HIGH POINT CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING AUGUST 19, 2019 – 5:30 P.M. COUNCIL CHAMBERS – HIGH POINT MUNICIPAL BUILDING

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 Moment of Silence. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Boy Scout Ian Scott.

Upon call of the roll, the following Council Members were **Present** (8):

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

The following Council Members were Absent (1):

Council Member Britt W. Moore (At Large),

RECOGNITIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

2019-355 Proclamation - National Recovery Month

Mayor Wagner will present a proclamation to Caring Services, Inc. recognizing the 30th anniversary of the Recovery Month observance and designating the month of September as "National Recovery Month"

Mayor Wagner read the Proclamation into the record recognizing the 30th anniversary of the "Recovery Month" observance and designating the month of September as "National Recovery Month."

Brian Brown, a clinician with Caring Services in High Point was present to accept the Proclamation on behalf of all the recovering addicts. He acknowledged the recovering addicts present in the audience and thanked the City Council for bearing witness as proof that they do recover.

[applause, photo op]

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Mayor Pro Tem Jason Ewing chaired the Finance Committee portion of the meeting due to the absence of Council Member Britt Moore, Chairman of the Finance Committee.

Acting Chairman Ewing reported that the Finance Committee did meet as scheduled on Thursday, August 15, 2019 and placed all the Finance-related matters on the Consent Agenda with a favorable recommendation with the exception of the matters for the Bond Orders, which require a public hearing and separate actions.

Mayor Pro Tem Ewing moved to approve all finance-related items on the Consent Agenda. Council Member Jones made a second to the motion, which carried by an 8-0 unanimous vote. [Council Member Britt Moore was absent]

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

<u>FINANCE COMMITTEE - Council Member Moore, Chair Committee Members: Moore, Ewing, Hudson, and Jones.</u>

2019-356 <u>Agreement - Kimley Horn - Transportation Study - High Point (MPO) City of Lexington</u>

Council is requested to approve a supplemental agreement with Kimley-Horn and the High Point Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) on behalf of the City of Lexington in the amount of \$105,000 for a transportation study for the area generally located at the Interstate 85/NC 8 interchange. A City of Lexington match of 20% is required and will be reimbursed to the MPO.

Approved a supplemental agreement with Kimley-Horn and the High Point Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) on behalf of the city of Lexington in the amount of \$105,000 for a transportation study for the area generally located at the Interstate 85/NC 8 interchange.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Ewing, seconded by Council Member Jones, that this matter be approved. The motion carried by the following unanimous 8-0 vote:

Aye (8): Mayor Wagner, Council Member Williams, Council Member Scarborough, Council Member Golden, Council Member Peters, Council Member Hudson, Council Member Jones, and Mayor Pro Tem Ewing

Absent (1): Council Member Moore

2019-357 Contract - Core + Main LP - Fire Hydrant

Council is requested to award a contract to Core + Main LP for the purchase of fire hydrants in the annual amount of \$56,014.05 for a total contract award of \$168,042.15. The fire hydrant contract will run from September 1, 2019 through August 30, 2022 (3-year contract) with the option to renew for two (2) additional one (1) year periods if terms and pricing are agreeable to both parties.

Approved award of a contract to Core + Main LP for the purchase of fire hydrants in the annual amount of \$56,014.05 for a total contract award of \$168,042.15 (from September 1, 2019 through August 30, 2022 for a three-year contract with an option of renewal for two (2) additional one-year periods if terms and pricing are agreeable to both parties.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Ewing, seconded by Council Member Jones, that this matter be approved. The motion carried by the following unanimous 8-0 vote:

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Mayor Wagner, Council Member Williams, Council Member Scarborough, Council Member Aye (8): Golden, Council Member Peters, Council Member Hudson, Council Member Jones, and Mayor Pro Tem Ewing

Absent (1): Council Member Moore

2019-358 Contract - Garney (CMAR) - Appling Way - Change Order #4

Council is requested to approve a change order with Garney Companies, Inc. in the amount of \$2,584,160.20 for the construction of Appling Way. The project will include the construction of a new public road that will connect N. Elm Street and Pine Street and include the construction of sidewalk, streetscaping, curb and gutter, water/sewer utility lines, and storm drainage system.

Approved Change Order #4 to the Garney Companies, Inc. in the amount of \$2,584,160.20 for the construction of Appling Way to include the construction of a new public road that will connect N. Elm Street and Pine Street and include the construction of sidewalk, streetscaping, curb and gutter, water/sewer utility lines, and storm drainage system.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Ewing, seconded by Council Member Jones, that this matter be approved. The motion carried by the following unanimous 8-0 vote:

Mayor Wagner, Council Member Williams, Council Member Scarborough, Council Member Aye (8): Golden, Council Member Peters, Council Member Hudson, Council Member Jones, and Mayor Pro Tem Ewing

Council Member Moore Absent (1):

2019-359 Contract - Sink Farm Equipment - Slope Mower

Council is requested to award a contract to Sink Farm Equipment in the amount of \$99,580.45 for the purchase of a Kubota M5-111HDC12 tractor with Terrain King mower and declare the old tractor with mower as surplus and disposing through the online auction process.

Approved award of a contract to Sink Farm Equipment in the amount of \$99,580.45 for the purchase of a Kubota M5-111HDC12 tractor with Terrain King mower and declared the old tractor with mower as surplus to be disposed of through the online auction process.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Ewing, seconded by Council Member Jones, that this matter be approved. The motion carried by the following unanimous 8-0 vote:

Aye (8): Mayor Wagner, Council Member Williams, Council Member Scarborough, Council Member Golden, Council Member Peters, Council Member Hudson, Council Member Jones, and Mayor **Pro Tem Ewing**

Absent (1): Council Member Moore

2019-360 Contract - Piedmont Truck Center - Tactical Equipment Vehicle

Council is requested to award a contract to Piedmont Truck Center in the amount of \$121,143.00 for the purchase of a Ford F550 with enclosed body to replace a 1997 Ford Econoline E350 equipment van and also declare the old van as surplus and disposing through the online auction process.

Approved award of a contract to Piedmont Truck Center in the amount of \$121,143.00 for the purchase of a Ford F550 with enclosed body to replace a 1997 Ford Econoline E350 equipment van and declared the old van as surplus to be disposed of through the online auction process.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Ewing, seconded by Council Member Jones, that this matter be approved. The motion carried by the following unanimous 8-0 vote:

Aye (8): Mayor Wagner, Council Member Williams, Council Member Scarborough, Council Member Golden, Council Member Peters, Council Member Hudson, Council Member Jones, and Mayor Pro Tem Ewing

Absent (1): Council Member Moore

2019-379 2018 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Funding - JAG

Council is requested to establish a public hearing date of Monday, September 16, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. for the purpose of receiving public comments on the funding for the 2018 Edward Byrne memorial Justice Assistance Grant Funding (JAG).

