

City of High Point

*Municipal Office Building
211 South Hamilton Street
High Point, NC 27261*



Minutes

Monday, May 6, 2013

4:45 PM

Council Chambers

City Council

*Bernita Sims, Mayor
Britt W. Moore, Mayor Pro Tem
James C. Davis, Foster L. Douglas
Jason P. Ewing, Jeffrey J. Golden,
Judith P. Mendenhall, Rebecca R. Smothers,
Jay W. Wagner*

ROLL CALL, PRAYER, AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Upon call of the roll, the following Council Members were present. Council Member Mendenhall offered the invocation; the Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Present 9 - Mayor Bernita Sims, Mayor Pro Tem Britt Moore, Council Member James Davis, Council Member Foster Douglas, Council Member Jason Ewing, Council Member Jeffrey Golden, Council Member Judy Mendenhall, Council Member Rebecca Smothers, and Council Member Jay Wagner

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS**PROCLAMATION- PUBLIC WORKS WEEK**

Mayor Sims read the Proclamation proclaiming the week of May 19-25, 2013 as Public Works Week and presented it to Keith Pugh, Director of Engineering Services.

Mr. Pugh explained Public Works Week has been recognized since 1960 by the American Public Works Association. He also shared that another critical piece of Public Works Week is the identification of the top ten leaders of the year in public works and High Point was very fortunate to have one of the recognized leaders on staff, Chris Thompson, Director of Public Services. Mr. Pugh asked Mr. Thompson to share some of the activities that have been planned to educate the citizenry on the value of public works.

Mr. Thompson explained that with the assistance of Rebecca Coplin, they plan to educate students at Hayworth Friends School by presenting an exhibit there where they will bring out some of the equipment that the department uses. Mayor Sims thanked staff for all they do and the fact that they do it right. She also congratulated Mr. Thompson on being named an outstanding leader and the recognition by his peers as being one of the very best at what they do.

REGULAR MEETING ITEMS**FINANCE ITEMS - Council Member Moore, Chair****[130120](#)****Contract - Bid No. 32 - Existing Water & Sewer Maintenance Contract**

Approval of contract awarding Bid No. 32 for Existing Water & Sewer Maintenance Contract. Purchasing and Engineering Services recommends that contract be awarded to Breece Enterprises, Inc. in the amount of \$369,405.00 which is the lowest responsible and responsive bid meeting specifications.

Attachments: [Bid No. 32 - Existing Water & Sewer Maintenance Contract](#)

This matter was discussed during a Finance Committee meeting held at 3:30 p.m. prior to this meeting. The Committee recommended this matter be

approved.

Approved contract with Breece Enterprises, Inc. in the amount of \$369,405.00 which is the lowest responsible and responsive bid meeting specifications.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Moore, seconded by Council Member Mendenhall, that this Contract be approved. The motion PASSED by a 9-0 unanimous vote.

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Contract - Bid No. 21 - Short Range Transit Plan

Approval of contract awarding Bid No. 21 for consultant services for the development of the Short Range Transit Plan. Purchasing and the Transportation Department recommends that contract be awarded to HDR Engineering, Inc. in the amount of \$182,180.00 which is the lowest responsible and responsive bid meeting specifications.

Attachments: [Bid No. 21 - Short Range Transit Plan](#)

This matter was discussed during a Finance Committee meeting held at 3:30 p.m. prior to this meeting. The Committee recommended this matter be approved.

Approved contract with HDR Engineering, Inc. for the development of the Short Range Transit Plan in the amount of \$182,180.00 which is the lowest responsible and responsive bid meeting specifications.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Moore, seconded by Council Member Mendenhall, that this Contract be approved. The motion PASSED by a 9-0 unanimous vote.

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Contract Extension - Badger Water Meters

Approval of extension to contract to purchase Badger Water Meters. Purchasing and the Customer Service Department recommends that contract with Carolina Meter and Supply be extended to purchase 2,000 new meters at the total amount of \$244,000.00 which is the lowest responsible and responsive bid meeting specifications.

