

**HIGH POINT CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – HIGH POINT MUNICIPAL BUILDING
JULY 20, 2015 – 5:30 P.M.**

ROLL CALL AND MOMENT OF SILENCE

Mayor Bencini called the meeting to order and asked for a moment of silence, which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Upon call of the roll, the following Council Members were present:

Mayor William S. Bencini, Jr.; Mayor Pro Tem James Davis (Ward 5); and Council Members Cynthia Y. Davis (At-Large); Latimer Alexander (At-Large); Jeffrey Golden (Ward 1); Christopher Williams (Ward 2); Alyce Hill (Ward 3); Jay Wagner (Ward 4); and Jason Ewing (Ward 6).

Mayor Bencini explained as a result of the Briefing Session held prior to this meeting to discuss the issue of dog-tethering, Council directed the city manager to prepare recommendations in regard to Council adopting the Guilford County tethering ordinance, along with a phase-in period to give citizens time to respond. He invited those present for this purpose to stay, but felt it was not necessary because the Council would more than likely move forward the next time Council meetings. [applause and standing ovation] [full house]

Mayor Bencini also announced the need for Council to go into a closed session.

CLOSED SESSION

At 5:35 p.m., Council Member C. Davis moved to go into closed session pursuant to N.C. General Statute 143-318.11(a)(3) to discuss the following lawsuit, Seaboard vs Purifics and pursuant to N.C. General Statute 143-318.11(a)(6) for a personnel matter. Council Member Ewing made a second to the motion, which carried unanimously.

Upon reconvening into open session at 6:30 p.m., Mayor Bencini announced that Council has received a request from the city manager for Council to concur with his determination that certain information, which may be related to personnel matters be released in order to maintain the public's confidence.

PRESENTATIONS

150214

Presentation - Guilford Workforce Development

Ms. Lillian Plummer, with Guilford Workforce Development, will be present to update City Council on the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity ACT (WIOA) and will be requesting adoption of a Resolution authorizing the execution of the Guilford Workforce Development Consortium Agreement between the City of Greensboro, City of High Point and Guilford County

Note: A copy of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) that was referenced as part of the presentation is hereby attached in Legistar as a permanent part of these proceedings.

Lillian Plummer, Executive Director- Workforce Development, provided an update to Council regarding the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA), Public Law 113-128 as enacted July 22, 2014. She reported the new law is based on three key pillars of their system: One-Stop career centers that provide first-rate customer service to job seekers, workers, and businesses; the demands of businesses and workers drive workforce solutions; the workforce system supports strong regional economies. The six broad goals of WIOA are:

- 1. Increase access to education, training, and employment--particularly for people with barriers to employment.*
- 2. Create a comprehensive, high-quality workforce development system by aligning workforce investment, education, and economic development.*
- 3. Improve the quality and labor market relevance of workforce investment, education, and economic development efforts.*
- 4. Promote improvement in the structure and delivery of services.*
- 5. Increase the prosperity of workers and employers.*
- 6. Reduce welfare dependency, increase economic self-sufficiency, meet employer needs, and enhance the productivity and competitiveness of the nation.*

She reported at the heart of the WIOA is local governance which is currently being restructured pursuant to requirements in the law and includes expanding the strategic roles of state and local workforce development boards; positioning boards to meet the workforce needs of local and regional employers; and TriadWorks. Ms. Plummer shared that there is still a requirement that 51% of the board members of the local Workforce Board must represent the private sector (businesses) and that the private sector drives the work of the Workforce Development Board. By the Spring of 2016, they will be required to put a four-year strategic plan in place. Ms. Plummer identified the address for the High Point One-Stop Center as 607 Idol Street and felt it was positioned in this location to be a strong tool for economic development. She also reported that no one was without a job as a result of the required reorganization of the Workforce Development Board and the law allows for up to 20% of the dollars to be spent to help smaller companies by re-training the workforce. The WIOA streamlines the process for employers as well as job-seekers and the local Workforce Development Board anticipates serving 40,000 people countywide.

Following Ms. Plummer's presentation, she issued an invitation to Council to attend the Workforce "One-Stop" Summit on August 20, 2015 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m..

The Resolution authorizing the execution of the Guilford Workforce Development Consortium Agreement will be on the August 17, 2015 Agenda for consideration.

PUBLIC HEARING**150215 Public Hearing - HAECO Americas / TIMCO Aerosystems Expansion Project**

Monday, July 20, 2015 at 5:30 p.m. is the date and time established to receive public comments on a request to authorize performance-based incentives in an amount not to exceed \$147,000 for HAECO Americas / TIMCO Aerosystems. The company proposes to create 147 full-time jobs and add \$5.75 million to the local tax base at 8010 Piedmont Triad Parkway.

Note: Mr. Hill's comments will be attached in Legistar as a permanent part of these proceedings.

The public hearing for this matter was duly held on Monday, July 20, 2015 at 5:30 p.m.

Loren Hill, President-High Point Economic Development Corporation, provided an overview of the request for incentives by HAECO Americas.

HAECO Americas is an important part of the Piedmont Triad's ever-growing aviation cluster and has facilities on the grounds of the Piedmont Triad International Airport and in the Town of Wallburg. HAECO is a full-service provider of airframe maintenance, repair and overhaul, line services, engine repair, and aerospace manufactured products--to serve a broad array of commercial, government, and military customers. The company is considering buying the 250,000-square foot building located at 8010 Piedmont Triad Parkway. If the company picks High Point, HAECO would create 147 jobs over a five-year period at the new facility with an average wage of approximately \$60,000. In addition to buying the building, the company anticipates adding \$5.75 million to High Point's tax base through building renovations, new equipment, and equipment relocated to this proposed location.

Mr. Hill pointed out the legal notice for this public hearing mentioned the company investing \$11.35 million in this project and that figure did include the purchase of the building. The City Council is being asked to consider approving up to \$147,000 in performance-based incentives for HAECO. He shared that the Guilford County Commissioners would hold a public hearing on this project on August 6th to consider authorizing performance-based incentives, also in the amount of \$147,000. Additionally, the State of North Carolina is considering participating in this project. Staff expects the company to make its location decision within the next two months.

Mr. Hill advised that the company officials understand that if High Point performance-based incentives are authorized, per High Point's incentive policies, the following provisions would need to be followed by the company:

- 1. HAECO would need to hold a job fair in High Point to help with the City's goal to employ as many High Pointers as possible. Working on the job fair with the Economic Development Corporation office and the company would be NC Works allies.*

2. *For this facility, HAECO would need to use a High Point post office box address and would need to publicly and officially refer to this facility as a High Point business- since this building is in a part of High Point that has another city's street address.*

Mr. Hill then recognized and introduced Mr. Kip Blakely, HAECO'S Vice President of Government and Industry Relations.

Mr. Blakely shared that this is a very exciting time for the company and the community and that the company has been very fortunate to have grown over the years. He applauded the aviation program that Andrews is now offering and noted with this special opportunity, HAECO is very eager to move HAECO Cabin Solutions headquarters to High Point. He advised Council that no jobs would be lost at their Wallburg location.

