

CITY OF EDEN, N.C.

The regular meeting of the City Council, City of Eden, was held on Tuesday, May 17, 2022 at 6 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 308 E. Stadium Drive. Those present for the meeting were as follows:

Mayor:	Neville Hall
Council Members:	Gerald Ellis, absent Jerry Epps Phillip Hunnicutt Kenny Kirkman Bernie Moore Bruce Nooe Tommy Underwood
City Manager:	Jon Mendenhall
City Attorney:	Erin Gilley
City Clerk:	Deanna Hunt
Media:	Robin Sawyers, Rockingham Update

MEETING CONVENED:

Mayor Hall called the regular meeting of the Eden City Council to order and welcomed those in attendance. He wished Mike Moore of Mike Moore Media well as he was unable to attend due to a medical condition. Council Member Jerry Epps gave an invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Fire Chief Todd Harden.

PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS:

- a. Presentation: Elree's Sweet Shoppe – 50 years in business.

Mayor Hall called on owners Gina Carter and Michael Kingston to come forward and presented them with a plaque.

Ms. Carter said the business was started in Draper by her mother, who was now 93 years old. She invited everyone to come by and get an oatmeal cookie, which the bakery was known for.

- b. Presentation: Youth Council Kickball Tournament winners - Leaksville-Spray Elementary School.

Mayor Hall called on City Attorney and Eden Youth Council (EYC) Advisor Erin Gilley. He said he attended the tournament and it was an incredible event. The adults had almost as much fun as the youth did. He thanked Ms. Gilley and the EYC for organizing it.

Ms. Gilley said the tournament was a special event and she wanted to tell a little about it before she recognized the kids who were there. She asked the EYC members in attendance to come forward and stand as she gave her presentation. Ms. Gilley said she had the pleasure of bringing attention to the EYC. The young people worked in the school year to serve their community with numerous service projects. One in particular that she wanted to highlight was the kickball tournament that was put on by the EYC for Eden's elementary school students. Before the tournament, the EYC high school kids went to each elementary school and recruited third-through fifth-grade students during assemblies. They entertained them like only high school kids could. (A video of a portion of the Douglass Elementary School assembly was played.) Ms. Gilley said she wanted to show that video because it was really special the way they connected with the kids. EYC member Jadan Martin was featured in the video, and he was just talented enough when he was given a microphone, he could take the show on the road. Douglass, Central and Leaksville-Spray elementary schools welcomed the EYC in and collected the registration forms from their students. Each school had one team except for Leaksville-Spray who had enough students for two teams. The high school kids served as the coaches for the teams and Eden's finest, our police officers, served as the referees and beloved ones at that. (Photos from the tournament were shown.) Both the high school kids and the police officers were fantastic role models for the students. Terry

Vernon, Kathy Overby and Jeff Moore, from Eden Parks & Recreation, were really institutions in Eden. They were well known, respected and had been there for every kid and even most of the adults who went through the department. She thanked the staff, kids and the police department for helping to make it a special day. The tournament started at 9:30 a.m. and ended about 2:30 p.m. There was a total of four games played among the elementary kids. The winning team, Leaksville-Spray 1, came out as the champions. They defeated Douglass in the first round and then went on to defeat Central in the winner's bracket. The final and fifth game played was the winning Leaksville-Spray team against Eden Police. She thanked and recognized the police officers who gave up their entire Saturday to spend it with the kids: Lance Hash, Josh Roberts, Eric Gann, Jay Parker, Clint Simpson, Paul Moore and Ben Curtis. She recognized the winning team players and asked those in attendance to come forward and receive their trophy to take back to school: Donald Noble Jr., Kaylie Trinidad, Tanner Moore, Serenity Jenkins, Makai Jackson, Braydon Younger, LeAndre Hairston, Caleb Jones, Jackson Grogan, Cristian Lopez, Isaac Gilley, Carter Hampton, Christian Coe, Kimberly Robles Navarro, LJ Chance Jr., and Tyler Brown. The team was coached by Jordan Woodall, Mason Curtis, Paige Tuggle and Giles Hall.

Mayor Hall said at his welcome remarks at the tournament, he reminded everyone that the umpires were police officers and not professional umpires and they should give them a break. He only saw one incident of bad sportsmanship and it was two umpires arguing with each other.

Ms. Gilley said the overwhelming strategy for the students against the police was "keep it on the ground" because it was not easy for the officers to bend over to get the ball.

c. Presentation: Youth Council Draper Pool painting.

Ms. Gilley and Eden Youth Council Secretary Hollie Jachimiak wrote in a memo: Each year the Eden Youth Council chooses several projects to accomplish. They come to the group with several important issues that they would like to address. One of the issues that always comes up is beautification of our City. This year, they have picked an area that is important to them, the Draper Pool. The project for this year is to paint a scene or mural on a small building at Draper Pool. This has been coordinated with the Parks and Recreation Staff and will follow an extensive pool renovation. The building is referred to as "the pool house" and according to our Youth Council, many of whom work there in the summer, is in need of some "pizazz." We have included in your packets a rendering of the design that will be painted. We have consulted with the muralist who will be doing the murals at Morehead High School and she has advised us how to project the design on the wall digitally and then they can trace it and paint it. The Youth Council will trace and paint this after all renovation work has been completed. We wanted to give you this information to let you know what we doing and to ask your approval for them to do this work. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns about this.

Mayor Hall called on Ms. Gilley.

Ms. Gilley advised the pool painting was another EYC project and she called on the EYC Secretary Hollie Jachimiak, who was in charge of the project.

Ms. Jachimiak said each year the EYC discussed projects they wanted to complete to help in any way they could. One thing they decided to do that year was focus on the beautification of Eden and they chose Mill Avenue Pool. Many of the EYC worked at the pool as lifeguards during the summer so it was a place that was special to lots of the members. The pool attracted many families, adults, children and teenagers from Rockingham County and Virginia. There was a lot of traffic in and out all day. The EYC would like to paint an "Under the Sea" mural on the wall facing the pool. (A rendering of the mural created by Ms. Jachimiak was shown.) The muralist who was working at Morehead High School had been consulted and she advised the EYC to use a projector to allow the painters to trace and then paint the mural on the wall. The EYC wanted to give that information so Council would know what they were doing and consider approval of the work. She would be happy to answer any questions or concerns.

Council Member Moore asked where the mural would be located on the building.

Ms. Jachimiak said it would be on the outside of the pool house facing the pool.

d. Proclamation: Older Americans Month.

Mayor Hall called Asheley Cooper, Community Outreach and Development Director of Aging & Disability Transit Services, to come forward as he read the proclamation.

Ms. Cooper wanted to point out the Older Americans Month whose theme was “Age My Way.” She said the SilverArts work (located in the back of the chambers) was just one component of Senior Games and she loved that they were being recognized. Often as people were older adults they were labeled as frail or in need of. Obviously, the artists were not frail or in need of. She thanked them for all the beautiful work they brought and took the time to do.

Mayor Hall said Ms. Cooper said exactly what he was about to say. He asked the SilverArts artists who were in the audience to stand and be recognized.

PROCLAMATION: OLDER AMERICANS MONTH

WHEREAS, Eden includes a growing number of older Americans who contribute their strength, wisdom, and experience to our community; and

WHEREAS, communities benefit when people of all ages, abilities, and backgrounds are welcomed, included, and supported; and

WHEREAS, the City of Eden recognizes our need to create a community that provides the services and supports older Americans need to thrive and live independently for as long as possible; and

WHEREAS, the City of Eden can work to build an even better community for our older residents by:

- Planning programs that encourage independence.
- Ensuring activities are responsive to individual needs and preferences.
- Increasing access to services that support aging in place.

NOW, THEREFORE be it proclaimed, that the Eden City Council hereby declares the month of May 2022 to be Older Americans Month and urge every resident to recognize the contributions of our older citizens, help to create an inclusive society, and join efforts to support older Americans’ choices about how they age in their communities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Seal of the City of Eden, North Carolina on this, the 17th day of May 2022.

By: Neville Hall, Mayor

Attest: Deanna Hunt, City Clerk

SET MEETING AGENDA:

Mayor Hall noted Council Member Ellis was the head coach for Morehead’s girls’ softball team, who were currently headed into their third round of playoffs. The City was proud of them and wished them well.

A motion was made by Council Member Epps made a motion to set the meeting agenda. Council Member Moore seconded the motion. All members voted in favor. The motion carried, 6-0.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

a. Consideration to adopt the FY 2022-23 Budget Ordinance.

Mayor Hall declared the public hearing open and called on City Manager Jon Mendenhall.

Mr. Mendenhall said the tax rate was unchanged and marked the 14th year without a tax increase since 2008. The tax rate was 0.6090 on \$100 valuation. There was a \$1 fee increase in Solid Waste passing on Rockingham

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County’s proposed fee increase, raising it from \$19.75 to \$20.75. There was a 50-cent increase rate escalator on all water and sewer fees proposed in the budget in order to maintain the provision of clean drinking water and the proper treatment of wastewater due to rising costs associated with inflation and to prepare to pay substantial debt service associated with the EPA Administrative Order of Consent. That left the budget of the General Fund at \$17,630,200, Water & Sewer Fund at \$11,848,900, and Self Insurance Fund at \$3,739,700.

Mayor Hall said the budget message had been presented the prior month. There had been a budget workshop. It had been a long process.

As there were no comments or questions, Mayor Hall declared the public hearing closed.

A motion was made by Council Member Epps to adopt the FY 2022-23 Budget Ordinance. Council Member Moore seconded the motion. All members voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried 6-0.

Mayor Hall thanked Mr. Mendenhall and all the departments for their work on the budget.

**CITY OF EDEN, NORTH CAROLINA
2022-2023 BUDGET ORDINANCE**

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Eden, North Carolina in regular session assembled:

Section 1: The following amounts are hereby appropriated for the operation of the City of Eden government and its activities for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022, and ending June 30, 2023, according to the following summary and schedule.

