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ACTION AGENDA

Hickory City Council
76 North Center Street

September 5, 2017
7:00 p.m.

- I. Call to Order
- II. Invocation by Jay Robison, Pastor, Viewmont Baptist Church
- III. Pledge of Allegiance
- IV. Special Presentations
 - A. Introduction of New Hickory Police Department's Officers

Chief Thurman Whisnant of the Hickory Police Department explained how the system works for hiring police officers. He introduced Sergeant Levey, Colton Castell, Willing Hutchins, Rene Martinez, Daniel Nash, Tyler Thompson, and Officers Daniel Blake, Rhonda Bunt was not present; she was under the weather, Ralph Enoch, Jamon Griffin who was unable to attend, Janson Orellana, and Ashley Swim. He advised these are the newest members of Hickory Police Department. They come to the police department from various backgrounds, highly qualified, and they are extremely excited for them at the beginning of their careers.
- V. Persons Requesting to Be Heard
- VI. Approval of Minutes
 - A. Regular Meeting of August 15, 2017 **(Exhibit VI.A.)**
- VII. Reaffirmation and Ratification of Second Readings. Votes recorded on first reading will be reaffirmed and ratified on second reading unless Council Members change their votes and so indicate on second reading.
 - A2** A. Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Lease Agreement of Property Located at 304 3rd Street SW, Hickory. **(First Reading Vote: Unanimous)**
 - A2** B. Acceptance of the Bid and Award the Contract to Amick Equipment in the Amount of \$280,761.55 for a 2018 Crane Carrier Cab/Chassis Model #LET2-46. **(First Reading Vote: Unanimous)**
 - A2** C. Acceptance of the Bid and Award the Contract to Carolina Environmental Systems Inc. for in the Amount of \$242,026.38 for a 2018 Crane Carrier Cab/Chassis model #LET2-44. **(First Reading Vote: Unanimous)**
 - A2** D. Acceptance of the Bid and Award of the Contract to James River Equipment for the Purchase of a John Deere 670G Motor Grader in the Amount of \$187,931.94. **(First Reading Vote: Unanimous)**
 - A2** E. Budget Revision Number 3. **(First Reading Vote: Unanimous)**

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A2 F. Consideration of Amendments to Chapter 4 Animals and Fowl of the Hickory City Code of Ordinance. **(First Reading Vote: Unanimous)**

A2 G. Consideration of Amending the City's Code of Ordinance Chapter 21 Section 21 – 11 Hours of Sell of Beer and Wine, with Regards to Senate Bill 155. **(First Reading Vote: Unanimous)**

VIII. Consent Agenda: All items below are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council Member so requests. In which event, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered under Item IX.

A1 A. Approval of the Landscape Incentive Grant to Hickory Museum of Art for Property Located at 243 3rd Avenue NE in the Amount of \$2,500. **(Exhibit VIII.A.)**

City Council created the Landscape Incentive Grant program in 1999 to provide economic incentives for property owners to improve the general appearance of properties located within the City. The Community Appearance Commission reviews applications for the grant program and forwards a recommendation of approval or denial to City Council. The grants are designed as a reimbursement grant in which the City of Hickory will match the applicant on a 50/50 basis. The maximum grant amount from the City of Hickory is \$2,500. The grant proposal put forth involves the installation of three stone tables and two stone benches in the Founders' Garden located on the eastern side of the property. The applicant has provided two bids for the items listed above, which total \$6,292 and \$7,900. If approved, the request would qualify for a \$2,500 grant. The application was reviewed by the Community Appearance Commission at its August 7, 2017 special called meeting. Upon review the Community Appearance Commission scored the application, utilizing its grant scoring criteria, the application scored 25 points out of a possible 36 points, which placed the application into the high category of scoring. Upon completion of the scoring exercise, the Community Appearance Commission voted unanimously (7-0) to recommend funding of the grant application in the amount of \$2,500.

