

A Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Hickory was held in the Council Chamber of the Municipal Building on Tuesday, May 15, 2018 at 7:00 p.m., with the following members present:

Brad Lail	Hank Guess	David L. Williams
Charlotte C. Williams	Aldermen	David P. Zagaroli
Danny Seaver		Jill Patton

A quorum was present.

Also present were: City Manager Warren Wood, Assistant City Manager Rick Beasley, Assistant City Manager Rodney Miller, Deputy City Attorney Arnita Dula, City Attorney John W. Crone, III, Executive Assistant to the City Manager Deisy Zavala Vazquez and City Clerk Debbie D. Miller

- I. Mayor Guess called the meeting to order. All Council members were present.
- II. Invocation by Pastor Charles Kyker, Christ United Methodist Church
- III. Pledge of Allegiance by Hickory Police Department Explorer Post 392

Mayor Guess asked the Hickory Police Department Explorer Post 392 to post the colors.

Hickory Police Department Explorer Post 392 posted the colors and led the pledge of allegiance.

Mayor Guess mentioned that Lieutenant Scott Hildebrand and Officer Stephanie Roberts with Hickory Police Department were the staff members who oversees the Explorer Post and they were instrumental in allowing the Explorer Post to present the colors and the Pledge of Allegiance. He thanked them for their time.

IV. Special Presentations

- A. Recognition of Jeff McKee for Certification as a Roads Scholar.

Local government agencies in North Carolina who have the responsibility for streets and roads are entrusted to see that these streets and roads are safe, properly constructed and maintained. Employees must be trained in the basics of construction and maintenance as well as staying current in the latest practices. Jeff McKee has obtained a certificate as a Road Scholar having successfully completed the basic education program requirements for current road maintenance and management practices as set forth by the North Carolina Local Technical Assistance Program, Institute for Transportation Research and Education and North Carolina State University.

Mayor Guess asked Assistant Public Services Director Steve Miller and Transportation Manager Caroline Kone to the podium to recognize Crew Leader Jeff McKee for certification as a Roads Scholar.

Assistant Public Services Director Steve Miller advised that Mr. Jeff McKee couldn't be present due to a family emergency. Mr. Miller explained the plaque was for the Roads Scholar program. The North Carolina Local Technical Assistance program was a professional development opportunity. The purpose of the program is to recognize local government personnel who significantly increase their knowledge of road maintenance, procedures, and improve their technical and managerial skills by successfully completing seven of twelve Roads Scholar courses offered through the center. Mr. McKee had earned this recognition. He advised it was a part of NC State University. There are approximately 13 staff members in the street department who have received this certificate.

Mayor Guess asked Mr. Miller to congratulate Mr. McKee on the certification.

V. Persons Requesting to Be Heard

- A. Mr. Tracy Hamby, 248 Union Square, addressed City Council and advised he was present on behalf of the business owners for downtown Hickory. He thanked Council for what they had done for downtown Hickory. The things they are doing and continue to do are great and they appreciate them very much. He thanked Council for upholding the vote from the staff members to not allow food trucks in the downtown square area. The police presence had been greatly increased and noticed by all of the business owners. The police presence was phenomenal and they had little to very little trouble with anyone, especially at night when it becomes an issue. He thanked Council for increasing that presence.

Mayor Guess thanked Mr. Hamby and the other businesses that were downtown and the commitment that they had made to the City.

VI. Approval of Minutes

- A. Regular Meeting of May 1, 2018

Alderwoman Patton moved, seconded by Alderman Seaver that the Minutes of May 1, 2018 be approved. The motion carried unanimously.

- 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.

Alderman Seaver moved, seconded by Alderwoman Patton that the following be reaffirmed and ratified on second reading. The motion carried unanimously.

- A. Amending the Traffic Ordinance to Designate the Speed Limit to 25 mph on 12<sup>th</sup> Street NW between Main Avenue NW and 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue NW. (First Reading Vote: Unanimous)
- B. Amending the Traffic Ordinance to Designate the Speed Limit to 25 mph on 8<sup>th</sup> Street Drive NW between 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue NW and 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue NW. (First Reading Vote: Unanimous)
- C. Budget Revision Number 20. (First Reading Vote: Unanimous)
- D. Budget Revision Number 22. (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.

Alderwoman Patton moved, seconded by Alderman Zagaroli approval of the Consent Agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

- A. Approved Special Events Activities Application for the Symphony Under the Sails – Uncle Sam Wants You!, Ingrid Keller, Executive Director, Western Piedmont Symphony, June 24, 2018, 1:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., Under the Sails on Union Square in Downtown Hickory.
- B. Approved Special Events Activities Application for Lowes Foods Christmas Parade and City of Hickory Christmas Tree Lighting, Kyle Mishler, Senior Recreation Programmer, Hickory Parks and Recreation, November 16, 2018, 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Downtown, City Hall, Main Avenue, and 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue NW.
- C. Approved Special Events Activities Application for the Symphony Under the Sails – Quilting, Ingrid Keller, Executive Director, Western Piedmont Symphony, September 23, 2018, 1:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., Under the Sails on Union Square in Downtown Hickory.
- D. Approved a Community Appearance Grant for Non-Residential Property Owned by Jem Properties, LLC (Jem-Clean) Located at 504 Main Avenue SE in the Amount of \$4,040.

City Council created the Community Appearance Grant program in 1999 to provide economic incentives for property owners to improve the general appearance of properties located within the City's designated Urban Revitalization Area. 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 \$5,000. The grant proposal put forth involves the replacement of an awning, deck, and doors. The property is located within the City's defined Urban Revitalization Area, and as such is eligible for the consideration of a Community Appearance Grant. The applicant has provided quotes for the work listed above, which total \$8,080. If City Council approves the proposed grant, the request would qualify for a \$4,040 grant. The subject property's current tax value is assessed at \$174,000. The requested grant amounts to approximately 2.5 percent of the property's tax value. The application was reviewed by the Community Appearance Commission at its March 26, 2018 meeting. Upon review, the Community Appearance Commission scored the application utilizing its grant scoring criteria. The Community Appearance Commission scored the application at 22 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 (8-0) to recommend funding of the grant application in the amount of \$4,040.

