

MINUTES OF MEETING OF MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL HELD
SEPTEMBER 8, 2015

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 September 8, 2015 with attendance as follows:

Present: Mayor Alfonzo King, Presiding
Mayor Pro Tem Chuck Allen
Councilmember Michael Headen (arrived at 6:02 p.m.)
Councilmember Bill Broadaway
Councilmember William Goodman (Arrived at 5:25 p.m.)
Councilmember Charles J. Williams, Sr.
Councilmember Gene Aycock
Jim Womble, City Attorney
Scott Stevens, City Manager
Melissa Corser, City Clerk
Randy Guthrie, Assistant City Manager
Jimmy Rowe, Planning Director
Kaye Scott, Finance Director
Jose Martinez, Public Works Director
Mike West, Interim Police Chief
Scott Barnard, Parks & Recreation Director
Felicia Brown, Parks & Recreation
Betsy Rosemann, Travel & Tourism Director
Bobby Croom, City Traffic Engineer
Trey Ball, Police Captain
Scott Williams, IT Director
Darren Goroski, Web Developer/Computer Systems Administrator
Julie Metz, DGDC Director
Elizabeth Rutland, DGDC
Sherry Archibald, Paramount Theatre Director
Jennifer Collins, Assistant Planning Director
Marty Anderson, City Engineer
Ethan Smith, Goldsboro News-Argus Reporter
John Joyce, Goldsboro News-Argus Reporter
Fred Fontana, GWTA Director
David Ham, Citizen
Glenn Barwick, Citizen
Lonnie Casey, Citizen

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

Invocation. Councilmember Williams provided the invocation.

Police Department Policy and Facility Discussion. Chief West stated what he is about to share in no way implies that we are not being supported by the City Council and City Manager. Chief West thanked Council for their support of the Police Department over the years. With your help, in the last 4 years, the department has purchased tasers, 25 patrol cars, replaced officers' side arms with glocks, and we are currently replacing radios. Chief West shared currently we have 11 vacancies. Since January 1st of this year we have had 7 officers resign from the Police Department, years of service included 16 years, 11 years, 6 years, 5 years, 4 years, 11 months and 3 months. Some of the reasons these officers gave during exit interviews included low pay, high insurance rates, and no take home policy for officers living outside City limits. The starting salary for a police officer is \$34,892. The City conducted a pay class study a couple of years ago and found the starting salary for the Goldsboro Police Department was comparable to other agencies our size. In comparison to the Sheriff's Office, a deputy hired with the Sheriff's Office with no experience is around \$31,000, with

previous law enforcement experience is around \$34,000. Chief West shared with concern to the health insurance rates, legislation was recently passed that would allow the City to participate in the State Employee Health Plan. Chief West stated the current take home policy only allows officers who live in the City limits to have a take home car. Other agencies do have take home policies for officers who live outside the city limits. Chief West shared information on policies from other agencies. Officers who live in the county could be asked to pay a nominal fee maybe \$20 per paycheck for the use of the car to cover the cost of fuel. Our officers' work on average 15 days a month.

Councilmember Aycock asked if additional patrol cars would be needed. Chief West stated an additional 19 patrol cars would be needed. Mr. Stevens stated we would set the policy and work towards implementing the policy and phasing the purchase of those vehicles needed.

Mayor Pro Tem Allen stated 19 cars at about \$30,000 each. We would need to figure out how to phase that in. He stated one thing he likes about this is currently they have to drive their vehicle in and it sits in the parking lot until they are off, if they were driving our vehicle home they might not need a second car or their spouse might not have to drive them in. He stated he feels it would also be a good morale booster. Definitely something we should put numbers to and look at further.

Councilmember Broadway stated people like having police cars visible within their neighborhoods.

Council agreed staff could proceed with obtaining costs associated with expanding the take home policy and to research implementation.

Chief West stated in most instances, your patrol officers will be the first to arrive at the scene. One thing with a SWAT Team or Tactical Response Team it takes time to gather those individuals together and in today's climate, you need to get there as soon as you can and you are not afforded the opportunity to wait. They have redistributed the patrol rifles back to officers. These officers will receive additional training such as basic SWAT training. Staff is discussing a potential training opportunity with the Sheriff's Office SWAT Team.

Chief West continued with updates to Council regarding the K-9 Officer position which has been vacant over a year and the need to purchase (3) police dogs.

Chief West also provided information regarding a Field Training Officers (FTO) Program. The goal he feels we should look at is (3) FTO's per shift which would give us the ability to train (2) officers per shift. Also looking at incentives for FTO's with either pay or comp time. FTO's would also be able to participate in the hiring process, sitting in on interviews.

Chief West provided Council an update on several technological items staff is researching such as body cams and shot spotter.

Chief West reviewed a parking plan. Staff would like to designate an area as employee parking only.

Councilmember Williams stated body cams would be a great addition and asked if staff had looked into CALEA.

Chief West stated unfortunately unless you are a member it was difficult to find out any information on requirements.

Mr. Stevens stated maybe we should pay the fee and become a member and start the process. The challenge is he would like to have the Chief in there that is going to run the program. Chief Stewart was leaving and Chief West is interim and may become our permanent, that decision would be made later in the year. He stated we could join and begin evaluating. Council did indicate a desire to move forward and it is a multi-year process and you will need to designate a person to evaluate policies, etc.

Councilmember Williams stated our police protect people and property, we need to be sure they have what they need.

Mr. Stevens asked if Council had any concern designating the top corner of the parking lot near the intersection of John Street and Chestnut Street for police vehicles only. Council agreed staff could proceed.

Chief West shared information with Council regarding the gym located at the Police Department. Currently the gym is available to any city employee from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Types of gym equipment available include weights and some cardio equipment. Staff is looking into new equipment and changing the hours to make the gym more available to all city employees. Staff is also checking into a physical fitness policy for officers.

Mayor Pro Tem Allen stated he thought it was a great idea to have the gym available to all city employees. He also suggested looking at assisting city-wide for employees who may a gym membership at the Y or someplace else. He stated anything we can do to help encourage employees to be active is good, right.

Mr. Stevens stated in visiting the other stations in other cities, workout space is not uncommon for Fire and Police. Adding a treadmill and elliptical would offer some real benefit to employees and we could open up to all employees if Council is ok with that concept. The idea to taking it to all City employees is something we could look at with health insurance change. We could talk about that and offer paying some amount towards a gym membership. Mr. Stevens asked if staff were to come back for \$20,000 for equipment at the Police/Fire Complex would that be amenable for Council. Council agreed staff could proceed.

Chief West shared the vendor they are looking at for K-9 dogs is located in Statesville and will cost \$8,900 per animal which includes 4 weeks training and a 2 year medical guarantee. The cost would be approximately \$26,700 for the (3) dogs and training for the handlers. Council agreed staff could proceed.

Mayor Pro Tem Allen stated he would like to take a minute and thank Chief West for thinking outside the box to tackle some of our issues and he feels the entire Council appreciates it. Secondly, he has heard Chief West and the paper say we can't solve it all on our own, it will take the help of the community, and he hopes we will continue to appeal to the public for their help, it has to be a partnership.

Councilmember Williams asked what we were doing to address the vacancies. Chief West shared information regarding current efforts.

