

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL HELD
OCTOBER 5, 2020

WORK SESSION

The City 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 5, 2020 with attendance as follows:

Present: Mayor Chuck Allen, Presiding
Mayor Pro Tem Bill Broadaway
Councilmember Antonio Williams
Councilmember Taj Polack
Councilmember Brandi Matthews
Councilmember David Ham
Councilmember Gene Aycock
Ron Lawrence, City Attorney
Tim Salmon, City Manager
Melissa Capps, City Clerk

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

Adoption of the Agenda. Mayor Pro Tem Broadaway made a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Tim Salmon stated he would like to add Safety First on Halloween Proclamation and a Resolution to Accept the North Carolina Tourism Promotion Recovery Grant. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Polack. The motion passed unanimously.

CARES Act/Coronavirus Relief Fund Non-Profit Discussion. Mr. Salmon presented the following information:

CRF Plan Expenditure Categories

- #1 – Medical expenses
- #2 – Personal Protective Equipment
- #3 – Payroll Expenses
- #4 – Public Health Measures
- #5 – Public Economic Support
- #6 – Impact on Residential REFUSE & Recycle Collections
- #7 – Grants to Nonprofits

Public Economic Support (PES)

- Expenses associated with the provision of economic support in connection with COVID 19 public health emergency:
- \$100,000.00
 - Small Business Grant
 - Fund Details:
 - Approximately 30 grantees based on a randomized lottery system
 - \$2,500 to employers with 2-8 employees
 - \$5,000 to employers with 9-15 employees
 - Grant funds can be used for rent, payroll and/or COVID-19 related material expenses
 - Up to \$1,500 in business support services available through the SBC

Grants to Nonprofits

- Expenses provide food, rent, utilities, supplies, case management & facility accommodations to adjust for virtual learning and social distancing.
- \$200,000.00
 - WAGES: \$40,000
 - Salvation Army: \$40,000
 - Wayne County YMCA: \$25,000
 - Boys and Girls Club of Wayne County: \$15,000
 - Three is One Family Center: \$15,000

- A lot of Direction Love & Affection (ADLA): \$15,000
- Rebuilding Broken Places: \$12,500
- 4 Day Movement: \$12,500
- Wayne Uplift Resource Center: \$12,500
- Society of St. Vincent de Paul St. Mary Conference: \$12,500

City Expenditures

- #1 – Medical expenses: \$0
- #2 – Personal Protective Equipment: \$36,363
- #3 – Payroll Expenses: \$196,692
- #4 – Public Health Measures: \$387,737
- #5 – Public Economic Support: \$100,000
- #6 – Impact on Residential REFUSE & Recycle Collections: \$45,897
- #7 – Grants to Nonprofits: \$200,000

Total: \$966,688

Councilmember Ham asked what we were requiring non-profits to provide regarding how they will spend the money. Mr. Octavius Murphy joined in by Webex and shared information regarding what they would be looking for from non-profits. Mr. Murphy stated monies will be distributed on a reimbursement basis.

Upon motion of Councilmember Williams, seconded by Councilmember Polack and unanimously carried, Council directed staff to amend the application submitted to the NCPRO Office for non-profit distribution.

Race Relations Commission Discussion. Mr. Salmon asked how they would like to proceed, the Community Relations and Development Commission is certainly in this sphere of influence, you could ask them to look at it, develop a subcommittee or you could develop an additional committee. I would recommend at least on the Community Relations and Development Commission you add a councilmember or two.

Council discussed the options. Council also discussed possibly selecting 2 to 3 people from each district to serve and the purpose of the commission. Councilmember Matthews stated personally I do not think it should be a city ran board, it needs to be city supported. Mayor Allen asked who should run it. Councilmember Matthews stated it should be a community driven initiative. Councilmember Matthews asked if we reached out to the person who brought it to Council. Mr. Salmon stated staff has not. Discussion continued. Councilmember Williams suggested using a lottery system to select members for the commission.

Discussion continued. Council agreed to come back at a later time to discuss further.

Council also discussed diversity training and customer service.

Halloween Discussion. Mr. Salmon stated staff put together a proclamation and encourages people to follow the NC Department of Health and Human Services “Interim Guidance for Halloween” dated September 25, 2020.

Upon motion of Councilmember Aycock, seconded by Councilmember Polack and unanimously carried, Council accepted the Safety First on Halloween Proclamation.

