

**City Council Regular Session
September 8, 2014**

The City Council of the City of Elizabeth City met in regular session on Monday, September 8, 2014 in Council Chambers, located on the 2nd floor of the Municipal Administration Building, 306 E. Colonial Avenue, Elizabeth City, NC.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Joe Peel
Councilwoman Jean Baker
Councilman Ray Donnelly
Mayor Pro Tem Anita Hummer
Councilman Tony Stimatz
Councilman Michael Brooks
Councilman Kem Spence
Councilman Darius Horton
Councilman Montravias King

MEMBERS ABSENT: NONE

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Rich Olson
City Attorney Bill Morgan
Chief of Police Eddie Buffaloe
Electric Department Superintendent Karl Clow
Assistant to the City Manager Angela Cole
ECDI Director Rebecca Cross
Human Resources Director Katherine Felton
Public Utilities Director Paul Fredette
Inspections Director Stanley Ward
Parks and Recreation Director Bobbi White
City Clerk Vivian White

The City Council regular session was called to order by Mayor Joe Peel at 7:00 p.m. Mayor Peel welcomed everyone to the meeting and recognized Elder Ernest Sutton to give the invocation, after which all in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. Approval of Agenda:

Mayor Peel called for any adjustments to and approval of the agenda.

Requested additions to the agenda:

- a. Mayor Pro Tem Hummer asked to add Certificates of Appreciation; and
- b. Mayor Pro Tem Hummer asked to add a Closed Session as allowed by NCGS 143-318.11(a)(3) Consultation with the City Attorney; and Closed Session as allowed by NCGS 143-318.10(e) Approval of Closed Session minutes.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Anita Hummer, seconded by Councilwoman Jean Baker, to approve the agenda with any necessary adjustments. Those voting in favor were: Baker, Donnelly, Hummer, Stimatz, Brooks, Spence, Horton and King. Against: None. The motion carried.

2. Statement of Disclosure:

The City Clerk read the Statement of Disclosure. No conflict of interest disclosures regarding items listed on the agenda were made.

3. Proclamation/Presentations:

- Constitution Week – September 17-23, 2014

Mayor Peel read and presented a proclamation proclaiming September 17 through 23, 2014 to be Constitution Week in Elizabeth City and asked our citizens to reaffirm the ideals the framers of the Constitution had in 1787. The proclamation was accepted by Cecilia Austin on behalf of the Betsy Dowdy Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

- Certificates of Appreciation

Mayor Peel presented Certificates of Appreciation to Retired Staff Sergeant Dan Serik for delivery to the 27 United States Marines who participated in the 2014 Memorial Day Ceremony at West Lawn Cemetery as a token of the City's appreciation. He thanked SSG Serik for all he does in organizing and coordinating the annual Memorial Day and Veterans Day observances.

SSG Serik thanked the City Council for the certificates and invited everyone to attend the Veterans Day Observance at the City's waterfront on November 8, 2014.

4. Comments from the Public:

Rita Bowe, 224 Katies Trail, Elizabeth City, NC stated that she had been actively working with the homeless community in Elizabeth City to feed and clothe them through the SOULS Ministry. She said that she and others are concerned about the closure and sale of the shelter on Herrington Road. She stated that she, along with Amy Ferebee, Harry Cannon and Gus Smith, of the Homeless Coalition, wished to propose that the Council table for ninety days the consideration of the homeless shelter's sale in order to allow them to collaborate in an attempt to keep the shelter open. She stated that Elizabeth City has a real homeless problem and they recognized it is not the City's responsibility to house the homeless, but that it is a civic and Christian duty to help as much as possible.

Azree Jones, 704 Cale Street, Elizabeth City, NC stated that she wished to address the homeless shelter that is about to be closed or torn down. She said that she wished to reiterate Ms. Bowe's comments that it is our civic and Christian duty to take care of the

homeless and make sure they have food and shelter; and “some way to educate them to be able to take care of themselves”. She read a letter from Amy Ferebee to the City Council requesting that the City delay the sale of the “Garden of Hope” house. The letter, as read by Ms. Jones, expressed Ms. Ferebee’s desire to explore options to continue to provide a shelter at the Herrington Road location; and requested a 90-day extension to provide time to meet and formulate a course of action to provide a variety of services to the homeless.

