

MINUTES OF MEETING OF MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL HELD
OCTOBER 16, 2017

WORK SESSION

The Mayor and Council of the City of Goldsboro, North Carolina, met in a Work Session in the Large Conference Room, City Hall Addition, 200 North Center Street, at 5:00 p.m. on October 16, 2017 with attendance as follows:

Present: Mayor Chuck Allen, Presiding
Mayor Pro Tem Bevan Foster
Councilmember Antonio Williams
Councilmember Bill Broadaway
Councilmember Mark Stevens
Councilmember David Ham
Councilmember Gene Aycock
Jim Womble, Attorney
Scott Stevens, City Manager
Melissa Corser, City Clerk
Laura Getz, Deputy City Clerk
Randy Guthrie, Assistant City Manager
Octavius Murphy, Assistant to the City Manager
Jimmy Rowe, Planning Director
Jennifer Collins, Assistant Planning Director
Kaye Scott, Finance Director
Rick Fletcher, Public Works Director
Bernadette Carter-Dove, HR Director
Elizabeth Rutland, Business and Property Development Specialist
Julie Metz, DGDC Director
Scott Barnard, P&R Director
Felicia Brown, Assistant P&R Director
Allen Anderson, Chief Building Inspector
Sherry Archibald, Paramount Theatre Director
Shycole Simpson-Carter, Community Relations Director
Marty Anderson, City Engineer
Brad Hinnant, Server Database Administrator
Fred Fontana, GWTA Director
Gary Whaley, Fire Chief (arrived at 5:09 p.m.)
Ken Conners, News Director-Curtis Media Group East
Chip Crumpler, Wayne County Planning Director
David Harris, Harris & Associates
Shirley Edwards, Citizen
Rochelle Moore, Goldsboro News-Argus (arrived at 5:04 p.m.)
Carl Martin, Citizen (arrived at 5:12 p.m.)
Lonnie Casey, Citizen (arrived at 5:19 p.m.)
Justin Minshew, Attorney (arrived at 5:47 p.m.)

Call to Order. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Allen at 5:00 p.m.

Invocation. The invocation was provided by Councilmember Broadaway.

Adoption of the Agenda. Councilmember Ham made a motion to adopt the agenda. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Stevens. Mayor Allen, Councilmembers Broadaway, Stevens, Ham and Aycock voted in favor of the motion. Mayor Pro Tem Foster and Councilmember Williams voted against the motion. Mayor Allen stated the motion passed with a 5:2 vote.

GWTA Veterans Promotion Information. Mr. Fred Fontana shared veterans and active-duty military can ride buses free November 6th through November 11th. Just show a military ID or DD-214 with photo prior to boarding and enjoy the ride.

Councilmember Broadway asked if there was a bus stop at Elm and the Main Gate. Mr. Fontana replied there is a bus stop on Berkeley in front of the bowling alley.

Parade and Special Events Discussion. Ms. Laura Getz reviewed the following:
Special Events/Parades/Street Closing Discussion

- Staff has updated the permit application process for Special Events, Parades and Street Closings to make the process easier for those wishing to hold an event.

Previous Application

- The old application was not concise and if the citizen wanted to hold a parade, special event or street closing there was no clear direction as to which form to use. Previous forms are listed below:
 - Downtown Street Closing
 - Policy Regarding The Use Of City-owned Property for Special Events
 - Goldsboro Police Department Parade/Permit Application
- 30 days for staff and/or Council review
- Applicant was required to get signatures from 4 other departments.
- Applicant was required to get signatures from local merchants.
- Applicant was required to leave a deposit of \$50.00.

New Application

- Allows citizens to have one form to fill out for any event.
- Streamlines the process of filling out the form with easy to follow questions and requirements (still requests 30 days' notice).
- The form can also be picked up at the Downtown Goldsboro office.
- Types of Special Events include but are not limited to the following:
 - Run/Walk
 - Festival
 - Street Closings to include events at one of the Downtown roundabouts or fountain
 - Parade
 - Use of City Property (other than Parks)

Comparing Other NC Cities/Counties

- Wayne County
 - Permit issued by the Planning Department
 - Applications submitted no later than 30 days prior to event
- New Bern
 - Permit issued by the City Manager or his designee
 - Event applications submitted no later than 60 days prior to event
- Wake Forest
 - Town Manger authorizes closures
 - Applications submitted no later than 45 days prior to event

Pickets

- Picket applications are still being handled by the Goldsboro Police Department and can be accessed at their website or by calling Robin Wheeler or Major Dean at the Police Department.
- Pickets are described in the City of Goldsboro's Code of Ordinances §98.81.
- The current ordinance for Pickets states the following:
 - No picketing shall be conducted on the public ways of this city and no person shall participate in the same unless notice of intent to picket has been given to the Chief of Police or his designated representative at least 72 hours prior to time of picket. After review, the Chief of Police or his representative shall issue a picket receipt no later than 24 hours prior the event.