A B. Special Events Activities Application National Day of Play, Lance Riddile, Recreation Programmer, City of Hickory Parks and Recreation Department, Kiwanis Park, September 16, 2017, 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. **(Exhibit VIII.B.)**

A C. Special Events Activities Application Patriots Day Evening of Remembrance, Chief Fred Hollar, Hickory Fire Department, Union Square, September 11, 2017, 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. **(Exhibit VIII.C.)**

A D. Special Events Activities Application Lowes Foods Christmas Parade and City of Hickory Christmas Tree Lighting, Kyle Mishler, Senior Recreation Programmer, Hickory Parks and Recreation, City Hall and Union Square, November 17, 2017, 3:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. **(Exhibit VIII.D.)**

A E. Special Events Activities Application Mel's Jingle Run 5K, (Benefiting Operation 300 and Women's Resource Center) Sarah Prencipe, Op300 Volunteer and Leslie Knapp, Mellow Mushroom Owner, Women's Resource Center Volunteer, Sails on the Square Stage, December 9, 2017 5:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. **(Exhibit VIII.E.)**

A1 F. Approval of the Community Development Block Grant Agreement with Exodus Outreach Foundation, Inc. in the Amount of \$6,600 for Funding through the City's Community Development Block Grant Program. **(Exhibit VIII.F.)**

In February 2017, the City of Hickory Department of Planning and Development Services requested applications from local nonprofit organizations for funding under the Community Development Block Grant Program. The Citizen's Advisory Committee reviewed and recommended funding for these applications as part of the City's Annual

Action Plan. The Annual Action Plan was approved following a public hearing on July 18, 2017. The CDBG funding agreement describes the requirements for the City and Exodus Outreach Foundation to ensure that all applicable federal regulations are met. Funds will be used to provide support to provide transportation and employment services at Exodus Homes, which provides support to homeless and previously incarcerated persons with substance abuse issues. Exodus Outreach Foundation has requested and been approved for funding in the amount of \$6,600 through the City of Hickory's Community Development Block Grant program. Approval of the Agreement will allow them to continue to provide services to homeless and previously incarcerated individuals with substance abuse issues. Staff recommends approval of the CDBG funding agreement between the City of Hickory and Exodus Outreach Foundation, Inc.

- A1** G. Approval of the Community Development Block Grant Agreement with AIDS Leadership Foothills-Area Alliance, Inc. in the Amount of \$9,900 for Funding through the City's Community Development Block Grant Program. **(Exhibit VIII.G.)**

In February 2017, the City of Hickory Department of Planning and Development Services requested applications from local nonprofit organizations for funding under the Community Development Block Grant Program. The Citizen's Advisory Committee reviewed and recommended funding for these applications as part of the City's Annual Action Plan. The Annual Action Plan was approved following a public hearing on July 18, 2017. The CDBG funding agreement describes the requirements for the City and AIDS Leadership Foothills-Area Alliance to ensure that all applicable federal regulations are met. Funds will be used to provide support for a medical case manager position, which will assist persons living with HIV and AIDS to ensure that they remain in medical care and also receive other services as they are available. AIDS Leadership Foothills-Area Alliance has requested and been approved for funding in the amount of \$9,900 through the City of Hickory's Community Development Block Grant program. Approval of the Agreement will allow them to continue to provide much needed medical case management services to persons living with HIV and AIDS. Staff recommends approval of the CDBG funding agreement between the City of Hickory and AIDS Leadership Foothills-Area Alliance, Inc.

- A1** H. Approval of the Community Development Block Grant Agreement with Greater Hickory Cooperative Christian Ministry in the Amount of \$11,900 for Funding through the City's Community Development Block Grant Program. **(Exhibit VIII.H.)**

In February 2017, the City of Hickory Department of Planning and Development Services requested applications from local nonprofit organizations for funding under the Community Development Block Grant Program. The Citizen's Advisory Committee reviewed and recommended funding for these applications as part of the City's Annual Action Plan. The Annual Action Plan was approved following a public hearing on July 18, 2017. The CDBG funding agreement describes the requirements for the City and Greater Hickory Cooperative Christian Ministry to ensure that all applicable federal regulations are met. Funds will be used to provide support to assist the NETworX Catawba Program which is a 15 week program that provides training to individuals looking to break the cycle of generational poverty. Greater Hickory Cooperative Christian Ministry has requested and been approved for funding in the amount of \$11,900 through the City of Hickory's Community Development Block Grant program. Approval of the Agreement will allow them to continue to provide services to break the cycle of poverty. Staff recommends approval of the CDBG funding agreement between the City of Hickory and Greater Hickory Cooperative Christian Ministry.

