The City Council met at the Sanford Municipal Center, 225 E. Weatherspoon Street, on Tuesday, March 19, 2019, at 6 p.m., in Council Chambers. The following people were present:

Mayor T. Chet Mann  
Council Member Byron Buckels  
Council Member Jimmy Haire  
Council Member James Williams  
City Attorney Susan Patterson  
Deputy City Clerk Vicki Cannady  
Mayor Pro Tem Rebecca Wyhof  
Council Member Sam Gaskins  
Council Member Norman Charles Post, III  
City Manager Hal Hegwer  
City Clerk Bonnie Davis

Absent:  
Council Member Charles Taylor

CALL TO ORDER
Mayor Mann called the meeting to order. Council Member Williams delivered the invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

PUBLIC COMMENT
No citizens requested to speak.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA
Mayor Mann requested that an item be added as Item 10-B, “Ordinance to Amend the Annual Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2018-2019 – Consulting Services Agreement.” Council Member Gaskins made the motion to approve the agenda as amended. Seconded by Council Member Buckels, the motion carried unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA
There were no items on the Consent Agenda.

SPECIAL AGENDA
Proclamation Recognizing Fred Bennett Murchison, Sr. on the Occasion of His 100th Birthday – (Exhibit A)
Mayor Mann read the proclamation and presented it to Mr. Murchison’s family.

PUBLIC HEARING: held jointly with the Planning Board.
Public Hearing on Modification to Grant Agreement for a Previously Approved Economic Development Project – Caterpillar, Inc. (Exhibit B)
SAGA Economic Development Director Bob Joyce explained that a modification has been requested to the original incentive approved last February by Council for an expansion at Caterpillar, the City's largest employer. Council originally approved a five-year incentive of $311,241 based on the purchase and renovation of a building in Sanford with an investment of $29.5 million; however, they now propose to spend $30.8 million, which would increase the incentive by $1,035 over that five-year term (or $207 annually). Since the incentive is performance-based, Caterpillar must create and retain 40 jobs over and above the jobs already at their current site during the five years at an average annual wage of $41,526 and make the full $30.8 million investment in accordance with the schedule in order to receive
the grant. Mr. Joyce noted that this modification will require the same performance terms as the original agreement and reminded council that the Department of Commerce approved a building reuse grant for the project.

Mayor Mann opened the public hearing and with no one speaking in favor or opposition, closed the public hearing.

- **Resolution Modifying an Economic Development Project and Approving the Expenditure of Funds and an Amended Agreement with Caterpillar, Inc. - (Exhibit C)**

  Council Member Gaskins made a motion to approve the Resolution Modifying an Economic Development Project and Approving the Expenditure of Funds and Amended Agreement with Caterpillar, Inc. Seconded by Council Member Williams, the motion carried unanimously.

Application by Keller Investment, LLC - to rezone 35 acres + off of/accessed via Commerce Drive from General Commercial (C-2) and Barrington Park Conditional Zoning District #4 to the South Park Multi-Family Apartment Home & Independent Living Community Conditional Zoning District to allow for the development of a residential community with a mixed of housing types. The subject property is depicted on Lee County Tax Map 9660.01 as the following Lee County Land Records Tax Parcels:

Tract 1: 9660-37-7933-00 is an 8.0 + acre portion of a vacant 25.45-acre tract of land with frontage on Commerce Drive and NC 87 Hwy, illustrated as an existing 25.45-acre lot on a 2007 plat labeled Survey for CRD Investors, LLC, Barrington Park recorded as Plat Cabinet 2007, Slide 265 in the Lee County Land Register of Deeds Office, and zoned General Commercial (C-2).

Tract 2: 9660-38-1040-00 is a vacant 5.5 + acre tract of land with frontage on Commerce Drive, illustrated as Lot 1 on a 2000 plat labeled Survey for Southpark recorded as Plat Cabinet 9, Slide 45G in the Lee County Land Register of Deeds Office, and zoned General Commercial (C-2).