Summary (Funds)	Estimated Revenues	Total Budget Appropriation
General	\$17,630,200	\$17,630,200
Self Insured Insurance	\$3,739,700	\$3,739,700
Water and Sewer	\$11,848,900	\$11,848,900
Runabout Travel	\$20,000	\$20,000
Municipal Service Tax District	\$11,800	\$11,800
(Less inter-fund transfers)	\$2,738,100	\$2,738,100
(Less Appropriated Fund Balances)	\$1,811,400	\$1,811,400
(Less Pass Thru Funds - Ex. Runabout Travel)	\$698,700	\$698,700
TOTAL	\$28,002,400	\$28,002,400

Section 2: That for said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the General Fund the following:

Code	Department	Appropriation
10-4110	City Council	\$38,700
10-4120	Administrative & Legal Services	\$438,200
10-4130	Finance/Human Resources	\$316,400
10-4135	Marketing & Customer Service	\$364,300
10-4145	Information Technology	\$471,800
10-4190	Facilities & Grounds	\$384,100
10-4310	Police	\$5,693,800
10-4340	Fire	\$2,368,600
10-4350	Engineering	\$40,800
10-4510	Streets	\$1,482,700
10-4515	Powell Bill	\$340,000
10-4710	Solid Waste	\$1,834,600
10-4910	Planning & Community Development	\$652,300
10-6120	Recreation	\$810,100
10-6920	Fleet Maintenance	\$757,900
10-9100	Special Appropriations	\$735,900
10-9990	Contingency	\$500,000
TOTAL		\$17,630,200

Section 3: It is estimated that the following General Fund Revenues will be available during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022, to meet the foregoing General Appropriations:

Code	Revenue Source	Appropriation
3189-11092	Ad Valorem: Prior Years - Rock Co.	\$148,600
3189-18000	Interest on Delinquent	\$21,000
3190-11000	Ad Valorem: Current Year	\$5,649,000
3190-12093	DMV-Vehicle Tax - Current Year	\$685,000
3190-12095	DMV-Vehicle Tax - Prior Year	\$400
3190-12094	Short Term Rental Vehicle Tax	\$3,300
3190-12095	Municipal Vehicle Tax	\$198,000
3190-15000	Dog License	\$900
3190-18000	Interest on Current Taxes	\$14,800
3190-18100	Interest on Current Taxes - DMV	\$5,800
3190-19097	Payment in Lieu of Annexation	\$265,500
3190-19098	DMV Collection Fees	(\$29,100)
3190-19100	Occupancy Tax	\$78,400
Tax Revenue Total		\$7,041,600

Code	Revenue Source	Appropriation
3270-11000	Privilege License	\$700
3270-12000	Franchise Fees/State	\$102,500
3343-41000	Building Permits	\$41,000
3343-41100	Plumbing Permits	\$8,700
3343-41300	Mechanical Permits	\$17,700
3343-41400	Sign Permits	\$400
3343-41500	Electrical Permits	\$27,500
3434-48000	Fire Department Permits	\$1,600
3491-41100	Planning Zoning Permits	\$1,100
Licenses & Permits Total		\$201,000

Code	Revenue Source	Appropriation
3350-00200	Donations & Fees - Pottery Festival	\$4,800
3350-02100	Riverfest	\$50,000
3350-02200	Oink & Ale Festival	\$12,500
3350-02300	Shaggin' on Fieldcrest	\$13,000
3350-02400	Touch-A-Truck	\$3,000
3350-02500	Grown & Gathered	\$12,000
3350-02700	Winterfest	\$3,000
3412-43000	Vending Machine Proceeds	\$10,000
3434-49000	Fire on Behalf Payments	\$14,100
3434-50000	Fire Dept Rental - Draper Rural	\$200
3612-48000	Freedom Park Concessions	\$11,100
3612-48100	Bridge Street Center Concessions	\$600
3612-48200	East Eden Center Concessions	\$500
3612-48300	East Eden Pool Concessions	\$7,000
3612-48500	Splash Pad Concessions	\$11,000
3612-48600	Splash Pad Admissions	\$25,000
3612-86000	Pool Admissions	\$22,000
3612-86100	Building Use	\$25,000
3612-86200	Field Use & Lights	\$1,000
3831-49000	Interest: Checking	\$45,900
3831-49500	Interest: NC Cash Mgt. Trust	\$100
3831-49700	Interest: Powell Bill Funds	\$100
3831-49900	Eden PD Forfeiture Interest	\$300
3839-89000	Miscellaneous Revenue	\$5,000
3984-90000	Transfer from ARPA Fund	\$769,000
3991-99300	Fund Balance Appropriated	\$1,000,000
Use of Money & Property Total		\$2,046,200

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Code	Revenue Source	Appropriation
3231-31000	Local Option Sales Taxes	\$1,354,000
3232-31000	¼ Cent Sales Taxes	\$970,600
3233-31000	½ Cent Sales Taxes	\$642,000
3234-31000	¾ Cent Sales Taxes	\$266,400
3234-31001	State Hold Harmless Payment	\$1,053,600
3234-31002	Solid Waste Disposal Tax Distribution	\$11,700
3270-31000	Pop Channel Grant	\$26,000
3320-31000	Wine & Beer Taxes	\$62,600
3324-31000	Utilities Franchise Taxes	\$870,400
3325-33000	Powell Bill: State Street Aid	\$440,000
3335-32000	County Grants: Fire Department	\$2,400
3336-33000	Police School Resource Officers	\$173,600
3431-73000	Project Safe Rockingham County	\$20,500
3434-52000	Draper Rural Fire Tax	\$4,100
3612-48400	Recreation Grant-Sr. Center	\$4,400
3837-89000	ABC Revenues	\$205,900
3837-89100	ABC Revenues: Law Enforcement	\$9,200
Other Agencies Revenues Total		\$6,117,400
Code	Revenue Source	Appropriation
3350-01000	Historic Preservation Book Sales	\$500
3412-41000	Other Administrative Revenues	\$2,000
3431-41000	Police Revenue: Dog Fines	\$2,700
3431-41100	Police Security Charges	\$40,000
3431-41200	Police Security Fringe Benefit Charges	\$9,600
3431-41300	Court Costs	\$5,000
3431-41400	Parking Violations	\$400
3431-41500	Police Fingerprinting Supplies	\$500
3431-41600	Police Department: Sale of Materials	\$100
3431-41700	Police Revenue	\$6,500
3431-84000	Police Department Restitution	\$7,800
3434-41000	Outside Fire Protection Charges	\$6,300
3451-41100	Street Dept. Revenue: Driveways	\$4,400
3451-81000	Street Mowing	\$9,200
3491-40000	Planning Dept. Nuisance Fees	\$54,000
3491-41000	Planning Department Applications	\$700
3491-41600	Planning: Code Compliance Ins.	\$200
3491-81000	Planning Department Sale of Materials	\$200
3612-41000	County User's Fees	\$500
3612-41100	League Entrance Fees	\$1,400
3612-41200	Recreation Dept. Revenue: Lesson	\$400
3612-41300	Discs Youth Tournament	\$10,000
3612-86400	Recreation Dept. Miscellaneous	\$16,000
3612-87000	Fuel Purchases - County Agencies	\$5,800
Charges for Current Services		\$184,200
Code	Revenue Source	Appropriation
3471-41100	Residential Fees - Solid Waste	\$1,500,900
3471-41101	Commercial Fees - Solid Waste	\$530,700
3471-81000	Sale of Materials/Scrap	\$2,500
3471-81100	Recycling Income - Solid Waste	\$1,000
3471-81200	Sale of Compost/Mulch-Solid Waste	\$1,200
3471-81400	Demolition - Abatement	\$3,500
Total Solid Waste Revenue		\$2,039,800
General Fund Revenue Total		\$17,630,200

Section 4: That for said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Self-Insured Insurance Fund the following:

Code	Department	Appropriation
4145-18300	Group Insurance Fixed Cost	\$1,040,000
4145-29900	Group Insurance Additional Charges	\$68,300
4145-30000	Claims	\$2,631,400
Self Insured Insurance Fund Total		\$3,739,700

Section 5: It is estimated that the following Self-Insured Insurance Fund Revenues will be available during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023, to meet the foregoing Self-Insured Insurance Fund Appropriations:

Code	Revenue Source	Appropriation
3351-01000	Charges to Other Funds/GF	\$2,370,800
3351-03000	Charges to Other Funds/W/S	\$686,400
3831-49000	Interest - Checking	\$1,300
3839-83000	Refunds	\$269,800
3839-99100	Fund Balance Appropriated	\$411,400
Self Insured Insurance Fund Total		\$3,739,700

Sections 4 and 5 of this Budget Ordinance hereby authorize City payment of individual premiums in excess of that set forth in City Code § 10-6.3 for said fiscal year only. This authorization in no way creates any benefit or right in property whatsoever of any individual employee or retiree to City payment of premiums for any future year above that prescribed in City Code § 10-6.3.

Section 6: That for said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Water & Sewer Fund the following:

Code	Department	Appropriation
7110	Water Resources	\$770,300
7115	Billing & Collections	\$400,700
7120	Water Filtration	\$1,700,400
7125	Collection & Distribution	\$2,535,200
7130	Water Reclamation	\$1,496,700
8120	Water Construction	\$220,000
8130	Sewer Construction	\$157,000
9920	Special Appropriations	\$4,068,600
9990	Contingency	\$500,000
Water & Sewer Fund Total		\$11,848,900

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Section 7: It is estimated that the following Water & Sewer Fund Revenues will be available during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023 to meet the foregoing Water & Sewer Fund Appropriations:

Code	Revenue Source	Appropriation
3362-51200	Sale of Water	\$4,883,400
3362-53000	Leak Adjustments/Water	(\$38,600)
3363-51300	Sewer Service Charges	\$5,294,700
3363-53000	Leak Adjustments/Sewer	(\$54,700)
3363-53900	One-Time Pool Adj.	(\$2,200)
3711-58000	Miscellaneous Returned Checks	\$2,000
3713-53000	Pre-Treatment Charges	\$46,400
3714-42000	Water Service Application Fees	\$20,000
3714-51000	W/S Meter Tampering Fees	\$100
3714-52000	Reconnection Charges	\$257,600
3714-52200	Water Taps	\$10,000
3714-52300	Sewer Taps	\$4,000
3831-49000	Interest: Checking	\$11,100
3834-86000	Rent of Equipment	\$51,200
3835-81000	Sale of Materials	\$700
3839-89000	Miscellaneous Revenues	\$1,500
3984-90000	Transfer from ARPA Fund	\$961,700
3991-99100	Fund Balance Appropriated	\$400,000
Water & Sewer Fund Total		\$11,848,900

Section 8: That for said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Runabout Travel Fund the following:

Code	Department	Appropriation
9100-31200	Runabout Travel Expense	\$20,000
Runabout Travel Fund Total		\$20,000

Section 9: It is estimated that the following Runabout Travel Fund Revenues will be available during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023 to meet the foregoing appropriations:

Code	Revenue Source	Appropriation
3612-84000	Runabout Travel Fees	\$20,000
Runabout Travel Fund Total		\$20,000

Section 10: That for said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Municipal Services Tax District Fund the following:

Code	Department	Appropriation
4135-29900	MSD Tax - Leaksville	\$8,600
4135-29901	MSD Tax - Draper	\$2,000
4135-29902	MSD Tax - Boulevard	\$1,200
Municipal Service Tax District Fund Total		\$11,800

Section 11: It is estimated that the following Municipal Services Tax District Fund Revenues will be available during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023 to meet the foregoing appropriations:

Code	Revenue Source	Appropriation
3190-19100	MSD Tax - Boulevard	\$1,200
3190-19200	MSD Tax - Leaksville	\$8,600
3190-19300	MSD Tax - Draper	\$2,000
Municipal Service Tax District Fund Total		\$11,800

Section 12: There is hereby levied for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023 the following rate of taxes on each one hundred dollars (\$100) assessed valuation of taxable property as listed as of January 2022 for the purpose of revenue, and in order to finance foregoing appropriations:

A General Fund (for the general expense incident to the proper government of City of Eden, North Carolina) tax rate of \$0.609 per hundred dollars (\$100) of assessed valuation. Such rates are based on an estimated total appraised value of property for the purpose of taxation of approximately \$939,223,481 with an assessment ratio of 100% of appraised value. Estimated collection rate of 98.76%.