Parade Ordinance

- Staff would like to bring the Updated Parade and Special Event Ordinance back to Council for approval.
- The major changes to the ordinance include the following:

- Changing the definition of a parade to remove any references to pickets.
- Changing the process to be handled by the City Manager or his designated representative instead of the Chief of Police, which will clear the police department of the duties of parades and place all requests for parades and special events with the City Manager or his designated representative which will be the DGDC Office.
- Benefits of DGDC handling applications:
 - Allows citizens better access to staff
 - DGDC is already aware of other community events
- Clarifies the procedure for obtaining a permit to include verbiage that an application should be obtained 30 days prior to the event versus shall be. Also, adding the City Manager has the authority to reduce this time period where possible.

Questions

1. Does Council want to continue approving street closing/parade applications or just be made aware of them?
2. Add email notification versus signatures for downtown property owners/merchants.
3. Continue to require a deposit/cleaning fee?

Mayor Pro Tem Foster and Councilmember Williams expressed concerns with changing the process to go through the City Manager. Mayor Pro Tem Foster requested staff contact additional municipalities to see how others handle the process.

Council agreed staff could proceed with emailing notification to downtown property owners and businesses and charge a \$50 refundable fee. Staff to bring this item back for additional discussion at a future work session.

Say I Do Downtown. Ms. Julie Metz stated Downtown staff has been working through an idea with City Management and Travel & Tourism staff. The idea is based on two premises – we now have something to market downtown that we can capitalize on and we need to enhance our economic development strategy to build reasons for people to open and sustain businesses, support our community’s assets and increase tourism. Economic Development Strategy: create a cultural arts, entertainment and urban lifestyle center. A couple of months ago, we asked the public to send us their favorite photos of them enjoying or experiencing downtown in new ways. We had an overwhelming response of over 230 pictures submit. Many of them were of brides or couples. Some were of them actually getting married downtown and using our public features as their photo props.

Ms. Metz shared the following information:

- 2016 Average Wedding Expenditure in Goldsboro = \$21,600
- 2016 Average Wedding Expenditure in NC = \$24,000
- Learning how to appeal to brides requires marketers to understand millennials, they make up the majority of marrying couples.
- They want real experiences.
- It’s not as much about location as you might think: unique, simple, romantic, traditional fun and casual.
- Promote authenticity
- Couples are showing their unique style by choosing unexpected places to wed,”
- “Historic buildings/home make up 14 percent in 2014, compared with only 12 percent in 2009,
- About 40 percent are looking for unusual venues that better reflect their personality.

Requirements and Limitations

Availability:

- Saturdays and Sundays Only
- Online Calendar to Show Availability. Dates for known annual events would be blocked.

- Only one wedding per day is available. First secured first reserved.
- Payment must be received to secure reservation.
- Reservations must be made at least 30 days prior

Time Limitations:

- 2 hours maximum permitted for set up.
- 1 hour maximum permitted for ceremony.
- 1 hour maximum permitted for breakdown of street obstacles to allow for street opening.
- 30 minutes beyond 1 hour break down for complete removal of all items on public right-of-way.

Furnishings, Decorations and Amenities

Permitted Items:

- Chairs & Tables
- Any furnishings that do not require to be anchored down.
- Tents, but upon prior request and only in certain areas. Must submit details of tent size, desired location and anchoring system prior to date for approval. Tents of certain sizes require certain fire protection.
- Music, we need to be notified to prearrange a block on the music system downtown.

Non-Permitted Items/Activities:

- Tents on the street or in paver/brick areas that require anchoring.
- No standing or setups in the landscaped areas or flower beds.
- No digging.
- No commercial stages. Platforms are permitted with prior approval based on dimensions.
- Only available outlets can be used. No unplugging items to allow for additional power sources.
- No substances are allowed in the fountain.

Guarantees & Expectations:

- The City cannot guarantee circumstances as they relate to: noise, such as emergency vehicle, jet, citizen vehicular or pedestrian noise/sounds and weather.
- The City nor its staff will serve as a personal wedding planner or are expected to provide any additional services other than the use of the public space.

Walnut and Center Street

- Highlights: a) Allows the Fountain to serve as the back drop.
b) Easier and more seating space due to less obstacles
- Logistics: a) Block W. Walnut Street right after JC Penny Parking Lot 2 hours prior to ceremony.
b) Seating for guests would be set up in Walnut Street and where Center Street traverses with Walnut.
c) Would block access through roundabout from E. Walnut side around 2 hours prior but be able to leave access to N. Center St.
d) Would need to block southbound lane at the 100 block of N. Center Street, allows eastbound travelers from W. Mulberry Street to travel around roundabout.

Center Street

- Highlights: a) Allows the Fountain to serve as backdrop.
b) Looks down at streetscape southbound.
c) Some obstacles for seating if a lot of seating is needed due to median.
- Logistics: a) Would need to block both northbound and southbound block of 100 N. Center Street.
b) Block Southbound about two hours prior to set up. Need to block ability to go around circle during set up coming from E. Walnut. Then move this block to where shown during ceremony.

