

**City Council Special Meeting
September 20, 2021**

The City Council of the City of Elizabeth City met in a special meeting on Monday, September 20, 2021 in Council Chambers, located on the second floor of the Gardner Municipal Building at 306 East Colonial Avenue in Elizabeth City, NC.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Bettie Parker
Mayor Pro Tem Johnnie Walton
Councilman Billy Caudle
Councilman Kem Spence
Councilman Michael Brooks
Councilman Chris Ruffieux
Councilwoman Jeannie Young
Councilman Gabriel Adkins
Councilman Darius Horton (*Arrived at 6:25 p.m.*)

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Interim City Manager Eddie Buffaloe
City Attorney Bill Morgan
City Labor Attorney John Leidy
IT Systems Analyst Pedro Holley II
City Clerk April Onley

Mayor Parker called the special meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Invocation was given by Councilman Spence, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. Statement of Disclosure:

Manager Buffaloe read the Statement of Disclosure into the record on behalf of the Clerk. No conflict of interest disclosures regarding items listed on the agenda were made.

2. Agenda Approval:

Mayor Parker requested a motion to approve the agenda.

Motion was made by Councilman Kem Spence, seconded by Councilman Billy Caudle to approve the agenda as presented. Those voting in favor of the motion were: Spence, Ruffieux, Brooks, Walton, Young, Caudle and Adkins. Against: None. Motion carried.

3. Closed Session – As Allowed by NCGS 143-318.11(a)(3) Consultation with City Attorneys and NCGS 143-318.11(a)(6) Discussion of Personnel;

Motion to enter closed session as allowed by NCGS 143-318.11(a)(6) and NCGS 143-318.11(a)(3) for Consultation with the City's Attorneys was made by Mayor Pro Tem Johnnie Walton, seconded by Councilman Kem Spence at 6:03 p.m. Those voting in favor of the motion were: Spence, Ruffieux, Brooks, Walton, Young, Caudle and Adkins. Against: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Parker advised there would be a three-minute recess to transition into closed session.

The Council returned to open session at 8:13 p.m.

4. Adjournment:

There being no further business to be discussed, Mayor Parker asked for a vote to adjourn the meeting.

Motion to adjourn was made by Mayor Pro Tem Johnnie Walton, seconded by Councilman Kem Spence. Those voting in favor of the motion were: Spence, Ruffieux, Brooks, Walton, Young, Horton, Caudle and Adkins. Against. None. Motion carried.

Mayor Parker declared the meeting adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

Bettie J. Parker
Mayor

April D. Onley
City Clerk, NCCMC