- A1** I. Approval of the Community Development Block Grant Agreement with Habitat for Humanity of the Catawba Valley in the Amount of \$35,000 for Funding through the City's Community Development Block Grant Program. **(Exhibit VIII.I.)**

In February 2017, the City of Hickory Department of Planning and Development Services requested applications from local nonprofit organizations for funding under the Community Development Block Grant Program. The Citizen's Advisory Committee

reviewed and recommended funding for these applications as part of the City's Annual Action Plan. The Annual Action Plan was approved following a public hearing on July 18, 2017. The CDBG funding agreement describes the requirements for the City and Habitat for Humanity of the Catawba Valley to ensure that all applicable federal regulations are met. Funds will be used for rehabilitation of owner occupied single family residences with households earning less than eighty percent (80%) of the area median income. Habitat for Humanity of the Catawba Valley has requested and been approved for funding in the amount of \$35,000 through the City of Hickory's Community Development Block Grant program. Approval of the Agreement will allow them to continue to provide much needed housing rehabilitation services to benefit low to moderate income households. Staff recommends approval of the CDBG funding agreement between the City of Hickory and Habitat for Humanity of the Catawba Valley, Inc.

- A1** J. Approval of the Community Development Block Grant Agreement with Hickory Soup Kitchen, Inc. in the Amount of \$6,600 for Funding through the City's Community Development Block Grant Program. **(Exhibit VIII.J.)**

In February 2017, the City of Hickory Department of Planning and Development Services requested applications from local nonprofit organizations for funding under the Community Development Block Grant Program. The Citizen's Advisory Committee reviewed and recommended funding for these applications as part of the City's Annual Action Plan. The Annual Action Plan was approved following a public hearing on July 18, 2017. The CDBG funding agreement describes the requirements for the City and the Hickory Soup Kitchen to ensure that all applicable federal regulations are met. Funds will be used to provide support to staff at the Soup Kitchen to ensure that they are able to provide hot meals and food pantry services to those in need. The Hickory Soup Kitchen has requested and been approved for funding in the amount of \$6,600 through the City of Hickory's Community Development Block Grant program. Approval of the Agreement will allow them to continue to provide much needed nutritional services to the City of Hickory's homeless and/or low-income community. Staff recommends approval of the CDBG funding agreement between the City of Hickory, North Carolina and Hickory Soup Kitchen, Inc.

- A1** K. Approval of the Community Development Block Grant Agreement with Safe Harbor Rescue Mission in the Amount of \$6,600 for Funding through the City's Community Development Block Grant Program. **(Exhibit VIII.K.)**

In February 2017, the City of Hickory Department of Planning and Development Services requested applications from local nonprofit organizations for funding under the Community Development Block Grant Program. The Citizen's Advisory Committee reviewed and recommended funding for these applications as part of the City's Annual Action Plan. The Annual Action Plan was approved following a public hearing on July 18, 2017. The CDBG funding agreement describes the requirements for the City and Safe Harbor Rescue Mission to ensure that all applicable federal regulations are met. Funds will be used to provide support to provide a day shelter at Safe Harbor, which provides support to homeless women and children in addition to meeting physical needs, such as food, shelter, showers, etc. Safe Harbor Rescue Mission has requested and been approved for funding in the amount of \$6,600 through the City of Hickory's Community Development Block Grant program. Approval of the Agreement will allow them to continue to provide services to homeless women and children. Staff recommends approval of the CDBG funding agreement between the City of Hickory and Safe Harbor Rescue Mission.

- A1** L. Approval of a Microenterprise Grant Agreement with A+ Auto Diagnostics in the Amount of \$4,000. **(Exhibit VIII.L.)**

In its 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan for Housing and Community Development, the City of Hickory identified increasing entrepreneurship opportunities as a high priority need. This led to the creation of a program to provide microenterprise grants to businesses looking for funding necessary to take their business to the next level. The 2015-2016 Community

Development Block Grant (CDBG) Annual Action Plan had \$10,000 allocated towards assistance for entrepreneurial activities, of which \$3,000 was remaining. Therefore, \$3,000 will be used from this allocation and the remaining \$1,000 will be used from the 2016-2017 allocation. According to the US Department of Housing and Urban Development, a microenterprise is a business that has fewer than five employees, one of whom is the owner of the business. The program offers grants of up to \$4,000 for low to moderate income business owners for business property, inventory, necessary fixed assets, marketing and business promotion, or other improvements approved by the Business Development Committee. Applicants are required to submit a business plan and have a counseling session with a local business support organization. Kelley Riley has applied for a Microenterprise Grant to support and enhance his business, A+ Auto Diagnostics. The business provides vehicle maintenance and repair services. The Business Development Committee reviewed the application and recommends approval of the grant in the amount of \$4,000. The grant funds will be used for business promotion and inventory. Staff recommends City Council's approval of the Microenterprise Grant Agreement with A+ Auto Diagnostics.