Attachments: [Contract Extension - Water Meters](#)

This matter was discussed during a Finance Committee meeting held at 3:30 p.m. prior to this meeting. The Committee recommended approval.

Approved an extension to the Carolina Meter and Supply contract to purchase 2,000 new meters at the total amount of \$244,000.00 which is the lowest responsible and responsive bid meeting specifications.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Moore, seconded by Council Member Mendenhall, that this Contract extension be approved. The motion PASSED by a 9-0 unanimous vote.

[130123](#)

Contract Amendment - Hazen & Sawyer, P.C. - Eastside WWTP

Council is requested to approve Amendment No. 1 for engineering services related to Eastside WWTP Solids Handling Facilities and Design of Incinerator Emissions

Treatment Equipment in the amount of \$769,480.00.

Attachments: [Hazen & Sawyer - Eastside WWTP](#)

This matter was briefly discussed during a Finance Committee meeting held at 3:30 p.m. prior to this meeting. The Committee recommended approval.

Approved Amendment No. 1 to the Hazen & Sawyer, P.C. contract for engineering services related to Eastside WWTP Solids Handling Facilities and Design of Incinerator Emissions Treatment equipment in the amount of \$769,480.00.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Moore, seconded by Council Member Mendenhall, that this Contract amendment be approved. The motion PASSED by a 9-0 unanimous vote.

[130129](#)

Municipal Agreement - NCDOT - Traffic Signal System Upgrades

Council is requested to authorize staff to execute a Municipal Agreement proposed by the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) for improvements and enhancements to the City's traffic signal control system.

Attachments: [Municipal Agreement- NCDOT - Traffic Signal System Upgrades](#)

This matter was briefly discussed during a Finance Committee meeting held at 3:30 p.m. prior to this meeting. The Committee recommended this matter be approved.

Approved a Municipal Agreement with the North Carolina Department of Transportation for improvements and enhancements to the city's traffic signal control system and authorized staff to execute same.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Moore, seconded by Council Member Mendenhall, that this Agreement be approved. The motion PASSED by a 9-0 unanimous vote.

[130130](#)

Municipal Agreement - NCDOT - E. Lexington Avenue Bridge Replacement

Council is requested to authorize staff to execute a Municipal Agreement with the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) in the amount of \$98,000.00 for the re-design and the additional cost for the E. Lexington Avenue Bridge replacement located approximately two hundred feet of east of McGuinn Drive.

Attachments: [E Lexington Ave Bridge Replacement - Municipal Agreement - NCDOT](#)

This matter was briefly discussed during a Finance Committee meeting held at 3:30 p.m. prior to this meeting. The Committee recommended approval.

Approved municipal agreement with North Carolina Department of Transportation in the amount of \$98,000.00 for the re-design and the additional cost for the E. Lexington Avenue Bridge replacement located approximately

two hundred feet east of McGuinn Drive.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Moore, seconded by Council Member Mendenhall, that this Agreement be approved. The motion PASSED by a 9-0 unanimous vote.

COMMUNITY HOUSING & NEIGHBORHOOD DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - Council Member Douglas, Chair

[130125](#)

Community Development & Housing Department -Annual Action Plan 2013-2014

Consideration of final approval of the Community Development and Housing Department 2013-2014 Annual Action Plan.

Attachments: [Annual Action Plan](#)
 [Annual Action Plan - Community Development](#)

Chairman Douglas asked Mike McNair, Director of Community Development & Housing, to report on the 2013-2014 Annual action Plan.