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A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Ewing, seconded by Council Member Jones, that this matter be approved. The motion carried by the following unanimous 8-0 vote:

Aye (8): Mayor Wagner, Council Member Williams, Council Member Scarborough, Council Member Golden, Council Member Peters, Council Member Hudson, Council Member Jones, and Mayor Pro Tem Ewing

Absent (1): Council Member Moore

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

FINANCE COMMITTEE - Council Member Moore, Chair

2019-361 **Public Hearings & Adoptions of Bond Orders**

Council is requested to hold three individual public hearings on the following three bond orders and adopt the bond orders as introduced at the meeting of the City Council held on July 15, 2019 meeting.

- 1. "Bond Order authorizing the issuance of \$22,000,000 General Obligation Streets and Sidewalk Bonds of the City of High Point, North Carolina;" and
- 2. "Bond Order authorizing the issuance of \$21,500,000 General Obligation Parks and Recreation Bonds of the City of High Point, North Carolina;" and
- 3. "Bond Order authorizing the issuance of \$6,500,000 General Obligation Housing Bonds of the City of High Point, North Carolina."

Acting Chairman of the Finance Committee, Mayor Pro Tem Ewing announced that the next set of items involve public hearings on the bond orders and advised three separate public hearings would be conducted with a vote on the Resolution for the referendum at the conclusion of the public hearings.

At 5:30 p.m., Mayor Pro Tem Ewing announced that the City Council would hear anyone who wished to be heard on the questions of validity of the General Obligation Streets and Sidewalk Bond Order (\$22,000,000) and the advisability of issuing the General Obligation Streets and Sidewalk Bonds. No one was present who requested to be heard in connection with the foregoing bond questions.

Mayor Pro Tem Ewing then moved that the public hearing be closed on the \$22,000,000 General Obligation Streets and Sidewalks Bonds. Council Member Williams made a second, which carried by a unanimous 8-0 vote. [Council Member Moore was absent]

At 5:30 p.m., Mayor Pro Tem Ewing then announced that the City Council would hear anyone who wished to be heard on the questions of validity of the General Obligation Parks and Recreation Bond Order (\$21,500,000) and the advisability of issuing the General Obligation Parks and Recreation Bonds. No one was present who requested to be heard in connection with the foregoing bond questions.

Mayor Pro Tem Ewing then moved that the public hearing be closed on the \$21,500,000 General Obligation Parks and Recreation Bonds. Council Member Williams made a second, which carried by a unanimous 8-0 vote. [Council Member Moore was absent]

At 5:31 p.m., Mayor Pro Tem Ewing then announced that the City Council would hear anyone who wished to be heard on the questions of validity of the General Obligation Housing Bond Order (\$6,500,000) and the advisability of issuing the General Obligation Housing Bonds. No one was present who requested to be heard in connection with the foregoing bond questions.

Mayor Pro Tem Ewing then moved that the public hearing be closed on the \$6,500.000 General Obligation Housing Bonds. Council Member Williams made a second, which carried by a unanimous 8-0 vote. [Council Member Moore was absent]

Following the conclusion of the public hearings, Mayor Pro Tem Ewing moved that the City Council adopt without change or amendment, and direct the City Clerk to publish Notices of Adoption as prescribed in the Local Government Bond Act of the Bond Orders entitled:

1. "Bond Order authorizing the issuance of \$22,000,000 General Obligation Streets and Sidewalk Bonds of the City of High Point, North Carolina;" and

- 2. "Bond Order authorizing the issuance of \$21,500,000 General Obligation Parks and Recreation Bonds of the City of High Point, North Carolina;" and
- "Bond Order authorizing the issuance of \$6,500,000 General Obligation Housing Bonds of the City of High Point, North Carolina."

Council Member Williams made a second to the motion, which carried by an 8-0 unanimous vote as follows:

Mayor Wagner, Council Member Williams, Council Member Scarborough, Council Member Aye (8): Golden, Council Member Peters, Council Member Hudson, Council Member Jones, and Mayor **Pro Tem Ewing**

Council Member Moore Absent (1):

2019-362 **Resolution - Setting Special Bond Referendum**

Council is requested to approve a RESOLUTION SETTING A SPECIAL BOND REFERENDUM AND DIRECTING THE PUBLICATION OF NOTICE OF A SPECIAL BOND REFERENDUM AND NOTIFICATION OF THE BOARDS OF ELECTIONS for the following Bond Orders:

- 1. "Bond Order authorizing the issuance of \$22,000,000 General Obligation Streets and Sidewalk Bonds of the City of High Point, North Carolina;" and
- 2. "Bond Order authorizing the issuance of \$21,500,000 General Obligation Parks and Recreation Bonds of the City of High Point, North Carolina;" and
- "Bond Order authorizing the issuance of \$6,500,000 General Obligation Housing Bonds of the City of High Point, North Carolina."

Adopted a Resolution setting a Special Bond Referendum for November 5, 2019 and directing the publication of Notice of a Special Bond Referendum, and notification of the Special Bond Referendum to the Davidson County Board of Elections, Forsyth County Board of Elections, Guilford County Board of Elections, and Randolph County Board of Elections.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Ewing, seconded by Council Member Williams, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following unanimous 8-0 vote:

Aye (8): Mayor Wagner, Council Member Williams, Council Member Scarborough, Council Member Golden, Council Member Peters, Council Member Hudson, Council Member Jones, and Mayor Pro Tem Ewing

Council Member Moore Absent (1):

> Resolution No. 1897/19-53 Resolution Book Volume XX, Page 126

COMMUNITY HOUSING, NEIGHBORHOOD DEVELOPMENT AND PUBLIC SAFETY

<u>COMMITTEE - Council Member Golden, Chair</u>

Committee Members: Golden, Peters, Scarborough, and Williams

2019-363 2019-2020 Affordable Housing Program Procedures HUD

Council is requested to approve the Affordable Housing Procedures required by HUD and authorize the appropriate City official to execute all necessary documents.

Council Member Golden, Chairman of the Community Housing, Neighborhood Development and Public Safety Committee, reported that this matter was briefly discussed in committee and the committee recommended it be forwarded to the City Council with a favorable recommendation to include some minor changes to the language.

Approved the Affordable Housing Procedures as required by HUD and authorized the appropriate City official to execute all necessary documents.