- E. Approved the Citizens' Advisory Committee Recommendations for Assistance through the City of Hickory's Housing Programs.

The following request were considered by the Citizens' Advisory Committee at their regular meeting on May 3, 2018.

- Kellie Houston was approved for recommendation to City Council for first-time homebuyer's assistance to purchase a house located at 1044 33<sup>rd</sup> Avenue Loop NE, Hickory. She has requested \$7,500 for assistance with down payment and closing costs. The First-Time Homebuyers Assistance Loan is zero interest, no payments and repaid upon sale, refinance or payoff of first mortgage.

Funds are budgeted for these items through the City of Hickory's former Rental Rehabilitation Program income received in FY 2017 and/or program income received through the City of Hickory's Community Development Block Grant Program.

The following applicant is being recommended for approval for assistance under the City of Hickory's 2017 Urgent Repair Program. This program provides qualified low income citizens with assistance for emergency-related repairs not to exceed \$8,000.

- Rebecca Abernethy, 823 2<sup>nd</sup> Street SE, Hickory-up to \$8,000.00

The Citizens' Advisory Committee recommends approval of the aforementioned requests for assistance through the City of Hickory's housing assistance programs.

F. Approved a Resolution to Reorganize the Business Development Committee.

In January 2010, City Council appointed seven members to serve on the Business Development Committee. The Committee provides input on issues related to business development within the City of Hickory, works with local business associations to improve business development efforts, and provides funding recommendations to City Council for the Vacant Building and Microenterprise programs. Staff recommends Council's approval of a Resolution to reorganize the Business Development Committee, changing the terms from two years to three years, and to stagger the terms to ensure that no more than three members rotate off in a given year. These changes would put the committee on a cycle similar to other boards and commissions.

RESOLUTION NO. 18-15

A RESOLUTION OF THE HICKORY CITY COUNCIL TO REORGANIZE THE BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE AND UPDATING THE COMMITTEE'S GUIDELINES

WHEREAS, the Council wishes to support business development efforts in the local community; and

WHEREAS, Council appointed seven members to the Business Development Committee at its January 19, 2010 meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Business Development Committee provides input on issues related to business development at times and in the manner requested by City Council; and

WHEREAS, Council now desires to reorganize the Business Development Committee by implementing new membership and operating terms that are more in alignment with other City Boards and Commissions' membership and operating terms.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HICKORY, NORTH CAROLINA, AS FOLLOWS:

- 1) Reorganization and Implementation of New Membership and Operating Terms.  
This resolution affirms City Council's intent to reorganize the Business Development Committee by implementing new membership and operating terms.
- 2) Membership; Term; Compensation; Staff Liaison
  - a) The membership shall be comprised of seven members appointed by City Council.
  - b) Members of the existing Business Development Committee, if eligible for re-appointment shall be appointed to staggered three-year terms. Three members shall have their terms end on June 30, 2019. Two additional members shall have their terms end on June 30, 2020. The two final members shall have their terms expire on June 30, 2021.
  - c) Members shall serve a maximum of two consecutive unexpired terms.
  - d) Members shall either live within the City Limits of Hickory or work at a business located within the City of Hickory.
  - e) Members of the Business Development Committee shall serve without compensation.
  - f) The Business Development Committee shall adopt bylaws to govern the conduct of its meetings.
  - g) The Business Development Committee at the discretion of the City Manager's Office shall be permitted to allow local business development organizations to serve as non-voting ex-officio members on the committee.
  - h) City management is responsible for determining the staff liaison's role with the committee.

- 3) Effective Date. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

- G. Approved Change Order Number One for the Random Woods Sanitary Sewer Project to Buckeye Bridge, LLC in the Amount of \$84,148.24.

The Public Utilities Division and Catawba County Environmental Health identified Random Woods Subdivision as one of three areas of concern in 1998 as a part of the future service areas for the City of Hickory sanitary sewer system. Staff originally applied for State Revolving Grant funds for completion of this project April 1, 1999. Staff was contacted in 2008 about the status of these projects and then asked to resubmit an updated Preliminary Engineers Report in 2009. NCDENR Division of Water Quality and NC Construction Grants and Loans issued final approval of the Preliminary Engineers Report on May 10, 2010. The project consisted of three identified concentrations of residential housing that have historical problematic septic systems within the existing City of Hickory ETJ and accessible to existing City of Hickory sanitary sewer lines. Random Woods Subdivision consists of 72 residential lots with homes principally built in the 1960s and 1970s. The project was approved for a grant to fund construction of necessary sanitary sewer infrastructure to provide public sewer to the homes in this subdivision. As the project has neared completion, funds are sufficient to add additional infrastructure and serve additional homes in the community. This additional work is covered under the grant and approval is needed to add to the contract of work to Buckeye Bridge, LLC. The original project was approved by Council at their November 15, 2016 meeting for \$948,873. This request is for installation of an additional 1900 linear feet of eight inch sanitary sewer line to serve customers along; 26<sup>th</sup> Avenue Place NE, 28<sup>th</sup> Street Place NE, 28<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE, and 31<sup>st</sup> Street Court NE. The extension has been designed and permitted thru NC Department of Water Quality. Final approval of the change order will be pending approval by the Infrastructure Finance Section after City Council takes action. Sufficient grant funds remain in the project to support this change order. Staff recommends Council's approval of change order number one for the Random Woods sanitary sewer project to Buckeye Bridge, LLC in the amount of \$84,148.24.

- H. Approved and Accepted a Grant with the North Carolina Department of Natural and Cultural Resources in the Amount of \$100,000 for the Claremont-SALT Block Pocket Park.