Councilmember Goodman asked if the department sponsors cadets at the community college. Chief West stated we have done sponsorship letters which saves the cadet on tuition. Councilmember Goodman stated there are some people who cannot afford to pay and we shut the door on those who can't. Chief West stated some departments do hire prior to BLET and send the individual through training but currently we do not do that. Councilmember Goodman suggested we revisit the opportunity. Council asked staff to research.

Councilmember Aycock asked how our pay compared to surrounding municipalities and Chief West stated the starting pay was comparable but compression was an issue. Council and staff discussed Police Officer I, Police Officer II, and FTO's. Councilmember Aycock suggested staff look at the pay scale, we should try to retain officers who have experience.

Website Update. Mr. Scott Williams introduced Mr. Darren Goroski, Web Developer/Computer Systems Administrator. Mr. Goroski shared information with Council regarding the update of the City's website. Members of the Marketing Committee which include Kim Best, Manager's Office; Scott Williams, IT; Betsy Rosemann, Travel and Tourism; Brad Hinnant, IT; Christina Langley, Fire; Erin Fonsaca,

DGDC; Jennifer Collins, Planning; Mark Wilson, Parks and Rec; Paige Learnard, Police; Pamela Leake, HR; Shycole Simpson-Carter, Community Development; Tara Johnson, Public Works; Vincent Bridgers, Paramount; and Darren Goroski, IT have been working on a redesign of the City's website. During research, they discovered the following:

Primary Reasons To Visit Goldsboronc.Gov

1. Looking for a job
2. Pay their water bill
3. Important news and notices

What the Survey's Respondents Want

1. Easier access to pay water bill
2. Navigate available jobs better
3. Find phone numbers easier

More of what the public wants

- People have to "dig" to find what they want.
- Use terms the public will understand (Trash/Recycling vs Sanitation)
- What district are they in and who is their councilmember
- Calendar of events
- What's coming to Goldsboro (new stores, restaurants etc.)

Mr. Goroski shared during the design process committee members examined 30+ websites, looking at the following qualities:

- Layout
- Pictures
- Graphics
- Menus
- Colors
- Features

Mr. Goroski shared pictures of the proposed changes. He stated the goal is to go live on October 1st.

Downtown Marketing and Advertising Campaign. Ms. Metz shared

information regarding a downtown marketing and advertising campaign. She stated we would like to market the fact there is a new downtown to experience due to the public investment with the TIGER V grant as well as the private investments that have been made, such as the new 25 businesses since the announcement of the TIGER grant in September of 2013 plus 22 new property acquisitions. We are also approaching the holiday season and we want to support the downtown businesses particularly because of the trying time they have had in the last year due to inconveniences caused by construction. We had Curtis Media approach our office requesting to speak with the Merchants Association. A little over a month ago to explore a shop local, shop downtown campaign. The idea was to have 3 businesses featured in one 60 second ad to demonstrate the variety of options that are available downtown. Ms. Metz shared an audio draft sample idea.

Ms. Metz stated it was presented to us as a 4 month package to begin on September 20 and run through January 20. It will incorporate 448 ads per month for a total of 1792 ads over the 4 month period. Staff has discussed the opportunity and decided to pay for half of the total cost to reduce the individual business owner's expense. The deadline to commit to participating was this past Friday at 5:00 p.m. 17 businesses have signed up to participate and all will collectively pay for half of the total cost. In consideration of timing and interest, the City has committed to this campaign and plans to utilize existing MSD funds budgeted for marketing and advertising, although this was not originally included in budget requests and will result in unavailable funds for scheduled events. We believe this project will cost approximately \$6,500. Ms. Metz stated she felt they would be able to absorb a good bit of that in their existing budget. She stated she just wanted Council to be aware she may need to come back later in the fiscal year for additional funding.

Councilmember Broadway stated he felt this is a great idea and is something we can give back to businesses.

Country Club Update. Mr. Scott Barnard provided an update to Council on the progress of the renovations of the former Goldsboro Country Club. The following names were provided for the renaming of the Country Club.

- The Goldsboro Golf and Special Events Center
- The City Club
- The Boro's
- The Goldsboro Special Events Center
- The Eagles Nest Golf and Events Center
- The Eagles Nest at the Goldsboro City Club
- The Muni at The Boro's
- The Eagles Nest Golf and Tennis Club at The Goldsboro Special Events Center
- The Boro's Eagle Nest Golf and Tennis Club & Goldsboro Special Events Centers

Recommendations included:

- The Goldsboro Special Events Center
- The Hal Plonk Special Events Center

Mayor Pro Tem Allen made a motion to name the former Country Club "Goldsboro Events Center," Councilmember Broadway seconded the motion. Mayor King, Mayor Pro Tem Allen, Councilmembers Headen, Broadway, Williams and Aycock voted in favor of the motion. Councilmember Goodman voted against the motion. Mayor King declared the motion carried with a 6:1 vote.

Mayor Pro Tem Allen asked for an update on schedule. Mr. Barnard stated he is still pushing for the end of October first of November.

Powerman Duathlon. Mr. Barnard shared the Powerman Duathlon is coming up on October 31st. He stated it will be important to have people standing in driveways ringing cowbells cheering them on. He reviewed a map of the event areas. Events include:

Powerman Sprint

5k run, 30k bike, 5k run

Powerman

10k run, 60k bike, 10k run

Power Relay

Mr. Barnard stated they will need an additional 21 police officers on duty for the event, there will be a lot of road closures and intersections that will need to be closed. It is a race for points with athletes trying to build up their status in the Powerman series. These are professional athletes who are competing at a high level.

Mayor Pro Tem Allen asked if he had spoken with the Police Department and what it would cost. Mr. Barnard stated they have spoken with the Police Department and they are looking at costs. Mr. Barnard stated he thought it might be in the neighborhood of \$7,000 to \$8,000 with total costs of the event totaling around \$10,000.

Beak Week Update. Mr. Barnard provided an update on Beak Week scheduled activities. He invited Council to come out and enjoy the festivities which begin on Saturday, September 12, 2015 at 10:00 a.m.

Joint Use Agreement. Mr. Barnard shared information regarding a proposed Joint Use Agreement between the City and Wayne County Public Schools.

City Provides

- Herman Park Tennis Courts
- Goldsboro Municipal Golf Course
- Mina Weil Baseball and Softball fields
- Maintenance of Dillard Middle Athletic Fields
- Maintenance of Greenwood Middle Athletic Fields
- Pay 1 hr. custodial for each indoor use

County Schools Provide

- Greenwood Middle Fields and Gym
- Dillard Middle Gym
- Carver Heights Elem. Gym
- Greenwood Band Room
- Wayne Academy Athletic field and track

Councilmember Williams asked if this agreement included the track at Dillard. Mr. Barnard stated this would provide a formal agreement for use of the track. Mayor Pro Tem Allen asked if we would have keys to the facilities and Mr. Barnard stated for the first year, custodians would meet staff at the facilities to open and close, after one year, City staff would be provided keys. Councilmember Williams stated the athletic track a Dillard should be included. Mayor Pro Tem Allen asked staff to provide cost estimates.

Mr. Stevens stated they hope to have that information at an upcoming meeting. Initially it would require two additional staff members to manage the extra turf and as you open a gymnasium you may need to have more part-time staff.

