CITY OF LUMBERTON

CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES ● FEBRUARY 8, 2023

Regular Meeting | **Council Chambers** | **11:00 AM**

500 N Cedar St, Third Floor, Lumberton, NC 28358

I. CALL TO ORDER

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Bruce W. Davis	Mayor	Present	
Leroy Rising	Precinct 1	Present	
Melissa Robinson	Precinct 2	Present	
John R. Carroll	Precinct 3	Present	
Karen Higley	Mayor Pro Tem	Present	
John Cantey	Precinct 5	Present	
Chris Howard	Precinct 6	Present	
Eric Chavis	Precinct 7	Present	
Owen Thomas	Precinct 8	Present	
Wayne Horne	City Manager	Present	
Brandon Love	Deputy City Manager	Present	
Holt Moore	City Attorney	Present	
Laney Mitchell-McIntosh	City Clerk	Present	

B. Invocation: City Attorney Holt Moore –

C. Pledge of Allegiance: Led by Councilman Carroll –

II. RETIREE RECOGNITION

A. Lee D. Davis - 48 years of service as Motor Equipment Operator IV - Public Works Department –

III. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

a. Shalonda Regan –

Ms. Shalonda Regan appeared to speak before Council and thanked them for their contributions and participation in the Juneteenth celebrations. She gave an overview of what Juneteenth is and what it means to us as African Americans and as a family. She stated that we are not asking for anything to day but just making you aware that the time is coming and we will be back for your support.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Minutes Approval

1. City Council - Regular Meeting - Jan 11, 2023 11:00 AM -

RESULT:	**ACCEPTED [8 TO 0]**
MOVER:	Leroy Rising, Precinct 1
SECONDER:	Bruce W. Davis, John R. Carroll
AYES:	Rising, Robinson, Carroll, Higley, Cantey, Howard, Chavis, Thomas
ABSTAIN:	Davis

B. Ratify the Designation of CRF $500.00 in Support of Lumberton High School Cheerleaders Competition - City Manager
On Tuesday, January 17, 2023, the City Clerk was instructed to conduct a telephone poll for the purchase of designating Community Revitalization Funds on behalf of Lumberton High School cheerleaders as they travel to Orlando, FL. Councilman Thomas requested to give $100 of CRF for this cause.

That Council ratify the following donations: P1 - $100 P3 - $100 P4 - $100 P7 - $100 and P8 - $100 for a total of $500 in support of Lumberton High School Cheerleaders trip to Orlando, FL.

RESULT:	**APPROVED [8 TO 0]**
MOVER:	Leroy Rising, Precinct 1
SECONDER:	John R. Carroll, Precinct 3
AYES:	Rising, Robinson, Carroll, Higley, Cantey, Howard, Chavis, Thomas
ABSTAIN:	Davis

C. Purchase of Used Dump Trailer - Phone Poll Ratification - Public Works
Public Works is short on reliable trucking capacity. One solution is to purchase a used dump trailer for $16,500. This is an aluminum hauler that goes behind our transfer truck. The transfer truck sits on the yard 80% of the time only to be used when moving equipment with the low boy trailer. We feel that this truck could be useful as a hauling truck most of the day. The dump trailer shown here as over twice the capacity as one of our tandems. Since we are hauling locally, this used trailer would be a good piece of equipment for us. The purchase of this trailer was approved thru a phone poll of City Council. Public Works is requesting Council to ratify the purchase.
Public Works is requesting Council to ratify the phone poll vote to purchase a used dump trailer from Pinnacle Trailer Sales for $16,500

RESULT:	**APPROVED [8 TO 0]**
MOVER:	Leroy Rising, Precinct 1
SECONDER:	John R. Carroll, Precinct 3
AYES:	Rising, Robinson, Carroll, Higley, Cantey, Howard, Chavis, Thomas
ABSTAIN:	Davis

V. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

January 24, 2023 Planning Board Minutes – ArTriel Kirchner, Planning Director
Planning Board Minutes are attached for review.
<< Recommendation >>

