration of a Contract with Motorola Services, Inc.

City Council is requested to consider a contract with Motorola Services, Inc. in the amount of \$583,729.40 for the purchase of 95 portable radios and supporting materials and authorize the appropriate City Official(s) to execute all necessary documents. (Recommended by the Finance Committee)

Approved by the consent vote.

2024-340

Consideration of a Contract with Graybar, Inc.

City Council is requested to consider a contract with Graybar, Inc. in the amount of \$135,764.71 for a replacement UPS (Battery Backup) unit for the Primary Radio Tower Site and authorize the appropriate City Official(s) to execute all necessary documents. (Recommended by the Finance Committee)

Approved by the consent vote.

2024-356

Consideration of a Contract with Mimecast

City Council is requested to consider a contract with Mimecast in the amount of \$106,459.86 for annual renewal of subscription-based services and authorize the appropriate City Official(s) to execute all necessary documents. (Recommended by the Finance Committee)

Approved by the consent vote.

2024-341

Consideration of a Grant Agreement with North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT)

City Council is requested to consider a grant agreement with NCDOT for the federal and state share of the FY25 Section 5303 Planning Grant and authorize the appropriate City Official(s) to execute all necessary documents. (Recommended by the Finance Committee)

Approved by the consent vote.

2024-343

Consideration of Ratification of the Purchase of Property at 2613 Willard Dairy Road

City Council is requested to ratify the purchase of property at 2613 Willard Dairy Road in the amount of \$70,000 for the future construction of the Penny Road Extension. (Recommended by the Finance Committee)

Approved by the consent vote.

2024-344

Consideration of a Contract with A&A Security

City Council is requested to consider a contract with A&A Security in the amount of \$126,921.60 for after hours security guard services at the Municipal Operations Center

and authorize the appropriate City Official(s) to execute all necessary documents. (Recommended by the Finance Committee)

Approved by the consent vote.

2024-345 Consideration of a Sole Source Agreement with AiDash

City Council is requested to consider a sole source agreement with AiDash in the amount of \$61,000 per year for a total of \$183,000 over a 3-year period for a vegetation management system and authorize the appropriate City Official(s) to execute all necessary documents. (Recommended by the Finance Committee)

Approved by the consent vote.

2024-346 Consideration of a Report of Surplus Equipment Disposal

City Council is requested to consider a report from Fleet Services outlining the disposal of surplus equipment. (Recommended by the Finance Committee)

Approved by the consent vote.

2024-347 Consideration of a Purchase from Ascendum Machinery

City Council is requested to consider a purchase from Ascendum Machinery in the amount of \$265,546.40 for one (1) Lee Boy 8515E Asphalt Paver. (Recommended by the Finance Committee)

Approved by the consent vote.

2024-348 Consideration of a Purchase from Deere & Company

City Council is requested to consider a purchase from Deere & Company in the amount of \$245,148.62 for two (2) John Deere 6230 tractors and declaring the old tractors and mowing accessories as surplus and disposing through the online auction process. (Recommended by the Finance Committee)

Approved by the consent vote.

2024-349 Consideration of a Purchase from Piedmont Truck Center

City Council is requested to consider a purchase from Piedmont Truck Center in the amount of \$110,149.20 for one (1) Ford F750 truck and declare the current truck as surplus and disposing through the online auction process. (Recommended by the Finance Committee)

Approved by the consent vote.

2024-350 Consideration of a Purchase from Piedmont Truck Center

City Council is requested to consider a purchase from Piedmont Truck Center in the amount of \$463,824 for two (2) Western Star 47X tandem dump trucks with Godwin Bodies and declaring the existing equipment as surplus and disposing of through the online disposal process. (Recommended by the Finance Committee)

Approved by the consent vote.

2024-351 Consideration of a Task Order with GEL Engineering of NC, Inc.

City Council is requested to consider a Task Order with GEL Engineering of NC, Inc. for Professional Engineering Services in the amount of \$131,435 and authorize the

appropriate City Official(s) to execute all necessary documents. (Recommended by the Finance Committee)

Approved by the consent vote.

2024-352 Consideration of a Sole Source Purchase from Serpentix Conveyor Corporation

City Council is requested to consider a sole source purchase from Serpentix Conveyor Corporation in the amount of \$36,970.80 for replacement of the solids conveyor belt tray at the Eastside Wastewater Treatment Plant and authorize the appropriate City Official(s) to execute all necessary documents. (Recommended by the Finance Committee)

Approved by the consent vote.

2024-353 Consideration of a Sole Source Contract with Precision Infrastructure Management

City Council is requested to consider a sole source contract with Precision Infrastructure Management in the amount of \$68,808 and authorize the appropriate City Official(s) to execute all necessary documents. (Recommended by the Finance Committee)

Approved by the consent vote.

2024-358 Consideration of an Agreement with The Ferguson Group, LLC

City Council is requested to consider an agreement with The Ferguson Group, LLC in an amount not to exceed \$93,200 for lobbyist services and authorize the appropriate City Official(s) to execute all necessary documents. (Recommended by the Finance Committee)

Approved by the consent vote.