Camping Platforms. Mr. Barnard shared information regarding camping platforms along the Neuse River. He stated they would like permission to sign on as a recipient of a grant that is being applied for by a non-profit, Love a Sea Turtle, out of Greenville, South Carolina. He stated it is a group who has been involved in Wayne County and as a non-profit they have access to some grant money from DENR. The group is requesting \$35,000 to construct platforms. It would not require a dollar match, just in-kind and/or labor. This is a pre-application phase. Council agreed staff could proceed with partnering with Love a Sea Turtle and apply for grant monies.

Partnership with Duke Energy/DENR for Mountains to Sea Trail. Mr. Barnard shared information with Council regarding a partnership with Duke Energy/DENR to construct the Mountains to Sea Trail Greenway through Goldsboro. State Parks is very interested in connecting the trail to the Cliffs of the Neuse. Duke Energy has agreed to donate an easement across their property to the river at no cost to us. If we accept this easement, we would not be under any obligation to construct a trail, however, if we accept this easement, it gives the state another stake in the ground. The transportation bond that will likely be on the ballot in April would provide millions of dollars earmarked for land acquisition for the Mountains to Sea Trail and the communities' best ready to go are where these dollars would be focused. The Mountains to Sea Trail has gaps in Johnston, Wayne, and Warren County. We have positioned ourselves with Pedestrian Plan which was recently adopted, by having a current Parks and Recreation Master Plan that identifies greenways as a priority. Council agreed staff could proceed with getting a map and easement language.

Councilmember Williams stated he hears a lot that the City does not have many programs for our youth. Mr. Barnard stated the Goldsboro Parks and Recreation department offers the traditional youth programming for sports, summer camp, and adult sports programming. We also have programs for seniors and special populations youth and adults. We are the home for Wayne County Special Olympics, and Wayne County Senior Games.

New Hope Road Multi-Use Path. Mr. Marty Anderson provided an update on the New Hope Road Multi-Use Path. He stated the City received a \$600,000 grant. We opened bids on August 21st with the low bid being \$866,398.75. Of the \$600,000 grant

80% is Federal and 20% is DOT funded. We contracted with Kimly-Horn on the design for approximately \$75,000, NC DOT has charged approximately \$4,200 for administrative costs which leaves us with a \$520,674.33 balance. With the low bid of \$866,398.75, the remaining balance would be \$345,724.42. Mr. Anderson stated we do have some unknown costs of future NC DOT Administrative costs and construction testing. Council discussed the project and options. Staff has contacted DOT for a reduced scope as an option but DOT has stated we could not reduce the scope. Council asked staff to contact NC DOT and formally request additional funding or a reduction in scope.

Deed Request. Mr. Womble shared on June 19th the Commissioner, appointed under a judgment of the District Court of Wayne County, North Carolina in the tax foreclosure proceedings entitled “Wayne County and the City of Goldsboro vs. Wayne Investments, Inc., 12CVDI1032, offered for sale at the Wayne County Courthouse, the properties commonly known as 1310 N. Carolina Street and 145 Titleist Drive. Wayne County and the City of Goldsboro became the last and highest bidders for both parcels of land. Both parcels of land were confirmed on July 9th and a Commissioners Deed to Wayne County and the City of Goldsboro was recorded on July 22, 2015. The property located at 1310 N. Carolina Street was properly deeded to Wayne County and the City of Goldsboro. The property located at 145 Titleist Drive should have only been deeded to Wayne County and not the City of Goldsboro as that property is not located within the City limits. Mr. Womble asked that Council authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign a deed, deeding the property located at 145 Titleist Drive to Wayne County.

Upon motion of Councilmember Aycock, seconded by Councilmember Williams and unanimously carried, Council authorized the Mayor and City Clerk to execute a deed, deeding the property located at 145 Titleist Drive which is located outside the City limits to Wayne County.

Cover Agenda. Each item on the cover agenda was generally discussed. Items with additional comments included the following:

Item J. Extension of Contract for Goldsboro-Wayne Transportation Authority (GWTA) Rebranding Strategy. Mr. Fred Fontana reviewed the new promotional brochures, pamphlets, and individual route maps. The new website is www.rideGWTA.com. QCA has developed a Facebook page. Mr. Fontana shared information regarding the extension of the contract.

Councilmember Aycock stated he thinks everyone knows his feelings on consultants, but in working with QCA he is blown away by the job they have done. He stated it has been the best money ever spent and feels it is something we should continue with for at least another year.

As time did not allow for staff to finish reviewing consent agenda items, remaining items will be reviewed during the Council Meeting.

There being no further business, the work session adjourned at 6:52 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 September 8, 2015 with attendance as follows:

Present:	Mayor Alfonso King, Presiding
	Mayor Pro Tem Chuck Allen
	Councilmember Michael Headen
	Councilmember Bill Broadaway
	Councilmember William Goodman
	Councilmember Charles J. Williams, Sr.
	Councilmember Gene Aycock

The meeting was called to order by Mayor King.

The invocation was given by Councilmember Williams.

Approval of Minutes. Approved. Upon motion of Councilmember Headen seconded by Councilmember Aycock and unanimously carried, Council approved the Work Session and Regular Meeting Minutes of July 6, 2015 and the Work Session and Regular Meeting Minutes of August 3, 2015 as submitted.

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

1. Jackie Warrick, 2800 Warrick Circle, Goldsboro, NC stated he would like to discuss an incident from the last Council Meeting in which a citizen stood up here and accused Mr. Allen of holding Stoney Creek Church hostage and when he did that as far as he was concerned was like a slap across the face to everyone who was on Council at that time when the project went through. He stated he was one of the main ones who pushed it through. Mr. Warrick shared the following information:
 - November 2003, City received first request from Stoney Creek Church; request was denied due to ETJ
 - August 2006 Meeting held with Church, Cox-Edwards, and City Reps
 - August 21st motion entered; church would be allowed to connect to sewer main
 - October 2007 Agreement being finalized and Resolution adopted.
 - November 19, 2007 Final Agreement

Mr. Warrick shared Rev. Williams made the motion to adopt the Resolution, he seconded it and the motion carried unanimously. He stated he would not read the entire resolution, but it is a matter of public record. The church would construct the sewer line at their cost and the City would own the line. In 2010, Warehousing Company owned by Mr. Best came before us and the Church and we made an agreement, the Church agreed Mr. Best could hook onto the front because he wanted to do patio homes and state law would not allow patio homes on septic tanks. Mr. Warrick shared he went out today and talked with one of the church members and asked how things were going. Mr. Warrick stated the member stated it was going fine, just like they set it up to be. Mr. Warrick stated he asked how many people are on the line today and the member shared just two people are hooked on, us and Patriot Academy. Mr. Warrick stated he asked him about Warehousing, the member stated when that motion was passed in 2010, Warehousing paid the Church to hook up to that line and Patriot Academy paid the Church to hook up to that line. The Church is being repaid. Mr. Warrick stated from reading the minutes in the future if anyone hooks up to that line, the Church would be paid again. Mr. Warrick stated he would think in the long run, the Church would get their investment back. Mr. Warrick stated the Church member he spoke with this morning was very pleased, he was one of the ones he spoke with originally in 2006 and personally he is glad he helped the Church.

Councilmember Williams stated he is glad he helped the Church too.

Mr. Warrick stated he would not mention the citizen's name but he had it totally wrong.

Mayor King stated he appreciated Mr. Warrick coming and setting the record straight.