The City was contacted in June of 2017 about the availability of funds from the State Legislature for improvements to streetscapes, safety and pedestrian experiences along roadways. City Staff recommended the Claremont-SALT Block area as the potential project for these funds to improve safety and experience of pedestrians walking along 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue NE to the SALT Block area. The importance of this area will continue to grow as the City develops pedestrian ways connecting the future City Walk project with other destinations around the City. The proposed improvements in the Claremont-SALT Block pocket park project will make it welcoming to visitors, encourage interaction with the Arrowhead Eagle Scout project, provide a small escape from the busy area with benches and a water feature, introduce visitors to the SALT Block area and improve pedestrian safety along 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue NE from Main Avenue NE to 3<sup>rd</sup> Street NE. Additionally, this project is envisioned to be a cornerstone invitation to the public and a future component of the City of Hickory Book Walk project, which will connect the Ridgeview Library in Southwest Hickory with the Patrick Beaver Memorial Library in Northeast Hickory and the Catawba Science Center. This project has been designed internally by Public Services Staff. The public has been engaged with a meeting on March 19, 2018 with the directly affected residents and then a larger group meeting on April 26, 2018 with the Claremont Neighborhood Association. Suggestions and modifications to the plans from these meetings were incorporated into the plans where possible. This project will require use of the \$100,000 appropriation in this grant contract and will require approximately \$77,000 of City Funds from sidewalk and resurfacing monies approved annually. Staff recommends Council's approval and acceptance of this grant contract with the North Carolina Department of Natural and Cultural Resources in the amount of \$100,000 for the purpose of completing the Claremont-SALT Block pocket park.

- I. Approved Change Order Number 1 with Hickory Sand Company, Inc. in the Amount of \$24,000 for the Central Business District Waterline, Sewer Line and Storm Drainage Rehabilitation Project.

The Public Utilities Department annually identifies infrastructure that is in need of replacement or rehabilitation, as appropriate, as a component of the department's sustainability programs. Infrastructure is identified by reviewing records of maintenance calls to the area, reviewing annual inspection records from staff, age of infrastructure and overall size of project that needs to be performed. The Central Business District, for the purpose of this project, is further defined as the area of downtown Hickory bounded by Trade Alley north to 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue NW and 2<sup>nd</sup> Street NW west to 3<sup>rd</sup> Street NW. This area is served by an older portion of the City of Hickory's distribution system predominantly consisting of 6, 8 and 12-inch cast iron waterlines. This project is intended to restore the

full pipe diameter, and reestablish necessary fire flows and available service to customers. Sanitary sewer lines are predominantly 6 and 8-inch terra-cotta lines which are older and degrading allowing a significant amount of inflow/infiltration to enter the liens and cause problems downstream of the Central Business District. Finally, as a component of the overall evaluation the main trunk line storm drainage system was evaluated and found to have some issues that were requiring attention as well. The infrastructure in this area is estimated to be over 100 years old. This change order is to add a pay item for the contract to add sand for the select fill material to be used for backfill and compaction in-lieu of the previously bid stone line item. Total bid price was \$4,674,274 and the new price will be \$4,650,274. Staff requests Council's acceptance of change order number one with Hickory Sand Company, Inc. for the Central Business District waterline, sewer line and storm drainage rehabilitation project in the amount of a \$24,000 reduction.

- J. Accepted the Walmart Grant in the Amount of \$3,000.

Hickory Police Department requests approval to accept a Walmart grant in the amount of \$3,000. Money from the grant will be used for community education, explorer program, and outreach through providing educational materials, promotional items, and equipment for various community activities. Hickory Police Department requests Council's acceptance of a Walmart grant in the amount of \$3,000.

- K. Approved a Memorandum of Agreement with Shadow Line Vineyard, LLC as a Vendor to Sell Wine Beverages to Event Patrons at the Friday Night Sails Original Music Series in May, June, and September 2018.

In conjunction with the Sails Original Music Series, Shadow Line Vineyard, LLC has been asked to sell wine at the events to the patrons within the stanchioned area. Adopted by the General Assembly in 2009, NCGS 18B-1114.5 allows North Carolina Wineries to apply for an ALE Wine Beverage Special Event Permit that allows them to provide wine beverages to audiences at events when asked. Shadow Line Vineyard, LLC has provided their Certificate of Insurance that is needed to sell and serve alcohol to patrons on Union Square and will be responsible for carding and serving the beverages to those patrons 21 years of age or older. In order for Shadow Line Vineyard, LLC to provide beverages at an event, a special event notification has been sent to the ABC Commission by Shadow Line Vineyard, LLC and it's approved by the ABC shortly after submitting. Shadow Line Vineyard, LLC will be the sole vendor to sell wine at the City's Sails Original Music Series. The Sails Original Music Series runs every Friday night in May, June, and September from 5:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., with band performance between 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. The Hickory Police Department will be present and will monitor the events. Shadow Line Vineyard, LLC has paid a \$25 fee to serve as the sole wine vendor at the 2018 Sails Original Music Series. Staff recommends the approval of the Memorandum of Agreement with Shadow Line Vineyard, LLC as a vendor to sell wine beverages to event patrons at the Friday night Sails Original Music Series in May, June, and September 2018.

- L. Approved a Cemetery Deed Transfer from Ralph C. Curry, single, Lucy Curry Johnson, single, and Aljuana Curry Neal, single, Heirs of Beatrice Curry to the City of Hickory, Ridgeview Cemetery, Plot A, Lot No. 8, Section 2, Grave Spaces 001, 002, 003, 004, 005, and 008. (Prepared by F. Kevin Gorham, Attorney at Law).

- M. Approved a Cemetery Deed Transfer from William R. Deitz, widower, by and through his Attorney-in-Fact, Helen D. Catt to Cynthia Deitz Weaver, Oakwood Cemetery, Section 50, Plot L, Lot 2, Grave Space No. 3. (Prepared by Kimberly H. Whitley, Patrick Harper & Dixon, LLP)

- N. Approved a Cemetery Deed Transfer from Cynthia Deitz Weaver, fka Cynthia Deitz Moore and husband, Ronald G. Weaver, to Helen Deitz Catt, single, Oakwood Cemetery, Section 50, Plot L, Lot 2, Grave Space No. 2. (Prepared by Kimberly H. Whitley, Patrick Harper & Dixon, LLP)

- O. Approved on First Reading Budget Revision Number 21.

ORDINANCE NO. 18-16  
BUDGET REVISION NUMBER 21

BE IT ORDAINED by the Governing Board of the City of Hickory that, pursuant to N.C. General Statutes 159.15 and 159.13.2, the following revision be made to the annual budget ordinance for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018 and for the duration of the Project Ordinance noted herein.

