

MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
NOVEMBER 2, 2010

The Jackson, Tennessee, City Council met for their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, November 2, 2010, 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; Ernest Brooks, II; Harvey Buchanan; David Cisco; Johnny Dodd; Maurice Hays; Frank Neudecker; Charles Rahm; and Randy Wallace present. Also present was Anita Brooks, recorder of the minutes.

Council member Harvey Buchanan gave the invocation and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The minutes of the September 7, 2010, meeting were approved and signed with the following correction:

Paragraph that stated Council member Neudecker’s motion to amend an amendment to the text of the Official Zoning Ordinance, Article V. SPECIFIC DISTRICT REGULATIONS, Section 18. F-H (Special Flood Hazard) District, by deleting Article VI. VARIANCE PROCEDURES, in its entirety from the ordinance, failed for lack of a second was incorrect since the motion did not reach the floor to receive action and was therefore expunged from the records of the minutes.

The minutes of the October 5, 2010, meeting were approved and signed.

Mayor Gist introduced Eren Brooks, daughter of City Council member Ernest Brooks, II, and recognized Leadership Jackson members in the audience.

Mayor Gist presented proclamations for National Adoption Month and National Home Care Month.

FIRST READINGS:

On the motion of Council member Rahm, seconded by Council member Brooks, unanimous approval was given to an Ordinance to rezone property located

on the south side of West Orleans Street between White Street and Union Avenue from RG-1 (General Residential), RG-1/C (General Residential/Conservation), and I-O (Wholesale and Warehousing) Districts to a B-4 (General Business) District, containing 12.8 acres, more or less, submitted by the Jackson Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA).

On the motion of Council member Brooks, seconded by Council member Cisco, an Ordinance to rezone property located on the west side of Union Avenue between Morgan Street and Farrar Street from RG-1/C (General Residential/Conservation) District to RG-1 (General Residential) District, containing 4.3 acres, more or less, submitted by Jackson Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) was approved 8-1, with Council member Neudecker voting nay.

On the motion of Council member Cisco, seconded by Council member Buchanan, unanimous approval was given to an Ordinance to close and abandon a portion of Farrar Street located between White Street and Union Avenue.

SECOND READINGS:

On the motion of Council member Buchanan, seconded by Council member Neudecker, unanimous approval was given to an Ordinance Establishing Redevelopment Trust Fund for District 2 Pursuant to Section 21 of the Community Redevelopment Act of 1998.

NEW BUSINESS:

On the motion of Council member Cisco, seconded by Council member Dodd, a request to approve a Quitclaim Deed to convey property known as the Lewis Center, located at 201 West Grand Avenue, to the Southwest Human Resource Agency to use to deliver services to the citizens of Jackson was unanimously

approved. Mike Smith, Executive Director of the Southwest Human Resource Agency, was present and gave an overview on the repairs the agency had already made to the building and repairs that were still needed to upgrade the building. Mike Smith also expressed a need for the continued services of the Southwest Human Resource Agency in the community.

On the motion of Council member Hays, seconded by Council member Cisco, unanimous approval was given to a contract with Ford Construction Company in the amount of \$413,101.11, lowest and best bid received, for the Herron Grove Road bridge replacement. Susan White, Purchasing Manager, advised that the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) agreed to fund up to \$37,000 for the bridge repair or replacement. Mayor Gist advised that the city would appeal to FEMA to either award 90% of the cost to replace the bridge or award an amount higher than \$37,000 to replace the bridge, since no placed bids were received from contractors to do repair work on the bridge. Council member Hays expressed appreciation for the patience of South Jackson residents while the city worked on reaching a solution to either repair or replace the bridge. Council member Hays also expressed appreciation to city staff members for their work on the project.

On the motion of Council member Dodd, seconded by Council member Cisco, unanimous approval was given to a request from the Jackson Police Department for \$60,000, over three years in cash match funds, for a comprehensive Crimes Against Women grant that would combine the existing SANE/SART (Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner/Sexual Assault Response Team) and Domestic Violence Unit programs, contingent upon the City receiving STOP Violence Against Women grant funding from the State of Tennessee Office of Criminal Justice Programs. Jackson Police

Captain Mike Colt was present and answered questions regarding funding for the SANE/SART and Domestic Violence Unit programs. Margaret Cole with the Women’s Rape and Assistance Program was present and expressed comments regarding the importance of having the specialized unit.

On the motion of Council member Buchanan, seconded by Council member Neudecker, unanimous approval was given to the following FY2011 budget amendment requests:

CAPITAL FUND		Current	Amendment	Amended
<i>Revenue:</i>		Budget	Request	Budget
315-36961	Transfer from General Fund	1,029,949	1,445.00	1,031,394.00
CAPITAL FUND				
<i>Expenses:</i>				
315-41811-900	City Hall Building Capital	1,287.00	1,445.00	2,732.00
GENERAL FUND				
<i>Expenses:</i>				
110-41900-761	Transfer to Capital Fund	1,029,494	1,445.00	1,030,939
<i>Revenue:</i>				
110-37900	From Fund Balance	987,042.41	1,445.00	988,487.41

City Hall building had new microphones and audio equipment purchased for City Hall meeting room. Funds will be transferred from unanticipated expenses in the amount of \$1,287 to the capital fund to cover this purchase.

On the motion of Council member Rahm, seconded by Council member Dodd, the following FY2011 budget amendment requests were approved 8-1, with Council member Neudecker voting nay:

CAPITAL FUND		Current	Amendment	Amended
<i>Revenue:</i>		Budget	Request	Budget
315-36961	Transfer from General Fund	1,035,781	-5,832	1,029,949
CAPITAL FUND				
<i>Expenses:</i>				
315-44100-900	Recreation Capital	32,700	5,832	26,868
GENERAL FUND				
<i>Revenue:</i>				
110-37840	Transfer From Other Funds	2,000,000	5,832	2,005,832
<i>Expenses:</i>				
110-44450-320	Golf Course – Operating Supplies		5,832	5,832

The City has taken the Jones Creek Golf Course over again. Money is being transferred from budgeted expense in recreation capital of \$5,832 to general fund to cover operational expenses of golf course.

On the motion of Council member Buchanan, seconded by Council member Bray, unanimous approval was given to the following FY2011 budget amendment requests:

METRO DRUG		Current	Amendment	Amended
<i>Expenditures:</i>		Budget	Request	Budget
142-42129-743	Federal Equitable Sharing	25,000	140,524.70	165,525.70
<i>Revenue:</i>				
142-36350	Federal Equitable Sharing	25,000	140,524.70	165,525.70

The Metro Narcotics Unit has received money for jointly working federal cases that must be used for operational or equipment expenses that are not in the current budgets.

On the motion of Council member Bray, seconded by Council member Dodd, the payment of invoices over \$10,000 was approved 7-2, with Council members Neudecker and Wallace voting nay.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

JERRY GIST, MAYOR