

MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 5, 2013

The Jackson, Tennessee, City Council met for their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, March 5, 2013, at 9:00 a.m. in the George A. Smith Meeting Room at City Hall with Mayor Jerry Gist and Councilmembers Charles “Pepper” Bray; Ernest Brooks II; Harvey Buchanan; David Cisco; Scott Conger; Johnny Dodd; Vicky Foote; Charles Rahm; and Randy Wallace present. Also present was Anita Brooks, recorder of the minutes.

Councilmember Harvey Buchanan gave the invocation and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The minutes of the February 5, 2013, meeting were approved and signed.

Mayor Gist announced that without objection the consideration of a Resolution to recommend to the Tennessee General Assembly that the current judicial districts remain unchanged would be deferred because the city was awaiting a map from the District Attorney’s Office. Mayor Gist also announced that without objection the consideration of extending the City of Jackson’s contract with the Ferguson Group would be deferred to allow the Ferguson Group an opportunity to submit a potential contract for an issue the city was asking them to assist them with rather than a full year’s contract.

SECOND READINGS:

On the motion of Councilmember Cisco, seconded by Councilmember Buchanan, an Ordinance to rezone property located at the northwest corner of

Lexington Avenue and U.S. Highway 70 from RG-1/FH (General Residential/Flood Hazard) District to RG-2/FH (General Residential/Flood Hazard) District, containing 30.5 acres, more or less, submitted by William Clemmons, was approved 8-0. (Councilmember Dodd was not present when the vote was taken.)

NEW BUSINESS:

Lori Nunnery, Executive Director of the Jackson Convention and Visitors Bureau, gave a presentation on tourism and current efforts of the Jackson Convention and Visitors Bureau. Billy King, a member of the Big Black Creek Historical Association and a member of the Carnegie Center for Arts and History Board, advised the plans of putting a music museum in the Carnegie Center for Arts and History.

On the motion of Councilmember Conger, seconded by Councilmember Foote, unanimous approval was given to a Resolution naming the Ned R. McWherter West Tennessee Cultural Arts Center Advisory Board.

On the motion of Councilmember Buchanan, seconded by Councilmember Conger, unanimous approval was given to a Resolution approving an amendment to the consolidated plan for the Jackson Community Development Program for the period of July 1, 2010, through June 30, 2015, to include the analysis of impediments study (2013).

On the motion of Councilmember Cisco, seconded by Councilmember Buchanan, a Resolution supporting Medicaid expansion in the State of Tennessee was approved 8-0-1, with Councilmember Conger abstaining.

On the motion of Councilmember Conger, seconded by Councilmember Dodd, a Resolution to approve a lease between the City of Jackson and the State of

Tennessee for the purpose of establishing a shared parking lot was approved 8-0-1, with Councilmember Buchanan abstaining.

Mike Hewitt, Certified Public Accountant with Alexander, Thompson, Arnold PLLC, gave an annual audit report on the city's finances for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2012.

On the motion of Councilmember Buchanan, seconded by Councilmember Conger, unanimous approval was given to a contract with the Charles C. Parks Company for the purchase of candy and ice cream to be sold as concessions at the West Tennessee Healthcare Sportsplex, lowest and best bid received, based upon unit pricing.

On the motion of Councilmember Buchanan, seconded by Councilmember Bray, unanimous approval was given to a contract with Sysco Memphis for the purchase of various types of food to be sold as concessions at the West Tennessee Healthcare Sportsplex, lowest and best bid received, based upon unit pricing.

On the motion of Councilmember Conger, seconded by Councilmember Cisco, unanimous approval was given to a contract with Pavement Restorations for on call pavement management and restoration, lowest and best bid received, based upon unit pricing.

On the motion of Councilmember Foote, seconded by Councilmember Conger, unanimous approval was given to the appointment of Vicki Burch, who is replacing Sammie Arnold, to the West Tennessee Healthcare Board.

On the motion of Councilmember Conger, seconded by Councilmember Foote, unanimous approval was given to the appointments of Carla Burngasser and Hilda Little (one-year term); Gwenda Anthony, Margaret Morrison, and Terry Wallace

(two-year term); and Lyda Kay Ferree, Bob Lindsey, and Glenda Baker (three-year term) to the Ned R. McWherter West Tennessee Cultural Arts Center Advisory Board.

On the motion of Councilmember Cisco, seconded by Councilmember Wallace, the re-appointments of Herb Slack and Bruce Dorris to the Historic Zoning Commission were approved 8-0-1, with Councilmember Brooks abstaining.

On the motion of Councilmember Buchanan, seconded by Councilmember Cisco, unanimous approval was given to the following budget amendment requests:

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT		Current	Amendment	Amended
FUND:		Budget	Request	Budget
<i>Expenses:</i>				
125-52020-738	Community Development Block	1,062,574	239,927	1,302,501
<i>Revenue:</i>				
125-37300	Program Income – Community Dev.	1,062,574	239,927	1,302,501

Increase Community Development Block Grant budget by \$239,927 per request of Dave Ralston.

On the motion of Councilmember Conger, seconded by Councilmember Foote, unanimous approval was given to the following budget amendment requests:

DRUG		Current	Amendment	Amended
FUND:		Budget	Request	Budget
<i>Expenses:</i>				
141-42129-900	Drug Fund Capital	16,451.50	21,875.00	38,326.50
DRUG FUND:				
<i>Revenue:</i>				
141-37900	From Fund Balance	16,451.50	21,875.00	38,326.50

Requesting capital items for CompStat room for GIS mapping software and projector to show maps and slides side by side. These purchases will come from the Drug Fund money.

On the motion of Councilmember Cisco, seconded by Councilmember Rahm, unanimous approval was given to the following budget amendment requests:

SPORTSPLEX		Current	Amendment	Amended
FUND:		Budget	Request	Budget
<i>Expenses:</i>				
124-44505-900	Sportsplex Capital	71,250	38,990	110,240
SPORTSPLEX				
FUND:				
<i>Revenue:</i>				
124-37900	From Fund Balance		38,990	38,990

Increase capital funding for Sportsplex by \$38,990 for backstop net extensions to 7 fields due to safety concerns voiced by people attending the games.

On the motion of Councilmember Rahm, seconded by Councilmember Conger, unanimous approval was given to the following budget amendment requests:

GENERAL		Current	Amendment	Amended
FUND:		Budget	Request	Budget
<i>Expenses:</i>				
110-41900-720	Grants and Donations	279,850	97,200	377,050

Increase grants and donations with \$20,000 for SWHRA for summer program that was omitted in original FY13 budget and \$77,200 to be given to Discovery Museum (Carnegie Building) for HVAC. Original general fund revenues budgeted exceeded expenses so no increase to revenues.

On the motion of Councilmember Bray, seconded by Councilmember Conger, unanimous approval was given to the payment of invoices over \$10,000.00.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

JERRY GIST, MAYOR