RESULT:	**NOT APPLICABLE**

A. Special Use Permit/Rezoning Request: Greg Caulder is requesting a Special Use Permit and Rezoning for a Major Subdivision located on Meadow Road. – ArTriel Kirchner, Planning Director
Greg Caulder is requesting a Special Use Permit and Rezoning for a Major Subdivision to include an Architecturally Integrated Subdivision located on Meadow Road (parcel # 1004-02-08068/Deed Book 2337/Page 857; Map Book 58/ Page 72). This property is zoned B-3 (Office Residential) and 'A' (Agriculture). The subdivision requires a Special Use Permit and they are requesting the portion zoned Agriculture be rezoned to B-3, office/residential.
The Planning staff asks City Council to hold today's public hearing and approve the rezoning and Special Use Permit request with the condition that the development will not exceed 16 town homes as presented in the packet.

Mayor Davis opened the public hearing for the purpose of considering an amendment to the Land Use Ordinance by issuing a Special Use Permit and rezoning for property located at on Meadow Road from B-3 (Office Residential) and 'A' (Agriculture). The subdivision requires a Special Use Permit for a Major subdivision to include an Architecturally Integrated Subdivision. City Clerk Mitchell-McIntosh submitted the Affidavit of Publication showing that the hearing was advertised in **The Robesonian**.

Greg Caulder appeared before Council and stated that he is here to answer any questions that Council may have. Councilman Rising stated that he spoke with Mr. Caulder and he has agreed to place a 10' buffer inside the integrated area. City Attorney Moore asked Mr. Caulder is he agreeable with that condition being placed on the SUP and if he is agreeable to this information being placed in the record. Mr. Caulder stated that he is agreeable with the condition being placed on the SUP and with all information being placed in the record.

Ms. Janice McArn, appeared before Council and stated that she has property adjacent to this property and would like to know if the property tax will increase. Mr. Caulder stated that this property is harmonious to the existing property and do not think that it would effect but will not hurt this property. She wanted to know if this would be commercial property and Mr. Caulder replied that it will be residential.

No one else appeared to speak and the hearing was closed.

RESULT:	**APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Leroy Rising, Precinct 1
SECONDER:	Karen Higley, Mayor Pro Tem
AYES:	Davis, Rising, Robinson, Carroll, Higley, Cantey, Howard, Chavis, Thomas

B. Meredith A. Edwards is requesting a Special Use Permit to operate a family entertainment center (Game Centers-with more than 5 arcade games) at 3561 Lackey Street. – ArTriel Kirchner, Planning Director
Analysis: Meredith A. Edwards is requesting a Special Use Permit to operate a family entertainment center with more than 5 arcade games at 3561 Lackey Street. The proposed use of the property, indoor miniature golf and arcade with more than 5 arcade machines, is considered a combination use (6.110 & 6.150). Use # 6.150 (Game Centers-with more than 5 arcade games) require a special use permit in the B-5 zoning district.
The Planning Staff recommends that the Planning Board hold tonight's public meeting, entertain public comment and make a recommendation to City Council regarding this matter.

Mayor Davis opened the public hearing for the purpose of considering an amendment to the Land Use Ordinance by issuing a Special Use Permit for property located at 3561 Lackey Street. The proposed use of the property is for an indoor miniature golf and arcade with more than 5 arcade games. City Clerk Mitchell-McIntosh submitted the Affidavit of Publication showing that the hearing was advertised in **The Robesonian**.

Meredith A. Edwards appeared to speak before Council. She stated that they just had a family and friends night and were very pleased. She stated that there will be no gambling, drugs or alcohol at this location. She stated that people need something to do to keep them out of trouble. City Attorney Moore asked if she is fine with her application being entered into the record and she replied yes.

No one appeared to speak and the hearing was closed.

RESULT:	**APPROVED [8 TO 0]**
MOVER:	Owen Thomas, Precinct 8
SECONDER:	Eric Chavis, Precinct 7
AYES:	Rising, Robinson, Carroll, Higley, Cantey, Howard, Chavis, Thomas
ABSTAIN:	Davis

VI. AGENDA ITEMS FOR COUNCIL'S CONSIDERATION

A. Authorize the purchase of a 2022 Ford F150 for Lumberton Fire Department – Chris West, Fire Chief

The Lumberton Fire Department is requesting permission to purchase a 2022 Ford F150 truck from Performance Ford to replace a 2014 Ford Expedition Battalion Vehicle. The 2014 would be reassigned to the Training Chief for daily duties. The vehicle was approved in the 2022-2023 capital plan. The department requests to move $35,929.34 from the fire administration salary code 10-004340-1210 to the capital equipment code 10-008120-5514. The vehicle is available with state contract pricing through the NC Sheriffs Association. The Fire Department requests that council grant permission to purchase a new battalion vehicle form Performance Ford with transferred vacant salary funds.