A Municipal Service District tax rate of \$0.100 per hundred dollars (\$100) of assessed valuation for the Leaksville, Draper, and Boulevard municipal service tax districts.

Section 13: The Tax and Service Rates section of the FY 2022-2023 budget sets forth the applicable fees for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023.

Section 14: The Personnel section of the FY 2022-2023 budget sets forth the grade and positions classification plan for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023.

Section 15: Copies of this Budget Ordinance shall be furnished to the Director of Finance & Personnel and City Manager of the City of Eden, to be kept on file by them for their direction in the collection of revenues and expenditures of amounts appropriated.

Section 16: The City Manager, by authority of this ordinance, may transfer/reallocate between & within departments; up to a maximum of ten percent (10%) of the moneys appropriated within any of the above stated funds, including any transfer/reallocations between funds.

Adopted this the 17th day of May, 2022.

By: Neville Hall, Mayor
Attest: Deanna Hunt, City Clerk

A copy of the FY 22-23 Budget is available to view in the City Clerk’s Office and online at www.edennc.us.

b. Consideration to adopt the Eden Comprehensive Plan.

Planning & Community Development Director Kelly Stultz wrote in a memo: At the February 16, 2021, you authorized the process of developing a Comprehensive Plan as required by North Carolina General Statutes. Stewart, Inc. was chosen as the consultant firm to assist with this process and meetings began in April 2021. After public meetings, Steering Committee meetings and community surveys, a draft has been completed and sent to you for consideration. I am asking that the City Council hold a public hearing prior to approving and adopting the Eden Comprehensive Plan.

Mayor Hall called on Ms. Stultz.

Ms. Stultz said the City had spent a lot of time in the last couple of years on land use issues. One of the things North Carolina required was that every community have an up-to-date comprehensive plan. The City was required to have that plan by July 1. A comprehensive plan was a plan that was for the whole city. It contained recommendations about everything in public life that happened within the community. She was asking that Council approve the plan as a whole, not approve any changes or expenditures that had to do with any individual projects. The Uptown Eden (Leaksville) Small Area Plan was a part of the comprehensive plan, but only a small part. There were plans to have a large public meeting about things within that area to give everyone a chance who had a stake in that area to talk like they have done before. Once that meeting was done, staff would bring that information back to Council. Before any recommendations for changes such as one-way, bump outs or anything else that was happening, or could happen, as a result of the small area plan. Any

improvements of that type would have to come before Council before they could be approved. She introduced Allison Evans, a senior planner with Stewart Inc., the consulting firm who created the plan.

Ms. Evans said she had been working on the project since its inception the prior year and had gotten to know Eden well. She was excited to bring it to Council. She would be reviewing the process Stewart went through, how they engaged the public, highlights of the plan and then would discuss it with Council. She explained a comprehensive plan was a long-range plan, 10 to 20 years in the future. There could be updates to the plan along the way as things changed if a company came in. The City would need to stay up to date on current issues. It offered guidance. It was not a regulatory document, but a policy one. It was meant to back up the decision making from council meetings, staff meetings, for programming and budgeting. It was a collaborative process. It documented community conversations. It brought everyone in Eden together and the plan was how they wanted Eden to grow for the next 10 to 20 years. Throughout the process, they had made sure to connect on every level. There had been six steering committee focus group interviews to kick off the project. There had been six stakeholder interviews. Community members had shared a few of their evenings to guide the plan along the way. There had been three public meetings, visioning and draft plan meetings. There had been 378 community survey responses. A project page had been on the City's website throughout the process. Based on that engagement, the vision they had come up with was that the City of Eden was a one-of-a-kind community where the Smith and Dan rivers met, that built on its people and history to create a place where its residents and businesses could thrive. The following six goals were envisioned: economic diversity, successful downtowns, culture and recreation, civic pride, services and amenities, and great neighborhoods. Their recommendations touched on a mix of those and they were woven throughout the rest of the plan. The future land use map would influence things like rezoning decisions if those were made. In the survey, they asked what types of development people would like to see more of in Eden where appropriate. Small-scale commercial development came out on top. People really loved the small businesses, like the sweet shop, that gave Eden its identity and character. In addition to that, people wanted to see preservation and reuse of the gorgeous historic buildings, as well as large-scale commercial and industrial development, things that brought jobs. Based on that information, a future land use map had been created that she hoped would be adopted at the meeting. The map created areas for future employers, encouraged infill development and identified areas for new residential growth. The City was seeing a lot of interest in people coming to live here and they had to have somewhere to live. The map would help the City be more strategic about the character of new residential developments that came in. Recommendations had been developed, which were guiding policies to help the City reach its goals. In the land use and housing section, first they encouraged infill development and adaptive reuse which could lead to different housing types. One of the things they had learned in the process was people wanted housing that was more affordable and attainable. Improving the commercial corridors was addressed. Enforcement and community improvement projects were addressed. The Uptown Leaksville plan was a huge step for the downtown areas. They were also just kicking off the Draper small area plan. If there was anyone in the room who felt invested in the Draper community, that would be something going on during the summer. It would be a similar process. As far as parks and amenities, the tourism division was doing a fabulous job of leveraging what Eden had to attract people to Eden. The question was how to get the community out there as well. When asked what their top priorities were for parks and amenities, places to spend time near the rivers came out very strongly on top. Not everyone was a boater but they wanted to engage and connect with the actual resources. People also wanted to enhance Freedom Park, support the existing youth recreation leagues and enhance their neighborhood parks. Parks and natural resources recommendations were provided. She cited a riverfront park in Colorado and there was one similar in Charlotte that the City could look to for ideas after a lot of study. People wanted greenway connections so they could get people to focus sites inside Eden and also outside. Greenways were a great quality of life draw and tactic that people like employers looked for when they were looking to relocate. Regarding economic development, which was quality of life, they recommended reserving and marketing prime sites for major employers and supporting the existing and future small businesses downtown. She noted the merchants were well organized and the City should look at how they could create better communication and support them even more. Regarding transportation and mobility, a big thing was always getting people from place to place. They would want to make the downtowns more accessible and safer for pedestrians and cars including partnering with NCDOT and Rockingham County to make

roadway improvements and expand transit strategically. Infrastructure and public services were things people did not want to think about. They turned the faucet on and the water came on. The City should continue to be proactive about water and sewer infrastructure needs and anticipate the big things that popped up in addition to the yearly maintenance. They recommending continuing to show a commitment to clean water and resiliency and to maintain a safe community for all by supporting the police and fire departments. Services that kept Eden running and kept it safe would be addressed in that section. Finally, the Uptown small area plan was a portion of the document that sought to engage with that section of town and leverage all the improvements the City was doing. The idea was to all grow in a direction that served everyone. They should continue planned improvements already being done, find a way to expand parking and find a land use pattern that supported a mix of uses. Monroe Street recommendations were included in the plan. There was some low-hanging fruit and improvements that could be made. There was a conceptual idea of what it could look like should the City chose to do any further improvements in the future. Additional study was needed to address some of the concerns that had been brought up during the process. They did not want to be too rash pushing anything through.

Council Member Nooe said his questions would be toward Ms. Stultz and the fire chief regarding angled parking on both sides and the one-way drive. He would like the design requirements to do that. He wanted to know the drive aisle width for the fire truck access. The way he read it was fairly significant width and that information needed to be available so people who were looking at that would know what was required and if it could or could not be done.

Ms. Gilley read the policy regarding public comments at Mayor Hall's request.

Rhonda Price (603 Monroe Street) said she and her husband David owned David Price Auto Works and Dave's Towing on the corners of Monroe and Jay streets. She was not going to pick apart what Council already knew she was positively in favor of. She thought tonight was all about accepting the plan as a whole ... all the ideas they had put out, all the ideas they had as a vision for not only Uptown Eden, but Eden itself. Way back when it all started, many property owners, merchants and private citizens were personally invited to attend the stakeholder meetings to give the City the ideas they had in mind and would like to see come about. Stewart's representatives had listened to them and continued to listen to them as they moved forward into the small area plan meetings. It was not the night to pick out Monroe Street. She understood that there may be problems with angled parking, diagonal parking, fire truck width, but that could be any street ... Washington Street, Fieldcrest Road in Draper, Henry Street. There were lots of other things to think about. The only thing she would ask for tonight is that Council keep their minds open and listen to what Stewart had to offer and listen to what the vested people had concerns with, needs, visions, wants, desires, approve the plan. She was sure Council would hear from her again as they moved into the small area plans if it went that far.

Mayor Hall said Ms. Price was right. This was for the overall plan. It was for the concept of having a plan and ideas. Nothing was in there that was not an idea at that point.

Michael Carpino (620 Washington Street) signed up but did not wish to speak.

Josh Woodall (624 Monroe Street) said he was there once again to talk about Monroe Street. Evidently it had reared its ugly head again. He agreed that parking was an issue on Monroe Street. Everyone agreed to that. He agreed that the streetscape plan would be a great benefit to the business owners and citizens of the community but using a conceptual plan to claim additional parking spaces could be created was not reality. It would not work. Not a single council member in attendance voted to proceed to change Monroe Street to a one-way street during the February 2022 meeting. He asked what had changed since then and why it was coming up again. He asked if there was additional information that had been provided by staff that he was not aware of. He asked if the decision was still based on the original illustrative plan that was just shown. He asked if staff had developed any additional plans that may change his mind. He asked if anyone had done a site inventory or site analysis on the street. He questioned what the data showed if they had. Currently Monroe Street had a two-

hour parking limit. He questioned if enforcing that two-hour parking limit would solve any of the parking issues on Monroe Street currently or if that was something the City needed to look at eliminating. He questioned if it would solve anything if parking was an issue and there were vehicles parked there 24 hours a day that were then limited to two-hour parking. He wanted to remind everyone there were four primary reasons making Monroe Street one-way was a bad idea. Data showed that one-way streets increased speed, which they did not want to do. Melanie's Dance Creations had a lot of kids walking across the street. A lot of people crossed the street. They did not want to increase speed. One-way streets increased the chance of pedestrians being struck by a vehicle. No one wanted that. One-way streets, especially a street that had been a two-way street probably since the early 1900s he guessed, would cause additional confusion. Everyone was used to Monroe Street going in either direction and now they would change that up. He questioned what kind of issues that would cause. Finally, data showed that one-way streets had a negative impact on local businesses.

