

**HIGH POINT CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – HIGH POINT MUNICIPAL BUILDING  
January 16, 2018 – 5:30 P.M.**

**ROLL CALL, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND MOMENT OF SILENCE**

*Mayor Wagner called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.. The Pledge of Allegiance followed with a Moment of Silence.*

*Upon call of the roll, the following Council Members were **Present**:*

*Mayor Jay W. Wagner, Mayor Pro Tem Christopher Williams (Ward 2); Council Member Britt Moore (At Large), Council Member Donald Scarborough (At Large), Council Member Jeffrey Golden (Ward 1), Council Member Monica Peters (Ward 3), Council Member Wesley Hudson (Ward 4), Council Member Victor Jones (Ward 5), and Council Member Jason Ewing (Ward 6)*

**SPECIAL RECOGNITION**

**2018-24      Resolution - Jamie Coleman**

*Mayor Wagner will present a Resolution to Jamie Coleman for his exemplary service as an employee of the City's Public Services Department.*

*Mayor Wagner read a resolution into the record recognizing Sanitation Worker Jamie Coleman for his exemplary service as an employee of the Public Services Department.*

*On December 20, 2017, Jamie was greeted by residents, four-year-old Aaron, and Jamie Fielding, Aaron's mother, while driving his usual garbage collection route. Aaron and Jamie frequently waved at each other during collection days, but had never met or spoken to one another. On that particular day, Aaron expressed excitement as he heard the garbage truck coming because he had a small snack bag to give him. Jamie also had a surprise for Aaron on that day. He presented Aaron with a toy garbage truck that he had purchased on his own, and also purchased a truck for another little boy, Jack, on his route.*

*It was also discovered that this was not the first time Jamie demonstrated exemplary customer service. In November 2016, while performing backdoor service pickup for an elderly resident, he discovered that she had fallen and was injured; he immediately called 9-1-1 and assisted her until EMS arrived.*

*Following the presentation of the resolution to Jamie Coleman, he received applause and a standing ovation by those present in the audience.*

*A photo opportunity followed with the Mayor, Jamie, Aaron, Jack, and their parents.*

## PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

### **2018-01      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 three (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.

*Jennifer Foy, Executive Director with World Relief was present and issued a personal invitation for Council to attend a dinner on February 8th for the Refugee population in High Point.*

## CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

*Finance Committee Chairman Moore reported that the Finance Committee did meet on January 11th and recommended all finance-related items be placed on the Consent Agenda with a favorable recommendation.*

**Council Member Moore then MOVED to APPROVE the finance-related items on the Consent Agenda. Council Member Ewing made a SECOND, which carried unanimously.**

*Note: Although one motion was made to approve/adopt these matters under the Finance Committee Consent Agenda, action on all of these matters will be reflected throughout the Consent Agenda portion of these minutes as being made and seconded by the same persons.*

**FINANCE COMMITTEE** - *Council Member Britt W. Moore, Chair*  
*Committee Members: Moore, Ewing, Hudson, and Jones*

### **2018-02      Contract - ECS Southeast LLP - Catalyst Project**

Council is requested to approve a contract proposal with ECS Southeast, LLP in the amount of \$292,700.00 for construction materials testing, Geotechnical and special inspections for the construction of the High Point Multipurpose Sports and Entertainment Facility.

Approved contract with ECS Southeast, LLP in the amount of \$292,700.00 for construction materials testing, Geotechnical, and special inspections for the construction of the High Point Multi-Purpose Sports and Entertainment Facility.

**A motion was made by Council Member Moore, seconded by Council Member Golden, that this matter be approved. The motion carried by the following unanimous 9-0 vote:**

Aye (9): Mayor Wagner, Mayor Pro Tem Chris Williams; Council Member Moore, Council Member Scarborough, Council Member Golden, Council Member Peters, Council Member Hudson, Council Member Jones, and Council Member Ewing

**2018-03      Resolution - Lease Agreement with Piedmont Electric Repair Company (PERCO)**

Council is requested to adopt a Resolution approving a Lease Agreement between the City of High Point and Piedmont Electric Repair Company to allow the company to remain on the property located at 500 and 504 West English Road an additional year beginning January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2020.

Adopted a Resolution approving a Lease Agreement between the City of High Point and Piedmont Electric Repair Company to allow the company to remain on the property located at 500 and 504 West English Road an additional year beginning January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2020.

**A motion was made by Council Member Moore, seconded by Council Member Ewing, that this resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following unanimous 9-0 vote:**

Aye (9): Mayor Wagner, Mayor Pro Tem Chris Williams; Council Member Moore, Council Member Scarborough, Council Member Golden, Council Member Peters, Council Member Hudson, Council Member Jones, and Council Member Ewing

**Resolution No. 1739/18-01  
Resolution Book, Volume XX, Page 1  
Introduced 1/16/2018; Adopted 1/16/2018**

**2018-04      Consulting Services - Alta Planning & Development - MPO Regional Bicycle Plan**

Council is requested to approve the selection of Alta Planning and Design to assist with the development of a regional bicycle plan for the High Point Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO).

Approved the selection of Alta Planning and Design to assist with the development of a regional bicycle plan for the High Point Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO).

**A motion was made by Council Member Moore, seconded by Council Member Ewing, that this contract with Alta Planning Services be approved. The motion carried by the following unanimous 9-0 vote:**

Aye (9): Mayor Wagner, Mayor Pro Tem Chris Williams; Council Member Moore, Council Member Scarborough, Council Member Golden, Council Member Peters, Council Member Hudson, Council Member Jones, and Council Member Ewing

**2018-05      Safe Routes to School - NCDOT Supplemental Agreement - Additional Funding**

Council is requested to approve and authorize the Mayor to execute a Supplemental Agreement with the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) for additional funding in the amount of \$560,000.00 for the Safe Routes to School sidewalk project.

Approved a Supplemental Agreement with NCDOT for additional funding in the amount of \$560,000 for the Safe Routes to School sidewalk project, and authorized the Mayor to execute the agreement.

**A motion was made by Council Member Moore, seconded by Council Member Ewing, that this Supplemental Agreement with NCDOT be approved. The motion carried by the following unanimous 9-0 vote:**

Aye (9): Mayor Wagner, Mayor Pro Tem Chris Williams; Council Member Moore, Council Member Scarborough, Council Member Golden, Council Member Peters, Council Member Hudson, Council Member Jones, and Council Member Ewing

**2018-06      Budget Ordinance Amendment - Safe Routes to School Grant**

Council is requested to adopt a budget ordinance amending the 2017-2018 Budget Ordinance to appropriate funds in the amount of \$560,000 for supplemental funding from the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) for the Safe Routes to School sidewalk project.

Adopted an Ordinance amending the 2017-2018 Budget Ordinance to appropriate funds in the amount of \$560,000 for supplemental funding from the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) for the Safe Routes to School Sidewalk project.

**A motion was made by Council Member Moore, seconded by Council Member Ewing, that this Budget Ordinance Amendment be adopted. The motion carried by the following unanimous 9-0 vote:**

Aye (9): Mayor Wagner, Mayor Pro Tem Chris Williams; Council Member Moore, Council Member Scarborough, Council Member Golden, Council Member Peters, Council Member Hudson, Council Member Jones, and Council Member Ewing

**Ordinance No. 7372/18-01**

**Ordinance Book, Volume XX, Page 1**

**Introduced 1/16/2018; Adopted 1/16/2018**

**2018-07      Contract - Yates Construction Company - Safe Routes to School Sidewalk Improvements**

Council is requested to approve award of contract to Yates Construction Company in the amount of \$1,099,247.00 for the Safe Routes to School sidewalk improvements.

Approved the contract with Yates Construction Company in the amount of \$1,099,247.00 for the Safe Routes to School Sidewalk improvements.