RESULT:	**APPROVED [8 TO 0]**
MOVER:	John R. Carroll, Precinct 3
SECONDER:	Karen Higley, Mayor Pro Tem
AYES:	Rising, Robinson, Carroll, Higley, Cantey, Howard, Chavis, Thomas
ABSTAIN:	Davis

B. Approval of Firefighter Rental Uniform Contract – Chris West, Fire Chief

The uniform rental contract for Lumberton Fire Department expired late October, 2022. On September 13, 2022 the Lumberton Fire Department notified three vendors that the department would be seeking bids for a new three-year uniform rental agreement. The vendors were also sent a specifications sheet to outline the garment requirements. On December 21, 2022 the vendors were notified that the department requested official contract bids and a uniform sample by January 9, 2023.

Cintas declined to bid due to being unable to meet the uniform requirements. Vendors Aramark and Unifirst submitted samples and bids for the department to review. Unifirst was the only vendor to meet the requirements of the bid. Aramark's uniforms did not meet the

specifications and only offered 100% polyester versions of uniform polos, which is unacceptable for firefighter uniforms.
Lumberton Fire Department is currently spending an average of $4.90 per firefighter weekly. Unifirst has allowed to fire department to continue renting uniforms on a weekly basis until a new contract is adopted.
The Lumberton Fire Department requests that council award a three-year uniform rental contract to Unifirst. The weekly rental price would reduce to an average of $4.30 per firefighter.

RESULT:	**APPROVED [8 TO 0]**
MOVER:	John R. Carroll, Precinct 3
SECONDER:	Karen Higley, Mayor Pro Tem
AYES:	Rising, Robinson, Carroll, Higley, Cantey, Howard, Chavis, Thomas
ABSTAIN:	Davis

C. Acceptance of SCADA Master Station Upgrade – Greg Prevatte, Electric Utilies Director
We need to upgrade two servers and the software that operates our SCADA system. The SCADA system allows us to monitor power at our substations, our servers are over ten years old. This upgrade will improve data retrieval and supervisory control. We have budgeted $100,000 in our capital budget and any monies remaining will be used to purchase other related supplies. QEI, Inc is the only company that provides the SCADA software for our system.

The Electric Utilities Department is requesting approval to purchase the master station upgrade for the SCADA system. All monies has been approved in the Capital budget.

The cost is $59,000.

RESULT:	**APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Eric Chavis, Precinct 7
SECONDER:	Owen Thomas, Precinct 8
AYES:	Davis, Rising, Robinson, Carroll, Higley, Cantey, Howard, Chavis, Thomas

D. Well #4 Rehab – Rob Armstrong, Public Works Director
The City of Lumberton has a Capital Improvements Project to rehabilitate Well #6 in the amount of $75,000.00. Upon further review of the conditions of all existing Well sites, Public Works would like instead rehabilitate Well #4. This request was submitted to 3 vendors that perform this line of work with a specific scope as provided by the Water Treatment Plant. The first was from Charles R. Underwood Inc. for a total cost not to exceed $60,773.00. The Second was from Pearson Pump Sales & Service, Inc. with a limited scope that does not meet the requirements asked for in the amount of $39,029.00. The third was from Bill’s Well Drilling who inspected the site and met with staff about the project and scope but did not provide a quote.
Given the nature of this project and the equipment involved, this work cannot be performed but by a small number of contractors within a reasonable distance. Also, given that these Well sites were installed by Charles R. Underwood Inc. and they have performed most of the work associated with them since they were installed. Because of this and the need to meet

the full scope of work, Public Works is recommending Council approve Charles R. Underwood Inc. to perform the work to Well #4 with a not to exceed price of $60,773.00 with funds coming from the Capitol Code 60-00-8220-5960, which was budgeted at $75,000.00.