At this time, Mayor Bencini opened the public hearing and asked if there was anyone present who would like to comment.

Curtis Wilson, Vice President- Graco Supply, spoke in support of the request. He shared that HAECO has been a very valuable customer to his company. He mentioned that he has also been involved with the program at Andrews and they have been supportive. He felt there was certainly a lot of potential with the composite programs.

Mayor Bencini then asked if there were any additional comments. There being none, the public hearing was closed.

Authorized performance-based incentives in an amount not to exceed \$147,000 for HAECO Americas/TIMCO Aerosystems.

A motion was made by Council Member Alexander, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem J. Davis, to authorize performance-based incentives in an amount not to exceed \$147,000 for HAECO Americas/TIMCO Aerosystems. The motion PASSED by a 9-0 unanimous vote.

MISCELLANEOUS

150243 Concurrence with the City Manager's Determination for Release of Information re: Human Relations Department

Pursuant to N.C. General Statute 160A-168 Privacy of employee personnel records, the City Manager is asking for concurrence from the City Council regarding a determination for the release of certain personnel-related information.

Mayor Pro Tem J. Davis moved that in accordance with N.C.G.S. 160A-168 Council concurs with the city manager's determination for the release of certain information that has been provided by the manager and that doing so is essential to maintaining the public confidence in the city and the administration of services.

Council Member Alexander made a second to the motion, which carried unanimously. [9-0 vote]

Mayor Bencini then asked City Manager Greg Demko to comment. Mr. Demko read his determination into the record. [a copy of the determination and the summary of the investigative report by Patricia Holland re: Personal Safety (Heggins and Lowe) is hereby attached in Legistar as a permanent part of these proceedings].

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

150246 Public Comment Period

The following individuals addressed Council during the Public Comment Period:

Note: This is a brief summary of the comments made during the Public Comment Period. The transcript containing the full dialogue is hereby attached in Legistar as a permanent part of these proceedings.

Sage Shioma, a resident at 3214 Brassfield Road in Greensboro, addressed Council in support of Al Heggins, Human Relations Department Director.

Victoria Kovba spoke in full support of Human Relations Department employees, Al Heggins and Tony Lowe. In closing, she urged Council not to underestimate the power of good that Human Relations has done in not only High Point, but North Carolina and the United States.

Sara Palmer, who resides at 3219 Rockingham Road, and a member of the Interfaith Affairs Committee, expressed gratitude for the warm welcome she received when coming to High Point from another country and hoped to pass that warm welcome along to other immigrants coming to the International City of High Point. She aspired to be one of those individuals who speaks to bring together the community to create the most livable, safe and prosperous community in America. She stressed the importance that the Human Relations Department is to the Interfaith Affairs Committee's continued work.

Barbara Collins, 107 Crestwood Circle, Vice-Chair of the Human Relations Commission, notified Council that the Human Relations Commission of the City of High Point is in violation of Article A, Section 2-3-2 as mandated by the City of High Point that defines the responsibilities and tasks of the Human Relations Commission. She also brought to Council's attention the fact that several terms on the Human Relations Commission have expired making the Human Relations Commission non-functioning.

Dave Gwendari, 4403 Dogwood Court, addressed Council regarding concerns that the Human Relations Department is shut down and no one there to call on to get answers to questions.

Narayan Khadka, 3728 Pemberton Way, member of the Interfaith Affairs Committee, also spoke in support of the Human Relations Department and relayed they have been very helpful for the Nepalese community, as well as other communities. He expressed an eagerness and desire to move forward with the work that has already started and to include the international population in High Point.

Charles Hall, 512 Manor Drive, member of the Interfaith Affairs Committee representing the Baha'i faith in High Point, voiced support for Al Heggins and the outstanding leadership and support of the Human Relations Department. He reminded Council that the City of High Point has been identified as an International City and nationally recognized for its efforts to be respectful of an inclusive to all its citizens. He expressed concerns that the lack of a strong competent staff in the Human Relations Department, the Human Relations Commission and the Interfaith Affairs Committee would be severely hampered from fulfilling their goals. He asked Council to please keep its force going forward.

Steven Dudash, 900 Johnson Street, praised the Council for finally making the decision to take action on the traffic issues/problems that the Johnson Street residents have had to suffer through all these years.

Jas Atwal, 113 Scarlett Drive, member on the Interfaith Affairs Committee representing the Sikh community, also addressed Council in full support of Al Heggins' and Tony Lowe's leadership. He emphasized the need to have a Human Relations Department supporting the activities of the Interfaith Affairs Committee.

Tina Garton, 1102 Johnson Street, addressed Council regarding the dangerous traffic conditions making their Johnson Street community unsafe. She cited issues with speeding that occurs repeatedly throughout the day.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Mayor Pro Tem J. Davis announced that these matters were discussed by the Finance Committee at a meeting held on Thursday, July 16th and are being forwarded to Council with a favorable recommendation.

**Mayor Pro Tem J. Davis moved approval of all matters under the Finance Committee Consent Agenda. Council Member Williams made a second, which carried unanimously.
[9-0 vote]**

Action on these matters will be reflected throughout these minutes as being made and seconded by the same persons.

FINANCE COMMITTEE - *Mayor Pro Tem Davis, Chair
Committee Members C. Davis, Hill, and Williams
(all were present)*

150216 Purchase of Equipment - Rear Loading Refuse Truck

Council is requested to approve the purchase of a Freightliner truck with New Way rear loading refuse body from Scranton Manufacturing Company in the amount of \$180,982.84; declare the old truck as surplus and dispose through the online auction process and authorize the appropriate City official to execute all necessary documents.

Approved the purchase of a Freightliner truck with New Way rear loading refuse body from Scranton Manufacturing Company in the amount of \$180,982.84.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem J. Davis, seconded by Council Member Williams, to approve the purchase of a Freightliner truck with New Way rear loading refuse body from Scranton Manufacturing Company in the amount of \$180,982.84 and to declare the old truck as surplus to be disposed of through the online auction process and to authorize the appropriate city official to execute all necessary documents associated with same. The motion PASSED by a 9-0 unanimous vote.

150217**Purchase of Equipment - Truck Mounted Street Sweeper**

Council is requested to approve the purchase of a used 2014 Elgin Crosswind street sweeper from Public Works Equipment and Supply, Inc. in the amount of \$228,000 and authorize the appropriate City Official to execute the necessary documents.

Approved the purchase of a used 2014 Elgin Crosswind street sweeper from Public Works Equipment and Supply, Inc. in the amount of \$228,000 and authorized the appropriate city official to execute the necessary documents.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem J. Davis, seconded by Council Member Williams, to approve the purchase of a used 2014 Elgin Crosswind street sweeper from Public Works Equipment and Supply, Inc. in the amount of \$228,000 and to authorize the appropriate city official to execute all necessary documents associated with same. The motion PASSED by a 9-0 unanimous vote.

150218**Purchase of Equipment - Truck Mounted Vacuum**

Council is requested to approve the purchase of a new truck mounted vacuum debris collector from Old Dominion Brush, Inc., in the amount of \$165,877.05 and authorize the appropriate city official to execute the necessary documents.

