# CONCORD CITY COUNCIL 2nd WORK SESSION MEETING FEBRUARY 21, 2023

The City Council for the City of Concord, North Carolina, held the City Council 2nd Work Session in the 3rd floor City Hall Council Chambers located at 35 Cabarrus Ave, W, on February 21, 2023, at 11:00 a.m. with Mayor William C. Dusch presiding.

Council members were present as follows:

#### Members Present:

Council Member Andy Langford Council Member W. Brian King Council Member Betty M. Stocks Council Member Terry L. Crawford Council Member Jennifer Parsley-Hubbard Council Member John A. Sweat, Jr.

## **Members Absent:**

Mayor Pro-Tem JC McKenzie (joined via phone) City Manager, Lloyd Wm. Payne, Jr.

### **Others Present:**

City Attorney, Valerie Kolczynski
Assistant City Manager, LeDerick Blackburn
Assistant City Manager, Josh Smith
Assistant City Manager, Pam Hinson
City Clerk, Kim J. Deason
Various Department Directors

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Mayor Dusch called the meeting to order

#### Sewer allocation discussion

Water Resources Director, Jeff Corley, provided an update on the new WSACC facility. He stated the Master Plan will be presented to the WSACC Board of Directors in May 2023.

He also stated the Council should discuss a strategy for allocating the true-up amount. He explained the remaining gallons in each bucket and presented options for the Council to consider in advance of the March sewer allocation meeting.

Council Member Langford suggested Mayor Pro-Tem McKenzie, Council Members Parsley-Hubbard and Crawford, and the Water Resources Director meet and submit a recommendation to the Council for the March allocation meeting.

It was the consensus of the Council to accept Council Member Langford's suggestions.

# Strategic Plan update discussion

The Mayor stated the quote from the UNC School of Government was too high. Therefore, it was the consensus of the Council to utilize the Centralina Regional Council to assist with updating the City's Strategic Plan.

#### **Transit Consolidation**

The Transit Manager stated that Cabarrus County Commissioners are leaning toward establishing a Transit Authority. He explained the consolidation plan and the legislature process to develop a Transit Authority.

Discussions with Cabarrus County and the City of Kannapolis will continue.

# Rescheduling April and December 2<sup>nd</sup> Work Sessions

Mayor Dusch stated the date of the April 2<sup>nd</sup> Work Session falls during the week of the CityVision conference and the December 2<sup>nd</sup> Work Session falls during the Christmas holiday.

It was the consensus of the Council to have the City Clerk submit an amendment to the 2023 City Council meeting schedule on the March 9<sup>th</sup> meeting agenda for approval.

#### **ABC Enforcement**

The Assistant City Manager, Josh Smith, explained the current law enforcement agreement between the City and the ABC stores in Concord. He stated the Police Chief has confirmed the current agreement is adequate but the proposed agreement has some language that needs to be amended.

The ABC Board of Directors is requesting the City's Charter be amended to mirror the language in the proposed agreement. The Assistant City Manager stated the City will not be losing funds by amending the Charter.

A motion was made by Council Member Crawford and seconded by Council Member Sweat to approve a change to the City's Charter to mirror language in the proposed ABC Enforcement agreement.

There being no further business to be discussed, a motion was made by Council Member Crawford, seconded by Council Member Sweat, and duly carried, to adjourn—the vote: all aye.

William C. Dusch, Mayor