Tract 3: 9660-27-6999-00 is a vacant 4.0 + acre tract of land with frontage on Commerce Drive, illustrated as Lot 2 on a 2000 plat labeled Survey for Southpark recorded as PC 9, Slide 45G in the Lee County Land Register of Deeds Office, and zoned General Commercial (C-2). *Note: This tract of land is illustrated as being included within Lee County Tax Parcel 9660-27-6303-00 on the GIS software accessed by the public on the City of Sanford website.*

Tract 4: 9660-27-6006-00 is a 17.25 + acre portion of a vacant 86 acre tract of land with the frontage on Commerce Drive, illustrated as Tract 5 on a 2007 plat labeled Survey for CRD Investors, LLC, Barrington Park recorded as Plat Cabinet 2007, Slide 265 in the Lee County Land Register of Deeds Office, with the front of the parcel along Commerce Drive being zoned General Commercial (C-2) and the remaining balance to the rear being zoned Barrington Park Conditional Zoning District #4. *Note: This tract of land is identified as being included within Lee County Tax Parcel 9660-27-6303-00 on the GIS software accessed by the public on the City of Sanford website.*

Tract 5: 9660-16-4729-00 is a 0.25 + acre portion of a vacant 19.5-acre tract of land with no road frontage, illustrated as Tract 2 on a 2017 plat labeled Survey for CRD Investors, LLC, Barrington Park recorded as Plat Cabinet 2017, Slide 97 in the Lee County Land Register of Deeds Office, with the front of the parcel along Commerce Drive being zoned General Commercial (C-2) and the remaining balance to the rear being zoned Barrington Park Conditional Zoning District #4 (Exhibit D).

Zoning Administrator Amy McNeill explained that planning staff received this application as the first step in the proposed development of a residential community with a mix of housing types that would
be served by public water, public sewer and private internal drives and streets. The subject property to be rezoned is comprised of five separate parcels or portions of parcels that total approximately 35 acres off Commerce Drive as illustrated in Exhibit D. Vacant land to the south of the site was part of the Barrington Park Conditional Zoning District, which does not appear to be moving forward. Another vacant tract to the west of the site was recently rezoned to “Southpark High Density Conditional Zoning District.”

Ms. McNeill explained that the PlanSanLee Long-Range Land Use Plan identifies the subject property as a “Mixed Use Activity Center” and the proposed zoning districts are General Commercial, O&I Office and Industrial, and Multi-Family Residential within the Long-Range Land Use Plan. There are two zoning districts on this property: General Commercial (C-2) and “Barrington Park Conditional Zoning District Design No. 4”, which was approved in 2009 under a conditional zoning application. The applicant proposes to rezone this property to the “South Park Multi-Family Apartment Home and Independent Living Community Conditional Zoning District” to allow for development of a residential community with a mix of housing types. Ms. McNeill reviewed concept plans, design standards and specific conditions for various phases of the development as shown and described in Exhibit D.

Ms. McNeill reported that the conceptual site plan for this rezoning request was reviewed by the Technical Review Committee and they were agreeable with the rezoning request moving forward for review and approval by the Planning Board and Council. Plans call for overall development to gain access via two points along the existing Commerce Drive and the request appears to comply with the “Mixed-Use Activity Center” proposed zoning district since it is for multi-family residential and residential land use. She informed Council that staff recommends they support the petition for rezoning as requested as it appears to comply with the long-range plan and the current development trends in this area, and the request also appears to be reasonable and in the public interest based on the information and conditions presented in the conditional zoning petition. She reminded them that information presented at this public hearing may provide additional information that should be considered regarding a final decision on the requested zoning map amendment.

Mayor Mann opened the public hearing.

Carter Keller, principal with Keller Investments (the applicant) and developer of Southpark Phases 1 and 2 (located across the street from the subject), explained that there is a demand for this type of housing project and stated that his company has been retained to develop the independent living housing portion of this project.

With no other speakers, Mayor Mann closed the public hearing.

Application by Wynnefield Properties, Inc.- to rezone a 2.36 acre + portion of a 15 acre + tract of land addressed as 1732 Westover Drive, from General Commercial (C-2) to the Kendall Creek Multi-family Conditional Zoning District to allow for the development of an apartment community. The property is the same as depicted on Lee County Tax Maps 9631.02 and 9631.01 as TaxParcel 9631-56-2403-00 Lee County Land Records and is illustrated as Tract 3 on a 2001 plat labeled Survey for Roy E. Mashburn recorded as Plat Cabinet 9, Slide 79E of the Lee County Register of Deeds) – (Exhibit E)