City Hall

- Highlights: a) Easier to block, less traffic and allows more options for seating
b) Historic City Hall serves as backdrop.
- Logistics: a) Contain all “rental space” from west median edge to City Hall steps.
b) Need to block northbound side of 200 N. Center Street about 2 hours prior to set up.

Proposed Cost for Rental:

Based on the following, we propose a fee of \$700 for rental with a refundable \$250 deposit. Refunded if area is left as it was before setup.

City’s Potential Costs:

- 1 person prep area prior to event, including litter, weeding, etc.: \$25/hour at 6 hours = \$150
- 2 person prep street closures prior to event: \$25/hour at 2 hours = \$100
- 3 person patrol event at street closure locations: \$25/hour at 4.5 hours = \$336

Ms. Metz stated if Council is ok, staff would hold a mock wedding to see how it goes, create marketing materials and a local vendor list.

Council discussed. Mayor Pro Tem Foster stated he was baffled, the Merchants Association wanted 2 hour parking and now the roads are going to be closed for 4 hours. Councilmember Williams stated he has spoken with some merchants who are concerned with closing the street.

Councilmember Broadway made a motion to try “Say I Do Downtown” for one year. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Stevens.

Additional discussion continued. Councilmember Ham stated he felt the street closures would be minimal. Ms. Metz reviewed where sections would be blocked.

Mayor Allen called for a vote on the motion. Mayor Allen, Councilmembers Broadway, Stevens, Ham and Aycock voted in favor of the motion. Mayor Pro Tem Foster and Councilmember Williams voted against the motion. The Mayor stated the motion passed with a 5:2 vote.

Sidewalk Replacement Request. Mr. Stevens stated he had a recent request for sidewalk replacement by a business that is doing a renovation downtown. Often times when a business is doing renovations, they would like the sidewalk replaced. We have brought some to you to replace that were unsafe. We have allowed downtown businesses as a part of their renovation to replace a section of sidewalk that was in really bad shape on John Street. We have allowed a number of things, but this particular case, I do not believe it makes sense to replace it just because it is old. We have a lot of sidewalks in need of repair, just to allow because someone is renovating to be the primary reason, it does not make sense to me. What I wanted to discuss with you is, do we want to have something that is cost sharing with a business owner; from a staff perspective where a sidewalk is just old, it is not unsafe, and we share in the cost, they pay half and we pay half subject to funding ability and replacing sections of sidewalks that make sense.

Council discussed and asked staff to bring it back to the next meeting.

Multi-Sports Equipment Discussion. Mr. Scott Barnard stated during the FY 2017-18 Budget Discussion, some concerns were raised about the equipment for the multi-sports complex. Although City Council adopted the budget, staff was asked to bring these items back for additional discussion. Based on a recent meeting to discuss the necessity of these items, I have provided the original list of items approved along with a revised recommendation. In addition, while this equipment was listed as multi-sports complex, some of it will be primarily used at the multi-sports complex and some of it will be used throughout our parks. I have indicated this usage as well. My hope would be to gain approval of the City Council to move forward with the procurement of this equipment in the near future.

Multi-Sports Complex Equipment Approved in Parks & Recreation FY 2017-18 Budget Request

Description	Estimated Cost	Recommend Purchase	Comments/Usage
Field Rake	\$14,000	Yes	For use throughout Parks and Recreation
Utility Club Cart	\$10,600	Yes	Primarily for use at multi-sports complex
Heavy Duty Mower-Reel- 7 gang	\$78,889	Yes	Primarily for use at multi-sports complex
Crew Cab Pickup Truck	\$28,500	Yes	Additional vehicle to move equipment and staff. For use throughout Parks and Recreation
1 Ton Pickup Truck	\$47,500	Yes	Replacement of dump truck. For use throughout Parks and Recreation
Riding Mower – rotary	\$33,347	No	Primarily for use at multi-sports complex
Reel Mower – 5 gang	\$57,411	No	Primarily for use at multi-sports complex

Mayor Pro Tem Foster expressed concerns over the money adding up for this project. Mayor Allen shared the money was budgeted in this fiscal year’s budget. Council consensus was staff could proceed with the purchase of the equipment.

Rate and Cart Plan Discussion. Mr. Scott Barnard shared the following information with Council regarding fee structures:

WedgeWOOD
Memberships

Monthly County Pass \$65.00
Cart NOT Included

Monthly Non-County Pass \$70.00
Cart NOT Included

Individual Annual Plan \$1,300.00
Includes cart and green fee

Husband & Wife Annual Plan \$2,000.00
Includes cart and green fee

Mr. Barnard provided the following suggested rate in comparison to the current rate.
Suggested Golf Rate including cart
\$1700 individual and \$2400 family
Current Rate (individual and family)
204x4=\$ 816

If members play more than one round per week (52/year) they are saving money.