Resolution by Governing Body of Applicant to Accept the North Carolina Tourism Promotion Recovery Grant (Agreement #0-00-40). Resolution Adopted. The City Council of the City of Goldsboro’s Travel & Tourism Division has heretofore found it in the public interest to apply for federal grant funding made available through the House Bill 1023 (Coronavirus Relief Fund/Additions & Revisions) promotion to help the visitor economy of Goldsboro-Wayne County recover from the impacts of Covid-19. the NC General Assembly created a \$1.5 million appropriation to help eligible Destination Marketing Offices (DMOs) experiencing reduced ability to market their destinations due to revenue loss. These NC Tourism Promotion Grants are designed to provide relief to areas of the state most dependent on travel and tourism to assist with tourism. On September 24, 2020 the City submitted an application for

the North Carolina Tourism Promotion Recovery Grant to fund a digital marketing campaign targeting audiences most interested in traveling to safe destinations like Goldsboro-Wayne County. Based on the specifications of the marketing campaign details, a grant in the amount of \$15,000 was awarded on October 2, 2020, and the terms of the grant award require that the applicant officially accept the award and use the grant funds between October 20 and December 30, 2020. The City intends to use the grant in accordance with the grant guidelines and proposed plan.

Upon motion of Mayor Pro Tem Broadaway, seconded by the Councilmember Aycock and unanimously carried, the Goldsboro City Council adopted the following entitled Resolution approving and accepting the North Carolina Tourism Promotion Recover Grant (AGREEMENT #60-00-40) and authorizing City officials and staff to execute the necessary documents on behalf of the City of Goldsboro in order to effectuate this transaction.

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-66 “RESOLUTION BY GOVERNING BODY OF APPLICANT TO ACCEPT THE NORTH CAROLINA TOURISM PROMOTION RECOVERY GRANT (AGREEMENT #60-00-40)”

Consent Agenda Review. Each item on the Consent Agenda was reviewed.

Councilmember Williams stated I was driving Hooks River Road and Carolina Street, there is some site work being done, can you refresh my memory. Ms. Collins stated there is a subdivision going in there, you are probably seeing some utility work. Ms. Collins stated I will email you the site plan.

Closed Session Held. Upon motion of Councilmember Aycock, seconded by Councilmember Williams and unanimously carried, Council convened into Closed Session to discuss a personnel and litigation matter.

Council came out of closed session.

There being no further business, the meeting recessed until the 7:00 p.m. meeting.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

The City Council of the City of Goldsboro, North Carolina, met in regular session in the Large Conference Room, City Hall Annex, 200 North Center Street, at 7:00 p.m. on October 5, 2020 with attendance as follows:

- Present: Mayor Chuck Allen, Presiding
Mayor Pro Tem Bill Broadaway
Councilmember Antonio Williams
Councilmember Taj Polack
Councilmember Brandi Matthews
Councilmember David Ham
Councilmember Gene Aycock

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

Pastor Dan Baer with St. Luke United Methodist Church provided the invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Approval of Minutes. Upon motion of Councilmember Ham, seconded by Councilmember Aycock and unanimously carried Council approved the Minutes of the Work Session and Regular Meeting of September 8, 2020 and the Minutes of the Work Session and Regular Meeting of September 21, 2020 as submitted.

Coronavirus Update. Ms. Chanda Newsome, RN, BSN, CIC Director and Mr. Jeff Brogneaux, Emergency Manager – Wayne UNC Health Care provided an update on the coronavirus which included information regarding the number of cases, preparedness of the hospital, testing, and prevention measures.

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

1. Washandra Fryer-Oliver shared concerns regarding a request she made to the Planning Committee to obtain a permit to operate a salon out of her home.

Councilmember Matthews stated I watched that meeting and watched how you were talked to and treated at that meeting, and I apologize for that. I don't know if we need to look at policy but I wish there was something we could do to reverse that decision. I encourage all of my colleagues to go back and look at how she was treated.

Councilmember Williams stated I apologize too. I saw the meeting to and there was a lack of empathy. You were emotional because you said you had to choose between your mortgage or a place to rent. I drove by the neighborhood, I saw the conditional use sign, there is Walgreens, a daycare, a girl scouts, a pizza hut, all of these businesses are there. You stated you would only have one or two people there at a time.

Discussion continued. Attorney Lawrence shared information regarding the Unified Development Ordinance. Council asked Attorney Lawrence to look at the issue to get some clarity on the procedure.