Melanie Paschal Wiles (617 Monroe Street) thanked Council for their time and explained she owned Melanie Paschal's Dance Creations. She did not write anything up, she was just speaking from her heart. Council had all heard from her in the last meeting. She had been a merchant for 27 years. Just last week she had finished up her 27th season. She too had concerns about the one-way street, mainly because of the amount of clients she had coming in and going out at the same time. Her main concern was the traffic backup, the influx that would come from the end where David and Rhonda Price were. She worried about the backup that would happen there and cause major, major problems there. Sometimes she had anywhere from 20 to 40 kids going in and 20 to 40 kids going out at the exact same time. If you did the math on those cars, that was a lot, and they already had parking issues there as Josh stated as well, and the safety and crossing of the streets. Her main concern was she loved beautification, she would love to see it look prettier down there but she thought parking should be priority and she was not sure that street was exactly wide enough for the one lane and the angled parking. That was her main concern, parking and traffic back up. She really did not want to be the business who was blamed for back up traffic. She was standing there telling Council that it probably would cause a problem. She thanked Council for their time and for listening to her. They may hear from her again too.

Michael Avina (621 Monroe Street) said he did not want to go over anything that had already been said. He would like to request that Council, before they make any final decision on Monroe Street, ask the State to do a study because the issue would obviously involve Washington Street. The egress into Washington Street could cause a potential hazard due to the timing of the lights that could not accommodate the flow from many businesses. They were blessed to have many businesses that were successful on Monroe Street. There would be an issue not only onto Washington Street, but for any cars turning left onto Bridge Street, onto Kings Highway and onto Boone Road. That would become a nightmare if they sent all traffic in that direction. All he was doing was requesting, in whatever direction Council moved forward, to please have the State involved in a study to determine the effects into and out of Washington Street.

Mayor Hall advised anything Council did would be carefully looked at. They were not deciding to do anything at the meeting except have a plan. The plan was to look at making things better. That was all they were asking.

As there were no further comments or questions, Mayor Hall declared the public hearing closed.

A motion was made by Council Member Hunnicutt to adopt the Eden Comprehensive Plan. Council Member Moore seconded the motion. All members voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried 6-0.

A copy of the Eden Comprehensive Plan is available to view in the Planning & Community Development Office and online at www.edennnc.us.

- c. (1) Consideration of a zoning map amendment request and adoption of an ordinance to rezone property at 207, 211 and 217 E. Aiken Road from Residential 12 to Neighborhood Mixed Use. Zoning Case Z-22-02. (2) Consideration of a resolution adopting a statement of consistency regarding the proposed map amendment.

Minutes of the May 17, 2022 meeting of the City Council, City of Eden:

Ms. Stultz wrote in a memo: The City has received a zoning map amendment to rezone the property at 207, 211 and 217 E. Aiken Road from Residential 12 to Neighborhood Mixed Use. The request was made by the property owner, Milestone Properties. Attached are copies of the Application, Staff Report, Zoning Map, Aerial Map, Ordinance and Resolution. The Planning and Community Development Department recommends approval of the map amendment request. At a regular meeting in April, the Planning Board voted to recommend that the City Council approve this request and adopted a Resolution Adopting a Statement of Consistency Regarding the Proposed Amendment.

Mayor Hall called on Ms. Stultz.

Ms. Stultz said when the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) was adopted over a year ago, the City knew there would be changes that needed to be made. No land use regulations were designed to be static. The City received a request to rezone the properties at 207, 211 and 217 E. Aiken Road from Residential 12 (R-12) to Neighborhood Mixed Use (NMX). A request was made by the property owner, Milestone Properties. The packet included the application, certifications and notices sent out. R-12 districts were established for residential developments and related recreational, religious and educational facilities. As most were aware, the property being considered originally had a school building on it and now all that was left of that was the gym. The area was designed to act as transitional zoning districts between rural development and the more urban development. The regulations were further intended to discourage any use which would be detrimental to the predominantly residential nature of the areas included with the district. Neighborhood Mixed Use was intended to provide pedestrian scaled, higher density residential housing and opportunities for limited scale commercial and office activities. Development in the district should encourage pedestrian activity through construction of mixed-use buildings and connections to adjacent neighborhoods. The property currently contained two single-family residences and the portion of the school. It was rezoned as R12 in 2021 as part of the UDO. The area was basically rural and residential in nature with single-family residences on larger lots and large parcels of mostly undeveloped, wooded property. NMX would permit single-family residential uses as well as single family attached housing or townhomes, and multi-family housing. NMX would also permit small scaled, low impact commercial and office uses so as not to adversely affect the residential nature of the area. Staff was of the opinion that uses in NMX would not negatively impact the surrounding residential areas and could be beneficial to the area by providing small scaled commercial and office uses for the neighboring residential areas. She and the Planning Board recommended in favor of the request. Based upon the character of the area and the existing residential uses in the area, staff recommended in favor of the request.

Council Member Kirkman questioned what a low-impact business was.

Ms. Stultz replied it would be something that did not have a tremendous amount of customers coming in. They could not really consider what a person intended to do. The applicant did intend to basically run an office out of the old school building and use some of it for storage. It was not like the kind of traffic that would be created from Walmart. It was unlikely that some use of the property would create any more traffic than the school used to.

Council Member Underwood asked what could happen if the applicant decided to sell the property.

Ms. Stultz advised if Council looked on their screen, they could see what was allowed in R-12 and what was allowed in NMX, all the various different types of dwellings. The only thing NMX would not allow was duplexes. Residential care facilities would be allowed in both. Bed and breakfasts would be allowed, some with standards. Rooming and boarding houses would be allowed with a special use permit. A hotel would be allowed in NMX with standards. They could see the office type uses ... banks, credit unions, financial services, home occupations and things like medical offices, personal care services. A barber shop could go in the area.

Council Member Nooe asked how much of a buffer was required between that and the residential that was already there.

Ms. Stultz answered that the ordinance required substantial buffers between residential uses. It was substantial, both landscaped and potential for fencing. A plan would have to be presented for approval. One kind of residential use did not require buffers to another type of residential use.

Council Member Nooe asked if a drainage easement was required on existing drainage swells and things like that.

Ms. Stultz said yes.

Council Member Nooe said if they looked at the property, what was wooded on it was pretty much drainage.

Ms. Stultz agreed.

Council Member Nooe said there was a limited amount that they could get to the neighbor that was already there that was not part of this.

Ms. Stultz said one of the things that would allow them to do was use some open space in that area that was likely not easily developable and have a little bit more development on the denser area that was up closer and was flatter. It did follow the things that had already made decisions to do. They already had water and sewer in the area. It was not like they would have to run it somewhere else to do the development. She did think it was a good use. They were going to build housing on there as well. Everyone knew that there was a housing shortage, so they wanted to encourage development that was good development.

Council Member Moore asked if it was around 13 acres that were being discussed.

Ms. Stultz advised it was 13.5 acres. Some of it was already occupied.

As there were no further comments or questions, Mayor Hall declared the public hearing closed.

A motion was made by Council Member Nooe to approve the zoning map amendment request and adopt an ordinance to rezone property at 207, 211 and 217 E. Aiken Road from Residential 12 to Neighborhood Mixed Use and to adopt a resolution for statement of consistency regarding the proposed map amendment. Council Member Moore seconded the motion. All members voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried 6-0.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT
ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF EDEN

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL of the City of Eden, North Carolina, that, after having fully complied with all legal requirements, including publication of notice of a public hearing and the holding of a public hearing relative thereto, the Unified Development Ordinance of the City of Eden is hereby amended as follows:

Section 1 - Change from Residential 12 (R12) to Neighborhood Mixed Use (NMX) the following properties:

Parcel 1:

TRACT 1:

BEGINNING at an iron pipe found marking a common rear corner for the Grantor and the Grantees, said found iron also being a common rear corner for Lots 9 and 10 as shown on a plat of the subdivision of D. F. King's Hamlin Place dated June, 1920, by Eutsler Engineering Company and filed in Map Book 1 at page 127; thence N 33 deg. 45 min. 00 sec. E 389.00 feet to an iron pipe found; thence N 87 deg. 09 min. 00 sec. E 18.00 feet to an iron pipe set; thence S 16 deg. 58 min. 28 sec. E 496.80 feet to an iron pipe found, the northwest corner of Drewey T. Pulliam (Deed Reference: Book 741 at page 664); thence continuing S 16 deg. 58 min. 28 sec. E 63.20 feet to an iron pipe set; thence a new line through Lot No. 10 of the aforesaid subdivision of D. F. King's Hamlin Place, S 60 deg. 26 min. 27 sec. W 241.59 feet to a new iron set in the east line of Grantees' Lot No. 9 of said subdivision; thence with the boundary line between Lots 9 and 10 of said subdivision N 29 deg. 33 min. 33 sec. W 380.00 feet to the point of beginning, the same containing 3.17 acres as shown on a plat of survey for Edward Danley Wooten and wife, Tamera Shields Wooten by Samuel J. Coleman, R.L.S., dated 3/30/95. Deed Reference: Book 281 at page 497, Deed Book 366 at page 387, and Deed Book 366 at page 381. The above

described 3.17 acres is conveyed to the Grantees to be combined with their Lot No. 9 of the aforesaid subdivision which was conveyed to them by a deed recorded in Deed Book 908 at page 1121. Deed Reference: Book 1616, page 1981.

TRACT 2:

BEGINNING at a stake on the North side of road leading from Spray Woolen Mills to Draper, corner of lots Nos. 8 and 9, as shown by map of part of the Hamlin Place, made for D. F. King by Eutsler Engineering Co June, 1920, and running thence with line of lot No. 8, N 54 deg 30 min. W 651.7 feet to a stake in Southeast line of lot No. 5; thence with said line North 33 deg 45 min. E 444 feet to a stake in said line, corner of lot No. 10; thence with West line of lot No. 10, S 29 deg. 30 min. E 793.5 feet to a stake on North side of road, corner of lots Nos. 9 and 10; thence with said road South 61 deg. 15 min. W 122.3 feet to a stake, corner of lots Nos. 8 and 9, and the beginning and containing 4.56 acres. Being Lot No. 9. Deed Reference: Book 1616, page 1981. The above described Tracts 1 and 2 are commonly known as 207 E. Aiken Road and identified by the Rockingham County Dept. as 7081-17-01-7366 and Parcel 110152Z1 and 110152Z2.