**A motion was made by Council Member Moore, seconded by Council Member Ewing, that the contract with Yates Construction Company be approved. The motion carried by the following unanimous 9-0 vote:**

Aye (9): Mayor Wagner, Mayor Pro Tem Chris Williams; Council Member Moore, Council Member Scarborough, Council Member Golden, Council Member Peters, Council Member Hudson, Council Member Jones, and Council Member Ewing

## **2018-08 Architectural and Design Firms - On Call Agreement**

Council is requested to execute Master Professional Service Agreements for architectural services with ADW, Clark Patterson Lee, Creech & Associates, HH, McAdams and Wright to provide services for City Departments on an as needed basis.

Approved the execution of Master Professional Service Agreements for architectural services for the following firms on an as needed basis.

1. ADW Architects
2. Clark Patterson Lee
3. Creech & Associates
4. HH Architecture, P.A.
5. Mcadams
6. Wright Architecture, P.A.

**A motion was made by Council Member Moore, seconded by Council Member Ewing, that these On Call Agreements be approved. The motion carried by the following unanimous 9-0 vote:**

Aye (9): Mayor Wagner, Mayor Pro Tem Chris Williams; Council Member Moore, Council Member Scarborough, Council Member Golden, Council Member Peters, Council Member Hudson, Council Member Jones, and Council Member Ewing

## **2018-09 Budget Ordinance Amendment - Guilford County Board of Education**

The City Council is recommended to approve a budget ordinance amendment appropriating \$221,961.00, and authorize the City Manager and Financial Services Director to remit payment in the amount of \$221,960.43 to the Guilford County Board of Education for prior collected property tax late listing penalties.

Adopted an Ordinance amending the 2017-2018 Budget Ordinance to appropriate funds in the amount of \$221,961.00, and authorized the City Manager and Financial Services Director to remit payment in the amount of \$221,960.43 to the Guilford County board of Education for prior collected property tax late listing penalties

**A motion was made by Council Member Moore, seconded by Council Member Ewing, that this Budget Ordinance Amendment be adopted. The motion carried by the following unanimous 9-0 vote:**

Aye (9): Mayor Wagner, Mayor Pro Tem Chris Williams; Council Member Moore, Council Member Scarborough, Council Member Golden, Council Member Peters, Council Member Hudson, Council Member Jones, and Council Member Ewing

**Ordinance No. 7373/18-02**  
**Ordinance Book, Volume XX, Page 2**  
**Introduced 1/16/2018; Adopted 1/16/2018**

**2018-26      Resolution - Contract - Envitech**

Council is requested to adopt a Resolution authorizing staff to enter into a contract with Envitech for disposal of biosolids for both wastewater plants through incineration.

Adopted a Resolution authorizing staff to enter into a contract with Envitech for disposal of biosolids for both wastewater plants through incineration.

**A motion was made by Council Member Moore, seconded by Council Member Ewing, that this resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following unanimous 9-0 vote:**

Aye (9): Mayor Wagner, Mayor Pro Tem Chris Williams; Council Member Moore, Council Member Scarborough, Council Member Golden, Council Member Peters, Council Member Hudson, Council Member Jones, and Council Member Ewing

**Resolution No. 1740/18-02**  
**Resolution Book, Volume XX, Page 2**  
**Introduced 1/16/2018; adopted 1/16/2018**

**REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS**

**COMMUNITY HOUSING, NEIGHBORHOOD DEVELOPMENT AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE - Council Member Golden, Chair**

*Committee Members: Golden, Peters, Scarborough, and Williams*

**2018-10      Ordinance - Demolition of Structure - 1227 Pearson Place**

Council is requested to adopt an ordinance ordering the housing inspector to effectuate the demolition of a structure located at 1227 Pearson Place belonging to Monument of Praise

*Lori Loosemore, Local Codes Enforcement Supervisor, explained this case was initially started in 2009, and was restarted in December 2016. There are multiple violations of the Minimum Housing Code. She reported that the property owner, Monument of Praise Ministries, has actively been seeking donations from the community to help with the repairs. To date, no repairs have been made, nor have any permits been applied for.*

*Chairman Golden recognized Masita Dorley who was present representing the Monument of Praise Ministries.*

*Ms. Dorley advised that the property was donated to the church to help veterans and the homeless, but at this time the only repairs have been internal. On behalf of the property*

owner, Ms. Dorley asked for a 90-day extension to allow them time to get a general contractor to make the necessary repairs. She explained that they solicited cost estimates from eight contractors, with the lowest bid coming in at \$62,000. They also reached out to Habitat for Humanity, but were advised that it would not qualify for their program. Due to the church having a steady revenue flow, she felt they could at least get the repairs started.

Council Member Ewing asked if the church considered just demolishing the structure on the property and rebuilding. Ms. Dorley explained they did entertain that thought, but the family who donated the property requested that the property not be demolished and they are trying to honor their wishes.

After Ms. Dorley shared their 90-day plan, Chairman Golden asked if this was satisfactory to staff. Ms. Loosemore preferred a 60-day extension based on the lack of funds to get the repairs done and no guarantee that the repairs would be made in a timely manner.

City Attorney JoAnne Carlyle suggested the housing case either be referred back to staff, or Council could set a specific date for the repairs to be completed.

Council Member Golden moved to refer this housing case back to staff for further review. Council Member Ewing made a second to the motion.

For further discussion, Council Member Moore suggested if this matter does come back to Council, there should be proof of a contract and the funds to complete the necessary repairs. Ms. Loosemore explained she suggested 60 days so staff could monitor and verify that they do have a contract moving forward, and if this is not the case, she would bring it back before Council for action.

Council Member Jones offered to share some organizations that could possibly help with resources or donations to help cover the repair costs.

**A motion was made by Council Member Golden, seconded by Council Member Ewing, that this matter be referred back to staff for further review. The motion carried by the following unanimous 9-0 vote:**

Aye (9): Mayor Wagner, Mayor Pro Tem Chris Williams; Council Member Moore, Council Member Scarborough, Council Member Golden, Council Member Peters, Council Member Hudson, Council Member Jones, and Council Member Ewing

## **2018-11      Ordinance - Demolition of Structure - 816 Mobile Street**

Council is requested to adopt an ordinance ordering the housing inspector to effectuate the demolition of a structure located at 816 Mobile Street belonging to Annie Young and Josephine Jones.

Lori Loosemore, Local Codes Enforcement Supervisor, advised this property was originally inspected on April 18, 2017 after receiving a complaint from a neighbor. A hearing was held on May 2, 2017, and no one appeared for the hearing. It was determined at that time that the repairs exceeded 65% of the value of the property and an Order to Repair or Demolish was issued with a compliance date of June 2, 2017. The property owner did make contact with the inspector on April 20, 2017 and advised that she could not attend the hearing, and that

*she did not intent to repair the property. Approximately \$1,379 in delinquent taxes are due on the property.*

*There was no one present to speak regarding this housing case.*

Adopted an Ordinance ordering the housing inspector to effectuate the demolition of a structure located at 816 Mobile Street.

**A motion was made by Council Member Golden, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Williams, that this demolition ordinance be adopted. The motion carried by the following unanimous 9-0 vote:**

Aye (9): Mayor Wagner, Mayor Pro Tem Chris Williams; Council Member Moore, Council Member Scarborough, Council Member Golden, Council Member Peters, Council Member Hudson, Council Member Jones, and Council Member Ewing

**Ordinance No. 7374/18-03  
Ordinance Book, Volume XX, Page 3  
Introduced 1/16/2018; Adopted 1/16/2018**

## **2018-12      Ordinance - Demolition of Structure - 1615 Fowler Place**

Council is requested to adopt an ordinance ordering the housing inspector to effectuate the demolition of a structure located at 1615 Fowler Place belonging to Heirs of Glenn E. Strickland.