2. Thomas Rice, 1412 US Hwy 117 S., stated he is with MLFL, Mirakal's Love for Lives, a newly formed non-profit here in Goldsboro. He stated their office is located in the building that used to be Fat Cat Pawn Shop. We are blessed that Mr. Jack Bennett contributed the building space. He shared information

with Council on what the non-profit is about. He stated they are trying to help the homeless, veterans and elderly people. He stated they will be working with Wayne Community College. They have a building at Cherry Hospital they can use for housing. He introduced Ms. Annie Spencer and Mr. Adrian Jackson, clients of MLFL. He stated we are not asking the City to take us and run us, we are asking for a little help and once we get going we can carry our own. Mr. Rice stated in the future they intend to use the warehouse to manufacture enclosed trailers and utility trailers, sell those and put revenue back into the organization.

Ms. Annie Spencer stated she is 61 years old. She stated she worked for Lanier Construction. She stated she has found herself in a position where she is homeless, on disability and it is hard to find a place. Wayne County has a lot of places for men but not very many that help women.

Mr. Adrian Jackson shared he has been homeless for almost three years now. He stated he is an ex business owner, is educated and has been living in his car for almost three years. He stated he is looking for any kind of help that could help Mr. Rice. He stated he cannot work and is waiting on disability.

Mr. Rice thanked Council for their consideration.

Councilmember Goodman shared he has known Mr. Rice for some time and he is a good young man.

3. William Pearman, 601 Fedelon Trail, stated he is here again. He stated he cares for his neighborhood. He stated he had a chance to sell the piece of property he owns for in excess of \$300,000 for the dirt. He stated he cared about the neighbors along Azalea Drive and around so he would not sell so that they could dig a big mud hole, he would hate for someone's child or grandchild to drown in it. He stated he put dollar and cents to his care about his neighbors. He stated he has offered it for \$35,000 less than he could sell the dirt for, so that's \$35,000 out of his pocket. The cemetery that they are proposing, he is concerned about water quality. North Carolina state law says you only have to bury them 18 inches below the surface of the ground. The property they are proposing to put in the cemetery is right next to a woodland that historically been wet. He stated he is 73 years old, he has played in the ditches and all around the neighborhood and in the area of Elton Drive, there is a drainage ditch that goes parallel to Elton Drive, by the Workman property, down past Salem Acres by the school bus garage down to the wetlands that go into the Little River. The runoff will end up in your water and that is his concern. He stated he was annexed into the city and has city water but he also has a well. He stated he cannot use the well for his house because he has city sewer. It is mandated that he has to have City water. He is concerned about people and what they have to ingest. Mr. Pearman stated he went online and there is an organization called the World Health Organization and their guidelines vary from the state laws and suggests cemeteries be like 300 ft. away from wells and water supplies. Mr. Pearman stated he was unaware he needed to have all of this information at the public hearing and has been told new evidence cannot be introduced. He stated the information is on the computer all you have to do is look.

4. Johnnie Barnes, 310 Fedelon Trail, stated he would like to speak regarding his concerns with the cemetery. He stated it was his understanding that at the last meeting, this particular cemetery burials from here into the areas of Raleigh and Greensboro. He stated he learned the cemetery will be approximately 6 acres and having at least 1,000 people. It would be understandable that people would be brought in from other areas, so it would become a regional cemetery, not a private cemetery which adds a lot more complexity to it. He stated they have a well, there land surrounds that property, and they drink water from their well. You get hundreds of people out there, you would not

drink that water. Mr. Barnes stated they are very concerned and they well should be. Thank you.

No one else spoke and the Public Comment Period was closed.

Proclamation – Recovery Month. Mayor King proclaimed the September 2015 as “Recovery Month” in Goldsboro, North Carolina. As the Mayor, he called upon all citizens, government agencies, public and private institutions, businesses and schools in Goldsboro to commit our community to increasing awareness, education, and understanding of recovery from mental illnesses, to take steps in helping those to recover, and to remove major barriers in the community about recovery from mental illness.

Mayor King presented a framed copy of the Proclamation to Ms. Tammy Hill with Cherry Hospital and Ms. Suzanne Lewis from Eastpointe.

Ms. Tammy Hill stated recovery is important to Cherry Hospital and Eastpointe. Everything we do at Cherry and Eastpointe for every one of our patients, unless the public is educated and is aware of mental illness and recovery, all of our work is in vain. Ms. Hill shared a brief video with Council entitled “People First” The Gestalt Project, a sort video by Kian Conner.

Following the video, Ms. Hill stated statistically 1 in 4 people have a mental illness. Statistically, if 20 people are in a room 5 could have a mental illness, would you like to be known by your mental illness. Ms. Hill stated we would like to be known by our name. Ms. Hill stated she would like to leave you with the words of Senator Robert Kennedy.

“Each time a person stands for an ideal, or acts to improve the lot of others, or strikes out against injustice, they send a tiny ripple of hope, and crossing each other from a million different centers of energy and daring, those ripples build a current which can sweep down the mightiest walls of oppression and resistance.”

Ms. Hill stated they are hoping from Cherry Hospital and Eastpointe that our community becomes educated about mental illness and recovery. Thank you all, Mayor and Council for your support.

Ms. Suzanne Lewis invited everyone to join them in celebrating Recovery Month on September 26th from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. for a walk in downtown Wilson. There will be entertainment, food, and family friendly activities; come on out and join us. Thank you.

Cover Agenda. Each item on the cover agenda was generally discussed. Items with additional comments included the following:

Item F. Site and Landscape Plans – H & M Performance Automotive. Mayor Pro Tem Allen asked if there would be landscape screening along William Street. Mr. Rowe stated they would be required to have street trees along William Street.

Item H. CU-4-15 Young No – North side of US 70 West between NC 581 and Westbrook Avenue (increase Internet Games). Councilmember Headen stated he thought the attorney general had stated most of these games were illegal now. Chief West shared there is a new type of software that can be used. Mr. Rowe stated this lady has moved to the new software.

Item L. Downtown Goldsboro Development Corporation/City of Goldsboro Façade Grant Program. Mayor Pro Tem Allen asked if these grants are for work that has been done or will be done. Ms. Metz replied the only thing that will make you ineligible for a grant is if you do the work before you get approved for a grant. Ms. Metz reviewed the façade grant procedures. Councilmember Aycock asked where 117 S. Center Street was located, Ms. Metz replied it is the building where Dancing Butterfly is located. Ms. Metz stated it is also a building that they have not supported with a façade grant in the 16 years she has been with the City.

Item M. Adoption of HV Brown Park Master Plan. Mayor Pro Tem Allen stated it was a very thorough plan and he was impressed, he asked Mr. Barnard what's next for the park. Mr. Barnard stated that plan meets PARTF standards and means it is grant ready. Currently we have portions of Mina Weil Park up for a PARTF grant. This plan would also make HV Brown Park grant ready for other funding sources. Mayor Pro Tem Allen stated there were questions about entrances and driveways, if this plan is adopted would those items still be up for discussion or is this a binding document. Mr. Barnard stated this is not binding in a master plan like this.

Item N. Center Street Streetscape - Change Order No. 3, 4, and 5. Mayor Pro Tem Allen asked if we had used our contingency funds up and Mr. Guthrie replied he believed there was a little bit left, he does has a few line items in the contract tracking well which will bode well for the project.

