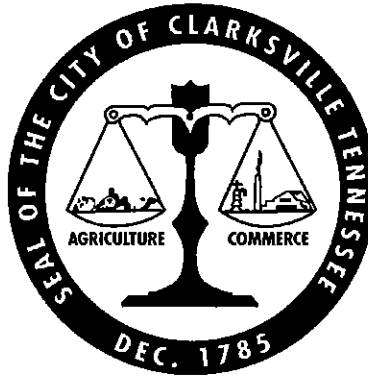




NEIGHBORHOOD AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

December 13, 2021

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Clarksville Neighborhood and Community Services Committee was called to order by Chairperson Stacey Streetman on Monday, December 13, 2021, at 5:25 p.m. in the Neighborhood and Community Services Conference Room, 1 Public Square, Suite 201, Clarksville, Tennessee.

ATTENDANCE

The following members were present at the meeting:

Chairperson Stacey Streetman; Councilpersons Karen Reynolds and Ambar Marquis; Neighborhood and Community Services staff members LaVon Bracey, Vy Cornett, Clarissa Tucker, Deborah Johnson, Dennis Newburn, and Crystal Griffith; and Internal Auditors Charlie DeHarde and Jennifer Osteen.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Chairperson Streetman stated that none of the councilpersons in attendance were present at the September 23, 2021 meeting; therefore, Dennis Newburn attested that the minutes are true to form and were prepared as presented at that meeting. Chairperson Streetman entertained a motion and second to adopt the minutes. Councilperson Reynolds made a motion to adopt the minutes of the September 23, 2021 meeting as printed. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Marquis and passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Due to the fact that there was a lack of a quorum until 5:25 pm, Mr. Newburn opted not to give a full presentation; however, the meeting and Mr. Newburn's prepared slide presentation outlining Neighborhood and Community Services Programs, Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Application Process, and Citizen Participation Plan is recorded and made available on the City's website for review by the public. Chairperson Streetman encouraged any members of the committee who have questions to make an appointment with Mr. Newburn.

PUBLIC COMMENTS *(five minutes each)*

Councilperson Ambar Marquis introduced herself and provided her Ward information along with brief professional and personal background details. The staff of Neighborhood and Community Services introduced themselves with each person giving a quick description of their assigned areas of responsibility.

Clarissa Tucker explained the history behind the department's recent name change from City of Clarksville Department of Housing and Community Development to Clarksville Neighborhood and Community Services. She also presented the new department logo and described the design along with the ideas and representations behind each element.

LaVon Bracey provided information regarding the Hispanic Community Town Hall meeting which was held earlier in December along with plans moving forward to build a communication strategy for the City of Clarksville to reach the Hispanic Community. Ms. Bracey also spoke about a new faith-based nonprofit Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO), Going Local Initiative (GLI), which is a partnership between Mosaic Church and First Presbyterian Church, whose focus and goal is to improve and increase the availability of affordable housing within the City of Clarksville.

Chairperson Streetman gave thanks to the department and the committee for the work being done for the community. Dennis Newburn extended an offer to sit down one-on-one with any committee member who has questions regarding the information presented.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Streetman entertained a motion to adjourn. A motion was made by Councilperson Reynolds to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Marquis and passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 5:39 p.m.