

**HIGH POINT CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING
NOVEMBER 1, 2021 – 4:00 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – HIGH POINT MUNICIPAL BUILDING**

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

Mayor Wagner called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

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

Mayor Jay W. Wagner; Mayor Pro Tem Britt W. Moore, At Large; Council Member Tyrone Johnson, At Large [Arrived at 4:38 p.m.]; Council Member Cyril Jefferson, Ward 1 [Arrived at 4:07 p.m.]; Council Member Christopher Williams, Ward 2; Council Member Monica L. Peters, Ward 3; Council Member S. Wesley Hudson, Ward 4; and Council Member Victor Jones, Ward 5 [Arrived at 4:05 p.m.]

Absent:

Council Member Michael Holmes

Staff present:

Tasha Long Ford, City Manager; Randy McCaslin, Deputy City Manager; Greg Ferguson, Assistant City Manager; Eric Olmedo, Assistant City Manager; Jeron Hollis, Managing Director; JoAnne Carlyle, City Attorney; Gary Edwards, Electric Utilities Director; Tyler Berrier, Electric Utilities Assistant Director; Lisa Vierling, City Clerk; and Mary S. Brooks, Deputy City Clerk

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

2021-483 Discussion-American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Engagement Process

Staff is requested to discuss the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Engagement Process.

Jeron Hollis, Managing Director extended greetings; spoke to meeting with the firm Public Participation Partners (P3); said that P3 had been involved with outreach efforts with Guilford county regarding the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA); spoke to P3 assisting the city of High Point with two public engagement events regarding ARPA funding for the community; the events would be held on November 16, 2021 and on November 18, 2021; the locations discussed would be at the library, and museum; said that the events would be an opportunity to receive feedback from the community; the meetings would be in-person and broadcasted live; the meetings would be followed by surveys which would be collected by P3

for staff and council to review; the cost for P3 to coordinate the meetings would be around \$10,100; P3 would provide American Sign Language (ASL), and Spanish interpretation; and entertained any questions.

Mayor Pro Tem Moore inquired on a timeframe for when a decision would be made regarding what the ARPA funding would be used for. Mr. Hollis replied that the firm P3 would be compiling the feedback from citizens to present to council and staff; that this process would only be for the feedback from the public regarding the decision making for the ARPA funding; and that staff would present the results with recommendations for the use of the ARPA funding at a later date to council.

2021-482 Closed Session-Economic Development

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

At 4:05 p.m., Mayor Pro Tem Moore moved to go into Closed Session for the purpose of economic development. Council Member Jones made a second to the motion which carried by the following 6-0 unanimous vote.

Aye (6): Mayor Wagner, Mayor Pro Tem Moore, Council Member Jefferson, Council Member Williams, Council Member Peters, and Council Member Hudson

Absent (3): Council Member Johnson, Council Member Jones, and Council Member Holmes

Upon reconvening into Open Session at 5:14 p.m., Mayor Wagner announced that there would be no action taken as a result of the Closed Session.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jay W. Wagner, Mayor

Attest:

Mary S. Brooks, CMC
City Clerk