Zoning Administrator Amy McNeill explained that this application was received as the first step in the proposed development of a multi-family apartment community that would be served by public water, public sewer, and private internal private drives. A five-acre portion of this tract was recently
rezoned to the “Mashburn Property Multi-Family Conditional Zoning District” in May of 2018 as illustrated on Exhibit E. The balance of the land not included with the request is currently developed as “The Shed Depot” fronting on Westover Drive. Current zoning is General Commercial (C-2) and the proposed zoning is “Kendall Creek Multi-Family Conditional Zoning District”, a Type 1 Conditional Zoning District with its own unique conditions that must be developed as per site plans if approved. She reviewed conditions included as part of the zoning application; associated site improvements (such as parking and landscaping); and an architectural illustration of the building façade, noting that the front of the building will face the interior of the site with a port-cochere drop-off area and the portion labelled as the rear will front Pendergrass Road. She noted that concept plans included within the exhibit illustrate that the subject is almost a “phase two” of the five-acre project to the rear of the subject previously rezoned, in that access already approved will also serve this site, but they have two different names and are two separate projects. Per GIS, the parcels are not located within an overlay district or designated historic district and there are no environmentally sensitive areas illustrated on the site plans.

The PlanSanLee Land Use Plan identifies this area as “Mixed Use Activity Center” with land use designations that include civic, open space, employment, commercial and residential. The proposed zoning districts are General Commercial, O&I Office and Institutional, and Multi-Family. The site has access to public water and the developer is currently working to extend public sanitary sewer to serve this area. The project will have one main point of access off Pendergrass Road that will be designed to be a mail driveway with a parallel emergency fire access. This is the same driveway that will serve the previously approved multi-family project to the rear. Ms. McNeill explained that this request appears to comply with the Mixed-Use Activity Center proposed zoning of multi-family residential and the residential land-use designation with public water and public sewer serving the proposed development; however, she noted that staff would not recommend the continuation of multi-family zoning northwestward along Pendergrass Road as there should be a buffer between the commercial area near the intersection of Pendergrass Road and US Highway #1.

Ms. McNeill stated that staff recommends Council support the petition for “Kendall Creek Multi-Family Conditional Zoning District,” as it appears to comply with the long-range land use plan and current development trends in this area and it appears to be reasonable and in the public interest based on the information and conditions presented with the conditional zoning petition. She also reminded Council that information presented at this public hearing should also be taken into consideration when making its decision.

Mayor Mann opened the public hearing.

Craig Stone (of 5614 Riverdale Road, Jamestown, NC), President of Wynnefield Properties, informed Council that he had large illustrations of the building façade with updated architectural details; noted this particular community is a “55 and older” community; and reminded Council that his company is the developer, builder and managing agent for the project.

With no additional speakers, Mayor Mann closed the public hearing.

Public Hearing on Carthage Street Sewer Extension

City Engineer Paul Weeks explained that this project is part of the program approved by Council in 2017 through which the City pays 75 percent of the mainline cost and 100 percent of the sewer tap
cost if it is connected during construction. The homeowners pay the remaining 25 percent, along with the cost of connecting house plumbing to the tap and decommissioning the septic tank. This petition involves eight parcels annexed in 1976 and the estimated cost is $159,344. The cost per lot varies because assessments are based on front footage since the lots are irregularly sized. Mr. Weeks noted that there has been a revision to this project since it was originally presented to Council: staff discovered that the parcel owned by The Baptist Children’s Home is already connected to public sewer. Before this parcel was removed from the project, 57 percent of the property owners supported the petition but after removing it, the percentage of support drops to 50 percent (three of six) of owners who own 55 percent of the properties (five of eight lots). Mr. Weeks reminded Council that policy typically dictates that petitions are presented to Council only when a majority of homeowners approve the petition; however, due to the amount of work involved with this petition and the fact that the extension cannot be shortened, staff thought it prudent to present it during the public hearing. He confirmed that notices were mailed to all parties on February 21, 2019, and notice of this public hearing was advertised in The Sanford Herald on February 21, 2019 (the publisher’s affidavit has not been received but a copy of the newspaper’s notice is in file).

Mayor Mann opened the public hearing.