FYI: Wilson has 8 members currently with cart.

Mr. Barnard staff recommends trying the suggested rate structure for one year and track data or track data for a year and discuss again at a later date.

Councilmember Broadaway made a motion to try the suggested rate including cart for one year. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Ham. Mayor Allen, Councilmembers Broadaway, Stevens, Ham and Aycock voted in favor of the motion. Mayor Pro Tem Foster and Councilmember Williams voted against the motion. The Mayor stated the motion passed with a 5:2 vote.

Cover Agenda. Each item on the cover agenda was generally discussed. Additional discussion included the following:

Item G. Street Closing – Herman Place. Mr. Jimmy Rowe reviewed the street closing request and presented the following two options:

1. Accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission and deny the street closing request; or
2. Adopt an Ordinance closing Herman Place and reserving a 30 ft. wide access easement over the right-of-way to allow for vehicular ingress and egress.

Upon motion of Councilmember Ham, seconded by Councilmember Broadway and unanimously carried Council selected the option of adopting an ordinance closing Herman Place and reserving a 30 ft. wide access easement over the right-of-way to allow for vehicular ingress and egress.

Item K. Third Annual Thriller Night – Street Closing Request. Mayor Pro Tem Foster stated the application was not filed 30 days in advance, if there is a rule in place that it be submitted 30 days in advance, we should do our job, and follow the rules. Ms. Rutland shared the office has been short on staffing.

Item L. Community Affairs Commission Appointments. Upon motion of Councilmember Williams, seconded by Councilmember Stevens and unanimously carried, Council removed Item L. Community Affairs Commission Appointments from the agenda.

Closed Session Held. Upon motion of Councilmember Aycock, seconded by Councilmember Williams and unanimously carried, Council convened into Closed Session to discuss an economic development matter.

Council came out of Closed Session.

There being no further business, the work session adjourned at 6:18 p.m.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

The Mayor and Council of the City of Goldsboro, North Carolina, met in regular session in Council Chambers, City Hall, 214 North Center Street, at 7:00 p.m. on October 16, 2017 with attendance as follows:

Present: Mayor Chuck Allen, Presiding
 Mayor Pro Tem Bevan Foster
 Councilmember Antonio Williams
 Councilmember Bill Broadway
 Councilmember Mark Stevens
 Councilmember David Ham
 Councilmember Gene Aycock

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Allen at 7:00 p.m.

Pastor Marvin Alexander with New Spirit Church Ministries provided the invocation. The Pledge to the Flag followed.

Approval of Minutes. Upon motion of Councilmember Aycock, seconded by Councilmember Broadway and unanimously carried, Council approved the Minutes of the Work Session and Regular Meeting of June 26, 2017 as submitted.

Resolution Expressing Appreciation For Services Rendered By Jason Singleton as an Employee of The City Of Goldsboro For More Than 18 Years.
Resolution Adopted. Jason Singleton retires on November 1, 2017 as a Fire Captain with the Goldsboro Fire Department of the City of Goldsboro with more than 18 years of service. Jason began his career on January 20, 1999 as a Firefighter with the Goldsboro Fire Department in the City of Goldsboro. On February 10, 2006, Jason was promoted to Fire Engineer with the Goldsboro Fire Department. On October 31, 2012, Jason was promoted to Fire Captain with the Goldsboro Fire Department where he has served until his retirement. Jason has proven himself to be a dedicated and efficient public servant who has gained the admiration and respect of his fellow workers and the citizens of the

City of Goldsboro. The Mayor and City Council of the City of Goldsboro are desirous, on behalf of themselves, City employees and the citizens of the City of Goldsboro, of expressing to Jason Singleton their deep appreciation and gratitude for the service rendered by him to the City over the years. We express our deep appreciation and gratitude for the dedicated service rendered during Jason’s tenure with the City of Goldsboro. We offer Jason our very best wishes for success, happiness, prosperity and good health in his future endeavors.

Upon motion of Mayor Allen, seconded by Councilmember Aycock and unanimously carried, Council adopted the following entitled Resolution.

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-74 “RESOLUTION EXPRESSING APPRECIATION FOR SERVICES RENDERED BY JASON SINGLETON AS AN EMPLOYEE OF THE CITY OF GOLDSBORO FOR MORE THAN 18 YEARS”

Chief Whaley stated Jason has done an outstanding job. He was on the front line, has been a good mentor and a great leader. We are going to miss him. Mayor Allen presented a framed copy of the Resolution to Mr. Jason Singleton.

Golden STAR Award Recipients. Ms. Bernadette Carter-Dove, Human Resources Director shared the STAR award is to recognize employees in a timely manner for their contributions to the organization and the community. These contributions go above and beyond the normal scope of responsibilities of the performance of their duties.