Mr. McNair noted a draft of the 2013-2014 Annual Action Plan was available for public inspection from March 11th through April 10th with a public hearing before the Citizens Advisory Council on March 28th and a public hearing before the High Point City Council on April 15, 2013. The Action Plan process has met HUD participation requirements for plan development such as public availability of the proposed plan, public hearings on the Plan and the public comment period. Once the Plan receives Council's approval, it will be forwarded to HUD no later than May 15, 2013. Chairman Douglas asked staff about the feedback received on the Annual Action Plan and staff's satisfaction with the leveraging of the funding. Mr. McNair replied that typically the community feedback has been pretty positive and that the leveraging has been tremendous considering the impacts, putting funds directly into the economy. Mr. McNair shared that Community Development has been around for 37 years and Council Member Smothers noted the department can boast of many accomplishments.

Chairman Douglas asked if there were any additional comments or questions. There being none, the Committee recommended approval of the Plan.

At this time, Council Member Golden asked to be recused from voting on this particular motion due to some personal ties to items contained in the Action Plan. Upon motion by Council Member Mendenhall, second by Mayor Pro Tem Moore, Council Member Golden's request for recusal was unanimously approved.

Approved the 2013-2014 Annual Action Plan as submitted by the Community Development & Housing Department.

A motion was made by Council Member Mendenhall, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Moore, that this matter be adopted. The motion carried by the following 8-0 vote:

Aye: 8 - Mayor Sims, Mayor Pro Tem Moore, Council Member Davis, Council Member Douglas, Council Member Ewing, Council Member Mendenhall, Council Member Smothers, and Council Member Wagner

Recused: 1 - Council Member Golden

COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING COMMITTEE - Council Member Smothers, Chair

130126

Ordinance - Reimbursement Agreement

Approval of a Reimbursement Agreement Ordinance to facilitate development in unserved areas and allow for an equitable system for developers to partially recover their costs for making improvements that will serve areas larger than what is needed for their individual development.

Attachments: [Reimbursment Agreement Ordinance](#)
[Reimbursement Ordinance - Signed copy](#)

Ordinance No. 6990/13-22
Introduced 5/6/2013; Adopted 5/6/2013
Ordinance Book, Volume XVIII, Page 22

Chairwoman Smothers noted the only item on the regular agenda for the Comprehensive Planning Committee is consideration of the adoption of an ordinance that would allow for the establishment of basic procedures and terms under which the city may enter into agreements to reimburse portions of the costs paid by a private developer or property owner to extend or expand the city's facilities within a defined area. She explained the need for this particular ordinance was precipitated by the State of North Carolina requiring that communities have such. She pointed out that although the development agreement does speak to the fact that the city manager and staff will be responsible for the negotiations for this type of agreement, it all would have to be approved by the City Council.

Chairwoman Smothers asked if there were any questions or comments. There being none, the Committee recommended adoption of the ordinance.

Adopted a Reimbursement Agreement Ordinance to facilitate development in unserved areas and allow for an equitable system for developers to partially recover their costs for making improvements that will serve areas larger than what is needed for their individual development.

A motion was made by Council Member Smothers, seconded by Council Member Mendenhall, that this Ordinance be adopted. The motion PASSED by a 9-0 unanimous vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD - 5:15 P.M.

Mayor Sims announced this is the time set aside for comments from the public and asked those desiring to address Council to come to the podium.

LARRY DIGGS

Larry Diggs, who resides at 1127 Biltmore Avenue, inquired about proposed development plans for the former Presbyterian Home property on Greensboro Road. City Manager Strib Boynton explained that although there have been a lot of things talked about over the last two or three years regarding development of this property, the property owners have not brought any plans forward for this particular piece of property. Mr. Diggs asked if he could possibly offer some suggestions. Council Member Smothers offered to provide the contact information for the property owners to Mr. Diggs.

Mr. Diggs also stated he is pretty excited about IGNITE High Point and hopes it will be a much needed tremendous blessing for High Point because of all the businesses/industries that have closed.