Responding to inquiries about sewer service to The Baptist Children’s Home site, Mr. Weeks confirmed that they are connected at the rear of the property. There are two addresses for the property and the address researched by staff indicated the property did not have public sewer service. He stated that the estimated price range for each owner’s 25 percent share (based on front footage) ranges from about $2,300 to about $14,800 and the owner whose estimated cost is highest supports the petition. He also confirmed that he received no phone calls from property owners opposing the project but did receive a phone call from a property owner whose property will be crossed when tying into the existing sewer line who was concerned about running line across his property to access the Carthage Street right-of-way. He explained that if the project moves forward, engineering work will be done to determine where the connection should be made. The project was designed as indicated because there is a creek in this area and the tie-in point manhole is on the other side of that creek; tying in by the road will be more expensive since it will require crossing the creek.

With no speakers, Mayor Mann closed the public hearing.

- **Resolution Directing that the Project be Undertaken – Carthage Street Sewer Extension** (Exhibit F)
  Council Member Post made a motion to approve the Resolution Directing that the Project be Undertaken on the Carthage Street Sewer Extension; seconded by Council Member Gaskins, the motion was unanimously approved.

**Public Hearing on the Closing of an Unopened Portion of Cone Street from Intersection of Fry Street Eastward 150 Feet**

Long-Range Planner David Montgomery explained that this request was received from adjoining property owners on November 19, 2018. A Resolution of Intent to Close was adopted by Council on February 19, 2019, and the adjoining property owners were served with a notice of this public hearing and the resolution on February 21, 2019. The resolution was published once weekly for four weeks in The Sanford Herald (February 23, March 2, March 9, March 16).
Mayor Mann opened the public hearing and with no speakers, closed the public hearing.

- **Resolution Ordering the Closing of an Unopened Portion of Cone Street from Intersection of Fry Street Eastward 150 Feet** – (Exhibit G)
  Council Member Buckels made a motion to approve the Resolution Ordering the Closing of an Unopened Portion of Cone Street from the Intersection of Fry Street Eastward 150 Feet. The motion was seconded by Council Member Gaskins and unanimously approved.

**DECISIONS ON PUBLIC HEARINGS**
Application by Esplanade Communities of Florida, LLC - to rezone two vacant tracts of land totaling 29.04 ± acres with frontage/access off of Fire Tower Road (SR 1152) from Residential-Mixed (R-12) to Residential-Mixed (R-6) Conditional Zoning District to allow the development of an 87-lot residential single-family home subdivision. The subject property is identified as Tax Parcels 9641-55-0952-00 and 9641-45-5299-00 as depicted on Lee County Tax Maps 9641.01 and 9641.02 (Exhibit H). The subject property is currently within the City of Sanford’s Extraterritorial Jurisdiction (ETJ); therefore, the City may rezone it, but in order to develop the site in the manner proposed, the property owner must request to annex the property into the corporate City limits prior to final plat approval.

  Zoning Administrator Amy McNeill reminded Council that on February 19, 2019, the public hearing was held on this application to rezone two vacant tracts of land totaling 29.04 ± acres with frontage on Fire Tower Road, from Residential-Mixed (R-12) to Residential-Mixed (R-6) Conditional Zoning District, to allow development of an 87-lot single-family home subdivision. The Planning Board voted unanimously to recommend approval, subject to the following conditions:

  - To encourage diversity of housing styles, the board strongly encourages limiting the number of the same style of house that can be built consecutively along each street within the subdivision;
  - To encourage architectural interest, the board also suggests that a carriage-style garage door be incorporated in the design of the homes and that additional exterior elements be added to the faces in an attempt to avoid an abundance of horizontal vinyl siding creating a monotonous visual effect; and
  - Since the subject property is currently within the City of Sanford’s Extraterritorial Jurisdiction (ETJ), the City may rezone it, but in order to develop the site in the manner proposed, the property owner must request to annex the property into the corporate City limits prior to final plat approval.

Regarding the public versus private sewer issue that concerned several Council members, Ms. McNeill stated that City staff would accept a lift station to serve the subdivision if it is constructed to city standards.

- **Vote to Approve or Deny Statement on Long Range Plan Consistency as it Relates to this Rezoning Request**
  Mayor Pro Tem Salmon stated that since the proposed design includes many of the components included within the PlanSanLee “Suburban Neighborhood” place type (such as detached single-family dwellings, a connection to an existing stub street on an adjoining lot, interconnected streets, valley curb, public streets, public water, public wastewater and sidewalks on both sides of all public streets), she made a motion to approve the statement that the request is consistent with the adopted Long Range Plan. The motion was seconded by Council Member Gaskins.
Council Member Gaskins questioned whether the requirement for a stub street was included as a condition of the Planning Board’s recommendation to approve the request. Ms. McNeill replied that it was not included in the Planning Board’s conditions since they felt that it was not necessary, given the current design and the fact that there wasn’t a large amount of property to which the developer would be stubbing.