RESULT:	**APPROVED [8 TO 0]**
MOVER:	John Cantey, Precinct 5
SECONDER:	Chris Howard, Precinct 6
AYES:	Rising, Robinson, Carroll, Higley, Cantey, Howard, Chavis, Thomas
ABSTAIN:	Davis

E. RFQ for Engineering Services - Linkhaw Road / CSX Culvert – Rob Armstrong, Public Works Director
The City has been awarded a $250,000 grant from the North Carolina Golden Leaf Foundation to upgrade the existing drainage culvert under the CSX railroad on Linkhaw Road. The total cost opinion for the project including design and construction is approximately $600,000. The City is seeking additional money thru the North Carolina State Revolving Fund. While waiting for additional funding approval, Public Works would like to move forward with the design and permitting of the project using the Golden Leaf funds. The approval process thru CSX and permit process thru the NC Department of Environmental Quality is expected to take several months. Our goal would be to have the project permitted and ready to bid for construction by the time other funds are available. Public Works is requesting Council approval to advertise the attached request for qualifications for Engineering Services for the Linkhaw Road railroad culvert improvement project. The scoring of qualification statements received and a recommended Engineering Consultant will be presented to Council for award at the March meeting.

City Manager Horne stated that if the addition funding does not come through; we will have a shortfall of $350K which would be taken from the Capital Reserve Water & Sewer Fund. He stated that this area has extreme flooding.

RESULT:	**APPROVED [8 TO 0]**
MOVER:	Karen Higley, Mayor Pro Tem
SECONDER:	John R. Carroll, Precinct 3
AYES:	Rising, Robinson, Carroll, Higley, Cantey, Howard, Chavis, Thomas
ABSTAIN:	Davis

F. Rezoning of a portion of parcel # 321002021 located at 2368 Elizabethtown Rd from R-7 (residential single family/duplex) to B-4 (business general commercial) – ArTriel Kirchner, Planning Director
Amar Mustafa is requesting a rezoning of a portion of parcel # 321002021 located at 2368 Elizabethtown Rd from R-7 (residential single family/duplex) to B-4 (business general commercial) for a proposed commercial/retail development.
The planning staff recommends that the Planning Board hold tonight?s public meeting, entertain public comment and make a recommendation to City Council regarding this matter.

RESULT:	**REFERRED [8 TO 0]**	**Next: 2/21/2023 6:00 PM**
MOVER:	Melissa Robinson, Precinct 2	
SECONDER:	Chris Howard, Precinct 6	
AYES:	Rising, Robinson, Carroll, Higley, Cantey, Howard, Chavis, Thomas	
ABSTAIN:	Davis	

G. Primary Health Choice Rezoning Request - 560 Bailey Rd. – ArTriel Kirchner, Planning Director

Primary Health Choice, Inc. is requesting a rezoning of parcel # 10090100501CA located at 560 Bailey Rd. from B-4 (general commercial) to B-3 (office/residential) for the operation of family care home (intellectual/development disability) with a maximum of six beds. This location meets ordinance 35.163 no family care home or a handicapped or infirm home shall not be located within a one-half mile radius of an existing family care home or handicapped or infirm home.

The Planning Department recommends Council approve the rezoning request.

RESULT:	**REFERRED [8 TO 0]**	**Next: 2/21/2023 6:00 PM**
MOVER:	Leroy Rising, Precinct 1	
SECONDER:	John R. Carroll, Precinct 3	
AYES:	Rising, Robinson, Carroll, Higley, Cantey, Howard, Chavis, Thomas	
ABSTAIN:	Davis	

H. Matthew Harrell is requesting a rezoning of parcel # 10130100201 and 101301011 from ‘A’ (agriculture) and R-20 (residential single family) to B-3 (office/residential) – ArTriel Kirchner, Planning Director

Matthew Harrell is requesting a rezoning of two parcels on Dunn Road (parcel # 10130100201 and 101301011) from 'A' (agriculture) and R-20 (residential single family) to B-3 (office/residential) for a proposed multifamily development.

