ACTION AGENDA
March 11, 2025

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Present: Mayor Esther E. Manheimer, Presiding; Vice-Mayor S. Antanette Mosley; Councilman Bo Hess; Councilwoman Kim Roney; Councilwoman Sheneika Smith; Councilwoman Sage Turner; Councilwoman Maggie Ullman; City Manager Debra Campbell; City Attorney Brad Branham; and City Clerk Magdalen Burleson

ITEM AND SUMMARY	**ACTION**
Resolution ratifying an emergency contract with Campbell Inc. for the Mills River Water Treatment Plant emergency response for Tropical Storm Helene.	Adopted Unanimously
Resolution authorizing the reallocation of undedicated public art funds to enter into an agreement with ArtsAVL to support Helene recovery in the form of the arts business relief grants and activation of Asheville's Art Districts; and authorizing the City Manager to execute all documents necessary, including contracts and grant agreements, to give effect to this resolution.	Adopted Unanimously
Budget amendment in the General Capital Projects Fund in the amount of $80,000,000 to budget capital improvements approved as part of the November 2024 General Obligation Bond Referendum and funded with future debt proceeds.	Adopted Unanimously
Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a contract with Cherry Bekaert, LLP for auditing City accounts for fiscal year ending June 30, 2025.	Adopted Unanimously
Resolutions to permit the possession and consumption of malt beverages and/or unfortified wine at the following events: 1. Chai Pani Holi Celebration on March 14, 2025 2. Downtown After 5 events on April 18, June 20, and August 15, 2025 3. Community Concert on May 29, 2025 4. Asheville Veganfest on June 22, 2025	Adopted Unanimously
Resolution authorizing the City Manager to approve Central Nebraska Packing Inc. as the City's sole source vendor for commercially prepared carnivore diets for the WNC Nature Center's carnivores.	Adopted Unanimously
Resolutions authorizing the City Manager to amend the existing contracts with Ken Wilson Ford for Ford OE Repairs and Freightliner of Arizona d/b/a Velocity Truck Center for heavy truck repair and service to supplement Fleet Maintenance capacity.	Adopted Unanimously
Resolutions authorizing the City Manager to execute not-to-exceed on call contracts for	

an initial one year term and option for two 1-year renewals with All Pro Fire and Safety, Atlantic Emergency Solutions, Weisiger Group d/b/a Carolina Caterpillar, and Allsource Enterprises dba Safe Industries for Fire Apparatus Repair and Service for the City's Fleet.Adopted Unanimously

Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a service contract with Wilde Acre Landscapes for mowing maintenance of city parks. Adopted Unanimously

Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a service contract with Rivertop Contracting, NC for mowing and maintenance of Riverside Cemetery. Adopted Unanimously

Resolution of support for the N.C. Dept. of Transportation to abandon a segment of Campus Drive as requested by the University of North Carolina at Asheville. Adopted Unanimously

Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract with Jarrett Walker & Associates, LLC to conduct a Comprehensive Operational Analysis of the City's Asheville Rides Transit system. Adopted Unanimously

Resolution of intent to permanently close a portion of an unopened right-of-way connected to Morningside Drive between Coventry Circle and Brevard Road, and to set a public hearing for April 8, 2025. Adopted Unanimously

Resolution authorizing the City Manager to accept, expend, and disburse Federal Transit Administration Grants apportioned to the Asheville Urbanized Area for Fiscal Year (FY) 2019, FY 2020, and FY 2023 from the Section 5307 Urban Transit Funding, Section 5307 Job Access Reverse Commute, and Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Programs; and to execute all necessary agreements between the City of Asheville and applicable transit subrecipients for the disbursement of approved funds. Adopted Unanimously

Budget amendment, in the amount of $3,121,186 for previously unbudgeted pass-through funding from the Federal Transit Administration grants. Adopted Unanimously

Budget amendment, in the amount of $61,500, for the Dept. of Energy Renewables Advancing Community Energy Resilience subaward grant. Adopted Unanimously

Request of the Housing Authority for City Council to adopt a resolution affirming approval of a multifamily housing facility to be known as Laurel Wood Apartments in the City of Asheville, N.C., and the financing thereof with Multifamily Housing Revenue Bonds in an amount not to exceed $12,775,000, with no City financial obligation associated with the bonds or any debt taken on by the developer. Adopted Unanimously

Resolution of the Housing Authority of the City of Asheville to adopt a resolution approving the issuance of up to $1,000,000 Multifamily Housing Revenue Bonds to provide financing for Battery Park Apartments to satisfy Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code, with no City financial obligation associated with the bonds or any debt taken on by the developer. Adopted Unanimously

Motion appointing Councilwoman Sage Turner (replacing Mayor Esther Manheimer) as one of the two members to the French Broad River Metropolitan Planning Organization. Adopted Unanimously

Monthly municipal property tax refunds or releases per N.C. Gen. Stat. sec. 105-381. Adopted Unanimously

Manager's Report - Asheville Recovers Website - ashevillerecovers.org Heard Report

Public hearing previously held - Vote to consider an amendment to the Unified Development Ordinance to revise the cottage development standards. *

Public hearing previously held - Vote to consider an amendment to the Unified Development Ordinance to revise the flag lot standards.	**
Public hearing to consider amendments to Chapter 7 of the Code of Ordinances (Unified Development Ordinance {UDO}) to increase the threshold for Level III site plan review, adjusting corresponding review thresholds and providing incentives for the inclusion of affordable housing along transit supportive corridors and within mixed-use districts.	Motion to Approve Carried on 4-3 vote w/Mosley, Roney & Smith voting “no”
Public hearing to consider amendments to Chapter 7 of the Code of Ordinances (Unified Development Ordinance {UDO}) to eliminate the requirement to provide a minimum number of parking spaces for residential development projects along transit supportive corridors and within mixed-used zoning districts.	Adopted Unanimously
Public hearing to consider amendments to Chapter 7 of the Code of Ordinances (Unified Development Ordinance {UDO}) to update the UDO’s definitions, and certain commercial zoning districts to remove regulatory barriers and encourage the development of housing along transit supportive corridors.	Motion to Approve Carried on 4-3 vote w/Mosley, Roney & Smith voting “no”

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- Motion to deny failed on 3-4 vote, w/Hess, Manheimer, Turner & Ullman voting no
- Motion to approve the amended zoning text amendment regarding cottage development standards carried on 4-3 vote, w/Mosley, Roney & Smith voting no

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- Motion to deny failed on 3-4 vote, w/Hess, Manheimer, Turner & Ullman voting no
- Motion to approve the amended zoning text amendment regarding flag lot standards carried on 4-3 vote, w/Mosley, Roney & Smith voting no