SECTION 1. To amend the General Fund within the FY 2017-18 Budget Ordinance, the expenditures are to be changed as follows:

FUNCTIONAL AREA	INCREASE	DECREASE
Other Financing Uses	224,990	-

Culture and Recreation	17,668	-
Contingency	-	17,668
TOTAL	242,658	17,668

To provide funding for the above, the General Fund revenues will be amended as follows:

FUNCTIONAL AREA	INCREASE	DECREASE
Other Financing Sources	224,990	-
TOTAL	224,990	-

SECTION 2. To amend the Water and Sewer Fund within the FY 2017-18 Budget Ordinance, the expenditures are to be changed as follows:

FUNCTIONAL AREA	INCREASE	DECREASE
Contingency	-	51,000
Other Financing Uses	90,000	-
Environmental Protection	51,000	90,000
TOTAL	141,000	141,000

SECTION 3. To amend the Sludge Composting Fund within the FY 2017-18 Budget Ordinance, the expenditures are to be changed as follows:

FUNCTIONAL AREA	INCREASE	DECREASE
Environmental Protection	90,000	-
TOTAL	90,000	-

To provide funding for the above, the Sludge Composting Fund revenues will be amended as follows:

FUNCTIONAL AREA	INCREASE	DECREASE
Other Financing Sources	90,000	-
TOTAL	90,000	-

SECTION 4. To amend the Business Park 1764 Capital Project Ordinance (#B1B001) within the General Capital Projects Fund, the expenditures are to be changed as follows:

FUNCTIONAL AREA	INCREASE	DECREASE
General Capital Projects	449,980	-
TOTAL	449,980	-

To provide funding for the above, the Project (#B1B001) revenues will be amended as follows:

FUNCTIONAL AREA	INCREASE	DECREASE
Other Financing Sources	224,990	-
Restricted Intergovernmental Revenues	224,990	-
TOTAL	449,980	-

SECTION 5. Copies of the budget revision shall be furnished to the Clerk of the Governing Board, and to the City Manager (Budget Officer) and the Finance Officer for their direction.

- P. Called for Public Hearing for Consideration of the City Manager’s FY2018-2019 Recommended Budget. (Authorize Public Hearing for June 5, 2018, at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers of the Julian G. Whitener Municipal Building).

IX. Items Removed from Consent Agenda – None

X. Informational Item

XI. New Business:

A. Public Hearings

- 1. Approved the Voluntary Non-Contiguous Annexation of Property Owned by Accel Discount Tire of Springs Road, Inc. – Presentation by Planning Manager Cal Overby.

Accel Discount Tire of Springs Road, Inc. submitted a petition for the voluntary non-contiguous annexation of 2.479 acres of property located at 2614 & 2716 Springs Road NE. The subject property is currently occupied by a retail automotive sales and service facility (White Tire). The owners of the property are seeking annexation in order to expand the existing sewer service to the building which is now under construction. The current tax value of the property is

\$540,400. If annexed with its present value, the property would generate approximately \$3,061 in additional tax revenues. The existing business on the subject property is currently being renovated and expanded, which will inevitably increase the property's tax value, and the tax revenue generated by the property. Upon analysis, staff determined the petition meets the statutory requirements for voluntary 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 May 4, 2018.

City Manager Warren Wood advised the public hearing was consideration of a voluntary non-contiguous annexation of property owned by Accel Discount Tire of Springs Road, Inc. He asked Planning Manager Cal Overby to the podium to present the request to Council.

Planning Manager Cal Overby presented a PowerPoint presentation. He advised the request was a petition by Accel Discount Tire of Springs Road, Inc., which was also known as White Tire, for the annexation of approximately two and a half acres of property. Currently, there were two addresses because the property contained multiple buildings, 2614 & 2716 Springs Road NE. The applicant for the property was Accel Discount Tire with the agent being Ms. Gayle White who was the President of the company. The annexation was for a voluntary non-contiguous annexation. The annexation was requested because the property had been redeveloped. A new building had been constructed. The previous service building was to be demolished. The staging of this was to get the new service building in operation before the demolition took place. It will be additional parking in other areas where that building will be removed. It was redevelopment of the site and in doing so they needed connection to the sanitary sewer system, which is why the petition was made for this process. The closest property was Ward 3, which was located across the street from this area. He advised there was a mixture of properties. He referred to the PowerPoint and showed the automotive care center and advised the development would be expanding the automotive care center. He pointed out on the map the City limits and advised there were some existing satellite areas in the vicinity. He pointed out Springs Road going north, the area where McDonald Parkway was located, the City limits and the extra territorial jurisdiction (ETJ). He noted the aerial photo was from 2007, and advised one of the homes in the aerial photo was no longer there and that was the location of the new service base which was constructed. He pointed out the building which would be demolished and where the additional parking area would be located. He pointed out Compare Foods, which use to be Fresh Air Galaxy, an optometry office, a Dollar General, and Huffman Grading. In terms of zoning, it was all commercial corridor zoning, which is coded as (CC2) under the City's zoning code along Springs Road. The properties located to the rear were a mixture of low density and medium density residential. After analysis and consulting with other staff members, they found that the voluntary annexation petition met all standards for annexation and the City can provide all necessary services to the property. Staff recommended annexation of the property. He asked Council if they had any questions.

Alderwoman Patton asked if there was a timeframe of when they were going to take the other building down.

Mr. Overby advised it is supposed to be within the next 30 days, which was when they were expecting it. It was a staging issue. They did not want downtime between service bays. The other service bay was now operational and they have gotten a final inspection with building inspections and the other building is supposed to come down. There will be a good deal of grading in there because the property actually falls to the back. That will take some time. He had talked with the contractor, G. L. Wilson Construction, they were looking at a 30 day time window in which to get that accomplished. There are some other earth work that would need to happen to the rear, but that was a ballpark idea of what they were looking at there.

Mayor Guess explained the rules for conducting the public hearing. He declared the public hearing open and asked if there was anyone present to speak in opposition to the proposal. No one appeared. He asked if there was anyone present to speak in favor of the proposal. No one appeared. Mayor Guess closed the public hearing.

Alderman Seaver moved, seconded by Alderwoman Patton approval of the voluntary non-contiguous annexation. The motion carried unanimously.