The Planning staff recommends that the Planning Board hold tonight?s public meeting, entertain public comment and make a recommendation to City Council regarding this matter.

RESULT:	**REFERRED [8 TO 0]**	**Next: 2/21/2023 6:00 PM**
MOVER:	Eric Chavis, Precinct 7	
SECONDER:	Chris Howard, Precinct 6	
AYES:	Rising, Robinson, Carroll, Higley, Cantey, Howard, Chavis, Thomas	
ABSTAIN:	Davis	

I. Mark Morgan is requesting a rezoning of a portion of property located at 3400 Elizabethtown Road (parcel # 101203007) from ‘A’ (agriculture) to B-2 (business community). – ArTriel Kirchner, Planning Director

Mark Morgan is requesting a rezoning of a portion of property located at 3400 Elizabethtown Road (parcel # 101203007) from 'A' (agriculture) to B-2 (business community) for the development of a 64 unit multifamily complex.

The Planning staff recommends that the Planning Board hold tonight's public meeting, entertain public comment and make a recommendation to City Council regarding this matter.

RESULT:	**REFERRED [8 TO 0]**	**Next: 2/21/2023 6:00 PM**
MOVER:	Melissa Robinson, Precinct 2	
SECONDER:	Chris Howard, Precinct 6	
AYES:	Rising, Robinson, Carroll, Higley, Cantey, Howard, Chavis, Thomas	
ABSTAIN:	Davis	

J. Dunn Street, LLC is requesting a contiguous annexation of parcel # 101301011, located on Dunn Road. – ArTriel Kirchner, Planning Director
Dunn Street, LLC is requesting a contiguous annexation of property located on Dunn Road, being parcel # 101301011. The proposed development is a 56 unit multifamily complex. The applicant is also requesting the property be rezoned from R20 (single family residential) and 'A' (agriculture) to B3 (office/residential).
Recommends that City Council hold today's public hearing and approve the annexation request.

RESULT:	**REFERRED [8 TO 0]**	**Next: 3/8/2023 11:00 AM**
MOVER:	Eric Chavis, Precinct 7	
SECONDER:	Chris Howard, Precinct 6	
AYES:	Rising, Robinson, Carroll, Higley, Cantey, Howard, Chavis, Thomas	
ABSTAIN:	Davis	

K. Approval of NCDOT Property Offer U5797-004 – Holt Moore, City Attorney
In connection with the Fayetteville Road widening and related work, NCDOT has made an offer to purchase several small parcels in the area of Pine Street, Roberts Ave and 24th Street. These parcels are shown in color on the attached maps. Staff believes we have negotiated a fair price of $15,000 for these parcels and related needed access.
Approve offer from NCDOT.

RESULT:	**APPROVED [8 TO 0]**
MOVER:	Leroy Rising, Precinct 1
SECONDER:	Karen Higley, Mayor Pro Tem
AYES:	Rising, Robinson, Carroll, Higley, Cantey, Howard, Chavis, Thomas
ABSTAIN:	Davis

L. NCDOT Offer - P172 – Holt Moore, City Attorney
NCDOT has made an offer for a small (.495 acre) right of way and easement (.068), virtually all of which is in the floodway. Staff believes their offer to be fair and reasonable.
Accept offer to purchase easement and right of way.

RESULT:	**APPROVED [8 TO 0]**
MOVER:	Leroy Rising, Precinct 1
SECONDER:	Karen Higley, Mayor Pro Tem
AYES:	Rising, Robinson, Carroll, Higley, Cantey, Howard, Chavis, Thomas
ABSTAIN:	Davis

M. NCDOT Offer - P401 – Holt Moore, City Attorney

NCDOT has made an offer for a small (.148 acre) easement, on a parcel owned by the City adjacent to Nelson Way (off of Dawn Drive). Staff believes their offer to be fair and reasonable.
Accept offer to purchase easement and right of way.

