

MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
JULY 1, 2014

The Jackson, Tennessee, City Council met for their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, July 1, 2014, at 9:00 a.m. in the George A. Smith Meeting Room at City Hall with Mayor Jerry Gist and Council Members Charles “Pepper” Bray; David Cisco; Scott Conger; Vicky Foote; Charles Rahm, and Randy Wallace present. Council Members Harvey Buchanan, Ernest Brooks II, and Johnny Dodd, were not present. Also present was Sharon Smith, recorder of the minutes.

In his absence, Council Member Dodd asked Reverend Russ Pflasterer of the City Fellowship Church in Downtown to give the invocation and Mayor Gist led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The minutes of the June 3, 2014, meeting were approved and signed.

Mayor Gist recognized Iman McGhee, an administrative intern with West Tennessee Healthcare this summer sent through the Tennessee Hospital Association. She is attending the University of Memphis and will complete her masters in healthcare administration in May 2015. She is a graduate of Austin Peay State University with a Bachelor of Science in health in human performance with concentration on healthcare management. She will be with Jackson-Madison County General Hospital until August 1, rotating in different departments within the hospital.

Mayor Gist recognized and presented commendation certificates and city pins to Randi Ezelle, Director of the Special Olympics, Area 11, Recreation and Parks Department for the city of Jackson, in honor of her coaching skills, and student winners Darius Tatum, Jamacia Osler, and Bradley Peyton Davis who won numerous medals in

track and field at the 2014 U.S.A. National Special Olympics. Linda Harville, teacher of Jamacia Osler and Bradley Peyton Davis, accepted their certificates and pins on their behalf.

FIRST READINGS: There were no first readings.

SECOND READINGS: We will go to item IX, New Business.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mayor Gist asked for nominations to elect a new vice mayor for a one-year term.

Council Member Vicky Foote requested to make a comment before the new vice mayor was nominated. She thanked the City Council, Mayor Gist, and the citizens of Jackson for allowing her to serve as vice mayor for the last year.

Council Member Foote nominated and made a motion that Council Member Scott Conger be appointed as vice mayor. Council Member Wallace made a motion to second the nomination. There being no further nominations, Council Member Conger was elected vice mayor by acclamation.

On the motion of Council member Cisco, seconded by Council Member Bray, a three year Gang Resistance Intervention Grant (GRIT) in the amount initially \$90,000/year x 3 years or \$270,000 and amended to \$165,000 FY15, \$150,000 FY16 and \$60,000 FY17 (extended 1 year), with matching funds in the amount initially \$30,000/year x 3 years or \$90,000 (the \$30,000 match initially agreed upon is funded equally by agreement of the City and County Governments, West Tennessee Healthcare and West Tennessee Healthcare Foundation), and amended to \$55,000 FY15 (increase of \$25,000 in City funds for total of \$32,500 FY15), \$50,000 FY16 (increase of \$20,000 in City funds for total of \$27,500 FY16), and \$20,000 FY17 (additional grant year added \$20,000 in City funds for total of \$20,500 FY17), to provide

the purchase of high profile overt surveillance cameras that will be monitored by the Jackson Police Department and Central Dispatch to be placed in high density housing areas in the prevention, intervention, and suppression of gangs and violence was approved 6-0.

On the motion of Council Member Conger, seconded by Council Member Foote, a three-year planning grant to establish a Family Justice Center in the amount of \$80,000/year x 3 years or \$240,000 (the third year is conditional funding based on the establishment and implementation of a Family Justice Center) was approved 5-0-1, with Council Member Bray abstaining.

On the motion of Council Member Rahm, seconded by Council Member Conger, the acceptance of renewal of the Comprehensive Violence Against Women; SANE/SART/Domestic Violence Unit Program in the amount of \$105,000/year x 1 year was approved 5-0-1, with Council Member Foote abstaining.

A public hearing was opened for comments with regards to the Justice Assistance Grant (JAG). On the motion of Council Member Rahm, seconded by Council Member Conger, the acceptance of the FY14 Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) in the amount of \$65,275 for Jackson and Madison County - \$32,637 disparate allocation each, with matching funds in the amount \$0, to help in the prevention, intervention, and suppression of gangs and violence was approved 6-0.

On the motion of Council Member Cisco, seconded by Council Member Rahm, consideration of the report on debt obligation (state form CT-0253) for \$500,000, 8-year capital outlay note as approved by the State Comptroller's Office on May 23, 2014, in reference to city of Jackson resolution 2013-13, dated December 3, 2013, was approved 6-0.

On the motion of Council Member Rahm, seconded by Council Member Foote, consideration of a request from the city of Jackson to the Riverside Cemetery Improvement Association for \$18,000 expended by the City for maintenance and upkeep in FY 2014 was approved 6-0.