ANNEXATION ORDINANCE NO. 444  
VOLUNTARY ANNEXATION ORDINANCE (NON-CONTIGUOUS)  
Accel Discount Tire of Springs Road, Inc.

AN ORDINANCE TO EXTEND THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF HICKORY, NORTH CAROLINA, PURSUANT TO GENERAL STATUTES 160A-58.1, AS AMENDED (NON-CONTIGUOUS)

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Hickory desires to annex the area described herein, under G.S. 160A-58.1, as amended; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has by resolution directed the City Clerk to investigate the sufficiency of said annexation; and

WHEREAS, the City Clerk has certified to the sufficiency of said request, and a public hearing on the question of this annexation was held in the Council Chamber of the Julian G. Whitener Municipal Building, locate at 76 North Center Street, Hickory, North Carolina, at 7:00 p.m. on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2018; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Hickory further finds that the area described therein meets the standards of G.S. 160A-58.1(b), to wit:

- a. The nearest point on the proposed satellite corporate limits is not more than three miles from the corporate limits of the City of Hickory.
- b. No point on the proposed satellite corporate limits is closer to another city than to the City of Hickory.
- c. The areas described are so situated that the City will be able to provide services on the same basis within the proposed satellite corporate limits that it provides within the primary corporate limits.
- d. No subdivision, as defined in G.S. 160A-376, will be fragmented by this proposed annexation.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Hickory does hereby find as a fact that said petition has been signed by all the owners of real property in the area who are required by law to sign and all other requirements of G.S. 160A-58.1, as amended have been complied with; and

WHEREAS, the City Council further finds that the annexation is otherwise valid, and that the public health, safety and welfare of the City of Hickory and of the areas proposed for annexation will be best served by annexing the area herein described.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HICKORY, NORTH CAROLINA:

Section 1. By virtue of the authority granted by G.S. 160A-58.2, as amended, the following-described non-contiguous territory is hereby annexed and made a part of the City of Hickory as of the 31<sup>st</sup> day of May, 2018:

SATELLITE ANNEXATION  
BY THE CITY OF HICKORY  
OF THE PROPERTY OF  
ACCEL DISCOUNT TIRE OF SPRINGS ROAD, INC.

That certain parcel or tract of land lying and being about 3.7 miles north northeast of the center of the City of Hickory. Bounded on the north by the 80' right-of-way of Springs Road NE (S.R. 1453), on the east and south by the lands of Howard D. Isenhour as described in Deed Book 3096 at Page 1296, also on the south by the lands of Future Endeavors of Hickory, LLC as described in Deed Book 2729 Page 108 and the west by the 60' right-of-way of 26<sup>th</sup> Street Drive NE and more particularly described as follows, to/wit:

Beginning at an iron rod on the south right-of-way line of Springs Road NE, said rod being located a grid bearing and distance of, South 29 degrees 51 minutes 53 seconds West 1,933.44 feet from N.C.G.S. monument "Box" having grid coordinates of N 738,597.96, E 1,324,627.02, said rod also being a northwest corner of the Isenhour lands and running thence, as new City of Hickory city limit lines, the following calls: with a west line of Isenhour, South 03 degrees 03 minutes 36 seconds West 268.23 feet to an iron rod, a corner of Isenhour; thence, with a north line of Isenhour, North 87 degrees 38 minutes 26 seconds West 193. 20 feet to an iron rod, a northwest corner of Isenhour; thence, with the west line of

Isenhour, South 02 degrees 59 minutes 05 seconds West 263.98 feet to an iron pipe, the northeast corner of Future Endeavors of Hickory, LLC; thence, with the north line of Future Endeavors of Hickory, LLC, North 86 degrees 26 minutes West 162.08 feet to an iron rod, the northwest corner of Future Endeavors of Hickory, LLC on the east right-of-way of 26<sup>th</sup> Street Drive NE; thence, with said right-of-way, North 02 degrees 02 minutes 00 seconds East 333.00 feet to an iron rod on said right-of-way; thence North 24 degrees 47 minutes 37 seconds East 30.46 feet to an iron rod on the south right-of-way of Springs Road NE; thence, with said right-of-way, North 66 degrees 46 minutes 00 seconds East 175.00 feet to an iron rod on said right-of-way; thence, with said right-of-way, North 66 degrees 46 minutes 00 seconds East to the point of beginning. Containing 2.479 acres more or less.

Section 2. Upon and after the 31<sup>st</sup> day of May, 2018, the above-described territory and its citizens and property shall be subject to all debts, laws, ordinances and regulations in force in the City of Hickory and shall be entitled to the same privileges and benefits as other parts of the City of Hickory. Said territory shall be subject to municipal taxes according to G.S. 160A-58.10, as amended.

Section 3. The newly-annexed territory described herein shall become part of Ward No. 3 of the City of Hickory.

Section 4. The Mayor of the City of Hickory shall cause to be recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds of Catawba County, and in the Office of the Secretary of State at Raleigh, North Carolina, an accurate map of the annexed territory, described in Section 1 hereof, together with duly certified copy of this Ordinance. Such a map shall also be delivered to the County Board of Elections, as required by G.S. 163-288.1.

2. Approved the Recommended System Development Fees Compliant with the Requirements of House Bill 436. – Presentation by Assistant Public Services Director Shawn Pennell.

The City of Hickory Public Utilities Division has an estimated overall budget of \$27 million dollars annually. A sizeable portion of the income for this budget is income from fees paid by new customers and new development. In order to maintain the high level of service that is expected from the Public Utilities Division, these fees are necessary and will continue to have validity in collection. House Bill 436 requires that any fees collected for services furnished, or to be furnished, have a comprehensive study performed by a licensed financial professional or professional engineer. Furthermore, a public comment period of 45 days must be provided for comments for this study, after which Council must conduct a public hearing to adopt the analysis and any modifications or revisions recommended. This analysis must be updated at least every five years. In accordance with the requirements of HB 436, the Public Utilities Division has completed the mandated system development fee study to allow for continued collection of fees related to one time charges for connection to the system related to capacity. WR Martin Managing Consultants worked with staff to determine the appropriate method of analysis and has reviewed all information related to assets and debts that can be considered for determining system development fees. Staff, working with WR Martin Managing Consultants, chose the "Buy-In Method" for analysis to realize the maturity of our system and the most representative method of reinvestment. Funds collected by this fee must now be justified through a formula established by the financial professional, must be collected as a onetime charge to new connections, must be accounted for separately to ensure use for the prescribed expenses and must be used for reinvestment into the existing system assets. Staff recommends Council's adoption of the recommended fees.