RESULT:	**APPROVED [8 TO 0]**
MOVER:	Leroy Rising, Precinct 1
SECONDER:	Karen Higley, Mayor Pro Tem
AYES:	Rising, Robinson, Carroll, Higley, Cantey, Howard, Chavis, Thomas
ABSTAIN:	Davis

N. Adopt a Resolution In Support of SAFE (S.A.F.E.) Raise Grant – Brandon Love, Deputy City Manager
Last year, City Council approved the submission of a Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) grant also known as the SAFE grant. If you recall, this is a grant that will help the City with its infrastructure. We are requesting to submit another grant application for which the City is applying to create Safer Access For Everyone (SAFE) in the City as it will improve pedestrian safety and multimodal access into the downtown area. This project combines safety improvements identified by the City and NCDOT. Attached you will find an explanation of this year's RAISE grant application. In order to submit the application, a Resolution of Support must be approved by Council. The deadline for the application is February 28, 2023.
That City Council authorize Staff to submit the grant application in cooperation with NCDOT, and adopt the attached Resolution in Support of S.A.F.E (Safer Access for Everyone) in the City of Lumberton .

RESULT:	**APPROVED [8 TO 0]**
MOVER:	John Cantey, Precinct 5
SECONDER:	Chris Howard, Precinct 6
AYES:	Rising, Robinson, Carroll, Higley, Cantey, Howard, Chavis, Thomas
ABSTAIN:	Davis

O. Request that Council declare the lots on 2nd and 1st Street (former Goodyear Hotel property) surplus property and allow staff to follow N.C.G.S. in the sale of said property. – Wayne Horne, City Manager
There has been some recent interest in the 1st and 2nd Street properties from a local business who has an interest in acquiring the properties. In order for the City to move forward with the sale of the lots Council would have to declare them as surplus property and authorize staff to move forward with a public notice and a bid process for there disposal. The City would seek to recover any unpaid taxes and demolition fees in the sale of the property. Staff is asking that Council allow the City Manager and City Attorney some flexability in negotiating the sale of said property.
Recommend that Council declare the lots on 2nd and 1st Street (former Goodyear Hotel property) surplus and authorize staff to proceed with public notice for their sale and allow the City Manager and City Attorney some flexibility in negotiating the sale of said property.

RESULT:	**APPROVED [8 TO 0]**
MOVER:	John Cantey, Precinct 5
SECONDER:	Chris Howard, Precinct 6
AYES:	Rising, Robinson, Carroll, Higley, Cantey, Howard, Chavis, Thomas
ABSTAIN:	Davis

P. Naming of Industrial Park – Holt Moore, City Attorney
City and County staff have enlisted the assistance of a group entitled N P Strategy to assist with the branding of the new industrial park located at I95 & I74. The name which staff and NPS are proposing is Southeast Crossroads Industrial Park. NPS has an economic development branch and a considerable amount of research and process of elimination went into this selection. The County is going to consider the name this week as well. If all are in agreement, we will move forward with marketing the Park under this name, to include creating a logo, etc.
Approve suggested name for the industrial park.

Mr. Channing Jones, Robeson County Economic Development Director appeared before Council and stated that the City and County partnered to develop the 215-acre tract of land which has direct access to I-95, I-74 and business I-74. He stated that the name crossroads because of these major interstates that come together at that point. He stated that the city and county were awarded $3,700,00 in grant funds to develop the park infrastructure, $250K from Golden Leaf funds for water and sewer infrastructure, and $350k from the Department of Transportation. Elkay Manufacturing is our first tenant.

The City Council thanked Mr. Channing for his work and role that he has played in the park's development.

RESULT:	**APPROVED [8 TO 0]**
MOVER:	Eric Chavis, Precinct 7
SECONDER:	Chris Howard, Precinct 6
AYES:	Rising, Robinson, Carroll, Higley, Cantey, Howard, Chavis, Thomas
ABSTAIN:	Davis

Q. Request to close Evergreen Street from Whiteville Ave to Terminix Company rear property line on East 5th Street. – Wayne Horne, City Manager
City staff received a request from Pastor Mike Bowen and Chairman of the Deacons Board, Randy Graham at East Lumberton Baptist Church, to close a portion of Evergreen Street from Whiteville Avenue to the rear corner of the Terminix Company property on East 5th Street. The purpose of the request is to allow the Church to build a new sanctuary and a new family life center. The public hearing was advertised in the Robesonian for four consecutive weeks and on March 31, 2023.
That Council conduct the public hearing and adopt an Order Closing Evergreen Street from Whiteville Avenue to Terminix Company reap property line on East 5th Street.