Parcel 2:

BEGINNING at a stake on the north side of the Public Road; thence with the Public Road S 86 deg 45 min W 162.2 feet to a stake, corner of Lot No. 9, Sheckels corner; thence with Sheckels line N 29 deg 30 min W 793.5 feet to a stake; thence N 33 deg 45 min E 389 feet to a stake; thence N 87 deg 09 min E 18 feet to a stone at poplar; thence S 17 deg 00 min E 1049 feet to the beginning and containing 5.23 acres, more or less, same being Lot No. 10 of the subdivision of a part of the D. F. King (Hamlin Place) situated near Spray, N. C. Rockingham County, as per survey made June, 1920, by Eutsler Engineering Company, Raleigh, N.C. Deed Reference: Book 1620, page 1316. SAVE AND EXCEPT the 3.17 acres heretofore conveyed by deed recorded 4/13/95 in Book 917 at page 2335. The above described property being more commonly known as 211 E. Aiken Road and identified by the Rockingham County Tax Dept. as PIN 7081-17-11-0186 and Parcel 110154Z1 and 110154Z2.

Parcel 3:

BEGINNING at an existing iron pipe located on the north right-of-way line of Aiken Summit Road, said iron marking the southwest corner of Arvin F. Lemons, said beginning point being 3 miles plus or minus from the intersection of Grand Oaks Drive with Aiken Summit Road; thence from said beginning point along the north right-of-way line of Aiken Summit Road North 72° 59' West 391.68 feet to an existing iron marking the southeast corner of Rufus Worrell; thence along the east line of Rufus Worrell North 16° 36' 40" West 530.61 feet to an existing iron marking the southwest corner of Delta Development Corporation; thence along the south line of Delta Development Corporation North 73° 14' 30" East 209.83 feet to an iron; thence North 76" 44' 40" East 246.49 feet to an iron in the west line of said Arvin F. Lemons; thence along Arvin F. Lemons west line South 11° 00' East 457.65 feet to an existing iron; thence North 79° 21' West 28.88 feet to an iron; thence South 5° 6' East 297.39 feet to an iron located on the north right-of-way line of Aiken Summit Road the POINT OF BEGINNING and containing 6.09 acres. This description as per plat of survey for North Spray School by William S. May, Jr., R.L.S. dated March 9. 1981, to which reference is made for a more specific description. For source of title, see Book 263, Page 636 and Book 337, Page 503, Rockingham County Registry. Deed Reference: Book 1622, page 2160. The above described property being more commonly known as 217 E. Aiken Road and identified by the Rockingham County Tax Dept. as PIN 7081-17-11-4215 and Parcel 110168Z1 and 110168Z2.

Section 2 - The Official Zoning Map of the City of Eden is hereby amended to conform with this Ordinance.

APPROVED, ADOPTED AND EFFECTIVE, this 17th day of May, 2022.

CITY OF EDEN

BY: Neville A. Hall, Mayor

ATTEST: Deanna Hunt, City Clerk

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A STATEMENT OF CONSISTENCY REGARDING A PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF EDEN ZONING ORDINANCE CASE NUMBER Z-22-02 MAP AMENDMENT

WHEREAS, pursuant to North Carolina General Statutes Chapter 160D-605, prior to adoption or rejection of any zoning amendment, the Eden City Council is required to adopt a statement as to whether the amendment is consistent with the Land Development Plan and why the City Council considers the action taken to be reasonable and in the public interest;

WHEREAS, on August 21, 2007, the Eden City Council adopted the Land Development Plan. Plans such as the City of Eden Land Development Plan are not designed to be static but are meant to reflect the City of Eden's needs, plans for future development and to remain in compliance with North Carolina State Law and the City of Eden's ordinances;

WHEREAS, the City of Eden Planning Board received a request to rezone property located at 207, 211 and 217 E. Aiken Road from Residential 12 to Neighborhood Mixed Use.

WHEREAS, On April 26, 2022, the City of Eden Planning Board voted to recommend to the Eden City Council that the rezoning request be approved.

STATEMENT OF NEED:

The NMX district would permit single-family residential uses, as well as single-family attached housing (townhomes) and multi-family housing. The NMX district would also permit smaller scaled, low impact commercial and office uses so as not to adversely affect the residential nature of the area. The uses allowed in the NMX district would not negatively impact the surrounding residential areas and could be beneficial to the area by providing small scaled commercial and office uses for the neighboring residential areas.

STATEMENT OF CONSISTENCY:

The goals of the 2007 City of Eden Land Development Plan, as amended, are to make smart growth decisions by carefully managing growth to:

- A. Strategically locate new land development in the most appropriate places.
- B. Maintain and enhance Eden’s community character and heritage.
- C. Use infrastructure investments as effectively as possible.
- D. Attract new jobs and a more diverse tax base.
- E. Protect natural, cultural and historic resources and open space as we grow.

WHEREAS, The Eden City Council has considered the written recommendation of the City of Eden Planning Board and has held a public hearing on the proposed amendment, and the Council desires to adopt a statement describing why the adoption of the proposed amendment is consistent with the City of Eden Land Development Plan, as amended, and why the City Council considers the proposed amendment to be reasonable and in the public interest;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE EDEN CITY COUNCIL THAT:

1. The Eden City Council finds that the proposed amendment to the City of Eden Unified Development Ordinance is consistent with the goals and recommendations of the 2007 City of Eden Land Development Plan, as amended.
2. At no time are land use regulations or plans of the City of Eden or any jurisdiction in the State of North Carolina permitted to be in violation of the North Carolina General Statutes.
3. Therefore, based upon the foregoing information, the amendment to the Unified Development Ordinance is reasonable and in the public’s best interest.

Approved and adopted and effective this 17th day of May, 2022.

CITY OF EDEN

BY: Neville Hall, Mayor

ATTEST: Deanna Hunt, City Clerk



ZONING CASE

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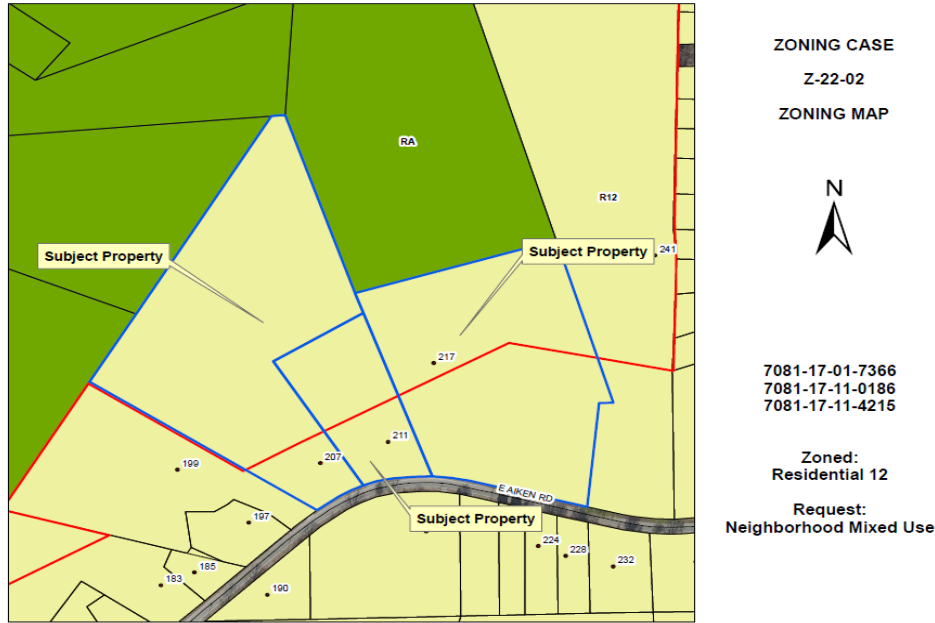
AERIAL MAP



7081-17-01-7366
7081-17-11-0186
7081-17-11-4215

Zoned:
Residential 12

Request:
Neighborhood Mixed Use



REQUESTS AND PETITIONS OF CITIZENS:

There were none.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

There was none at this time.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Consideration of a funding request from the Strategic Planning Commission for a second mural at Morehead High School.

Marketing & Special Events Manager Cindy Adams wrote in a memo: Time is requested at the May 17, 2022 Eden City Council Meeting to seek approval of the second MHS Mural funding request. This project was approved by the Strategic Planning Commission at their May meeting. Approval for second Morehead High School Mural: a. High School will pay for pressure washing wall and all paint for the mural; b. The mural will be on the auditorium wall facing Pierce Street; c. Associate Superintendent has approved doing the mural; d. School Board has been informed; e. SPC requests \$4600 for the artist; f. Artist is Mary Ryan; g. Mural has been designed by art students at MHS working with Mary Ryan; h. SPC has seen the mural concept and students have approved; i. Artist is also going to be working with art students regarding the business aspect of art.

Mayor Hall called on Ms. Adams.

Ms. Adams said she was presenting on behalf of the Strategic Planning Commission requesting funding for a second mural at Morehead High School. She said the project was mentioned when Council approved the first mural in February. She asked the guests from the school to stand: Career Development Coordinator Christy Hensley, Information Technology and Adobe Teacher Shelia Thompson, and student Stephanie Aguirre, who was part of the design team for the mural. The first mural, the breakout panther, was on the cafeteria wall facing Panther Lane, Stadium Drive and the football stadium. It was slated to be completed by the end of May, just in time for the June 9 graduation celebration to be held in the football stadium. The second mural was once again designed by art students at the high school and they were working again with artist Mary Ryan. The 13 by 10 mural consists of a black panther on the shore of a river with a river landscape and trees behind

it. It would be on the auditorium wall facing Pierce Street, a very visible and very busy street so all the citizens could see it. (Photos of the blank wall and a rendering of the mural were shown.) The school would pay for pressure washing the wall and paint for the mural. She said Principal Ryan Moody pressure washed the wall on the cafeteria himself for the first mural. They had done some investigation into approval on the mural. She knew Council Member Kirkman had some previous concerns. The superintendent's cabinet met on May 16 and confirmed the school board did not have to approve the mural. The superintendent's cabinet had approved it themselves for the mural of the two rivers panthers, so that was good to go. The artist anticipated 20 days to complete, all dependent on weather of course. The Strategic Planning Commission had seen the concept and approved it along with the students' approval. The artist would once again be working with the students regarding the business aspect of art. The Strategic Planning Commission requested \$4,600 for the artist. They believed that the partnership between the City and the school system was a celebration of the City's rich heritage and Morehead Panther Pride which was alive and well with all that was going on in the community ... sports, baseball, softball. It really lifted up the community.

Mayor Hall said he was just thinking it seemed like the last few meetings there had been a group from the high school there talking about their relationship with the City. It had always been part of the strategic plan. It was talked about in budget retreats. They always talked about the importance of building a workforce and building a strategic partnership with the school. He thought there was a great staff at the school and the students loved it.

Council Member Hunnicutt asked what the City spent on the first mural.

Ms. Adams said \$7,500.