The award focuses on customer service/professionalism, problem solving/quality improvement, teamwork/community partnership or other professional/personal achievement in a way that relates to the City's values and beliefs of integrity, professionalism, collaboration and promoting the quality of life. Anyone having knowledge of such characteristics displayed by an employee or group of employees may submit a nomination. The monthly recipients will receive a monetary award, a certificate signed by the City Manager and Mayor, and a pin signifying their STAR status.

Mayor Allen and Ms. Carter-Dove, Human Resource Director presented an award to the following employees for going above and beyond:

- David Royster with the Public Works Department
- Donald Stokes with the Public Works Department

CU-16-17 Michael Scales–Southwest corner of North William Street and Beech Street. Public Hearing Held. Applicant requests a Conditional Use Permit to allow the operation of a used car lot.

The property is zoned General Business. The sale of used vehicles is a permitted use within this district only after the issuance of a Conditional Use Permit approved by City Council.

Area: 14,644 sq. ft. or .34 acres
Frontage: 112 ft. (N. William St.)
 150 ft. (Beech St.)
Zone: General Business

The property was formerly operated as a used car lot and, most recently as Reborn Auto Body and Repair.

The submitted site plan indicates one existing 870 sq. ft. building proposed for use as a sales office located at the front of the lot.

Another existing 1,500 sq. ft., three-bay garage located at the rear of the lot is proposed for washing and detailing automobiles.

A six ft. high opaque security fence separates the sales office from the garage.

The site is accessed by one over-sized curb along N. William Street. Two additional curb cuts are provided along Beech Street, one of which provides access to the rear of the facility.

Parking:

Display Spaces: Up to 15

Customer Spaces: 5

Employee Spaces: 2

No loading space will be required since all vehicles will be driven to the site.

Hours of Operation: 9:00 a. m. to 5:00 p. m.
(Monday-Saturday)

No. of Employees: 1

Refuse Collection: Provided by roll-out containers.

Due to existing concrete and asphalt which covers the entire property, the applicant is asking for a modification of the City's landscape requirements.

In addition, half of the parking lot along N. William Street is owned by NCDOT as a public right of way. According to the City's Unified Development Code, no portion of the public right of way can be used to satisfy off-street parking and circulation requirements. A modification will be necessary.

City water and sewer are available to the site. The site is not located in a flood hazard area.

Mayor Allen opened the public hearing. No one spoke and the public hearing was closed.

No action necessary. The Planning Commission will have a recommendation for the Council meeting on November 6, 2017.

Continued Public Hearing-Deletion of ETJ: 1. Pate Property 2. Mills Property. Public Hearing Held. Both properties are located east of North Cottonwood Drive and do not have frontage on a street. They are both currently vacant farmland.

Pate Property: Of the overall 14-acre parcel owned by Morris and Charlene Pate, approximately 5.85 acres are located within the City's Extraterritorial Jurisdiction. The tract is zoned R-16 Residential. The remainder of the property (8.15 acres) would be subject to the requirements of Wayne County.

Mills Property: Of the overall 44.76-acre parcel owned by Nancy and William Mills, approximately 16.88 acres are located within the City's Extraterritorial Jurisdiction. That tract is zoned R-16 Residential. The remainder of the property (27.88 acres) would be subject to the requirements of Wayne County.

The owners of both properties have been approached about development of a solar facility and were told that any construction within that area in the City's ETJ would be subject to the City's requirements as they relate to all dimensional and performance standards.

As a result, the current owners have requested that the City relinquish their jurisdiction on the portion of each property within the Extraterritorial Jurisdiction in order to allow the entire site to be developed under one set of regulations.

A Notice of Public Hearing was prepared and advertised in the newspaper for two weeks. All adjacent property owners were notified of the hearing by mail and the property was posted indicating that a public hearing was to be held.

Upon request of a representative for the applicants, the City Council, at the public hearing held on August 21, 2017, continued the public hearing on this matter to October 16, 2017 due to unforeseen conflicts.

Mayor Allen opened the public hearing and the following person spoke:

1. Herman Crumpler stated he lives across from this property and feels there are some important things that need to be considered. The drainage of this land will go through Goldsboro. You will stagnate two housing developments. It is close to the hospital, to close to the interstate. It is too valuable to the City of Goldsboro without asking questions.
2. Nancy Mills stated she owns some of the acreage being considered here. She spoke in favor of removing the property from the ETJ. She stated she feels it will benefit her and her heirs only being subjected to the rules and regulations of one local government.
3. Morris Pate stated the property has been in his family's possession for some years. He stated he is in support of the property being removed from the ETJ.
4. Lathan Grimms stated he is here on behalf of the solar company, Strata Solar. If there are any questions, he is happy to answer them. They have applied for a permit with Duke Energy to do a solar farm. Strata Solar, a North Carolina Company, has a number of solar farms in Wayne County and will conduct the solar farm in a very responsible way. We are will to discuss in addition to the vegetative requirements of the County and opaque fence if the neighbors would like.

No one else spoke and the public hearing was closed. No action necessary. Planning Commission will have a recommendation for the Council's meeting on November 6, 2017.

Planning Commission Excused.