A motion was made by Council Member Golden, seconded by Council Member Williams, that this matter be approved. The motion carried by the following unanimous 8-0 vote:

Aye (8): Mayor Wagner, Council Member Williams, Council Member Scarborough, Council Member Golden, Council Member Peters, Council Member Hudson, Council Member Jones, and Mayor Pro Tem Ewing

Absent (1): Council Member Moore

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - Council Member Williams, Chair

Committee Members: Williams, Jones, Moore, and Scarborough

2019-364 Resolution of Intent - Annexation 19-07

Approval of a Resolution of Intent to establish a public hearing date of September 16, 2019 at 5:30 p.m., to consider a voluntary contiguous annexation of approximately 28 acres located west of Dillon Road, approximately 350 feet north of Bales Chapel Road. The property is addressed as 3411 and 3411-R Dillon Road and also known as Guilford County Tax Parcel 160602 and 228590.

Adopted a Resolution of Intent establishing a public hearing date of September 16, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. to consider a voluntary contiguous annexation of approximately 28 acres located west of Dillon Road, approximately 350 feet north of Bales Chapel Road, specifically located at 3411 and 3411-R Dillon Road, and more specifically known as Guilford County Tax Parcel 160602 and 228590.

A motion was made by Council Member Williams, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Ewing, that this Resolution of Intent be adopted. The motion carried by the following unanimous 8-0 vote:

Aye (8): Mayor Wagner, Council Member Williams, Council Member Scarborough, Council Member Golden, Council Member Peters, Council Member Hudson, Council Member Jones, and Mayor Pro Tem Ewing

Absent (1): Council Member Moore

Resolution No. 1893/19-49 Resolution Book Volume XX, Page 122

2019-365 Resolution of Intent - Annexation 19-08

Approval of a Resolution of Intent to establish a public hearing date of September 16, 2019 at 5:30 p.m., to consider a voluntary contiguous annexation of an approximate 1.23-acre parcel located south of E. Martin Luther King Jr. Drive, approximately 725 feet east of Dillon Road. The property is addressed as 3314 E. Martin Luther King Jr. Drive and also known as Guilford County Tax Parcel 161162.

Adopted a Resolution of Intent establishing a public hearing date of September 16, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. to consider a voluntary contiguous annexation of an approximate 1.23-acre parcel located south of E. Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, approximately 725 feet east of Dillon Road, specifically addressed as 3314 E. Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, and known as Guilford County Tax Parcel 161162.

A motion was made by Council Member Williams, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Ewing, that this matter be adopted. The motion carried by the following unanimous 8-0 vote:

Aye (8): Mayor Wagner, Council Member Williams, Council Member Scarborough, Council Member Golden, Council Member Peters, Council Member Hudson, Council Member Jones, and Mayor Pro Tem Ewing

Absent (1): Council Member Moore

Resolution No. 1894/19-50 Resolution Book Volume XX, Page 123

2019-366 <u>Authorization to extend water services to the new Guilford County Animal Shelter</u>

A request to authorize the extension of water service to the new Guilford County Animal Shelter located at 980 Guilford College Road. The site is located on the northwest side of Guilford College Road, southwest of Interstate 73 and north of W. Wendover Avenue.

Chris Andrews, Planner with the Planning and Development Department, advised this is a request for authorization from Guilford County to authorize and provide water to the proposed Guilford County Animal Shelter located at 980 Guilford College Road. The site of the proposed animal shelter is outside the city of High Point's corporate limits, but within the city's planning area. As part of the agreement that was reached between High Point, Greensboro, and Guilford County, the property is proposed to remain within Guilford County's zoning jurisdiction with the city of High Point providing water service and the city of Greensboro providing sewer service to the proposed facility. Section 6 of the city of High Point's Water and Sewer Extension Policy allows the City Council to approve the extension of such services to serve governmental properties in lieu of annexation.

Mayor Pro Tem Ewing inquired about the water rates for this property. Mr. Andrews explained that outside water rates would apply.

Authorized the extension of water service to the new proposed Guilford County Animal Shelter located at 980 Guilford College Road.

A motion was made by Council Member Williams, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Ewing, that this matter be approved. The motion carried by the following unanimous 8-0 vote:

Aye (8): Mayor Wagner, Council Member Williams, Council Member Scarborough, Council Member Golden, Council Member Peters, Council Member Hudson, Council Member Jones, and Mayor Pro Tem Ewing

Absent (1): Council Member Moore

PUBLIC HEARINGS

2019-367 Soulin and Som Put Pasit - Annexation 19-06

A request by Soulin and Som Put Pasit to consider a voluntary contiguous annexation of an approximate 1.6-acre parcel lying along the east side of Penny Road, approximately 650 feet south of Eagle Glen Road. The property is also known as Guilford County Tax Parcel 227820.

The joint public hearing for this matter and related matter 2019-368 Zoning Map Amendment 19-12 was held on Monday, August 19, 2019 at 5:30 p.m.

Herb Shannon, Senior Planner with the Planning and Development Department, provided an overview of the staff report which is hereby attached in Legistar as a permanent part of these proceedings. Staff provided a combined presentation of both matters, but separate votes on each individual matter is required.

In regards to Annexation 19-06, the applicant is requesting a voluntary contiguous annexation of an approximate 1.6-acre parcel lying along the east side of Penny Road, approximately 650 feet south of Eagle Glen Road, more specifically known as Guilford County Tax Parcel 227820, in order to have access to city utilities to facilitate the building of a single-family dwelling. The city of High Point's corporate limits currently cross Penny Road and the site is basically surrounded by the city where it abuts the city limits to the north, west, and south; thus, the request is consistent with the city's annexation policies. City service vehicles are already in the area and the annexation of this site will not negatively impact the city's ability to provide services.

In regards to **Zoning Map Amendment 19-12**, the applicant is requesting to establish an R-3 zoning on the property. The proposed R-3 zoning is consistent with the zoning pattern in this area. The Planning & Zoning Commission reviewed this request at their July 23, 2019 meeting and recommended approval. Staff is also recommending approval.

At this time, Chairman Williams opened the public hearing and asked if there was anyone present who would like to speak regarding this matter. There being no one present to comment, the public hearing was closed.

Annexation 19-06

Council Member Williams moved adoption of an Ordinance approving Annexation 19-06. Mayor Pro Tem Ewing made a second to the motion which carried by the following 8-0 unanimous vote.

Aye (8): Mayor Wagner, Council Member Williams, Council Member Scarborough, Council Member Golden, Council Member Peters, Council Member Hudson, Council Member Jones, and Mayor Pro Tem Ewing

Absent (1): Council Member Moore

Ordinance No. 7545/19-62 Ordinance Book Volume XX, Page 174

Zoning Map Amendment 19-12

Council Member Williams moved adoption of an Ordinance providing for the rezoning of this property from the Residential Single Family-40 (RS-40) District within Guilford County's jurisdiction to the Residential Single Family-3 (R-3) District. Mayor Pro Tem Ewing made a second to the motion, which carried by the following 8-0 unanimous vote.