Council Member Hunnicutt said at last Tuesday's coffee, Ms. Hensley gave a presentation he was very impressed with about the robotics team at Morehead. The team competed in a national competition. He was most impressed that there was a school unit that encouraged engineering, design, mechanical, electrical, computers and all those things. He saw that as a path to future opportunities for the kids. He would like to see more of that. Like the mayor, he absolutely liked the idea of the City partnering with the high school. He questioned, of all the priorities that the school had, why the mural was a top priority. Thinking about the robotics, he personally would be thrilled to spend that or more to support an initiative like that. In addition to that, Homer Wright had just given \$300,000 to construct a student union or learning lab. He asked if there was not a need for something that was more educational. To him it was what to place a priority on. He very much wanted to support the high school. Even being reluctant now, he would support the mural at the end of the day if that was what Council wanted to do. Personally, he would love to see it go back to the team that worked on it for consideration and rethought to consider if that was really where the City wanted to spend their dollars. They were obligated to ensure that spending taxpayer dollars was in the best interest of everyone. The mural was great. He understood the school spirit thing. He went to Morehead himself. At the same time, when he looked at things like trying to encourage workforce development and what the City could do to try and encourage those things, he had to pause and ask if a mural was really the way they wanted to go.

A motion was made by Council Member Moore to provide funding from the Strategic Planning Commission for a second mural at Morehead High School. Council Member Epps seconded the motion. Council Members Moore, Epps and Nooe voted in favor of the motion. Council Members Hunnicutt, Kirkman and Underwood voted against the motion. Mayor Hall voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed 4-3.

Ms. Adams said there were lots of priorities in the school system. It was hard to prioritize one thing over another because there were different sectors of students. Art was very important. The kids were expressing themselves. They were doing something, not just for themselves but for the community. The arts needed to be recognized as important as well. There would be other things. This just happened to be the thing of the time that they had recognized and the kids wanted to do.

Mr. Hunnicutt agreed and in his mind, they did recognize the arts. They gave \$7,500 for a great mural. He was looking forward to seeing it too. It just looked to him that other priorities were there. He was just questioning if it was really where the schools wanted the dollars spent. That was effectively what it was.

- b. Recommendation to accept bids on the sale of property located at 131 Greenwood Street and 631 Grove Street.

Ms. Stultz wrote in a memo: The City has received bids on the vacant lots located at 131 Greenwood Street and 631 Grove Street in the amount of \$1,000 for each lot from Big Dawg Construction. The tax value of the Greenwood Street property is \$3,310 and the tax value of the Grove Street property is \$2,468. An advertisement for the bids ran in the Rockingham Now on March 30, 2022. No upset bids have been received for either property. There are not any unpaid property taxes due on these properties. In my opinion, our best outcome is to sell the properties and encourage the owner to build a single-family dwelling on the lots. Based upon the foregoing information and the fact that we continue to have to mow and maintain both properties, I recommend that the City Council accept the bids. If you need any further information, please let me know.

Mayor Hall called on Ms. Stultz.

Ms. Stultz said as Council was aware, foreclosures were done when the City spent money in code enforcement. The City often ended up owning property. The two properties had been declared surplus and the City had been mowing them for a number of years. Based on all that and the need to get them back on the active tax rolls, the City had received \$1,000 bids for each of the two lots from Big Dawg Construction. Advertisements had been run in the newspaper and no upset bids had been received in a timely manner. There were no unpaid property taxes due on the properties. In her opinion, it was best to sell the properties and encourage the owner to build a single-family dwelling on the lots. Based upon that and the fact that the City had to continue to mow and maintain both properties, she recommended that Council accept the bids.

Council Member Moore asked if that was \$1,000 each.

Ms. Stultz replied yes.

Council Member Kirkman asked where they were advertised.

Ms. Stultz said the Greensboro paper and Rockingham Now.

A motion was made by Council Member Nooe to accept bids on the sale of property located at 131 Greenwood Street and 631 Grove Street. Council Member Hunnicutt seconded the motion. All members voted in favor. The motion carried, 6-0.

REPORTS FROM STAFF:

- a. City Manager's Report

Mayor Hall called on Mr. Mendenhall.

Mr. Mendenhall said he would be happy to answer any questions regarding the report.

Mayor Hall advised there were copies available for the public, the report was published in Eden's Own Journal and it was online as well.

City Manager's Report
May 2022
City Manager Jon Mendenhall

ADMINISTRATION

Division of Design & Construction

Water Main Projects Update

A crew from Haymes Brothers, Inc. continued boring under Dry Creek as part of the Phase 2 work on the SoVA MegaSite water system reinforcement project during the first two weeks of April. The crew was able to push five restrained joints of 16-inch diameter ductile iron pipe through the 30-inch diameter steel encasement pipe on April 14. The crew was able to complete the tie-in on the west side of Dry Creek on April 21 using a couple 45-degree bends, about 50 LF of pipe, and a sleeve. Prior to that, the crew had installed a 16-inch gate valve, cut out a short section of an existing 8-inch diameter ductile iron water main to install an 8-inch valve and two tees to connect the old water main to the new one. About 345 LF of 16-inch diameter water main was installed this month. After digging through shale rock to create a bore pit on the south side of the railroad tracks, the crew was not allowed to actually start the bore on April 27 due to representatives of Norfolk Southern and RailPros not being familiar with the retractable roller cone head on a hex auger that Haymes Brothers, Inc. had used previously when boring through the same type of shale rock being encountered. The crew was forced to move equipment to the New Street pump station area on April 29 until a resolution is reached. A Collection and Distribution crew cut the asphalt across Stegall Street at the intersection with S. Byrd Street on April 19, installing a 6x2 tapping saddle on the existing 6-inch diameter asbestos cement water main, making the wet tap, and installing a 2-inch valve. A leak on an old small diameter water line was repaired prior to installing about 16.5 feet of scheduled 80 pipe across to the south side of Stegall Street. Additional pipe installation has been delayed due to issues while trying to rent some equipment for the S. Byrd Street WL replacement project.

Marketing & Special Events

Fiesta in the Park

We want to invite everyone to come have lunch at Grogan Park on Wednesday, May 25 for Fiesta in the Park and help us celebrate Hispanic Heritage! A live mariachi band will be playing, along with cool treats from Kona Ice and delicious food that will be available for purchase from the Taqueria El Azteca food truck from 11:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. It's going to be big fun!

Grown & Gathered

Our sold out Grown & Gathered dinner is going to be held at The Farmhouse on Thursday, May 19. This is a gorgeous venue located at 912 Bethlehem Church Road that is open for weddings, showers, corporate events, etc. We want to thank Seth & Stephanie Woodall for their vision and investment in our community. Take a peek at www.TheFarmhouse.com. Many great memories will be made there!

Mrs. Ernestine Hampton Park

Thank you to everyone who attended the dedication and unveiling of the Mrs. Ernestine Hampton Park on April 28. What an awesome crowd to celebrate this wonderful occasion!

Oink & Ale

Our 6th annual Oink & Ale is going to be so much fun! We will have On the Border – The Ultimate Eagles Tribute Band live in concert along with beverages from area brewers, delicious food, barbecue cookers, ax throwing, a beard and mustache contest, games, and dancing in the streets! Wow! Come join us on Saturday, June 18 from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. along Monroe Street in Uptown Eden. Admission is \$5. See you there!

Piedmont Pottery Festival

Don't miss our 19th annual Piedmont Pottery Festival coming up Saturday, June 4 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church located at 582 Southwood Drive. We have potters coming from all over the State. It is never too early to start Christmas shopping! Door prizes will be given out all day and admission is free.

RiverFest

We are now accepting vendor applications for RiverFest that is set for September 16 & 17. Go to ExploreEdenNC.com or Edennnc.us to get your application or email Cindy Adams at cadams@edennnc.us.

PARKS AND RECREATION

Bridge Street & Mill Avenue Recreation Centers

These two facilities are open Monday through Thursday from 12 to 8 p.m., and on Fridays from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Those attending may participate in basketball, track walking, cornhole, or the playground. The Bridge Street center offers tennis courts while Mill Avenue center offers a baseball field.

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Bridge Street Recreation Center: cornhole league playoffs began the first week of May. The senior center is hosting exercise classes at the center on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday mornings. Pickleball is still being played weekly in the mornings. Meals on Wheels continues to operate out of the nutrition center each weekday.

Mill Avenue Recreation Center: pickleball is played on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday mornings at 8 a.m. Soccer games began for ages 8-12. The Mill Avenue pool will open in late May.

Freedom Park

Open daily from dawn to dusk, this park offers a walking track, nature trail, skateboard park, basketball courts, playground, dog park, picnic shelters, and an amphitheater. The splash pad will open in late May.

Garden of Eden Senior Center

The Garden of Eden Senior Center is open weekdays from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and offers paint classes, mahjongg, pickleball (mornings and evenings offsite), exercise classes, cornhole, knit and crochet, strength and balance, legal aid, quilt guild, Friends Club, bingo, watercolor classes, craft classes, senior technology classes, and card games, along with assistance and referral for seniors. The center finished its tax assistance services, completing 439 tax returns this year. The center hosted a line dance at the Bridge Street Recreation Center during the month of April, along with bocce and shuffleboard clinics. The Rockingham County Senior Games are well underway. The community garden was gearing up as participants had finished their plantings and were looking after the garden beds. The Friends Group hosted a yard sale on April 29 and Compassion Healthcare provided free glucose and blood pressure screenings.

Special Events

The annual Easter egg hunt was held on April 16, in which there was a large turnout. This year, the City partnered with Generation 4 Hope that held free drawings for bikes and scooters. They gave away summer shoes, shirts, shorts, hotdogs, and water...all for free. They also had a gospel group who provided music for the event. Participants were able to have their picture taken with the Easter Bunny if they so desired. The Eden Youth Council (EYC) held their annual Kickball Tournament on April 30 for elementary-aged children. They had four teams participate with the EYC members serving as coaches and the Eden Police Department personnel umpiring. The kids enjoyed free pizza for lunch. Leaksville-Spray Elementary School won first place in the tournament and then squeaked over the Eden Police Department in the final game of the day. A special thanks to City Attorney Erin Gilley and Strategic Planning Commission chair Jim Burnette for starting the event several years ago.

PLANNING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Boards and Commissions

The Community Appearance Commission will meet in May to replant the planters on The Boulevard.

The Historic Preservation Commission completed the local landmark application for Spray Cotton Mills and received comments back from the State Historic Preservation Office for review. The commission would hold a public hearing at their May meeting to consider the local landmark application with a public hearing to follow at the May City Council meeting for final determination. The commission planned to pursue local landmark designation of the Mebane Bridge in an attempt to persuade North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) not to demolish the bridge.

The Tree Board discussed plans for an Arbor Day program for Leaksville United Methodist Church Child Development Center, as well as tentative plans to plant a tree at the church and at the columbarium at Church of the Epiphany.

The Planning Board considered two items of business: (1) City Council to approve and adopt the Eden Comprehensive Plan; and (2) City Council to approve the rezoning request for properties at 207, 211, and 217 E. Aiken Road.

Collections

Payments received for code enforcement fees during the month of April consisted of \$528.41.

Community Development

Comprehensive Plan

The North Carolina General Statutes require that all local governments have a Comprehensive Plan adopted by July 1. The City began the process more than one year ago and the plan will be presented at the May City Council meeting.

