



**CLARKSVILLE CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL SESSION
JANUARY 5, 2021**

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

A special session of the Clarksville City Council was called to order by Mayor Joe Pitts on Tuesday, January 5, 2021, at 4:00 p.m. in City Council Chambers, 1 Public Square, Clarksville, Tennessee.

This meeting was conducted in person, via Google Meets, and live streamed on cityofclarksville.com

A prayer was offered by First Lady Cynthia Pitts; the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilperson Wanda Smith.

ATTENDANCE

IN PERSON: Richard Garrett (Ward 1), Vondell Richmond (Ward 2), DaJuan Little (Ward 3), Jaon Knight (Ward 5), Wanda Smith (Ward 6) Travis Holleman (Ward 7), Wanda Allen (Ward 8), Karen Reynolds (Ward 9), Stacey Streetman (Ward 10), Ashlee Evans (Ward 11), Trisha Butler (Ward 12)

VIA GOOGLE MEETS: Wallace Redd (Ward 4)

APPROVAL OF ELECTRONIC MEETING

"In order to comply with the technical aspects of the Governor's Executive Order regarding holding open meetings in a forum other than in the open and in public, this governing body determines that meeting electronically is necessary to protect the health, safety, and welfare of its citizens due to the COVID-19 outbreak.

Councilperson Smith made a motion to approve the electronic meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilman Holleman. The following vote was recorded:

AYE: Allen, Butler, Evans, Garrett, Holleman, Knight, Little, Pitts, Redd, Reynolds, Streetman, Richmond, Smith

The motion to approve the electronic meeting passed.

OATH OF OFFICE

Mayor Pitts administered the Oath of Office individually to the following members elected to the Office of City Council on November 3, 2020:

DaJuan Little, Ward 3
Wallace Redd, Ward 4
Jason Knight, Ward 5
Wanda Allen, Ward 8
Karen Reynolds, Ward 9
Ashlee Evans, Ward 11
Trisha Butler, Ward 12

ELECTION OF MAYOR PRO TEM

Mayor Pitts made a motion to approve Councilperson Wallace Redd to serve at the City's Mayor Pro Tem for a two-year term, 2021 and 2022. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Knight. Councilperson Allen voiced her opposition to this recommendation stating that she felt some continuing members would better serve with more experience and seniority. Councilperson Richmond made a motion to amend Mayor Pitts' motion by approving Richard Garrett to serve at the City's Mayor Pro Tem. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Reynolds. The following vote was recorded:

AYE: Allen, Butler, Evans, Holleman, Knight, Little, Reynolds, Richmond, Smith

NAY: Pitts, Redd, Streetman

ABSTAIN: Garrett

Councilperson Richmond's amendment passed. The following vote on the motion as amended was recorded:

AYE: Allen, Butler, Evans, Holleman, Knight, Little, Pitts, Redd, Reynolds, Richmond, Smith, Streetman

ABSTAIN: Garrett

The motion to approve Councilperson Richard Garrett as Mayor Pro Tem passed.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:51 p.m.

ADOPTED: February 4, 2021