- A M.** Approval of Vacation Days to be given as Prizes for the 2017 United Way Campaign and the 2017 Coworker Appreciation Event. **(Exhibit VIII.M.)**

Human Resources requests vacation days to give as prizes for the 2017 United Way Campaign and the 2017 Coworker Appreciation Event to be held on November 2, 2017. For both of the events we have historically been granted vacation days to use as prizes. It increases participation for the United Way Campaign and also for our Coworker Event. Staff requests, for the United Way Campaign, two vacation days for a drawing for all fair share givers (one winner). Also requesting two vacation days for a drawing for all coworkers who pledged at least \$8 per month (two winners); and for the Annual Coworker Appreciation Event, Staff requests eight vacation days in total to use for door prizes. Three one-day vacation winners will be drawn and our grand prize will be a five-day vacation package. Staff recommends City Council's approval of this annual request.

- A N.** Acceptance of the Offer of Public Dedication of Street Right-of-Way Shown on Plat Book 77, Pages 90 and 91 of the Catawba County Registry. **(Exhibit VIII.N.)**

In 2017 construction was completed on a new forty-one (41) lot residential development off of Timberland Hills Drive in southeast Hickory. As part of this development, four new streets were constructed to provide access to the lots. The City has been presented with an offer of dedication for street right-of-way as shown on a plat recorded in Plat Book 77, Pages 90 and 91 of the Catawba County Registry. The area consists of the right-of-way areas for the extension of Timberland Hills Drive, Raymond Loop, Franklin Court, and Dorothy Court. The streets were constructed by the developer as part of the Shrum Acres residential development. The streets have been properly inspected by the City of Hickory, and been found to meet the minimum design requirements necessary for public maintenance. Public use and maintenance of street right-of-way cannot occur unless City Council formally accepts the offer of public dedication by means of a duly executed resolution. This requirement is outlined in the North Carolina General Statutes, as well as the City's Land Development Code. Staff recommends City Council approve the resolution accepting the offer of dedication for the right-of-way, as shown on Plat Book 77, Pages 90 and 91 of the Catawba County Registry.

- PH O.** Call for a Public Hearing for Consideration of Rezoning Petition 17-03 for Approximately 23.418 Acres of Property Located at 3061 Short Road, 1995 Startown Road, 2007 Startown Road, and an Unaddressed Parcel South of Startown Road. **(Authorize Public Hearing for September 19, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers of the Julian G. Whitener Municipal Building). (Exhibit VIII.O.)**

- A P.** Approval of the Issuance of a Pyrotechnic Display Permit to Lenoir-Rhyne University. **(Exhibit VIII.P.)**

Justin Pruit, owner of Pyrotecnico, has submitted a request on behalf of Lenoir-Rhyne University to obtain permission to conduct a public fireworks display on September 9, 2017. The North Carolina Fire Code requires a mandatory operational permit for the use and handling of pyrotechnic special effects material. The Division of Fire & Life Safety Division shall review all required documentation such as but not limited to the following: Alcohol Tobacco and Firearm's License, Operation and Assistant Operators Permits from the North Carolina Office of State Fire Marshal (NCOSFM), Site Plan, and the one million dollar liability insurance policy. The Fire & Life Safety Division will also inspect the pyrotechnics display area prior to the event to ensure compliance with NCOSM Guidelines, National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) NFPA 1123 Code for Fireworks Display, and NFPA 1126 Use of Pyrotechnics Before a Proximate Audience (if applicable) are met. Staff recommends approval of the request for the pyrotechnics display.

