

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA DECEMBER 10, 2018



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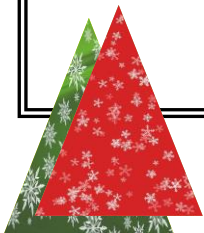
ROCKY MOUNT CITY COUNCIL VISION STATEMENT

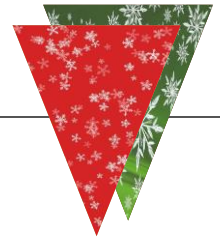
Rocky Mount is a City composed of people of diverse backgrounds, heritages, and interests with a shared sense of values, stewardship and community.

It is a City where all citizens have the opportunity to realize their full potential through individual initiative and community support.

Its citizens enjoy and value the benefits of efficient, cost-effective and responsive public services, a strong and diversified economy, and superior cultural and educational resources.

Rocky Mount recognizes and appreciates its history while responding to the challenges and opportunities of regional and global change in a proactive and realistic manner.





W E L C O M E !

We are pleased you are attending a Rocky Mount City Council meeting. You are now participating in the process of representative government. We appreciate your interest and hope you and your fellow citizens will attend often. Democracy cannot endure without an informed electorate.

Rocky Mount has the Council-Manager form of local government. Policy is set by the Mayor and Council, who are elected by the people. The policy is implemented by the City Manager, who is appointed by the Council. The Council decides what is to be done. The City Manager, operating through the entire City staff, does it. This separation of policy-making and policy administration is considered the most economical and efficient form of City government.

COUNCIL MEETINGS

The City Council meets in regular session twice each month in the George W. Dudley City Council Chamber of the Frederick E. Turnage Municipal Building. These meetings are open to the public and are held on the following schedule:

2nd Monday - 7:00 p.m.

4th Monday - 4:00 p.m.

At these meetings, the City's business is conducted and ordinances and resolutions, the laws of Rocky Mount, are enacted. Ordinances take effect upon their adoption when approved by a majority of the Council. All ordinances must be in writing. They are introduced at one meeting and adopted at a subsequent meeting. The Council may, however, by an affirmative vote of five (5) members, adopt an ordinance at the same meeting it is introduced. The Council frequently uses this procedure.

Councilmembers receive the agenda for a Council meeting, together with detailed background material, on the Thursday prior to each regular meeting. This gives them the opportunity to study each item on the agenda prior to the meeting and consult with the City Manager or City staff members. If no additional pertinent facts are presented at the meeting, items are often acted upon without further discussion, particularly in routine matters. This procedure helps Council meetings to move more expeditiously.

INFORMAL WORK SESSIONS OR COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The Council generally conducts a work session or COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE meeting at 5:00 p.m. prior to the first regular monthly meeting. The COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE is the entire City Council meeting as a committee to discuss matters requiring more in-depth explanation, study or discussion. The Committee frequently makes recommendations to the City Council, however, no recommendations made by the COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE are final until accepted by the Council in a regular meeting.

These meetings are open to the public.





HOW A CITIZEN CAN BE HEARD

Citizens may appear before the Council to be heard on any subject related to City government, or any individual matter which may involve City government. A provision is made on each City Council agenda for **PETITIONS TO BE RECEIVED FROM THE PUBLIC**. At this time, citizens are encouraged to bring to the Council's attention matters that are not otherwise specifically listed on the agenda. If the matter you are interested in is specifically listed on the agenda, you are asked to address that issue when it is being considered. If you desire to be heard, you are asked to advise the Mayor in which item you are interested at the time it appears on the agenda. You will be requested to use the speakers stand, give your name and address and identify any group which you represent. Citizens addressing the Council on any matter shall not abuse their privilege and shall confine themselves to the question under debate, and avoid all personal or indecorous language. The City Clerk prepares the minutes of the meetings. After approval by the Council, these become the official record of the proceedings. The entire meeting is tape recorded for accuracy in preparing the minutes.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Prior to the enactment of some ordinances or resolutions, the law requires that the City Council conduct a public hearing in order that the public may have an opportunity to be heard. The most common of these are zoning ordinance changes, the ordering of public improvements and determination of assessments. Most public hearings are conducted in the general course of a regular meeting and are usually scheduled for the evening meeting of the City Council on the second Monday of each month to afford more citizens an opportunity to attend.

MAYOR

DAVID W. COMBS

CITY COUNCIL

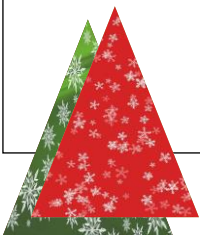
E. LOIS WATKINS, MAYOR PRO TEM
(Ward 4)

ANDRÉ D. KNIGHT (Ward 1)
REUBEN C. BLACKWELL, IV (Ward 2)
RICHARD E. JOYNER (Ward 3)

TOM ROGERS (Ward 5)
W. B. BULLOCK (Ward 6)
CHRIS MILLER (Ward 7)

CITY STAFF

ROCHELLE D. SMALL-TONEY, *City Manager*
PAMELA O. CASEY, *City Clerk*
CHRIS BESCHLER, *Assistant City Manager*
NATASHA HAMPTON-CLAYTON, *Assistant City Manager*
TAMEKA KENAN-NORMAN, *Chief Communications & Marketing Officer*
RICHARD J. ROSE, *City Attorney*





AGENDA FOR A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROCKY MOUNT TO BE HELD MONDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2018 AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE GEORGE W. DUDLEY CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER OF THE FREDERICK E. TURNAGE MUNICIPAL BUILDING.