Pedestrian Plan

This plan was adopted by the City Council at their regular April meeting. The plan makes the City of Eden eligible for grant funding through the NCDOT. Additionally, it provides valuable guidance for improving sidewalk and trail connectivity, which will aid in decisions for future projects by the staff and the City Council.

Grants

CDBG-COVID

Twelve applications were received for the CDBG-COVID grant and were approved, resulting in \$21,725.68 being paid towards rent, mortgage payments, and electrical bills.

COVID-Draper

The extension was approved by the N.C. Department of Commerce. The City has until May 19, 2023 to obligate all of the funds; August 18, 2023 to complete the repairs and improvements; and November 17, 2023 to close out the grant. The executed agreement from Synterra has been received for their firm to perform the environmental testing on the properties. Staff is in the process of talking to each property owner that has been identified as a grant recipient to verify the income listed on their preliminary application. As soon as the verification process is complete, staff will begin scheduling appointments for the inspection on each home.

Inspections and Permits

Total Inspections Performed-April: 194 (not including fire inspections)

Total Permits Issued-April 85

Staff received plans for the Eden Armory Dance School upfit project located at 615 Henry Street.

Surplus Properties

The City of Eden currently owns four properties that it acquired between 2009 and 2012 as a result of legal action in the collection of code enforcement fees. Offers have been received on all four properties. Two of the properties are in the process of upset bids and two will be brought to the City Council for acceptance at the May City Council meeting.

POLICE

The department's shipment of AXON Taser 7's has arrived and our agency's Taser Instructors are developing a hands-on course to familiarize officers with its capabilities and proper use. The target date for fielding the Taser 7 is June 1.

AXON Field Technology staff are completing the upload of auto-tagging. This will allow our CAD system to communicate with AXON to properly categorize captured video. Civil Disturbance Response Gear has been received.

The gear will field 28 officers with the needed gear to safely respond to incidents of social unrest.

There are currently five officer vacancies. The department is working hard towards the recruitment of good officers. Two applicants have been interviewed and are currently in the background process.

b. Report on advisory committee proceedings.

(1) Strategic Planning Commission.

Mayor Hall called on Ms. Adams.

Ms. Adams advised there was nothing to report.

(2) Planning Organization Boards.

Mayor Hall called on Ms. Stultz.

Ms. Stultz said the boards and commissions were engaged. The most prominent one she had was the Planning Board. It had served as the steering committee for the comprehensive plan. She thanked Council for their consideration.

(3) Parks Commission.

Mayor Hall noted Staff Advisor Terry Vernon was absent.

Mr. Mendenhall said Mr. Vernon was not at the meeting because he was preparing a ballfield that night. Mr. Vernon had wanted to remind everyone that baseball continued to do well and they were approaching the end of the season. There had been a lot of good participation and a lot of good games played. They would be looking forward to some tournament play, which was a very exciting thing. He wanted to remind everyone to come out to the ballpark and have a good time.

Mayor Hall said all the fields were in use that night and had been all afternoon. It had been a very successful turnaround for the recreation department and it was appreciated.

CONSENT AGENDA:

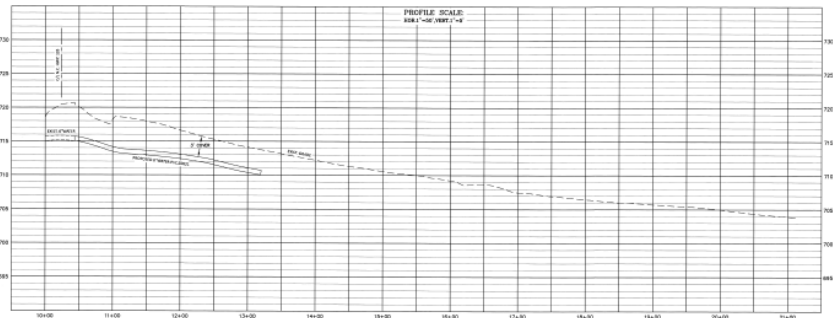
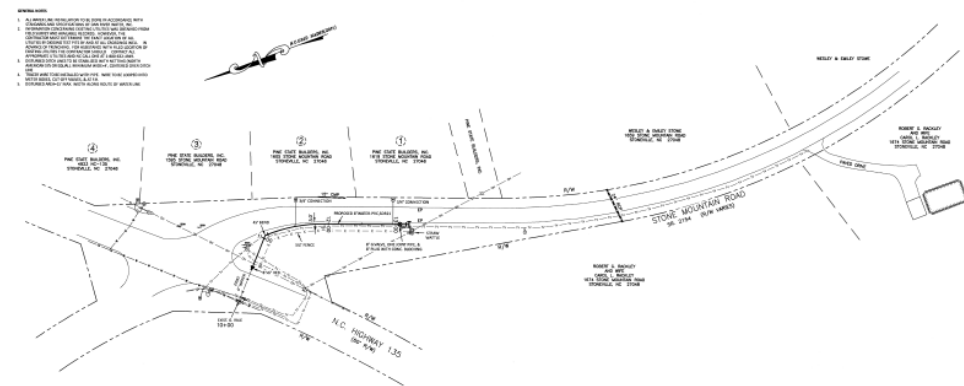
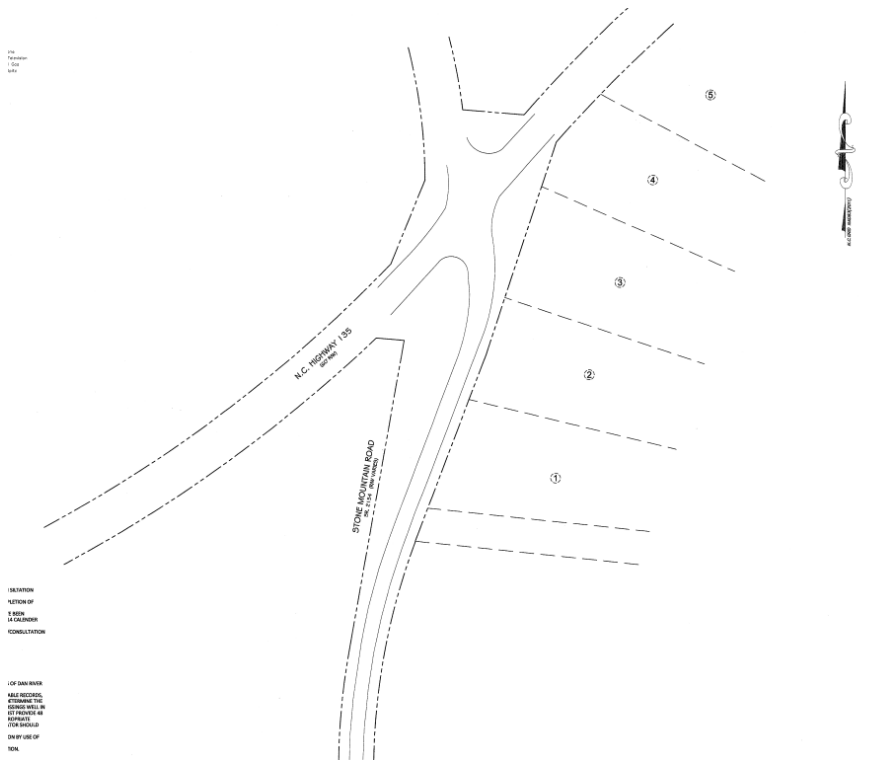
- a. Approval and adoption of the April 19, 2022 Council meeting minutes.
- b. Approval of a pyrotechnics permit for the Morehead High School graduation ceremony.

Deputy Chief / Fire Marshal James Slaughter wrote in a memo: The attached information includes an application for permit to display pyrotechnics at the graduation ceremony June 9th Morehead High School. The applicant is Morehead High School and it also includes a contract between Hale Artificer, Inc., and Morehead High School. Hale Artificer has also included their Federal Explosives License/ Permit, a Certificate of Insurance, and a copy of their Safety Procedures. According to the City Code Chapter 7 Article X: Fireworks Displays, The City Council may issue the applicant a permit to display pyrotechnics if the applicant has provided the required proof of insurance and the Fire Marshal has made the required certifications and satisfactory evidence has been produced to effect that the pyrotechnics will be used in connection with the conduct of concerts or public exhibitions.

- c. Approval of a proposed water main extension by Dan River Water, Inc. to serve Stone Mountain Road.

Design & Construction Manager Bev O'Dell wrote in a memo: Mike Lemons, Utility Supervisor for Dan River Water, Inc., is requesting that City Council grant approval for the proposed installation of about 270 LF of 8-inch diameter PVC water main along Stone Mountain Road (SR# 2154). The proposed water main is shown connecting to an existing 6-inch diameter water main on the east side of NC 135, then being installed along the west side of Stone Mountain Road, generally in a southerly direction. Approval for this proposed installation is being requested in accordance with the water purchase agreement between the City of Eden and Dan River Water, Inc. Preliminary plans for the proposed water main improvements, prepared by William E. Mitchell Associates, are enclosed for review and information. The Engineer's Report for the project is also enclosed. The proposed improvements are intended to serve three (3) potential single-family residences. It is recommended that the proposed Dan River Water, Inc. water main extension along Stone Mountain Road be allowed to proceed towards getting plan approval from Public Water Supply Section, then installed when DRW has the funding needed. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me, or Mike Lemons, prior to the May City Council meeting. Thanks for reviewing and considering this matter.

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d. Approval and adoption of Budget Amendment #7.

Assistant Director of Finance Amy Winn wrote in a memo: This budget amendment increases the General Fund Police Security revenue line item and increases the Police Department's Police Security expenditure line item to reflect additional revenue received from police security charges.

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	Account #	From	To	Amount
General Fund Revenues				
Police Security Charges	10-3431-41100	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 60,000.00	\$ <u>20,000.00</u> \$ <u>20,000.00</u>
General Fund Revenues				
Police Security	10-4310-12500	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 60,000.00	\$ <u>20,000.00</u> \$ <u>20,000.00</u>

Appropriates additional revenue generated by police security.

Adopted and effective this 17th day of May, 2022.

Attest:

Deanna Hurit, City Clerk

Neville Hall, Mayor

e. Approval and adoption of Budget Amendment #8.

Ms. Winn wrote in a memo: The attached budget amendment allocates grant proceeds from K B Reynolds Charity Trust for the Get Fit Rockingham Program and increases the Get Fit expenditure line item in General Fund Special Appropriations. This is grant money remaining from FY 2019-2020 and this is the final expenditures for this grant.

	Account #	From	To	Amount
General Fund Revenues				
Fund Balance Appropriated - Get Fit	10-3992-99100	\$ -	\$ 7,300.00	\$ <u>7,300.00</u>
General Fund Expenditures				
Get Fit Rockingham	10-9920-69983	\$ -	\$ 7,300.00	\$ <u>7,300.00</u>

Appropriates grant funds from the GF fund balance that were received for the Get Fit Rockingham program in FY 2019-2020 and not completely expended until FY 2021-2022.

