

**CHARLOTTESVILLE CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING
April 12, 2022 at 5:30 PM
Virtual/electronic meeting via Zoom**

The Charlottesville City Council met in an electronic meeting on Tuesday, April 12, 2022, in accordance with a local ordinance amended and re-enacted on March 7, 2022, to ensure continuity of government and prevent the spread of disease during the coronavirus State of Emergency. Mayor Lloyd Snook called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m. and Clerk of Council Kyna Thomas called the roll, noting all councilors present: Mayor Lloyd Snook, Vice Mayor Juandiego Wade, and Councilors Sena Magill, Michael Payne and Brian Pinkston.

On motion by Pinkston, seconded by Magill, Council voted unanimously to amend the agenda to include a first reading of the proposed meals tax levy.

On motion by Magill, seconded by Pinkston, Council voted unanimously to adopt the meeting agenda as amended.

ACTION ITEMS

1. ORDINANCE: Enacting a Budget and Tax Levy for Fiscal Year 2023

Mayor Snook made a disclosure statement regarding his wife's retiree status with the City of Charlottesville and advised that per advice from the City Attorney the increase in pension would not disqualify him from voting.

Interim City Manager Michael Rogers and City Attorney Lisa Robertson gave a brief summary of the budget.

a. ORDINANCE*: Approving a budget and annual appropriation of funding for the City of Charlottesville for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2023

On motion by Pinkston, seconded by Wade, Council by the following vote ADOPTED the Ordinance: 5-0 (Ayes: Magill, Payne, Pinkston, Snook, Wade; Noes: none).

ORDINANCE APPROVING A BUDGET AND ANNUAL APPROPRIATION OF FUNDING FOR THE CITY OF CHARLOTTESVILLE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2023

b. ORDINANCE*: Establishing the Annual Tax Levy for the City of Charlottesville for Tax Year 2022

On motion by Pinkston, seconded by Payne, Council by the following vote ADOPTED the Ordinance: 5-0 (Ayes: Magill, Payne, Pinkston, Snook, Wade; Noes: none).

Mayor Snook noted for the record that he disagreed with the one cent real estate tax increase; however, since the budget would need to be funded, he would vote in favor.

ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH THE ANNUAL TAX LEVY FOR TAX YEAR 2022

2. RESOLUTION*: Establishing 2022 Tax Year Tax Relief Percentage

Commissioner of the Revenue Todd Divers provided a brief explanation.

On motion by Pinkston, seconded by Wade, Council by the following vote APPROVED the resolution: 5-0 (Ayes: Magill, Payne, Pinkston, Snook, Wade; Noes: none).

RESOLUTION

Establishing the Personal Property Tax Relief Percentage for Tax Year 2022

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Charlottesville, Virginia, THAT pursuant to the requirements of Virginia Code §58.1-3524, that personal property tax relief at the rate of thirty-two percent (32%) shall be applied to the first \$20,000 of value of each qualifying vehicle having a value of more than \$1,000 and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT personal property tax relief at the rate of one hundred percent (100%) shall be applied to each qualifying vehicle having a value of \$1,000 or less.

3. ORDINANCE (Added): Amending, reenacting and reordaining Chapter 30 of the City Code, Section 30-283, to increase the meals tax (carried)

Mayor Snook summarized the proposed ordinance to increase the meals tax from six percent to six-and-a-half percent. By unanimous consent the item moved to the April 18 City Council meeting for second reading and vote.

The meeting adjourned at 5:43 p.m.

BY Order of City Council

BY Kyna Thomas, Clerk of Council