

MINUTES
JACKSON CITY COUNCIL MEETING
July 5, 2022 – 9:00 am.
GEORGE A. SMITH MEETING ROOM

CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION, PLEDGE, AND ROLL CALL (00:00 –1:00)

The Council of the City of Jackson met in a regular session on Tuesday, June 7, 2022, at 9:00 am Mayor Scott Conger called the meeting to order. Johnny Dodd led us in the invocation and Allegiance Pledge. The Mayor then called the roll. Councilmembers Ernest Brooks II, David Cisco, Johnny Dodd, Russ McKelvey, Tara Skinner, Paul Taylor, Marda Wallace, and Markeisha Johnson, recorder of the minutes. Gary Pickens and Ross Priddy was absent. For the full details, listen to the July 5, 2022 video by going to the City of Jackson website: jacksontn.gov/Government/Mayor& Council/Council Meeting Archives (time-frame reference).

APPROVAL OF MINUTES (1:06 - 1:28)

The minutes for June 7, 2022, City Council, and June 14 & 21, Special Call meetings were approved and signed.

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS

- Recognition of Top Three Flag Design Winner (1:50 – 3:24)

- Meghan Roeder Day Proclamation (3:26 – 6:45)

- Presentation from Friends of Heart (6:49 – 9:44)

INVITATION FOR PUBLIC COMMENT (9:49 – 10:07)

Mayor Scott Conger reminded the audience this was a public hearing. Therefore, please raise your hand at the appropriate time for anyone wishing to speak in favor of or opposition to any item on the first reading. The mayor also reminded everyone that a few second readings items would be open for public comment.

FIRST READING

1. Consideration of an Ordinance to rezone property located at Epperson Drive from R-S (Single Family Residential) District to RS-1 (Single Family Residential) District, comprising 18.50 acres, more or less (10:08 - 1:22:36)

Councilmember Wallace made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Taylor, to approve the agenda item with a second entrance. The motion failed with 2-5.

Councilmember Brooks made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Cisco to approve the agenda item for rezoning. Upon a call for a vote, all voted aye, except Taylor and Wallace, who voted nay; the motion passed 5-2.

2. Consideration of an Ordinance to rezone property located at 57 Bolivar Highway from O-C (Office Center) District to B-5 (Highway Business) District, comprising 0.37 acres, more or less (1:22:37 – 1:23:36)

Councilmember Taylor made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Brooks, to approve the agenda item as submitted. The Mayor asked if anyone had a public comment. Upon a call for a vote, all voted aye, the motion passed unanimously 7-0.

3. Proposed Budget Amendment General Fund, (Downtown Director Position) \$60,000 (1:23:37 – 1:27:37)

Mr. Ben Ferguson and Lisa Garner discussed Director's position for the Downtown

Development Corporation Program for economic development.

Councilmember McKelvey made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Dodd, to approve the agenda item as submitted. The Mayor asked if anyone had a public comment. Upon a call for a vote, all voted aye, except Brooks, who abstained; the motion passed 6-0-1.

SECOND READING

1. Consideration of an Ordinance to rezone property located at 2949 Highway 45 Bypass from O-C (Office Center) District to SC-1 (Planned Commercial) District, comprising 6.7 acres, more or less (1:27:30 – 1:28:04)

Councilmember Dodd made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Wallace, to approve the agenda item as submitted. Upon a call for a vote, all voted aye, except Brooks and McKelvey, who abstained; the motion passed 5-0-2.

2. Consideration of an Ordinance to rezone property located at Ashport Road (Shiloh Springs Subdivision) from R-S (Single Family Residential) District to RS-2 (Single Family Residential) District, comprising 26.61 acres, more or less (1:28:05 - 1:28:27)

Councilmember Cisco made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Dodd, to approve the agenda item as submitted. Upon a call for a vote, all voted aye, except Brooks and McKelvey, who abstained; the motion passed 5-0-2.

3. Consideration of an Ordinance to close Jefferson Alley located between South Royal Street, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Drive and Short Street (1:28:28 – 1:28:48)

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, except Brooks and McKelvey, who abstained; the motion passed 5-0-2.

4. Consideration of an Ordinance to close an alley located between 118 McCowat Street and 317 North Highland Avenue and close the remaining portion of White Street North located between 117 West Deaderick Street and 309 North Highland Avenue (1:28:49 – 1:29:09)

Councilmember Cisco made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Dodd, to approve the agenda item as submitted. Upon a call for a vote, all voted aye, except McKelvey, who abstained; the motion passed 6-0-1.

NEW BUSINESS

1.Election of Vice Mayor (1:29:18 – 1:30:11)

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, except Wallace, who abstained; the motion passed 5-0-1.

2.Consideration of Salary Compensation (1:30:13 – 2:11:16)

Steve Thompson from Burriss Thompson Associate with presentation for Salary Compensation Study

Councilmember Brooks made a motion, seconded by Councilmember McKelvey, to approve the agenda item as submitted. Upon a call for a vote, all voted aye, except Brooks, who abstained; the motion passed unanimously 7-0.

3.Consideration of a contract for lawn care services at the Riverside Cemetery (2:11:22 – 2:11:37)

Councilmember Cisco made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Brooks, to

approve the agenda item as submitted. Upon a call for a vote, all voted aye, the motion passed unanimously 7-0.

4.Financial Empowerment Quarterly Report (2:11:42 – 2:14:10)

Lauren Kirk presented the quarterly report.

5.Proposed Budget Amendment ARPA Fund \$0 (2:14:12 – 2:14:26)

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 7-0.

6.Consideration of a Resolution to approve Community Development Annual Action Plan 2022-2023 (2:14:37 – 2:17:16)

Councilmember Dodd 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 7-0.

7. Consideration of Budget Amendments less than \$10,000.00 (2:17:06 –)

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 except Cisco, who abstained; the motion passed 6-0-1.

8. Consideration of Invoices over \$10,000.00 (2:17:10- 2:17:18)

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, except Cisco, who abstained; the motion passed 6-0-1.

ADJOURN (2:17:31)


Mayer Scott Conger