Contiguous Annexation Request – AAA Mini-Storage (Paul Williams Property) 2.928 Acres. Public Hearing Held. Ordinance Adopted. The City Council, at their meeting on October 2, 2017, scheduled a public hearing for the proposed annexation of the subject property. A public hearing notice was properly advertised stating the time, place and purpose of the meeting.

Pursuant to G. S. 160A-31, at the public hearing all persons owning property in the area proposed to be annexed, as well as the residents of the municipality, shall be given an opportunity to be heard on the proposed annexation.

If the Council determines that the proposed annexation meets all the requirements of G. S. 160A-31, it has the authority to adopt an annexation ordinance.

In a report prepared by the Department of Planning and Community Development, in conjunction with other departments, concerning the subject annexation area. All City services can be provided to the property.

Mayor Allen opened the public hearing. No one spoke and the public hearing was closed.

Upon motion of Councilmember Aycock, seconded by Councilmember Williams and unanimously carried, Council adopted the following entitled Ordinance annexing AAA Mini-Storage property effective October 31, 2017.

ORDINANCE NO. 2017-49 "AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING CERTAIN CONTIGUOUS REAL PROPERTY TO THE CITY OF GOLDSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA

Public Comment Period. Mayor Allen opened the public comment period and the following people spoke:

1. Pastor Marvin Alexander shared information regarding the Mephibosheth Project Inc. The mission is to help those that may have a crippled perception of how they see themselves get back into their intended place of purpose and productivity. Focus points include reentry support, social skills development, goal setting, problem solving skills training, parenting skills training, etc. Pastor Alexander provided an informational booklet (a copy is on file in the clerk's office).

Pastor Alexander introduced Mr. Hinnant provided information on the Local Reentry Council. The mission of the Local Reentry Council is to coordinate resources in the community with best efforts to provide assistance for formerly incarcerated individuals, those under supervision and their families that will facilitate a better transition from incarceration back into society. He also provided an information booklet (a copy is on file in the clerk's office).

2. Tessa Brannon shared information regarding a non-profit, Second Chance Haiti. Second Chance has been operating as a non-profit for the last two years. We seek to provide a second chance to the children of Haiti, specifically in two orphanages we support. She shared she would like to have a fundraiser downtown for Second Chance Haiti and would like to partner with the City of Goldsboro.

Mayor Allen suggested Ms. Brannon contact Parks and Recreation or the Clerk's Office.

Councilmember Williams stated we admire what you do.

No one else spoke and the public comment period was closed.

Consent Agenda - Approved as Recommended. City Manager, Scott A. Stevens, presented the Consent Agenda. All items were considered to be routine and could be enacted simultaneously with one motion and a roll call vote. If a Councilmember so requested, any item(s) could be removed from the Consent Agenda and discussed and considered separately. In that event, the remaining item(s) on the Consent Agenda would be acted on with one motion and roll call vote. Mr. Stevens reminded Council Item L. Community Affairs Commission Appointments was deferred. Councilmember Ham moved the items on the Consent Agenda, Items G, H, I, J, K and M be approved as recommended by the City Manager and staff. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Stevens and a roll call vote resulted in Mayor Allen, Councilmembers Broadaway, Stevens, Ham and Aycock voting in favor of the motion. Mayor Pro Tem Foster and Councilmember Williams voted against the motion. Mayor Allen declared the Consent Agenda approved as recommended with a 5:2 vote. The items on the Consent Agenda were as follows:

Street Closing – Herman Place. Ordinance Adopted. On March 6, 2017, the City Council asked the staff to investigate closing a number of unimproved street sections within the City Limits.

The street section has been identified on the attached map and has an approximate length of 300 ft. and a right-of-way width of 50 ft.

The petitioned street closing has been forwarded to the Fire, Police, Engineering and Public Works Departments for their review. No objections have been received.

If the street is closed, ownership of the right-of-way would be split equally between the adjoining property owners and a utility easement would be retained over the entire closed right-of-way for maintenance of an 8-inch sanitary sewer line.

At the public hearing held on September 18, 2017, the owner of Wayne Roofing appeared to speak in opposition to the request and indicated that this would be the only access to the business.

The Planning Commission, on September 25, 2017, recommended denial of the request which would essentially landlock property owned by Wayne Roofing.

North Carolina General Statutes 160A-299(f) allows a city to reserve a right, title and interest in any improvements or easements within a street that is closed. Staff recommends that the Herman Place right-of-way be closed and that a 30 ft. wide access easement be retained in order to allow vehicular ingress and egress.

Staff recommended Council adopt the following entitled Ordinance closing Herman Place and reserving a 30 ft. wide access easement over the right-of-way to allow for vehicular ingress and egress. Consent Agenda Approval. Ham/Stevens (5 Ayes, 2 Nay)

ORDINANCE NO. 2017-50 "AN ORDINANCE ORDERING THE CLOSING OF A CERTAIN STREET WITHIN THE CITY OF GOLDSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA"

Resolution Authorizing the Execution of Lease Agreement Associated with the Multi-Sports Lighting. Resolution Adopted. The City of Goldsboro and the U.S. Air Force signed a lease for the construction of a 62-acre multi-sports complex. This complex will include eight (8) multi-use sports fields adjacent to Seymour Johnson Air Force base. The City would like to install sports lighting on three (3) of these fields.

