PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION MEETING OF WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 22, 2014 8:30 A.M.

Present: Michael G. Lallier, Chairman

Wick Smith, Vice Chairman Lynne B. Greene, Secretary Darsweil L. Rogers, Treasurer

Others Present: Steve Blanchard, CEO/General Manager

Kristoff Bauer, Deputy City Manager Karen McDonald, City Attorney

Russ Rogerson, Executive Vice President,

Economic Development Alliance of Fayetteville and

Cumberland County, NC

Chris Bostock, Chairman, NC Alliance Board of Advisors

PWC Staff

Absent: James Arp, Council Liaison

Billy King, County Liaison Mike Bailey, Hope Mills Liaison

Prior to calling the meeting to order, Chairman Lallier, on behalf of the PWC Commission, expressed their personal condolences to Steve Blanchard and his family, in the passing of his father, Robert Blanchard.

Chairman Lallier called the meeting of January 22, 2014 to order.

Approval of Agenda.

Upon motion by Commissioner Greene, seconded by Commissioner Rogers, the agenda was unanimously approved.

Consent Items

Upon motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Rogers, the following Consent Item was unanimously approved:

A. Minutes of meeting of December 11, 2013.

Economic Development Alliance of Fayetteville & Cumberland County, North Carolina Quarterly Report

Mr. Russ Rogerson, Executive Vice President, Economic Development Alliance and Mr. Chris Bostock, Chairman, NC Alliance Board of Advisors met with the Commission to provide an update regarding The Alliance economic development efforts. Mr. Bostock commented on the structure of the NC Alliance Board of Advisors and their role as it relates to the economic development in Fayetteville and Cumberland County. He reminded the Commission that as a result of the Garner Report, the Economic Development Alliance of Fayetteville/Cumberland County, North Carolina was created and that the Board, which totals 14 members, is from both the public and private sector. The Alliance serves as a committee of the Chamber, yet autonomous from the Chamber Board oversight. Mr. Bostock stated the Alliance has its own separate brand and identity from the Chamber which allows the Alliance to market, especially to the site selection community out of the country, in terms of attracting capital investment for our community.

Following Mr. Bostock update, Mr. Rogerson reviewed in detail the second quarter Economic Development Dashboard report which defines the efforts of The Alliance to retain and recruit business and industry and create jobs within the Fayetteville-Cumberland County area. Categories outlined in the dashboard report included capital investments, job announcements, retention visits, community marketing and prospect contacts. Mr. Rogerson also mentioned at the end of the second quarter, the Alliance is working on 23 active economic development projects totaling more than \$1,084,747,500 in potential community investments and the creation of over 5,300 new jobs. He stated 85% of these economic development projects are manufacturing projects, with more than 78% of the potential job creation. He discussed the quarterly synchronist report which provides a trend analysis on what local companies think about services being provided in the community. Discussion ensued. Mr. Rogerson and Mr. Bostock responded to questions from the Commission regarding the report. For information purposes, a copy of the Economic Development Quarterly Dashboard report was provided to the Commission.

The Commission thanked Mr. Bostock and Mr. Rogerson for keeping them informed about the Alliance initiatives and economic development matters.

General Manager Report

- ➤ Will be attending ElectriCities Board of Directors orientation meetings on Thursday and Friday, January 23rd/24th.
- ➤ Duke Energy Progress has requested that the Butler-Warner Generation Plant run for the next 4 to 5 days due to the cold weather.

<u>Reports and Information:</u> The Commission acknowledges receipt of the following reports and information:

- A. Monthly Incident Summary for December 2013
- B. Personnel Report for November 2013 and December 2013
- C. Position Vacancies
- D. Approved N.C. Department of Transportation Encroachment Agreement(s):
 - ➤ Encr. #17462 ó construction of an access road to be utilized by PWC for maintenance of existing overhead power line I-295 and US Highway 401 toward I-295 and SR-1714 (River Road)
 - Encr. #17764 ó installation of water main ó SR-1415 (Yadkin Road)
 - Encr. #17772 ó installation of water main and gravity sewer main ó SR-1108 (Lakewood Drive)
 - ➤ Encr. #17773 ó installation of water main and sewer laterals ó SR-1007 (Owen Drive)
 - ➤ Encr. #17774 ó installation of water main (Ramsey Street water main replacement) US 401 (Ramsey Street)
 - ➤ Encr. #17775 ó installation of water main (Ramsey Street water main replacement) ó US 401 Business
 - Encr. #17777 ó installation of water main ó SR-1108 (Lakewood Drive)
- E. Approved Utility Extension Agreement(s):
 - Deana Manning Realty, LLC ó water and sanitary sewer utilities to serve Faircloth Subdivision

- F. Actions by City Council during meeting of December 9, 2013, related to PWC:
 - Approved bid recommendation for underground primary power cable
- G. Actions by City Council during meeting of January 6, 2014, related to PWC:
 - ➤ Discussed Council Policy 105.2 ó Assessments-Interest Rate
 - Discussed PWC Budget Guidelines
- H. Actions by City Council during meeting of January 13, 2014, related to PWC:
 - ➤ Approved revision to Council Policy 105.2 Assessments ó Interest Rate
 - Adopted Resolutions confirming assessment roll and levying assessments for the following annexed areas: Phase 5 Annexation Areas 10 and 11; Phase 5 Annexation Bedford Road and Roundtree Drive; Phase 5 Annexation Area 11WS9

Comments:

Commissioner Rogers:

- Visited the various PWC Plants. PWC is a well run organization. His big surprise was that PWC owns a farm.
- Attended the initial committee meeting for the Gateways, Streets and Roads Committee and provided a brief update to the Commission on this meeting.
- Chairman Lallier: Inquired if the date has been scheduled for the PWC orientation for City Council.

Carolyn Hinson, Communications/Community Relations Officer stated two meetings are being planned for next week. The proposed dates are Wednesday, January 29th at 5:00 p.m. and January 30th at 9:00 a.m. Both meetings will be held in the PWC Commissionersø Board Room.

Chairman Lallier commented, if possible, one or two Commissioners should try to attend one of the orientation sessions in order to answer any questions from Council members. ➤ <u>Commissioner Smith:</u> He will be out of the country from February 3-15 and unable to call in for the February 12, 2014 Commission meeting.

Closed Session, as allowed under N.C. General Statutes 143-318.11(3)

Chairman Lallier entertained a motion to go into closed session for the purpose of consulting with an attorney as allowed under N.C. General Statutes 143-317.11(3).

Upon motion made by Commissioner Rogers and seconded by Commissioner Greene, the Commission unanimously voted to go into closed session at 9:17 a.m. as allowed under N.C. General Statutes 143-317.11(3).

Following discussion, upon motion made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Greene, the Commission voted to return to open session at 10:37 a.m.

There being no further business, upon motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Rogers and unanimously approved, the meeting was adjourned at 10:37 a.m.