This public hearing was advertised in a newspaper having general circulation in the Hickory area on May 4, 2018.

City Manager Warren Wood advised the public hearing was for review and consideration of utility system development fees compliant with the requirements of House Bill 436. He asked Assistant Public Services Director Shawn Pennell to the podium to present.

Assistant Public Services Director Shawn Pennell presented a PowerPoint presentation. He advised Council he would be discussing House Bill 436, system development fees. The system development fees were ratified on October 1, 2017. The City was compliant with the public hearing advertised on May 4<sup>th</sup>. The end date of their 45 day comment period was May 6<sup>th</sup>. To date there had only been one question, which was when does the public comment period end. It was ratified to address the perceived fee inconsistencies in October and they allowed that grace period through July 1<sup>st</sup> 2018. The system development fees by definition were onetime charges assessed against new developments to recover

proportional share of the cost of capital facilities constructed to provide service capacity for new customers. We are able to make a fee to recover costs that we have already spent. These are for new customers only. This is not a fee that the City charges to any preexisting customers and these are fees which the City currently has. This is not a new fee. This was a new Bill, which the City had to go through a process on. The bases for setting these capital fees was based on system components that are necessary to serve and provide benefit to all customers. These components would include: land, treatment plants, lift stations, lines, and other equipment. It is all the assets of the utility department. There were three approved methods in this House Bill: the buy-in method, the incremental cost, and the combination. The buy-in method was where you take all of the assets and then develop a buy-in of the existing infrastructure. They take all of that and calculate a cost and then divide it up. The incremental cost was where you foresee that you need new infrastructure and you develop fees that way. The combination approach was for a system when they foresee a blend of the existing, you may not have capacity you may have to build some new infrastructure. The intent of the system development fees were to recover all or a portion of the capital investment made by the City to provide sufficient capital and assist them to serve new customers. System development fees are applied to all new customers of the systems recognized existing customer's investments and to fund ongoing substantial replacement rehabilitation costs over time. They are buying into the system, the new customers are paying their share to join the system. He reiterated these are not new fees this is just a new way that we are calculating them. We are establishing the value of the water and sewer system assets. The calculation values used to tabulate the assets from the City's depreciation report and other sources. They took all of the City's assets; land, pump stations, and vehicles and split it up into water and sewer, and then they determined the values of \$318.1 million dollars for water, and wastewater was \$203.5 million dollars for a combination asset value in utilities of \$521.6 million dollars. He referred to the PowerPoint and advised they used a residential user equivalent. They calculated the number of meters to get the maximum number that the City could charge each customer. For water the charge was \$6,890 and for wastewater \$3,391 as a maximum fee the City could charge for new customers per tap, a ¾ inch water tap. He referred to a chart and advised the proposed fees in comparison to the current fees. Currently, a ¾ inch water meter capacity fee was \$495 and they proposed to change that to \$451, approximately \$50 dollars. These fees are valid for five years or until another report is done. You have to keep these fees for five years whatever utility increases that the City has do not apply to these fees. Some fees actually go up and some actually go down because they have calculated these on flows per meter size, whatever flow goes through the meter. On the one inch meter it was \$923 and the new fee will go down to \$902, so we will lose approximately \$20 dollars a tap on that. Some go up, some go down. All in all they are looking at about a wash. What they have seen over the last three years: 2015/2016 these fees were at approximately \$370,000 to the City; in 2016/2017, \$440,000; and current through date \$382,000, right at a \$400,000 average over the three years is what they had seen. He asked for questions.

Mayor Guess reiterated the rules for the public hearing. He declared the public hearing open and asked if there was anyone present to speak in opposition to the proposal. No one appeared. He asked if there was anyone present to speak in favor of the proposal. No one appeared. Mayor Guess closed the public hearing.

Alderman Lail asked if this was done because some municipalities were taking advantage of customers.

City Manager Warren Wood replied yes. Carthage, North Carolina was a case where they were charging exorbitant fees that were charge. This gets everybody on the same page.

Alderman Lail had recent experience in other municipalities and the City's fees were really low compared to other municipalities.

City Manager Warren Wood commented the City of Hickory was not one who was abusing the system.

Mayor Guess asked for any questions.

Alderman Seaver moved, seconded by Alderwoman Patton approval of the System Development Fees. The motion carried unanimously.

B. Departmental Reports:

1. Celebration of the Opening of the Mountain Bike Trails at Hickory City Park and Rotary-Geitner Park and Recognition of Donors. – Presentation by Parks and Recreation Director, Mack McLeod.

City Manager Warren Wood advised good news on the mountain bike trail front, a celebration of the opening of the mountain bike trails at Hickory City Park and Rotary-Geitner Park and recognition of the donors. He asked Parks and Recreation Director Mack McLeod to the podium.

