

THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BRISTOL, VIRGINIA, CITY COUNCIL WAS HELD ON JANUARY 12, 2016, AT 6:00 P.M. IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 300 LEE STREET, BRISTOL, VIRGINIA WITH MAYOR ARCHIE HUBBARD, III PRESIDING. COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT WERE VICE MAYOR WILLIAM HARTLEY, CATHERINE BRILLHART, GUY ODUM, AND JIM STEELE. CITY MANAGER, TABITHA CROWDER, AND CITY ATTORNEY, PETE CURCIO WERE ALSO PRESENT.

Mayor Hubbard called for a moment of silence followed by the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

A. Matters to be Presented by Members of the Public – Non-Agenda Items

Mr. Charles Harris commented on the lack of grocery stores in “food deserts” such as Rice Terrace. He expressed his concern for the safety of individuals attempting to cross busy City streets.

B. Mayor’s Minute and Council Comments

City Council Members recognized Mr. Odell Owens, past member of the Washington County Board of Supervisors.

1. Consider Approval of a Proposed Amendment to the September 23, 2014 Performance Agreement with K-VA-T Food Stores Inc. for Ollie’s Holdings to Allow for Annual Payments Versus Quarterly

Assistant City Manager, Mr. Andrew Trivette, explained that K-VA-T had requested that the City amend Ollie’s performance agreement to change the customary quarterly reimbursement payments to annual. He advised that changing the payment schedule would make reporting easier on Ollie’s and speed the reporting process. He added that, to date, the City had not made any payments under the current performance agreement.

Mr. Michael Pollard voiced his concerns that the City could potentially owe back payments for previous reporting periods.

Mayor Hubbard expressed his desire to show new businesses some consideration. He spoke in favor of the change.

Mayor Hubbard entertained a motion to approve the proposed amendment to the September 23, 2014 Performance Agreement with K-VA-T Food Stores, Inc. for Ollie’s Holdings to allow for annual payments versus quarterly.

Council Member Steele made the motion to approve the proposed amendment to the September 23, 2014 Performance Agreement with K-VA-T Food Stores, Inc. for Ollie’s Holdings to allow for annual payments versus quarterly. Motion was seconded by Council Member Odum and carried by the following votes:

AYES: Brillhart, Hartley, Odum, Steele, and Hubbard

2. Consider Authorizing Highlands Community Services Board to Apply for and Accept Loans to Fund the Children’s Campus Construction Project and to Refinance Existing USDA Rural Development Loans

Mr. Jeff Fox, Director of Highlands Community Services (HCS), reported that HCS had nearly nineteen hundred (1900) children in their service and that the necessity for a children’s campus could not be denied. He added that the children’s campus would consolidate services, increase efficiencies and communications, and access to programs. He reported that the HCS operating budget was sustainable and HSC was in a good position to obtain funds to move forward with the construction project.

Mayor Hubbard entertained a motion authorizing Highlands Community Services Board to apply for and accept loans to fund the Children’s Campus Construction Project and to refinance existing USDA Rural Development Loans.

Vice Mayor Hartley made the motion to authorize Highlands Community Services Board to apply for and accept loans to fund the Children’s Campus Construction

Project and to refinance existing USDA Rural Development Loans. Motion was seconded by Council Member Odum and carried by the following votes:

AYES: Brillhart, Hartley, Odum, Steele, and Hubbard

3. Consider a Resolution Granting Final Plat Approval for Plat #02-2015 The Falls Development Lots 14 & 15 and the Re-plat of Lots 12 and 13

Assistant City Manager, Mr. Andrew Trivette, advised that the two (2) parcels being subdivided were planned to be constructed in a similar time frame as Phase I. He added that this was not an announcement of Phase II tenants.

City Planner, Ms. Sally Morgan, reported that Interstate Realty was seeking final platting of Lots fourteen (14) and fifteen (15), and revisions to Lots twelve (12) and thirteen (13). She reported that a new public roadway, Falls Boulevard, was proposed as a sixty-foot (60 ft.) public right-of-way with a ten-foot (10 ft.) easement on each side.