*Lori Loosemore, Local Codes Enforcement Supervisor, reported that this property was originally inspected on April 25, 2017, after an inspector noticed a hole in the roof. A hearing was held on September 1, 2017, but no one appeared for the hearing. At that time, it was determined that the repairs exceeded 65% of the value of the property. As a result of that determination, an Order to Repair or demolish was issued on October 4, 2017 with a compliance date of November 10, 2017.*

*Ms. Loosemore advised that the inspector did speak with the property owner's daughters and they relayed that they do not have the money to make the repairs or to demolish the property. Approximately \$1,371 in delinquent taxes are owed on the property.*

Adopted an Ordinance ordering the housing inspector to effectuate the demolition of a structure located at 1615 Fowler Place.

**A motion was made by Council Member Golden, seconded by Council Member Scarborough, that this demolition ordinance be adopted. The motion carried by the following unanimous 9-0 vote:**

Aye (9): Mayor Wagner, Mayor Pro Tem Chris Williams; Council Member Moore, Council Member Scarborough, Council Member Golden, Council Member Peters, Council Member Hudson, Council Member Jones, and Council Member Ewing

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**Ordinance No. 7375/18-04**  
**Ordinance Book, Volume XX, Page 4**  
**Introduced 1/16/2018; Adopted 1/16/2018**

**2018-13**

**Ordinance - Demolition of Structure - 613 Manley Street**

Council is requested to adopt an ordinance ordering the housing inspector to effectuate the demolition of a structure located at 613 Manley Street belonging to Joshua and Sarah Stahl.

*Lori Loosemore, Local Codes Enforcement Supervisor, advised that this property was originally inspected on August 30, 2016. A hearing was held on January 25, 2017, but no one appeared. At that time, it was determined that the repairs exceeded 65% of the tax value, which qualified it for demolition. An Order to Repair or Demolish was issued on January 25, 2017 with a compliance date of February 28, 2017. Ms. Loosemore reported that the property owner did obtain a permit in September 2017, but there have not been any inspections requested for the property.*

*She explained that she originally made preparations to bring this housing case to Council on April 4, 2017; however, the property owner contacted her and committed to make some of the repairs over the next couple of months. She advised that the property owner also agreed to pay some of the delinquent property taxes, clean the overgrowth, repair the gutters, install the siding, and replace the kitchen floor. The property owner at that time anticipated that he would have the repairs completed and have the structure ready for occupancy by June 2017. Ms. Loosemore advised that staff has not been notified of any work that has been done, and \$2,871 in property taxes are still owed.*

*Chairman Golden recognized the property owner, Joshua Stahl, who was present to speak regarding this housing case.*

*Mr. Stahl shared that he is a vocational minister and a father of five children. He advised that they purchased this property in 2002 as an investment because it had been on the rental market with the same tenant for several years. However, in 2014, he found himself in an extended period of financial hardship due to the loss of his job, and the tenant moved out of the rental property.*

*He reiterated that permits were purchased late last year to make the repairs, and up until that time, they were engulfed in rehabbing a 23,000-square foot building into a church in Kernersville which took every ounce of his energy, focus, and time. He expressed confidence that he would have both the capital and the time to proceed with making the repairs on the structure at 613 Manley Street. He even offered to pay on the delinquent taxes owed should that be a deciding factor. He requested that he be afforded six additional months, which is the term of the permits.*

*Council Member Ewing asked about staff's comfort level with giving the property owner an additional six months. Ms. Loosemore explained that the pulling of a permit does not affect or stop a minimum housing case because the deciding factor is whether they are making repairs and moving forward or not. She reiterated staff's recommendation is to move forward with the demolition due to the fact that Mr. Stahl has not carried through on the commitments made and has not contacted staff after getting the notice for this action tonight.*

*At this time, Council Member Golden moved to adopt an Ordinance ordering the housing inspector to effectuate the demolition of a structure located at 613 Manley Street. Council Member Williams made a second to the motion.*

*For further discussion, Council Member Jones stated that he could not vote for the demolition and felt additional time should be granted for the property owners to make the repairs because this is one of the few housing cases where the property owner has stated a willingness to make the necessary repairs to the property.*

*Council Member Peters asked Mr. Stahl if he could do the repairs in the next 60 days. Mr. Stahl was confident that 60 days should suffice and he could have the property back on the market or the rental market within that period of time.*

**Council Member Hudson then made a SUBSTITUTE MOTION to allow the property owner additional time to make the repairs, and to place this housing case on the pending list in the Community Housing, Neighborhood Development & Public Safety Committee for 60 days. Council Member Jones made a second to the SUBSTITUTE MOTION.**

*Council Member Moore asked Mr. Stahl if he had contractors in place to do the work. Mr. Stahl replied that they do have contractors in place to do some of the trade work required by the permit such as the electrical, plumbing, HVAC, etc...*

*For clarification purposes, Council Member Ewing asked staff about the time duration between when the demolition order is approved and when the property is actually demolished. Ms. Loosemore replied it is about a 30-day period. She advised that the demolition could be halted if there is a great deal of progress being made.*

*At this time, Mayor Wagner called for a vote on the SUBSTITUTE MOTION to place this matter in pending for 60 days. The SUBSTITUTE MOTION carried by a 5-4 vote as follows:*

Aye (5): Council Member Moore, Council Member Peters, Council Member Scarborough, Council Member Hudson, and Council Member Jones

Nay (4): Council Member Golden, Mayor Wagner, Council Member Ewing, and Mayor Pro Tem Williams

**PROSPERITY & LIVABILITY COMMITTEE** - Council Member Ewing, Chair  
*Committee Members: Ewing, Golden, Hudson, and Peters*

## **2018-14      Resolution - Abandonment of Easements within the High Point Multi-Purpose Sports and Entertainment Facility Footprint**

Council is requested to adopt a Resolution Declaring the Termination of Easements due to the abandonment of public right-of-ways for property owned by the City within a four-block area bounded by Gatewood Avenue, N. Elm Street, N. Lindsay Street, and W. English Road. The City has combined these properties, which are located under the High Point Multi-Purpose Sports and Entertainment Facility footprint.

*City Attorney JoAnne Carlyle advised that action was taken by the City Council on November 20, 2017 to abandon public right-of-ways within a four-block area bounded by Gatewood Avenue, N. Elm Street, N. Lindsay Street, and W. English Road, which contained reservations of utility easements. Since that time, the City has combined the properties located under the stadium footprint and the title company has requested some type of confirmation from the City that intends for these reserved utility easements be extinguished.*

Adopted a Resolution Declaring the Termination of Easements due to the abandonment of public right-of-ways for properties owned by the City within a four-block area bounded by Gatewood Avenue, N. Elm Street, N. Lindsay Street and W. English Road, further described and identified on EXHIBIT A, which is hereby attached to the Resolution, which is incorporated as permanent part of these proceedings.

**A motion was made by Council Member Ewing, seconded by Council Member Golden, that this resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following unanimous 9-0 vote:**

Aye (9): Mayor Wagner, Mayor Pro Tem Chris Williams; Council Member Moore, Council Member Scarborough, Council Member Golden, Council Member Peters, Council Member Hudson, Council Member Jones, and Council Member Ewing

**Resolution No. 1741/18-03  
Resolution Book, Volume XX, Page 3  
Introduced 1/16/2018; adopted 1/16/2018**

**2018-23**

**Resolution - Approving Use of Construction Manager at Risk Services**

Council is requested to adopt a Resolution approving the use of Construction Manager at Risk Services for the Downtown Mixed-use Project.

