

**HIGH POINT CITY COUNCIL  
SPECIAL MEETING  
JULY 18, 2022 – 4:00 P.M.  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – MUNICIPAL BUILDING**

**MINUTES**

**ROLL CALL**

Mayor Wagner called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m.

He then called the roll for attendance. The following council members were present (7):

Mayor Jay W. Wagner; Mayor Pro Tem Monica Peters, Ward 3; Council Member Britt Moore, At Large; Council Member Cyril Jefferson, Ward 1 [arrived at 4:05 p.m.]; Council Member Christopher Williams, Ward 2; Council Member S. Wesley Hudson, Ward 4; and Council Member Victor Jones, Ward 5

Absent (2):

Council Member Tyrone Johnson; and At Large and Council Member Michael Holmes, Ward 6

Staff present:

Tasha Long Ford, City Manager; Greg Ferguson, Deputy City Manager; Eric Olmedo, Assistant City Manager; Damon Dequenne, Assistant City Manager; Jeron Hollis, Managing Director; JoAnne Carlyle, City Attorney; Meghan Maguire, Assistant City Attorney; Sandy Dunbeck, Economic Development Director; Bobby Fitzjohn, Financial Services Director; Stephen Hawryluk, Budget and Performance Manager; and Mary S. Brooks, Interim City Clerk

**PRESENTATION OF ITEMS**

**2022-337 Update-American Rescue Act Funding (ARPA) Funding**

Staff will be giving an update regarding ARPA Funding.

*Stephen Hawryluk, Budget and Performance Manager made a PowerPoint Presentation regarding the America Rescue Plan (ARPA) Funding and Project Update; the city was allocated \$22,699,511; with a remaining balance of \$13,837,426; outlined the spending to date for the ARPA funds; spoke to the community input sessions that were held on November 16<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> of 2021; the topics of concern/priority were for employment, community programs-nonprofits, education, and infrastructure; gave an overview of the priority projects to include the following:*

- *Homeless shelter local match -\$1,000,000*
- *Targeted neighborhood improvements-\$2,5000,000*
- *Foxwood Meadows alternate access-\$1,1000,000*

- *Build Back Better Regional Challenge-\$1,701,588*
- *Subtotal-Council Priorities-\$6,301,588*

*Mr. Hawryluk continued discussion regarding outside request as followed:*

- *Building the Best Guilford-\$2,500,000*
- *The “Bridge” Proposal-\$3,858,000*
- *High Point Schools Partnership-Broadband-\$\$30,000*
- *United Way-\$250,000*
- *Unity Festival-\$\$35,000*
- *Caring Services-\$N/A*
- *PTA Healthy Hydration-\$N/A*
- *Subtotal-Outside Requests-\$6,673,000*

*Mr. Hawryluk explained the community agency application process; the initial process was to apply for ARP funds; application would be reviewed by the Citizens’ Advisory Council; recommendations would be brought forward to city council; and entertained questions.*

*Council Member Moore asked if a list of the projects could be emailed to him. Mr. Hawryluk replied that staff would provide that information.*

*Tasha Logan Ford, City Manager advised council to let staff know of any projects that they would like to be considered; or any questions that they may have.*

*Council Member Jefferson inquired on the timeline for the application process; and how this timeline would impact the timeline for projects. Ms. Logan Ford replied that the application process would take 2 to 3 months; that the results would be provided at the early part of 2023; the biggest impact for projects would be funding that was spent; and the timeline for projects was unknown at this time.*

*Mayor Pro Tem Peters requested that the city choose projects that had transformational change for generations to come for the city.*

*Council Member Moore asked if the directives from the government regarding ARPA funds could change. Mr. Hawryluk replied that there were no indications for change at this time; and explained what the funding could be used for by the city.*

Council is requested to go into Closed Session pursuant to N.C.G.S. §143-318.11(a)(4) for Economic Development.

**Council Member Peters moved to enter Closed Session pursuant to N.C.G.S. §143-318.11(a)(4) for Economic Development at 4:10 p.m.; seconded by Council Member Jones the motion passed by an 7-0 unanimous vote.**

Aye (7): Mayor Wagner, Mayor Pro Tem Peters, Council Member Moore, Council Member Jefferson, Council Member Williams, Council Member Hudson, and Council Member Jones

Absent (1): Council Member Johnson, and Council Member Holmes

*Upon reconvening into Open Session at 5:08 p.m., Mayor Wagner announced there would be no action taken as a result of the Closed Session.*

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before Council, the meeting adjourned at 5:09 p.m. upon motion by Council Member Williams and second by Council Member Hudson.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Jay W. Wagner, Mayor

Attest:

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Mary S. Brooks, CMC  
Interim City Clerk