

MINUTES
JACKSON CITY COUNCIL MEETING
February 1, 2022 – 9:00 am.
GEORGE A. SMITH MEETING ROOM

CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION, PLEDGE, AND ROLL CALL (00:00 – 01:45)

The Council of the City of Jackson met in a regular session on Tuesday, February 1, 2022, at 9:00 am. Mayor Scott Conger called the meeting to order, and Councilmember Paul Taylor led us in the invocation and Allegiance Pledge. The Mayor then called the roll. Councilmembers Ernest Brooks II, David Cisco, Johnny Dodd, Gary Pickens, Ross Priddy, Paul Taylor, and Tara Skinner were present; Russ McKelvey, and Marda Wallace were absent. Guests present from the Jackson Chamber, Mr. Kyle Spureon; Jackson Transit Authority, Mr. Travis Franks, Ms. Wendy Dixon, and Ms. Elizabeth Merriweather; West TN Skate Park, Mr. Trevon Mitchell, Mr. Ethan Palmer, Mr. Daniel Palmer, and Jenn Fernly. Present for the City of Jackson, Mr. Bobby Arnold, Recorder's Office, Mr. Stan Pilant, Planning Dept., Ms. Lauren Kirk, Mayor's Office, Mr. John Robert Mehr, Jackson Fairgrounds, and Mr. Zach Polk, Purchasing Dept. Also present was Sandy Maxwell, recorder of the minutes. For the full details, listen to the February 1, 2022 video by going to the City of Jackson website: [jacksontn.gov/Government/Mayor & Council/Council Meeting Archives](http://jacksontn.gov/Government/Mayor%20&%20Council/Council%20Meeting%20Archives) (time-frame reference).

APPROVAL OF MINUTES (01:46 – 02:16)

The minutes for January 4, 2022, City Council meeting, January 6, 2022, and January 11, 2022 (as amended), Special Call meetings, were approved and signed.

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS (02:17 – 06:00 & 06:36 – 07:39)

Swearing-In of Mayor's Youth Council and Recognizing JCM Basketball team.

INVITATION FOR PUBLIC COMMENT (07:45 – 07:55)

Mayor Scott Conger reminded the audience this was a public hearing. Therefore, anyone wishing to speak in favor of or opposition to any item on first reading, please raise your hand at the appropriate time.

FIRST READING

1. Consideration of a Resolution to adopt a Plan of Service, an Ordinance to annex, and the proposed zoning of property referred to as "Tall Oaks-Freeman," submitted by the City of Jackson, on behalf of Tall Oak Farms, LP and William D. Freeman and Rebecca H. Freeman Revocable Living Trust, comprising 236.99 acres, more or less, located at Fiberglass Road, Anglin Road, Lower Brownsville Road and State Route 223. The proposed zoning for Subareas 1 and 2 is 1-2 (Light Industrial) District (07:56 – 11:49)

Councilmember Brooks made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Taylor, to approve the agenda item as submitted. The Mayor asked if anyone had a public comment. Mr. Bob Ingram voiced his concern about the City of Jackson selling farmland to build industry (09:40 – 11:23). Upon a call for a vote, all voted aye, the motion passed unanimously. Upon a call for a vote, all voted aye, the motion passed unanimously.

2. Consideration of an Ordinance to rezone property located East of Valleydale Drive and Lansbury Place from RS-1 (Single Family Residential) District to RS-2 (Single Family Residential) District, comprising 16.10 acres, more or less (11:51 – 13:54)

Councilmember Cisco made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Dodd, to approve the agenda item as submitted. The Mayor asked if anyone had a public comment, there were none. Upon a call for a vote, all voted aye, the motion passed unanimously.

3. Proposed Budget Amendment - ARPA \$6,946,725 (13:58 – 18:51)

Councilmember Taylor made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Dodd, to approve the agenda item as submitted. The Mayor asked if anyone had a public comment, there were none. Upon a call for a vote, all voted aye, the motion passed unanimously.

4. Proposed Budget Amendment - Funding For Jackson Chamber \$75,000 (18:54 – 22:26)

Councilmember Cisco made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Brooks, to approve the agenda item as submitted. The Mayor asked if anyone had a public comment, there were none. Upon a call for a vote, all voted aye, the motion passed unanimously.

5. Proposed Budget Amendment - JPD Insurance Recoveries \$42,030 (22:28 – 23:04)

Councilmember Brooks made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Taylor, to approve the agenda item as submitted. The Mayor asked if anyone had a public comment, there were none. Upon a call for a vote, all voted aye, the motion passed unanimously.

SECOND READING

1. Proposed Budget Amendment - Animal Care Center \$35,337.00 (23:07 – 23:28)

Councilmember Taylor made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Dodd, to approve the agenda item as submitted. Upon a call for a vote, all voted aye, the motion passed unanimously.

2. Proposed Budget Amendment – Financial Empowerment Grant \$150,000.00 (23:29 – 23:45)

Councilmember Dodd made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Taylor, to approve the agenda item as submitted. Upon a call for a vote, all voted aye, the motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Consideration of Amended Resolution for American Rescue Plan Act Spend Plan (23:47 – 24:08)

Councilmember Taylor made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Dodd, to approve the agenda item as submitted. Upon a call for a vote, all voted aye, the motion passed unanimously.

2. Consideration of a contract with Southern Market Solutions, LLC for the Flea Market Showcase (24:10 – 25:10)

Councilmember Cisco made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Skinner, to approve the agenda item as submitted. Upon a call for a vote, all voted aye, the motion passed unanimously.

3. Recommendation for Mayor Compensation (25:13 – 32:15)

Councilmember Taylor motioned to postpone voting on this agenda item, seconded by Councilmember Pickens. Upon a call for a vote, all voted aye, to the amended motion, which passed unanimously.

4. Recommendation of Council Compensation (32:16 – 35:42)

Councilmember Pickens motioned to postpone voting on this agenda item, seconded by Councilmember Brooks. Upon a call for a vote, all voted aye, to the amended motion, which passed unanimously.

5. Consideration of Federal Transit Administration (FTA) grants 5339 & 5339 (B) totaling \$2,054,726.00 Jackson Transit Authority (35:44 – 51:25)

Councilmember Taylor made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Dodd, to amend the agenda item to transfer \$612,397.52 to JTA upon reviewing the currently executed contract. Upon a call for a vote, all voted aye to the amended motion, which passed unanimously.

6. West Tennessee Skate park initiative update (51:40 – 58:59)

Councilmember Dodd made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Taylor, to support the West TN Skate Park initiative. Upon a call for a vote, all voted aye, the motion passed unanimously.

7. Consideration of budget amendments less than \$10,000.00 (59:10 – 59:17)

Report Only

8. Consideration of Invoices over \$10,000.00 (59:18 – 59:43)

Councilmember Dodd made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Cisco, to approve the agenda item as submitted. Upon a call for a vote, all voted aye, the motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURN (59:46)


SCOTT CONGER, MAYOR