*Deputy City Manager Randy McCaslin advised that staff is recommending adoption of this resolution approving use of construction manager at-risk services for the Downtown Mixed-Use Project. He explained this is a fairly new method approved by the General Assembly to help speed up the timing for construction projects, and pointed out it is similar to the design/build process that is being used for the stadium that is currently being designed and will be constructed in the very near future.*

*Currently, three engineering companies are actively working and doing engineering work for water, sewer, and stormwater in this area. Staff has sent out a Request For Qualification for a construction manager and anticipates having the responses back on January 24th, and at that time staff will select the best proposal. The construction manager, once selected, will work with these three engineering companies. Staff has determined that the use of a construction manager at-risk delivery system would be the most effective and efficient delivery on the project on time and on budget.*

*Mr. McCaslin explained that once they reach 60% of the design for the water, sewer, and stormwater lines, then the construction manager would determine a not-to-exceed price. The risk comes in for anything over and beyond the not-to-exceed price, which would be guaranteed at that point. Staff anticipates this price to be over \$90,000, so it would have to come back to the City Council for approval of the bids. Mr. McCaslin reiterated that this*

*work has to be completed by the end of this calendar year in order to have the stadium open by Spring of 2019.*

*Following Mr. McCaslin's overview, he entertained questions.*

*Council Member Golden pointed out the memo in the packet indicates there will be no budget impact, and asked if money has been budgeted for this work.*

*Mr. McCaslin explained that this particular item has no budget impact, but there would be a budget impact when staff brings back the bids to Council for the actual installation of the water, sewer, and stormwater lines. He advised that it would involve the use of funds that have already been budgeted for replacing of obsolete water/sewer lines and some of the stormwater lines, but it may have some other funds associated with it at that time.*

*Mr. McCaslin reiterated that this procedure will speed the process along, and that is why staff elected to use it; however, the lines would have to be replaced regardless, as most of the lines have been in the ground since the early 1900s.*

Adopted a Resolution approving the Use of Construction Manager At-Risk Services for the Downtown Mixed-Use Project.

**A motion was made by Council Member Ewing, seconded by Council Member Jones, that this resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following 9-0 vote:**

Aye (9): Mayor Wagner, Mayor Pro Tem Chris Williams; Council Member Moore, Council Member Scarborough, Council Member Golden, Council Member Peters, Council Member Hudson, Council Member Jones, and Council Member Ewing

**Resolution No. 1742/18-04  
Resolution Book, Volume XX, Page 4  
Introduced 1/16/2018; adopted 1/16/2018**

**2018-27     Ordinance to Appropriate Funds for a Pass-through Grant from the High Point Community Foundation to the High Point Community Sports and Entertainment Foundation**

Council is requested to adopt an ordinance amending the 2017-2018 Budget Ordinance appropriating funds in the amount of \$4,000,000 for a pass-through grant received from the High Point Community Foundation, which will be passed through to the High Point Community Sports and Entertainment Foundation. The funds are intended to be used by the High Point Community Sports and Entertainment Foundation for the purchase and startup costs of an Atlantic League baseball team.

**Motion by Council Member Ewing, second by Council Member Moore to suspend the rules so this matter could be added to the agenda for consideration. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.**

*Eric Olmedo, Budget and Administrative Director, explained this budget amendment is needed to appropriate funds for a pass-through grant in the amount of \$4,000,000 that will be received from the High Point Community Foundation and passed through to the High*

*Point Community Sports & Entertainment Foundation. He advised there would be no budget impact to the City. This action will simply allow us to accept the funds and authorize the manager to transfer the funds to the High Point Community Sports & Entertainment Foundation.*

**A motion was made by Council Member Ewing, seconded by Council Member Scarborough, that this budget ordinance amendment be adopted. The motion carried by the following unanimous 9-0 vote:**

Aye (9): Mayor Wagner, Mayor Pro Tem Chris Williams; Council Member Moore, Council Member Scarborough, Council Member Golden, Council Member Peters, Council Member Hudson, Council Member Jones, and Council Member Ewing

**Ordinance No. 7377/18-06  
Ordinance Book, Volume XX, Page 6  
Introduced 1/16/2018; Adopted 1/16/2018**

**PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE** - *Mayor Pro Tem Christopher Williams, Chair*  
*Committee Members: Williams, Jones, Moore, and Scarborough*

**2018-15      Blue Ridge Companies - Unified Development Plan - Tract E & F**

A request by Blue Ridge Companies for approval of a Unified Development Plan (UDP) for Tracts E and F of a Planned Development Mixed (PDM) District (ZA-03-21). This UDP review is for two tracts in this 298-acre PUD, which is located west of Barrow Road and south of Clinard Farms Road.

*Herb Shannon, Senior Planner with the High Point Planning Department, provided an overview of the staff report, which is hereby attached in Legistar as a permanent part of these proceedings.*

*This is a request by Blue Ridge Companies for a Unified Development Plan approval for Tracts E and F of the Piedmont Crossing Development, which is located west of Barrow Road and south of Clinard Farms Road.*

*Mr. Shannon advised that the 290-acre project was initially annexed and obtained zoning approval from the City Council in 2003 for a mixed-use development. This approval was made under a prior Development Ordinance and at that time, a Unified Development Plan was required for each tract of the planned development. At that time, Tract F was initially approved for either commercial or residential development. The developer would now like approval to allow townhome development for both Tract F and Tract E, which requires approval of the Unified Development Plan.*

*The Planning Department has reviewed this request and finds that the request is consistent with all the conditions that were initially adopted, and is recommending approval.*

*At this time, Mr. Shannon entertained questions.*

*Council Member Ewing inquired about the access points since Piedmont Parkway Extension has not yet been constructed, and asked about the timing of that with this proposed project.*

*Mr. Shannon explained as part of the development, they would be extending that specific segment of Piedmont Parkway that the property fronts on. Tract F has an extension from the south that connects to Piedmont Parkway. On Tract E, the extension of Piedmont Parkway that the property fronts on will have two access points and a future stub to the west, which does meet the access requirements of the Development Ordinance. He noted as part of this project, the developer would be making the extension to Piedmont Parkway.*

*Chairman Williams asked if there were any additional questions of staff. There was no one present to speak regarding this matter.*

*Approved a Unified Development Plan (UDP) for Tracts E and F of a Planned Development Mixed (PDM) District (ZA-03-21).*

**A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Williams, seconded by Council Member Ewing, that the ordinance approving the Unified Development Plan be adopted. The motion carried by the following unanimous 9-0 vote:**

Aye (9): Mayor Wagner, Mayor Pro Tem Chris Williams; Council Member Moore, Council Member Scarborough, Council Member Golden, Council Member Peters, Council Member Hudson, Council Member Jones, and Council Member Ewing

## PUBLIC HEARINGS

### **2018-16      Resolution- Hedgecock Road, LLC - Street Abandonment 17-05**

*A request by Hedgecock Road, LLC to abandon that portion of the Westside Thoroughfare lying north of Hedgecock Road and west of the Phillips Soccer Complex.*

*The public hearing for this matter was held on Tuesday, January 16, 2018 at 5:30 p.m.*

*Chairman Williams opened the public hearing and asked staff to come forward for presentation of the staff report.*

*Herb Shannon, Senior Planner with the High Point Planning Department, provided an overview of the staff report, which is hereby attached in Legistar as a permanent part of these proceedings.*

*This is a request to abandon an unimproved right-of-way that was originally set aside for the proposed Westside Thoroughfare, just north of Hedgecock Road and west of the Phillips Soccer complex. The right-of-way was recorded in 2007 as part of the final plat approval for Phase 2 of the Heritage Ridge subdivision directly to the north. The right-of-way is approximately 200-feet wide and contains about four acres, and if the abandonment is approved, the right-of-way will be divided along the middle and each of the property owners would receive half.*

