



REGULAR MEETING  
CITY COUNCIL

May 3, 2021

Ronnie Thompson, Mayor

Sally W. Sandy, City Manager  
Louis E. Vinay, Jr., City Attorney

Wendy Cato            )  
Christopher Hawkins) Council  
Chris Jernigan        )  
Butch McSwain        )

Interpreters  
Danette Steelman-Bridges  
Ernest Williams, IV

- I. Call to Order in the Council Chamber at City Hall at 6:00 p.m.
- II. Public Comment – *Anyone wishing to speak during this time must sign in with the Clerk before the meeting begins, and upon being called will have 3 minutes to address the Council.*
- III. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
- IV. Invocation Given by the Rev. Beth Ann Miller, First Presbyterian Lenoir
- V. Introduction of Council
- VI. Retirement Resolutions
  - Clarence Michael Foust, Recreation Department, Recreation Programs Supervisor-Aquatics
  - K-9 Echo, Public Safety Department
- VII. Service Pin
  - Danny Lyle, Public Safety, Fire Engineer 1, 25 years

VIII. Public Advocacy Issues and Strategies

- a. Public Safety Annual Report  
Presented by: Chief Tony Lowdermilk
- b. Proclamation: Public Works Week  
Accepted by: Michael Chapman, Public Works Director
- c. Announcements:  
Master Metering Meeting, May 11, Community House
- d. Upcoming events:
  - Downtown  
Farmers' Market Open for the Season  
Saturdays from 8:00 a.m. – Noon at 300 Beach Street  
Wednesdays from 12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. mini-market at 111 North  
Green Street

IX. North Carolina Municipal Power Agency Number 1 Update

- X. Consent Agenda – All items below are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council member, staff member or citizen so requests. In the event a request is made, the item will be removed from the consent agenda and **considered under Item XI.**

- A. Consideration of Approval of Minutes – For a Regular Meeting held on April 5, 2021.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve minutes as submitted.

- B. Consideration of a Budget Amendment / Public Works

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve a budget amendment in the amount of \$3,528.61 to recognize receipt of insurance reimbursement for a Public Works vehicle.

- C. Consideration of Entering in to a Contract with Conterra

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve entering into a 6-year agreement with Conterra for 100 Gbps Transport Fiber Connectivity to the Headend from Charlotte at a cost of \$5,500 per month.

D. Consideration of Entering into a Contract with Cogent

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve entering into a 1-year agreement with Cogent for 20 Gbps burstable to 100 Gbps bandwidth from Charlotte at a cost of \$2,500 per month.

XI. Items Removed from Consent Agenda

XII. New Business

A. Public Hearings

1. Public Hearing and Consideration of the City of Morganton Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Entitlement Program Action Plan FY 2021-2022
  - a. Consideration of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Project Budget Ordinance
  - b. Consideration of an Administration Contract with the Western Piedmont Council of Governments
2. Consideration of a Zoning Ordinance Text Amendment for Compliance with the State of North Carolina Passage of Chapter 160D Land Use Law into State General Statutes
3. Public Hearing and Consideration of Several Zoning Text Amendments
  - a. Public Hearing and Consideration of a Zoning Ordinance Amendment to Allow Staff Initiated Text Amendments
  - b. Public Hearing and Consideration of Zoning Text Amendments to Increase Density in CBD and HID
  - c. Public Hearing and Consideration of a Zoning Text Amendment to Modify the Conditions for Development of Multi-Family Dwellings Including; Building Lengths/Widths, Requirement of Internal Sidewalks, Added Street Access Requirement, and Individualized Utility Meters

B. Other Business

1. Consideration of Entering into a CDBG Small Business Loan Agreement for \$30,000 with Blythe McNeely Walker, with Blythe's Brides, LLC dba Savvy Bride Boutique

2. Consideration of Approval of a Contract with Sanford Holshouser Economic Development Consulting, LLC
3. Consideration of Entering into a Contract with the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality (NCDEQ) for the Purposes of Constructing and Operating Two DC Fast Charge Electric Vehicle Charging Stations
4. Consideration of Amendments to the City's Nuisance Ordinance
5. Consideration of a Resolution of Intent to Sell Surplus Property on North Green Street
6. Consideration of Award of Contract to Tri-County Paving, Inc. for Downtown Greenway Access
7. Consideration of Award of Contract for Herron Street Repairs
8. Appointments to Boards and Commissions
  - a. Human Relations Commission
9. 30-Day Notice Boards and Commissions
  - a. Board of Adjustment
  - b. Cable Commission
  - c. Community Appearance
  - d. MainStreet
  - e. Planning & Zoning Commission
  - f. Recreation Advisory Commission

XIII. Other Items from City Manager and City Council Not on Agenda

XIV. Reports

XV. Adjournment