Approved the purchase of a new truck mounted vacuum debris collector from Old Dominion Brush, Inc. in the amount of \$165,877.05 (with trade-in of old equipment) and authorized the appropriate city official to execute the necessary documents.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem J. Davis, seconded by Council Member Williams, to approve the purchase of a new truck mounted vacuum debris collector from Old Dominion Brush, Inc. in the amount of \$165,877.05 and to authorize the appropriate city official to execute the necessary documents associated with same. The motion PASSED by a 9-0 unanimous vote.

150219**Purchase of Equipment - Truck Mounted Sewer Vacuum**

Council is requested to approve the purchase of a truck mounted sewer vacuum from Rodders & Jet Supply Company in the amount of \$331,910.55 with trade in of old equipment and authorize the appropriate City Official to execute the necessary documents.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem J. Davis, seconded by Council Member Williams, to approve the purchase of a truck mounted sewer vacuum from Rodders & Jet Supply Company in the amount of \$331,910.55 (with trade-in of old equipment) and to authorize

the appropriate city official to execute the necessary documents associated with same. The motion PASSED by a 9-0 unanimous vote.

150220 Purchase of Equipment- Side Loading Refuse Trucks

Council is requested to approve the purchase of two (2) side loading refuse trucks from Scranton Manufacturing Company in the amount of \$515,977.58 and authorize the appropriate City Official to execute the necessary documents.

Approved the purchase of two (2) side loading refuse trucks from Scranton Manufacturing Company in the amount of \$515,977.58 and authorized the appropriate city official to execute the necessary documents.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem J. Davis, seconded by Council Member Williams, to approve the purchase of two (2) side loading refuse trucks from Scranton Manufacturing Company in the amount of \$515,977.58 and to authorize the appropriate city official to execute the necessary documents associated with same. The motion PASSED by a 9-0 unanimous vote.

150221 Purchase of Equipment - Fire Trucks

Council is requested to approve the purchase of three 2016 Pierce Enforcer fire trucks from Atlantic Emergency Solutions in the amount of \$1,699,674.00, and that the appropriate City official be authorized to execute all necessary documents.

Approved the purchase of three 2016 Pierce Enforcer fire trucks from Atlantic Emergency Solutions in the amount of \$1,699,674.00 and authorized the appropriate city official to execute all necessary documents.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem J. Davis, seconded by Council Member Williams, to approve the purchase of three 2016 Pierce Enforcer fire trucks from Atlantic Emergency Solutions in the amount of \$1,699,674.00 and to authorize the appropriate city official to execute the necessary documents associated with same. The motion PASSED by a 9-0 unanimous vote.

150222 Contract - Motorola P25 Migration Upgrade Project

Council is requested to approve contract with Motorola Solutions, Inc. in the amount of \$3,242,507.00 for the complete upgrade to the city's current radio system and authorize the appropriate City Official to execute the necessary documents.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem J. Davis, seconded by Council Member Williams, to approve the contract with Motorola Solutions, Inc. in the amount of \$3,242,507.00 for the complete upgrade to the city's current radio system and to authorize the appropriate city official to execute all necessary documents associated with same. The motion PASSED by a 9-0 unanimous vote.

150223 Contract - Motorola Radio Purchase

Council is requested to approve contract with Motorola Solutions, Inc. for the purchase of 65 portable radios and ninety eight (98) mobile radios as part of the annual eight (8) year radio replacement cycle in the amount of \$577,691.87 and authorize the appropriate City Official to execute the necessary documents.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem J. Davis, seconded by Council Member Williams, to approve the contract with Motorola Solutions, Inc. for the purchase of 65 portable radios and ninety-eight (98) mobile radios as part of the annual eight (8) year radio replacement cycle in the amount of \$577,691.87 and to authorize the appropriate city official to execute the necessary documents associated with same. The motion PASSED by a 9-0 unanimous vote.

150224 Contract - Vesta 911 Next Generation Phone System Lease

Council is requested to approval contract with Wireless Communications, Inc. for the lease of the Vesta 911 Next Generation Phone System. The lease price of this equipment including installation is \$673,707 over a five year period (final price with financing \$776,640.)

Approved the contract with Wireless Communications, Inc. for the lease of the Vesta 911 Next Generation Phone System.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem J. Davis, seconded by Council Member Williams, to approve the contract with Wireless Communications, Inc. for the lease of the Vesta 911 Next Generation Phone System. The motion PASSED by a 9-0 unanimous vote.

150225 Contract - Motorola/Intrado Solutions, Inc. - Next Generation 911 Service Solution

Council is requested to approve a Service Agreement with Motorola/Intrado Solutions to support the 911 Center's life critical Next Generation 911 solution. The contract price is \$1,173,365 and is payable over a 60 month period.

Approved a Service Agreement with Motorola/Intrado Solutions to support the 911 Center's life critical Next Generation 911 solution at a contract price of \$1,173,365 payable over a 60-month period.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem J. Davis, seconded by Council Member Williams, to approve a Service Agreement with Motorola/Intrado Solutions to support the 911 Center's life critical Next Generation 911 solution at a contract price of \$1,173,365 payable over a five-year period. The motion PASSED by a 9-0 unanimous vote.

150226 Acceptance of Grant from US Department of Homeland Security (FEMA)

Council is requested to accept the award of a grant from the US Department of Homeland Security (FEMA) in the amount of \$1,215,163.00 (1,104,694.00 Federal funds, \$110,469.00 City match).

City Manager Greg Demko announced that High Point University has agreed to donate the City's local match of \$110,469.00 for this grant award.

Accepted the award of a grant from the US Department of Homeland Security (FEMA) in the amount of \$1,215,163.00 (\$1,104,694.00 Federal funds, \$110,469.00 City match).

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem J. Davis, seconded by Council Member Williams, to accept the award of a grant from the US Department of Homeland Security (FEMA) in the amount of \$1,215,163.00 (\$1,104,694.00 Federal funds, \$110,469.00 City match). The motion PASSED by a 9-0 unanimous vote.

150227 Budget Ordinance Amendment - Self Contained Breathing Appartus - FEMA

Council is requested to adopt a Budget Ordinance amending the 2015-2016 Budget Ordinance to appropriate funds in the amount of \$1,215,163.00 for a grant received from FEMA for the purchase of self-contained breathing apparatus for the Fire Department.

Adopted Ordinance amending the 2015-2016 Budget Ordinance appropriating funds in the amount of \$1,215,163.00 for a grant received from FEMA for the purchase of self-contained breathing apparatus for the Fire Department.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem J.Davis, seconded by Council Member Williams, to adopt a Budget Ordinance amending the 2015-2016 Budget Ordinance to appropriate funds in the amount of \$1,215,163.00 for a grant received from FEMA for the purchase of self-contained breathing apparatus for the Fire Department. The motion PASSED by a 9-0 unanimous vote.

Ordinance No. 7157/15-40

Introduced 7/20/2015; Adopted 7/20/2015

Ordinance Book, Volume XIX, Page 40

150229 Resolution - Interlocal Agreement- Justice Assistance Grant Program

Council is requested to adopt a Resolution ratifying and authorizing the execution of an interlocal agreement between the City of Greensboro, High Point, and Guilford County for the shared use of the 2015 Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) program award.