Parks and Recreation Director Mack McLeod presented a PowerPoint presentation. He advised this was a celebration of the opening of the mountain bike trails at Hickory City Park and Rotary-Geitner Park and recognition of some donors that partnered to make this happen. There was also an invitation to invite everyone to a ribbon cutting ceremony. He advised on December 13, 2016, Kirk Brittain and Brad Stevens presented their vision for mountain bike trail improvements to the Parks and Recreation Commission. In January of 2017, the vision was presented to Council. Council approved the proposal for the Northwest North Carolina Mountain Bike Alliance for mountain bike trail improvements at both parks. On June 12, 2017, the City of Hickory and the Alliance entered into an agreement/partnership to improve and expand the existing trails at both parks. About two months later Phase 1 improvements were completed, inspected and open, which was a 1.8 mile beginner loop and pump track. He referred to the PowerPoint and showed a photo of the beginner loop, and the pump track. On October 5, 2017, they began work on Phase 2 improvements, which was 4 to 5 miles of an intermediate trail loop and a short skills area trail. Approximately two and a half weeks later, on October 23, 2017, tornados came through. He showed pictures of what the park and trails looked like when the tornado came through. They worked through all of that and on April 19, 2018 Phase 2 improvements were completed, inspected, and open. He showed two photos of the Phase 2 intermediate trails which were located in the vicinity of the VFW. He advised one photo was when the tornado came through. They had to cut their way through the area. The other picture did not have any damage from the tornado. That completed both Phase 1 and 2. He mentioned there would need to be some coordination with the upcoming projects like Riverwalk, the Lackey Family Project, and the Rotary-Geitner Park. There would be some collaboration between all three parties including the Alliance so they could integrate the existing mountain bike trails into what is planned for the Riverwalk and the Lackey Family Project. The Alliance had raised more than \$100,000 dollars to fund the project and wanted to recognize their major donors. He pointed out on the PowerPoint the Lake Hickory Trails which were brought to the City by the Broyhill Family Foundation. This would be displayed on two large kiosk located on both ends of the paved bikeway. Rocky Road bicycles would be recognized on a small sign by the entrance to the pump track. Hickory Springs Manufacturing would be recognized on a small trailhead sign at the entrance to the beginner loop and Defeat International would be recognized on the last mile of the intermediate loop. All of the other contributors would be located on two kiosk, one on each end of the bikeway. He showed a picture of the maps of the trails that would be located there. He asked Mr. Kirk Brittain, Mr. Brad Stevens, and members of the Alliance to the podium. He advised these two young men (Kirk and Brad) had grown-up in the City's programs. He advised this was a great public/private partnership which really shows improved parks and recreation facilities in Hickory. A shining example of what a public/private partnership is all about. He thanked the Alliance. When the tornados came through they were a great help. They brought in some certified sawyers in and cleared several trails which Parks and Recreation Staff were not able to get time to do. They did not have to bring a contractor in to do that. They worked hard out there. He thanked his staff. October 23<sup>rd</sup> really changed their park operations. They have come a long way since October 23<sup>rd</sup>, but have a ways to go. He advised they had done a great job. He mentioned the ribbon cutting ceremony was scheduled for Friday, June 1<sup>st</sup> at 11:00 a.m. at the beginner loop trailhead at the park.

Mr. Kirk Brittain thanked Mr. McLeod and his staff. The tornado was a huge setback and they stepped up. Staff really helped them to hit some deadlines and with the volunteer work everything just flowed. They were all glad they got through that and it had been a great example of a public/private partnership that worked and worked well. In the future, if the City has other pieces of land which they would like to develop and do things on they are happy to help, for payment this time. He thanked Council and commented the Parks and Recreation team was incredible.

Mr. Brad Stevens commended the City Manager's office, Mr. Warren Wood and Mr. Rodney Miller, they both had been instrumental and he thanked them for their help. He showed pictures of the newly opened trails.

Mr. Kirk Brittain recognized members of the Alliance, Jeremy Saylor who had been instrumental in keeping them organized and the media side of it as well as Ryan Ferrell. He introduced Scott Duncan, Philip Fracaro and Jack Brown who were with the Northwest North Carolina Mountain Bike Alliance. The local chapter was SORBA (Southern Off-Road Bicycle Association), which was a 501 (c) (3), they moved the funds through this organization and they were instrumental with advice and making this happen. They were an incredible partner and it was an overall great experience working with them.

Mr. Ryan Ferrell referred to photos on the PowerPoint and pointed out the lower part of the greenway, noting a temporary sign which was placed there last year to let people know that the project had started and they asked for additional donations and help on it. He showed a photo of the pump track area. They had a volunteer group last Wednesday which spread approximately four bucket loads of mulch, which really cleaned and beautified the pump track area.

Alderman Lail asked them to explain to City Council what the pump track was.

Mr. Brad Stevens advised the pump track was an area to develop your mountain bike handling skills. It is a tamed down BMX track. Instead of big jumps it has rolling hills where you pump your way through and learn how to negotiate different obstacles and how the bike handles underneath you. It is a great, safe environment to learn skills. He advised he had his three year old son out there and he could do the whole thing. All ages could develop skills very safely and very effectively.

Mr. Ryan Ferrell proceeded showing the photos. He noted some of the photos they had taken themselves. They have a Facebook page for the trail system now and they had been using that to communicate with the general public to let them know what is going on. They put out a call from the community asking for some photos to share with Council. Several of the photos were from residents and friends and people who had been out using the trails. He showed a photo of where the beginner loop started, a photo from their Instagram account which showed some of the beginner loop. He advised it was a little bit wider trail and kids are out there. It is safe and really fun for all ages. He mentioned the trail used to go down against the lake, but with the Riverwalk project coming they had to move the trail up the hill a little bit. It had opened up some really awesome views of the lake, and Highway 321 Bridge. They had gotten a lot of photos from trail users who were excited about the views out there and the chance to stop, take a breath, and check out the views. He showed a photo of part of the intermediate trail which was located right up from the lake. The trail builder was able to dig into the hillside there. He pointed out some of the rocks and the natural earth that was already there. They were working through some of the storm damage. They did a really great job. He showed a photo of the bridge that crossed over a stream on the intermediate loop, which the trail builder built as well. He showed some examples of the berms and technical advanced type trails, a flow trail which you could really get going with a little bit of speed and you could ride into some bigger berms. It was a lot of fun. He showed a photo and pointed out the trail going across the powerline, which was part of the intermediate trail. He showed other photos from over by the lake.

Mr. Brad Stevens commented there were a lot of temporary signage out there right now, but the permanent professional signage would be coming in the next month or so.

Mr. Ryan Ferrell advised every Wednesday night Carolina Pedal Works has been sponsoring and running a group ride out there. There had been weeks were they had approximately 30 people out there mountain biking together. It was really great and it had gained a lot of great attention from the community. People from Charlotte are asking what the mountain bike trails are like in Hickory. People in Boone have an established mountain bike community. They are coming to Hickory to checkout our trails and want to see what it is about. The vision and goal of this was to see some economic impact and to see people coming to Hickory to see this really great resource. They are starting to see that and they had only had half of it open for about a month now. They were really excited about that.

City Council thanked the group.