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. Councilmember Aycock moved the items on the Consent Agenda, Items C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N and O be approved as recommended by the City Manager and staff. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Broadway, and a roll call vote resulted in all members voting in the affirmative. Mayor King declared the Consent Agenda approved as recommended. The items on the Consent Agenda were as follows:

Contract Award for 2015 Bituminous Concrete Resurfacing Project – Formal Bid Request No. 2015-005. Resolution Adopted. On Tuesday, August 18, 2015 one sealed bid was received for the subject street resurfacing project. Since only one bid was received, bids were returned to the submitting contractor and a new bid opening date was scheduled for August 31, 2015.

On Monday, August 31, 2015, two sealed bids were received for the 2015 Bituminous Concrete Resurfacing Project for the City of Goldsboro.

Barnhill Contracting Company of Kinston, NC submitted the low bid for the 2015 Bituminous Concrete Resurfacing for a total cost of \$543,343.99. The bids received for this project are tabulated as follows:

<u>Name of Bidder</u>	<u>Amount of Bid</u>
Barnhill Contracting Company Kinston, NC	\$543,343.99
S. T. Wooten Corporation Wilson, NC	\$702,047.10

The proposed work consists of approximately 35,000 square yards of bituminous concrete resurfacing and approximately 11,200 square yards of milling asphalt pavement for sections of North Madison Avenue, South Carolina Street, West Spruce Street, South Alabama A venue, Bunche Drive, Beal Street, Cashwell Drive, North Hillcrest Drive, North Marion Drive, and Daniel Drive as shown on the attached 2015 Street Resurfacing List. Also included in this project is the restriping of Harris Street from Slocumb Street to Stoney Creek Parkway and Bunche Drive from Simpson Street to Slocumb Street.

The bids for this project have been reviewed by the Engineering Department, checked for accuracy, and found to be in order. We have also reviewed the financing of this project with the Finance Director and determined that \$478,261.00 is available in the FY2015-16 budget; therefore, it is necessary to reduce the scope of the project by eliminating Eason Street from Slocumb Street to Devereaux and North Hillcrest Drive from Dawn Circle to Pine Needles Road.

It is recommended the City Council adopt the following entitled Resolution authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute a contract in the amount of \$478,261.00 with Barnhill Contracting Company for the 2015 Bituminous Concrete Resurfacing Project. Consent Agenda Approval. Aycock/Broadway (7 Ayes)

RESOLUTION NO. 2015- 67 “RESOLUTION AWARDING AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT FOR 2015 BITUMINOUS CONCRETE RESURFACING FORMAL BID REQUEST NO. 2015-005”

2015 Priority Rehabilitation Project-Phase II FBR No. 2015-002-Change Order No. 1. Resolution Adopted. The proposed work consists of installation and replacement of sanitary sewer lines and existing services at various locations in the City.

Staff requested Herting-Rivenbark, Inc., the contractor for this project, to provide costs for pre-video of additional sanitary sewer lines to determine the condition of existing lines and the level of repair or replacement work required.

Herting-Rivenbark, Inc. submitted costs for additional pre-video of sewer lines for the following locations:

<u>Location</u>	<u>Cost Estimate</u>
2120 LF of 8 inch sewer line through Westhaven Subdivision@ \$5.00/LF	\$10,600.00
225 LF of 10 inch sewer line through existing Cherry Hospital@ \$5.00/LF	<u>\$ 1,125.00</u>
Total	\$11,725.00

We have reviewed the financing of Change Order No. 1 with the Finance Director and determined that sufficient funds are available in Sanitary Sewer Bond Proceeds.

It is recommended the City Council, adopt the following entitled Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a change order totaling \$11,725.00 with Herting-Rivenbark, Inc. for the 2015 Priority Sewer Rehabilitation Project-Phase II. Consent Agenda Approval. Aycock/Broadway (7 Ayes)

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-68 “RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A CHANGE ORDER WITH HERRING-RIVENBARK, INC. FOR THE 2015 PRIORITY SEWER REHAB PROJECT-PHASE II FORMAL BID REQUEST NO. 2015-002”

S-4-15 Daniels Development (3-Lot Preliminary Plat). Approved. The property is located on the west side of NC 111 South between US 70 East and Mt. Airy Road.

Total Area: 5.91 Acres
Total Lots: 3

Lot No. 1: 4.28 Acres
Lot No. 2: 1.30 Acres
Lot No. 3: 0.37 Acres

Zoning: General Business and Noise Overlay

The existing property now contains two lots, however, a new configuration has been proposed to allow for the sale of Lot No. 2 of the property for the development of a Dollar General store. Site and landscape plans were approved for the store on May 4, 2015.

In conjunction with the site plan approval, a 50 ft. wide access easement was shown along the NC 111 South frontage which would provide ingress and egress to the Dollar

Store as well as future developments to the south and east. This easement is located on Lot No. 3 of the subdivision. Daniels Development offices are located on Lot No. 1.

At their meeting held on August 31, 2015, the Planning Commission recommended approval of the three-lot preliminary plat.

Staff recommended Council accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission and approve the three-lot preliminary subdivision plat as submitted. Consent Agenda Approval. Aycock/Broadway (7 Ayes)

Site and Landscape Plans – H & M Performance Automotive Garage.

Approved. The property is located on the west side of Carolina Commerce Drive between North William Street and West Tommy’s Road.

The site was previously operated as an automotive repair establishment but has been closed for more than six months.

Frontage:	285.31 ft.
Depth:	400.84 ft. (average)
Area:	131,480.83 sq. ft., or 3.02 acres
Zoning:	I-2 General Industry

There is an existing building on the property which contains three bays and will be utilized for the repair of automobiles.

There is existing woodland along the rear (western) property line and existing vegetation along a portion of the northern property line.

The applicant has indicated that he will install a total of seven large street trees along the lot frontage.

The site is immediately adjacent to the storage yards for T. A. Loving and there are two buildings on their property which abut the applicant’s property line on the south. The applicant will install landscape material in open areas along this property line but has requested a modification of the landscape requirement along a portion of the northern property line where there is no existing vegetation.

The applicant intends to install an opaque fence along the street frontage which will screen the view of vehicles awaiting repair on the site. A gated area will allow for access by customers. This opaque fence will extend around the building and encompass a portion of the property behind the building in order to provide security for vehicles parked on the site overnight.

Parking for the site will be provided in an existing concrete area which had previously served as a building foundation. The applicant will be required to install striping to delineate six parking spaces.

The Planning Commission, at their meeting held on August 31, 2015, recommended approval of the site and landscape plans with a modification of the landscape requirement along a portion of the northern property line.

Staff recommended Council accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission and approve the site and landscape plans for H & M Performance Automotive with a modification of the landscape requirement along a portion of the northern property line. Consent Agenda Approval. Aycock/Broadway (7 Ayes)

Site and Landscape Plan – Iglesia Bautista Libertade (Liberty Baptist Church).

Approved. The property is located on the west side of US 117 Bypass between Hooks River Road and North George Street.

Frontage:	725.82 ft.
Depth:	230.00 ft. (approx.)

Area: 166,938.6 sq. ft., or 3.83 acres
Zoning: I-2 General Industry

The site is the former location of Johnson-Russell Construction Company.

The church wishes to occupy one existing building on the lot.

There is a paved area in front of the building which contains 11 parking spaces. The submitted site plan indicates a 1,289 sq. ft. sanctuary area within the building which is to be utilized temporarily until it can be expanded into additional space which is now used for storage. The initial sanctuary will require a total of 40 parking spaces. The church has requested a modification to allow 29 of the total parking required spaces to remain unpaved for a two-year period.

