Chair Besse called the meeting to order and stated that without objection, the Committee would first consider the Consent Agenda. Chair Besse pulled Item C-3 for discussion.

Council Member Taylor made a motion to approve the balance of the Consent Agenda and the motion was duly seconded by Council Member Montgomery and carried unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA

C-1. RESOLUTION APPROVING THE NOMINATION OF MOSES ALEXANDER “MO” LUCAS TO THE CITIZEN’S MEMORIAL WALL AT NEW EVERGREEN CEMETARY.

C-2. RESOLUTION GRANTING THE CITY MANAGER AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE UTILITY EASEMENTS WITH DUKE ENERGY CAROLINAS, LLC FOR UTILITY EASEMENTS LOCATED ON CITY PROPERTY.

C-4. RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE NORTH CAROLINA HOUSE CONTINGENCY FUNDS FOR THE DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS ALONG HIGH POINT ROAD.

C-5. RESOLUTION APPROVING CITY PARTICIPATION IN A DRAINAGE PROJECT ACROSS PRIVATE PROPERTY ACCORDING TO SECTION 75-35 OF THE CITY CODE – 4203 Allistar Road (WEST WARD).

C-6. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH MLA DESIGN GROUP, INC. PROFESSIONAL ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES FOR THE HAPPY HILL PARK RENOVATION PROJECT (EAST WARD).

C-7. APPROVAL OF PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE SUMMARY OF MINUTES –
C-3. ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 26 OF THE CITY CODE REGARDING GARBAGE AND TRASH.

Mr. Gregory Turner, Assistant City Manager gave a staff presentation on this item.

In response to Council Member Besse, Mr. Turner stated, the City believes that the Republic, Waste Management or any other public garbage pick-up entity will have enough time to do an emergency pick-up in a two hour period for the collections.

In response to Council Member MacIntosh, Mr. Turner stated, the cost for an emergency pick-up for a single dumpster ranges from $500 to $1,000 depending on how many dumpsters need servicing and how long the process will take. The City will bill them and if they fail to pay a lien on the property may be issued.

In response to Council Member Montgomery, Mr. Turner stated, the intent is to issue the notices before 12 noon, in the event that Council allots for the recommended time frame of four hours, that same business day because of the potential public health issue.

In response to Council Member Montgomery, Mrs. Angela Carmon, City Attorney indicated that property owner can submit a reasonable request for more time if a pick-up is not completed before 5 p.m.

Council Member Taylor made a motion to approve the items, within the amendment to the time allotted. The Committee requested a change in the two hour time period for the emergency pick-up to a four hour time period. The motion was duly seconded by Council Member Montgomery and carried unanimously.

GENERAL AGENDA

G-1. CONSIDERATION OF STREET CLOSING PETITIONS


In response to Council Member Montgomery, Mr. Turner stated, the dividing of the property will be divided evenly between the State and the church unless the State dedicates their half to the church.

Council Member Montgomery requested the State be asked to dedicate their half prior to the plotting so that the entire property goes to the church.

Council Member Montgomery made a motion to approve this item. The motion was duly seconded by Council Member Taylor and carried unanimously.
b. PETITION TO CLOSE AND ABANDON DESHLER STREET (EAST WARD) –  

Council Member Montgomery made a motion to approve this item. The motion was duly seconded by Council Member Taylor and carried unanimously.

c. PETITION TO CLOSE AND ABANDON A PORTION OF A 10’ ALLEY LOCATED BEHIND SPRINGDALE AVENUE (NORTHWEST WARD) –  

Council Member Taylor made a motion to approve this item. The motion was duly seconded by Council Member Montgomery and carried unanimously.

d. PETITION TO CLOSE AND ABANDON A PORTION OF A 15’ ALLEY LOCATED NORTH OF 12 ½ STREET (EAST WARD) – Petition of New Jerusalem Baptist Church. Public Hearing: September 19, 2016.

In response to Council Member Montgomery, Mr. Turner stated, the $1400 cost that the City charges is for advertising the Public Hearing with the local newspapers and this is governed by State law.

In response to Council Member Montgomery, Mrs. Angela Carmon stated, the general rule is both property owners have free access to the alleyway. If it is blocked, the owners need to seek legal counsel for the private matter.

Council Member Montgomery made a motion to approve this item. The motion was duly seconded by Council Member Taylor and carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT: 6:35 p.m.