*Mr. Shannon explained the long-range Westside Thoroughfare Plan was proposed to start at the intersection of N. Main Street and Old Plank Road, and proceed westward through the soccer fields, then south, and connect to National Service Road near the High Point/Thomasville city limits. Over the years, the evaluation of this right-of-way has pushed*

*it more westward and now the new realignment runs parallel to Horneytown Road, so the specific area that has been reserved is no longer needed.*

*Key things that were evaluated by staff:*

- 1. If abandoned, all abutting property owners will still have access, and no property owner will be deprived access to their property.*
- 2. The abandonment would not affect the width of Hedgecock Road, and will insure the appropriate width as required by the Transportation Department.*
- 3. The 15-foot electrical easement running along the north side of Hedgecock Road will be retained.*
- 4. The private easement for the Duke transmission line will not impact the easement and will remain in effect.*

*Staff is recommending the approval of the street abandonment request with the retention of the 15-foot-wide electrical easement along the northern limits of the Hedgecock Road right-of-way. The Planning & Zoning Commission reviewed this request at their December meeting and also recommend approval.*

*Following the presentation of the staff report, Chairman Williams asked if there was anyone present who would like to speak.*

*The applicant, Brian Craven, who resides at 1942 Spring Garden Street in Greensboro, spoke in favor of the request and entertained any questions.*

*There being no questions, Chairman Williams asked if there was anyone else present who would like to speak in favor of or in opposition to this request. There being none, the public hearing was closed.*

Adopted a Resolution approving the abandonment of that portion of the Westside Thoroughfare lying north of Hedgecock Road and west of the Phillips Soccer Complex.

**A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Williams, seconded by Council Member Scarborough, that the ordinance approving Street Abandonment 17-05 be adopted. The motion carried by the following unanimous 9-0 vote:**

Aye (9): Mayor Wagner, Mayor Pro Tem Chris Williams; Council Member Moore, Council Member Scarborough, Council Member Golden, Council Member Peters, Council Member Hudson, Council Member Jones, and Council Member Ewing

**Resolution No. 1743/18-05**

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**2018-17**

**Ordinance - Heal-Our-Heroes - Zoning Map Amendment 17-26**

A request by Heal-Our-Heroes to rezone approximately 7.2 acres from the Single Family Residential-3 (R-3) District to the Office & Institutional (OI) District. The site is lying at the

northeastern and southeastern corners of Bridges Drive and Futrelle Drive (1600 Bridges Drive, 1500 Bridges Drive and 1906 Futrelle Drive).

*The joint public hearing for this matter and related matter Special Use Permit 17-02 was held on Tuesday, January 16, 2018 at 5:30 p.m.*

\_\_\_\_\_*Transcript of Public Hearing*\_\_\_\_\_

***Herb Shannon:*** *The next two agenda items Zoning Map Amendment 17-26 and Special Use Permit 17-02 pertains to the same property, so staff will be doing a combined presentation. However, Council will need to vote on them separately. Because the special use permit is a quasi-judicial proceeding, I think now would be the time for anyone who wants to speak regarding the special use permit in favor of or in opposition need to come to be sworn in.*

*So anyone that wants to speak on the next two agenda items: Zoning Map Amendment 17-26 and Special Use Permit 17-02, please come to be sworn in.*

*[oaths administered by the City Clerk]*

***Herb Shannon:*** *I'm going to start off with Zoning Map Amendment 17-26. This is the location map and the area in red highlights the property. It's located north of Eastchester Drive, west of E. Hartley. And that's the area that's outlined in blue on the overhead projection.*

*The applicant is requesting the rezoning and the special use permit application to allow the conversion of the former John Wesley religious camp into a major social services facility that caters to veterans. The property is currently developed with a mixture of vacant structures from the previous religious camp.*

*In regards to the rezoning request, the applicant is requesting the property be rezoned from the R-3 District to the Office & Institutional District. This Office zoning has already been established in this area. The area to the west of this site, in this general area, obtained Office zoning approval in 1984. And across the street where you see the TO zoning, that was established in 1993. More recently, just next to the site, in this area here, obtained Office zoning to the Transitional Office District in 2015. Thus, Office zoning has already been established in this area. Except for some multi-family development or multi-family land use, most of this area has been slated by the adopted Land Use Plan for Commercial use.*

*This is a copy of our Land Use Map. The area you see highlighted in red is slated for Community Regional Commercial use. That will be for a larger scale development, not just for an individual lot, and Office to the south. In this case, with the site being in an area where Office zoning has already been established with the Land Use Plan supporting higher intensity uses, staff is recommending approval of this request.*

*The request is supported by several goals and objectives of the Community Growth Vision Statement. The Land Use Plan relating to workforce preparedness providing for a wide range of housing opportunities. Also, staff has included in the staff report, a reasonable statement that the OI District is immediately adjacent to the site and we do have that abutting*



*site that was rezoned to Transitional Office in 2015. Thus, the Planning and Development Department is recommending approval of rezoning the 7.2 acres to the Office and Institutional District.*

*In regards to the Special Use Permit, it covers the same area. A special use is a use in addition to the uses permitted by right in a district. Such use requires an analysis of potential impact on surrounding property owners. Thus, the purpose of the Special Use Permit would be to allow Council to conduct that analysis.*

*The applicant is requesting to establish a major social service use type in the Office and Institutional District on this site. The social service use falls under Residential use categories. It is intended to.....or it's defined as a facility that will support supervising personnel, provides temporary room and board, housekeeping, personal care, rehabilitative services to those in need. And includes post incarceration, drug alcohol rehabilitative services. Any facility that houses more than seven persons is considered a major social services facility.*

*In this case, the applicant can go into more detail. They are looking at repurposing the existing camp to have a facility that will cater to veterans. They're looking to have a facility that will house veterans while they are attending GTCC. And also have an accessory or public uses consistent with housing, office, computer lab, assembly hall, and a caretaker cottage as part of the Special Use Permit.*

*There is a specific site plan that has been reviewed by TRC that the applicant has proposed. With a Special Use, there are specific conditions that's part of the packet, and this bonding site plan.*

*The only conditions dealing with access is there will be no access from Eastchester Drive. All access will be from Bridges Drive and Futrelle Drive. The High Point Transportation Department has to approve specific access points.*

*And, finally, the developer would have to conform to the Special Use Plan that is part of the packet. This is a plan that they have submitted and the applicant can go into more detail on how they are proposing to reuse those existing structures.*

*Finally, included in your report, there are several Findings. I'm just going to touch base on the key items that the request will not materially endanger the public, health, and safety.*

- 1. As we noted, the Land Use Plan does support commercial use in this area. The proposed Social Service use will not be as intense as other uses that would be supported in this area.*
- 2. And also, the allowance of this use will provide some daily presence on this property to prevent any type of vandalism or further decay of those existing structures.*
- 3. There are specific standards that the Major Social Service facility will have to meet. Those have been reviewed by the applicant and that will be an on-going evaluation as they come in for permits for each building to insure they are meeting those requirements.*
- 4. Finally, they will not substantially injure the value of the abutting property. The request for this property to the updated Social Service use is similar to the previous*

*camp use. Instead of just being that type of facility, it will be a year-round type use that the applicant is proposing.*

*Thus, staff is recommending approval to allow a Major Social Service Use and Office/Institutional District. Both the rezoning and the Special Use Permit were reviewed by the Planning and Zoning Commission at their December public hearing. The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of the rezoning and they included a consistency statement that's part of your cover memo, and a recommendation for approval for the rezoning to Office/Institutional District. They also recommended approval of the Special Use Permit for the Major Social Service facility.*

*That is a brief summary. Are there any questions for staff at this time?*

**Council Member Scarborough:** *Mr. Shannon, how much renovation is it going to take to bring those facilities up to par?*