Ordinance No. 7546/19-63 Ordinance Book Volume XX, Page 175

Aye (8): Mayor Wagner, Council Member Williams, Council Member Scarborough, Council Member Golden, Council Member Peters, Council Member Hudson, Council Member Jones, and Mayor Pro Tem Ewing

Absent (1): Council Member Moore

2019-368 Soulin and Som Put Pasit - Zoning Map Amendment 19-12

A request by Soulin Pasit and Som Put Pasit to rezone an approximate 1.6-acre parcel from the Residential Single Family-40 (RS-40) District, within Guilford County's jurisdiction, to the Residential Single Family-3 (R-3) District. The site is east of Penny Road, approximately 650 feet south of Eagle Glen Road. Approval of this rezoning request is contingent upon City Council approval of a voluntary annexation request.

The joint public hearing for this matter and related matter **2019-367 Annexation 19-06** was held on Monday, August 19, 2019 at 5:30 p.m.

For specific comments made during the public hearing for 2019-368 Zoning Map Amendment 19-12, please refer to 2019-367 Annexation 19-06 above.

Adopted an Ordinance approving Zoning Map Amendment 19-12 based on the city's adopted policy guidance because the R-3 District is consistent with Low-Density Residential designation of the Land Use Plan, and the request is reasonable and in the public interest because the other properties in the city on the east side of this segment of Penny Road are also zoned R-3.

A motion was made by Council Member Williams, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Ewing, that this matter be adopted. The motion carried by the following unanimous 8-0 vote:

Aye (8): Mayor Wagner, Council Member Williams, Council Member Scarborough, Council Member Golden, Council Member Peters, Council Member Hudson, Council Member Jones, and Mayor Pro Tem Ewing

Absent (1): Council Member Moore

Ordinance No. 7546/19-63 Ordinance Book Volume XX, Page 175

2019-369 Cathy Jean Hedgecock - Annexation 19-04

A request by Cathy Jean Hedgecock to consider a voluntary contiguous annexation of approximately 15.3 acres lying approximately 350 feet west of Skeet Club Road and surrounded on three sides by the Joyce Circle right-of-way. The property is also known as Forsyth County Tax Parcels 6892-19-2761.00 and 6892-19-5337, and a portion of Guilford County Tax Parcel 1990147.

The joint public hearing for this matter and related matter 2019-370 Zoning Map Amendment 19-09 was held on Monday, August 19, 2019 at 5:30 p.m.

Herb Shannon, Senior Planner with the Planning and Development Department, provided an overview of the staff report for Annexation 19-04 and Zoning Map Amendment 19-09, both of which are hereby attached in Legistar as a permanent part of these proceedings.

In regards to 2019-369 Annexation 19-04, the applicant is requesting a voluntary contiguous annexation of approximately 15.3 acres lying approximately 350 feet west of Skeet Club Road and surrounded on three sides by the Joyce Circle right-of-way. Mr. Shannon explained the difference in the acreage between the annexation and the zoning was because a good portion of this property is already in the city. The site abuts the city limits and staff determined it would not negatively impact the city to provide services. This portion of the city's planning area has experienced steady growth from the approval of numerous annexations, since the early 1980s along both sides of the Skeet Club Road corridor. The site is within an area currently served by the city of High Point utilities and municipal services, including a new sanitary sewer outfall that is to be installed approximately 450 feet west of the site and city vehicles currently travel Skeet Club Road in conjunction with the city providing services to the various residential developments.

This annexation petition represents a logical progression of the city's annexation policy for this area as the proposed annexation site abuts the city's corporate limits and city services are already present in this area.

In regards to 2019-370 Zoning Map Amendment 19-09, the applicant is requesting Council to rezone approximately 22.2 acres from the Residential Single Family-3 (R-3) District and the Residential Single Family-20 (RS-20) District within Forsyth County's jurisdiction to a Conditional Zoning Residential Multifamily-16 (CZ RM-16) District.

Mr. Shannon reported one of the key items that staff looked at when reviewing this request was that the Land Use Plan does support higher densities in this area as the Land Use Map has this area designated as Medium Density Residential. This also corresponds with the Northwest Area Plan which also supports higher densities in this portion of the city's planning area.

Mr. Shannon referenced the Transportation Table included in the staff report that was submitted by the High Point Department of Transportation and noted based upon the number of units that the applicant is proposing to develop, this request did not trigger the requirement for a Transportation Impact Analysis (TIA). Also included in the staff report was information received from the local school district.

Key points as identified in the Staff Analysis section of the staff report were as follows:

Compatibility: As conditioned, the request will allow for development that is consistent with the Land Use Plan. The Joyce Circle right-of-way will separate the site from adjacent properties and the RM-16 District standards of the Development Ordinance will also ensure compatibility and would include building height requirements. In keeping with other requirements for the proposed townhomes, open space and recreation areas would be required to be installed.

Mitigation of Adverse Impacts: _The applicant has offered the condition to prohibit access to Skeet Club Road, so there will be no direct access to Skeet Club Road. Access for this site is proposed for the northern and southern portion of Joyce Circle and the applicant has also included conditions to improve that access point.

Should any proposed future development trigger a Transportation Impact Analysis (TIA), the applicant has also offered a condition that they would have to do a TIA and any improvements identified from the TIA will have to be installed.

Consistency and Reasonableness: The request is supported by Land Use policies of the Land Use Plan and the Northwest Area Plan and the proposed CZ RM-16 District is consistent with the development pattern and the vision for this area from adopted city policies.

Staff recommends approval of the request. The request was reviewed by the Planning & Zoning Commission at their meeting on July 23, 2019 and they also recommended approval of the request.

Following his presentation of the staff report, Mr. Shannon entertained any questions.

Council Member Golden inquired about the difference between an RM-16 and R-3 District and Mr. Shannon explained that the RM-16 District allows for a wider variety of residential uses.

At this time, Chairman Williams opened the public hearing and invited the applicant to come forward.

Judy Stalder, Zoning Consultant representing the applicant, 665 N. Main Street, provided an overview of the applicant's proposal. She acknowledged the following people that were present in the audience: The applicant, Ms. Hedgecock and her daughter; the applicant's realtor, Marshall Morgan; and Rich Glover with Jamestown Engineering. She advised that although this request is for RM-16, the density of the proposed development is much less. She further explained that the Land Use Plan supports up to 16 units per acre, but the proposed development would end up with nearly 6 units per acre.