Musco Finance, LLC has quoted a lease option that would allow the City to install Light-Structure Green Lighting Fixtures on three (3) fields. The City's cost would be \$520,000 and would include all fixtures, steel poles, pre-cast concrete bases with integrated grounding, pole length wire harnesses and electrical components enclosures.

The City would be required to pay \$21,000 when ordered and \$499,000 would be financed. The City's Finance Department has been working with Musco Finance on a lease agreement for funding for this purchase. The have submitted a proposal citing a 3.5% interest rate over a 5-year term.

It was recommended Council adopt the following entitled Resolution authorizing the City Manager and Finance Director to sign a contract with Musco Finance, LLC for the installment financing of the lighting at the Multi-Sports Complex in the amount of \$499,000. Consent Agenda Approval. Ham/Stevens (5 Ayes, 2 Nay)

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-76 "RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER AND FINANCE DIRECTOR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH MUSCO FINANCE, LLC"

Traffic Control Matters. Ordinance Adopted. The Traffic Advisory Commission received a request to investigate the feasibility of creating a parking space in front of 121 N. Center Street and a loading zone in front of the Waynesborough House on South Center Street.

The Traffic Advisory Commission discussed and evaluated the request and recommend the addition of a parking space and loading zone on Center Street, as shown on the attached map.

It was recommended Council adopt the following entitled Ordinances establishing a loading and unloading zone on South Center Street and creating a parking space on North Center Street. Consent Agenda Approval. Ham/Stevens (5 Ayes, 2 Nay)

ORDINANCE NO. 2017-51 "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 72 ENTITLED "STOPPING, STANDING, AND PARKING" OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GOLDSBORO"

ORDINANCE NO. 2017-52 "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 75: PARKING SCHEDULES OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GOLDSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA"

Veterans Day Parade and Celebration – Street Closing Request. Approved.

A request was received from the Wayne County Veterans and Patriots Coalition requesting permission to close a portion of certain City streets on Saturday, November 11, 2017 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in order to hold a Veterans Day Parade and Celebration.

The street closing request is as follows: Parade Route: Begin on S. Center at Spruce Street, continue northbound on Center Street and make the turn around on Ash Street and travel southbound on Center Street to Walnut Street for a right turn to go westbound, then a left on James Street to go southbound and then finally a left on Spruce Street to go eastbound where it ends.

Staging Areas: South Center Street from Pine Street to Spruce Street; Pine Street from James Street to Center Street.

Additional Closures recommended by the Police Department to manage traffic flow: Center Street from Spruce to Ash; traffic circle at Center and Ash Streets; Mulberry Street from James Street to Center Street; James Street from Mulberry to Pine; Pine Street from James Street to Center Street.

Line up for the parade will be on South Center Street beginning at 9:00 a.m. and the parade will begin at 11:00 a.m. The Police, Fire, Public Works and DGDC offices have been notified of this request.

Staff recommends approval of this request subject to the following conditions:

1. All intersections remain open for Police Department traffic control.
2. A 14-foot fire lane is maintained in the center of the street to provide access for fire and emergency vehicles.
3. All activities, changes in plans, etc. will be coordinated with the Police Department.
4. The Police, Fire, Public Works and Downtown Goldsboro offices are to be involved in the logistical aspects of this event.

It was recommended the City Council grant street closings on Center, Ash, Mulberry, Walnut, Spruce, and Chestnut Streets on November 11, 2017 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in order that the Veterans Day Parade and Celebration may take place, subject to the above conditions. Consent Agenda Approval. Ham/Stevens (5 Ayes, 2 Nay)

Third Annual Thriller Night – Street Closing Request. Approved. A request was received from the Downtown Goldsboro Merchants Association requesting permission to close a portion of certain City streets on October 27, 2017 from 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. in order to hold the Third Annual Thriller Night.

The street closing request is as follows: The Downtown Goldsboro Merchants Association has requested the closing of the 200 block of North Center Street between Ash and Mulberry Streets and the City Hall parking lot. A rain date has been scheduled for October 28, 2017.

The Police, Fire, Public Works and Downtown Goldsboro offices have been notified of this request. Staff recommends approval of this request subject to the following conditions:

1. All intersections remain open for Police Department traffic control.
2. A 14-foot fire lane is maintained in the center of the street to provide access for fire and emergency vehicles.

3. All activities, changes in plans, etc. will be coordinated with the Police Department.

4. The Police, Fire, Public Works and Downtown Goldsboro offices are to be involved in the logistical aspects of this event.

