



Kirby Smith, Council Member
Brian Darby, Council Member
Holly Gray-Moore, Mayor Pro-Tem

Carl E. Gierisch, Jr., Mayor

Vacant, Council Member
Angie Grimm, Council Member
David Thompson, Council Member

**MINUTES
ROANOKE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 8, 2020
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
500 S. OAK STREET
7:00 P.M.**

PRESENT: Mayor Carl E. "Scooter" Gierisch, Jr.; Mayor Pro Tem Holly Gray-Moore; Council Members: Angie Grimm, Kirby Smith, Brian Darby, and David Thompson; City Manager Scott Campbell, City Secretary April S. Hill, and City Attorney Jeff Moore.

DEPT. STAFF: Assistant City Manager Cody Petree, Police Chief Jeriahme Miller, Fire Chief Chris Addington, Director of Fiscal and Administrative Services Vicki Rodriguez, Public Works Director Shawn Wilkinson, and Parks and Recreation Director Ronnie Angel.

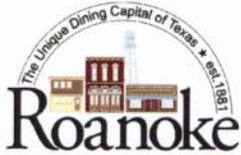
A. CALL CITY COUNCIL TO ORDER

City Council called to order at 7:00 p.m.
Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance given by Mayor Gierisch.

B. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Gierisch announced the untimely passing of City Council Member Steve Heath. Mayor Gierisch further stated the accomplishments that City Council Member Heath was involved in, during his 23 year tenure.

- 60 acres of developed park land system throughout the City to include multiple major parks, soccer complex, community pool, skate park, splash pads, volleyball courts, tennis courts, and neighborhood pocket parks
- Construction of critical water and sewer infrastructure (water/sewer lines, elevated towers, ground storage, and pump stations) to accommodate peak usage and capacities at City's build-out
- Construction of needed City facilities to include a Law Enforcement Center, Fire Station, Library and Community Center renovations, Recreation Center, Visitor's Center and Museum, and a new City Hall/Plaza.
- Adoption and implementation of a phased Master Trail Plan to provide walkability/connectivity to the entire City
- Numerous economic development efforts resulting in a strong commercial/industrial tax base to offset the property tax burden to Roanoke residents



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- 1 million square feet of retail development
- 10 million square feet of Industrial development
- 40,000 linear feet of road reconstruction or overlay throughout the City
- 200,000 square feet of restaurant space (68 dining establishments)
- 24 years with no increase to the City's tax rate, and an assessed valuation property tax base that grew over 1700% during this time.

City Council Member Steve Heath was an integral part of the City. He was an outstanding public servant who took pride in his community and cared deeply about the residents he served. He was a friend to fellow City Council members, board members, City employees, and residents of Roanoke. We will miss Steve and be forever grateful for his incredible impact on our community.

C. PUBLIC INPUT

No one wished to speak.

D. CONSENT AGENDA

All items listed below are considered routine and will be enacted with one motion. There will be no separate discussion of items unless a Councilmember or citizen so requests, in which event the item will be removed and considered separately.

1. Consider approval of the minutes from the regular City Council meeting held on August 25, 2020.

Motion made by David Thompson second by Holly Gray-Moore to approve Consent Agenda Item 1.

Motion carried unanimously.

E. NEW BUSINESS

1. Public hearing for the FY2020-2021 City of Roanoke Operating and Capital Budgets and allow citizens the opportunity to be heard for or against any items of expenditure.

Public hearing started at 7:05 p.m.

No one wished to speak.

Public hearing ended at 7:05 p.m.

2. Motion made by Holly Gray-Moore second by David Thompson to approve the first and final reading of Ordinance No. 2020-118 adopting the official Operating and



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Capital Budget for the City of Roanoke for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2020 and ending September 30, 2021.

Motion carried unanimously.

3. Motion made by Holly Gray-Moore second by David Thompson that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$0.375120, which is effectively a 4.62 percent increase in the tax rate..

Motion carried unanimously.

4. Motion made by Holly Gray-Moore second by David Thompson to ratify the property tax revenue increase reflected in the FY2020-21 Budget.

Motion carried unanimously.

5. Motion made by Angie Grimm second by David Thompson to approve Ordinance No. 2020-120 amending Appendix A – Fee Schedule, of the City of Roanoke Code of Ordinances.

Motion carried unanimously.

6. Motion made by David Thompson second by Angie Grimm to approve the First Amendment to the Performance Agreement entered into by and between the City of Roanoke, Texas, a Texas home-rule municipality, and Chavez Brothers, Inc., a Texas corporation.

Motion carried unanimously.

7. Discussion and presentation from City staff regarding the Stimulus Program Phase II.

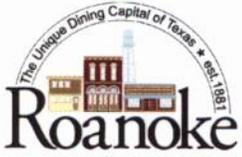
City Manager Scott Campbell gave an overview regarding the Stimulus Program Phase II. Mr. Campbell further stated that Assistant City Manager Cody Petree and Special Events Administrator Mary Jo Tellin have worked hard to find a way to help local businesses.

Mayor Pro Tem Holly Gray-Moore stated that she loves this program, it's out of the box thinking and creative. Mayor Pro Tem Gray-Moore further stated that after reaching out to the restaurants, they expressed their gratitude to the City for this program and the City Staff that helped walk them through the process.

F. ADJOURNMENT

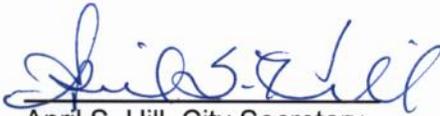
Motion made by Holly Gray-Moore second by Brian Darby to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 p.m.

Motion carried unanimously.



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April S. Hill, City Secretary



Carl E. "Scooter" Gierisch, Jr., Mayor

