

CITY OF CLEVELAND
CALLED CITY COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 16, 2021
MINUTES
PUBLIC HEARING

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The Called Council Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Cleveland was called to order by Mayor Josh Turner at 6:30 p.m.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Nan Bowen, Rebecca Yardley, and Bradley Greene. Kevin Stanley was absent.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

On motion by Rebecca Yardley, seconded by Nan Bowen, in favor – Bradley Greene, and carried unanimously, the Mayor and Council approved the agenda for the Called City Council Meeting of February 16, 2021.

PUBLIC HEARING – PUBLIC INPUT FOR THE NEED TO CREATE A CLEVELAND BUILDING AUTHORITY FOR PUBLIC FACILITY DEVELOPMENTS AND PROJECTS

Mayor Turner explained the purpose of the called meeting is to allow for public input of the city's need to create a building authority for public facility developments and projects.

Tom O'Bryant, City Administrator, further explained, as a part of the process to create the authority, Senator Steve Gooch asked the city to hold a public hearing to insure the public is aware of the city's desire to create the authority.

Mr. O'Bryant listed the powers of the authority (some lines are paraphrased from resolution):

1. To hold, own, and convey real and personal property;
2. To sue and be sued;
3. To have and to use a seal and to alter the same at pleasure;
4. To acquire, construct, purchase, own, equip, operate, extend, improve, lease, and sell any project;
5. To exercise the powers conferred upon a public corporation or a public authority;
6. To acquire in its own name by purchase on such terms and conditions and in such manner as it may deem proper;
7. To accept gifts and bequests for its corporate purposes;
8. To appoint, select, and employ officers, agents, and employees, including engineering, architectural, and construction experts, fiscal agents, and attorneys, and to fix compensation;
9. To make and execute contracts, lease agreements, rental agreements, installment sales agreements, and other instruments relating to its projects;
10. To sell or assign its rights under its contracts, lease agreements, or installment sale agreements; or its right to receive payments;
11. To accept loans and grants of money or property of any kind from the United States, privately held entities, the State of Georgia, or any political subdivision of the State of Georgia;

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12. To borrow money for corporate purposes, to execute and deliver promissory notes, and to issue revenue bonds payable solely from funds or revenues of the authority pledged for that purpose and to pledge and assign any of its revenues, income, rent, charges, and fees to provide for the payment of the same; and
13. To make such rules and regulations governing its members, agents, contractors, employees, and property as it may in its discretion deem proper.

Mayor Turner asked if there was anyone present to make comment on the proposed building authority. Dean Dyer, WRWH Radio, asked if it was the city's intent to have the proposal introduced in this legislative session. Mr. O'Bryant answered yes, the documents have been forwarded to Senator Steve Gooch to present to State Legislation.



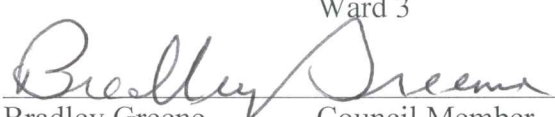


Mr. Terry Goodger, White County Commissioner, was asked for comment, and he responded he thinks it is a good idea to develop the authority.

Stephanie Hill, White County News, was also present, but had no comment. There was no one else present for the hearing.

Mayor Turner asked if the city council had comments or questions. The council did not have comments or questions.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion by Bradley Greene, seconded by Rebecca Yardley, in favor – Nan Bowen, and carried unanimously, the Mayor and Council voted to adjourn the Called City Council Meeting of February 16, 2021 at 6:37 p.m.

 _____ Josh Turner	Mayor	ABSENT	_____ Kevin Stanley	Council Member Ward 3
 _____ Nan Bowen	Council Member Ward 1	 _____ Bradley Greene	Council Member Ward 4	
 _____ Rebecca Yardley	Council Member Ward 2	ATTEST:  _____ Connie Tracas	City Clerk	