RESULT:	**REFERRED [8 TO 0]**	**Next: 4/5/2023 11:00 AM**
MOVER:	Karen Higley, Mayor Pro Tem	
SECONDER:	John Cantey, Precinct 5	
AYES:	Rising, Robinson, Carroll, Higley, Cantey, Howard, Chavis, Thomas	
ABSTAIN:	Davis	

R. ARP-Required Policies – Holt Moore, City Attorney
Federal guidelines require certain policies to be in place for use of American Rescue Plan funds, among these are: A conflict of interest of policy, a cost principles policy, an eligible use policy, a nondiscrimination policy, and a records retention policy. While the City does have some policies in these areas, the required policies pertain specifically to the ARP process so the existing policies are insufficient for these purposes.

Approve attached policies for ARP compliance, allowing for minor language tweaking by staff as necessary.

RESULT:	**ADOPTED [8 TO 0]**
MOVER:	Leroy Rising, Precinct 1
SECONDER:	Owen Thomas, Precinct 8
AYES:	Rising, Robinson, Carroll, Higley, Cantey, Howard, Chavis, Thomas
ABSTAIN:	Davis

S. Approval of Grant ARP Project Ordinance – Wayne Horne, City Manager
The City of Lumberton received less than $10M in American Rescue Plan (ARP) funding so we are eligible to spend our total allocation in the Revenue Replacement category. The Finance Department would like to transfer $3,021,243.44 from the ARP special revenue fund to the General, Water and Sewer and Light and Power Funds to reimburse salaries for local government employees. This transfer will increase fund balance.

General	$2,251,243.44
W&S	$ 570,000.00
L&P	$ 200,000.00

Recommend that Council approve the budget transfer and amend the attached Grant Project Ordinance.

RESULT:	**ADOPTED [6 TO 2]**
MOVER:	Leroy Rising, Precinct 1
SECONDER:	John R. Carroll, Precinct 3
AYES:	Rising, Robinson, Carroll, Higley, Chavis, Thomas
NAYS:	Cantey, Howard
ABSTAIN:	Davis

T. Authorize the Advertisement of Tax Liens – Wayne Horne, City Manager
In accordance with G.S. 105-369 the tax collector must report to the governing body the total amount of unpaid taxes for the current fiscal year that are liens on real property. A municipal tax collector's report is due the second Monday in February. Upon receipt of the report, the

governing body must order the tax collector to advertise the tax liens. The total amount of unpaid taxes for the current fiscal year totals $2,349,897.29 in real property.

Order the tax collector to advertise tax liens.

RESULT:	**APPROVED [8 TO 0]**
MOVER:	Karen Higley, Mayor Pro Tem
SECONDER:	John R. Carroll, Precinct 3
AYES:	Rising, Robinson, Carroll, Higley, Cantey, Howard, Chavis, Thomas
ABSTAIN:	Davis

U. Mayor's Discretionary Fund - Robeson County Humane Society – Holt Moore, City Attorney
The Mayor would like to provide $500 from his Discretionary Fund to assist the Robeson County Humane Society with their valuable services.
Approve award of funds from Mayor’s Discretionary Fund.

RESULT:	**APPROVED [8 TO 0]**
MOVER:	Karen Higley, Mayor Pro Tem
SECONDER:	John R. Carroll, Precinct 3
AYES:	Rising, Robinson, Carroll, Higley, Cantey, Howard, Chavis, Thomas
ABSTAIN:	Davis

V. Mayor's Discretionary Fund - Historic Robeson Inc. – Holt Moore, City Attorney
The Mayor would like to provide $250 from his Discretionary Fund to Historic Robeson, Inc. for their programming and other works.
Approve award from Mayor’s Discretionary Fund.

RESULT:	**APPROVED [8 TO 0]**
MOVER:	Chris Howard, Precinct 6
SECONDER:	Leroy Rising, Precinct 1
AYES:	Rising, Robinson, Carroll, Higley, Cantey, Howard, Chavis, Thomas
ABSTAIN:	Davis

VII. ADJOURNMENT