Mayor Mann called for a vote on the motion to approve the Statement on Long-Range Plan consistency as it relates to this rezoning request, which passed unanimously.

- **Vote to Approve or Deny the Rezoning Request – Consider Adoption of Ordinance Amending the Official Zoning Map of the City of Sanford, North Carolina (Exhibit I)**

City Attorney Susan Patterson explained that if Council wishes to add any conditions (as recommended by the Planning Board or otherwise), they should do so in the motion.

Mayor Pro Tem Salmon stated that the proposed zoning map amendment is reasonable and in the public interest because it is consistent with the adopted Land Use Plan and the availability of public water and sewer via a sewer mainline extension; therefore, she made a motion to approve the request to rezone two vacant tracts of land totaling 29.04 ± acres with frontage/access off of Fire Tower Road from Residential-Mixed (R-12) to Residential-Mixed (R-6) Conditional Zoning District. Council Member Gaskins stated that he would like the conditions set forth by the Planning Board included, and Mayor Pro Tem Salmon requested that the three conditions included in the Planning Board’s recommendation ([1] to encourage diversity of housing styles, limiting the number of the same style of house that can be built consecutively along each street within the subdivision; [2] to encourage architectural interest, carriage-style garage doors be incorporated in the design of the homes and additional exterior elements be added to the facades in an attempt to avoid an abundance of horizontal vinyl siding creating a monotonous visual effect; and [3] in order to develop the site in the manner proposed, the property owner must request to annex the property into the corporate City limits prior to final plat approval) be added to her motion. Council Member Gaskins seconded this motion.

Mr. Williams confirmed that the stub street was not to be required.

Mr. Gaskins requested clarification on where the road stub had been proposed that would provide another exit onto Fire Tower Road should additional property be developed. Ms. McNeill confirmed that the Planning Board addressed this with the developer and he did not wish to make this connection between Lots 50 and 51 of the subdivision (as shown on the exhibit), since it would remove at least one developable lot. Mr. Gaskins noted that residents of the adjacent subdivision were concerned about another exit from the subdivision. Ms. McNeill responded that a stub is currently being provided to the north (where there is more potential for development) and the Planning Board felt that could be incorporated into the design if the adjoining property were to be developed in the future.

Mayor Mann called for a vote on the motion to approve the rezoning request considering adoption of the Ordinance Amending the Official Zoning Map with the three conditions included in the Planning Board’s recommendation; the motion was unanimously approved.
REGULAR AGENDA
Consulting Services Agreement with Southern Benefit Systems – (Exhibit J)

Human Resources Director Christy Pickens reminded Council that Josh Hyman with Southern Benefit Systems presented information at Council’s February 12 workshop on strategic benefit services they provide and at Council’s request, his organization prepared a consulting services agreement. It addresses the initial phases of the plan (discovery, analysis, plan design, marketing); details the $6,000 cost for these services; and identifies the term of the agreement which would remain in effect until July 1, 2019, unless terminated prior to that time with a 30-day notice. In the event the City retains their services to implement the performance-based options identified during the analysis, we would execute a new consulting agreement for a minimum term of one year at an additional cost to the City. Mr. Hyman explained that their services would include a diagnosis of items that could be improved and minimize expenditures, while keeping employee health and benefit options at the forefront. Mayor Pro Tem Salmon stated that while she fully supports fiscal efficiency, her priority is ensuring that employee health is not jeopardized in the process.

Council Member Gaskins made a motion to approve the Consulting Services Agreement; the motion was seconded by Council Member Williams and approved unanimously.

Ordinance Amending the Annual Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2018-2019 (Consulting Services Agreement) – (Exhibit K)

Human Resources Christy Pickens explained that this item appropriates funds for the previous item into the Human Resources Department’s budget from interest income.

Council Member Buckels made a motion to approve the Ordinance Amending the Annual Operating Budget for FY 2018-2019 for the Consulting Services Agreement. The motion was seconded by Council Member Gaskins and unanimously approved.

