I. Call to Order in the Council Chamber at City Hall at 6:00 p.m.

II. Public Comment – Anyone wishing to speak during this time must sign in with the Clerk before the meeting begins, and upon being called will have 3 minutes to address the Council.

III. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

IV. Invocation Given by the Rev. Alphonso E. McGlen, Gaston Chapel AME Church

V. Organization of Council
   a. Swearing-in of Council Members
   b. Remarks by Council Members
   c. Election of Mayor Pro Tem
   d. Setting of Meeting Dates and Time
   e. Appointment of Standing Committees by the Mayor

VI. Introduction of Council

VII. Retiree Resolution
   • Karen Duncan, Finance Department, Department Director
VIII. Service Pin

• Tony Lowdermilk, Public Safety, Major, 25 years

IX. Public Advocacy Issues and Strategies

a. Upcoming events:
   • CoMMA
     Twas the Night Before Christmas, Tuesday, December 10, 6:30 p.m.
     The 5 Browns, Tuesday, December 17, 7:30 p.m.
     The Nutcracker, Hickory Ballet, Friday, December 20, 7:30 p.m.
     Saturday, December 21, 3:00 p.m.
     New Year’s Eve Masquerade, Tuesday, December 31, 9:00 p.m.
   • Downtown
     Morganton Christmas Parade, Tuesday, December 3, 6:00 p.m.
     Breakfast with Santa!, December 7 and 14, Sold out in 24-hours
     Holiday Farmers Market, North Green Street, Saturday, December 7, 10am-2pm
   • J. Iverson Riddle Developmental Center Christmas Parade, Thursday, December 5, 3:00 p.m.

X. North Carolina Municipal Power Agency Number 1 Update

XI. Consent Agenda – All items below are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council member, staff member or citizen so requests. In the event a request is made, the item will be removed from the consent agenda and considered under Item XII.

A. Approval of Minutes – For a Regular Meeting held on November 4, 2019.

   RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve minutes as submitted.

B. Consideration of Budget Amendments / Green Street Revitalization Project

   RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve budget amendments to appropriate/reallocate budget for the Green Street Revitalization Project.

C. Consideration of a Budget Amendment / Public Safety

   RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve a budget amendment in the amount of $18,000 to appropriate the receipt of a Governor’s Crime Commission grant with funds to be used to purchase a Rapid Deployment Surveillance system.
D. Consideration of a Budget Amendment / CoMMA

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve a budget amendment in the amount of $41,400 to appropriate the receipt of an insurance reimbursement for damages to the CoMMA sign and budget for the corresponding expenditure.

E. Consideration of Award of Contract for a Sewer Line Capacity Evaluation for the Terrace Sewer Basin

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve and authorize a proposal, for engineering services from WK Dickson to perform a hydraulic sewer capacity evaluation of the Terrace sewer basin in the amount of $28,300.

XII. Items Removed from Consent Agenda

XIII. New Business

A. Public Hearings

1. Public Hearing and Consideration of an Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to Clarify and Update Section 4.4 Concerning Landscaping and Screening Standards

2. Public Hearing and Consideration of an Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance Allowing a Payment in Lieu of Installation of Required Sidewalks

B. Other Business

1. Consideration of Amendments to Ordinance Concerning Construction of Sidewalks

2. Consideration of Entering into Loan Agreements with Uptown Ramen / CBDG and Main Street Revolving Loan Fund

3. Consideration of Award for Design Services for College Street Re-Design Beginning at North Green Street and Continuing to Fleming Drive

4. Consideration of Appointments for Boards and Commissions
   a. Airport Authority
   b. WPCOG Policy Board Appointment

XIV. Other Items from City Manager and City Council Not on Agenda

XV. Reports

XVI. Adjournment