If the church wishes to occupy the larger sanctuary in the future, up to 150 parking spaces would then be required. Although there is ample area on the site to provide those spaces, the church will have to submit a separate request to the Council if they wish to have those spaces to remain unpaved for two years.

Access to the site is provided through an unpaved curb cut extending from US 117 near its intersection with North George Street. Gated access to the church is provided for security. A modification of the paving requirement for two years for this access drive will be required.

There is an existing wooded area behind the church along the entire western and northern property lines which would serve as landscaped buffers. A total of 18 large trees will be installed along the lot frontage to serve as street trees.

The Planning Commission, at their meeting held on August 31, 2015, recommended approval of the site plan with a modification to allow 29 of the total parking spaces to remain unpaved for a two-year period. The Commission voted to require that the driveway running from the property line to the existing parking area be paved at this time.

The staff, however, recommends that both the parking area and the driveway not be paved for a two-year period. After two years, the church will have to design their parking area based on the size of their sanctuary which may require relocation of the driveway.

Staff recommended Council accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission and approve the site and landscape plans as submitted with a modification of the paving requirement for the parking area and driveway for a two-year period. Consent Agenda Approval. Aycock/Broadaway (7 Ayes)

CU-4-15 Young No – North side of US 70 West between NC 581 and Westbrook Avenue (Increase Internet Games). Approved. On December 5, 2011, the Council approved a Conditional Use Permit to allow the operation of an internet café/sweepstakes facility at this location which is located within one unit of the Shoppes of Goldsboro at US 70 and NC 581.

Included with the approval was a modification of the separation requirement between such uses and residentially-zoned or developed property from 200 ft. to zero ft. since the property is adjacent to residentially zoned property to the rear.

The approved site plan indicated that the hours of operation would be from 8:00 a. m. to 2:00 a. m., Monday through Sunday. A total of five or six employees were associated with the operation.

At time of approval, the applicant indicated that a total of 30 computers would be located within the operation.

The internet café has continuously operated since that time, however, ownership has changed. The new owner wishes to add 18 computers bringing the total to 48.

As a result of an agreement with the U. S. Attorney's office, six companies which provided sweepstakes software in North Carolina were required to cease operation in the State by July 1, 2015. The City's Police Department so notified each sweepstakes operation within the City's jurisdiction and indicated that they would be inspecting the uses after July 1, 2015 to insure that the six companies are no longer supplying software to the operations. At this time, sweepstakes operations could continue to operate utilizing software provided by companies other than the six which agreed to withdraw from the State of North Carolina.

Previously, the City required internet sweepstakes operations to submit serial numbers for each computer when paying a privilege tax of \$2,500 per establishment plus \$500 privilege tax for each computer. As a result of the North Carolina General Assembly passing legislation which eliminates all municipal privilege license taxes, no new or additional fees will be required as a result of the increase in computers proposed by the applicant.

At the public hearing held on July 27, 2015, no one appeared to speak either for or against this request.

The Planning Commission, after the public hearing, recommended deferring action on this case in order to allow the staff to investigate regulating the maximum number of computers allowed within such establishments. On August 3, 2015 the Council deferred the matter.

The staff has reviewed past requests and found that there have been a total of 14 requests for Conditional Use Permits to operate Internet Cafes. Three of those requests were denied.

Of the eleven that were approved, the number of computers requested ranged from five (5) to 80. All but one request included units within an existing shopping center, thereby somewhat limiting the space available for computers. The only freestanding request included 40 computers. There have been two requests approved to allow an increase in the number of computers at an existing location.

The Planning Commission, at their meeting held on August 31, 2015, recommended approval of the applicant's request.

The Commission felt that, as a policy, the number of computers allowed within internet cafés should be limited to no more than 50.

Staff recommended Council accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission and:

1. Adopt an Order amending the Conditional Use Permit to allow the addition of 18 computers for a total of 48 computers within the internet café; and
2. Approve the submitted site and floor plan detailing the operation. Consent Agenda Approval. Aycock/Broadway (7 Ayes)

Z-6-15 Dillard Academy, Inc. – South side of West Elm Street between South George Street and the Railroad (General Business to Office & institutional-1). Ordinance Adopted. The Wayne County Tax Identification Nos. are 2599-64-8302 and 6357 and the address is 400 West Elm Street. The property has a frontage of 226.65, an average depth of 203.59 ft. and a total area of approximately 46,143.67 sq. ft., or 1.06 acres.

Surrounding Zoning: North: Office & Institutional-1
South: I-2 General Industry
East: R-6 Residential and General Business

West: Office & Institutional-1

There is an existing building on the lot which has been vacant for some time. The property is currently zoned General Business which does not permit private, public, elementary or secondary school.

Dillard Academy proposes to utilize this building for offices and storage.

The City's Land Use Plan designates the subject property for industrial development.

The City Council approved revised site and landscape plans for Dillard Academy Charter School on June 6, 2011. The revised plans included the placement of a 7,500 sq. ft. one-story modular building to the rear of the existing school.

A number of modifications were approved along with the site and landscape plans due to existing space limitations.

Dillard Academy serves children in kindergarten through fourth grade.

On January 16, 2014, Dillard Academy purchased adjacent property to the east which contains an existing vacant building (formerly utilized by Ceramic Bath Co.) which will allow for future expansion of the school facilities to the west.

If the rezoning is approved for the property, prior to occupying the building, site and landscape plans will have to be submitted and approved by the Planning Commission and City Council.

At the public hearing held on August 17, 2015, one person appeared to speak in favor of the request. No one appeared in opposition.

At their meeting held on Monday, August 31, 2015, the Planning Commission recommended approval of the change of zone request.

Staff recommended Council accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission and adopt the following entitled Ordinance changing the zoning for the subject property from General Business to Office and Institutional -1. Although not entirely compliant with the City's Comprehensive Land Use Plan which recommends industrial development, the change to O&I-1 would be consistent with existing zoning in the area and would represent an extension of the O&I-1 zoning which exists adjacent on the west. Consent Agenda Approval. Aycock/Broadway (7 Ayes)

ORDINANCE NO. 2015-33 "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GOLDSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA CODE OF ORDINANCES"

Extension of Contract for Goldsboro-Wayne Transportation Authority (GWTA) Rebranding Strategy. Resolution Adopted. On January 5, 2015 the City of Goldsboro, acting as the Lead Planning Agency for the Goldsboro MPO, was authorized by City Council to execute a contract with Quest Corporation of America (QCA) to assist in the development of a Goldsboro-Wayne Transportation Authority (GWTA) Rebranding Strategy. The intent of the Rebranding was to transform the current perception of the transit agency.

The scope of the project included:

1. Creation of system map, route schedule and ride guide;
2. Creation of new logo;
3. Development of new website; and
4. Creation of a comprehensive marketing strategy.

QCA continues to provide maintenance and support of the Goldsboro-Wayne Transportation Authority (GWTA) Rebranding Effort and GWTA has requested for QCA

to assist them in implementation of the Comprehensive Marketing and Outreach Plan provided as a deliverable in the original scope of work. The GWTA Board of Directors recommended and approved the extension of contract at their August 27, 2015 meeting.