- A1** Q. Approval of the Contract with Wilkie Construction Co. SE, LLC in the Amount of \$285,302. **(Exhibit VIII.Q.)**

Staff requests approval of the contract with Wilkie Construction Co. SE, LLC for construction of a new picnic shelter, meeting room, and restrooms at Hickory City Park. The existing picnic shelter and restrooms at Hickory City Park are in poor condition and are not located for convenient use by tennis players at the park. The City of Hickory and the Greater Hickory Tennis Association are working to upgrade the park to allow greater use of the tennis courts there. Through a Priority Use Agreement, the Greater Hickory Tennis Association has committed to contribute \$125,000 towards the total project cost. In addition to the picnic shelter and restrooms, the parking lot is to be replaced and significantly enlarged. The design of the proposed structure utilizes a pre-engineered steel frame structure to which the walls will be added to provide the picnic shelter, restrooms, and a conference room. The pre-engineered structure is similar to the recently-installed restroom facility at Hickory Optimist Park; it has been ordered and will be purchased with a National Joint Powers Alliance (NJPA) discount. Construction of the structure and the parking lots will occur simultaneously. An existing water line across the park property is to be replaced and that work will occur prior to the parking lot construction. Several local, reputable, licensed contractors were individually contacted and the request for bids was placed on the City's website. Staff advertised for competitive bids on the construction project. The low bidder on the project was Wilkie Construction Co. SE, LLC with a lump-sum bid of \$285,302 for a complete project. The other two bids received were from Moss-Marlow Building Co., Inc. and Neill Grading and Construction Co., Inc. with bids in the amount of \$305,000 and \$ 320,000, respectively. Staff recommends approval of the construction of the picnic shelter and restrooms at Hickory City Park by Wilkie Construction Co. SE, LLC in the amount of \$285,302.

- A1** R. Approve the Purchase of the Pre-Engineered Picnic Shelter Structure from Porter Corporation through a National Joint Powers Alliance (NJPA) Cooperative Purchasing Agreement. **(Exhibit VIII.R.)**

The existing picnic shelter and restrooms at Hickory City Park are in poor condition and are not located for convenient use by tennis players at the park. The City of Hickory and the Greater Hickory Tennis Association are working to upgrade the park to allow greater use of the tennis courts that are located at the park. Through a priority use agreement, the Greater Hickory Tennis Association has committed to contribute \$125,000 towards the total project cost. In addition to the picnic shelter and restrooms, the parking lot is to be replaced and significantly enlarged. The design of the proposed structure utilizes a pre-engineered steel frame structure to which the walls and fixtures will be added, by an outside contractor, to provide the picnic shelter, restrooms and meeting room. The pre-engineered picnic shelter structure is similar to the recently installed restroom/community room facility at Hickory Optimist Park and will be purchased through a National Joint Powers Alliance (NJPA) Cooperative Purchasing Agreement at a cost of \$83,173.80. Construction of the picnic shelter/restroom structure and the expanded parking lot will occur simultaneously. An existing water line across the park property is to also be replaced and that work will occur prior to any other construction beginning. Staff

recommends approval of the purchase of the pre-engineered picnic shelter structure, from Porter Corporation, through a National Joint Powers Alliance (NJPA) Cooperative Purchasing Agreement at a cost of \$83,173.80.

A1 S. Approval of the Contract with Neill Grading and Construction Co. Inc. in the Amount of \$592,896. (Exhibit VIII.S.)

Staff requests approval of the contract with Neill Grading and Construction Co. Inc. for construction of a new parking lot at Hickory City Park. The existing parking lot and picnic shelter and restrooms building at Hickory City Park are inadequate for the park's use. The City of Hickory and the Greater Hickory Tennis Association are working to upgrade the park to allow greater use of the tennis courts there. Through a Priority Use Agreement, the Greater Hickory Tennis Association has committed to contribute \$125,000 towards the total project cost. In addition to an enlarged picnic shelter and restrooms, the parking lot is to be replaced and significantly enlarged. Complete design of the parking lots was performed by the City of Hickory Engineering Department. The design of the proposed parking lot provides approximately 122 parking spaces and 5 handicap-accessible spaces. Concrete curb and gutter is used along both sides of the asphalt-paved parking areas. The contract includes earthwork, drainage, and erosion control. An existing water line across the park property is to be replaced and that work will occur prior to the parking lot construction. Several local, reputable, licensed contractors were individually contacted and the request for bids was placed on the City's website. Staff advertised for competitive bids on the construction project. Bids were opened and read publicly on August 22nd in the Engineering Department's conference room. The low bidder on the project was Neill Grading and Construction Co. Inc. with a lump-sum bid of \$ 592,896 for a complete project. The other two bids received were from M & M Construction of Banner Elk, Inc. and J. T. Russell and Sons, Inc. with bids in the amount of \$ 692,000 and \$ 755,000, respectively. The Engineer's estimated cost on the project was \$ 579,000. Staff recommends approval of the construction of the parking lot at Hickory City Park by Neill Grading and Construction Co. Inc. in the amount of \$592,896.

