

MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
APRIL 2, 2013

The Jackson, Tennessee, City Council met for their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, April 2, 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 Scott Conger gave the invocation and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

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

Mayor Gist presented proclamations for National Tartan Day; Equal Pay Day; Lane College Lady Dragons Basketball Team Day; ‘Jumpstart Jackson’ Community Wellness Month; Child Abuse Prevention Awareness Month; and Madison Academic Decathlon Team Day.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

On the motion of Councilmember Brooks, seconded by Councilmember Bray, unanimous approval was given to a revision to the Jade Estates North PRD preliminary development plan. Penny Stutzman expressed a need for having an adequate drainage system in the Jade Estates Subdivision. Penny Stutzman also expressed concern for potential traffic issues on Old Humboldt Road and citizen safety due to a population increase in the area.

NEW BUSINESS:

On the motion of Councilmember Conger, seconded by Councilmember Buchanan, unanimous approval was given to the acceptance of a street, “Wilshire Drive” (Realigned), located in Roadway Dedication Plat Relocated Portion of Wilshire Drive east of Summar Drive as a city street.

On the motion of Councilmember Foote, seconded by Councilmember Buchanan, unanimous approval was given to a street right-of-way encroachment agreement between Jackson Transit Authority and the City of Jackson for installation of a bus shelter at 1654 South Highland Avenue.

On the motion of Councilmember Buchanan, seconded by Councilmember Cisco, unanimous approval was given to a professional services agreement between the City of Jackson and Neel-Schaffer, Inc. for as-needed planning and engineering services.

Jan Boud, President of the Jackson Arts Council, and Kathi Leatherwood, Executive Director of the Jackson Arts Council, gave a presentation on the importance of the Arts in the Jackson community. Jan Boud thanked the Mayor and the Jackson City Council for their financial support and publicly thanked Kathi Leatherwood for her service.

Richard Barber, Executive Director of Aspell Recovery Center, and Les Jaco, Chairman of the Aspell Recovery Center Advisory Board, gave a presentation on the impact of the city’s investment with the Aspell Recovery Center and the mid-town Jackson community.

On the motion of Councilmember Buchanan, seconded by Councilmember Cisco, unanimous approval was given to an interlocal mutual assistance agreement

between the Jackson Police Department and the law enforcement agencies of the 26th and 28th judicial Districts regarding the Multi-jurisdictional Gang and Crimes Task Force.

On the motion of Councilmember Conger, seconded by Councilmember Dodd, unanimous approval was given to a Resolution to approve an agreement between the Madison County, Tennessee, Clerk and the City of Jackson, Tennessee, regarding issuance of city stickers.

On the motion of Councilmember Cisco, seconded by Councilmember Foote, unanimous approval was given to extend a contract with The Ferguson Group for services through February 28, 2014. The contract was capped at \$24,000.00, payable in advance in equal monthly installments of \$2,000.00. Councilmember Buchanan made a formal request to include lobbying for housing grants in the contract.

On the motion of Councilmember Brooks, seconded by Councilmember Conger, unanimous approval was given to a Resolution to approve a substantial amendment (#1) to the Jackson Community Development 2012-2013 Annual Action Plan.

On the motion of Councilmember Cisco, seconded by Councilmember Buchanan, unanimous approval was given to a Resolution of support for a Local Interstate Connector Route application with the Tennessee Department of Transportation.

On the motion of Councilmember Buchanan, seconded by Councilmember Conger, unanimous approval was given to the appointment of Richard Beach to the Ned R. McWherter West Tennessee Cultural Arts Center Advisory Board.

On the motion of Councilmember Foote, seconded by Councilmember Conger, unanimous approval was given to the following re-appointments to the Keep Jackson Beautiful Commission:

- Sarah Graham – Term of Service – 1/5/13 through 1/5/16;
- Ken McCorkle – Term of Service – 4/6/13 through 4/6/16; and
- Sherry Taylor – Term of Service – 4/6/13 through 4/6/16.

On the motion of Councilmember Cisco, seconded by Councilmember Rahm, unanimous approval was given to appoint Vaughn Cassidy to the Keep Jackson Beautiful Commission to fill the unexpired term of Dave Ralston, 3/10/12 through 3/10/15.

On the motion of Councilmember Foote, seconded by Councilmember Conger, unanimous approval was given to appoint Keith Wilson to the Keep Jackson Beautiful Commission to fill the unexpired term of Rad Ellington, 4/1/11 through 4/1/14.

On the motion of Councilmember Bray, seconded by Councilmember Dodd, 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