NEW BUSINESS (Items for discussion and action will only be taken if necessary. Otherwise, these items will be placed on the next agenda for approval.
Resolution in Support of the Temporary Closure of a Portion of North Avenue for the Purpose of an Outreach Celebration by East Sanford Baptist Church – (Exhibit L)

Transportation Administrator Kris Furmage explained that staff received a request from Betty Buxley, Outreach Director and spokesperson for East Sanford Baptist Church, to close a portion of North Avenue between Third and Fourth Streets in front of the East Baptist Church property for an outreach celebration on Saturday, May 18, 2019, between 3:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. He noted that the only neighbor who would be affected by this closure agreed to it.

Mayor Pro Tem Salmon made a motion to approve the Resolution in Support of the Temporary Closure of a Portion of North Avenue for the Purpose of an Outreach Celebration by East Sanford Baptist Church. The motion was seconded by Council Member Buckels and unanimously approved.

Resolution to Temporarily Close Streets in Support of the Sanford Cleanup and Block Party – (Exhibit M)

Transportation Director Kris Furmage explained that this request was made by Bill Huggins, on behalf of Jonesboro United Methodist Church and several community groups, to close several streets for the Sanford Block Party clean up event scheduled for Saturday, April 27, 2019, between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. The Department of Transportation has approved closing their portion of Charlotte Avenue.
Council Member Gaskins made a motion to approve the Resolution to Temporarily Close Streets in Support of the Sanford Clean up and Block Party; seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Salmon, the motion was unanimously approved.

Revision to Disability Eligible Benefits – (Exhibit N)

Human Resources Director Christy Pickens explained that the City provides health insurance coverage under the group health plan for employees who retire with the NC Local Governmental Employees Retirement System with a disability and 15 years of continuous service with the City immediately preceding that retirement. Management is recommending that the City continue health insurance coverage for up to 36 months for employees who retire under the retirement system with a disability but do not meet that 15-year continuous service requirement if the employee has applied for Social Security Disability Insurance benefits, in order to cover the time period until Medicare coverage begins.

Council Member Gaskins made a motion to approve the Revision to Disability Eligible Benefits; seconded by Council Member Buckels, the motion was unanimously approved.

Preliminary Assessment Resolution – Carr Creek Sewer Extension Area D – (Exhibit O)

City Engineer Paul Weeks explained that this project is part of the Council approved program through which the City pays 75 percent of the sewer mainline extension and 100 percent of the tap fee, if done during construction. Homeowners pay the remaining 25 percent of the mainline cost, along with the cost of re-routing plumbing tap and decommissioning their septic tank. This project includes 27 parcels annexed in June 1991, and the estimated construction cost is $254,370, or approximately $9,421 per lot; however, under the program, each lot cost will be about $2,355. Approximately 64 percent of the property owners (16 of 25) approved the petition and owners of 67 percent of the lots (18 of 27) approved. The resolution, if approved by Council, sets the public hearing for April 16, 2019, at 6:00 p.m.

Council Member Williams requested that he be recused from the vote (since he owns property in the subdivision). Council Member Gaskins made a motion to recuse Council Member Williams, which was seconded by Council Member Buckels and unanimously approved.

Council Member Buckels made a motion to approve the Preliminary Assessment Resolution for the Carr Creek Sewer Extension Area D; the motion was seconded by Council Member Post and unanimously approved.

Ordinance Amending the Annual Operating Budget of the City of Sanford FY 2018-2019 – (Carr Creek Lift Station) – (Exhibit P)

Senior Budget Analyst Cindy O’Quinn explained that this item appropriates retained earnings from the Utility Fund to the Distribution and Collections department for emergency repairs to the force main at the water plant and pump replacement at the Carr Creek Lift Station.

Council Member Post made a motion to approve the Ordinance Amending the Annual Operating Budget FY 2018-2019 for the Carr Creek Lift Station. The motion was seconded by Council Member Gaskins and unanimously approved.
Consider Ordinance Amending the Annual Operating Budget of the City of Sanford FY 2018-2019 – (Contribution to NC Highway 42 Waterline Relocate and Contribution to Sewer Line Extension to Raleigh Exec Jetport) - (Exhibit Q)

Senior Budget Analyst Cindy O’Quinn explained that this item re-appropriates retained earnings from the Utility Fund for capital project expenditures not completed or received by June 30, 2018.

