City of High Point

Municipal Office Building 211 S. Hamilton Street High Point, NC 27260



Minutes - Final

Thursday, April 27, 2023 4:00 PM

3rd Council Chamber

Finance Committee

Britt Moore, Chair Committee Members: Monica Peters Michael Holmes Victor Jones

Jay Wagner, Mayor (Alternate) Wesley Hudson, Mayor Pro Tem (Alternate)

FINANCE COMMITTEE - Britt W. Moore, Chair

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Moore called the meeting to order at 4:04 p.m. and stated all Committee Members were present.

Present 4 - Chair Britt Moore, Council Member Monica Peters, Michael Holmes, and Victor Jones

PRESENTATION OF ITEMS

2023-185 Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Guilford County Board of Education -School Year 2023-24

City Council is requested to execute a memorandum of understanding with Guilford County Board of Education for student transportation for the 2023-2024 school year.

<u>Attachments:</u> 1. Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Guilford County Board of Educatio

Angela Wynes, Transit Manager stated this is the third agreement with Guilford County School to provide transportation to Guilford County high school and middle school students and the program has been successful. She explained through March, students have taken 24,292 trips on High Point Transit System with an average of 83 student trips per day. She noted that Guilford County School pays the City \$1.50 per student per day.

Council Member Moore stated this is a wonderful program to help kids having to be at the bus stop so early in the mornings.

A motion was made by Chairman Moore, seconded by Committee Member Holmes, to approve agenda item 2023-185.

Motion carried with the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Chair Moore, Council Member Peters, Holmes, and Jones

2023-186 Contract - Axon Enterprise, Inc. - High Point Police Department

City Council is requested to award a contract to Axon Enterprise, Inc. in the amount of \$4,607,188 for the purchase of body-worn camera systems to be utilized by the High Point Police Department and authorize the appropriate City Officials to negotiate terms of the contract.

<u>Attachments:</u> 2. Contract – Axon Enterprise, Inc. – High Point Police Department

SIGNED Recommendation Form - Council Approval (Formal Bids) V2

Travis Stroud, Police Chief stated this item is relating the purchase of body-worn and in-car camera systems as the current vendor is no longer reliable. He stated this is a big upgrade noting better quality videos, better customer support, and better equipment.

Chief Stroud introduced Anthro Gamble, Deputy Police Chief. Officer Gamble provided logistic information regarding the new cameras. He answered questions noting Axon Enterprise is leading in the industry of body-worn cameras. He explained the system has the capabilities to allow a supervisor to live stream hostile incidents in which an officer may need assistance. He spoke to the battery life, automatic technology upgrades, the storage of video, as well as the reliability of the company.

Chief Stroud stated if approved, it will be 10 months to a year receive the new camera system.

Chairman Moore thanked both Chief Stroud, Deputy Chief Gamble and High Point Police Officers for their service and commitment to the City of High Point.

A motion was made by Chairman Moore, seconded by Committee Member Jones, to approve agenda item 2023-186.

Motion carried with the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Chair Moore, Council Member Peters, Holmes, and Jones

2023-187 <u>Budget Ordinance - Occupancy Tax Revenues - Convention & Visitor's Bureau & Market Authority</u>

City Council is requested to adopt a budget ordinance to appropriate additional occupancy tax revenues that will be passed along to the Convention and Visitor's Bureau (Visit High Point) and Market Authority.

<u>Attachments:</u> 3. Budget Ordinance – Occupancy Tax Revenues – Convention & Visitor's Budget Ordinance Occupancy Tax Revenues

Stephen Hawryluk, Budget and Performance Manager provided the staff report for this item. He stated this budget amendment is to appropriate occupancy tax revenues that will be passed along to the Convention and Visitor's Bureau (Visit High Point) and Market Authority noting the revenues are projected to exceed budget. He stated \$600,000 in occupancy tax revenue is projected for Visit High Point an \$145,000 in occupancy tax revenues is projected for the Market Authority.

In response to Chairman Moore, Eric Olmedo, Assistant City Manager stated a policy change would be necessary to consider a fix number regarding the stadium.

A motion was made by Chairman Moore, seconded by Committee Member Peters, to approve agenda item 2023-187.

Motion carried with the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Chair Moore, Council Member Peters, Holmes, and Jones

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 4:22 p.m.

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