2024-359 Consideration of a Contract with Cigna Healthcare

City Council is requested to consider a contract with Cigna Healthcare for city employee healthcare coverage for 2025 and authorize the appropriate City Official(s) to execute all necessary documents. (Recommended by the Finance Committee)

Approved by the consent vote.

2024-355 Consideration of Acceptance of a Grant Award and Approval of Budget Ordinance Amendment

City Council is requested to accept a grant award for HOME funds, approve the budget ordinance, and authorize the appropriate City Official(s) to execute all necessary documents. (Recommended by the Finance Committee)

Approved by the consent vote.

2024-354 Consideration of a Contract with Community Housing Solutions

City Council is requested to consider a contract with Community Housing Solutions in the amount of \$100,000 for materials and operational expenses associated with the Operation InAsMuch (OIAM) Fall 2024 event and authorize the appropriate City Official(s) to execute all necessary documents. (Recommended by the Finance Committee)

Approved by the consent vote.

- 2024-375** **Consideration of Resolutions to Approve Piedmont Triad Regional Water Authority Financing**
City Council is required to approve (1) the Resolution Authorizing and Approving Bond Anticipation Notes and the Amendment and Restatement of a Joint Governmental Agreement and (2) the Resolution Concerning the City’s Obligations under its “Joint Governmental Agreement” among the City, Piedmont Triad Regional Water Authority and other Local Governments. (Recommended by the Finance Committee)
Approved by the consent vote.
- 2024-369** **Consideration of Nomination to the ElectriCities Board of Directors**
City Council is requested to support and endorse the election of Tasha Logan Ford to serve on the ElectriCities Board of Directors as a weighted voting member for a three-year term. (Recommended by the Finance Committee)
Approved by the consent vote.
- 2024-357** **Consideration of a Resolution Conveying Real Property to a Nonprofit Corporation**
City Council is requested to consider a Resolution conveying 702, 704, 708 and 712 Vail Avenue properties and authorize the appropriate City Official(s) to execute all necessary documents. (Recommended by the Community Development Committee)
Approved by the consent vote.
- 2024-362** **Consideration of a Resolution Conveying Real Property to a Nonprofit Corporation**
City Council is requested to consider a Resolution conveying the properties located at 608 and 611 Cross Street and authorize the appropriate City Official(s) to execute all necessary documents. (Recommended by the Community Development Committee)
Approved by the consent vote.
- 2024-363** **Consideration of a Resolution Conveying Real Property to a Nonprofit Corporation**
City Council is requested to consider a Resolution conveying the property located at 810 Mobile Street and authorize the appropriate City Official(s) to execute all necessary documents. (Recommended by the Community Development Committee)
Approved by the consent vote.
- 2024-364** **Consideration of a Resolution Conveying Real Property to a Nonprofit Corporation**
City Council is requested to consider a Resolution conveying the properties located at 808 and 813 Tryon Avenue and authorize the appropriate City Official(s) to execute all necessary documents. (Recommended by the Community Development Committee)
Approved by the consent vote.
- 2024-374** **Consideration of an Ordinance Amending Section 11-11-1 Social Districts of the High Point Code of Ordinances**
City Council is requested to consider and Ordinance Amending Section 11-11-1 Social Districts of the High Point Code of Ordinances to change the name of the Catalyst Social District to the Downtown Social District. (Recommended by the Prosperity, Livability & Safety Committee)

Approved by the consent vote.

2024-366 Consideration of Approval of Minutes

City Council is requested to approve the following minutes:

Finance Committee Minutes - August 15, 2024, at 4:00 p.m.

Manager's Briefing Minutes - August 19, 2024, at 4:00 p.m.

Regular Meeting of the High Point City Council Minutes - August 19, 2024, at 5:30 p.m.

Approved by the consent vote.

GENERAL BUSINESS AGENDA

2024-378 Consideration of Funding for High Point School Partnership - Outside Non-profit Organization

City Council is requested to approve the recommendation for funding the outside non-profit organization. (Recommended by the Finance Committee)

Mayor Jefferson offered his recusal from voting on this item, due to his wife being an employee of the High Point School Partnership.

Mayor Pro Tempore called for a motion to approve Mayor Jefferson's recusal.

Council Member Moore made a motion, seconded by Council Member Johnson, to accept Mayor Jefferson's recusal.

Motion carried with the following vote:

Aye: Mayor Jefferson, Mayor Pro Tem Holmes, At-Large Council Member Moore, At-Large Council Member Cook, Council Member McKiver, Council Member Johnson, Council Member Peters, and Council Member Harman

Absent: Council Member Andrew

Council Member Peters made a motion, seconded by Council Member Cook, to approve agenda item 2024-378.

Motion carried with the following vote:

Aye: Mayor Pro Tem Holmes, At-Large Council Member Moore, At-Large Council Member Cook, Council Member McKiver, Council Member Johnson, Council Member Peters, and Council Member Harman

Absent: Council Member Andrew

Recused: Mayor Jefferson

2024-379 Consideration of Funding for Macedonia Family Resource Center - Outside Non-profit Organization

City Council is requested to approve the recommendation for funding the outside non-profit organization. (Recommended by the Finance Committee)

Council Member Johnson offered his recusal from voting on this item because he sits on the Board of Directors for the Macedonia Family Resource Center.

