

**MINUTES**  
**CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**JULY 5, 2011**

The Jackson, Tennessee, City Council met for their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, July 5, 2011, at 9:00 a.m. in the George A. Smith Meeting Room at City Hall. Anita Brooks was recorder of the minutes.

Mayor Jerry Gist presented plaques to former Council members Willie Moore, Jr. and Frank Neudecker on behalf of the City Council and the citizens of Jackson, Tennessee, for their service to the city.

Mayor Gist acknowledged the audience presence of Madison County Board of Commissioners Larry Lowrance; Katie Brantley; and James Pearson; Madison County Sheriff, David Woolfork; Mrs. Virginia Conger and Sid Conger, wife and son of former Jackson Mayor Bob Conger.

The meeting was officially called to order.

Bishop Nathaniel Bond, Pastor of Light of Life Ministries, gave the invocation.

Mayor Jerry Gist led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Judge Blake Anderson administered the oath of office to Council members Charles "Pepper" Bray; Ernest Brooks II; Harvey Buchanan; David Cisco; Scott Conger; Johnny Dodd; Vicky Foote; Charles Rahm and Randy Wallace.

The meeting was recessed at 9:05 a.m. to allow individuals to leave who were present to attend the swearing in ceremony but were unable to stay for the full meeting.

The meeting was called back to order at 9:20 a.m.

The minutes of the May 31, 2011, and June 7, 2011, meetings were approved and signed.

## **SECOND READINGS:**

On the motion of Council member Rahm, seconded by Council member Cisco, unanimous approval was given to an Ordinance to rezone property located on the north side of Campbell Street, just north of Ridgecrest Road, from SC-1 (Planned Unit Commercial Development) District to RG-2/PRD (General Residential/Planned Residential Development) District containing 17.03 acres, more or less, submitted by Campbell Street Development, LLC.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

On the motion of Council member Rahm, seconded by Council member Brooks, unanimous approval was given to rescind an initial resolution authorizing the issuance of not to exceed \$11,000,000 general obligation bonds of the City of Jackson, Tennessee, to provide funding for certain public works projects and to fund the incidental and necessary expenses related thereto (Resolution #2011-8), approved by the Jackson City Council on May 31, 2011.

On the motion of Council member Buchanan, seconded by Council member Cisco, unanimous approval was given to an initial resolution authorizing the issuance of not to exceed \$11,000,000 general obligation bonds or other form of indebtedness of the City of Jackson, Tennessee, to provide funding for certain public works projects and to fund the incidental and necessary expenses related thereto. *(This resolution will replace Resolution #2011-8, the purpose being to expand the form of indebtedness with the intent to secure the most competitive market rate.)* Alan Laffoon, City Recorder, gave an overview on the city's debt.

Council member Buchanan thanked the City Council for allowing him to serve as Vice Mayor during the 2010-2011 fiscal year and advised the duties of the Vice Mayor.

Council member Buchanan made a recommendation that Council member Cisco serve as Vice Mayor for fiscal year 2011-2012. Council member Brooks made a motion to appoint Council member Cisco as Vice Mayor. The motion was seconded by Council member Bray. There being no further nominations, Council member Cisco was elected Vice Mayor by acclamation.

Council member Wallace expressed appreciation for serving as the City Treasurer for the last four years and made a recommendation that Council member Dodd serve as the City Treasurer. Council member Buchanan made a motion to appoint Council member Dodd as the City Treasurer. Council member Cisco seconded the motion. There being no further nominations, Council member Dodd was elected as City Treasurer by acclamation.

On the motion of Council member Wallace, seconded by Council member Cisco, unanimous approval was given to reappoint Alan Laffoon as City Recorder.

On the motion of Council member Dodd, seconded by Council member Rahm, the following City Council Board Liaison List, effective July 1, 2011, until June 30, 2012, was unanimously approved:

<b>Council Member</b>	<b>Board</b>
Vicky Foote	Keep Jackson Beautiful Taxi Board
Johnny Dodd	Jackson Community Redevelopment Agency Expenditure Committee
Ernest Brooks II	Jackson Housing Authority Expenditure Committee
Harvey Buchanan	Jackson Transit Authority Beer Board Health, Education & Housing Facilities
Scott Conger	Chamber of Commerce

	Taxi Board
Charles "Pepper" Bray	Beer Board
	Recreation and Parks
	Expenditure Committee
Randy Wallace	Industrial Development Board
	Planning Commission*
Charles Rahm	Beer Board
	Jackson Energy Authority
	Community Economic Development Commission
David Cisco	Jackson Madison County General Hospital
	Airport Authority
	Taxi Board

\* Includes Historical Zoning Commission and Zoning Appeals

On the motion of Council member Cisco, seconded by Council member Bray, unanimous approval was given to the reappointment of Ken Marston to the Jackson Energy Authority Board.

