

MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MAY 3, 2016

The Jackson, Tennessee, City Council met for their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, May 3, 2016, 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; and Charles Rahm present. Councilmember Randy Wallace was not present. Also present was Anita Brooks, recorder of the minutes.

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

The minutes of the April 5, 2016, meeting were approved and signed.

Lori Nunnery, executive director of the Jackson-Madison County, Tennessee Convention and Visitors Bureau, expressed appreciation to the Mayor and City Council for the financial investment the City of Jackson is making in tourism. Ms. Nunnery reported that it has been a great year for tourism in Jackson-Madison County. There was an increase of over 3.7 million dollars in hotel room sales in 2015 in Jackson-Madison County and the collection of Hotel/Motel taxes in Jackson-Madison County was up 17% in January 2016 and was up nearly 20% in February 2016.

FIRST READINGS:

An Ordinance to amend Title 5, Chapter 6, Section 5-601 of the Jackson Municipal Code relative to Municipal Purchasing was presented for consideration.

Susan White, City Purchaser, stated that the State of Tennessee periodically increase the threshold on municipal bids. Ms. White further stated that currently, municipal purchases over \$10,000.00 go out on sealed bids but new legislation enacted by the General Assembly allows municipal purchases over \$25,000.00 to go out on sealed bids and municipal purchases from \$10,000.00 to \$25,000.00 to require three quotes. On the motion of Councilmember Foote, seconded by Councilmember Conger, the ordinance was approved 7-1, with Councilmember Buchanan voting nay.

SECOND READINGS:

On the motion of Councilmember Conger, seconded by Councilmember Foote, unanimous approval was given to an Ordinance to amend/modify the Jackson Municipal Code relative to Motor Vehicles, Traffic, and Parking – Title 15, Chapter 9, Section 15 and Title 9, Chapter 9, Parking Meters, Section 15.

On the motion of Councilmember Rahm, seconded by Councilmember Conger, unanimous approval was given to an Ordinance to amend/modify the Jackson Municipal Code relative to Business, Peddlers, Solicitors, Etc. – Title 9, Chapter 1, Section 101, 104, and 106.

NEW BUSINESS:

On the motion of Councilmember Cisco, seconded by Councilmember Foote, unanimous approval was given to a Resolution to transfer partial ownership of City/County owned property, Map 90, Parcel 7.02, to the State of Tennessee for relocation of the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation Regional Office Crime Laboratory and Criminal Division to Jackson/Madison County. Madison County Sheriff John Mehr

and State Senator Ed Jackson were present and expressed support for adopting the resolution.

On the motion of Councilmember Conger, seconded by Councilmember Cisco, unanimous approval was given to a lease agreement with ComeUnity Café to lease the Grill at the Farmer's Market, only and best proposal received.

On the motion of Councilmember Buchanan, seconded by Councilmember Bray, unanimous approval was given to a contract with BlueCross BlueShield of Tennessee (Option 2) for vision insurance for city employees, lowest and best bid received.

On the motion of Councilmember Cisco, seconded by Councilmember Conger, unanimous approval was given to a resolution adopting the hazard mitigation plan for Madison County, Tennessee, and the incorporated cities of Jackson, Three-Way, and Medon, Tennessee.

On the motion of Councilmember Buchanan, seconded by Councilmember Brooks, unanimous approval was given to a resolution to approve the Jackson Community Development Program's Annual Action Plan for 2016-2017.

On the motion of Councilmember Buchanan, seconded by Councilmember Conger, unanimous approval was given to the following General Fund write-offs:

Delinquent Police Department Accounts:

POLICE DEPARTMENT – PARKING TICKETS

2010 – 2015 - \$2,231

POLICE DEPARTMENT – EXTRA DUTY INVOICES

Universal Protection Service - \$150.00

On the motion of Councilmember Brooks, seconded by Councilmember Conger, the following General Fund write-offs were approved 7-0-1, with Councilmember Dodd abstaining:

2004 Property Base Tax, Penalty and Interest – as required

by 10-year Statute of Limitations:

BASE TAX: \$68,883.26

PENALTY: \$5,190.15

INTEREST: \$7,544.46

TOTAL TAX: \$81,617.87

On the motion of Councilmember Rahm, seconded by Councilmember Conger, the following General Fund write-offs were approved 7-0-1, with Councilmember Dodd abstaining:

RETURNED CHECKS - \$602.00

UNRECONCILED CHECKS – PAYROLL - \$1,532.06

UNRECONCILED CHECKS – ACCOUNTS PAYABLE - \$4,994.69

On the motion of Councilmember Conger, seconded by Councilmember Rahm, unanimous approval was given to the following Solid Waste Fund write-offs:

Delinquent Garbage Write-offs:

HEALTH AND SANITATION – GARBAGE ACCOUNTS - \$12,840.48

On the motion of Councilmember Rahm, seconded by Councilmember Brooks, unanimous approval was given to the following General Fund write-offs:

Delinquent City Court Fines:

CITY COURT FINES:

FY13 – 7/1/12 – 6/30/13 - \$352,044.50

FY14 – 7/1/13 – 6/30/14 - \$277,964.40

On the motion of Councilmember Cisco, seconded by Councilmember Conger, unanimous approval was given to the re-appointment of Bill Sipes to the Jackson-Madison County Airport Authority Board of Commissioners.

On the motion of Councilmember Brooks, seconded by Councilmember Foote, unanimous approval was given to the appointment of Todd Allen to replace Wayne Ada who resigned and to the re-appointments of Todd Krasner and Hampton Williams to the Code Advisory/Appeals Board.

On the motion of Councilmember Rahm, seconded by Councilmember Conger, unanimous approval was given to the re-appointment of Ken Marston to the Jackson Energy Authority Board of Commissioners.

On the motion of Councilmember Buchanan, seconded by Councilmember Conger, unanimous approval was given to the following budget amendment requests:

CAPITAL		Current	Amendment	Amended
FUND:		Budget	Request	Budget
<i>Expenses:</i>				
315-42110-900	Police Patrol Capital	282,161.16	47,000	329,161.16
315-42160-900	Police Traffic Capital	7,500	31,000	38,500
315-42100-900	Police Administration Capital	88,721	4,800	93,520
315-42170-900	Police Photo & Fingerprinting	2,100	1,000	3,100
<i>Revenue:</i>				
315-36961	Transfer from General Fund	2,007,500	45,000	2,052,500
110-26700	Federal Equitable Sharing Reserve	64,484.13	38,800	
110-42180-321	Federal Equitable Sharing	87,189.07	38,800	125,989.07

Police Department is purchasing two replacement vehicles that were wrecked in the Traffic Division and Patrol Division for \$30,000 each. They are also purchasing a locking storage box for \$1300 for Administration and a ID printer for printing police identification cards for \$3,500. Laptop computers in the amount of \$1000 each are being purchased for traffic division and photo/fingerprint divisions. Rifles are being purchased for the Patrol division in the amount of \$17,000. Funds are being moved from general fund for insurance recoveries on the two vehicles in the amount of \$45,000 and remainder of funds will be pulled from the Federal Equitable Sharing reserve in the amount of \$38,800.

On the motion of Councilmember Brooks, seconded by Councilmember Bray, unanimous approval was given to the following budget amendment requests:

CAPITAL		Current	Amendment	Amended
FUND:		Budget	Request	Budget
<i>Expenses:</i>				
315-43190-931	Street Resurfacing	2,821,495	166,000	2,987,495
<i>Revenue:</i>				
315-37900	Fund Balance	5,246,008.08	166,000	5,421,008.08

Budget amendment being completed for Street Resurfacing capital budget for additional resurfacing needs for certain areas on Vann Drive in the amount of \$166,000. This will require a draw on fund balance.

On the motion of Councilmember Conger, seconded by Councilmember Foote, unanimous approval was given to the following budget amendment requests:

CAPITAL		Current	Amendment	Amended
FUND:		Budget	Request	Budget
<i>Expenses:</i>				
315-42600-900	Central Dispatch	4,328,574	250,000	4,578,574
<i>Revenue:</i>				
315-37900	Fund Balance	5,421,008.08	250,000	5,671,008.08

Budget amendment is being prepared for new tower for the radio system and this will require a draw on fund balance in the amount of \$250,000.

On the motion of Councilmember Bray, seconded by Councilmember Brooks, unanimous approval was given to the payment of invoices over \$10,000.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

JERRY GIST, MAYOR