Adopted Resolution ratifying and authorizing the execution of an interlocal agreement between the City of Greensboro, High Point, and Guilford County for the shared use of the 2015 Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) program award.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem J. Davis, seconded by Council Member Williams, to adopt a Resolution ratifying and authorizing the execution of an interlocal agreement between the City of Greensboro, High Point, and Guilford County for the shared use of the 2015 Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) program award. The motion PASSED by a 9-0 unanimous vote.

Resolution No. 1465/15-36

Introduced 7/20/20105; Adopted 7/20/2015

Resolution Book, Volume XIX, Page 36

150230 Municipal Agreement - NCDOT - Pedestrian Planning Grant

Council is requested to approve a Municipal Agreement with the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) for a Bicycle and Pedestrian Planning Grant.

Approved the Municipal Agreement with the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) for a Bicycle and Pedestrian Planning Grant.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem J. Davis, seconded by Council Member Williams, that the Municipal Agreement with NCDOT for a Bicycle and Pedestrian Planning Grant be approved. The motion PASSED by a 9-0 unanimous vote.

150231 Amendment to Lease - High Point Theatre/IHFC Property

Council is requested to approve an amendment to the original lease between the High Point Theatre and the International Market Center (IMC) to allow for a consistent budgeting for HVAC service and preventative maintenance that the Theatre receives from the IMC for the period of July 1, 2015, June 20, 2016.

Approved an amendment to the original lease between the High Point Theatre and the International Market Center (IMC) to allow for a consistent budgeting for HVAC service and preventative maintenance that the Theatre receives from the IMC for the period of July 1, 2015 through June 20, 2016.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem J. Davis, seconded by Council Member Williams, to approve an amendment to the original lease between the High Point Theatre and the International Market Center (IMC) to allow for a consistent budgeting for HVAC service and preventative maintenance that the Theatre receives from the IMC for the period of July 1, 2015 through June 20, 2016. The motion PASSED by a 9-0 unanimous vote.

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

COMMUNITY HOUSING & NEIGHBORHOOD DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - Council Member Golden, Chair

Committee Members: Alexander, Ewing and Williams
(all were present)

150232 Ordinance - Demolition of Dwelling - 208 Vail Avenue

Council is requested to adopt an ordinance ordering the inspector to effectuate the demolition of a dwelling located at 208 Vail Avenue belonging to Darrell D. Wallace and Ruth Valerie Wallace.

Katherine Bossi, Local Codes Enforcement Supervisor, provided an overview of the staff report, which is hereby attached in Legistar as a permanent part of these proceedings.

Ms. Bossi noted the accessory structure on the property is also included in the demolition. She shared that the structure has suffered extensive fire damage and the owner did not appear for the hearing, but did call. Ms. Bossi noted that the estimated repairs do exceed 50% of the tax value and the property owner was given a compliance date of May 11th. No permits have been applied for and no repairs have been made.

Adopted Ordinance ordering the inspector to effectuate the demolition of a dwelling located at 208 Vail Avenue.

A motion was made by Council Member Golden, seconded by Council Member Alexander, that the Ordinance be adopted ordering the inspector to effectuate the demolition of a dwelling located at 208 Vail Avenue. The motion PASSED by a 9-0 unanimous vote.

Ordinance No. 7158/15-41

Introduced 7/20/2015; Adopted 7/20/2015

Ordinance Book, Volume XIX, Page 41

150233 2015 Urgent Repair Program - Policies

Council is requested to approve a Procurement and Disbursement Policy and a Assistance Policy for the 2015 Urgent Repair Program for the Community Development and Housing Department as part of a \$100,000.00 grant awarded by the North Carolina Housing Finance Agency (NCHFA).

Mike McNair, Director of Community Development & Housing, explained this is a requirement from the North Carolina Housing Finance Agency to adopt a couple of policies associated with the 2015-2016 Urgent Repair Program: 1. Procurement and Disbursement Policy; and 2. Assistance Policy.

Council Member C. Davis inquired as to if all the dollars were used from last year's program. Mr. McNair estimated \$20,000-\$30,000 in funding that remains from last year's program. Chairman Golden asked if there was a reason why these funds were not used. Mr. McNair explained that the program got started late, applied for an extension and staff anticipates expending all funds.

Approved the Procurement and Disbursement Policy and Assistance Policy for the 2015 Urgent Repair Program for the Community Development and Housing Department as part of a \$100,000.00 grant awarded by the North Carolina Housing Finance Agency (NCHFA).

A motion was made by Council Member Golden, seconded by Council Member Ewing, to approve a Procurement and Disbursement Policy and an Assistance Policy for the 2015 Urgent Repair Program for the Community Development and Housing Department as part of a \$100,000.00 grant awarded by the North Carolina Housing Finance Agency (NCHFA). The motion PASSED by a 9-0 unanimous vote.

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - Council Member Wagner, Chair
Committee Members: C. Davis, J. Davis, and Golden
(all were present)

150234 Resolution of Intent - Annexation Case ANX15-06

Approval of a Resolution of Intent that establishes a public hearing date of August 17, 2015 at 5:30 p.m. to consider a voluntary contiguous annexation request. The proposed annexation site is an approximate 0.74-acre parcel lying along the north side of W. Wendover Avenue, approximately 670 feet east of Penny Road. The property is addressed as 5230 W. Wendover Avenue and is also known as Guilford County Tax Parcel 0170003.

Adopted a Resolution of Intent establishing a public hearing date of August 17, 2015 at 5:30 p.m. to consider a voluntary contiguous annexation request for an approximate 0.74-acre parcel lying along the north side of W. Wendover Avenue, approximately 670 feet east of Penny Road.

A motion was made by Council Member Wagner, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Davis, that this Resolution of Intent be adopted. The motion PASSED by a 9-0 unanimous vote.

Resolution No. 1467/15-38

Introduced 7/20/2015; Adopted 7/20/2015

Resolution Book, Volume XIX, Page 38

150235

Right-of-Way Encroachment Agreement - Marsh Furniture

Council is requested to approve a right-of-way encroachment with Marsh Furniture to allow for additional parking along S. Centennial Street, between Kearns Street and S. Main Street.

Mark McDonald, Director of Transportation, provided an overview of the request from Marsh Furniture. He explained that Marsh Furniture is proposing an expansion. The expansion will result in additional employees, which requires an additional of ten (10) parking spaces on S. Centennial between Kearns Street and S. Main Street. Mr. McDonald noted an encroachment agreement will give Marsh Furniture permission to do this. He further explained that they already have a Norfolk-Southern agreement to allow them to do this. From a safety standpoint, Mr. McDonald felt this would not interfere with the public right-of-way and shared at some point they do anticipate extending Ward Avenue across to S. Centennial Street and at that time it is very possible that this portion of S. Centennial will be closed.

Approved a right-of-way encroachment agreement with Marsh Furniture to allow for additional parking along S. Centennial Street, between Kearns Street and S. Main Street.

