

May 3, 2021
Regular Session

The Greensboro City Council Regular Session Meeting was called to order by Mayor Glenn Wright. City Council members present were Mr. McWhorter, Mr. Miller, Mr. Moore, Ms. Wynn, and Mr. Smith.

Mr. McWhorter opened the meeting with prayer.

Mr. McWhorter made the motion to approve the April 19, 2021 Regular Session Minutes as presented, after a second by Mr. Smith the motion was approved 5-0.

Lamar Callaway was not able to attend the meeting.

Felecia Rush was not able to attend the meeting due to the weather and will be rescheduled for the next meeting.

Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business.

New Business

There was no new business.

Zoning Report

Rick Zeier gave an update on the Planning & Zoning Department. He stated that an annexation request has been submitted by Circle Ranch for approval. The Circle Ranch will be a working farm for Foster kids to develop the necessary life skills for children living in Foster Care. The facility will house 30-40 kids who will all be home schooled. Care givers will live on site and be trained.

He discussed the violations for the 2 houses on Apalachee Avenue and reported that both property owners are working to clean up their properties.

Public Comments

Howard Goldstein feels that City Attorney Fleming does not represent the interest of Greensboro and should be replaced with someone who does.

Steve Stewart thanked the Mayor and Council for allowing public comments. He asked of the Mayor and Council how they can vote against self-interest? He stated that the history of this time is being written now and asked what will they tell their grandchildren?

Anne Koppelman stated this is her fourth time attending a city council meeting. She asked the council what they are afraid of that they would not fire city Attorney Fleming. She stated that everyone should be given a chance to vote.

Elizabeth Vayda Stated that she loves the city and could not condone paying an attorney that does not have morals or ethics. The new voting bill is making it harder and less accessible to vote.

Katrina Breeding stated that in her 68 years she has not been proud to be from Greensboro than she is now. She does not support the new voting bill

Trey Rodes a former city council member and he currently represents Greene County in the State House of Representatives spoke in support of City Attorney Fleming he stated that Mr. Fleming is one of the most respected people in the house for both Democrats and Republicans and he feels that he has represented the city superbly. He feels that firing the City Attorney is setting a bad precedent.

Vincent Lewis a former city council member spoke in support of City Attorney Fleming and stated that Mr. Fleming has done a respectable job and represented the city well. Everything that he is being said is not accurate.

Mayor Wright spoke after all public comments had been made. HE stated that everyone is entitled to their own opinion and what one county or city does may or may not influence another. He stated that he believes that City Attorney Fleming is doing a great job and has served greatly as the City Attorney and will not be asking for his resignation, but Mr. Fleming will continue to serve. Mr. Moore made the motion to accept the recommendation of the Mayor, after a second by Mr. McWhorter the motion passed 3-2 with Mr. Miller and Mr. Smith voting against.

Mr. McWhorter made the motion to adjourn the meeting, after a second by Mr. Moore the motion passed 5-0.

There being no further business Mayor Wright closed the meeting with prayer.