

WAYNESBORO, VIRGINIA

CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION MINUTES



Council for the City of Waynesboro, Virginia held a Work Session on Wednesday, July 14, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Charles T. Yancey Municipal Building, 503 West Main Street, Waynesboro, Virginia, with Mayor Henderson presiding and calling the meeting to order. The meeting was also televised live on the City's YouTube Channel:

PRESENT: Council Members: Bobby Henderson, Mayor
Lana Williams, Vice Mayor
Terry Short, Jr., Council member
Sam Hostetter, Council member

City Staff: Mike Hamp, City Manager
Jim Shaw, Deputy City Manager
Julia Bortle, Clerk of Council
Cameron McCormick, Finance Director
Luke Juday, Planning Director
Nichole Nicholson, Human Resource Director

ABSENT: Bruce Allen, Council member

AMERICAN RECOVERY PROGRAM ACT

Council was provided an update on the American Recovery Program Plan Act and the funds the City will receive. The purpose of the program is to support public health expenditures related to COVID-19 mitigation, to replace lost public sector revenue, provide premium pay for essential workers, and invest in water, sewer and broadband infrastructure. The Deputy City Manager reviewed examples of eligible and ineligible expenditures. The city will receive a little more than \$9 million with half being received and the balance due next year. All funds must be obligated by December 31, 2024 and expended by December 31, 2026.

Staff have discussed potential projects and started refining cost estimates that are in the existing capital project plans as well as economic development initiatives, noting that the State is also receiving funding and developing programs that may be applicable toward the projects, and the School Division is receiving funds.

Staff recommended that the funds be spent on one-time durable expenditures and against spending on recurring expenditures. Council was also asked to give thought into the public process on how the funds are spent. The State comment period closes this week and staff will see State programs take shape that clarify uses. Staff will come back to Council to discuss a process and specific expenditures. The Deputy City Manager provided Council with fact sheets reviewing what has been discussed.

The funds have been accepted into the City's bank account. No Council action was required to receive the funds but it will be required to appropriate the funds.

Council member Short suggested a citizen committee to provide input and feedback to the Council. It was suggested that staff provide Council with suggested projects and fund use and after Council processes that information and narrows the scope, involve a citizen committee for final input.

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Wednesday, July 14, 2021
Adopted July 26, 2021

CLOSED MEETING

Vice Mayor Williams moved that the meeting be recessed and that the City Council of Waynesboro immediately reconvene in a closed meeting for the purpose of a discussion and consultation with legal counsel employed or retained by a public body regarding specific legal matters requiring the provision of legal advice by our attorney, as authorized by section 2.2-3711(A)(8) of the Virginia Code. The subject matter of the meeting was collective bargaining.

Having been seconded and with no objections, Council reconvened in Closed Meeting at 7:36 p.m. on a roll call vote by the Clerk of the Council on a 4:0 vote:

Mayor Henderson	Aye	Council member Allen	Absent
Vice Mayor Williams	Aye	Council member Short	Aye
		Council member Hostetter	Aye

Council came out of the closed meeting at 8:40 p.m. **Vice Mayor Williams moved to adopt the following certification resolution as read in its entirety:**

CERTIFICATION RESOLUTION (R21-14)

WHEREAS, the City Council of Waynesboro has convened a closed meeting on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provisions of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.2-3712 of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by this City Council that such closed meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of Waynesboro hereby certifies that, to the best of each member's knowledge, (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by Virginia law were discussed in the closed meeting to which this certification resolution applies, and (ii) only such business matters as were identified in the motion convening the closed meeting were heard, discussed or considered by the City Council of Waynesboro, regarding collective bargaining.

Having been seconded and with no objections, the certification resolution was adopted 4-0 on the affirmative roll call vote as follows:

Mayor Henderson	Aye	Council member Allen	Absent
Vice Mayor Williams	Aye	Council member Short	Aye
		Council member Hostetter	Aye

ADJOURN

Having no further business to discuss, Council member Short moved to adjourn the meeting. Having been seconded and with no objections, the meeting was adjourned 4:0 at 8:41 p.m.:

Mayor Henderson	Aye	Council member Allen	Absent
Vice Mayor Williams	Aye	Council member Short	Aye
		Council member Hostetter	Aye

Julia Bortle, MMC, Clerk of Council

Bobby Henderson, Mayor