The new task deliverables include:

1. Transition to New Transfer Center;
2. Continuous website maintenance;
3. Continuous social media content management;
4. Schedule, System Map and Brochure updating;
5. Community rebranding awareness;
6. Ridership Development Campaigns;
7. Customer satisfaction survey; and
8. 12 to 18 Month Agency Marketing Plan.

Staff has worked with the consultant and NCDOT to negotiate a fee for the new task in an amount not to exceed \$25,000 within 10 months.

The fee proposal for this project has been reviewed by City staff and the North Carolina Department of Public Transportation. Eighty percent of the project will be paid with the use of NCDOT Section 5303 funds (\$20,000) and twenty percent of the cost (\$5,000) will be paid for by the City of Goldsboro as part of their match for the use of Section 5303 funds. These funds are currently budgeted in the City's 2015-16 Budget.

Staff recommended Council accept the staff's and Goldsboro-Wayne Transportation Authority Board of Directors recommendation to adopt the following entitled Resolution authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to extend the contract in the amount of \$25,000 with QCA, for new tasks associated with the Gateway Rebranding Strategy. Consent Agenda Approval. Aycock/Broadaway (7 Ayes)

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-69 "RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE CONTRACT FOR THE GOLDSBORO-WAYNE TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY (GWTA) REBRANDING STRATEGY"

Resolution Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of Lease Agreement, Escrow Agreement and Other Documentation for the Purchase of the Police/Fire Radios. Resolution Adopted. The City of Goldsboro met with the Wayne County Office of Emergency Management on their plans to convert the county's radio communication system. Within 3 to 5 years, Wayne County will be moving the current system to the Phase 2 radio platform so that it would meet federal guidelines. At this time, a majority of the City's radios are not Phase 2 compliant and many of the radios are not being supported by the manufacturer.

The City Council agreed at its July 27, 2015 meeting to move forward and replace all of its radios to Phase 2. The City would be replacing 105 mobile and 119 portable radios within the Police Department and 13 mobile and 28 portable radios within the Fire Department. The replacement cost is \$546,937.

The City's Finance Department has been working with Suntrust on a lease agreement for funding for this purchase. Suntrust has submitted an agreement citing a 2% interest rate over a 3-year term.

Staff recommended Council adopt the following entitled Resolution contracting with SunTrust Equipment Finance and Leasing Corporation for the installment financing of \$546,937. Consent Agenda Approval. Aycock/Broadaway (7 Ayes)

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-70 "RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A MASTER LEASE AGREEMENT, EQUIPMENT SCHEDULE NO. 03, AN ESCROW AGREEMENT, AND RELATED INSTRUMENTS, AND DETERMINING OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH"

Downtown Goldsboro Development Corporation/City of Goldsboro Façade Grant Program. Ordinance Adopted. Since 1985 the Downtown Goldsboro Development Corporation (DGDC) has administered a financial incentive program funded by the monies derived by the Municipal Service Tax District (MSD) for downtown building façade improvements. Both tenants and property owners are eligible for these grant monies if the building is used commercially, the property owner pays property tax and the building is located within the boundaries of the Municipal Service Tax District. The grant is applicable for repairs, restorations, or improvements made to building exterior facades facing a public street or rights-of-way.

The procedure to participate in the program requires an application reviewed and supported by the Historic District Commission and the City of Goldsboro Inspections Department, renderings of the end product, an itemized list of work to be completed and at least two itemized quotes. The application is submitted to the DGDC Design Committee for review and recommendation to the DGDC Board of Directors.

The Façade Grant Program is the single local direct financial incentive offered as a tool toward building improvements. The 2015/16 FY budgeted \$20,000 to support this program. Due to the influx of new property acquisitions and business investments, the Downtown Development office is experiencing an increase of requests for façade grant applications.

Currently, the MSD Façade Grant program balance of available funds is: \$1,014.44. We have supported four (4) grants thus far this fiscal year, including:

- 1) The Edgerton Building at 205/207 E. Walnut Street by property owner in the amount of \$3,939.25.
- 2) The former Landmark Appliance Building at 201 S. Center Street by property owner of \$8,296.72.
- 3) 143 N Center by property owner of \$5,180.00.
- 4) 117 S. Center Street by business owner of \$1,569.59.

The total façade improvement investment for these four projects based on the lowest bids is \$92,577.18.

These projects were funded at a total MSD cost of \$18,985.56 resulting in project improvements of \$92,577.18 providing a 388% return on investment.

The DGDC received a façade grant application package for 117 S. Center Street for a building façade improvement project from the property owner that exceeds the funds remaining in the façade grant line item for the current fiscal year. The total project cost is: \$6,200 for eligible expenses. The DGDC Design Committee reviewed the application and it meets all of the criteria to support a “Special Projects below \$10,000” category making it eligible for a \$3,100.00 grant. Due to the current balance, we require \$2,085.56 to fully award this grant.

Moreover, as we are in our 1st quarter of the fiscal year and anticipate several additional façade grant application submittals, we believe it to be beneficial to supplement this line-item an additional \$8,000 from the unappropriated MSD fund balance. Having funding readily available allows us to continue marketing the program, support future eligible projects and avoid unnecessary delays for applicants.

Staff recommended Council adopt the following entitled budget ordinance reducing the Municipal Service District unappropriated fund balance in the amount of \$10,085.56 to increase the façade grant/project line item by the same amount to permit the DGDC to:

- 1) Award the full grant amount for 117 S. Center Street, according to the standards of the façade grant program, and
- 2) Provide additional opportunities for façade improvement projects through this grant program for the remaining 2015-16 fiscal year. Consent Agenda Approval. Aycock/Broadaway (7 Ayes)

ORDINANCE NO. 2015-34 “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE BUDGET
ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF GOLDSBORO FOR THE 2015-2016 FISCAL
YEAR”

Adoption of HV Brown Park Master Plan. Approved. The Parks and Recreation Department been working park by park to develop Master Plans for each individual park. Master Plans will guide future facility locations and budget priorities. They also serve as the foundation upon which we can apply for state and federal grants.

The HV Brown Master Plan was developed with public and staff input. It is not a binding document, but a guide as funds are sought or come available.

Staff recommended Council adopt the HV Brown Master Plan. Consent Agenda Approval. Aycock/Broadway (7 Ayes)

Center Street Streetscape – Change Order No. 3, 4 and 5. Ordinance Adopted. The City Council awarded the Phase II Streetscape Project to T.A. Loving at its July 7, 2014 meeting. Construction on the project began on August 18, 2014. During the excavation work of this project, the contractor has recommended that the PVC piping for the water lines be changed to Ductile iron with Viton gaskets. The soil conditions would affect the longevity of PVC piping.

With the modification of piping for the water lines to Ductile iron with Viton gaskets, T.A. Loving has submitted change orders in the amount of \$374,986.62.

- Change Order #3 – Viton Gaskets associated with the Ductile Iron Piping in the amount of \$119,715.82.
- Change Order #4 – Ductile Iron Piping and materials in the amount of \$244,419.80.
- Change Order #5 – Fire Service Risers and Assemblies needed with the Ductile Iron Piping in the amount of \$10,851.00.

This additional work will improve the strength of the City’s water system.

Under the City’s construction contract with T. A. Loving, a credit of \$92,442 will be utilized towards these change orders. Since funding for these change orders were not appropriated with the original contract costs, it is necessary to authorize the additional funding of \$282,544.62.