A motion was made by Council Member Wagner, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Davis, that this Right-of-Way Encroachment Agreement be approved. The motion PASSED by a 9-0 unanimous vote.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

150174

Ordinance - Sylvia Kennedy - Annexation Case 15-04
(Executrix for the estate of Helen Ruth Byerly)

A request by Sylvia Kennedy to consider a voluntary non-contiguous annexation of approximately 12.3-acres approximately 950 feet north of W. Lexington Avenue along the east side of Richard Byerly Road and west of Fernley Court.

Note: The joint public hearing for this matter, 150174 Annexation Case 15-04; and related matters 150175 Land Use Plan Amendment Case 15-01; and 150176 Zoning Case 15-07A was held on Monday, May 18, 2015 at 5:30 p.m. and continued at that time to the July 20, 2015 City Council meeting.

Herb Shannon with the Planning and Development Department, provided an overview of the staff report for this matter, which is hereby attached in Legistar as permanent part of these proceedings.

Mr. Shannon advised that the withdrawal of the TRC decision means that the applicant will develop the property in accordance with the city's access requirements, meaning there will be a second access point to the property to Richard Byerly Road.

Mr. Shannon reported that the applicant is proposing to develop a single-family subdivision on this 12-acre parcel of property and is requesting annexation in order to have access to city utilities. The annexation request represents a logical progression of the city's annexation policies for this area, as this property is within the city's planning area and there have been other annexation requests from the City of High Point that have been granted in this general area. The property does abut High Point city limits directly to the east. Staff noted that approval of this annexation request would not negatively impact the city's ability to provide services to this area. Davidson County did approve a resolution in support to allow this annexation application to proceed forward.

He pointed out that only the cross-hatched area is proposed to be annexed and noted that Heidi Galanti with the Planning and Development Department would provide an overview of the Land Use Plan Amendment 15-01 associated with Annexation Case 15-04.

Adopted Ordinance providing for the annexation of an approximate 12.3 acre parcel lying approximately 950 feet north of W. Lexington Avenue along the east side of Richard Byerly Road and west of Fernley Court.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Davis, seconded by Council Member Hill, that this Annexation Ordinance be adopted. The motion PASSED by a 9-0 unanimous vote.

Ordinance No. 7159/15-42

Introduced 7/20/2015; Adopted 7/20/2015

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150175 Allegro Investment Properties, LLC - Land Use Plan Amendment Case 15-01

A request by Allegro Investment Properties, LLC to change the Land Use Map classification for approximately 27 acres from Future Growth Area to Low Density Residential. The site is lying north of W. Lexington Avenue and east of Richard Byerly Road.

*Note: The joint public hearing for this matter, **150175 Land Use Plan Amendment Case 15-01; and related matters 150174 Annexation Case 15-04; and 150176 Zoning Case 15-07A** was held on Monday, May 18, 2015 at 5:30 p.m. and continued at that time to the July 20, 2015 City Council meeting.*

Heidi Galanti with the Planning and Development Department presented the staff report for Land Use Plan Amendment Case 15-01, which is hereby attached in Legistar as a permanent part of these proceedings.

Ms. Galanti pointed out this is just a Land Use Plan Amendment and identified the existing land uses in this area as: to the north is undeveloped; south, single family dwelling; east, single family dwellings and undeveloped parcels; to the west, single family dwelling and undeveloped parcels. The request is to amend the Land Use Plan from Future Growth to Low Density Residential to allow a residential subdivision just to the west of Fernley Court and to allow other low density residential development in the future to the portion to the north and down to the south. Ms. Galanti noted the applicant has requested the Land Use Plan amendment for approximately 12 acres, but explained that the planning staff also looks at the surrounding future grown area to determine the logical new boundary for the Land Use designations will be. This resulted in staff recommending some additional property be included as low density residential; therefore, the overall area is approximately 27 acres that will be amended from the future growth to the low density residential. The city's Community Growth Vision statement, Land Use Plan and North Davidson Area Plan are all applicable to this request and support the orderly growth of the community and protection of the environmentally sensitive areas such as streams, steep slopes and existing tree canopy.

Staff has determined that this request for a Land Use Plan amendment is appropriate for this area based on the City's Land Use policies, goals and objectives because it is an orderly growth of the city; there are single-family residential subdivisions within the city immediately to the east and north that are already served by public water and sewer; and the proposal to develop a single-family subdivision which includes the extension of the utilities makes the requested change from Future Growth to Low Density Residential appropriate. Staff recommends approval of Land Use Plan Amendment Case 15-01. The Planning and Zoning Commission met on April 28th and also recommended approval of the request by an 6-0 vote.

Mayor Bencini questioned the Recreation/Open Space area noting it appeared to be consistent with the stream bed, but there were other portions below that space that do not look like the typical open space where it follows a stream bed and this appeared to be excessive. Ms. Galanti identified the location of the stream and noted that when the Recreation/Open Space area was originally mapped, it was to protect stream areas and possible areas for future greenways. Mr. Shannon also pointed out that it also follows flood zone areas, so this could be the reason it broadens out in that location. Ms. Galanti shared that when and if staff does a large plan update, she felt the whole recreation and open space land use category would be something that staff would reevaluate.

Adopted Resolution approving Land Use Plan Amendment Case 15-01 for approximately 27 acres from Future Growth Area to Low-Density Residential based on consistency with the city's plans in that it is an orderly growth of the city, and it is immediately adjacent to an area that is currently designated as Low-Density Residential that is developed with an existing single family subdivision that is served with public water and sewer.

A motion was made by Council Member Wagner, seconded by Council Member Hill, that this Resolution be adopted authorizing a change in the Land Use Map classification for approximately 27 acres from Future Growth Area to Low Density Residential. The motion PASSED by a 9-0 unanimous vote.

Resolution No. 1468/15-39
Introduced 7/20/2015; Adopted 7/20/2015
Resolution Book, Volume XIX, Page 39

150176 Ordinance - Allegro Investment Properties, LLC - Zoning Case 15-07

A request by Allegro Investment Properties, LLC to rezone approximately 12.3 acres from the Low Density Residential (RS) and Rural Agricultural-3 (RA-3) Districts, both within Davidson County's zoning jurisdiction, to the Residential Single Family-15 (RS-15) District. The site is lying approximately 950 feet north of W. Lexington Avenue, along the east side of Richard Byerly Road and west of Fernley Court.

Approval of this rezoning request is contingent upon City Council approval of a voluntary annexation request.

*Note: The joint public hearing for this matter, **150176 Zoning Case 15-07A ; and related matters 150175 Land Use Plan Amendment Case 15-01; and related matters 150174 Annexation Case 15-04;** and was held on Monday, May 18, 2015 at 5:30 p.m. and continued at that time to the July 20, 2015 City Council meeting.*

Herb Shannon of Planning and Development presented the staff report, which is hereby attached in Legistar as a permanent part of these proceedings.