**Herb Shannon:** *I'm going to let the applicant address their plans and schedule.*

**Council Member Ewing:** *Herb, is this property affected by the radius restrictions that we have on group homes and properties like that?*

**Herb Shannon:** *No. There is no such standards or issues.*

**Chairman Williams:** *Any other questions for staff? Thank you, Mr. Shannon. I'll open up the public hearing portion and I'll hear from the applicant. We do have people that signed in. So I'll start with Dennis Borugian.*

**Dennis Borugian:** *Hi. I'm Dennis Borugian. I live at 2015 LaVista Drive in North High Point. We've been there about 30 years. My background is in engineering and corporate management. I'm here to speak in favor of moving forward with this rezoning proposal for the Heal Our Heroes Foundation.*

*The primary emphasis on this is to provide affordable housing for our veterans returning so that they can attend school at GTCC without having to worry about finding a place to live and taking care of things like that. It's also important to help these folks make the transition from military life to civilian life and that's what Heal Our Heroes is trying to do. They're also going to help find employment for these people. These are all good things. That, by itself, is enough to move forward.*

*I think it's important for you to understand that other entities and what Heal Our Heroes is going to do. The local educational institutions like GTCC and High Point University are already supporting us. They are partnered with Heal Our Heroes and they're benefitting from this. GTCC will benefit by increased attendance and increased graduation rates because the students won't have to worry about some of the life-style incidentals.*

*They'll benefit in other ways too. Schools like GTCC tailor their education to meet the needs of local industry, which we need. If we want to attract people to High Point new industry, we need that sort of thing and Heal Our Heroes is going to do that. When I was director of parts and services for Volvo, we partnered with GTCC to do just that. We had a problem with*

*finding trained, capable service technicians and mechanics for heavy truck applications. So, we partnered with GTCC to have them provide instructors. We provided the technical expertise. We gave them engines, transmissions, rear axles, and worked with them to develop a program to train people from High Point who ended up working at our dealerships in North Carolina and across the state. So, they helped us as an industry and we provided employment for our own people.*

*The second example of that is Honda Jet. Honda Jet has already partnered with GTCC and they're doing the same thing. GTCC is offering programs that are tailored to Honda Jet's needs. So, a friend of mine who had been unemployed for about a year, and had a lot of trouble getting a job, learned about this program at GTCC. He attended the class and was happy with the class and was immediately hired by Honda Jet. So, it does work.*

*If we want to promote this mega site in Randolph County, we need to have an employment base that entices employers to come and hire our people, but we also have to be willing to train people to meet their specific needs. This is something that we can do. This is what Bob is advocating with the Heal Our Heroes part of the program to bring our veterans back and give them that opportunity.*

*The City of High Point is also going to benefit from this program. As you drive down Eastchester, that's one of our scenic corridors to enter the city. We have several. Anything that we can do to improve that property, improve the appearance of the buildings, is going to improve that scenic corridors. So, we're to gain from that.*

*In terms of a source of employment, hopefully, some of these people when they finish their training, they're going to come work for the city in some respect, or come work in the city in some company. They can be firefighters, our new police force, our new EMTs-just to give you a few examples. So, that's a benefit that the City of High Point is going to get.*

*We're also going to be recognized as a leader in a city that has a heart. A city that thanks people for their service, their military service. But, it goes beyond that and actually does something like provides affordable housing and it gives them an opportunity to improve their education. Help them make the transition from the military to civilian life. Help them get a job. That's a good thing. And, that's taking a leadership position as a city and that's something that we need to do.*

*The community support for this has been overwhelming so far. We've had support from High Point University, from Nido Qubein and his staff. They've been doing a wonderful job. The work days we've had students from High Point University show up and help us. They were awesome. I had the privilege of leading a team to empty out one of the buildings and we had the coaches and High Point University Basketball Team, the men's basketball team and the women's soccer team. These kids were amazing. They were the first volunteers to begin work and they were the last ones to leave the field. They just wouldn't quit. And when I went to them at the end to try to thank them for helping us, they said, "we appreciate the opportunity to do this, to perform this community service to help other people." So, I don't know what Nido Qubein and his staff are doing, but they have instilled in these students something really beautiful. These kids are genuine. They weren't just giving me a line of bull. They were sincere. They really were happy to be there to help.*

*So, these are good things. These are reasons to move forward with the project. I'm going to suggest to you that you approve this, the rezoning of this property, so that we can move ahead and anything else we can do to help Bob with this program, let's do it. This is the right thing to do. Any questions?*

**Council Member Scarborough:** *About the renovation costs, are you the person that can answer that?*

**Dennis Borugian:** *No, Bob can handle that. He's working with companies like Home Depot, who are providing some of the funding. He can provide the information on that. I think funding will be something that Bob can deal with. We're working with local engineering firms, local architects, and contractors. We have people.....we are working with George Holbrook. Jay, I think you know him. We worked with him on the Planning and Zoning Commission. So, we have good support from the community. I think this could be a well-organized project. I think there's a lot of work to do and it's going to take a lot of effort.*

*Bob is the right guy. This is a guy who has great leadership skills and a good heart. He was a combat officer in Vietnam. So, he was the tip of the spear and his leadership skills there helped us as a nation. For that we owe him a lot of thanks and gratitude. When he transitioned from military to civilian life, he saw the need of helping these people when they come back from the military. That's why he wants to work with them to develop this Heal Our Heroes program. To come up with affordable housing for them, so that they don't have to worry about that. To help them with the transition from military life to civilian life. To help them with finding how to get a job and make the adjustments. This is the right guy. He's a good person and we need to recognize that. Thank you, Bob.*

**Council Member Golden:** *I heard you say GTCC several times. Are you using any of the other universities, or is it strictly for veterans that are attending GTCC.*

**Dennis Borugian:** *We'll begin with GTCC. At this point, I think they're already helping 25 out, veterans that are there now, that could mesh right into this program. This is going to help them out. So that's just GTCC. We may start there and we may end there. We don't know. But this is the kind of thing that could begin in High Point and hopefully this would spread across the nation. This could be like a beacon of hope for these people coming back from military service. This is the starting point. This is leadership. This is a good man.*

**Chairman Williams:** *Thank you, Dennis. I didn't get your name on this list.*

**Hayes Finley:** *Yes, I apologize. My name is Hayes Finley. I'm representing the applicant from Smith Moore Leatherwood. I'm honored to be here to represent Heal Our Heroes. As Dennis said very eloquently, Bob Uber has done an excellent job with community support for this organization. So, I'd just like to present on behalf of the applicant, our application very briefly. And, also introduce our engineer, Eddie MacEldowney, who is here to answer any site-specific questions you may have. As you heard from the Planning Department, Heal Our Heroes is seeking to rezone and repurpose the John Wesley Religious Camp into a vibrant life-skills, training, and housing facility for veterans enrolled at GTCC as a start, hoping to grow and network with other institutions.*

*The current site has fallen into serious disrepair and is vacant-mostly vacant. It has been called an eyesore. This prominent and visual location on a major corridor near High Point University is in serious need of a new purpose and a new vision, which Heal Our Heroes is prepared to do.*

*We recommend to you the statement of consistency with the Comprehensive Plan that was unanimously adopted by the Planning and Zoning Commission, and the proposed Findings of Fact on the Special Use Permit that are included in your packet.*

*We do have one amendment that we'd like to add tonight, which is a second option for the Site Plan. It was brought to our attention that one of the buildings that was designated on this Site Plan to be demolished might be worth saving. So, we have included a second Site Plan as an option if that is possible. So, that is the second Site Plan. The only difference, as you can see, this is the building here that's currently scheduled to be demolished and that's where the parking lot would be at. Instead, we would just move the parking lot over here and save that building.*