Ms. Stalder noted that development has not occurred in this area of Skeet Club Road due to the lack of public sewer service in the area; however, now that sewer has been extended in this area, it will support development of this property and the surrounding properties. She also pointed out that their property will serve as a transition between the existing development on Skeet Club Road of townhomes and the single-family homes on Tanglebrook Drive. She reported that all their development will be separated from non-developed property and the existing development by the Joyce Circle right-of-way and Skeet Club Road, as well as the perimeter street yard plantings that will be required by the Development Ordinance.

The applicant held the required neighborhood meeting and it was sparsely attended; no opposition was voiced.

Ms. Stalder expounded on two matters that generally come up during rezonings: schools and traffic. Regarding the traffic, she pointed out the proposed development does not trigger a TIA, but they have offered to do a TIA if the density and if any future development triggers it. She noted that both NCDOT and HPDOT have reviewed their plan with the access points to Joyce Circle and they are okay with the conditions in place for improvements to Joyce Circle. All lots will have internal access with two points of access on Joyce Circle and there would be no direct access to Skeet Club Road.

Regarding the schools, Ms. Stalder advised that because the development is split and in parts of both Guilford and Forsyth County, so the students will be split between the two districts. She reiterated that the schools have already been notified of this proposed development although it has not yet been approved. She explained that the houses would not be ready for occupancy at the same time, so students would not be entering schools at the same time.

In summary, she advised that the public sewer extension opens this area up for development, the Land Use Plan indicates a higher density than what is currently on Skeet Club Road, and they want to serve as the transition between the existing development and the new development that will occur later.

Council Member Williams asked if there was anyone else who would like to speak regarding this request. There being no one present to offer further comments, he declared the public hearing closed.

As a point of reference, Mayor Pro Tem Ewing advised that the Forsyth County portion of High Point is in an Opportunity Zone, so the combined effort of running infrastructure towards this area a few years ago to spur development and all the development that is now

taking place increases opportunity for attracting outside investment in that zone for other developments in the future.

Annexation 19-04

Council Member Williams moved to adopt an Ordinance approving Annexation 19-04. Mayor Pro Tem Ewing made a second to the motion, which carried by the following unanimous 8-0 vote.

Aye (8): Mayor Wagner, Council Member Williams, Council Member Scarborough, Council Member Golden, Council Member Peters, Council Member Hudson, Council Member Jones, and Mayor Pro Tem Ewing

Absent (1): Council Member Moore

Ordinance No. 7547/19-64 Ordinance Book Volume XX, Page 176

Zoning Map Amendment 19-09:

Council Member Williams moved adoption of the Ordinance approving Zoning Map Amendment 19-09 based on consistency with the city's adopted policy guidance because, as conditioned, the proposed CZ RM-16 District zoning is consistent with the Medium Density Residential classification and the policies of the Land Use Plan and Northwest Area Plan; AND that the request is reasonable and in the public interest because the rezoning site abuts a thoroughfare planned for improvement, is immediately west of a residential multifamily district and can be adequately served by municipal services to support the proposed development. Mayor Pro Tem Ewing made a second to the motion, which carried by the following unanimous 8-0 vote.

Aye (8): Mayor Wagner, Council Member Williams, Council Member Scarborough, Council Member Golden, Council Member Peters, Council Member Hudson, Council Member Jones, and Mayor Pro Tem Ewing

Absent (1): Council Member Moore

Ordinance No. 7548/19-65 Ordinance Book Volume XX, Page 177

2019-370 RIMAR LLC- Zoning Map Amendment 19-09

A request by RIMAR LLC to rezone approximately 22.2 acres from the Residential Single Family-3 (R-3) District and the Residential Single Family-20 (RS-20) District, within Forsyth County's jurisdiction, to a Conditional Zoning Residential Multifamily-16 (CZ RM-16) District. The site lies along the west side of Skeet Club Road and surrounded on three sides by the Joyce Circle right-of-way. Approval of this rezoning request is contingent upon City Council approval of a voluntary annexation request.

The joint public hearing for this matter and related matter **2019-369 Annexation 19-04** was held on Monday, August 19, 2019 at 5:30 p.m.

Note: For specific comments made during the public hearing, please refer to 2019-369 Annexation 19-04.

A motion was made by Council Member Williams, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Ewing, that this Ordinance be adopted approving Zoning Map Amendment 19-09 based on consistency with the city's adopted policy guidance because, as conditioned, the proposed CZ RM-16 District zoning is consistent with the Medium Density Residential classification and the policies of the Land Use Plan and Northwest Area Plan; AND that the request is reasonable and in the public interest because the rezoning site abuts a thoroughfare planned for improvement, is immediately west of a residential multifamily district and can be adequately served by municipal services to support the proposed development. Mayor Pro Tem Ewing made a second to the motion, which carried by the following unanimous 8-0 vote.

Aye (8): Mayor Wagner, Council Member Williams, Council Member Scarborough, Council Member Golden, Council Member Peters, Council Member Hudson, Council Member Jones, and Mayor Pro Tem Ewing

Absent (1): Council Member Moore

Ordinance No. 7548/19-65 Ordinance Book Volume XX, Page 177

2019-371 High Point University - Plan Amendment 19-01

A request by High Point University to change the Land Use Map classification for approximately 33 acres from Low Density Residential, Local/Convenience Commercial and Recreation/Open Space to an Institutional classification. The site lies approximately 150 feet west of Panther Drive and is bounded by N. Centennial Street, E. Lexington Avenue and E. Farriss Avenue.

The joint public hearing for this matter and related matter 2019-372 Zoning Map Amendment 19-11 was held on Monday, August 19, 2019 at 5:30 p.m.

Heidi Galanti, Planning Administrator with the Planning and Development Department, advised she would be providing an overview of Plan Amendment 19-01 while Herb Shannon, Senior Planner, would be providing an overview of Zoning Map Amendment 19-11. She noted although a joint presentation would be made by staff, separate votes would be required for each individual matter.

The Plan Amendment area consists of approximately 33 acres and is slightly smaller than the associated zoning case because the area along Panther Drive is already designated as Institutional. Ms. Galanti then provided a summary of the surrounding land uses. The applicant has requested a Plan Amendment from Local/Convenience Commercial, Low Density Residential, and Recreation. Open Space to an Institutional classification.

Ms. Galanti explained that over the past decade, High Point University has purchased properties within this area and maintained them for their use as housing for students and office space and have demolished some of the buildings they had no use for. These actions have changed the character of the area from predominantly Residential to Institutional which supports the requested Plan Amendment. There have been numerous Land Use Plan

amendment cases that have been approved by the City Council which established policy as to the manner in which the university expansion should occur. Expansion should abut the existing campus and consist of an entire block being incorporated into the campus and limit piece-mill and intrusion into adjacent residential neighborhoods. The requested expansion supports this policy as it incorporates the entire bounded area of Farriss, Centennial, Lexington, and Panther Drive.