Mr. Shannon reported that the requested RS-15 assists in meeting the goals as identified by Ms. Galanti in the Land Use Plan Amendment Case 15-01. He noted the key standards from the Northwest Area Davidson Plan are being met and having the larger lot size assists in meeting those criteria. Staff feels the requested RS-15 is appropriate for this area based upon the Land Use Policies and adopted Land Use Plan and there are existing single-family subdivisions with the exact zoning in the area. Staff feels the applicant's request is reasonable in the public interest and consistent with the Land Use Plan, Subdivision Environmental Regulations of the Development Ordinance along with the dimensional requirements of the RS-15 district address the policy recommendations in the Northeast Davidson Plan and the requested RS-15 district has already been established in this area and is consistent with abutting zonings; therefore, staff is recommending approval of this request to rezone this area to an RS-15 district. The Planning and Zoning Commission reviewed this request at their April 28th meeting and recommended approval.

Council Member Alexander asked how they were proposing to handle traffic movement, lot layout, etc.... He expressed concerns about the piece of the land to the west of this development and questioned if there would be some type of stub road. Mr. Shannon pointed out this would be a function of the Technical Review Committee and emphasized the main goals for the City Council's determination is based upon the adopted policies and if the RS-15 district is appropriate for this area. Council Member Alexander pointed out the proximity of the stream and felt the stream would limit the development of the access piece to the north because they would have to eventually cross it somewhere. Mr. Shannon noted single-family homes on this property have access agreements with the abutting properties for driveway access to their property. He advised in the future if one of these property owners requests city utilities and wishes to annex into the city, they would have to work with those

abutting property owners to the west to get a public street access to that property. Mr. Shannon explained it could be a matter of economics and the cost of crossing the stream and dealing with the topography and suggested this may be the highest and best use for that property.

At this time, Chairman Wagner opened the public hearing and asked if there was anyone present who would like to speak in favor of the request.

Ron Davis, representing Allegro Investment Properties, 380 H Knollwood Street in Winston Salem, addressed Council in favor of the request. He asked that Council approve the request based on the comments including in the agenda documents, which Mr. Shannon provided a review of. He pointed out that the Planning and Zoning Commission voted unanimously to approve the request, as well as the High Point planning staff citing consistency with the city's adopted plans and public interest.

Mr. Davis shared that he requested an extension at the May 18th Council Meeting in order to have additional time to schedule a neighborhood meeting. He noted that he had been unsuccessful in having a neighborhood meeting prior to the May Council Meeting and were aware of the result of the Swans Landing Protest Petition enclosed in the packet. He advised that they did have a meeting on June 9th with the neighbors and discussed their plans at this time and addressed the concerns of the Swans Landing residents. He reported that they now have a better understanding of the concerns and will continue to communicate and address those concerns. He further explained that the appeal of the TRC decision withdrawal was a result of that meeting and based on the documents they submitted dated May 18th, it appears that everyone is pretty much on the same page. Mr. Davis informed Council that he is also currently working with several of the adjoining Swans Landing property owners to sell them portions of the property in order to provide additional buffers above and beyond what is required by the city. He noted in order to address some of the neighbors' concerns about the noise and mess from the construction, they would set up in the vacant, open off Richard Byerly to help mitigate this. He also committed to continue working with staff to ensure conformity with all subdivision development requirements and will continue to work with the neighbors on both sides of the property addressing their concerns.

Council Member Alexander inquired about the number of lots they would be developing. Mr. Davis replied they originally were proposing 22 lots, but after reviewing the stormwater requirements, they would lose some lots. He advised that there are currently no plans to cross the stream.

Chairman Wagner asked if there was anyone else present who would like to speak.

Gary Roy, a resident on Bennington Way, spoke in support of this request. He shared that he has been a resident in the neighborhood for six years and offered support for this particular project specifically around economic development. He explained that his wife was able to attend the neighborhood meeting and identified two challenges. One is there are a lot of questions and curiosity and he believes as these get resolved, the divide around the effects of the addition should balance out.

Jim Morgan, attorney representing the applicant, stated that he has been involved with zonings for 46 years and applauded the city for requiring the meetings with residents. He felt in this situation it resulted in a great outcome. He pointed out these would be high-dollar homes, which increases the tax base and gives the city another community in which to recruit companies coming to High Point.

Council Member C. Davis stated she was impressed that there was no opposition to this request and pointed out over 40 residents attended the information meeting.

Chairman Wagner asked if there were any additional comments. There being none, the public hearing was closed.

Adopted Ordinance rezoning approximately 12.3 acres from the Low Density Residential (RS) and Rural Agricultural-3 (RA-3) Districts, both within Davidson County's zoning jurisdiction, to the Residential Single Family-15 (RS-15) District based on consistency with the city's adopted plans, and finds this action to be reasonable and in the public interest by adopting the statements in the Staff Analysis section of the staff report.

A motion was made by Council Member Wagner, seconded by Council Member C. Davis, that this Ordinance be adopted authorizing the rezoning of approximately 12.3 acres from the Low Density Residential (RS) and rural Agricultural-3 (RA-3) Districts, both within Davidson County's zoning jurisdiction, to the Residential Single Family-15 (RS-15) District. The motion PASSED by a 9-0 unanimous vote.

Ordinance No. 7160/15-43

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Ordinance Book, Volume XIX, Page 43

150177 Appeal of a Technical Review Committee Decision - (Request to Withdraw)

At the May 18, 2015 Allegro Investment Properties, LLC requested an appeal of the decision of the Technical Review Committee to uphold subdivision access requirements. This appeal is pertaining to 12.3-acres lying approximately 950 feet north of W. Lexington Avenue along the east side of Richard Byerly Road and west of Fernley Court. At this time, the applicant is requesting to withdraw this appeal application.

Mr. Shannon advised that the withdrawal of the TRC decision means that the applicant will develop the property in accordance with the city's access requirements, meaning there will be a second access point to the property to Richard Byerly Road.

A motion was made by Council Member Davis, seconded by Council Member Wagner, that this matter be removed from the agenda to facilitate the withdrawal as requested by the applicant. The motion PASSED by a 9-0 unanimous vote.

150236 Resolution - City of High Point - Street Abandonment Case 15-05

A request by the Technical Review Committee to abandon a partially improved alley lying along the west side of Cable Street, approximately 65 feet south of W. Green Drive.

The public hearing for this matter was held on Monday, July 20, 2015 at 5:30 p.m.

Herb Shannon of Planning and Development presented the staff report, which is hereby attached in Legistar as a permanent part of these proceedings.

Mr. Shannon explained this is a continuation of the city's on-going street abandonment program where staff has been presenting abandonments of unimproved streets that have not been improved and there is no plan to improve them. This is a request to abandon a 12-foot wide alley that was platted in 1928, partially improved in the 1970s (paved over in concrete and used as parking). The parking has since been removed and is now an open area. Staff is recommending this alley be abandoned and the land be divided between the abutting property owners to the north and the south. The Technical review Committee reviewed this request and had no objections. Staff has determined that the abandonment of the public's interest in this alley would not deprive any of the adjacent property owners of access to their property. Staff then shared some photographs of the alley. The Planning & Zoning Commission reviewed this request at their June 23, 2015 meeting and also recommended approval by a vote of 8-0.