5. Approval of Minutes:

- a. City Council Work Session – August 25, 2014

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Anita Hummer, seconded by Councilman Darius Horton, to approve the minutes of the City Council Work Session of August 25, 2014. Those voting in favor were: Baker, Donnelly, Hummer, Stimatz, Brooks, Spence, Horton and King. Against: None. The motion carried.

- b. City Council Regular Session – August 25, 2014

Motion was made by Councilman Darius Horton, seconded by Councilman Kem Spence, to approve the minutes of the August 25, 2014 Regular Session. Those voting in favor were: Baker, Donnelly, Hummer, Stimatz, Brooks, Spence, Horton and King. Against: None. The motion carried.

6. Consent Agenda:

Mayor Peel recognized City Manager Rich Olson to read the items listed on the Consent Agenda for the record. Mr. Olson recommended approval of all items, as follows:

Beginning of Consent Agenda:

- a. Consideration – Call for a Public Hearing to be held on September 22, 2014 at 7:30 p.m. in City Council Chambers to receive comment regarding the financing of the Penny Drive Project and the adoption of a resolution authorizing the filing of an application with the Local Government Commission;
- b. Consideration – Approval to transfer \$446.45 from Mayor Pro Tem Anita Hummer’s 2014-2015 Travel and Education appropriation to Councilman Montravias King for attendance at the NCLM Conference;
- c. Consideration – Adoption of the following Budget Amendment to move \$11,393 from the Parks and Recreation Department South Park Donations

Account to the Parks and Recreation Department Capital Outlay Account in order to purchase a Verti-Cutter;

BUDGET ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Elizabeth City that the following amendment be made to the annual budget ordinance for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015:

SECTION I. That the Fund Balance Appropriated (103990.0000) be increased by \$11,393 and Parks & Recreation Capital Outlay (106200.7400) be increased by \$11,393.

(To appropriate funds to purchase verti-cutter.)

Adopted, this 8th day of September, 2014.

Joseph W. Peel
Mayor

Vivian D. White, NCCMC
City Clerk

d. Consideration – Adoption of the following Various Budget Ordinance Amendments, as presented;

BUDGET ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Elizabeth City that the following amendments be made to the annual budget and capital project ordinance for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015:

SECTION I. That the General Fund Insurance Proceeds (103350.8300) be increased by \$61,207, the Police Department Maintenance to Vehicles (105100.1700) be increased by \$5,880, Dog Expense (105100.3303) be increased by \$963, and Parks and Recreation Tornado Damage (106200.1650) be increased by \$54,364.

(To record insurance proceeds for the two police vehicle accidents, surgery reimbursement for K-9 Duke, and tornado damage to Parks and Recreation facilities.)

SECTION II. That the General Fund Balance Appropriated (103990.0000) and Griffin Property Purchase (106600.7315) be increased by \$4,491.

(To appropriate additional funds to reflect actual purchase price of Griffin Property, \$310,838 actual cost - \$306,347 budgeted.)

SECTION III. That the Electric Fund Balance Appropriated (303990.0000) and the Stockbridge Project (308300.7348) be increased by \$70,000.

(To appropriate funds for completion of Stockbridge Electric Project.)

SECTION IV. That the Oak Grove Fund Balance Appropriated (563990.0000) and the Transfer to Stormwater Fund (569900.0002) be increased by \$39,659.

That the Transfer from Oak Grove Capital Reserve (343970.3000) and Professional Services (348500.0400) be increased by \$39,659.

(To close Oak Gove Capital Reserve Fund and appropriate funding for professional services for various Stormwater Projects.)

SECTION V. That the Aviation Park Fund Balance Appropriated (633990.0000) and Aviation Park Land Debt Payment (639008.8101) be increased by \$136,253.

(To appropriate funds for Aviation Fund land purchase debt.)

Adopted, this 8th day of September 2014

Joseph W. Peel
Mayor

Vivian D. White, NCCMC
City Clerk

- e. Consideration – Adoption of the following Policy and Procedures for Appointments to City Boards, Commissions and Committees effective September 8, 2014.

City of Elizabeth City Council: Policy and Procedures For Appointments to City Boards, Commissions and Committees

SECTION 1. Purpose and Philosophy. The operation of City of Elizabeth City government is a shared responsibility of elected officials, staff, and many citizens who serve voluntarily on various boards, commissions, and committees. The City is best served when there is broad representation of citizen demographics and interests on its boards, commissions, and committees.