Mayor Pro Tem Salmon made a motion to approve the Ordinance Amending the Annual Operating Budget FY 2018-2019 for the Contribution to the NC Highway 42 Waterline Relocate and Contribution to the Sewer Line Extension to the Raleigh Exec Jetport. The motion was seconded by Council Member Post and unanimously approved.

Consider Community Development Project Ordinance Amendment – (Emergency Shelter) - (Exhibit R)

Community Development Manager Karen Kennedy explained that this item appropriates funds for plumbing, a generator and roofing repairs at the extreme weather shelter which is part of our S3 Housing Initiative.

Council Member Buckels made a motion to approve the Project Ordinance Amendment for the Emergency Shelter; seconded by Council Member Post, the motion was unanimously approved.

Consider Ordinance Amending the Annual Operating Budget of the City of Sanford FY 2018-2019 – (Parks Capital Project Number B1602) – (Exhibit S)
Consider Capital Project Ordinance Amendment – (Parks and Recreation Project #B1602) – (Exhibit T)

Public Works Director Vic Czar explained these two related items are in connection with the Kiwanis Family Park project, for selection of and acquiring services for playground equipment. Barrs Recreation was selected as the preferred vendor for playground equipment through the staff selection process. Council reached consensus on “Option One” for equipment and wanted to add an air glider and multi-user swing, which increased costs slightly above budget. After much analysis, staff considers that to be the best value to achieve the inclusivity and visual appeal desired by Council and to differentiate our site from others; therefore, staff recommends adding those two items to Barr’s “Option One”, increasing total cost to about $245,000. Some funds have already been allocated to the project and since parks operations are slightly behind schedule, $150,000 in the Parks Department operating budget could be used along with $60,000 designated for the CCEP spec building, which is also behind schedule. Contingency funds of approximately $82,000 are available in the construction budget but cannot be used since they are encumbered and some of those funds were needed to resolve unsuitable site soils. Mr. Czar explained that we received a credit of approximately $33,000 because waterlines in front of the park required improvements and were funded through the Utility Fund. He also reminded Council that playground equipment was not included with the bond project.

Council Member Gaskins made a motion to approve the Ordinance Amending the Annual Operating Budget FY 2018-2019 – Parks Capital Project Number B1602. The motion was seconded by Council Member Post and unanimously approved.

Council Member Gaskins made a motion to approve the Capital Project Ordinance Amendment for Parks and Recreation Project Number B1602. The motion was seconded by Council Member Post and unanimously approved.
Mr. Czar further explained that a monument sign had been proposed for the park and if approved by Council, staff would instruct the contractor to move forward. Mayor Mann expressed approval but noted that the Reeves Family (referenced on the sign) was still deliberating content. Mr. Gaskins stated that Bob Brickhouse (who worked on the park for many years through the Kiwanis Club) recommended that the sign include a reference to both Charles and Sarah Reeves. Mr. Czar explained that the proposed content was taken from the existing sign but could be amended. Mr. Gaskins asked about the small monument sign recognizing Dick Hardy (previously located by the flagpole) and Mr. Czar agreed to investigate. Mayor Pro Tem Salmon requested confirmation that County representatives approved the sign and Mr. Czar agreed to investigate.

Resolution of the Sanford City Council in Support of Legislation Removing a Restriction on Voluntary Satellite Annexations – (Exhibit U)

Mayor Mann explained that the County Commissioners passed a similar resolution at its March 18, 2019, meeting.

Council Member Post made a motion to approve the Resolution of Sanford City Council in Support of Legislation Removing a Restriction on Voluntary Satellite Annexations. The motion was seconded by Council Member Buckels and passed unanimously.

OTHER BUSINESS

Council Member Gaskins stated that both North Carolina senators (Senator Richard Burr and Senator Thom Tillis) along with Representative David Price support designating a portion of Highway 421 as the I-685 corridor. He also stated that he would share more information soon from his recent trip to Washington, D.C.

ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Gaskins made the motion to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Salmon, the motion carried unanimously.

ALL EXHIBITS CONTAINED HEREIN ARE HEREBY INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE AND MADE A PART OF THESE MINUTES.

Respectfully Submitted,

T. CHET MANN, MAYOR

ATTEST:

BONNIE DAVIS, CITY CLERK