Adopted and effective this 17th day of May, 2022.

Attest:

Deanna Hunt, City Clerk

Neville Hall, Mayor

f. Approval and adoption of Budget Amendment #9.

Ms. Winn wrote in a memo: Each year a fund balance is calculated for Riverfest, Shaggin' on Fieldcrest, Grown & Gathered, and Oink & Ale based on the beginning fund balance and revenues over/under expenditures. At June 30, 2021, each of these festivals had a reserved fund balance. This budget amendment appropriates the fund balances at June 30, 2021 to each designated festival.

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	Account #	From	To	Amount
General Fund Revenues				
GF Fund Balance Appropriated	10-3992-99200	\$ -	\$ 23,400.00	<u>\$ 23,400.00</u>
General Fund Expenditures				
Riverfest	10-4135-30210	\$ 45,000.00	\$ 62,400.00	\$ 17,400.00
Oink & Ale	10-4135-30220	\$ 12,500.00	\$ 12,600.00	\$ 100.00
Shaggin' on Fieldcrest	10-4135-30230	\$ 13,000.00	\$ 15,900.00	\$ 2,900.00
Grown & Gathered	10-4135-30250	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	<u>\$ 3,000.00</u>
				<u>\$ 23,400.00</u>

Appropriates GF fund balance that was reserved at June 30, 2021 for the above mentioned festivals.

Adopted and effective this 17th day of May, 2022.

Attest:

Deanna Hunt, City Clerk

Neville Hall, Mayor

g. Approval and adoption of Budget Amendment #10.

Ms. Winn wrote in a memo: The attached budget amendment appropriates Municipal Service District Tax fund balance for projects in the downtown areas. This amendment appropriates \$500 to the Draper District for a contribution to Shaggin' on Fieldcrest. These expenditures are approved by the merchants in each district.

	Account #	From	To	Amount
Municipal Service District Tax Fund Revenues				
MSD Tax Fund Balance Appropriated	17-3991-99100	\$ -	\$ 500.00	<u>\$ 500.00</u>
Municipal Service District Tax Fund Expenditures				
MSD Tax Expense - Draper	17-4135-29901	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,500.00	<u>\$ 500.00</u>

To appropriate MSD Tax fund balance for downtown projects.

Adopted and effective this 17th day of May, 2022.

Attest:

Deanna Hunt, City Clerk

Neville Hall, Mayor

h. Approval and adoption of Budget Amendment #11.

Ms. Winn wrote in a memo: The attached budget amendment allocates insurance proceeds received for lightning damage to equipment at the SOVA Mega Site Berry Hill. The repairs have been completed and expensed in the W/S Maintenance M/R Distribution System line item.

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	Account #	From	To	Amount
Water & Sewer Fund				
Revenues				
Insurance Proceeds	30-3850-85000	\$ -	\$ 6,400.00	<u>\$ 6,400.00</u>
Water & Sewer Fund				
Expenditures				
W/S Maint M/R Distribution System	30-7125-24800	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 56,400.00	<u>\$ 6,400.00</u>
Appropriates insurance proceeds received for lighting damage of equipment at SOVA Mega Site Berry Hill.				
Adopted and effective this 17th day of May, 2022.				
Attest:				
_____ Deanna Hunt, City Clerk		_____ Neville Hall, Mayor		

i. Approval and adoption of Budget Amendment #12.

Ms. Winn wrote in a memo: When City council passed the premium pay one-time bonus resolution on November 16, 2021, we did not do a formal budget amendment moving the funds from the ARPA fund to the General and Water & Sewer funds. The attached amendment moves the funds for the one-time bonus paid to full-time and part-time employees.

CITY OF EDEN
BUDGET AMENDMENT # 12 - ARPA PREMIUM PAY
2021-2022

Section 2 of the General Fund Budget ordinance is amended to increase appropriations as follows:

10-4120 Administration	2,000
10-4130 Finance/Human Resources	2,000
10-4135 Marketing & Customer Service	2,000
10-4145 Information Technology	2,000
10-4190 Facilities & Grounds	11,000
10-4310 Police	48,000
10-4340 Fire	26,000
10-4350 Engineering	2,500
10-4510 Streets	14,000
10-4710 Solid Waste	10,000
10-4910 Planning & Community Development	5,000
10-6120 Recreation	7,500
10-6920 Fleet Maintenance	6,000

Section 3 of the General Fund Budget ordinance is amended to increase transfers in and fund balance appropriated as follows:

Transfer from ARPA Fund	138,000
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Section 6 of the Water & Sewer Fund Budget ordinance is amended to increase appropriations as follows:

30-7110 Water Resources	8,000
30-7115 Billing & Collections	4,000
30-7120 Water Filtration	8,000
30-7125 Collection & Distribution	12,000
30-7130 Water Reclamation	8,000

Section 7 of the Water & Sewer Fund Budget ordinance is amended to increase transfers in as follows:

Transfer from ARPA Fund	40,000
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ARPA Fund Budget ordinance is amended to decrease appropriations as follows:

ARPA Expenditures	178,000
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ARPA Fund Budget ordinance is amended to increase transfers out as follows:

Transfer to General Fund	138,000
Transfer to Water & Sewer Fund	40,000

Adopted this the 17th day of May, 2022.

	Neville Hall Mayor

Attest:

	Deanna Hunt City Clerk

j. Approval and adoption of Budget Amendment #13.

Ms. Winn wrote in a memo: There were no appropriations in the FY 21-22 budget for proceeds for the Heritage & Heroes festival nor Winterfest. This budget amendment appropriates the proceeds of these events (that have already been received) to the appropriate line items in the Marketing & Customer Service budget.

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	Account #	From	To	Amount
General Fund				
Revenues				
Heritage & Heroes	10-3350-02600	\$ -	\$ 5,800.00	\$ 5,800.00
Winterfest	10-3350-02700	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
				<u>\$ 6,800.00</u>
General Fund				
Expenditures				
Heritage & Heroes	10-4135-30270	\$ -	\$ 5,800.00	\$ 5,800.00
Winterfest	10-4135-03260	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
				<u>\$ 6,800.00</u>

Appropriates proceeds received for the Heritage & Heroes Festival and Winterfest.

Adopted and effective this 17th day of May, 2022.

Attest:

Deanna Hunt, City Clerk

Neville Hall, Mayor

k. Approval and adoption of Budget Amendment #14.

Ms. Winn wrote in a memo: The Senior Center received a Home and Community Block Grant for Older Adults (HCCBG), a Senior Center General Purpose grant, and a Senior Center Technology Training grant from the Piedmont Triad Regional Council Area Agency on Aging. The HCCBG grant is for staff, program costs, equipment, and supplies for the Senior Center. The Senior Center General Purpose grant is for the operations of the Senior Center. The Technology Training grant is for the purchase of computer tablets and training classes for the Senior Center. This amendment increases the Recreation grant line items and the Program Activities line item in the Recreation budget.

	Account #	From	To	Amount
General Fund				
Revenues				
HCCBG Grant	10-3612-46410	\$ -	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 30,000.00
Senior Center General Purpose Grant	10-3612-48420	\$ -	\$ 7,100.00	\$ 7,100.00
Senior Center Tech Training Grant	10-3612-48430	\$ -	\$ 5,100.00	\$ 5,100.00
				<u>\$ 42,200.00</u>
General Fund				
Expenditures				
Recreation - Program Activities	10-6120-29600	\$ 21,000.00	\$ 63,200.00	<u>\$ 42,200.00</u>

Appropriates grant funds received for the HCCBG, Senior Center General Purpose, and Senior Center Technical Training grants.

Adopted and effective this 17th day of May, 2022.

Attest:

Deanna Hunt, City Clerk

Neville Hall, Mayor

A motion was made by Council Member Epps to approve the Consent Agenda. Council Member Underwood seconded the motion. All members voted in favor. The motion carried, 6-0.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Mayor Hall asked Ms. Adams to come forward and give an update.

Ms. Adams wanted to thank everyone who attended the dedication and sign unveiling for Ernestine Hampton Park. It was a very special day. Her family was very dear. Her friends and her church were there and it was very nice. She thanked Brett Curry and Johnny Massey from Facilities & Grounds for installing the sign, mulch and flowers at the park, and Darren Gatewood from Streets for keeping the flowers watered several days after the dedication. The Argus Camera Group had been in town the past weekend, some arriving the previous Tuesday. They stayed in the hotels until Sunday morning. Some came in on Thursday and some on Friday. There were around 20 people who came from Denver, Colo., Seattle, Wash., Ann Arbor, Mich., Wisconsin, Florida, Virginia and other states. Their dear friend Ron Norwood was the only North Carolinian there. He started that 12 years ago. Originally the group was only supposed to come to Eden for about three years but they had remained because of the hospitality the City showed to them when they got here. They loved the people and the City and the Econo Lodge, which was where they all chose to stay. She could not wait until they came back the next year. Thursday night was Grown & Gathered, which was actually oversold. It would be at The Farmhouse, which was a great addition to the inventory of venues in Eden. They were getting really booked and it was gorgeous. Seth and Stephanie Woodall had done a beautiful job with it and she could not wait for everyone to see it. Wednesday, May 25 would be something a little different – Fiesta in the Park. It had normally been done with fifth graders but that could not be worked out with the school system this year. There was a grant from the Arts Council so a decision was made to continue the festival. All the public was invited to come for a free performance by an authentic mariachi band. One of the top taco trucks would be coming from Greensboro and Kona Ice would be on site as well. It would be a lot of fun with a fiesta atmosphere in Grogan Park from 11:30 to 1:30. On June 4, the 19th annual Piedmont Pottery Festival would be held from 9 to 4 at First Presbyterian Church. June 18 was Oink & Ale on Monroe Street in Uptown Eden. It would run from 6 to 9 with a live concert, food, music, games, ax throwing again and lots and lots of fun. Lots of the merchants would be open and benefit from it ... That Little Pork Shop, Sophisticated Rubbish and Twisted Biscuit. All of those businesses would be open that night so they would flourish as well. She hoped to see Council there.

Mayor Hall said it was festival season again. He wanted to again mention that the Morehead girls' softball team was playing again in the third round of the championship. The boys played in the second round of baseball the previous week and unfortunately their season came to an end. There was a lot to be proud of with athletics and the direction the city was going with school and athletics and the whole youth experience here. He was proud of them and asked everyone to keep their fingers crossed for Coach Ellis. He asked what time the polls closed.

Council Member Underwood said 7:30.

Mayor Hall said everyone had 20 minutes to go and vote if they had not already.

ADJOURNMENT:

As there was no further business to discuss, a motion was made by unanimous consent to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Deanna Hunt
City Clerk

ATTEST:

Neville Hall
Mayor