2. Sharon Matthews shared concerns regarding elected councilmen having trouble with being respectful to one another. She addressed Mayor Allen and Councilmember Ham.
3. Nadine McEachern shared she was there in support of Mayor Allen. She shared information regarding an event that occurred while she was working at the election polls in 2019 and events that followed between herself, Sharon Matthews and Brandi Matthews.
4. Maurice Mitchell shared reflective remarks on Councilmember Polack. He shared they attended Goldsboro High School together. He stated Councilmember Polack would like to bring awareness and unity amongst his peers. Mr. Mitchell stated Councilmember Polack has done a very fine job so far.
5. Kaylon Williams shared concerns regarding community relations and the community relations director. He also shared concerns regarding disrespect between councilmembers.

No one else spoke and the public comment period closed.

Consent Agenda - Approved as Recommended. City Manager, Timothy Salmon, 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. Councilmember Aycock moved the items on the Consent Agenda, Items C, D, E, F, G and H be approved as recommended by the City Manager and staff. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Ham and a roll call vote resulted in all members voting in favor of the motion. The items on the Consent Agenda were as follows:

Authorization of Sale of Jointly Owned Property for 1704C S. Slocumb Street (Derrick Jones). Resolution Adopted. Wayne County has requested concurrence by the City Council for jointly owned city/county-owned property at 1704C S. Slocumb Street was obtained through tax foreclosure. The County conducted the sale under the upset bid process (NCGS §160A-269), and approved at the July 8, 2020 meeting.

1704C S. Slocumb Street

Offeror: Derrick Jones

Offer: \$800.00

Bid Deposit: \$40.00

Parcel #: 49431 Pin #: 3508173074
Tax Value: \$3,570.00

It is recommended Council adopt the following entitled resolution declaring the property surplus and authorizing City officials to execute instruments necessary to transfer ownership to Derrick Jones. Consent Agenda Approval. Aycock/Ham (7 Ayes)

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-67 “RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SALE OF SURPLUS
REAL PROPERTY UNDER NCGS § 160A-269”

Z-4-20 – Durban Development, LLC. Southwest corner of N. Berkeley Boulevard and Langston Drive (Office and Institutional-1CD to General Business). Ordinance Adopted. The applicant requests to rezone subject property from Office and Institutional Conditional District (O&I-1CD) to General Business (GB) zoning district in order to operate an automobile service center.

On April 4th, 2005, Goldsboro City Council approved the current Unified Development Code and Official Zoning Maps and its one-mile extraterritorial jurisdiction.

The subject property existed prior to the adoption of the Unified Development Code and operated as a professional office. The use of the property has not changed since that time.

Frontage: 100 ft. (N. Berkeley Blvd.)
185 ft. (Langston Dr.)

Area: 18,500 sq. ft., or 0.42 acres

Surrounding Zoning:

North:	Shopping Center (SC);
South:	Residential (R-16);
East:	General Business Conditional District (GBCD); and
West:	General Business Conditional District (GBCD)

The subject property is currently occupied by a single-story, brick-veneer commercial building of approximately 1,335 sq. ft. and formerly operated as an insurance office.

The applicant proposes to rezone subject property from Office and Institutional Conditional District (O&I-1CD) to General Business and if approved, demolish the existing building and develop the property for an automobile service center specializing in drive-thru oil changes. Separate site plan approval will be required in accordance with the City's Unified Development Ordinance.

The City's updated Comprehensive Land Use Plan designates the property for commercial use.

The property is not located in a Special Flood Hazard Area. City water and sewer are available to serve the property.

At the public hearing held on September 21, 2020, the applicant's representative came forward to speak in favor of the request and no one appeared to speak against the request.

The Planning Commission, at their meeting held on September 28, 2020, did not agree with the applicant's request to rezone the subject property to conventional General Business. The Commission recommended a more restrictive zoning for the change of zone request from Office and Institutional Conditional District (O&I-1 CD) to General Business Conditional District (GB CD) district in order to operate an automobile service center, which is consistent with previous rezoning request along the Berkeley Boulevard corridor.

The applicant has petitioned in writing to the City of Goldsboro his intent for the rezoning of the property to General Business Conditional District as recommended by the Planning Commission at their meeting held September 28, 2020.

