

## SUMMARY OF MINUTES

### COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/HOUSING/GENERAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

6:30 p.m., Tuesday, January 10, 2012

COMMITTEE ROOM

Room 239, City Hall

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*MEMBERS PRESENT:* Council Member Dan Besse, Chair  
Council Member James Taylor, Jr.  
Council Member Molly Leight

*MEMBER ABSENT:* Council Member Denise D. Adams, Vice Chair

*OTHERS PRESENT:* Council Member Derwin L. Montgomery

Chair Besse called the meeting to order. He stated that the Committee would first consider the Consent Agenda and asked if anyone wished to remove any items for discussion. He noted that Item C-5 will be removed from the Consent Agenda to allow Council Member Leight to be excused from voting. Staff requested to make a comment on Item C-1 (d). No other items were removed.

Chair Besse recognized Mr. Bruce Bailiff, Code Enforcement Supervisor.

Mr. Bailiff advised that the property owners of 3336 York Road have signed a Voluntary Demolition Agreement. However, staff would recommend that the Committee proceed with the demolition order as recommended.

Council Member Leight made a motion for approval of all items on the Consent Agenda with the exception of Item C-5. The motion was duly seconded by Council Member Taylor and unanimously carried.

#### CONSENT AGENDA

C-1. ORDINANCE ORDERING THE DEMOLITION AND REMOVAL OF A STRUCTURE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 10, ARTICLE V, SECTION 10-203(f)(1) OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF WINSTON-SALEM: [*Repairs less than 50% of value of structure (<50) six months*].

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| a. | Robert L. and Kathy Anderson, Jr. | 2034 Temple Street |
| b. | Hamilton Investment Group, Inc.   | 4332 Tise Avenue   |
| c. | Oglesby Properties, LLC           | 608 E. 16th Street |

- d. George L. Allen 3336 York Road
- C-2. ORDINANCE ORDERING THE DEMOLITION AND REMOVAL OF A STRUCTURE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 10, ARTICLE V, SECTION 10-203(f)(2) OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF WINSTON-SALEM: *[Repairs more than 50% of value of structure (>50) six months]*.
- a. Donald L. Evans 2408 Ivy Avenue
- C-3. ORDINANCE ORDERING THE COMMUNITY AND BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF WINSTON-SALEM TO REMOVE OR DEMOLISH STRUCTURE UNFIT FOR HUMAN HABITATION AND, OTHERWISE, TO EFFECTUATE THE PURPOSE OF CHAPTER 10, ARTICLE V OF THE WINSTON-SALEM CITY CODE: *[Repairs more than 65% of value of structure (>65)]*.
- a. James R. Davis 420 Barbara Jane Avenue
- C-4. RESOLUTION DESIGNATING THE FORMER VULCAN QUARRY AS AN ADDITION TO THE WINSTON-SALEM RECREATION AND PARKS DEPARTMENT'S PARKLAND INVENTORY - *Property located south of Reynolds Park Road and north of Waughtown Street.*
- C-6. APPROVAL OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/HOUSING/GENERAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE SUMMARY OF MINUTES - *December 13, 2011.*
- C-5. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A GIFT DEED FROM THE E.M. LEIGHT HEIRS - *Property located off Waughtown Street, adjacent to the City's undeveloped quarry property.*

Council Member Taylor made a motion to excuse Council Member Leight from voting on this item. The motion was duly seconded by Council Member Besse and unanimously carried.

Council Member Taylor made a motion for approval of the item. The motion was duly seconded by Council Member Besse. Voting in favor of the motion were Council Members Besse and Taylor. Opposed: None. Excused from voting: Council Member Leight. This item will be forwarded to the full Council with two in favor, none opposed, one excused from voting.

Chair Besse and Council Member Taylor expressed their appreciation to Council Member Leight and her family for the donation of this property which will greatly enhance the former Vulcan Quarry site as a park.

GENERAL AGENDA

G-1. RESOLUTION REGARDING THE ELIGIBILITY OF PROPERTY FOR THE NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES - PEPPER BUILDING, 100-106 WEST FOURTH STREET.

Ms. Michelle McCullough, Project Planner with the City/County Planning Board, made the staff presentation on this item and responded to various questions from members of the Committee.

Council Member Taylor made a motion for approval. The motion was duly seconded by Council Member Besse and unanimously carried.

G-2. BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM UPDATE.

Mr. Ruben Gonzales, Business Development Administrator, made the staff presentation on this item. He summarized various initiatives designed to assist start-up businesses, and reviewed a number of outreach efforts. Mr. Gonzales introduced Mr. Walter Farabee, the City's M/WBE Coordinator, and responded to a number of questions from Committee Members.

Council Member Montgomery urged staff to continually look for opportunities to push the City's programs. He encouraged a variety of collaborative efforts to coordinate services with other agencies.

Chair Besse noted that the loan pool is funded by Community Development Block Grant funds from the federal government. He stated that there is an annual debate in Congress about the continuation and/or reduction of funds, so the City should remain vigilant with regard to this program.

Chair Besse asked that the Committee be updated every six months on the City's Business Development Program.

G-3. M/WBE ANNUAL REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2010/2011.

Mr. Gonzales made the staff presentation on this item, and explained that although City construction spending has decreased over the past couple of years, the percentage of M/WBE subcontract work has increased. He advised that staff is continually looking for ways to enhance the existing program and to encourage participation through contractor/subcontractor meet and greet events, business conference opportunities, newsletters, e-mail lists, and publicity of the program through WSTV13. He stated that staff is working on a business directory for non-construction businesses as well as meetings in the community to assist with M/WBE certification. Mr. Gonzales remarked that the addition of Mr. Farabee to the staff will provide greater opportunities for expansion and enhancement of the M/WBE program and he very much looked forward to working with him.

Council Member Taylor expressed his appreciation for staff's efforts with this program. He stated that he fully endorsed the M/WBE initiatives and was particularly pleased with the business conference and certification assistance.

Chair Besse thanked Mr. Gonzales for his presentation.

Chair Besse advised the Committee of the Public Works Committee's recommendation on public transit which will go to the January 17 City Council meeting. He noted that the February agenda of the Community Development/Housing/General Government Committee will include two major items: a request from the Winston-Salem/Forsyth County School System for a memorandum of understanding with the City regarding school construction projects and a staff recommendation on a sidewalk dining ordinance. Chair Besse noted that he anticipates the March agenda to include a proposed front lawn parking ordinance.

ADJOURNMENT: 7:24 p.m.