The City of Elizabeth City Council is sensitive to the need for fairness in making appointments to boards, commissions, and committees. In making appointments, the

Council will have as a goal the fair representation of all City of Elizabeth City citizens, taking into consideration age, sex, race and geographic distribution.

The Council desires to appoint qualified, knowledgeable, and dedicated people to serve on its boards, commissions, and committees. The Council will continuously solicit the interest and input of its citizens in making appointments.

The Council expects its appointees to take actions while serving on boards, commissions, and committees, which are consistent with and which uphold City policies pertaining to the area in which he or she is serving.

SECTION 2. Requirement of State Statutes and/or Local Ordinances. All appointments will be consistent with requirements of applicable state statutes and/or local ordinances.

SECTION 3. Eligibility for Appointment. Any resident of the City of Elizabeth City is eligible to be appointed to boards, commissions, and committees of the City, where such appointment is not prohibited by state statute or City ordinance.

No resident of the City of Elizabeth City may serve in more than two appointed positions at one time in City of Elizabeth City government, unless exempted by nature of the position he or she may hold in governmental service.

SECTION 4. Length of Term of Appointment. Unless otherwise stated by state statute or local ordinance, all terms of office shall be limited to two (2) years. No citizen may serve more than two successive terms in any one appointed position. This policy may be waived if the City Council determines that the removal of individuals made ineligible by this policy would be detrimental to the functioning of that board, commission, or committee.

SECTION 5. Attendance. The City Council has an expectation that appointees will be conscientious in their attendance at assigned meetings. Regular attendance assures increased knowledge of the subject matter and more continuity in understanding activities surrounding the subject matter.

Unless otherwise stated by state statute or local ordinance, three consecutive, unexcused absences on the part of any appointee automatically constitutes resignation on the part of any appointee from a board, commission, or committee and generates automatic acceptance of such resignation of the appointee by the City Council. Excused absences are defined as absences caused by events beyond one's control and are subject to approval by the board, commission, or committee.

If individuals refuse to resign, they may be dismissed by action of the City Council, subject to state statute and/or local ordinance.

SECTION 6. Conflict of Interest. In the event an issue comes before a board, commission, or committee and a member of that board, commission, or committee has a financial-, personal-, or employment-related interest in the outcome of the issue, that member shall notify his or her fellow members that he or she has a potential conflict of interest and will request that he or she be excused from voting. For members of those boards, commissions or committees established by the City Council as requiring annual disclosure, completion of the City's General Disclosure Form, required by Section 2-114 of the City's Code of Ethics Conflict of Interest Ordinance shall be completed by February 1 of each year.

An appointee will not be considered for any employment vacancy in the agency or department where he or she is serving by appointment, unless the appointee resigns his or her seat on the board, commission, or committee thirty (30) days before being considered for the vacancy. Should the appointee not be selected to fill the vacancy, he or she will not be eligible for reappointment to the board, commission, or committee for one year.

SECTION 7. Information for Boards, Commissions, and Committees. The City Clerk shall maintain up-to-date information on all appointments made by the City Council. The information will be readily accessible by Councilors and the general public and will contain the following information:

1. Name of the board, commission, or committee.
2. Functions of each board, commission, or committee.
3. Statute or cause creating board, commission, or committee.
4. Number of members and terms of office.
5. Current members, addresses, telephone numbers, terms of office and expiration dates.
6. Regular meeting day, time and location, if determined.

This information shall be available for review in the City Clerk's office and shall also be maintained on the City's website in a section devoted to "Boards, Committees and Commissions".

SECTION 8. Selection Process. A list of available positions and deadline for receiving applications will be published on the City of Elizabeth City website and/or advertised in a local newspaper with daily distribution, if required by state statute or local ordinance. This procedure will be carried out by the City Clerk.

All applications for a particular position will be returned by the citizens to the City Clerk. The Clerk will check each applicant for eligibility.

The City Clerk will identify any upcoming appointments and report them to the Mayor at least 30 days in advance of the date requiring appointment.

