

UNION CITY  
WORKSESSION MEETING MINUTES  
TUESDAY, MARCH 21, 2017  
6:15 P.M.

Present: Mayor Vince Williams, Councilmember Brian Jones, and Christina Hobbs; City Attorney, Dennis Davenport; Finance Director, Tarsha Calloway; and Interim City Clerk, Shandrella Jewett

Staff Present: Rhonda Jones – Human Resources, Zach Montgomery – Community Development, Lonnie Ferguson – Public Services, Trey Bennings – Information Technology, Lee Blitch – Parks and Recreation, Cassandra Jones – Police Chief, Joe Maddox – Fire Chief, and

Absent: Councilmembers Angelette Mealing and Shayla Nealy

The meeting was called to order at 6:15 p.m.

I. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG:

II. MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC TO DISCUSS ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA: (2 MIN.)

III. PRESENTATIONS/ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS OF AWARDS AND ACHIEVEMENTS:

*All matters listed on the Consent Agenda are considered routine by the Council and will be approved by one motion. No separate discussion will take place on these items. If discussion of any Consent Agenda item is desired, the item will be moved to the Regular Agenda for separate consideration.*

IV. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Council to consider approval to adopt Ordinance 2017-02 regarding revisions to Section 6-23 pertaining to “Electric coil cooking devices”, of the Code of Ordinances by removing Subsection (c).

This item was discussed back in January 2017. Ordinance 2017-02 consist of the removal of a retroactivity clause.

This item was added to the Consent Agenda.

2. Council to consider approval to adopt Ordinance 2017-03 regarding revisions to Section 10-28, pertaining to “Use of vehicle immobilization devices”, of the Code of Ordinances.

A brief discussion was held regarding increasing the size of the signs to 18” x 24” and provide the police department with a copy of the contract between the booting company and the property owner.

This item was added to the Consent Agenda.

V. REGULAR/NEW BUSINESS:

1. Approval of the Minutes:

- 01/17/2017 Worksession Meeting
- 01/17/2017 Regular Council Meeting
- 02/15/2017 Called Council Meeting
- 02/21/2017 Regular Council Meeting – (*State of the City Address*)

This item was added to the Consent Agenda with one correction notated on the January 17, 2017 Regular Council Minutes.

2. Council to consider a proposed Food Truck Ordinance and obtain guidance.

Director Montgomery ask Council to review a proposed Food Truck Ordinance and to give feedback by Friday, March 24, 2017. Attorney Davenport requested more clarification and guidance from the City Council in regards to where the food trucks could operate, prepackaged food items, and ice cream vendors. Discussion ensued and direction was provided by the Mayor and City Council.

This item was added to the Regular Agenda.

3. Council to consider approval of Resolution #2017-03 to adopt the 2016 Comprehensive Plan Update and transmit Resolution #2017-03 to Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA).

Director Montgomery advised that Council has already reviewed and approved what has gone to the State. The State has reviewed and approved it as well. If Council allows the adoption of the Comprehensive Plan, it will keep Union City in compliance with the State as a qualified entity.

This item was added to the Consent Agenda.

4. Council to consider approval of a fuel adjustment rate increase for commercial sanitation.

Director Calloway led a brief discussion regarding Union City's current contract with Advance Disposal. On an annual basis, they are allowed to make adjustments as it pertains to fuel. These adjustments will be reflected on the customer's bill.

This item was added to the Consent Agenda.

5. Council to consider approval to enter into an agreement with Utility Service Group in the amount of \$150,000.

Anna-Marie Robinson-Berry (Union City's Finance Department) advised Council that in 2012 the city's water tower was painted, but due to poor workmanship, the tower needs to be repainted. The city received three (3) quotes in response to the solicitation. Utility Service Group provided the lowest quote for painting the tower with the city's seal in the amount of \$150,000.00. In addition, references have been verified to check their quality of work.

This item was added to the Consent Agenda.

VI. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION:

- City Manager Report(s):

VII. OTHER BUSINESS:

- Travel Policy

A brief discussion was held concerning a memorandum that was submitted by Attorney Davenport to Mayor and Council on March 13, 2017. This memo addressed a conflict that centered around the payment of a per diem to elected officials. A resolution adopted in 1999 does not agree with the 2015 Employee Handbook. Attorney Davenport advised that he will bring a draft resolution to the April 2017 Council Meeting for their review and approval.

VIII. REPORTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE MAYOR & COUNCIL:

IX. ADJOURNMENT:

*On motion of Councilmember Jones, seconded by Councilmember Hobbs and carried, the meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.*