Town of Garner Town Council Work Session Meeting Minutes March 26, 2024

The Council met at 6:00 p.m. in the Ronnie S. Williams Council Chambers at Town Hall, located at 900 7th Avenue, Garner.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER/ROLL CALL: Mayor ProTem Vance

Present: Mayor ProTem Elmo Vance, Council Members Gra Singleton, Kathy Behringer, Phil Matthews, and Demian Dellinger

Mayor Buddy Gupton was not present.

Staff Present: Jodi Miller-Interim Town Manager, John Hodges-Asst. Town Manager, David Beck-Finance Director, Jeff Triezenberg-Planning Director, Terri Jones-Town Attorney, Erin Gibbs-Asst. Town Attorney and Rebecca Murray, Deputy Town Clerk

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion: Behringer Second: Matthews

Vote: 5:0

PRESENTATIONS

Dr. Robert Taylor of Wake County Schools presented the growth of the Wake County Schools and the needs of their teachers and students.

Fire Chief Matt Poole presented the Garner Fire Rescue Annual Report highlighting their response times and the types of calls they receive.

DISCUSSION/REPORTS

Zoning Text Amendment #ZTA-23-02, Garner Forward Implementation

Presenter: Jeff Triezenberg, Planning Director

Mr. Triezenberg stated this was the second round of discussions concerning a proposed first round of text amendments aimed at implementing the 2023 Garner Forward Comprehensive Plan. General topics included but are not limited to: regulatory adjustments to nonconforming site elements, special use permits, transportation overlay zones, table of permitted uses, townhouse and two- to four-family dwelling unit definitions, research and development uses, open space, block faces, building materials, shared parking, and perimeter buffers on small lots.

Action: Receive as information for discussion and consider directive to set public hearing.

MANAGER REPORTS

- Pending agenda
- The Garner Road sewer replacement project mobilized on March 25th and traffic impacts will occur

- approximately April 8th.
- The Spring Annual Clean-Up program has begun. Clean-up should be completed by the first week of April.
- Staff is meeting with Wake County Public School staff on April 10th to discuss the growth of the Town.
- April 11th is the Town's Annual Employee Service Award program at the Garner Recreational Center at 11:00 a.m.

ATTORNEY REPORTS

None

COUNCIL REPORTS

Dellinger

- Thanked staff for providing the neighborhood meeting notices.
- Residents have reached out regarding reducing the speed limit on Timber Drive between Hwy 50 and Aversboro.
- Asked for a status update on the homeless encampment.

Singleton

- Mr. Hodges and the police have been very helpful with the stoplight computer issues.
- Thanked the street cleanup crew for all their hard work.

Mayor ProTem Vance and Council Members Behringer and Matthews had nothing to report.

ADJOURN: 8:46 p.m.