A1 T. Budget Revision Number 4. (Exhibit VIII.T.)

1. To appropriate a \$900 reimbursement from Spartan Motors to the Fire Department's Maintenance & Repair line item. These funds were issued as reimbursement for warranty labor completed by our Fire mechanics to replace life-time warranty parts (cross members) on Engines 5 and 6. The check was issued from Spartan Motors on 8/16/17 and deposited on 8/21/17.
2. To transfer funds from General Fund Contingency into the Multi-Year Grant Projects Fund (Fund 049) to cover a local match requirement (\$6,400) for a State Historic Preservation Office grant of \$5,600.
3. Following from the above, to establish a new Grant Project Ordinance (#G5010F) in the amount of \$12,000 to undertake a study to expand the Oakwood National Register Historic District. This project is expected to be complete during September 2018.
4. To recognize receipt of \$2,304 from Alexander County for additional materials associated with the Teague Town Road waterline extensions.
5. To recognize the receipt of insurance-claims revenue from a citizen's insurance for damage to the Airport fence due to a vehicle accident on July 18, 2017.

A1 U. Budget Revision Number 5. (Exhibit VIII.U.)

1. To appropriate funding in the amount of \$368,476 to construct a new picnic shelter and restroom facility with conference room at Hickory City Park (amount includes \$83,174 for purchase of the structure itself, and \$285,302 for construction). Along with a General Fund Balance appropriation of \$243,476, the

Greater Hickory Tennis Association has committed to contribute \$125,000 towards the total project cost.

A1 V. Budget Revision Number 6. (Exhibit VIII.V.)

1. *To appropriate \$592,896 from General Fund Balance for construction of a new parking lot at Hickory City Park. This amount is based on the low bid received from Neill Grading and Construction, Inc. The existing parking lot will be replaced and enlarged to provide approximately 122 parking spaces and 5 handicapped-accessible spaces. Concrete curb and gutter will be used along both sides of the paved parking areas. Contract includes earthwork, drainage, and erosion control.*

A W. Proclamation Welcoming and Expressing Support for Dr. Frederick K. Whitt, 12th President of Lenoir-Rhyne University. (Exhibit VIII.W.)

IX. Items Removed from Consent Agenda – None

X. Informational Item

XI. New Business:

A. Public Hearings

- A 1. Consideration of FY 2016-2017 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) – Presentation by Community Development Manager Dave Leonetti. (Exhibit XI.A.1.)**

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development requires the City of Hickory, as a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) entitlement funding recipient, to report on CDBG monies spent within the previous fiscal year. The CAPER evaluates the effectiveness of the use of resources in addressing identified goals and objectives cited in the Annual Action Plan which is prepared before the fiscal year begins. CDBG resources were used for the following activities:

<i>Housing Rehabilitation</i>	<i>\$72,276.23</i>
<i>Housing Rehab Administration</i>	<i>2,920.16</i>
<i>Habitat for Humanity</i>	<i>30,000</i>
<i>City of Refuge</i>	<i>3,195.50</i>
<i>Exodus Homes</i>	<i>8,000</i>
<i>ALFA</i>	<i>8,000</i>
<i>Hickory Soup Kitchen</i>	<i>8,000</i>
<i>Safe Harbor</i>	<i>8,000</i>
<i>Cooperative Christian Ministry</i>	<i>8,000</i>
<i>Microenterprise Assistance</i>	<i>4,750</i>
<i>Public Infrastructure Improvements</i>	<i>87,570.38</i>
<i>Ridgeview Library</i>	<i>13,658.61</i>
<i>Optimist Park Improvements</i>	<i>70,050.87</i>
<i>West Hickory Park</i>	<i>39,473.33</i>
<i>Fair Housing</i>	<i>805</i>

Program Administration	45,249.14
TOTAL	409,949.22

The City of Hickory, in complying with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's requirements, is preparing the Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER), for submission to HUD. The CAPER outlines the City's CDBG expenditures from July 1, 2016 thru June 30, 2017. Staff recommends that City Council approve the FY 2016-2017 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report.