An "Appointments to Boards, Commissions, and Committees" item will be placed on the regular agenda for the meeting at which appointments are to be made. The Mayor will

make recommendations for appointment to the City Council and citizen applications relating to appointments will be included for review by the City Council in the agenda packet. Pursuant to Rule 30 of the City Council Rules of Procedure, the Mayor shall call the roll of the Council members and each member shall cast his or her vote on appointments in open session.

SECTION 9. Notification of Appointments. The City Clerk will send a letter of notification to the prospective appointee and a copy to the affected board, commission, or committee notifying each of the appointees. The name and telephone number of the administrative contact for each affected board, commission, committee or council will be included in the letter of notification.

The letter of notification will ask for written or oral indication of acceptance from the prospective appointee. If the prospective appointee rejects the appointment, or if no response has been received and the appropriate oath administered by the City Clerk to the prospective appointee within 30 days, the City Clerk will notify the City Council at its next regularly-scheduled meeting.

SECTION 10. Recognition of Outgoing Appointees. All outgoing appointees who have successfully completed their term of office will be sent a letter of congratulations. The letter will be accompanied by a "Certificate of Appreciation" signed by the Mayor.

SECTION 11. Retention of Applications. All applications for appointment, including any accompanying resumes, will be retained for three (3) years.

Applications for all active appointees will be kept on file during their term of service, arranged separately in a file by board, commission, or committee.

SECTION 12. Annual Appointment Reporting. The City Clerk shall annually file by September 1 of each year the Municipal Appointments Report for the preceding July 1 to June 30 period, as required by the NC Department of Secretary of State Appointment Reporting Section.

SECTION 13. Policy Filing. This policy shall be maintained for public inspection in the City Clerk's office and on the City's website in a section entitled "Boards, Committees and Commissions".

Adopted, this the 8th day of September, 2014.

End of Consent Agenda.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Jean Baker, seconded by Councilman Darius Horton, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Those voting in favor were: Baker, Donnelly, Hummer, Stimatz, Brooks, Spence, Horton and King. Against: None. The motion carried.

7. Regular Agenda:

a. Discussion/Consideration-Disposition of 709 Herrington Road Property.

Mayor Peel recognized City Manager Olson to review this item. Mr. Olson explained that the property at 709 Herrington Road was previously a homeless shelter operated by the Garden of Hope. He advised that Garden of Hope ended their operation of the shelter on September 30, 2013.

Mr. Olson stated that the City Council had previously discussed this matter during the Council meetings held on February 24, 2014 and October 28, 2013, as well as the Work Session held on November 25, 2013. He said that the Council had directed staff to advertise a Request for Proposals for Service Delivery and Management of the 709 Herrington Road property; and that the proposal was advertised on November 3, 2013 in *The Daily Advance*. He stated that no proposals were received.

Mr. Olson advised that to bring the shelter up to a livable condition would take approximately \$20,000. He referred the Council to staff's write-up that provided an estimate of the expenses involved for the City to run the shelter for one year, which is \$126,300, as compared to the expenses for an eligible 501c3 organization, which is estimated to be \$59,000.

Mr. Olson reported that the Finance Committee discussed this matter during their meeting held on September 3, 2014 and recommended declaring the property surplus, having it appraised and then selling it through the upset bid process.

Councilman Horton thanked the citizens who came to the meeting and spoke on this issue during Public Comment. He stated that he thought the issue was a pressing issue as it relates to the City's homeless population. He said that in the past two weeks, he had an opportunity to speak with a couple of agencies that are willing to partner with the City. He stated that it is important to realize that the City does have a homelessness problem.

Motion was made by Councilman Darius Horton, seconded by Councilman Kem Spence, that action be delayed on this property until December 31, 2014 to give an outside agency a chance to come and make a proposal for the City property.

Councilman Spence stated that he had been one of the Councilors who asked that action be placed on hold regarding the disposition of the property. He said he was definitely against getting rid of the house, but also knew that the City could not afford to actually run the homeless shelter. He said that since someone had come forward with an interest, he did not see a problem in giving them an opportunity to get their information together.

Councilman Brooks stated that he was also in favor of holding up for ninety days. He said that the matter had been postponed several times; and no one had seemed

interested. He stated that his concern was the number of people reported as having left Elizabeth City and Pasquotank County. That, he said, coupled with the fact that Pasquotank is a Tier One County, indicates that there is a need for a homeless shelter. He said that the Council has been very creative in finding money for things of importance in the City; and indicated that the interest of homelessness could affect everyone if circumstances beyond their control arose. He stated that he was in agreement with Councilors Horton and Spence and said that the interested parties should be given ninety more days to get their thoughts together to see what help is available.

