

**NORTHWEST CITY COUNCIL  
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING  
TUESDAY, AUGUST 3, 2021  
6:00 PM**

**ASSEMBLY**

The Northwest City Council held their special meeting on Tuesday August 3, at 6:00 PM at City Hall, located at 4889 Vernon Road, Northwest.

Present were: James Knox, Mayor; Councilmen: Charles Carroll, Aaron Perkins, Michael Troy, Haywood Miller and Councilwoman Sheila Grady

Also present was: Donna Strickland, City Clerk

**CALL TO ORDER & INVOCATION**

Mayor Knox called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Councilman Michael Troy gave the invocation.

**DISCUSSION & POSSIBLE ACTION**

Public Hearing – Northwest Districting

Councilman Charles Carroll **MOVED, SECONDED** by Councilwoman Sheila Grady to open the public hearing at 6:07 PM. The **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Mayor Knox read the resolution requesting the general assembly to amend the charter of the City of Northwest to establish council member residency districts.

**RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF  
NORTHWEST TO ESTABLISH COUNCIL MEMBER RESIDENCY DISTRICTS**

***WHEREAS**, the City of Northwest is a North Carolina municipal corporation incorporated by the General Assembly on June 28, 1993 by Session Law 1993-222 (House Bill 405);*

***WHEREAS**, the City charter is Section 1 of Session Law 1993-222;*

***WHEREAS**, pursuant to Section 3.2 of the City charter, all of the qualified voters of the entire City elect all of the members of the Council, who may reside anywhere in the City;*

***WHEREAS**, the City wishes to amend Section 3.2 of its charter to change its manner of electing members of the Council such that candidates are nominated and elected by all qualified voters of the City but must reside in and represent districts; and*

***WHEREAS**, the City wishes to maintain the Nonpartisan Plurality method of elections as provided in Section 4.1 of its charter; and*

***WHEREAS**, the City advertised and held a public hearing on the proposed charter amendment on August 3, 2021 to hear comments by the public on the proposed change.*

***NOW THEREFORE**, be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Northwest that the City hereby requests that the General Assembly amend the City charter by local act such that:*



1. *The City is divided into three (3) single-member districts and one (1) two-member district according to the attached City Council Residency Districts map, where Districts 1, 2, and 4 are single-member districts and District 3 is a two-member district;*
2. *Members of the Council are nominated and elected by all qualified voters of the City but must reside in and represent districts; and*
3. *The charter amendment is not effective until after the 2021 election and the next election for the City will not be subject to Session Law 2021-56 (Senate Bill 722).*

*Adopted this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of August 2021.*

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*James A. Knox, Mayor*

*ATTEST:*

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*Donna Strickland, City Clerk*

A copy of the resolution will be placed in Exhibit Book V.

Mayor Knox asked if there were any public comments.

No public comments.

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Councilman Charles Carroll, **MOVED, SECONDED** by Councilman Haywood Miller to close the public hearing at 6:19 PM. The **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**


Councilman Charles Carroll **MOVED, SECONDED** by Councilwoman Sheila Grady to adopt the resolution that The City be divided into three (3) single-member districts and one (1) two-member district according to the attached City Council Residency Districts map, where Districts 1, 2, and 4 are single-member districts and District 3 is a two-member district; and members of the Council are nominated and elected by all qualified voters of the City but must reside in and represent districts; and the charter amendment is not effective until after the 2021 election and the next election for the City will not be subject to Session Law 2021-56 (Senate Bill 722). The **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

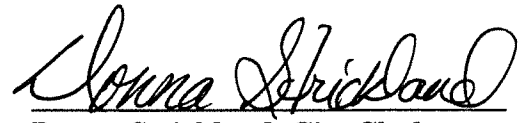


Councilman Charles Carroll **MOVED, SECONDED** by Councilman Haywood Miller to send the signed resolution and map that was adopted to the City Attorney, Santana Miller so she can send it to Representative Frank Iller. The **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Councilman Charles Carroll **MOVED, SECONDED** by Councilman Haywood Miller to adjourn the meeting at 6:26 PM. The **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

  
James A. Knox, Mayor

  
Donna Strickland, City Clerk