Council Member Golden asked if any of these properties were occupied. Mr. Shannon replied one was a vacant structure and one building has been demolished in the past month.

Following the presentation of the staff report, Chairman Wagner opened the public hearing and asked if there were any comments. There being none, the public hearing was closed.

Adopted Resolution authorizing the abandonment of a partially improved alley lying along the west side of Cable Street, approximately 65 feet south of W. Green Drive as provided by state statutes, and is found not to be contrary to the public's interest and is found not to deprive owners in the vicinity of the right-of-way reasonable means of ingress and egress to their property.

A motion was made by Council Member Wagner, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Davis, that this Resolution be adopted authorizing the abandonment of a partially improved alley lying along the west side of Cable Street, approximately 65 feet south of W. Green Drive. The motion PASSED by a 9-0 unanimous vote.

Resolution No. 1469/15-40

Introduced 7/20/2015; Adopted 7/20/2015

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Resolution - City of High Point - Street Abandonment Case 15-06

A request by the Technical Review Committee to abandon an unimproved right-of-way lying north of Tank Avenue.

Herb Shannon with Planning & Development provided an overview of the staff report, which is hereby attached in Legistar as a permanent part of these proceedings. Staff is recommending the northern stub of Tank Avenue be abandoned. This abandonment would not deprive any abutting property owners reasonable access to their property. The Technical Review Committee reviewed this request on May 6, 2015 and had no objections. Likewise, the Planning & Zoning Commission reviewed it at their June 23, 2015 meeting and also recommended approval by a vote of 8-0.

Following the presentation of the staff report, Chairman Wagner opened the public hearing and asked if there were any comments. There being none, the public hearing was closed.

A motion was made by Council Member Wagner, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem J. Davis, that this Resolution be adopted authorizing the abandonment of an unimproved right-of-way lying north of Tank Avenue. The motion PASSED by a 9-0 unanimous vote.

**Resolution No. 1470/15-41
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Resolution Book, Volume XIX, Page 41**

PROSPERITY & LIVABILITY COMMITTEE - *Council Member Ewing, Chair*
Committee Members: Alexander, Hill and Wagner
(all were present)

150242 Amendment to Traffic Schedule - Article P - Multi-Way Stop at Johnson Street & Farriss Avenue

Consideration of a recommendation by the Prosperity and Livability Committee to amend the Traffic Schedule - Article P to install a multi-way STOP at Johnson Street and Farriss Avenue.

The public hearing for this matter was held on Monday, July 20, 2015 at 5:30 p.m.

Chairman Ewing announced that the Prosperity & Livability Committee met on Wednesday, July 15th, at recommended this matter be forwarded to Council with a favorable recommendation for approval. He reported that Mr. McDonald traveled to Raleigh/Durham to look at what they are using in terms of traffic calming and accident mitigation in some residential areas and brought back some good information. The Raleigh DOT is consolidating information from a number of cities throughout the state on traffic calming policies and how they are addressing these issues and the report should be released in a few months, which will be reviewed in the Prosperity & Livability Committee to discuss what changes may be needed.

As a pre-cautionary measure, Council Member C. Davis suggested putting something up a little closer before getting to the STOP sign, possibly something painted on the pavement for STOP AHEAD. Mark McDonald, Director of Transportation, explained staff's intention is to post new traffic pattern signs all the way back to the intersection of Lexington Avenue and

place the STOP AHEAD signs in a pavement legend that would say STOP AHEAD. He noted the placement will be in accordance with the design standards for signing and marking. He reported that staff would also use a variable message sign for a period of time (before and after the installation of the 3-way STOP) to give motorists some advanced notice of new conditions. Mr. McDonald agreed that staff could look into the possibility of markings on the pavement closer to the STOP if needed.

Chairman Ewing noted the Prosperity & Livability Committee did ask that the efficiency of this be reviewed in six months and evaluate it in Committee if there is a need to move forward with a larger plan if necessary. Council Member Alexander asked about the timetable for implementing this. Mr. McDonald explained staff could begin the process of installing the signs fairly quickly with the variable message boards being out at least a week advising motorists of a new traffic pattern and noted it could probably be implemented within two weeks.

Mayor Bencini mentioned the continuing decline in traffic counts along Johnson Street and asked at what point Johnson Street would come off as a designated thoroughfare. Mr. McDonald noted staff does not anticipate volumes to decline any further than they have. He explained that Johnson Street is still on the city's Thoroughfare Plan as a major thoroughfare as it has been for 45+ years. He advised that staff will be looking at making a change to this. Chairman Ewing opened the public hearing and asked if there was anyone present who would like to speak regarding this matter.

David Willett, 1501 Delk Drive, informed Council that when looking at traffic proposals there are three elements of traffic safety: enforcement, engineering, and education. He explained all three of these aspects were necessary to make it work. He suggested one thing that a lot of cities are using is the "smart sign" and it seems to work. He offered to provide information to Council to help make any decisions.

Ryan Verstat, 1006 Johnson Street, thanked the City Council for their support in approving this request.

Chairman Ewing asked if there were any additional comments. There being none, the public hearing was closed.

Approved an amendment to Traffic Schedule- Article P to install a multi-way STOP at Johnson Street and Farriss Avenue with a 6-month evaluation period.

A motion was made by Council Member Ewing, seconded by Council Member Wagner, to approve the amendment to the Traffic Schedule- Article P to install a multi-way STOP at Johnson Street and Farriss Avenue, with a 6-month evaluation period. The motion PASSED by a 9-0 unanimous vote.

Pending Items

150190 Amendment to Traffic Schedule - Article P - Multi-Way Stop at Rotary/Farriss
Consideration of a recommendation by the Prosperity and Livability Committee to install a four-way STOP condition at the intersection of Rotary Drive and Farriss Avenue.

Chairman Ewing suggested to leave this matter in pending and reported that the Committee did get a presentation from staff at the Prosperity & Livability Committee meeting on July 15th. He felt after reviewing the city's current traffic calming policy and current accident count reports for this area, that it might need to be a resident-drive petition because of its similarity to some of the other ones in the city where the residents were required to pitch in half of the cost. He further explained that the Committee is awaiting results of a study conducted by the Raleigh Department of Transportation on traffic calming policies across the state and felt the Committee could use this information for evaluating the feasibility.

Council Member C. Davis stated she was puzzled not to see this on the Agenda after the Prosperity & Livability Committee made a favorable recommendation to send it forward since there seemed to be a dire need for it at that time. Chairman Ewing advised that it is in pending, but Council could vote to bring it out of pending and take action if that is the preference. He pointed out the concerns regarding Johnson/Farriss were a little different than those on Farriss/Rotary due to it being precipitated by a number of on-going accidents on Johnson/Farriss and the traffic count on Farriss/Rotary was not nearly to that degree. He felt adopting the 4-way STOP on Rotary/Farriss would be stepping into the traffic calming policy because all the necessary components are not in place to effectuate that policy. Mayor Pro Tem J. Davis felt this was a fair argument and he could support that. Mayor Bencini pointed out staff's report indicated that sometimes STOP signs do not really mitigate speed effectively.