Mayor Pro Tem Hummer inquired as to the length of time the shelter had been closed. Mr. Olson responded that it had been almost one year since the Garden of Hope's Subrecipient agreement ended. He stated that City staff had winterized the building and was periodically checking on the facility. He reported that some vandalism had been experienced.

Mayor Pro Tem Hummer asked if there would be any sanctions imposed by Raleigh if the City postpones action for 90 days. Mr. Olson responded that in discussions with Community Investment previously regarding the Hugh Cale Center, the advice received was that a facility could be left vacant for three months, but that six months is too long. He reminded the Council that the Herrington Road facility had been vacant for one year. He reported that the state's primary concern is to insure that the proceeds of the shelter are used to benefit persons of low to moderate income.

Mayor Pro Tem Hummer inquired how long the process would be to obtain an appraisal. Mr. Olson responded that it would take two to four weeks.

Councilman Stimatz commented that he understood the issue regarding this property as had been reported in the newspaper. He stated that the City was between a "rock and a hard spot". He suggested that it would take a little time to get some of the paperwork out of the way; and asked if the sponsors of the motion would agree to a shorter period of time, since only one group had expressed an interest in the last year. He stated that hopefully within 45 days (or by the end of October), the group would know if they would be able to move forward.

Councilman Horton stated that he would like to leave his motion the same, knowing the persons who had inquired. He said that the advertisement soliciting someone to run the shelter had only appeared in the paper one time. Mr. Olson responded that Councilman Horton was correct in that the advertisement ran in November 2013, resulting in no responses. He reported that Councilors Brooks and Donnelly indicated at that time that they would like to have additional time in order to try and secure someone interested in running the shelter.

Councilman Brooks stated that several people came to him with an interest, but he did not send them to the City. He said that depending on how things worked out with this new group, he could contact those persons again who initially expressed an interest.

Councilman Brooks expressed concern about using the proceeds of the sale of the shelter to help the needy. He stated that he feared most of the money would be used for administrative purposes and not reach those in need. He reiterated that he was fully on board with the original motion.

Councilwoman Baker asked if there would be penalties imposed by the state if the City continued to drag the issue out. Mr. Olson responded that the worst case scenario would be that the state would require the City to repay the funds used to purchase the property, which was \$92,000.

Councilman King stated that he appreciated the two citizens that came out to express an interest in the homeless situation in Elizabeth City; and he agreed that there is indeed a homeless situation. He stated that his concern was that the City has played this game before; and had opened the offer to the public with no response. He said that there were over 100 churches in Elizabeth City and multiple organizations, but no one seemed to have a concern. He questioned how the matter was any different now. He said that he did not have anything before him to persuade him to believe that anyone has a decent plan to start the homeless shelter, because it is already closed; not something that is currently operating. He stated that being someone who comes from poverty, he understands the situation; but said that it is not the City's responsibility.

Mayor Pro Tem Hummer stated that there seems to be a willingness to look at the situation and pointed out that all Councilors realize there is a problem. She asked Mayor Peel if it would be appropriate to inquire of the citizens who had come forward if they could formulate their plan in 45 days.

Mayor Peel responded in the affirmative and Ms. Bowe returned to the podium. She stated that she had asked for 90 days in order to allow time to put a plan together, but said that she thought the group could do their work in 45 days and be able to present a plan to the Council.

Councilman Brooks inquired as to what the City can really do to assist, since the City did not have the funding to actually run the shelter. Mr. Olson responded that the City Council could do anything that meets with the public purpose doctrine. He advised that there had been previous discussion regarding using the proceeds of the sale of 709 Herrington Road to continue to advance the homeless cause, such as the Room at the Inn Project. He said that the issue is that the City has a hard asset sitting there that is not being utilized; and advised that it is easier to address the homeless issue with cash than with a building. He reiterated that the proceeds of the sale of the property would have to be used for one of the 28 national objectives mandated by HUD. Councilman Brooks stated that he would like to see a blueprint of how the proceeds of the sale of the building would be used.