Mayor Hubbard read the following Resolution:

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRISTOL,  
VIRGINIA APPROVING THE FINAL PLAT OF THE FALLS – LOTS 14 and 15  
AND REPLAT OF LOTS 12 and 13**

**SECTION 1.** The City Council finds that:

**WHEREAS**, the subdivision plat for The Falls – Lots 14 and 15 and the Re-plat of Lots 12 and 13 has been properly submitted to the City and reviewed by City staff, and

**WHEREAS**, the Planning Commission met on December 21, 2015 and approved both the preliminary plat and the final plat, and

**WHEREAS**, Section 50-270 requires that a plat of subdivision be approved and certified by City Council before it can be recorded.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF BRISTOL, VIRGINIA:**

**Section 1.** The Council approves and certifies the final plat for The Falls – Lots 14 and 15 and the Re-plat of Lots 12 and 13 as attached in Exhibit A.

Mayor Hubbard entertained a motion to adopt a Resolution granting final plat approval for plat #02-2015 The Falls Development Lots 14 & 15 and the re-plat of Lots 12 and 13.

Council Member Odum made the motion to adopt a Resolution granting final plat approval for plat #02-2015 The Falls Development Lots 14 & 15 and the re-plat of Lots 12 and 13. Motion was seconded by Council Member Steele and carried by the following votes:

AYES: Brillhart, Hartley, Odum, Steele, and Hubbard

4. Consider a Resolution to Support the Management and Staff of the Southwestern Virginia Training Center in their Efforts to Prevent the Closure of the Facility

Mayor Hubbard read the following Resolution:

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF BRISTOL, VIRGINIA  
SUPPORTING THE SOUTHWESTERN VIRGINIA TRAINING CENTER**

**WHEREAS**, the Southwestern Virginia Training Center was established in 1975 and has provided quality care throughout the years; and

**WHEREAS**, most residents have profound and/or other serious intellectual disabilities, often accompanied by severe medical or behavioral problems and need full time assistance to perform the basic functions of living; and

**WHEREAS**, family members of residents are deeply concerned about the safety of their loved ones should they be forced to leave the center; and

**WHEREAS**, The City of Bristol, Virginia, will be impacted with the moving of the residents into the community; and

**WHEREAS**, the closure of this facility would be detrimental to our community with the responsibility of helping the families from Bristol find the care that is the same as or better than the care that is currently offered at Southwestern Virginia Training Center;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** the City Council of Bristol, Virginia, supports the management and staff of the Southwestern Virginia Training Center in their efforts to prevent the closure of this facility which brings much-needed services to an often-overlooked segment of our population.

Mayor Hubbard entertained a motion to adopt a Resolution to support the management and staff of the Southwest Virginia Training Center in their efforts to prevent the closure of the facility.

Council Member Brillhart made the motion to adopt a Resolution to support the management and staff of the Southwest Virginia Training Center in their efforts to prevent the closure of the facility. Motion was seconded by Council Member Steele and carried by the following votes:

AYES: Brillhart, Hartley, Odum, Steele, and Hubbard

Mayor Hubbard entertained a motion to approve Consent Agenda Items 5.1 through 5.2 as presented.

5.1 Consider Approval of the Minutes: Regular Meeting – December 8, 2015  
Called Meeting – December 11, 2015

5.2 Consider Appointments:

Highlands Community Policy and Management Team - Dr. Richard Carroll, Jr.

Bristol Convention and Visitors Bureau - Mr. Ken Monyak.

Bristol Public Library Foundation - Ms. Deborah Wagner.

New River/Mount Rogers Workforce Investment Area Consortium Board - Ms. Tabitha Crowder, Alternate

Council Member Brillhart made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda items 5.1 through 5.2 as presented. Motion was seconded by Council Member Odum and carried by the following votes:

AYES: Brillhart, Hartley, Odum, Steele, and Hubbard

6. Executive Session

Mayor Hubbard entertained a motion to enter into Executive Session pursuant to §2.2-3711.A7, Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended for consultation with legal counsel employed or retained by a public body regarding specific legal matters requiring the provision of legal advice by such counsel.

Council Member Odum made the motion to enter into Executive Session pursuant to §2.2-3711.A7, Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended for consultation with legal counsel employed or retained by a public body regarding specific legal matters requiring the provision of legal advice by such counsel. Motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Hartley and carried by the following votes:

AYES: Brillhart, Hartley, Odum, Steele, and Hubbard

Following the Executive Session, by roll call vote, Council Members certified that only business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements and specified in the motion to convene the Executive Session were discussed.

AYES: Brillhart, Hartley, Odum, Steele, and Hubbard

- C. Adjournment  
There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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