

# AGENDA SESSION MINUTES

## CHATTANOOGA CITY COUNCIL

November 12, 2013

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### In Attendance

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Council Chairman Yusuf Hakeem; Vice Chairman Chip Henderson; Councilpersons: Chris Anderson, Carol Berz, Moses Freeman, Russell Gilbert, Larry Grohn, Jerry Mitchell and Ken Smith; Assistant City Attorney Phil Noblett

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### Others in Attendance

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Mayor's Office: Andrew Kean, Chief Operating Officer, and Brent Goldberg, Deputy Chief Operating Officer; City Attorney's Office: Wade Hinton, City Attorney; Human Resources: Todd Dockery, Administrator; Randy Burns, Management Analyst, and Nicole Gwyn, Deputy Clerk

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### Ordinances (Final Reading) – Agenda Item 5A

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Councilman Grohn said he supported this ordinance, but neighbors have raised the issue not to grant temporary access in this zoning matter. A discussion ensued about whether or not the public would be allowed to speak on this item.

Upon no further questions or comments, the issue was closed.

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### Ordinances (First Reading) – Agenda Item 6A

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A discussion ensued with Mr. Dockery about the costs of expanding these employee benefits. Councilman Grohn asked Mr. Dockery to provide him with a comprehensive list of cities used to compare Chattanooga's project costs. Councilman Anderson called Point of Order on the objection that Human Resources Department did not write the ordinance. Chairman Hakeem ruled that the discussion had veered into topics that were not a part of today's ordinance.

After further discussion, Mr. Goldberg gave an overview for the Council on the economic modeling for benefits costs. Attorney Hinton joined the discussion regarding the anti-harassment policy.

After further discussion, the issue was closed.

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### Ordinances (First Reading) – Agenda Item 6B

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A discussion ensued about this agenda item. Attorney Hinton briefed the Council on the differences between item 6A and item 6B. He asked Councilman Grohn, who proposed the ordinance, to further elaborate on the intent of 6B.

After further discussion, the issue was closed.

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**Ordinances (First Reading) – Agenda Item 6C**

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Councilwoman Berz reported that there has been no opposition received about this agenda item; therefore, the issue was closed.

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**Ordinances (First Reading) – Agenda Item 6D & 6E**

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Councilman Anderson reported that there has received no negative comments on these agenda items. In fact, he reported having received two positive comments from the community. Therefore, the issue was closed.

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**Ordinances (First Reading) – Agenda Item 6F**

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Councilman Smith reported that there has been no opposition received about this agenda item; therefore, the issue was closed.

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**Resolutions – Agenda Item 7A, 7B, 7C, 7D, 7E & 7F**

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There were no questions on any of these agenda items. Therefore, the issues were closed.

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**Resolutions – Agenda Item 7G**

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Vice Chairman Henderson had asked Administration to look into how PILOTs are reviewed. A presentation would likely take place in the future on PILOTs. Councilman Anderson indicated that someone from the Chattanooga Chamber as well as the company in question would be available at the 6:00 p.m. meeting for this agenda item. Councilman Freeman also noted that this agenda item had been discussed last week during the Economic and Community Development Committee meeting.

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**Adjournment**

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Chairman Hakeem adjourned the meeting at 4:05 p.m.