It was recommended Council accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission and:

1. Find the request consistent with the City's adopted Comprehensive Land Use Plan and;
2. Adopt the following entitled Ordinance changing the zoning for the property from Office and Institutional Conditional District (O&I-1 CD) to General Business Conditional District (GB CD) in order to operate an automobile service center.
Consent Agenda Approval. Aycock/Ham (7 Ayes)

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-23 "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GOLDSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA CODE OF ORDINANCES"

SITE-18-20 Site and Landscape Plans - Durban Development, LLC. (Take 5 Auto). Approved. Subject property is located on the southwest corner of N. Berkeley Boulevard and Langston Drive. The site and landscape plans are associated with rezoning request Z-4-20 as previously presented.

Frontage: 100 ft. (N. Berkeley Blvd.)
185 ft. (Langston Dr.)

Area: 18,500 sq. ft., or 0.42 acres

The property is currently occupied by a single-story, brick-veneer commercial building of approximately 1,335 sq. ft. and formerly operated as an insurance office. The owner intends to demolish the existing building for new commercial development subject to rezoning and site plan approval.

The submitted site plan indicates a new single-story building of approximately 1,400 sq. ft. Applicant proposes to use the facility as an automobile service center specializing in drive-thru oil changes.

A floor plan has been provided which consists of an office, restrooms for customers and employees, storage areas and three (3) automobile service bays.

Hours of Operation: Monday-Saturday: 9:00am-6:00pm
Sunday: 9:00am-5:00pm

No. of Employees: 3

Since the site is located on a corner lot, the required front yard setback for the principal structure is 20 ft. along N. Berkeley Boulevard and Langston Drive. Due to the narrowness of the existing lot, the applicant states that the proposed facility requires an adequate building area of no less than 1,400 sq. ft. As such, the applicant is requesting a modification of the front yard setback requirement along Langston Drive from 20 ft. to 18 ft.

One 24 ft. wide driveway cut is proposed off of Langston Dr. which will provide access to employee and customer parking spaces, as well as, three (3) automobile service bays. Customers will exit the site through the use of a 12 ft. wide paved access drive originating at the front of the facility and terminating at the rear of the property adjacent to the entrance.

Langston Drive is not a NCDOT maintained roadway. NCDOT has been advised of the proposed commercial development and have no additional requirements for the site.

Parking for automobile inspection, repair and service facilities requires one (1) space per working bay, plus one (1) per employee. A total of six (6) paved parking spaces have been shown with stacking to accommodate nine (9) automobiles for drive-thru service.

Exterior sidewalks are required for new development and are indicated along N. Berkeley Boulevard and Langston Drive. Interior sidewalks are shown leading to building entrances through sloped walkways and handicap ramps.

Chinese Elms will serve as required street trees along Berkeley Boulevard and Langston Drive. A required Type A, 10 ft. landscape buffer is shown along the western property line adjacent to commercial property and a required Type C, 20 ft. wide buffer is shown along the southern property line adjacent to residential property. Plantings will consist of Elms, Crepe Myrtles, Foster Hollies, Dwarf Yaupon Hollies, Loropetalums and False Cypresses.

Exterior building materials will consist of EIFS (Exterior Insulation Finish Systems) or stucco, standing seam metal roofs, metal doors, copings and trim.

Commercial lighting plans have not been submitted, however, staff will work with the applicant to ensure that proposed lighting is compliant with the City’s commercial lighting ordinance.

The City’s updated Land Use Plan designates the property for commercial use.

The property is not located in a Special Flood Hazard Area. City water and sewer are available to serve the property. Grading and drainage plans have not been submitted. The applicant will be required to submit plans in accordance with City Engineering standards before construction permits are released.

A concrete pad is shown at the end of the access drive for the location of a commercial dumpster. The dumpster enclosure will be screened in accordance with City standards.

As previously stated, the applicant is asking for a modification of the front yard setback along Langston Drive from 20 ft. to 18 ft. The Planning Commission, at their meeting held on September 28, 2020, recommended approval of the Site and Landscape Plan with the requested modification.

It was recommended Council accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission and approve the site and landscape plan with the following modification:

- (1) Modification of the front yard setback along Langston Drive from 20 ft. to 18 ft. Consent Agenda Approval. Aycock/Ham (7 Ayes)

Z-5-20 – Wooten Development Company - Southeast corner of N. Berkeley Boulevard and Maplewood Drive (Office and Institutional-1 to Neighborhood Business). Ordinance Adopted. The applicant requests to rezone a portion of subject property from Office and Institutional (O&I-1) to Neighborhood Business (NB) zoning district.