On the motion of Council member Cisco, seconded by Council member Buchanan, the appointments of Ray Washington (replacing Jerry Cox), Stephen Eldridge (replacing Ed Dugger), Brad Little (replacing Charlie Garrett), Meg Montgomery (replacing Jeff Brasfield) and the reappointment of Stephen Brooks to the Industrial Development Board was approved 7-1-1, with Council member Foote voting nay and Council member Brooks abstaining.

On the motion of Council member Cisco, seconded by Council member Rahm, unanimous approval was given to the reappointment of Jimmy Exum to the Community Economic Development Commission.

On the motion of Council member Bray, seconded by Council member Dodd, unanimous approval was given to the reappointment of Brandon McWherter to the Jackson-Madison County Library Board.

On the motion of Council member Cisco, seconded by Council member Rahm, unanimous approval was given to the reappointment of Vicki Burch to the Zoning Appeals Board.

On the motion of Council member Brooks, seconded by Council member Buchanan, unanimous approval was given to solicit funding from the 2011 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program. (A public hearing was held on this matter.)

Dr. Ernest Brooks, Sr., Representative for the Jackson Madison County National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (N.A.A.C.P.) Redistricting Committee, and Harrell Carter, President of the Jackson Madison County N.A.A.C.P., addressed the City Council regarding a proposal to create a Redistricting Review Committee.

On the motion of Council member Cisco, seconded by Council member Rahm, the following fiscal year 2012 budget amendment requests were approved 8-1, with Council member Wallace voting nay:

<b>GENERAL FUND</b>		Current	Amendment	Amended
<i>Expenditures:</i>		Budget	Request	Budget
110-41200-111	City Court Salaries	443,000	10,633.17	453,633.17
110-44100-111	Recreation Salaries	506,068.83	5,439.73	511,508.56
110-44410-111	Civic Center Salaries	355,969.69	2,516.59	358,486.28
110-43900-111	Street Salaries	964,162.64	2,516.59	966,679.23
110-41620-111	Building Salaries	558,079.26	4,731.37	562,810.63
110-44720-111	Parks Maint. Salaries	523,229.75	5,991.23	529,220.98
110-44470-111	Ned Center Salaries	91,457.90	1,950.11	93,408.01
110-44730-111	Groundskeeping Salaries	772,104.57	9,674.49	781,779.06
110-43310-111	City Garage	402,117.60	559.31	402,676.91
110-44421-111	TR White Salaries	277,461.29	3,901.36	281,362.65
110-44422-111	Westwood Center Salaries	81,732.40	1,950.11	83,682.51
131-43230-111	H & S Salaries	504,663.75	1,282.32	505,946.07
124-44505-111	Sportsplex Salaries	398,097.00	3,853.62	401,950.62
110-41900-595	Unanticipated Expenses	535,111.15	(49,864.06)	485,247.09
<b>H &amp; S FUND</b>				
<b>Revenue:</b>				
131-37900	From Fund Balance	608,481.21	1,282.32	609,763.53
<b>SPORTSPLEX FUND</b>				
<b>Revenue:</b>				
124-37900	From Fund Balance		3,853.62	3,853.62

Salary equalizations in various departments. Funds will be pulled from unanticipated expenses in general fund and from fund balance in the H&S and Sportsplex funds.

On the motion of Council member Rahm, seconded by Council member Cisco, the following fiscal year 2011 budget amendment requests were approved 8-0-1, with Council member Foote abstaining:

<b>CAPITAL FUND</b>		Current	Amendment	Amended
<i>Revenue:</i>		Budget	Request	Budget
315-36961	Transfer from General Fund	1,511,942	12,250	1,524,192
<b>CAPITAL FUND</b>				
<i>Expenses:</i>				
315-42152-900	Police Annex Building		12,250	12,250
<b>GENERAL FUND</b>				
<i>Expenses:</i>				
110-41900-595	Unanticipated Expenses	535,111.15	(12,250)	522,861.15
110-41900-761	Transfer to Capital Fund	1,500,000	12,250	1,512,250

There are additional needs for equipment to be purchased in the amount of \$12,250 for the new Police Annex Building at 447 E. Main Street to include phone equipment, industrial printer, and enclosed bulletin boards. Funding will be pulled from the Unanticipated Expenses line item currently in the General Fund budget and transferred to the Capital Fund.

On the motion of Council member Bray, seconded by Council member Dodd, the payment of invoices over \$10,000 was approved 7-1-1, with Council member Wallace voting nay and Council member Foote abstaining.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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JERRY GIST, MAYOR