1. Meeting Called to Order by the Mayor.
2. Prayer.
3. Roll Call by the City Clerk.
4. Approval of the Minutes of a Regular Scheduled Meeting of the City Council Held November 26, 2018. [View](#)

5. Presentations and Recognitions:

- Adoption and Presentation of Resolution to Luther Barnes.

Recommended Action: Adopt Resolution.

6. Petitions to be Received from the Public.

Note: Please complete Citizen Sign-In Sheet and provide to Security Officer prior to speaking. Please limit presentations to three (3) minutes. Time will be monitored.

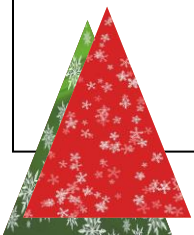
7. Consideration of Ratification of Resolution Remembering and Honoring Retired Rocky Mount Police Captain Milton Harris (resolution received by family at funeral service). [View](#)

Recommended Action: Adopt Resolution.

8. Consideration of the Following Tax Releases and/or Refunds: [View](#)

- Schedule A - Report of taxes under \$100 approved for release and/or refund by the City Manager; and
- Schedule B - Report of taxes over \$100 recommended for release and/or refund by the City Council.

Recommended Action: Approve Release and/or Refund of Taxes Listed on Schedules A and B.





9. Consideration of Adoption of FY 2018-2019 Budget Ordinance Amendment Appropriating Additional Funds in the General Fund for Repayment of 2015 HOME Program Funds Pursuant to United States Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) Review (\$178,187). [View](#)

Recommended Action: Adopt Budget Ordinance.

10. Consideration of Adoption of Project Ordinance Appropriating FY 2017 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Funds in the Public Safety Fund (establishes accounts for receipt and expenditure of JAG grant funds - \$49,654; Nash County share: \$19,862/City share: \$29,792; no matching funds required). [View](#)

Recommended Action: Adopt Project Ordinance.

11. Consideration of the following FY 2018 Employee Benefit Amendments/Contracts:
- a) Gilsbar Contract Amendment (reflects HRA account funding to begin November 1, 2018); [View](#)
 - b) Amendment and Renewal of Piedmont Pharmaceutical Care Network (HealthMapRx Services) (to include an “Alternative Method” for premium incentive rate effective 7/1/2017 to 6/30/2021); and [View](#)
 - c) Contract with Flexible Benefits Administrators (FBA) as the City’s COBRA Administrator (replaces current administrator; initial setup charge of \$200; saves approximately \$145 per year). [View](#)

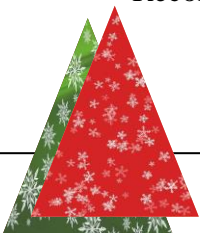
Recommended Action: Approve Benefits Amendments/Contract as Recommended and Authorize the Mayor Pro Tem and City Clerk to Execute the Same on Behalf of the City.

12. Consideration of Certification by the City Clerk of the Sufficiency of Petition Submitted for Annexation No. 312 – Fellowship of Praise Church of God/3201 Benvenue Road (non-contiguous) and Scheduling a Public Hearing. [View](#)

Recommended Action: 1) Adopt Resolution of Certification of Sufficiency of Petition for Annexation (sufficient);
2) Adopt Resolution Scheduling Public Hearing for January 14, 2019; and
3) Instruct Department of Development Services to Prepare Feasibility Study.

13. Consideration of Declaring Certain Personal Property (1992 Fire Engine) Surplus and Authorizing Disposal by Donation to the Nash-Rocky Mount School System (to be used in Firefighter Certification Program). [View](#)

Recommended Action: Adopt Resolution Declaring Property Surplus and Authorizing Donation.





14. Consideration of Offer from Norma Turnage to Donate Property Located at 618 Green Avenue to the City for a Community Garden (supports development of model food system). [View](#)

Recommended Action: Accept Offer of Donation of Property.

15. Consideration of Municipal Agreement with the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) for the Design, Fabrication and Installation of Directional Signs for the Rocky Mount Event Center on US 64 at Atlantic Avenue – Exit 470 (City costs estimated @ \$7,500). [View](#)

Recommended Action: Approve Agreement and Authorize the Mayor Pro Tem and City Clerk to Execute the Same on Behalf of the City.

16. Consideration of Municipal Agreement with the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) for Construction of New Sidewalk Along Sections of West Raleigh Boulevard and South Winstead Avenue (total estimated cost = \$860,000; City to be reimbursed 80% of total estimated cost = \$688,000; City match = \$172,00). [View](#)

Recommended Action: Approve Agreement and Authorize the Mayor Pro Tem, City Clerk and Finance Director to Execute the Same on Behalf of the City.

17. Consideration of Subordination Agreement as Referenced in the City's Deed of Trust dated November 14, 2017 as Part of the \$250,000 HOME Loan Commitment to the Ravenwood Crossing Limited Partnership. [View](#)

Recommended Action: Authorize the Mayor Pro Tem and City Clerk to Execute the Subordination Agreement on Behalf of the City.

18. Election of Mayor Pro Tem (one-year term expires December 2019).