JULIUS CLARK

Julius Clark, 1408 R. C. Baldwin Avenue, addressed Council on behalf of the Rosetta C. Baldwin Foundation and Museum. He expressed appreciation that faith has allowed him to sustain for over 13 years with the museum located at 1408 R.C. Baldwin Avenue. He stated he came to this meeting not to insult, argue or debate, but to express his gratitude for the opportunity to present to the citizens of High Point and the visitors and surrounding community, the Rosetta C. Baldwin African-American Museum and to enlighten Council about his concerns. He pointed out we talk about being united, but yet acts of hypocrisy, discrimination and prejudice are displayed and questioned the underlying attitude and roots of racism that can grow and flourish in our society. He noted from the beginning of November 2000, the creation of the museum was intended for the community to complement, enhance, and broaden the history of High Point and the ultimate outcome of this project would be for the City of High Point to find pride in ownership of such an institution with full support in making it another one of the city's National Register of Historic Places which would make the site a destination stop for tourism. He also expressed belief that the city has a great opportunity to bridge the efforts of the revitalization project for East Central.

Mr. Clark pointed out his strongest concern is the city's organizational values to the area and expressed concerns that the overall intent that the Core City Project [now referred to as City Project] was created for is somewhat going to be committed through other directions of the funding. He questioned why a "Welcome to Washington Street Historical District" flag was not put up on Washington Street as it was on N. Main Street to announce some type of intention as to what was going to happen in the area. He made reference to the yellow flags wrapped around Kilby Hotel and First Baptist Church--a sign of

deterioration and possible loss of two National Historic sites. He asked Council to not allow this to happen to the Rosetta Baldwin Museum.

He also mentioned the poor attendance at the Veteran's Day service on November 11th of each year and felt it is incumbent on everyone to work together to make sure that the event is one that is very much talked about especially since it is located in Ward 2, but yet the Ward 2 representative, Council Member Douglas, does not even attend the event. He mentioned the word "responsibility" and stated he and the residents in Ward 2 would very much like to see and hear from their representative. He informed Council Member Douglas that he has been approached on several occasions by residents who have tried to reach him, but have not been successful, so he encouraged them to come to the City Council meetings to express their concerns.

Mr. Clark stated they are humbly grateful for the relationship they have with the City of High Point and pointed out this is the 13th year for the Rosetta C. Baldwin Museum and he has never asked for a salary. He reminded Council that November 29th, they would be celebrating Rosetta Baldwin Day in High Point and Guilford County and he would be stepping down as the director at the Museum. He asked for the city's support and noted they have until June to get the funds needed, and if not, they were only asking for a six-month extension. He explained the city could not afford to lose this vital asset and he could not beg or plea, but asked for the city's help in saving it in Jesus' name.

Mayor Sims relayed to Mr. Clark that the city understands the plight they are in with the Museum, but are somewhat limited in how they can address what that plight is. She felt it is part of the responsibility and obligation of the larger community to help and assist in the preservation of that history and encouraged residents to visit and tour the museum. She expressed personal appreciation to Mr. Clark for all he has attempted to do over the last 13 years and pointed out money is tough for non-profits today. She thanked Mr. Clark for speaking from his heart and encouraged him not to stop praying and believing that it will happen.

Mr. Clark also shared that as he prepares to step down, they have reached out to Phyllis Bridges, owner of Yalik's Modern Art, to take over the leadership at the Museum in hopes to draw more visitors in. Council Member Mendenhall asked Mr. Clark to share the Museum's hours of operation. The Museum is open on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. and by appointment (phone number is 336-289-1942). Council Member Douglas asked about the number of African-American museums in North Carolina and in High Point. Mr. Clark stated he wasn't sure about the number of museums in North Carolina, but could say that there is only one African-American Museum in High Point and they created the Museum to educate the citizenry on African-Americans who have made strong contributions to the community.

Council Member Douglas also expressed personal appreciation to Mr. Clark for his hard work, commitment and dedication and agreed that the Museum is vital to the education and the heritage of the African-Americans in High Point. He also felt it was important to mention that the Museum received a NC flag that was flown over the State Capitol as well as a US Flag that was flown over the Capitol Building in Washington, DC on November 29, 2010 to honor the legacy of Rosetta C. Baldwin. Mr. Clark noted they have been very proud and honored to fly these flags. Council Member Douglas agreed with Mayor Sims in that funding is tight for non-profits, but felt funding for the Museum needs to be discussed by Council to allow the African-American Museum open so it could be visited by citizens throughout the city. He believed there is room for two museums in High Point and felt as one is funded, so the other should have some consideration on ways that the city may can fund it as well.