Mayor Jefferson made a motion, seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Holmes, to accept Council Member Johnson's recusal.

Motion carried with the following vote:

Aye: Mayor Jefferson, Mayor Pro Tem Holmes, At-Large Council Member Moore, At-Large Council Member Cook, Council Member McKiver, Council Member Johnson, Council Member Peters, and Council Member Harman

Absent: Council Member Andrew

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tempore Holmes, seconded by Council Member McKiver, to approve agenda item 2024-379.

Motion carried with the following vote:

Aye: Mayor Jefferson, Mayor Pro Tem Holmes, At-Large Council Member Moore, At-Large Council Member Cook, Council Member McKiver, Council Member Peters, and Council Member Harman

Absent: Council Member Andrew

Recused: Council Member Johnson

2024-380 Consideration of Funding for Friends of Coltrane and Greater High Point Food Alliance - Outside Non-profit Organizations

City Council is requested to approve recommendations for funding the outside non-profit organizations. (Recommended by the Finance Committee)

Council Member Harman provided his recusal from voting on this item because he sits on the Board for Friends of Coltrane and Greater High Point Food Alliance.

Mayor Jefferson made a motion, seconded by Council Member Johnson, to accept the recusal of Council Member Harman.

The motion carried with the following vote:

Aye: Mayor Jefferson, Mayor Pro Tem Holmes, At-Large Council Member Moore, At-Large Council Member Cook, Council Member McKiver, Council Member Johnson, Council Member Peters, and Council Member Harman

Absent: Council Member Andrew

Council Member Peters made a motion, seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Holmes, to approve agenda item 2024-380.

Motion carried with the following vote:

Aye: Mayor Jefferson, Mayor Pro Tem Holmes, At-Large Council Member Moore, At-Large Council Member Cook, Council Member McKiver, Council Member Johnson, and Council Member Peters

Absent: Council Member Andrew

Recused: Council Member Harman

2024-381 Consideration of Funding for Outside Non-profit Organizations

City Council is requested to approve recommendations for funding the outside non-profit organizations. (Recommended by the Finance Committee)

Council Member Moore made a motion, seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Holmes, to approve agenda item 2024-381.

Motion carried with the following vote:

Aye: Mayor Jefferson, Mayor Pro Tem Holmes, At-Large Council Member Moore, At-Large Council Member Cook, Council Member McKiver, Council Member Johnson, Council Member Peters, and Council Member Harman

Absent: Council Member Andrew

2024-365 Consideration of Revisions to the Boards and Commissions Liaison Members

City Council is requested to confirm the appointment of Council Member Peters as an Alternate Liaison to the Transportation Advisory Committee/MPO.

A motion was made by Council Member Britt Moore, seconded by Council Member Cook, to approve agenda item 2024-365.

Motion carried with the following vote:

Aye: Mayor Jefferson, Mayor Pro Tem Holmes, At-Large Council Member Moore, At-Large Council Member Cook, Council Member McKiver, Council Member Johnson, Council Member Peters, and Council Member Harman

Absent: Council Member Andrew

2024-371 Consideration of an Appointment to the Guilford County Historic Preservation Commission

City Council is requested to consider the appointment of Christie Lee as the High Point Representative on the Guilford County Historic Preservation Commission; term effective immediately and expiring on December 6, 2027.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tempore Holmes, seconded by Council Member Cook, to approve agenda item 2024-371.

Motion carried with the following vote:

Aye: Mayor Jefferson, Mayor Pro Tem Holmes, At-Large Council Member Moore, At-Large Council Member Cook, Council Member McKiver, Council Member Johnson, Council Member Peters, and Council Member Harman

Absent: Council Member Andrew

2024-372 Consideration of an Appointment to the Human Relations Commission

City Council is requested to confirm the appointment of Eric Foushee to the Human Relations Commission; term effective immediately and expiring on November 1, 2025.

A motion was made by Council Member Cook, seconded by Council Member Johnson, to approve agenda item 2024-372.

Motion carried with the following vote:

Aye: Mayor Jefferson, Mayor Pro Tem Holmes, At-Large Council Member Moore, At-Large Council Member Cook, Council Member McKiver, Council Member Johnson, Council Member Peters, and Council Member Harman

Absent: Council Member Andrew

ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Harman pointed out the City approval of conveyance of properties for affordable housing that was part of the Consent Agenda.

Council Member Moore reminded everyone to take part in events to commemorate the anniversary of September 11th.

Mayor Jefferson reminded everyone of the High Point Arts Council’s “Day in the Park” which will take place on Saturday, September 21st.

Mayor Jefferson asked that the High Point University Bonner Program Students rise to be recognized.

There being no further business to come before the Regular Meeting of the High Point City Council, the meeting adjourned at 5:59 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cyril Jefferson, Mayor

Attest:

Sandra Keeney, City Clerk