The requested zoning will be associated with the recombination of two individual lots described as follows:

Lot #1: 1804-1812 N. Berkeley Boulevard (Existing Shopping Ctr.)
Frontage: 200 ft. (N. Berkeley Boulevard)
Area: 42,333 sq. ft., or 0.972 acres
Zone: Neighborhood Business (NB)

Lot #2: N. Berkeley Boulevard (Vacant)
Frontage: 100 ft. (N. Berkeley Boulevard)
Area: 56,542 sq. ft., or 1.298 acres
Zone: Office and Institutional (O&I-1)

Area of Lot #2 proposed to be rezoned: 4,389 sq. ft. or 0.101 acres

Surrounding Zoning:
North: General Business (GB), Office & Institutional (O&I-1);
South: Residential (R-9);
East: Residential (R-9); and
West: Office and Institutional (O&I-1)

The subject property is currently clear and vacant.

The applicant proposes to rezone subject property from Office and Institutional (O&I-1) to Neighborhood Business (NB) and if approved, intends to recombine Lots #1 and #2 so that a portion of Lot #2 can be used for the operation of an above-ground LP tank filling station as permitted in the Neighborhood Business zoning district. Separate site plan approval will be required in accordance with the City’s Unified Development Ordinance.

The City’s updated Land Use Plan designates the property as Mixed-Use 1 that would allow a mixture of the following zoning districts: Office and Residential (O&R), Office and Institutional (O&I-1) and Neighborhood Business (NB).

The property is not located in a Special Flood Hazard Area. City water and sewer are available to serve the property.

At the public hearing held on September 21, 2020, the applicant came forward to speak in favor of the request and no one appeared to speak against the request.

The Planning Commission, at their meeting held on September 28, 2020, recommended approval for the change of zone request from Office and Institutional (O&I-1) to Neighborhood Business (NB) zoning district.

It is recommended Council accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission and:

- 1. Find the request consistent with the City’s adopted Comprehensive Land Use Plan and;
- 2. Adopt the following entitled Ordinance changing the zoning for the property from Office and Institutional (O&I-1) to Neighborhood Business (NB) zoning district.
Consent Agenda Approval. Aycock/Ham (7 Ayes)

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-24 “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GOLDSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA CODE OF ORDINANCES”

SITE-19-20 – Site and Landscape Plans – Wooten Development Company (Above-ground LP tank filling station). Approved. Subject property is located on the southeast corner of N. Berkeley Boulevard and Maplewood Drive. The site and landscape plans are associated with rezoning request Z-5-20 as previously presented.

The requested rezoning and site plans will be associated with the recombination of two individual lots described as follows:

Lot #1: 1804-1812 N. Berkeley Boulevard (Existing Shopping Ctr.)
Frontage: 200 ft. (N. Berkeley Boulevard)
Area: 42,333 sq. ft., or 0.972 acres
Zone: Neighborhood Business (NB)

Lot #2: N. Berkeley Boulevard (Vacant)
Frontage: 100 ft. (N. Berkeley Boulevard)
Area: 56,542 sq. ft., or 1.298 acres
Zone: Office and Institutional (O&I-1)

Area of Lot #2 proposed to be rezoned: 4,389 sq. ft. or 0.101 acres

The subject property is currently clear and vacant.

The submitted site and landscape plans indicate the proposed above-ground LP tank and refill panel to be located along the new western property line meeting the required 15 ft. side yard setback.

The proposed LP tank fill station is for customers of an existing propane business located within an adjacent commercial shopping center and addressed as 1804 N. Berkeley Boulevard.

The equipment will be surrounded by a six feet in height chain-link fence and landscaped with Hollies to serve as a screening buffer. Staff is working with the applicant to ensure that a new Type A, 5 ft. wide landscape buffer be provided along the new northern, western and southern property lines in accordance with the City's Landscaping ordinance.

The property is not located in a Special Flood Hazard Area. Due to the nature and scope of the project, the applicant's proposal is exempt from City storm water and drainage requirements.

The Planning Commission, at their meeting held on September 28, 2020, recommended approval of the Site and Landscape Plan.

It was recommended Council accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission and approve the site and landscape plan. Consent Agenda Approval. Aycock/Ham (7 Ayes)

Revised Advisory Boards and Commissions Meeting Schedule. Approved. Advisory Boards and Commissions meet on a regularly scheduled basis. At the meeting on September 21, 2020, council approved changes to the Recreation Advisory Commission meeting.