Staff recommends approval of the request to change the future Land Use designation for approximately 33 acres to an Institutional Land Use classification. Ms. Galanti reported that the request meets the goals and objectives of the Land Use Plan and will be in harmony with the Land Use Plan pattern of the surrounding area. The Planning & Zoning Commission met on July 23, 2019 and also recommended approval by a 5-0 vote.

Ms. Galanti entertained questions regarding the Land Use Plan Amendment. There being none, she turned the floor over to Herb Shannon, who provided an overview of the staff report for **Zoning Map Amendment 19-11**. The applicant, High Point University (HPU), is requesting that this block be rezoned to a Conditional Zoning Institutional District to facilitate expansion of the HPU campus. He reported that the university has purchased or has pending contracts to purchase all the properties in this block except for two parcels (one parcel off Centennial is not included because it is now under contract).

Mr. Shannon explained that included with this application is a Conditional Zoning Ordinance in which the applicant has proposed similar zoning that the university has done to the south to ensure compatibility and they have included conditions pertaining to decorative fencing, landscaping, and character of the development.

In regards to **compatibility**, staff reported that this request will be compatible with the surrounding area as the amendment basically contains the entire neighborhood and the property is separated from the abutting residential neighborhood to the west by the N. Centennial right-of-way.

Zoning conditions offered by the applicant include:

- ✓ Higher development standards
- ✓ Decorative fencing
- ✓ Limiting the size and architectural design of the footprint of townhome type dormitories, and
- ✓ Limiting vehicle access as they propose to use the existing public street access point of E. Farriss Avenue, Guilford Avenue, and the Fifth Street connection to E. Lexington Avenue.

Subject to approval of the Plan Amendment, staff is recommending approval of the requested rezoning to the Conditional Zoning Institutional District. The Planning & Zoning Commission reviewed this request at their July 23, 2019 meeting and also recommended approval.

At the conclusion of Mr. Shannon's presentation of the staff report, he entertained any questions.

Mayor Wagner asked for clarification regarding the lot on Centennial Street and if an amendment to the motion would be required to add it. Mr. Shannon replied it would not because the request was already advertised which will require them to come back for changes to that lot in the future.

Chairman Williams then asked if there were any additional questions for staff. There being none, he opened the public hearing and asked the applicant to come forward.

Barry Kitley, 4114 Ponce de Leon Drive, representing High Point University, spoke in favor of the request. He acknowledged Dan Pritchett with Jamestown Engineering who was in the audience and available for any questions. Mr. Kitley reported they did have the required neighborhood meeting and six people were in attendance, and that he also received eight phone calls from individuals. All questions were addressed and he reported they received no negative response about the proposal.

Regarding the houses, he confirmed that the university does now own the one off N. Centennial and it is being closed on. He explained the other house on McCain Place has an absent owner and is vacant; however, he has been in contact with a third party representing the property owner and they have received all documentation relative to the request that was sent out by the Planning and Development Department. Mr. Kitley reported that he has not received any kind of response from the property owner yet, but he continues to work with the owners.

Mayor Pro Tem Ewing asked if the property owner for the property on McCain Place is aware of the conditions that are tied to it with the planting yard, fencing, etc..... that will offer some protection of the perimeter of their property. Mr. Kitley replied that he is working through a third party and has not spoken directly to the property owner. Council Member Peters shared that she actually lived on McCain Place for a short while and she felt this property fits perfectly with HPU.

Chairman Williams asked if there was anyone else who would like to speak in support of or in opposition to this matter. There being none, he declared the public hearing closed.

Plan Amendment 19-01:

Council Member Williams moved adoption of the Resolution approving Plan Amendment 19-01 to change the future land use designation for approximately 33 acres to an Institutional Land Use classification as the request meets the goals and objectives of the Land Use Plan and will be in harmony with the Land Use pattern of the surrounding area. Mayor Pro Tem Ewing made a second to the motion.

After the motion was made, Council Member Scarborough asked for permission to abstain from voting on the matter due to his involvement with the purchase of the properties by HPU. It was determined that there was no direct financial interest in the outcome of the sale by Council Member Scarborough, so there was no need for him to abstain.

Mayor Wagner then called for a vote on the motion to adopt the Resolution approving Plan Amendment 19-01, which carried by the following unanimous 8-0 vote.

Aye (8): Mayor Wagner, Council Member Williams, Council Member Scarborough, Council Member

Golden, Council Member Peters, Council Member Hudson, Council Member Jones, and Mayor

Pro Tem Ewing

Absent (1): Council Member Moore

Resolution No. 1895/19-51 Resolution Book Volume XX, Page 124

Zoning Map Amendment 19-11:

Council Member Williams moved adoption of the Ordinance approving Zoning Map Amendment 19-11 to rezone approximately 37 acres from the Residential Single Family-5 (R-5) District, the Residential Multifamily-16 (RM-16) District, the Limited Business (LB) District, a Conditional Zoning Limited Business (CZ-LB) District, and a Conditional Zoning Institutional (CZ-I) District to a Conditional Zoning Institutional (CZ-I) District based on consistency with the city's adopted policy guidance because subject to approval of Plan Amendment 19-01, the proposed CZ-I District is consistent with policy and Land Use Plan of the Core City Plan; AND the request is reasonable and in the public interest given that the university acquired all but two parcels within the area bounded by North Centennial Street, East Lexington Avenue, Panther Drive, and East Farriss Avenue, the rezoning to a CZ-I District is consistent in the manner of previous university-related rezonings. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Ewing and carried by the following unanimous 8-0 vote:

Aye (8): Mayor Wagner, Council Member Williams, Council Member Scarborough, Council Member Golden, Council Member Peters, Council Member Hudson, Council Member Jones, and Mayor Pro Tem Ewing

Absent (1): Council Member Moore

Ordinance No. 7550/19-67 Ordinance Book Volume XX, Page 179

2019-372 <u>High Point University - Zoning Map Amendment 19-11</u>

A request by High Point University to rezone approximately 37 acres from the Residential Single Family-5 (R-5) District, the Residential Multifamily-16 (RM-16) District, the Limited Business District (LB) District, a Conditional Zoning Limited Business (CZ-LB) District and a Conditional Zoning Institutional (CZ-I) District to a Conditional Zoning Institutional (CZ-I) District. The site is bounded by N. Centennial Street, E. Lexington Avenue, Panther Drive and E. Farriss Avenue.

