

Work Session of the Suffolk City Council was held in the City Council Chamber, 442 West Washington Street, on Wednesday, May 18, 2022, 4:00 p.m.

PRESENT

Council Members -

Michael D. Duman, Mayor, presiding

Leroy Bennett, Vice Mayor

Shelley Butler Barlow

Roger W. Fawcett (participated electronically from 926 Vineyard Place, Unit C, Suffolk, Virginia, 23435)

Donald Z. Goldberg

Timothy J. Johnson

Lue R. Ward, Jr.

LeOtis L. Williams

Erika S. Dawley, City Clerk

William E. Hutchings, Jr., City Attorney

Albert S. Moor, City Manager

ABSENT

None

Mayor Duman announced that Council Member Roger Fawcett has requested to participate electronically in today’s Work Session and Closed Meeting, if one is held, because he is unable to be present because of a medical condition.

Vice Mayor Bennett, on a motion seconded by Council Member Johnson, moved that Council Member Roger Fawcett be approved to participate electronically in today’s Work Session and Closed Meeting if, one is held, because he is unable to be present because of a medical condition, by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Mayor Duman, Vice Mayor Bennett, and Council Members Butler Barlow	
	Goldberg, Johnson, Ward and Williams	7
NAYS:	None	0

2045 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

Interim Planning and Community Development Director Kevin Wyne introduced Logan Stang, Senior Planner, NEXT Consulting, the City’s consultants for the Comprehensive Plan. Utilizing a PowerPoint presentation, Mr. Stang gave an update about the above referenced item.

Referring to the presentation, Council Member Butler Barlow asked about the availability of paper copies of the Citizens Input Survey for the 2045 Comprehensive Plan. Mr. Stang said that copies would be made available in public buildings throughout the City.

Referring to the presentation, Council Member Butler Barlow opined about the availability of the “meeting in the box” tool. Mr. Stang stated that his company would provide the “meeting in the box” tool for any local group, which wishes to participate in the 2045 Comprehensive Plan update.

Referring to the presentation, Council Member Butler Barlow solicited information about the review of the results from the Citizens Input Survey for the 2045 Comprehensive Plan. Mr. Stang said that his company would consolidate all of the results and prepare a summary, which will be shared with the Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee and City Administration. He added that all of the results would be shared with all parties.

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CLOSED MEETING

City Clerk Dawley presented the Closed Meeting motion for City Council’s consideration:

1. Pursuant to Virginia Code Sections 2.2-3711(A)(8) and (A)(1), the consultation with legal counsel employed by a public body regarding specific legal matters requiring the legal advice of such counsel, and the discussion, consideration, or interviews of prospective candidates for appointment and the assignment, appointment, and performance of specific public officers or appointees of the City, specifically the appointments as shown on the attached list for vacancies or term expirations for the Clean Community Commission, Community Policy and Management Team, Early Childhood Development Commission, Hampton Roads Planning District Commission, Human Services Advisory Board, Local Board of Building Code Appeals, Paul D. Camp Community College Board, Sister Cities Commission, Tidewater Youth Services Commission and Western Tidewater Water Authority.

2. Pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711(A)(3) the discussion or consideration of the acquisition of real property for a public purpose, or of the disposition of publicly held real property, where discussion in an open meeting would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the public body regarding Tax Map Parcels 34G17(A)*168A*169A, 34G17(A)*163, 34G17(A)*164, 34G17(A)*165, 34G17(A)*167

Vice Mayor Bennett, on a motion seconded by Council Member Goldberg, moved that City Council convene in a closed meeting for the above referenced purposes, by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Mayor Duman, Vice Mayor Bennett, and Council Members Butler Barlow Fawcett, Goldberg, Johnson, Ward and Williams	8
NAYS:	None	0

City Council convened in Closed Meeting at 4:45 p.m. The Closed Meeting concluded at 5:11 p.m.

Teste: _____
Erika S. Dawley, MMC, City Clerk

Approved: _____
Michael D. Duman, Mayor

APPROVED: NOVEMBER 16, 2022