

MINUTES OF COUNCIL

March 10, 2016

6:30 P.M.

The Murray City Council met in regular session Thursday, March 10, 2016, at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall with Mayor Jack Rose presiding.

Council Members Present: Jeremy Bell, Robert Billington, Johnny Bohannon, Linda Cherry, Danny Hudspeth, Dan Miller, Jason Pittman, Pat Scott, Jane Shoemaker, Greg Taylor, Burton Young

Council Member Absent: Butch Sargent

Staff Present: Travis Brown, Luke Crawford, Candace Dowdy, Major Jim Osborne, Cathy Morris, City Attorney Warren Hopkins

After a moment of silence, Dr. Young led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Mayor Rose welcomed Council members and guests and called the meeting to order.

The amended minutes of the Council Meeting of February 25, 2016, were presented for approval. **Mr. Scott moved; seconded by Mr. Bohannon.** All members voted aye.

Mayor Rose presented the Mayor's Report as outlined below:

1. Microphone usage—To improve audio reception for the viewing audience, members were asked to speak closer to the microphones during meetings
2. Historic District tax moratorium—City Attorney Warren Hopkins and Deana Wright (Murray Main Street) presented information regarding potential tax moratorium legislation. Council discussed the information and two sample ordinances presented by Mr. Hopkins. **Mr. Pittman moved** for the city attorney to draft an ordinance similar to Sample #1 (non-tiered structure) with the additions of: 1) a \$25,000 minimum improvement cost, and 2) a 5-year plan; **Mr. Taylor seconded.** All voted aye.

Mayor Rose stated there had been no requests for public comment.

Jeremy Bell, Chair of the Public Works Committee (in the absence of Butch Sargent), stated the Public Works Committee met prior to the Council meeting to discuss three culvert project bids. **Mr. Bell moved** for Council to accept low bids as follows:

Meadow Lane Culvert Replacement—Danny Cope and Sons for \$44,111.00

2022 Gatesborough Culvert Replacement—Landscape, Mulch and Design (LMD) for \$9,716.00

Cherry Street at Olive Street Box Culvert Rehabilitation—Youngblood Excavating for \$14,277.00

Mr. Bohannon seconded the motion. All voted aye.

Mayor Rose stated the Transportation, Public Safety and Public Works Committees met in joint session prior to the Council meeting to discuss 16th Street with BFW Engineers and recognized Dr. Miller who said the joint committee members approved the boulevard concept.

Resolution Number 2016-004 a resolution supporting a boulevard concept for 16th Street and Kentucky Transportation's plan for the 2017-2018 budget to spend \$8.5 million dollars on this project was presented for approval. **Dr. Miller moved; seconded by Mr. Bell.** All voted aye.

Ordinance Number 2016-1694, an ordinance amending Ordinance 794 of the City of Murray Code of Ordinances so as to re-zone the properties located at 1107, 1109, and 1111 Vine Street and 1104 Mulberry Street, owned by Paul Garland and wife Vickie Garland, from R-2 (Single Family Residential) to B-4 (Medium Density Business) was presented for approval on first reading. **Mr. Billington moved; seconded by Mr. Taylor.** Mr. Hudspeth recognized Candace Dowdy who explained certain aspects of the rezoning process. After discussion regarding the future of the neighborhood, property values in relation to zoning changes, and use of the ordinance in the future as a finding of fact, Mayor Rose called for a roll call vote.

Ayes: Jeremy Bell, Robert Billington, Johnny Bohannon, Linda Cherry, Danny Hudspeth, Dan Miller, Jason Pittman, Pat Scott, Jane Shoemaker, Greg Taylor, Burton Young

Nays: None

Municipal Order Number 2016-006, reappointing Tony Page to the Murray-Calloway County Hospital Board Position #5 for a four (4) year term to expire March 31, 2020, was presented for approval. **Mr. Pittman moved; seconded by Mr. Bell.** After discussion about the candidate vetting process, Mayor Rose called for a roll call vote.

Ayes: Jeremy Bell, Robert Billington, Johnny Bohannon, Danny Hudspeth, Dan Miller, Jason Pittman, Pat Scott, Jane Shoemaker

Nays: Linda Cherry, Greg Taylor, Burton Young

Mr. Bohannon moved Council enter Executive Session in accordance with KRS 61.810 (1)(b) for the purpose of deliberations on the future acquisition or sale of real property; **seconded by Mr. Bell.** All voted aye. Council entered Executive Session at 7:07 p.m.

Mr. Scott moved Council leave Executive Session; **seconded by Mr. Taylor.** All voted aye. Council left Executive Session at 7:15 p.m.

Mr. Scott moved to authorize the mayor and his agents to enter into negotiations with the EDC and Murray Calloway Chamber of Commerce to explore the possible sale of real property discussed in closed session; **Ms. Shoemaker seconded.** All voted aye.

With no other business before the Council, **Mr. Billington moved** to adjourn; **seconded by Mr. Bohannon.** All members voted aye. The meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Jack Rose, Mayor

ATTEST:

June Batts, City Clerk