The joint public hearing for this matter and related matter **2019-371 Plan Amendment 19-01** was held on Monday, August 19, 2019 at 5:30 p.m.

Note: For specific comments made during the public hearing on 2019-372 Zoning Map Amendment 19-11, please refer to 2019-371 Plan Amendment 19-01.

Adopted an Ordinance approving Zoning Map Amendment 19-11 to rezone approximately 37 acres from the Residential Single Family-5 (R-5) District, the Residential Multifamily-16 (RM-16) District, the Limited Business (LB) District, a Conditional Zoning Limited Business (CZ-LB) District, and a Conditional Zoning Institutional (CZ-I) District to a Conditional Zoning Institutional (CZ-I) District based on consistency with the city's adopted policy guidance because subject to approval of Plan Amendment 19-01, the proposed CZ-I District is consistent with policy and Land Use Plan of the Core City Plan; AND the request is reasonable and in the public interest given that the university acquired all but two parcels within the area bounded by North Centennial Street, East Lexington Avenue, Panther Drive, and East Farriss Avenue, the rezoning to a CZ-I District is consistent in the manner of previous university-related rezonings.

Council Member Williams moved adoption of the Ordinance approving Zoning Map Amendment 19-11 to rezone approximately 37 acres from the Residential Single Family-5 (R-5) District, the Residential Multifamily-16 (RM-16) District, the Limited Business (LB) District, a Conditional Zoning Limited Business (CZ-LB) District, and a Conditional Zoning Institutional (CZ-I) District. Mayor Pro Tem Ewing made a second to the motion. The motion carried by the following unanimous 8-0 vote.

Aye (8): Mayor Wagner, Council Member Williams, Council Member Scarborough, Council Member Golden, Council Member Peters, Council Member Hudson, Council Member Jones, and Mayor Pro Tem Ewing

Absent (1): Council Member Moore

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2019-373 City of High Point - Zoning Map Amendment 19-13.

A request by the Planning and Development Department to rezone 31 properties, totaling approximately 47 acres, as part of the Comprehensive Zoning Map Amendment project. The properties are located at various locations along the N. Main Street corridor (north Eastchester/Westchester Drive), along the E. Parris Avenue corridor, and along the Old Winston Road corridor. The request proposes to rezone these parcels to the Transitional Office (TO) District, the Limited Business (LB) District and the General Business (GB) District.

The public hearing for this matter was held on Monday, August 19, 2019 at 5:30 p.m.

Herb Shannon with the Planning and Development 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 the Planning and Development Department to rezone 31 properties along the N. Main Street corridor, north of the intersection of Eastchester/Westchester Drive (properties along East Parris Avenue, North Main Street, and Old Winston Road). This request is part of the city's comprehensive zoning map amendment project, a multi-year project in which the city Planning and Development Department is reviewing and evaluating zoning throughout the entire city and identifying areas where zoning is out of sync with

- current Land Use policy with a goal of removing improper or obsolete zoning that may act as a barrier to development.
- Mr. Shannon provided an overview on each of the areas. The individual properties are detailed in the staff report which is attached in Legistar as a permanent part of these proceedings. The properties are proposed for rezoning as follows:
- Map 1 (Area A): 3021, 3031 and 3035 N. Main Street and 3021 Ingleside Drive. Currently zoned Conditional Use General Business (CU-GB); staff is proposing this property be rezoned to General Business (GB) District.
- Map 1 (Area B): 3000 & 3010 N. Main Street and 1003 Northside Court. Currently zoned Limited Business (LB) and Conditional Use Limited Business (CU LB); staff is proposing this property be rezoned to General Business (GB) District.
- Map 1 (Area C): 106, 108, 110-116 Westover Drive, 121 Westover Drive, and 2801 N. Main Street. Currently zoned Conditional Use General Business (CU-GB) District; staff is proposing this property be rezoned to General Business (GB) District.
- Map 2 (Area A): 303, 305, 311, 401, 405 and 409 Old Winston Road, and 2506 N. Main Street. Currently Zoned Conditional Use Limited Business (CU-LB), Conditional Use Office Institution (CU-OI), and Conditional Use General Business (CU-GB); staff is proposing this property be rezoned to Limited Business (LB).
- Map 2 (Area B): 200, 202, and 402 Old Winston Road. Currently zoned Conditional Use Transitional Office (CU-TO); staff is proposing this property be rezoned to Transitional Office (TO).
- Map 2 (Area C): 2440, 2444, 2446 & 2448 N. Main Street. Currently zoned Conditional Use General Business (CU-GB); staff is proposing this property be rezoned to General Business (GB).
- Map 2 (Area D): 107 & 109 Peachtree Drive and 808 Greenwood Drive. Currently zoned Conditional Use Limited Business (CU-LB); staff is proposing it be rezoned to Limited Business (LB).
- Map 3: 2300 & 2310 N. Main Street; 133, 242, 256 & 260 E. Parris Avenue; 2209 & 2205 Kirkwood Street; and 136 Northpoint Avenue. Currently zoned Retail Center (RC), Limited Business (LB), and Conditional Use General Business (CU-GB); staff is proposing this property be rezoned to General Business (GB).
- Following the conclusion of Mr. Shannon's overview of the staff report, Chairman Williams opened the public hearing and asked if there was anyone present who would like to speak in support of or in opposition to any of these rezoning requests. There being no one present to comment, the public hearing was closed.
- Motion by Council Member Williams to adopt the Ordinance approving Zoning Map Amendment 19-13 incorporating the following statement into the record as part of the action:

"The Zoning Map Amendments are necessary to remove unintended barriers to development and to more accurately represent the current use of the land".

Mayor Pro Tem Ewing made a second to the motion which carried by a unanimous 8-0 vote as follows:

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Aye (8): Mayor Wagner, Council Member Williams, Council Member Scarborough, Council Member Golden, Council Member Peters, Council Member Hudson, Council Member Jones, and Mayor Pro Tem Ewing

Absent (1): Council Member Moore

GENERAL BUSINESS AGENDA

2019-374 <u>Agreement - Easement Dedication to NCDOT - Deep River Road Bridge</u> Replacement

Council is requested to approve the dedication of the two drainage Utility Easements located at 1800-1898 Deep River Road and 1854 Deep River Road for the Deep River Road Bridge Replacement project.

At 6:23 p.m., Council Member Peters asked to be excused from the remainder of the meeting.

Mayor Wagner moved that Council Member Peters be excused from the remainder of the meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Ewing made a second to the meeting, which carried by an 8-0 unanimous vote.

Kim Thore, Right-of-Way Agent with the Legal Department, advised that the city has been requested to dedicate some easements for the bridge replacement on Deep River Road and asked if there were any questions. There were none.