*I will let Bob Uber talk to you about his vision for the program and the property, but if you have any questions for me regarding the legal standards for the Land Use Plan or anything of that nature, I can address those.*

**Council Member Peters:** *I have a question. So, I know that there is a creek and a pond that runs through that property. Have you all considered ways of how to address any stormwater issues?*

**Hayes Finley:** *Stormwater design engineering plans have not been developed at this stage, but they will be addressed when we start any construction.*

**Council Member Jones:** *It shouldn't really affect anything because they're not building new structures.*

**Council Member Peters:** *Oh, they're not?*

**Council Member Jones:** *They are going to be renovating and upfitting the current dilapidated structures, so as far as stormwater changes, there won't be any alterations to that.*

**Mayor Wagner:** *They would have to comply with whatever our stormwater regulations are through the permitting process and what-not.*

*Were you able to submit this site plan to staff in advance?*

**Hayes Finley:** *Yes.*

**Chairman Williams:** *Next up, we'll hear from Bob Uber.*

**Bob Uber:** *Okay, here we go. I'm Bob Uber and as a combat vet, I recognize a lot of the issues that veterans do face. This is kind of personal for me. I didn't realize until I came home from Vietnam that I would get a Bronze Star and go about my life and begin to do what*

*everybody else does when they come out of the military. It didn't hit me right away because I went into business and was successful with that. I left that at 50 and began working with veterans and then this whole PTSD thing came roaring at me because you're talking about your life experiences, all of those Pandora boxes and all of those little closets comes out. So, I recognize personally, the issues that these veterans face. It's real. It's significant. They're being well-addressed. There's a lot of cases where it's not successful in dealing with those issues. The number one treatment for combat trauma, for example, is self-induced. They are just trying to anesthetize it. So, we just need to reach out to this group of people.*

*I would say my specific goal is, in fact, the Millennial vets, because they're going somewhere. They're transitioning. They're still trying to get jobs. They're still trying to come back into society. So, Heal Our Heroes was formed for that purpose. So, our purpose, organizationally, is to honor and to heal and to hire our veterans. So, the honor is simply benefit driven so they can get their benefits. One of the benefits is housing, food, a place to stay. They can give them a start and purpose to do that. And I've been doing that for five years. But now comes along this facility and this facility kind of changes things because now you have a plan. A piece of property that you can give back to these veterans.*

*So, it's been well-stated and I appreciate that, but in talking a little bit about what the actual plan is. But, what we are calling this is the Heal Our Heroes Transitional Life Skills Facility. So, what we're really trying to say here is that we're trying to navigate these veterans from combat, through the classroom, and back into a civilian society. And that's been a difficult process for them.*

*Number one, they're 27-28 years old and when they hit the community college, they're in class with 17-18-year-olds. So, this is a lot of chaos in the classroom. They're used to structure. There's the age barrier. And, they're pretty motivated. They need to be certified in something so that they can get back into the community. So, we want to help them do that.*

*When we talk about life skills, we're recognizing that they can be 20-30 years old and went right from 18 in the military. So, they are really not equipped for experiences to deal with the domestic issues in setting up their own home, or financial literacy on how to handle a loan or a lease or the purchasing of a home. Things like even Toastmasters, where they would be able to present themselves in a very positive way.*

*So, this Life Skill Center is in full support of and in partnership with GTCC. There's 500-600 veterans at GTCC. Some will go, oh they have a GI bill or stipends, but others who do not have access to the GI bill or use the GI bill are the ones that are really falling into the hole. They do not have affordable housing. So we do have the residency option in this camp to do that. So, whether they come and stay for a month or stay for the length of their time at GTCC, we would provide that through scholarships free of charge to them.*

*The other thing, too, is they have lost the whole identity of the unit. I talked to Mark Harris with GTCC, and he will tell you this, that they don't find each other. That they're isolated. So, that's part of their struggle. There's other vets in their class, but they don't identify where they are.*

*We will set up a veteran's center for all veterans to find a second home for them or just to come meet with other veterans. We have a very targeted mission for those that are in GTCC, so that they can do that transition.*

*Interesting because we're noticing, if you look at economic development, we're trying to form a consortium with the Real Builder's Association, Guilders Association, with the financial institutions and we become the fourth part of that consortium with the manpower. This speaks directly to what we were talking about on the demolition of property. Because the consortium would work with the city, identify blighted properties that can be made available, use the Builder's Association contractors to provide the skills for that, then an apprenticeship program. This apprenticeship program would be a builder for GTCC meaning if they enroll at GTCC, get some structure, get some classes going, and then we will put you, as an apprentice, in one of these blanket properties that the city has made available for the consortium. They will work on it for a year or however long, identify a contractor and a skill that they have adapted to. The contractor looks at that individual's development and says this person is meritorious of being hired. So that it all coalesces at the same time. The property is completed. One or more individuals receives a job offer from a contractor that he worked for and that individual, a veteran, moves into that development, who has a job. And all of a sudden opens a bank account and starts paying taxes as he moves into the economic community.*

*I just think it's a great transition for them to do that. Well, that's the vision. We could talk all night about that. I'm very passionate about that. But, I would like to speak to some of your detailed questions.*

*We're partnering with....it's sort of a new organization. You probably haven't heard about it, but it's called NCServes. It is a collaborative effort of about 30-40 veteran service organizations. They specifically provide services and they all come together so that a veteran can intervene to NCServes at any of the portals, fill out a generalized profile form, and begin to receive housing benefits, legal services, resume' writing, job skill training. All of those things can be a one-stop shop for a veteran. Most people just go to the VA, but not all qualify for VA services. But this NCServes is non-profit driven. It's active in Raleigh and Charlotte and it's going incredibly well.*

*So, it's based on partnerships. One is NCServes. One is GTCC. Another one is High Point University. MLK is a volunteer day for High Point University. They had 60 at the camp doing exactly what Dennis was talking about. Cold weather and all. There they were helping to clean up the buildings and prepare them for renovation.*

*So, financial partnerships, are perhaps a question. We received the largest grant from High Point Community Foundation that they gave out this year. Home Depot has stepped up and looked at our property and said that we qualify for it, which is not the same as approval for it, the Community Impact Grant. That Community Impact Grant can go up as high as \$250,000. Specifically, you have to itemize everything you need, so it's a materials grant, but they come out for you and measure windows, doors, surfaces. So, from the material side of it, they can really underwrite a major part of the renovation.*

*I make no attempt to renovate all twelve buildings. We have plenty of identified key purpose buildings that we want to start with in Phase I. We obviously need to have barracks, or*

*dorms. They like calling them barracks. We take these first 25 students. You need to have approval for that, which we have inspection approval for our dining hall and our kitchen. But it needs renovation. It's serviceable as is. Then we need this Life Skills Center.*

*I would speak just briefly to this confusing proposal between one or the other. Now that 6,000 square foot building looks awful. So, plans were to get rid of it. Smarter people than me looked at that specific building and said there's some very good lumber in that building. It's not deteriorated, it's not infested, you ought to salvage the building. Finally, a preservationist came in and said, Bob, keep the building. And I did what so many people do. I looked at the skin of that building. As many people look at the outside and said they're not worth salvaging, but inside.....there's a young man that gave his life, for our service, for his country, gave his all. Now he's struggling to make that transition back into the community.*

*I think High Point University can be a destination site where you'd want to bring people to see it thriving, that some of the vets are going from combat, through the classrooms and back into the community.*

*Any questions?*

**Chairman Williams:** *Any questions from Council?  
Thank you, Bob, before you go. I really appreciate this opportunity in what you are affording our community.*

**Bob Uber:** *I'm just a servant. Behind me I have a huge following. I am very excited about this.*

**Chairman Williams:** *Thank you, Bob. I don't have anyone else signed up, so does anyone else need to speak on this matter? [none] Seeing none, I will close the public hearing portion of this.*

*I will make a motion to approve 2018-17 Ordinance.....*

**City Attorney JoAnne Carlyle:** *Pardon Me, if you could include in your motion approval of the amendment that was submitted tonight by the applicant.*

**Chairman Williams:** *Will that need to go in the Special Use?*

**City Attorney Carlyle:** *The Special Use, yes.*

**Chairman Williams:** **I move approval of Zoning Map Amendment 17-26 based on consistency with the city's adopted plans and reasonable as stated and in the public interest as outlined in the staff report.**

**Council Member Peters:** **Second.**

**Mayor Wagner:** *There is a motion and a second. Is there any further discussion? [none] Hearing none, all those in favor, please signify by saying Aye.*



**Mayor Wagner; Mayor Pro Tem Williams; and Council Members Moore, Scarborough, Golden, Peters, Hudson, Jones, and Ewing:** Aye.