PHYLLIS BRIDGES

Phyllis Bridges, owner of Yalik's Modern Art, stated she would also really hate to see the doors of the Rosetta Baldwin Museum close because of all the rich history in the house representing the African-American community. Given the opportunity, she felt she could take the Museum to the next level and shared that for the past five or six years, she has been doing research on the history of the African-American community and has actually earned two awards from the Historical Society of North Carolina for her work on projects, exhibits depicting the African-American community of High Point.

Mayor Sims asked if there was anyone else desiring to speak during the Public Comment Period. There being none, the Public Comment Period was closed.

PUBLIC HEARINGS - 5:30 P.M.

COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING COMMITTEE - Council Member Smothers, Chair

[130127](#)

Ordinance - Text Amendment 13-04 - City of High Point

Consideration of a request to amend the Development Ordinance to permit certain setback encroachments for uses in the Heavy Industrial (HI) zoning district, subject to approval of a modification by the Technical Review Committee.

Attachments: [TA 13-04 Staff Report](#)

[Adopted TA13-04](#)

Ordinance No. 6991/13-23

Introduced 5/6/2013; Adopted 5/6/2013

Ordinance Book, Volume XVIII, Page 23

The public hearing for this matter was held on Monday, May 6, 2013 at 5:30 p.m.

Doug Loveland of Planning and Development provided an overview of the staff report which is hereby attached in Legistar as a permanent part of these proceedings. At the conclusion of the staff report, Mr. Loveland entertained questions.

Mayor Sims asked who approves what the encroachment would look like. Mr. Loveland explained anyone in the HI Heavy Industrial zoning district, could request any encroachment up to a 100% encroachment and the discretion lies with the Technical Review Committee (TRC) to establish if there are any public safety hindrances such as site distance and if TRC recognizes a concern, they can deny that request. He also pointed out the modification process already has a built-in appeal that will come back to the City Council should the applicant wish to appeal TRC's decision. Chairwoman Smothers pointed out a major issue of concern would be the visibility and noted that it was specifically mentioned that it would not be a hindrance for site distance.

Chairwoman smothers opened the public hearing and asked if there was anyone present who would like to speak in favor of or in opposition to Text Amendment 13-04. There being none, the public hearing was closed.

Adopted Ordinance amending the Development Ordinance to permit certain setback encroachments for uses in the Heavy Industrial (HI) zoning district based on consistency with the City's Land Use Plan and adoption of staff's findings as outline in the staff report. Additionally, the City Council finds this action to be reasonable and in the public interest because: 1) It will allow greater flexibility for the placement of necessary equipment associated with more intense industrial uses; and 2) a review of such requests is required to ensure that they do not pose any hazards to public safety.

A motion was made by Council Member Smothers, seconded by Council Member Mendenhall, that this Ordinance be adopted. The motion PASSED by a 9-0 unanimous vote.

[120302](#)

Rezoning Case 12-11 - 350 South Land Holdings, LLC

A request by 350 South Land Holdings, LLC to rezone approximately 510 acres from the Agricultural (AG), Residential Single Family-40 (RS-40) and Light Industrial (LI) Districts, within Guilford County's zoning jurisdiction, to a Planned Unit Development-Mixed (PDM) District. The property is generally lying south of I-40, west of Sandy Ridge Road, north of Boylston Road and east of Bunker Hill Road. Approval of this rezoning request is contingent upon City Council approval of a voluntary annexation request for an approximately 79 acres portion of the zoning site fronting along Sandy Ridge Road.