It was recommended the City Council grant a street closing at the 200 block of North Center Street between Ash and Mulberry Street on October 27, 2017 from 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. in order that the Third Annual Thriller Night may take place, subject to the above conditions. Consent Agenda Approval. Ham/Stevens (5 Ayes, 2 Nay)

Monthly Reports. Accepted as Information. The various departmental reports for the month of September 2017 were submitted for the Council's approval. It was recommended that Council accept the reports as information. Consent Agenda Approval. Ham/Stevens (5 Ayes; 2 Nays)

End of Consent Agenda.

City Manager's Report. Mr. Stevens shared we have two of our Department Heads retiring soon. Mr. Jimmy Rowe, Planning Director, is retiring December 31st with almost 38 years of service. Chief Whaley is retiring December 1st with 35 years of service.

City Attorney's Report. No report.

Mayor and Councilmembers' Reports and Recommendations. Mayor Allen read the following Resolution:

Resolution Expressing Appreciation for Services Rendered By Brandon Davis as an Employee of the City of Goldsboro for More Than 9 Years. Resolution Adopted. Brandon Davis retires on November 1, 2017 as a Fire Captain with the Goldsboro Fire Department of the City of Goldsboro with more than 9 years of service. Brandon began his career on October 8, 2008 as a Firefighter with the Goldsboro Fire Department in the City of Goldsboro. On February 20, 2013, Brandon was promoted to Fire Engineer with the Goldsboro Fire Department. On January 1, 2017, Brandon was promoted to Fire Captain with the Goldsboro Fire Department where he has served until his retirement. Brandon has proven himself to be a dedicated and efficient public servant who has gained the admiration and respect of his fellow workers and the citizens of the City of Goldsboro. The Mayor and City Council of the City of Goldsboro are desirous, on behalf of themselves, City employees and the citizens of the City of Goldsboro, of expressing to Brandon Davis their deep appreciation and gratitude for the service rendered by him to the City over the years. We express our deep appreciation and gratitude for the dedicated service rendered during Brandon's tenure with the City of Goldsboro. We offer Brandon our very best wishes for success, happiness, prosperity and good health in his future endeavors.

Upon motion of Mayor Allen, seconded by Councilmember Aycock and unanimously carried, Council adopted the following entitled Resolution.

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-75 "RESOLUTION EXPRESSING APPRECIATION FOR SERVICES RENDERED BY BRANDON DAVIS AS AN EMPLOYEE OF THE CITY OF GOLDSBORO FOR MORE THAN 9 YEARS"

Mayor Allen read the following Proclamation:

Proclamation- Safety First On Halloween Proclamation. Mayor Allen proclaimed "SAFETY FIRST ON HALLOWEEN" and encouraged all citizens of Goldsboro promote and observe the following safety guidelines:

- Parents are asked to supervise the Halloween Trick or Treat activities of their children and to insure that Trick or Treat activities are limited to children under the age of 16 years.
- Trick or Treat hours will be observed from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 31, 2017.
- Trick or Treat activities should be confined to the youngster's own neighborhood.
- Residents who wish to participate in Trick or Treat are asked to leave a porch light, or other outdoor light, on during these hours.
- Parents are asked to explain to children that homes with no outdoor light are not participating in Trick or Treat and that these homes should be passed up during these activities.

These guidelines are set forth in the hope that all citizens of Goldsboro will enjoy a happy, safe, and orderly Halloween.

Councilmember Williams stated last year this time we had a hurricane, it devastated our city and our county. A year later we still have people trying to get through this storm. Let's keep them in our prayers. Councilmember Williams shared he sits on the GWTA Board and provided an update. He stated he has noticed a major concern with the lack of bus shelters. The board discussed this need and unanimously approved a shelter on Elm Street in front of Dillard Academy and one on Wayne Memorial Drive. If there is anyone that needs a shelter in the city and you think it will help our seniors or people who may not have transportation, please let us know, call GWTA. Councilmember Williams stated we had a great time at Dillard Academy on October 4th, walk and ride to school day. I joined staff and students from Dillard Academy and I enjoyed walking and talking with the kids. I learned about Tiger pride. They are having a fundraiser for a playground, if you would like to help contact Dillard Academy. Councilmember Williams stated he would like to provide a shout out to Freedom, he does a lot of things with the kids in our area and Councilmember Foster assists him. Thank you Councilmember Foster. Councilmember Williams provided a summary of the work session.

Mayor Allen shared veterans and active-duty military can ride GWTA buses for free Monday, November 6th through Saturday, November 11th.

Councilmember Broadway stated no comment.

Councilmember Stevens stated no comment.

Mayor Pro Tem Foster stated no comment.

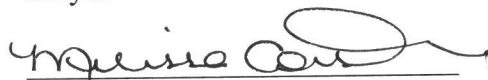
Councilmember Ham stated no comment.

Councilmember Aycock stated no comment.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:51 p.m.



Chuck Allen
Mayor



Melissa Corser, MMC/NCCMC
City Clerk