**Mayor Wagner:** *Is there anyone opposed? [none] That motion passes.*

**Chairman Williams:** I make a motion to approve Special Use 17-02 as requested by Heal Our Heroes and this includes approval of the additional Site Plan that was submitted to staff, based on consistency with the city's adopted plans and that the request is reasonable in the public interest based on the statements identified in the staff report.

**Council Member Moore:** Second.

**Mayor Wagner:** *There is a motion and a second. Is there any further discussion? I'll just say, you know, I think what you guys are doing is great. It's great for our city and most of all, it's great for our veterans who served. It's up to us as a community and as a country to seek them and give back to them. I think it's great what y'all are doing.*

**Bob Uber:** Thank you.

**Mayor Wagner:** *No further discussion? Everyone in favor, please signify by saying Aye.*

**Mayor Wagner; Mayor Pro Tem Williams; and Council Members Moore, Scarborough, Golden, Peters, Hudson, Jones, and Ewing:** Aye.

**Mayor Wagner:** *Is there anyone opposed? [none] That motion passes.*

*Following the conclusion of the joint public hearing for Zoning Map Amendment 17-26 and Special Use Permit 17-02, the Ordinance was adopted approving the rezoning of approximately 7.2 acres from the Single Family Residential-3 (R-3) District to the Office & Institutional (OI) District, based on consistency with the City's adopted plans, and that the action taken is considered to be reasonable and in the public interest based on staff's comments as outlined in the staff report.*

**A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Williams, seconded by Council Member Peters, that the ordinance approving Zoning Map Amendment 17-26 be adopted. The motion carried by the following unanimous 9-0 vote:**

Aye (9): Mayor Wagner, Mayor Pro Tem Chris Williams; Council Member Moore, Council Member Scarborough, Council Member Golden, Council Member Peters, Council Member Hudson, Council Member Jones, and Council Member Ewing

**Ordinance No. 7376/18-05  
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**2018-18      Heal-Our-Heroes - Special Use 17-02**

A request by Heal-Our-Heroes to allow a Major Social Service Facility use type in the Office & Institutional (OI) District. The site is lying at the northeastern and southeastern corners of Bridges Drive and Futrelle Drive (1600 Bridges Drive, 1500 Bridges Drive and 1906 Futrelle Drive).

*The joint public hearing for this matter and related matter **Zoning Map Amendment 17-26** was held on Tuesday, January 16, 2018 at 5:30 p.m.*

*Note: For specific comments made during the public hearing for **Special Use Permit 17-02**, please refer to **2018-17 Zoning Map Amendment 17-26**.*

*[Sworn testimony was required for Special Use Permit 17-02. As such, oaths were administered by the City Clerk for those desiring to speak and offer testimony during the public hearing for this matter].*

Approved Special Use Permit 17-02, including the additional Site Plan that was submitted to staff, based on consistency with the City's adopted plans and that the request is reasonable in the public interest based on the statements identified in the staff report.

**A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Williams, seconded by Council Member Moore, that Special Use 17-02 be approved. The motion carried by the following unanimous 9-0 vote:**

Aye (9): Mayor Wagner, Mayor Pro Tem Chris Williams; Council Member Moore, Council Member Scarborough, Council Member Golden, Council Member Peters, Council Member Hudson, Council Member Jones, and Council Member Ewing

**GENERAL BUSINESS AGENDA****2018-19      City of High Point Board of Adjustment - Request for Replacement of ETJ Member**

Council is requested to forward the Board of Adjustment request recommending the appointment of Sandra Dunn as an ETJ Alternate, and the appointment of Tyler Walsh as the ETJ Regular Member to the Guilford County Board of Commissioners for consideration and approval.

Approved the forwarding of the recommendation by the Board of Adjustment to appoint Sandra Dunn as an ETJ Alternate and to appoint Tyler Walsh as the ETJ Regular Member to the Guilford County Board of Commissioners for consideration.

**A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Williams, seconded by Council Member Moore, that this matter be approved. The motion carried by the following unanimous 9-0 vote:**

Aye (9): Mayor Wagner, Mayor Pro Tem Chris Williams; Council Member Moore, Council Member Scarborough, Council Member Golden, Council Member Peters, Council Member Hudson, Council Member Jones, and Council Member Ewing

**2018-20      Appointments/Reappointment - Human Relations Commission**

Council is requested to confirm the following appointments and reappointment to the Human Relations Commission: Council Member Jeff Golden is recommending the appointment of Sarah Otte as the Ward 1 appointment (term expires 11/1/2019); Council Member Wesley Hudson is recommending the appointment of Daniel Gardner as the Ward 4 appointment (term expires 11/1/2020); Council Member Chris Williams is requesting the reappointment of Latishia Bahena as the Ward 2 appointment (term expires 1/1/2019).

Approved the appointment/reappointment of the preceding individuals to the Human Relations Commission.

**A motion was made by Council Member Moore, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Williams, that the preceding appointments/reappointment be approved. The motion carried by the following unanimous 9-0 vote:**

Aye (9): Mayor Wagner, Mayor Pro Tem Chris Williams; Council Member Moore, Council Member Scarborough, Council Member Golden, Council Member Peters, Council Member Hudson, Council Member Jones, and Council Member Ewing

**2018-21      Resolution - Ratifying Seaboard Settlement Agreement**

Council is requested to adopt a Resolution Ratifying City Council's vote in closed session to approve the Seaboard Settlement Agreement.

Adopted a Resolution Ratifying City Council's vote in closed session to approve the Seaboard Settlement Agreement.

**A motion was made by Council Member Ewing, seconded by Council Member Golden, that this resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following 9-0 vote:**

Aye (9): Mayor Wagner, Mayor Pro Tem Chris Williams; Council Member Moore, Council Member Scarborough, Council Member Golden, Council Member Peters, Council Member Hudson, Council Member Jones, and Council Member Ewing

**Resolution No. 1744/18-06  
Resolution Book, Volume XX, Page 6  
Introduced 1/16/2018; Adopted 1/16/2018**

**2018-22      Minutes to Be Approved**

- Manager's Briefing Session; Monday, December 18th @ 4:00 p.m.
- Regular Council Meeting; Monday, December 18th @ 5:30 p.m.

Approved the preceding minutes as submitted by the City Clerk.

**A motion was made by Council Member Ewing, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Williams, that these minutes be approved. The motion carried by the following unanimous 9-0 vote:**

Aye (9): Mayor Wagner, Mayor Pro Tem Chris Williams; Council Member Moore, Council Member Scarborough, Council Member Golden, Council Member Peters, Council Member Hudson, Council Member Jones, and Council Member Ewing

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before Council, the meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m. upon motion duly made by Council Member Moore and second by Council Member Ewing.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Jay W. Wagner, Mayor

Attest:

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Lisa B. Vierling, MMC  
City Clerk