

OAK RIDGE CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING
Municipal Building Courtroom

March 28, 2022

Minutes

A special meeting of the City Council of the City of Oak Ridge, Tennessee convened at 6:00 p.m. on March 28, 2022 with Mayor Warren Gooch presiding.

ROLL CALL

Upon roll call the following Councilmembers were present: Councilmember Kelly Callison; Mayor Pro Tem Rick Chinn, Jr.; Councilmember Jim Dodson; Mayor Warren Gooch; Councilmember Derrick Hammond; and Councilmember Charles J. Hope, Jr. and Councilmember Ellen Smith.

Also present were Mark S. Watson, City Manager; Tammy Dunn, City Attorney; Janice McGinnis, Finance Director; and Mary Beth Hickman, City Clerk.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

Resolution No. 3-18-2022

A RESOLUTION REGARDING THE SISTER CITY RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE CITY OF OAK RIDGE, TENNESSEE, AND OBNINSK, RUSSIA.

Mayor Gooch moved for approval of the resolution, and Councilmember Hope seconded.

Jerryalyn Luckmann, 103 Clayton Way, Oak Ridge, addressed Council in support of not terminating the Sister City relationship with Obninsk, Russia.

Syd Ball, 100 Greywood Place, Oak Ridge, addressed Council in support of not terminating the Sister City relationship with Obninsk, Russia.

Councilmember Ellen Smith moved to amend the proposed resolution with a substitute resolution she had prepared that would not terminate the Sister City relationship but pause it during the ongoing conflict. Mayor Pro Tem Chinn seconded.

After discussion, the amendment was approved by voice vote with Councilmembers Callison, Dodson, Hammond, Hope, Smith, and Mayor Pro Tem Chinn voting "Aye," and Mayor Gooch voting "No."

The resolution as amended was approved unanimously by board vote with Councilmembers Callison, Dodson, Hammond, Hope, Smith, Mayor Gooch, and Mayor Pro Tem Chinn voting "Aye."

Election of one (1) representative to the Anderson County Board of Equalization

Mayor Pro Tem Chinn moved to elect Kathy Edwards by acclamation, and Councilmember Hammond seconded. Ms. Edwards was elected by acclamation.

Election of one (1) representative to the Anderson County Community Action Commission

William Slover was elected on the first ballot.

Election of two (2) representative to the Anderson County Economic Development Association Board of Directors

Jonathan Black and George Cleveland were elected on the first ballot.

Elect one (1) representative to the Oak Ridge Beer Permit Board

Raynauld Cherry was elected on the second ballot.

Elect two (2) representatives to the Oak Ridge Land Bank Corporation Board of Directors

Tamara Gunter and Cindy Johnson were elected on the first ballot.

Elect one (1) representative to the Personnel Advisory Board

McLean Johnson was elected on the first ballot.

Resolution No. 3-19-2022

A RESOLUTION AWARDDING A CONTRACT (FY2022-023) TO HOLSTON CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, LLC, KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, FOR RENOVATIONS TO THE CENTRAL SERVICES COMPLEX TO CONSTRUCT A SCADA LAB AND TO EXPAND OFFICE SPACE FOR THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$698,000.00.

Councilmember Dodson moved for approval of the resolution, and Councilmember Callison seconded.

The resolution was approved unanimously by board vote with Councilmembers Callison, Dodson, Hammond, Hope, Smith, Mayor Gooch and Mayor Pro Tem Chinn voting "Aye."

Resolution No. 3-20-2022

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF UP TO \$40,000.00 FROM THE EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT FUND FOR THE PURCHASE OF ONE (1) VEHICLE FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT FROM WILSON COUNTY MOTORS, LEBANON, TENNESSEE, UTILIZING STATE CONTRACT PRICING.

Councilmember Smith moved for approval of the resolution, and Councilmember Callison seconded.

The resolution was approved unanimously by board vote with Councilmembers Callison, Dodson, Hammond, Hope, Smith, Mayor Gooch and Mayor Pro Tem Chinn voting "Aye."

Resolution No. 3-21-2022

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF SINGLE-PHASE PAD MOUNTED TRANSFORMERS FROM WESCO DISTRIBUTION INC., KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$608,899.25 FOR USE BY THE ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT.

Councilmember Dodson moved for approval of the resolution, and Councilmember Hope seconded.

The resolution was approved unanimously by board vote with Councilmembers Callison, Dodson, Hammond, Hope, Smith, Mayor Gooch and Mayor Pro Tem Chinn voting "Aye."

Resolution No. 3-22-2022

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF UNDERGROUND DISTRIBUTION CABLE 15KV 350 MCM COPPER WIRE FROM IRBY UTILITIES, JOHNSON CITY, TENNESSEE, IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$137,031.93 FOR USE BY THE ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT.

Mayor Pro Tem Chinn moved for approval of the resolution, and Councilmember Smith seconded.

The resolution was approved unanimously by board vote with Councilmembers Callison, Dodson, Hammond, Hope, Smith, Mayor Gooch and Mayor Pro Tem Chinn voting "Aye."

Resolution No. 3-23-2022

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT (CONTRACT #FY2021-094) FOR DESIGN OF THE OAK RIDGE CONFERENCE CENTER WITH CLARK NEXSEN, JOHNSON CITY, TENNESSEE, TO INCREASE THE TOTAL COMPENSATION TO \$416,768.00 AND TO EXTEND THE TERM TO DECEMBER 31, 2023.

Councilmember Dodson moved for approval of the resolution, and Councilmember Hammond seconded.

City Attorney Tammy Dunn stated that a substitute resolution needed to be brought to the floor to clarify language that the Civic Center site had not already been approved by City Council. Councilmember Dodson moved to bring the substitute resolution to the floor, and Councilmember Smith seconded.

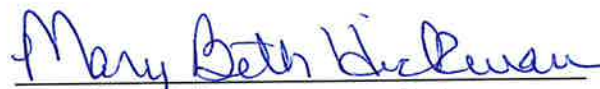
Deputy City Manager Jack Suggs provided an overview of the resolution, and Ray Evans, Economic Development Consultant, answered questions from Council.

The substitute resolution was approved by board vote with Councilmembers Callison, Dodson, Hammond, Smith, Mayor Gooch and Mayor Pro Tem Chinn voting "Aye," and Councilmember Hope voting "No."

The resolution was approved as amended by board vote with Councilmembers Callison, Dodson, Hammond, Smith, Mayor Gooch and Mayor Pro Tem Chinn voting "Aye," and Councilmember Hope voting "No."

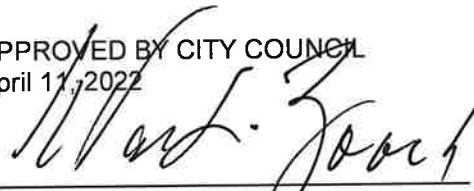
Update on Progress of Horizon Center Industrial Park Questions from March 1, 2022 Work Session
Electric Department Director Ardo Ba provided an update regarding power line delivery to Horizon Center and answered questions that were posed by Council members at the work session. No action was taken on this item.

ADJOURNMENT: 8:18 p.m.



Mary Beth Hickman, City Clerk

APPROVED BY CITY COUNCIL
April 17, 2022



Warren L. Gooch, Mayor