Notice of the availability of this document for public review was advertised in a newspaper having general circulation in the Hickory area on August 21, 2017 and September 5, 2017.

- A** 2. Consideration of the Voluntary Non-Contiguous Annexation of Property Owned by Karolyn Lee Voelbel, Trustee under the Voelbel Living Trust, Located at 4100 54th Avenue NE, PIN# 3735-11-66-1272, Containing 1.3147 Acres – Presentation by Planning Director Brian Frazier. **(Exhibit XI.A.2.)**

Karolyn Voelbel, Trustee under the Voelbel Living Trust submitted a petition for the voluntary non-contiguous annexation of 1.3147 acres of property located at 4100 54th Avenue NE. The annexation area is the location of a future single-family residence. The annexation is being requested in order to gain sewer service from the City of Hickory. The subject property is currently located within Catawba County's jurisdictional area, and zoned R-40 Residential. The property, if annexed, would eventually be rezoned to Medium Density Residential (R-2). The current tax value of the vacant land is \$149,600. If annexed with its present value, the property would generate approximately \$874.64 in additional tax revenues. Upon analysis, staff has determined the petition meets the statutory requirements for voluntary non-contiguous annexation, and adequate public services are available. Staff finds the petition to be in conformity with applicable statutes, and recommends approval of the annexation petition.

This public hearing was advertised in a newspaper having general circulation in the Hickory area on August 25, 2017.

- A** 3. Consideration of the Voluntary Non-Contiguous Annexation of Property Owned by Warren M. Wood, and Amy B. Wood, Located at 1034 25th Avenue Drive NW, PIN# 3704-14-34-4673, Containing 2.037 Acres – Presentation by Planning Director Brian Frazier. **(Exhibit XI.A.3.)**

Warren and Amy Wood have submitted a petition for the voluntary non-contiguous annexation of 2.037 acres of property located at 1034 25th Avenue Drive NW. The annexation area is the location of an existing single-family residence. The owners of the property are seeking voluntary non-contiguous annexation. The subject property is currently located in Hickory's extra-territorial jurisdictional (ETJ) area, and zoned Medium Density Residential (R-2). Properties located within R-2 districts can be developed primarily for single-family residential uses at a maximum density of four (4) dwelling units per acre. However, the property is located within the Watershed Protection Overlay (WP-O), where the density is reduced to two (2) dwelling units per acre. Given the existing residence located on the lot, no additional lots would be able to created, unless the existing residence is removed. The petitioners have indicated their desire to continue the existing use of the property, which is one single-family residence. The current tax value of the property is \$489,700. If annexed with its present value, the property would generate approximately \$2,774 in additional tax revenues. Upon analysis, staff has determined the petition meets the statutory requirements for voluntary non-contiguous annexation, and adequate

public services are available. Staff finds the petition to be in conformity with applicable statutes, and recommends approval of the annexation petition.

This public hearing was advertised in a newspaper having general circulation in the Hickory area on August 25, 2017.

B. Departmental Reports:

NA

1. Appointments to Boards and Commissions

COMMUNITY APPEARANCE COMMISSION

(Terms Expiring 6-30; 3-Year Terms) (Appointed by City Council)

Ward 2 (Tarlton Appoints)

VACANT

Ward 4 (Guess Appoints)

VACANT

Ward 6 (Patton Appoints) Lisa Morphis Resigned 8-29-17

VACANT

COMMUNITY RELATIONS COUNCIL

(Terms Expiring 6-30; 3-Year Terms) (Appointed by City Council)

Other Minority (Council Appoints)

VACANT

Other Minority (Council Appoints)

VACANT

HICKORY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

(Terms Expiring 6-30; 3-Year Terms With Unlimited Appointments)

(Appointed by City Council)

Burke County (Mayor Appoints)

VACANT

Catawba County (Mayor Appoints)

VACANT

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

(Terms Expiring 6-30; 3-Year Terms) (Appointed by City Council)

Historic Properties (Council Appoints)

VACANT

Historic Properties (Council Appoints)

VACANT

Building Trades Profession (Council Appoints)

VACANT

INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL

(Appointed by Mayor with the Concurrence of City Council)

(4) Positions

VACANT

LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD

(Terms Expiring 6-30; 3-Year Terms) (Appointed by City Council)