Mayor Peel inquired if the City would be responsible for the \$20,000 expense to bring the facility to a livable condition. Mr. Olson responded that staff had not recommended that; and suggested that the expense would be borne by the coalition proposing to

occupy the shelter. He said that if the City took that project on, the money would have to come from the City's reserves. Mayor Peel pointed out that was a possible response to Councilman Brooks' question as to what the City could do.

Councilman Brooks stated that it could be a possibility to secure volunteers and donations to do the repair work. He encouraged the Council to do everything possible to make the shelter work without putting a burden on the City.

Councilman Donnelly stated that he thought the Council would be willing to donate the building to a group or 501c3 organization; and suggested that any interested group should also approach the County Commission for assistance, since the County is responsible for social services and the homeless issue.

Councilman Donnelly also asked what the Room at the Inn actually entails. Mayor Peel responded that Room at the Inn is a spinoff of the SOULS program; and stated that it involves getting churches involved to bring the homeless population in, do an assessment, look at their needs and then try to connect them with agencies for assistance. He said the churches provide a place for the homeless to sleep. He stated that he and Councilman Horton had met with Julie Robinson, who is a proponent of the program, and advised that she has been trying to get it established in Elizabeth City. He said that Room at the Inn would need resources to establish an intake person to do the assessments and beyond that it would be done by volunteers. He said Room at the Inn was a natural extension of the SOULS Ministry, since SOULS already had an established feeding program.

Councilman Horton asked to amend his motion from December 31, 2014 to 45 days from September 8, 2014. Councilman Spence accepted the amendment.

Mr. Olson stated that a City Council meeting was scheduled for October 27, 2014. He said that might be an appropriate date for the proposal to be submitted, and would provide a little longer than 45 days.

Councilman Horton stated that he would agree with October 27, 2014.

Mayor Peel stated that he would contact Mr. Cannon and Mr. Smith to coordinate a meeting with Ms. Bowe, Ms. Jones, the City Manager and Councilman Horton. Councilman Brooks requested to be involved and Mayor Peel agreed to his request.

Councilman Stimatz called for the question.

Mayor Peel restated the motion, as amended: To table the issue until the Work Session scheduled for October 27, 2014. Those in voting of the motion were: Baker, Donnelly, Hummer, Stimatz, Brooks, Spence and Horton. Against: King. The motion carried.

8. Comments and Inquiries on Non-Agenda Items:

Councilman Brooks had no comments.

Councilman Stimatz had no comments.

Councilman Horton thanked everyone for coming out and stated that he was looking forward to hearing the Community Support Grant presentations on Tuesday, September 9 and also attending the ECSU Chancellor-elect "meet and greet". He said that he would continue to pray for the City's homeless and work to find a solution.

Mayor Pro Tem Hummer had no comments.

Councilman King had no comments.

Councilwoman Baker had no comments.

Councilman Spence had no comments.

Councilman Donnelly had no comments.

9. Addition to Agenda by Mayor Pro Tem Hummer: Closed Session as per NCGS 143-318.11(a)(3) Consultation with City Attorney and NCGS 143-318.10(e) Approval of Closed Session Minutes:

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Anita Hummer, seconded by Councilman Montravias King, to go into closed session pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(a)(3) for consultation with the City Attorney and NCGS 143-318.10(e) to approve closed session minutes. Those voting in favor were: Baker, Donnelly, Hummer, Stimatz, Brooks, Spence, Horton and King. Against: None. The motion carried.

Mayor Peel declared a five minute recess at 7:46 p.m., after which the Council entered Closed Session.

Motion was made by Councilman Tony Stimatz, seconded by Councilman Darius Horton, to return to open session. Those voting in favor were: Baker, Donnelly, Hummer, Stimatz, Brooks, Spence, Horton and King. Against: None. The motion carried.

The Council returned to open session at 8:04 p.m.

Motion was made by Councilman Tony Stimatz, seconded by Councilman Darius Horton, to approve the closed session minutes of August 25, 2014. Those voting in favor were: Baker, Donnelly, Hummer, Stimatz, Brooks, Spence, Horton and King. Against: None. The motion carried.

10. Adjournment:

There being no further business to be discussed, Mayor Peel adjourned the meeting at 8:05 p.m.

Joseph W. Peel
Mayor

Vivian D. White, NCCMC
City Clerk