Staff recommended Council approve the change orders to allow for additional costs of \$374,986.62 associated with the Center Street Streetscape and adopt the following entitled budget ordinance appropriating the additional funds from the Utility Fund. Consent Agenda Approval. Aycock/Broadway (7 Ayes)

ORDINANCE NO. 2015-35 “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE BUDGET
ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF GOLDSBORO FOR THE 2015-2016 FISCAL
YEAR”

Planning Commission Appointment. Resolutions Adopted. On January 18, 2011, Mr. Ed Edwards was appointed to serve on the Goldsboro Planning Commission. Mr. Edwards submitted his resignation effective May 26, 2015, thus creating a vacancy on the Goldsboro Planning Commission.

Mr. Ed Swindell has submitted an application to serve on the Goldsboro Planning Commission. Staff would recommend Mr. Ed Swindell to fill the unexpired term left by Mr. Ed Edwards’ resignation whose term expires on December 31, 2015.

It was recommended Council adopt the following entitled Resolutions appointing Ed Swindell to the Goldsboro Planning Commission and commending Mr. Ed Edwards for serving on the Planning Commission of the City of Goldsboro. Consent Agenda Approval. Aycock/Broadway (7 Ayes)

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-71 “RESOLUTION APPOINTING A MEMBER TO AN ADVISORY BOARDS AND COMMISSION”

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-72 “RESOLUTION COMMENDING AN INDIVIDUAL WHO HAS SERVED ON THE GOLDSBORO PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF GOLDSBORO AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR ON BEHALF OF THE CITY COUNCIL TO PRESENT THE INDIVIDUAL WITH A CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION”

End of Consent Agenda.

Z-5-15 Islamic Center of Goldsboro, Inc. – South side of Fedelon Trail between Salem Church Road and US 117 (North William Street). Upon motion of Councilmember Aycock, seconded by Councilmember Williams and unanimously carried, Council deferred action on Z-5-15 Islamic Center of Goldsboro, Inc.

City Manager’s Report. Mr. Stevens asked Ms. Metz and Mr. Barnard to come and share some information regarding upcoming events.

Ms. Metz shared the DGDC Annual Dinner is coming up on September 18th with social beginning at 6:15 p.m. and the program beginning at 7:00 p.m. The Annual Dinner will in front of Union Station. The Ribbon Cutting for the Transfer Center is scheduled for September 19th at 11:00 a.m. A tentative date for the Center Street Streetscape Ribbon Cutting has been set for October 22nd from 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. More information to come.

Mr. Barnard shared information regarding Beak Week. Activities kickoff on Friday with a festival on Saturday, September 12th from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Additional information can be found at www.beakweek.org

City Attorney’s Report and Recommendations. No report.

Mayor and Councilmembers’ Reports and Recommendations. Mayor King read the following Proclamation:

Proclamation – Constitution Week. Mayor King proclaimed the week of September 17 through 23 as “Constitution Week” in Goldsboro, North Carolina and asked our citizens to reaffirm the ideals that the framers of the Constitution had in 1787 by vigilantly protecting the freedoms guaranteed protecting the freedoms guaranteed to us through this guardian of liberties, remembering that lost rights may never be regained.

Mayor Pro Tem Allen read the following Proclamation:

Proclamation – Diversity Day in Goldsboro, Wayne County and Seymour Johnson Air Force Base. The City of Goldsboro, County of Wayne, Seymour Johnson Air Force Base, Community Affairs Commission, and Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Commission recommend that on September 17, 2015, individual residents of Wayne County have a meal, coffee, or tea with an individual of another race, ethnicity, religion, or culture to build deeper relationships and explore how to build greater inter-group relationships and inter-group trust one friendship at a time, in recognition of Diversity Day.

Mayor King read the following Proclamation:

Proclamation – Billy Kaye Day. Mayor King proclaimed September 18, 2015 as “Billy Kaye Day” in Goldsboro, North Carolina, in honor of Mr. Billy Kaye and called upon all citizens to join in welcoming Billy Kaye to Goldsboro for the Wayne county Jazz Showcase.

Resolution Expressing Appreciation for Services Rendered by J. Brian Mooney as an Employee of the City of Goldsboro for more than 33 Years.
Resolution Adopted. Brian Mooney retired on August 1, 2015 as Equipment Operator II with the Public Works Department of the City of Goldsboro with more than 33 years of service. The Mayor and City Council of the City of Goldsboro are desirous, on behalf of themselves, the other City officials and employees and the citizens of the City of Goldsboro, of expressing to Brian Mooney their deep appreciation and gratitude for the service rendered by him to the City over the years. We express to Brian Mooney our deep appreciation and gratitude for the dedicated service rendered during his tenure with the City of Goldsboro and offer our very best wishes for success, happiness, prosperity and good health in his future endeavors.

Upon motion of Mayor King, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Allen and unanimously carried Council adopted the following entitled Resolution.

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-66 “RESOLUTION EXPRESSING APPRECIATION FOR SERVICES RENDERED BY BRIAN J. MOONEY AS AN EMPLOYEE OF THE CITY OF GOLDSBORO FOR MORE THAN 33 YEARS”

Mayor Pro Tem Allen stated we have had some shootings lately and he wants everyone to know they are aware of what is going on, we are working on it, the Police Department meets daily on it, there are things in the works, but the biggest thing is we need the community's help. The Police Department, the City Council, no one can solve this without the community's help. The paper has done a good job, the Police Department has done a good job on their Facebook page asking for help, but there are people who know things that are going to happen or have happened. We need more community involvement. As we get through this, we need the public's help. Secondly, he would like to remind everyone not to litter. Mayor Pro Tem Allen also encouraged everyone to check out the new greenway behind the hospital which connects to New Hope Road.

Councilmember Headen stated the Gateway Transfer Center looks beautiful and encouraged everyone to take a few minutes, drive by and take a look.

Councilmember Broadway encouraged those who may know something about a crime to contact Crime Stoppers. They pay out money for information leading to arrests; they are anonymous tips. He stated they have fundraisers to support Crime Stoppers. We have an event coming up on September 25th in honor of Judge Tim Finan. It is a gospel singing and comedy night at the Bridge Church. He stated he can't encourage people enough to contribute to Crime Stoppers.

Councilmember Goodman made no comment.

Councilmember Williams stated he would like to echo what has been said. He stated he feels there are too many guns on the streets. People are shooting each other and sometimes innocent people get hurt. He stated when you read the Proclamation for Diversity Day and mentioned the 2011 monument that was erected in Washington, D.C. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. was an Alpha Phi Alpha member and he is proud to say he is also an Alpha Phi Alpha member. He stated Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. was definitely for diversity and all races and religions and it would be a wonderful thing if it could become reality.

Councilmember Aycock stated New Hope Road got paved, an intersection at Central Heights Road and New Hope Road and he would like to thank NC DOT because it was in dire need of repaving.

Mayor King commented on recent shooting events. He stated normally the shooter and the person being shot have a connection. He stated he would like to commend our Police Department for doing all they can to find these people. Mayor King encouraged the public to report what they see to the Police Department.

Councilmember Williams stated he received a letter on Friday from the local branch of the NAACP saying they were going to have a forum tonight for candidates and he knows that everyone one of the incumbents would have been a part of the forum had it not been that they were obligated to be here at work, they did not change the date, so what could we do. Mayor King stated duty calls, you come to work.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:22 p.m.


Alfonzo King
Mayor


Melissa Corser, CMC
City Clerk