City Council Emergency Meeting
April 9, 2025

The City Council of the City of Elizabeth City met in an Emergency Meeting on Wednesday, April 9th, 2025 in Council Chambers, located on the 2nd floor of the Municipal Administration Building, 306 E. Colonial Avenue, Elizabeth City, NC.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Kirk Rivers
Mayor Pro Tem Kem Spence
Councilman Joseph Peel
Councilman Javis Gibbs
Councilwoman Katherine Felton
Councilman Ronnie Morris
Councilman Johnnie Walton

MEMBERS ABSENT: Councilman Johnson Biggs
Councilwoman Rose Whitehurst

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Reggie Goodson
Assistant Finance Director Brian Lewis
City Clerk April Onley

Mayor Rivers called the Emergency Meeting to order at 10:30 a.m. Councilman Gibbs provided the invocation, after which Councilman Morris led the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. **Consideration – Appointment of Interim Finance Officer for Operations;**

Manager Goodson reported that he was recommending Assistant Finance Director Brian Lewis to serve as the both the Interim Finance Director and the Interim Finance Officer for the City. He had worked with Brian very closely over the last several months with the budget. Manager Goodson noted that Brian led those budget sessions and he had been impressed with his knowledge of the City's financials in all departments. He had every confidence in his abilities to carry the interim role.

Councilwoman Felton asked if the manager was recommending an increase for Mr. Lewis that would be higher than the policy since there were two titles being proposed. Manager Goodson replied that he was only requesting the 4%, as Interim Finance Officer was not a separate role, just a requirement.

> **Motion was made by Councilman Joseph Peel, seconded by Councilwoman Katherine Felton to appoint Brian Lewis as the Interim Finance Director and the Interim Finance Officer for the City of Elizabeth City. Those voting in favor of the motion were: Peel, Gibbs, Spence, Felton, Morris and Walton. Against: None. Motion carried.**

Mayor Pro Tem Spence inquired whether Mr. Lewis was still bonded. Manager Goodson confirmed that he was.

2. **Adjournment:**

There being no further business to be discussed, Mayor Rivers adjourned the meeting at 10:36 a.m.

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E. Kirk Rivers
Mayor

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City Clerk, NCCMC

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