Attachments: [Rezoning Case 12-11 - 350 South Land Holdings - Amended Staff Report \(04 amendment distributed on april 15 2013 \(120302\).pdf](#)

Ordinance No. 6992/13-24
Introduced 11/19/2012; Adopted 5/6/2013
Ordinance Book, Volume XVIII, Page 24

The joint public hearing for this matter and related matter **120303 Development Agreement- 350 South Land Holdings, LLC** was initially held on Monday, November 19, 2012 at 5:30 p.m. and deferred at that time to April 15, 2013 and continued from that meeting to May 6, 2013 at which time final action was taken.

Chairwoman Smothers announced this is the date and time for the continued public hearing on Rezoning Case 12-11 for 350 South Land Holdings and asked if there was any new information to come before the Council regarding this item. She pointed out there were some amendments that were made by the petitioner and they have all been incorporated into the zoning application. There being none, the public hearing was closed.

Following the conclusion of the public hearing, the Committee recommended adoption.

Adopted Ordinance providing for the rezoning of this property from the Agricultural (AG), Residential Single Family-40 (RS-40) and Light Industrial (LI) Districts, within Guilford County's zoning jurisdiction, to a Planned Unit Development-Mixed (PDM) District based on consistency with the City's adopted plans and finds this action taken to be reasonable and in the public interest by adopting the statements in the Staff Analysis section of the staff report. Rezoning to be effective to coincide with the corresponding annexation with an effective date of May 19, 2013.

A motion was made by Council Member Smothers, seconded by Council Member Mendenhall, that this Ordinance be adopted authorizing the rezoning of this property. The motion PASSED by an 8-1 vote as follows:

Aye: 8 - Mayor Sims, Mayor Pro Tem Moore, Council Member Davis, Council Member Ewing, Council Member Golden, Council Member Mendenhall, Council Member Smothers, and Council Member Wagner

Nay: 1 - Council Member Douglas

120303

Development Agreement - 350 South Land Holdings, LLC

A request by 350 South Land Holding, LLC; Bland Property Investments, LLC; James S. Hedgecock and wife Elizabeth A. Hedgecock; and Michael Raymond Hedgecock and wife Christy M. Hedgecock to enter into a Development Agreement with the City of High Point for properties associated with Zoning Case 12-11, pursuant to N.C. General Statute 160A-400.20 et. seq., for a proposed multi-phased 510-acre development consisting of corporate park, industrial and commercial uses. A copy of the proposed

development agreement is available for public inspection in the office of the Planning & Development Department.

Attachments: [350 South Land Development Agreement \(May 6 final\)](#)

The joint public hearing for this matter and related matter **120302 Rezoning Case 12-11- 350 South Land Holdings, LLC** was initially held on Monday, November 19, 2012 at 5:30 p.m. and deferred at that time to April 15, 2013 and continued from that meeting to May 6, 2013 at which time final action was taken.

_____ Transcript: Continued Public Hearing May 6,
2013_____

Chairwoman Smothers: The next item is a development agreement which accompanies the rezoning and annexation. The previous action we have taken this evening outlines the necessity and the specifics for developing such an agreement and this is it. Here again this was discussed at the first public hearing and then also in committee. So is there any question by Council in regard to any new information that has been submitted? I don't think there has been any. We just went over the three different items that were finalized at the committee meeting.

Council Member Douglas: I want to make a comment. I would like to comment that I won't be able to support this motion either because of the number of individuals in that community. I think they deserve a level of quality of life and I think what this development would rob from them. A lot of them purchased their homes in that area just for that reason and I think that this....to me I think it's unfair, but I guess the ones that are investing in it see it different and that's fine. I think it robs them of that also. You know not just the quality of life, but the different livestock or different animals in the environment that I think this would disrupt. We have, you know, a business park already although I don't know what the occupation of it is, but I know it's not full. You know....and I also would like to question the amount of funding that will be allocated. I know Strib mentioned about it being broken down into stages. Are we building something again and waiting on someone to come, or is that a good way to go about doing this? You know, so with that being said I will have to vote against this as well.