The Recreation Advisory Commission Chair has requested to revise their meeting time from the second Tuesday of each month at noon to the third Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. due to a lack of a quorum. The agenda item from the September 21, 2020 incorrectly listed the meeting change as the second Tuesday instead of the third Tuesday.

It was recommended Council adopt the revised meeting schedule for the City of Goldsboro's Boards and Commissions. Consent Agenda Approval. Aycock/Ham (7 Ayes)

End of Consent Agenda.

City Manager's Report. Mr. Timothy Salmon stated I would like to remind everyone the Governor's Executive Order 169 is out. Phase 3 went into effect at 5 pm on October 2nd. For the city, the biggest impact is probably our GEC can now hold up to 100 people. The HV Brown restroom is now open, the greenway pedestrian bridge is open to the public and we have two meetings this week, the Historic District Commission and the Mayor's Youth Committee.

Mayor and Councilmembers' Reports and Recommendations. Councilmember Williams read the following 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 Saturday, October 31, 2020.
- 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.
- It is also recommended for the safety of our children that parental supervision be extended to include insistence that children do not consume any "treats" until closely examined by their parents. Parents should follow the rule "if in doubt - throw it out" where evidence of tampering with packaging or surfaces of consumable product exists.
- Citizens are encouraged to follow the NC Department of Health and Human Services "Interim Guidance For Halloween" dated September 25, 2020.

Councilmember Williams stated no comment.

Mayor Pro Tem Broadaway encouraged everyone to vote and to register for the census. Mayor Pro Tem Broadaway stated the County loss a real leader, Chairman Ray Mayo, we are going to miss him very much.

Councilmember Polack stated you never know when someone is paying attention. We went to school together and it was unexpected to hear some of the comments he stated tonight. It means a lot to get encouraging words instead of detrimental words. Between the two weeks of the meetings, sometimes I dread coming because of so much negativity. It is with all of us. It bothers me so much in my community. People will ask when are you going to do this. I just want harmony and the only way we are going to make things happen, is if we work together. School system, things are changing every day. A lot of people are scared for their health and safety. I just solicit prayers for all the councilmembers and the city manager. The only way we can progress moving forward is to work harmoniously. That is one thing I pray for.

Councilmember Matthews stated thank you everyone who came and spoke tonight with public comments. I just have a few things. I want to speak to my district directly, District 4. I hope that you are doing very well. I have truly enjoyed my time talking to some of you. It is my hope I can continue my reach as I continue to make my rounds through the district. And please know I am working really, really hard to figure out how we can come together safely as a district. I do want to remind everybody that early voting is to begin soon and I am organizing transportation for District 4 to and from the polls. So I encourage District 4 residents to follow my councilwoman page, it is just not for District 4 residents, at Councilwoman Brandi Matthews because I am going to update that page with my route. Feel free to let me know if you need a ride. I have masks for District 4 that say I am a proud resident of District 4, so for anyone who wants or needs a mask, please reach out to me and let me know. Let's make sure we take care of our elderly population so if you know someone who needs a mask, I would love to get one to them. I do want to thank the Kiwanis Club of Goldsboro and all their partners, they put their name in the hat for \$25,000 for a playground equipment contest for the park in south end. The top 10 applicants moved on to the next round, we were 14 out of 48. Thank you to those who voted. They are still wanting to help build up our park, there will be some fundraising. I am going to forego my comments to address Councilmember Ham and Mayor Allen at this time. The night that I was sworn in, there was something that I said that kind of stuck out in my mind as I prepared for the meeting today. I said I was ready, willing and able to work with each of you and I still am. I really do hope that we can pull this together and do the right thing. I hope that all of Goldsboro has a great night and encourage you all to vote.

Councilmember Ham stated no comment.

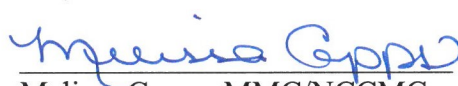
Councilmember Aycock expressed his condolences to the Mayo family. Ray was my contact and we spoke often. He will be hard to replace.

Mayor Allen stated Commissioner Mayo and I have been friends for years. He was a straight up, honest guy, he worked hard for the county and really cared about the county. He has a successful business with his son. Our prayers are with his family.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m.



Chuck Allen
Mayor



Melissa Capps, MMC/NCCMC
City Clerk