

Tuesday - December 6, 2011 – 5:00 p.m.

ORGANIZATIONAL SESSION:

Mayor Terry M. Bellamy welcomed everyone to the organizational session.

Mayor Bellamy led City Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Bellamy then introduced the Reverend Mark Ward from the Unitarian Universalist Church of Asheville and the Reverend Wes Austin from Abernethy United Methodist Church who both gave an invocation.

The Honorable J. Calvin Hill, Chief District Court Judge of the Buncombe County District Court, administered the Oath of Office to the following, who after sworn (or affirmed), thanked family and friends for their support:

Council Member Jan B. Davis
Council Member Marc W. Hunt
Council Member Christopher A. Pelly

RESOLUTION NO. 11-239 - RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION FOR BROWNIE W. NEWMAN

Mayor Bellamy read the resolution.

Resolution No. 11-239 was adopted by acclamation.

Mayor Bellamy thanked Mr. Newman for his service to Asheville and presented him with the resolution, a plaque, his name plate and a City pen.

Mr. Newman thanked the public and his family for allowing him to serve. He also thanked City staff and City Council for their professionalism and dedication to the citizens of Asheville.

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RESOLUTION NO. 11-240 - RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION FOR WILLIAM A. RUSSELL JR.

Mayor Bellamy read the resolution.

Resolution No. 11-240 was adopted by acclamation.

Mayor Bellamy thanked Mr. Russell for his service to Asheville and presented him with the resolution, a plaque, his name plate and a City pen.

Mr. Russell thanked the public and his family for allowing him to serve. He also thanked City staff and City Council for their professionalism and dedication to the citizens of Asheville.

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ELECTION OF VICE-MAYOR

Councilman Davis nominated Councilwoman Manheimer as Vice-Mayor of the City of Asheville. Councilman Smith seconded the nomination.

After hearing no more nominations, Mayor Bellamy closed the floor for nominations.

Mayor Bellamy called for a vote, resulting in Councilwoman Manheimer being appointed as Vice-Mayor unanimously.

COMMENTS

Councilman Davis, Councilman Hunt and Councilman Pelly each expressed their honor to be allowed to serve the citizens, appreciated the support of their family and friends, and looked forward to working for and with City residents.

Mayor Bellamy said that this has begun a new chapter in Asheville's history and looked forward to working with the new Council and our community.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Bellamy adjourned the meeting at 5:50 p.m.

CITY CLERK

MAYOR