Chairwoman Smothers: Well I think we all appreciate your concerns and certainly sensitivity to the changes that will take place in that part of the city. I would note for the record at least, that the petitioners had made a number of accommodations based on the concerns expressed by some of the neighbors and they are included in this development agreement and in the zoning specifically. So if there is no further.....

Mayor Pro Tem Moore: Mayor, I want to make a quick comment and I think it just speaks to the times that we're living in. Foster, from an emotional standpoint I certainly understand the sentiment that you expressed. I think it's interesting. There was a big article on the front page a couple of weeks ago of the mega site proposal down in the Chatham County area, but if you look at the speed with which our economy has changed and our world has changed within the last 10 or 15 years, we find ourselves caught in a real dilemma of trying to hold onto that quality of life-yet at the same time trying to meet the needs and demands for jobs, jobs, jobs and growth. So it's a tough dilemma with which to be and I understand both sides of it, but in this particular case I think we're very fortunate to have the quality of investor that we have and to step out with that risk some things are having to change and having to go and nobody

dislikes some of that change more than me. But I can go on forever on that part, but I do understand your sentiments from which you expressed that viewpoint. But a lot of these agreements and mergers between the cities have been in place for several years with anticipation of growth out in that area. If we don't try to capture it, somebody else is going to and that just speaks to the times we're in. Thank you.

Chairwoman Smothers: If there's no further....well I can still make a motion and you can still make comments if you choose. **I move that the development agreement be approved.**

Mayor Sims: Is there a second.

Mayor Pro Tem Moore: Second.

Mayor Sims: I have a motion and a second to approve the 350 South Land Development Agreement associated with Zoning Case 12-11. Is there any additional discussion or any questions regarding this motion.

Chairwoman Smothers: And I closed the public hearing to do that.

Mayor Sims: All those in favor, please signify by saying Aye.

Sims, Smothers, Moore, Golden, Mendenhall, Wagner, Davis, and Ewing: Aye. [8]

Mayor Sims: Any opposed?

Council Member Douglas: No. [1]

Mayor Sims: We have one opposed-Councilman Douglas.

Chairwoman Smothers: That completes the public hearings.

_____end of transcript_____

Approved the Development Agreement for 350 South Land Holdings, LLC.

A motion was made by Council Member Smothers, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Moore, that this Development Agreement be approved. The motion carried by the following 8-1 vote:

Aye: 8 - Mayor Sims, Mayor Pro Tem Moore, Council Member Davis, Council Member Ewing, Council Member Golden, Council Member Mendenhall, Council Member Smothers, and Council Member Wagner

Nay: 1 - Council Member Douglas

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

[130128](#)

Approval of the following Minutes:

Finance Committee meeting held Monday, April 15th @ 3:30 p.m.

High Point City Council Regular Meeting held Monday, April 15th @ 4:45/5:30 p.m.

Comprehensive Planning Committee meeting held Tuesday, April 16th @ 4:00 p.m.

Attachments: [April 15 2013 Finance Committee.pdf](#)
[April 15 2013 High Point City Council.pdf](#)
[April 16 2013 Comprehensive Planning Committee.pdf](#)

Approved the preceding minutes as submitted.

A motion was made by Council Member Mendenhall, seconded by Council Member Ewing, that these minutes be approved as submitted. The motion PASSED by a 9-0 unanimous vote.

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS APPOINTMENTS AND VACANCY REPORT

130131

Council Member Jim Davis is recommending the appointment of Richard Andrews as a full member on the Board of Adjustment to fill the unexpired term of Allan Tabell, who has resigned. Appointment to be effective immediately and will expire July 1, 2014.

Attachments: [ANDREWS Richard 2013](#)

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Moore and second by Council Member Mendenhall to suspend the rules to place this matter on tonight's agenda for consideration. The motion carried unanimously.

Approved the appointment of Richard Andrews as a full member on the Board of Adjustment.