Council Member Wagner pointed out the city's transportation department has already conducted a traffic study and recommended a 4-way STOP at Farriss/Rotary noting clearly that there is a speeding problem and the Prosperity & Livability Committee also gave the 4-way STOP at Farriss/Rotary a favorable recommendation. He shared that he did not see any difference between this request and the request from the residents on Johnson/Farriss. Mayor Bencini pointed out the difference in the two was the speeding vs. the number of accidents. He noted that the cost in putting a 4-way STOP was minimal and asked staff what would be lost if Council determines this is not working and recommends some other traffic calming measure. Mr. McDonald replied that the STOP signs could be reused so all the city would be out would be for would be for the timing and pavement markings. Council Member Wagner reiterated that the conditions on Farriss/Rotary were creating a dangerous situation and the residents there have come to Council asking for some relief.

Mayor Pro Tem J. Davis questioned Council's involvement in making decisions to install STOP signs throughout the city noting this was staff's responsibility. Mayor Bencini explained it escalated to Council because that many of the residents in this area brought their concerns to Council and put a lot of pressure on Council, which prompted the need for a response.

Council Member Wagner reiterated that putting in a 4-way STOP at Farriss/Rotary was the least expensive measure to control the problems and if this did not work and Council considers other measures, he expressed concern that Council might say no money is available. Council Member Alexander pointed out speed tables/speed humps were certainly efficient modifiers of speed and it would be more difficult for citizens to learn how to negotiate these than it would be to do a roundabout. Council Member Wagner stated he was not against speed tables, but the Prosperity & Livability Committee was recommending a 4-way STOP to be installed and evaluated after six months.

Council Member Hill agreed that Council does need to reevaluate the traffic calming policy, which is the intent of the Prosperity & Livability Committee, but pointed out there is an immediate problem that needs to be mitigated. She agreed with the installation of the 4-way STOP at Farriss/Rotary and if it does not work, then Council could amend the traffic calming policy accordingly. Mayor Pro Tem J. Davis questioned why the Farriss/Rotary intersection was chosen and felt it would make more sense to put a 4-way STOP down around Parkway or Woodland where the road straightens out. Mr. McDonald explained that staff looked at all intersections, site distance, curves, and chose the Farriss intersection because it afforded the overall visibility, best opportunity, and proximity being half-way. Council Member Alexander noted the neighbors in close proximity to the intersection voiced concerns with stacking that might occur at the STOP sign and asked if staff foresees stacking being a problem if a 4-way STOP is installed there. Mr. McDonald replied it may be at certain peak times during the day when school is in, but overall he does not see stacking as a persistent issue. Council Member C. Davis felt the number of accidents on Johnson versus the number on Rotary really makes a difference in her opinion.

Chairman Ewing asked if it was Council's desire to pull this matter from pending for consideration at tonight's meeting, but after reviewing the existing traffic calming policy and staff report, and making comparisons, he could probably supply a list of 30-40 intersections in the city that could warrant installation of 4-way STOPS. Council Member C. Davis stated James Road would be one.

At this time, Council Member Wagner moved to remove this matter from the pending list and place it on tonight's agenda for consideration. Council Member Alexander made a second to the motion. The motion carried by the following 7-2 vote:

Aye (7): Mayor Bencini; and Council Members Alexander, Golden, Williams, Hill, Wagner, and Ewing.

Nay (2): Mayor Pro Tem J. Davis and Council Member C. Davis.

Approved an Amendment to Traffic Schedule- Article P- to install a Four-Way STOP at Farriss/Rotary.

A motion was then made by Council Member Wagner, seconded by Council Member Alexander, to amend Traffic Schedule- Article P to install a four-way STOP condition at the intersection of Rotary Drive and Farriss Avenue. The motion carried by the following 6-3 vote:

Aye (6): Council Member Hill, Council Member Williams, Council Member Wagner, Council Member Golden, Mayor Bencini, and Council Member Alexander

Nay (3): Mayor Pro Tem J. Davis, Council Member Ewing, and Council Member C. Davis

GENERAL BUSINESS AGENDA

150238 Appointment - Theatre Advisory Board - Thigpen

Council is requested to confirm the appointment of Johnnie Thigpen to the Theatre Advisory Board to replace Charity Belton who has resigned. Appointment to be effective immediately and will expire June 1, 2018.

Approved the appointment of Johnnie Thigpen to the Theatre Advisory Board. Appointment effective immediately and will expire June 30, 2018.

A motion was made by Council Member Alexander, seconded by Council Member Hill, that this appointment be approved. The motion PASSED by a 9-0 unanimous vote.

150239 Reappointment- Alcoholic Beverage Control Board - Blakeney

Council is requested to confirm the reappointment of Mary Lou Blakeney to the Board of Alcoholic Control (ABC Board) effective immediately and expiring February 2, 2018.

Approved the reappointment of Mary Lou Blakeney to the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board. Appointment effective immediately and will expire February 2, 2018.

A motion was made by Council Member Hill, seconded by Council Member Ewing, reappointment be approved. The motion PASSED by a 9-0 unanimous vote.

150240 Approval of the Minutes of Previous City Council Meetings

- Budget Review Session; May 27, 2015 @ 3:00 p.m.
- Budget Review Session; May 28, 2015 @ 4:00 p.m.
- Manager's Briefing Session; June 1, 2015 @ 4:00 p.m.
- High Point City Council Regular Meeting; June 1, 2015 @ 5:30 p.m.
- Manager's Briefing Session/Budget Review Session; June 2, 2015 @ 3:00 p.m.
- Prosperity & Livability Committee; June 3, 2015 @ 9:00 a.m.
- Community Housing & Neighborhood Development Committee; June 9, 2015 @ 10:00 a.m.
- Finance Committee; June 11, 2015 @ 4:00 p.m.
- Budget Review Session; June 11, 2015 @ 4:45 p.m.
- Manager's Briefing Session/Budget Review Session; June 15, 2015 @ 3:30 p.m.
- High Point City Council Regular Meeting; June 15, 2015 @ 5:30 p.m.
- Special Meeting (MSD Public Hearing); June 18, 2015 @ 9:00 a.m.
- Adjourned Session; June 18, 2015 @ 9:30 a.m.

A motion was made by Council Member Davis, seconded by Council Member Ewing, that the preceding Minutes be approved as submitted. The motion PASSED by a 9-0 unanimous vote.

150097 Boards & Commissions- Vacancy Report

Attached is the current list of vacancies for all Boards and Commissions.

Attachments:

[Vacancy Report](#)

This information is included for informational purposes only.

COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL

Traffic Concerns on James Road and Evergreen Avenue

Council Member C. Davis mentioned some traffic concerns on James Road and noted that the residents in this area have been trying to get something done for years to slow the traffic down due to the proximity of the elementary school and the Rec Center. She also shared that Evergreen Avenue should also be studied.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before Council, the meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m. upon motion duly made by Council Member Alexander and second by Council Member Hill.

Respectfully Submitted,

William S. Bencini, Jr., Mayor

Attest:

Lisa B. Vierling, MMC
City Clerk