CONCORD CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION JANUARY 12, 2021

The City Council for the City of Concord, North Carolina, held a work session on January 12, 2021, at 4:00 p.m. with Mayor William C. Dusch presiding.

In order to maintain the safety of City residents, City Council, and staff, this meeting was conducted electronically via Zoom.

Council members were present as follows:

Members Present:

Mayor Pro-Tem W. Brian King Council Member Andy Langford Council Member Ella Mae P. Small Council Member JC McKenzie Council Member Terry L. Crawford Council Member Jennifer H. Parsley Council Member John A. Sweat, Jr.

Others Present:

City Manager, Lloyd Wm. Payne, Jr. City Attorney, Valerie Kolczynski City Clerk, Kim J. Deason Department Directors

The following agenda was presented for discussion:

Presentations:

<u>Presentation of a retirement plaque to Pamela Roberts Parker recognizing her over 25 years of loyal and dedicated service to the City of Concord Planning and Neighborhood Services Department.</u>

Informational Items:

Receive a presentation from Allen Scott and Jeff Parker regarding the Cabarrus Amateur Radio Society.

Jeff Parker, member of the Cabarrus Amateur Radio Society (CARS), presented background information on CARS and how the Society can assist the City in emergency situations.

Public Hearings: (public hearings were opened at the January 12, 2021 Work Session and continued to the January 14, 2021 City Council meeting, unless otherwise noted, to allow for the required 24 hour written comment period for virtual hearings).

Conduct a public hearing and consider adopting the 2021 revision of the City of Concord Comprehensive Transportation Plan.

A motion was made by Council Member Small and seconded by Council Member Crawford to open the public hearing—the roll call vote: Aye – Langford, King, Small, McKenzie, Crawford, Parsley and Sweat; Nay – none.

The Transportation Director, Phillip Graham, presented and explained the revisions to the Plan.

There were no speakers signed up to speak in favor or in opposition to this request. Therefore, a motion was made by Council Member Sweat and seconded by Council Member Crawford to continue the public hearing until the January 14, 2021 City Council meeting—the roll call vote: Aye – Langford, King, Small, McKenzie, Crawford, Parsley and Sweat; Nay - none.

Presentations of Petitions and Requests:

Consider adopting a resolution to sell 98 Chestnut Drive, SW, to homebuyer, Desmond N. Miller, for \$149,500.

The Planning and Neighborhood Development Director, Steve Osborne, stated in June 2020, the Council approved the construction of 98 Chestnut Drive, SW. Staff received an offer to purchase in the amount of \$149,500, which is the listed purchase price.

Consider naming an un-named private street to Hinson Park Lane, NW, in the Hinson Mobile Home Park off of Concord Parkway, N (US Hwy 29, N).

The Planning and Neighborhood Development Director explained the request. He stated the Hinson family has agreed to pay the cost of the 2 street blades (\$75 each) that will be required.

Consider awarding a grant in the amount of \$300,000 from the City's Affordable Housing Revolving Fund to CFEA and to adopt a budget amendment.

The Assistant City Manager, Josh Smith, stated the CFEA is requesting a \$300,000 grant from the City to assist with advertising, recruitment, and the hiring of an Executive Director for the organization.

Consider authorizing the City Manager to negotiate and execute a contract with Talbert Bright and Ellington (TBE) to provide professional engineering services for the general aviation terminal parking lot rehabilitation at Concord-Padgett Regional Airport.

The Aviation Director, Dirk Vanderleest, stated the general aviation parking lot is showing signs of deterioration and the airport directional signage is not current. He stated, if approved, the improvements will be funded through NCDOT Division of Aviation Commercial Airport Service Grants.

Consider the approval of exercising the 5-year renewal option available on the current Rider Transit Service Provider contract.

The Transit Director, LJ Weslowski, stated Rider Transit is in the final year of the initial 5-year term with TransDev. There is a 5-year option available to renew. After review, staff recommends to exercise the 5-year renewal option.

Consider accepting a Preliminary Application form Henry Mims.

The Engineering Director, Sue Hyde, explained Mr. Mims has a failing well and is requesting water service only. Sewer service is not available to his property.

Consider authorizing the City Manager to negotiate and execute a contract amendment for professional services with Woolpert, North Carolina, PLLC, to provide surveying and wetland delineation work for the Northwest Park property located at 1252 Cox Mill Rd.

The Parks and Recreation Director, Bob Dowless, stated City Council approved the contract with Woolpert in July 2020. The requested amendment, in the amount of \$92,660, will include significant survey work, including boundary surveying, topographic surveys, tree surveys, and a wetland delineation and analysis identified as optional services in the original contract.

Consider adopting a capital project ordinance amendment for the generator relocation project.

The Buildings and Grounds Director, Susan Sessler, stated an additional \$109,000 is needed to complete the project

Consider appointing a voting delegate to cast the City of Concord's vote on the proposed 2021 Municipal Advocacy Goals.

Mayor Dusch stated Council Member Parsley has agreed to serve as the voting delegate.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem King and seconded by Council Member Crawford to appoint Council Member Parsley as the voting delegate to cast the City of Concord's vote on the proposed 2021 Municipal Advocacy Goals—the roll call vote: Aye – Langford, King, Small, McKenzie, Crawford, Parsley, and Sweat; Nay - none.

Receive a presentation on the creation of the City of Concord United Committee.

Council Member Langford presented his petition for the creation of the Concord United Committee.

Following Council Member Langford's presentation, Mayor Dusch stated that he supports the Committee and asked Council Member Langford to consider tabling a vote on the matter until the February 11th City Council meeting to give the City Manager and City Attorney to review and address any issues to ensure all legal aspects are met. Mayor Dusch also suggested the matter be discussed further during the January Planning Session.

A motion was made by Council Member Langford and seconded by Council Member Crawford to table the request to the February 11, 2021 scheduled City Council meeting.

Discussion followed the motion.

J. Deaso∕n, City Clerk

Following the discussion, a roll call vote was taken on the previously made motion to table the request to the February 11, 2021 scheduled City Council meeting and also to continue further discussion during the Thursday, January 28, 2021 Planning Session—the roll call vote: Aye — Langford, King, Small, McKenzie, Crawford, Parsley, and Sweat; Nay — none.

Consent Agenda:

There were no comments regarding the Consent Agenda.

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There being no further business to be discussed, a motion was made by Council Member Sweat, seconded by Council Member Crawford, and duly carried, to adjourn—the vote: all aye.

William C. Dusch, Mayor