A motion was made by Council Member Davis, seconded by Council Member Mendenhall, that this Appointment be approved. The motion PASSED by a 9-0 unanimous vote.

130132

Council Member Becky Smothers is recommending the appointment of Ray Wheatley to serve on the Historic Preservation Commission to fill the unexpired term of Amy McArthur who has resigned. Appointment effective May 10, 2013 and will expire July 1, 2014.

Attachments: [WHEATLEY Ray 2013](#)

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Moore and second by Council Member Mendenhall to suspend the rules to place this matter on tonight's agenda for consideration. The motion carried unanimously.

Approved the appointment of Ray Wheatley to the Historic Preservation Commission.

A motion was made by Council Member Smothers, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Moore, that this Appointment be approved. The motion PASSED by a 9-0 unanimous vote.

120229

Boards and Commissions - Vacancies

Attached is the current list of vacancies for all Boards and Commissions.

Attachments: [term expirations spreadsheet vacancy report.pdf](#)

This information is attached for informational purposes only. No action is required on this item.

Reports from Council

MENDENHALL

Council Member Mendenhall reported that she spent a great deal of her time at the Parson's Table during the Furniture Market had heard very positive comments about how well the Market had been performing for them and how pleased they were with the Market.

GOLDEN

Council Member Golden announced that the Burnshill Neighborhood Association would be having their awards banquet next Monday, May 13th at 6:00 p.m. and tickets could be obtained from Jerry Mingo and reported this association is doing some good work.

MOORE

Mayor Pro Tem Moore also commented on the Furniture Market and early reports that it was well operated by city staff and volunteers with a fairly upbeat mood. He also mentioned IGNITE High Point and the comments that the High Point Enterprise has printed on what the community wants.

EWING

Council Member Ewing shared his comments on the Furniture Market. He explained he was able to spend some time during the Furniture Market talking to some of the exhibitors and it was great to hear that not only was the attendance steady, but the buyers were actually placing orders and spending money, which a lot of the people commenting that this was one of the best Furniture Markets from a dollar standpoint in five to seven years. He also shared that he attended the Senior Games Opening Ceremony and mentioned the good news recently announced that Southern Graphics Systems is moving to High Point.

WAGNER

Council Member Wagner mentioned IGNITE High Point and noted the opening presentation would start on Wednesday and the concluding presentation on Wednesday, May 15th at HPU. He encouraged attendance at the upcoming 15 charettes with most being held at Wright Place. For anyone desiring additional information, he stated there is an IGNITE High Point facebook page as well as an IGNITE High Point website.

He reported that the SoSi Festival of Cultures would take place in the Southside area on May 11th from 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. and encouraged folks to attend.

SMOTHERS

Council Member Smothers shared that the Piedmont Authority for Regional Transportation (PART) is developing a strategic plan for the next three years for regional transportation in this 12-county area. She stressed the importance for the continuation for this type of economic growth so the population within this region would have access to jobs.

DOUGLAS

Council Member Douglas announced that there would be another Town Hall meeting for Wards 1 and 2 scheduled for Tuesday, May 14th at The Ritz on Washington Drive. He noted at their last Town Hall meeting held on April 9th, they heard comments about some of the patchwork that's been done in specific communities and one business owner on Washington Drive wanted to know about some street lights promised three years ago that have not been put up.

SIMS

Mayor Sims echoed what had already been said about the Furniture Market and commended the showroom owners and others who did a great deal of lobbying for successfully getting the State of North Carolina to continue funding the Market. She also commented on a successful graduation at HPU on Saturday.

She reminded everyone about the IGNITE High Point opening presentation on Wednesday; the Comprehensive Planning Committee meeting for tomorrow afternoon (May 7th); and the Manager's Briefing on Thursday (May 9th) at 9:00 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m. upon motion by Council Member Wagner and second by Council Member Mendenhall.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bernita Sims, Mayor

Attest:

Lisa B. Vierling, MMC
City Clerk