At-Large (2) (Mayor Appoints)

VACANT

PUBLIC ART COMMISSION

(Terms Expiring 6-30; 3-Year Terms) (Appointed by City Council)

Ward 3 (Seaver Appoints)

VACANT

Ward 4 (Guess Appoints)

VACANT

PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY

(Terms Expiring 6-30; 5-Year Terms) (Appointed by the Mayor)

Position 1

Grover Lineberger
(Eligible for Reappointment)

Position 9

VACANT

RECYCLING ADVISORY BOARD

(Terms Expiring 6-30; 3-Year Terms) (Appointed by City Council)

Ward 4 (Guess Appoints)

VACANT

UNIVERSITY CITY COMMISSION

(Terms Expiring 6-30; 2-Year Terms) (Appointed by City Council)

At-Large (not including ETJ) (Council Appoints)

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YOUTH COUNCIL

(Terms Expiring 6-30; 1-Year Terms) (Appointed by City Council)

At-Large Representative	VACANT
Challenger High School Representative	VACANT
Homeschool Representative	VACANT
St. Stephens High School Representative	VACANT
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C. Presentation of Petitions and Requests

XII. Matters Not on Agenda (requires majority vote of Council to consider)

XIII. General Comments by Members of Council, City Manager or City Attorney of a Non-Business Nature

City Manager Warren Wood commented this weekend citizens may have noticed a tractor-trailer, 18 wheeler, out in front of the old Hobby Lobby on 127. It was a truck from a company called Mississippi Furniture Express, which is owned by Greg Skoog, who is local resident here. He was collecting diapers, paper towels, toilet paper, bottled water, and all of the essentials for the folks in Houston. His company does a lot of business down in Houston. Mr. Wood dropped items off and Chief Fred Hollar had the guys from the Fire Department go by. The City of Hickory was well represented and they had a full truckload going to Houston.

Alderman Tarlton asked if they left last night.

Mr. Wood commented they were leaving as soon as it was filled up. They didn't want to take a half empty load. They were getting close to leaving.

Alderman Tarlton advised he had dropped some things off as well.

Alderman Patton commented they were not there this afternoon so they were gone.

Mr. Wood advised Greg Skoog and his wife, Rosemary Skoog should be commended for that. They may have a chance to do it again with what is coming.

Alderman Lail mentioned, not from Hickory but certainly from the area, from Conover, Brock Long who is the Director of FEMA, a local fellow, is leading the efforts. He has done a great job.

Mr. Wood advised he was talking with Chief Fred Hollar this afternoon and about what the process would be when Irma comes in, depending upon where it hits, the City in the past has sent resources, manpower, equipment, etc. to help in those sort of disaster recovery efforts. Depending on how close it hits to home, we may have an opportunity to participate at that level with the next one.

Alderman Seaver mentioned the Kiwanis golf tournament was scheduled for this Friday, at Ole Still. If you like to play, or sponsor a hole, or anything like that please see him after the meeting they could still get you in there.

XIV. Adjournment

***Hickory City Code Section 2-56. Public Address to Council:**

“When conducting public hearings, considering ordinances and otherwise considering matters wherein the public has a right to be heard, when it appears that there are persons present desiring to be heard, the Mayor shall require those opposing and favoring the proposed action to identify themselves. Each side of the matter shall be given equal time. Those opposing the proposed action shall be allowed 15 minutes for presentation, followed by 15 minutes for those favoring the action, with the opponents then to have five minutes for rebuttal and the proponents to then have five minutes for surrebuttal. Those persons on either side shall have the right to divide their allotted time among them as they may choose. The Council, by majority vote, may extend the time for each side equally. On matters in which the person desiring to address the Council does not have a legal right to speak, the Council shall determine whether it will hear the person. The refusal to hear a person desiring to speak may be based upon grounds that the subject matter is confidential, that its public discussion would be illegal, that it is a matter not within the jurisdiction of the Council or for any other cause deemed sufficient by the Council. Any person allowed to speak who shall depart from the subject under discussion or who shall make personal, impertinent or slanderous remarks, or who shall become boisterous while addressing the Council shall be declared out of order by the Mayor, or by vote of the Council, and barred from speaking further before the Council unless permission to continue shall be granted by a majority vote of the Council, under such restrictions as the Council may provide.”

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