On the motion of Council Member Conger, seconded by Council Member Cisco, consideration of a contract with Ford Construction (lowest bid) for Street Resurfacing Project 2014-07-01, in the amount of \$1,323,052.36, was approved 6-0.

On the motion of Council Member Cisco, seconded by Council Member Bray, consideration of a contract with Delta Electric (only bid received) for site electrical for the Tennis Court Complex in the amount of \$20,400, was approved 6-0.

On the motion of Council Member Rahm, seconded by Council Member Conger, consideration of two state mowing contracts; one in the amount of \$36,963, and one in the amount of \$162,277.35 (this contract was revised and reduced by \$20,000 due to the state revising their asphalt measurement), were approved 6-0.

On the motion of Council Member Conger, seconded by Council Member Wallace, unanimous approval was given to the appointment of Greg Jordan to the Jackson-Madison County Library Board.

On the motion of Council Member Conger, seconded by Council Member Cisco, unanimous approval was given to the following FY2014 budget amendment requests:

GENERAL FUND		Current	Amendment	Amended
<i>Revenue:</i>		Budget	Request	Budget
110-33195	JAG Justice Grant		80,000	80,000
GENERAL FUND				
<i>Expenses:</i>				
110-42193-250	Professional Fees		67,400	67,400
110-42193-320	Operating Supplies/postage		600.00	600.00
110-42193-280	Travel/Training		12,000	12,000

The City of Jackson has received a JAG grant for a Jackson Family Justice Center. There is no required match for this grant. The total grant for FY15 is \$80,000 and is eligible for a total of three (3) years for the \$80,000.

On the motion of Council Member Rahm, seconded by Council Member Conger, unanimous approval was given to the following FY2014 budget amendment requests:

CAPITAL FUND		Current	Amendment	Amended
<i>Revenue:</i>		Budget	Request	Budget
315-36961	Transfer from General Fund	866,607	\$233,912	1,100,519
CAPITAL FUND				
<i>Expenses:</i>				
315-44642-900	City of Jackson Tennis Complex	1,138,299.67	233,912	1,372,211.67
GENERAL FUND				
<i>Expenses:</i>				
110-41900-761	Transfer to Capital Fund	866,607	233,912	1,100,519
<i>Revenue:</i>				
110-37900	From Fund Balance	1,046,634.73	233,912	1,280,546.73

Funds are being transferred from general fund Robertson Trust reserve in the amount of \$233,912, which are additional funds from sale of CD's to use for the City of Jackson Tennis Complex expenses.

On the motion of Council Member Rahm, seconded by Council Member Conger, unanimous approval was given to the following FY2015 budget amendment requests:

CAPITAL FUND		Current	Amendment	Amended
<i>Revenue:</i>		Budget	Request	Budget
315-36961	Transfer from General Fund		\$233,912	\$233,912
CAPITAL FUND				
<i>Expenses:</i>				
315-44642-900	City of Jackson Tennis Complex	855,000	233,912	1,088,912
GENERAL FUND				
<i>Expenses:</i>				
110-41900-761	Transfer to Capital Fund		233,912	233,912
<i>Revenue:</i>				
110-37900	From Fund Balance		233,912	233,912

Funds are being transferred from general fund Robertson Trust reserve in the amount of \$233,912, which are additional funds from sale of CD's to use for the City of Jackson Tennis Complex expenses. Money was received in FY14 and needs to be included in FY15 budget.

On the motion of Council Member Rahm, seconded by Council Member Conger, unanimous approval was given to the following FY2015 budget amendment requests:

CAPITAL FUND		Current	Amendment	Amended
<i>Expenses:</i>		Budget	Request	Budget
315-44723-900	Wallace Road Capital		8,354.00	8,354.00
<i>Revenue:</i>				
315-37900	From Fund Balance	1,000,000	8,354.00	1,008,354

The Wallace Road Park project will not be completed by June 30, close of fiscal year and are rolling over money into the FY15 budget to complete the project.

On the motion of Council Member Rahm, seconded by Council Member Foote, a budget amendment request for the JTA Reimbursement Grant that the FTA in relation to the city of Jackson MPO is required in the amount of \$50,680.00 for the FY2014 budget was approved 6-0.

On the motion of Council Member Cisco, seconded by Council Member Wallace, a budget amendment request for the JTA Reimbursement Grant that the FTA in relation to the city of Jackson MPO in the amount of \$30,432.00 for FY2015 budget was approved 6-0.

On the motion of Council Member Rahm, seconded by Council Member Conger, a budget amendment request for the JTA Reimbursement Grant that the FTA in relation to the city of Jackson MPO is required in the amount of \$32,178.00 for the FY2015 budget was approved 6-0.

On the motion of Council Member Bray, seconded by Council Member Rahm, the payment of invoices over \$10,000 was approved 6-0.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

JERRY GIST, MAYOR