Approved the dedication of two drainage Utility Easements at 1800-1898 Deep River road and 1854 Deep River Road for the Deep River Road Bridge Replacement project.

A motion was made by Mayor Wagner, seconded by Council Member Hudson, that this matter be approved. The motion carried by the following unanimous 8-0 vote:

Aye (8): Mayor Wagner, Council Member Williams, Council Member Scarborough, Council Member Golden, Council Member Peters, Council Member Hudson, Council Member Jones, and Mayor Pro Tem Ewing

Absent (1): Council Member Moore

2019-375 Reappointment - Parks & Recreation Commission - Marshall Newsome

Mayor Wagner is recommending the reappointment of Marshall Newsome to the Parks & Recreation Commission. This appointment will be effective immediately and will expire July 1, 2022.

Approved the reappointment of Marshall Newsome as the Mayor's appointee to the Parks & Recreation Commission. Reappointment to be effective immediately and will expire on July 1, 2022.

A motion was made by Mayor Wagner, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Ewing, that this matter be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye (8): Mayor Wagner, Council Member Williams, Council Member Scarborough, Council Member Golden, Council Member Peters, Council Member Hudson, Council Member Jones, and Mayor Pro Tem Ewing

Absent (1): Council Member Moore

2019-380 Appointment - Planning & Zoning Commission - Terry Venable

Council Member Jones is recommending the appointment of Terry Venable to the Planning & Zoning Commission. This appointment will be effective immediately and will expire July 1, 2020.

Approved the appointment of Terry Venable as the Ward 5 appointee on the Planning & Zoning Commission. Appointment to be effective immediately and will expire July 1, 2020.

A motion was made by Mayor Wagner, seconded by Council Member Jones, that this matter be approved. The motion carried by the following unanimous 8-0 vote:

Aye (8): Mayor Wagner, Council Member Williams, Council Member Scarborough, Council Member Golden, Council Member Peters, Council Member Hudson, Council Member Jones, and Mayor Pro Tem Ewing

Absent (1): Council Member Moore

2019-376 Minutes To Be Approved

- 1. Finance Committee Meeting; Thursday, August 1st @ 4:00 p.m.
- 2. Special Meeting; Monday, August 5th @ 4:00 p.m.
- 3. Regular Meeting; Monday, August 5th @ 5:30 p.m.
- 4. Community Housing, Neighborhood Dev. & Public Safety Committee; Tuesday, August 6th @ 10:00 a.m.
- 5. Prosperity & Livability Committee; Wednesday, August 7th @ 9:00 a.m.

The minutes for the preceding meetings were unanimously approved as submitted.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Ewing, seconded by Council Member Hudson, that this matter be approved. The motion carried by the following unanimous 8-0 vote:

Aye (8): Mayor Wagner, Council Member Williams, Council Member Scarborough, Council Member Golden, Council Member Peters, Council Member Hudson, Council Member Jones, and Mayor Pro Tem Ewing

Absent (1): Council Member Moore

Comments from Julius Clark

Mayor Wagner advised that he was approached by Mr. Julius Clark prior to the meeting about addressing the City Council on several issues. As this was not the time for Public Comment, the Mayor asked if there were any objections from Council to allow Mr. Clark to speak. Barring none, he asked Mr. Clark to come forward to the podium to address Council.

He addressed Council regarding the following concerns:

- On behalf of the Historic Preservation Commission, Mr. Clark asked Council for assistance in strengthening the city's code enforcement so that the police power will be effective in reference to Historical Preservation. He advised that many times property owners are coming before the Historic Preservation Commission and taking it upon themselves to act prior to obtaining a Certificate of Appropriateness. He noted the HPC does not have any leverage to penalize them because the penalty in place is not sufficient and is taken lightly. He felt stronger penalties for violations are needed.
- Mr. Clark recognized the first responders that risk their lives for our safety daily. As a veteran of the US Navy, he specifically addressed the ultimate responders--military veterans. He addressed Council regarding the unkempt conditions at Greenhill Cemetery and the veterans that are buried at Oakwood Cemetery. He felt High Point should be very proud of these graves and if properly cared for, old graves are a tourist attraction to some people because they have emotional connections.
- He expressed concerns about the maintenance that is being performed in the cemeteries by city staff and how it is adversely affecting the tombstones and the aesthetics of the entire cemetery. He advised that the wide spread mowers are damaging the tombstones beyond repair and the chemical being used to control the weeds are also damaging and eating away at many of the tombstones.
- Mr. Clark requested reimbursement to the veterans who paid to have lights installed at the Greenhill Cemetery to illuminate the graves because the lights were damaged as the maintenance was being performed. They personally raised over \$2000 to install solar lights on the veteran's graves at Greenhill Cemetery.

He also shared the following on-going activities that occur throughout the year to "remember, honor, and keep" the veterans.

- ✓ Veteran's Day Service (created almost 17 years ago). The next service will be held on November 11th @ 11:00 a.m. at the Rosetta Baldwin Educational Center.
- ✓ Race Across America held at the Greenhill Cemetery.

✓ Placement of flags at Greenhill Cemetery and Oakwood Cemetery on Veteran's Day, Memorial Day, and Independence Day (July 4th).

Mr. Clark thanked Lee Burnette, Director of Planning and Development, for consistency in trying to help get upgrades to the cemetery in the budget and thanked the City Council for approving it and including it in the budget because it provides an opportunity to get started with improvements to the cemetery.

In closing, Mr. Clark shared that he stands proud as a veteran and asked the City Council to work with them to make better use of services to the veterans because without them, we would not have the free liberty that we enjoy today.

Council Member Jones asked if there would be anything to prohibit organizing groups of veterans to volunteer and provide extra care for the veteran's graves at the cemetery. He felt they could put together volunteers on a regular basis to do this. Assistant City Attorney Meghan Maguire advised that the Legal Department would have to do some research on the suggestion.

Mayor Wagner asked the city manager to look into the standard of care at the cemeteries and asked the legal staff to look into the concerns regarding enforcement of Certificates of Appropriateness to explore additional options for enforcement and stronger penalties.

Prior to adjournment, Council mentioned the following upcoming activities and encouraged participation:

- ✓ High Point Community Against Violence Offender Call-In August 20th @ 6:00
- ✓ Groundbreaking ceremony for the Tiny House Community on Hay Street
- ✓ Hospice- "Taste of the Town"
- ✓ Furniture City Grid Iron Classic

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before Council, the meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m. upon motion duly made by Mayor Pro Tem Ewing and second by Council Member Jones.

	Respectfully Submitted,	
	Jay W. Wagner, Mayor	
Attest:		
Lisa B. Vierling, City Clerk		