# CONCORD CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION MEETING FEBRUARY 7, 2023

The City Council for the City of Concord, North Carolina, held the scheduled City Council Work Session in the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor City Hall Council Chambers located at 35 Cabarrus Ave, W, on February 7, 2023, at 4:00 p.m. with Mayor William C. Dusch presiding.

Council members were present as follows:

## **Members Present:**

Mayor Pro-Tem JC McKenzie Council Member Andy Langford Council Member W. Brian King Council Member Betty M. Stocks Council Member Terry L. Crawford Council Member John A. Sweat, Jr.

### Members Absent:

Council Member Jennifer Parsley-Hubbard

## **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:

Presentation of a Proclamation recognizing February as Black History Month.

Presentation of a retirement plaque to Mark Hartsell for over 30 years of loyal and dedicated service to the City of Concord.

### **Unfinished Business:**

Consider approving the Public Art Master Plan for Concord to serve as a guide to implementing public art throughout the City of Concord.

Council Member Langford presented a summary of the amended Master Plan based on the discussion held at the January 8, 2023 Work Session.

He specifically pointed out the Plan states "Approval of the Public Art Master Plan does not mandate the Council to approve any new public art costs or staff."

Council Members Crawford and Sweat expressed their support for the Plan.

Consider adopting bylaws for the newly created Public Art Commission.

There was no discussion on this item.

#### **Presentations of Petitions and Requests:**

Consider authorizing the City Manager to negotiate and execute a contract with Fitfields for full design services for the Academy Gibson Phase II Park area project.

The Parks and Recreation Deputy Director, Sheila Lowry, stated the first area of design will include Webb Field located at 165 Academy Ave. and McAllister Field located at 160 Crowell Dr. These include 2 baseball diamonds, one multi-purpose field, 2 press boxes, 1 concession stand, 2 restrooms and 3 storage buildings. The second area is Gibson Field located at 323 Misenheimer Drive and includes 1 baseball diamond, restrooms, press box/storage and concession stand.

Council Member Stocks asked if the 2 press boxes would be in addition to the existing 2 press boxes. The Parks and Recreation Deputy Director clarified that the 2 press boxes would replace the existing press boxes.

Consider authorizing the City Manager to negotiate and execute a contract with Talbert Bright & Ellington, Inc (TBE).

The Aviation Director, Dirk Vanderleest, stated the request is provide services relating to the acquisition of six properties within the Misty Wood Subdivision and a portion of a parcel located at the end of Westmoreland Drive, NW.

Consider awarding a proposal of Surveying Services to prepare transmission line easement plats for a backup feed to Eli Lilly and a loop feed to Substation E to Lawrence Associates, P.A.

The Electric Systems Director, Alex Burris, stated staff received seven responses to the Request for Qualifications (RFQ's). Staff reviewed the submitted proposals and selected Lawrence Associates, P.A. based on their qualifications.

Consider awarding a bid for electric distribution materials for Delivery 3 to Delivery 4 tie-line along Concord Parkway S to WESCO Distribution, Inc.

The Electric Systems Director stated bids were received on January 19, 2023. Staff determined WESCO Distribution, Inc was responsive and compliant in meeting the required specifications. The total bid amount is \$627,810.02.

Consider authorizing the City Manager to negotiate and execute a contract addendum with Cellco Partnership (dba Verizon Wireless) for an extended long term lease of equipment space on the downtown water tank.

The Water Resources Director, Jeff Corley, stated the extension includes a rent escalator and several renewable terms.

Consider authorizing the City Manager to negotiate and execute contract addendum #2 with McKim and Creed, Inc for additional design services for the Hwy 29 water pump station project.

The Water Resources Director stated the addendum amount is \$25,000. He stated the additional funding is needed for additional design work for the continuation of design of the final exterior of the pump station.

Consider accepting a preliminary application from Britt Caulder.

The Engineering Director, Sue Hyde, stated the property is located at 5117 Roberta Road. She stated the property is within Harrisburg's service area but Harrisburg does not have utilities located in that area to service the parcel. She further stated Concord has an annexation agreement with Harrisburg; therefore, the parcel cannot be annexed into the Concord City limits.

# Consent Agenda:

There were no comments regarding the consent agenda.

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A motion was made by Council Member King, seconded by Council Member Crawford, and duly carried, to conduct a closed session in accordance with N.C. General Statute 143-318.11(a)(4) to discuss matters relating to the location or expansion of business in the area served by this body—the vote: all aye.

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

William C. Dusch, Mayor

Kim J. Deason, City Clerk