Mr. Jack Brown, President of Northwest North Carolina Mountain Bike Alliance, advised they represent the northwestern part of the State, anywhere from Boone to Wilkesboro, to Morganton, to Hickory, and Lenoir. He was based in Lenoir so he was kind of the center of all of this. He sees a lot of this going on. He commended everyone, especially the guys who had been the real boots on the ground and had raised the funds to make this happen. Without these guys we

wouldn't have these systems. They hope to study the economic impact which the City would realize from this. They have many members who are based in Boone, and actually work at Appalachian State University. They are doing studies all of the time which show the economic impact. Council would realize that there is a really good investment here. They have an asset now in the community which they can build upon. They would see that there was an economic impact that would happen from this. It is happening all over the country. He commended Council for being a part of that and letting it come to the community. He was trying to do the same thing in Lenoir and he knows the challenges which these guys faced and Council faced trying to find funds. He thanked Council for everything which they had contributed. He thanked Council for letting them have this multi-use trail. Not only mountain bikers can benefit from it, but hikers, and walkers, everybody can benefit from it. It is not just specific to mountain bikes, but beware that mountain bikes are out there and there is speeds associated with it. They always advise people to be mindful, and listen has you are on those trails. He thanked Council for allowing this to happen.

City Council thanked Mr. Brown.

Mr. Brad Stevens invited Council, the audience, and the entire City to a ribbon cutting ceremony on Friday, June 1<sup>st</sup> at 11:00 a.m. at the trailhead.

Alderman Seaver asked how many miles of trails there were.

Mr. Brad Stevens advised the beginner loop was 1.7, 1.8 miles, the intermediate loop was 4.3, so right at 6 miles combined. The skills trail was another quarter mile. All total approximately 7 miles out there. Two big loops and a couple little offshoot trails as well.

Alderman Lail thanked Mr. Kirk Brittain and Mr. Brad Stevens. He mentioned the work they did was a huge amount of effort personally on both Kirk and Brad's part. Particularly Kirk because he went around and asked for money, that is hard. These are really high quality trails. Alderman Lail rides a mountain bike some and it had been to Lake Norman State Park and Lake James. He had ridden all over the area and these are super high quality trails. Hickory should be proud. He thought that it would attract a lot of attention. He thought there was potential for events out there. It is going to be a great asset for the City.

Mr. Kirk Brittain advised there was more they could do out there. They will continue to raise a little bit of money from the community to have an ongoing yearly budget for the repairs and enhancement. They need to build a few pavilions to provide shade and picnic areas in a few places out there for parents who are out there with their kids. It will keep getting better and better. As they build what is there now, and the more you ride it, you see opportunity for changes you would like to make and additions.

Mr. Ryan Ferrell thanked Council for the big parking lot.

City Attorney John Crone commented that mountain bikers were nice people. He had hiked the intermediate trail over the weekend and he didn't know whether he could hike it or not, but there were signs out there that said how you could do it and there was some courtesy involved as a hiker. You walk a different direction than the bikes are coming. He was astounded at the amount of debris left over from the tornado. He was blown away at the work that had been done out there. It was a first class area.

Mr. Kirk Brittain commented it is not as aesthetic as it once was.

Mr. Jack Brown advised one of the things that their organization does is to help maintain mountain bike trails, and other trails in the system. They do workdays. They intend to have a group workday where they bring in members from all of these other communities. They typically meet at 9:00 a.m. and work until 12:00 p.m. They eat lunch and then they go ride on the trails which they just worked on. They see the need and the value in improving those trails, but as an open trail system Council has something to be very proud of. Kudos.

Alderman Patton was very proud of the partnership which the City had been able to form with different organizations. She thought that going forward was a model which she would like to see the City to keep pushing, because we all benefit from it.

Mayor Guess thanked everyone who was involved in this, especially Kirk and Brad. Mayor Guess remembered when they first brought this to Council and their vision. Not only did they have a vision but they put it to work. They put a lot of effort into

this, not just them, but everybody that was involved in it. This is the type of partnerships that the City likes to get involved with. This certainly had been a positive experience for everyone and they couldn't thank them enough. He commended everyone who had a part in this and they are looking forward to the future and what is going to happen and how it is going to grow. He thanked the group.

2. Appointments to Boards and Commissions

**COMMUNITY APPEARANCE COMMISSION**

(Terms Expiring 6-30; 3-Year Terms) (Appointed by City Council)  
Ward 2 (C. Williams Appoints) 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  
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

**INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL**

(Appointed by Mayor with the Concurrence of City Council)  
(1) Position VACANT

**PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION**

(Terms Expiring 6-30; 3-Year Terms) (Appointed by City Council)  
At-Large Minority (1) (Council Appoints) VACANT  
(David Williams no longer eligible)

**PUBLIC ART COMMISSION**

(Terms Expiring 6-30; 3-Year Terms) (Appointed by City Council)  
Ward 4 (D. Williams Appoints) VACANT

**RECYCLING ADVISORY BOARD**

(Terms Expiring 6-30; 3-Year Terms) (Appointed by City Council)  
Ward 4 (D. Williams Appoints) VACANT

**WESTERN PIEDMONT AIR QUALITY COMMITTEE AND WESTERN PIEDMONT AIR QUALITY OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE**

Appointment of Mayor Guess to serve as the Elected Representative, Planning Manager Cal Overby and Transportation Planning Manager John Marshall will serve as Staff Representatives on the Western Piedmont Air Quality Committee and Western Piedmont Air Quality Oversight Committee.

Alderman Seaver nominated Mayor Guess to serve as the elected representative on the Western Piedmont Air Quality Committee and Western Piedmont Air Quality Oversight Committee.

**YOUTH COUNCIL**

(Terms Expiring 6-30; 1-Year Terms) (Appointed by City Council)  
Challenger High School Representative VACANT  
Homeschool Representative VACANT  
St. Stephens High School Representative VACANT

Alderman Seaver moved seconded by Alderman Lail approval of the above nomination. The motion carried unanimously.

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 advised Council they had received a copy of the "Recommend Budget for FY2018/2019". He mentioned on the consent agenda was an item that approved calling for the public hearing at Council's next regular meeting, the first Tuesday in June. He advised the document was online, at the libraries, and at City Hall if anyone wanted to view it. If they had questions they could come see them.

May 15, 2018

XIV. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

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Mayor

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City Clerk