



## CAMDEN CITY COUNCIL

### WORK SESSION MINUTES

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Tuesday, February 28, 2017

4:00 P.M.

Council Chambers-City Hall

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#### **PRESENT**

Mayor Alfred Mae Drakeford  
Mayor Pro Tem Deborah Hudson Davis  
Councilmember Jeffrey R. Graham  
Councilmember Joanna B. Craig  
Councilmember Stephen R. Smoak  
City Clerk Brenda Davis

City Manager Mel Person  
Assistant City Manager Caitlin Corbett  
Finance Director Debra Courtney  
Chronicle-Independent Martin L. Cahn  
and interested citizens

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Alfred Mae Drakeford called the Camden City Council Work Session to order at 4:00 pm.

#### **WELCOME**

Mayor Alfred Mae Drakeford welcomed Council to the February 28, 2017, Camden City Council Work Session.

#### **CAMDEN ARCHIVES AND MUSEUM EXHIBIT “Camden At War: 1941-1945” – Katherine Richardson**

Camden Archives and Museum Director Katherine Richardson presented information on the new exhibit at the Camden Archives and Museum – “Camden At War: 1941-1945”. After a brief history of the “Camden At War” exhibit, Mrs. Richardson invited Council and the public to visit the new exhibit at Camden Archives and Museum. The exhibit will be on display from February 14, 2017 through August 14, 2017.

#### **PARKS SURVEY – Liz Gilland**

Urban Forster Liz Gilland presented information to Council on the idea of a citizen-based survey that would focus on various city of Camden parks. The goals for the survey are: to measure citizen value and satisfaction, get a feel for how often the various parks are used and what type of use is most popular and to get feedback on the current condition and potential needs of parks. A test run of the survey will begin in the Edgewood neighborhood due to its tight configuration and proximity to Edgewood Park. The survey project will begin in March.

For additional information and a copy of the Parks Survey please refer to MEMO dated February 8, 2017 RE: Parks Survey.



**PROJECT UPDATES – Pearson and Staff**

City Manager Mel Pearson and staff updated council on numerous projects that are ongoing, completed and/or expected to start in 2017, throughout the city. City project updates were as follow: Wayfinding, Sweet Gum Trail, Riverdale Project, Rural Infrastructure Grant, Exit 98, Kendall Mill Village, Fair Street, Little/Walnut Street, Blackhawk Project (East Hampton Street, Union Street, and surrounding areas), Water Plant, Tennis Update, Revolutionary Run, Façade Grant and the City Arena.

For additional information and status on the above projects please refer to the “CITY PROJECTS UPDATE” document date February 28, 2017.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

No other business from Council.

**ADJOURN**

The Work Session meeting adjourned at 5:40 pm.

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Mayor Alfred Mae Drakeford

Attest:

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City Clerk Brenda Davis