

MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
APRIL 3, 2007

The Jackson, Tennessee City Council met for their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, April 3, 2007, at 9:00 a.m. in the George A. Smith Meeting Room at City Hall with Mayor Charles Farmer and Council members John Bannister; Charles “Pepper” Bray; Ernest Brooks, II; Harvey Buchanan; David Cisco; Johnny Dodd; Maurice Hays; Frank Neudecker and Charles Rahm present. Also present was Toni Ross, 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 March 7, 2007 meeting were approved and signed.

Mayor Farmer made the following special presentations:

Proclamations:

- Child Abuse Prevention Month proclamation to Pam Nash of the Carl Perkins Center for the Prevention of Child Abuse;
- Fair Housing Month proclamation to Kathryn Avent of West Tennessee Legal Services;
- Sexual Assault Awareness Month proclamation to Margaret Cole of Women’s Resource and Rape Assistance; and
- National Tartan Day proclamation to Gary Wood.

Mayor’s Commendations & Lapel Pins:

- Lambuth Eagles in honor of their winning the 2007 NAIA Division I National Basketball Championship; and
- Liberty Crusaders in honor of their winning the 2007 Class AA State Basketball Championship.

Sheila Godwin was present and requested additional information on the proposed parking garage.

FIRST READINGS:

On the motion of Council member Hays, seconded by Council member Cisco, unanimous approval was given to a Resolution to Adopt a Plan of Service, an Ordinance to annex and an Ordinance to zone an area referred to as “H & H Annexation

Area,” generally located on the south side of Perry Switch Road, just west of Woods Edge Drive, comprising a total of 42.64 acres, more or less. The proposed zoning for this annexation area is RS-1/FH (Single Family Residential/Special Flood Hazard) District.

On the motion of Council member Hays, seconded by Council member Cisco, unanimous approval was given to a Resolution to Adopt a Plan of Service, an Ordinance to annex and an Ordinance to zone an area referred to as “Harts Creek Annexation Area,” generally located on the south side of Harts Bridge Road, just east of Roxy Cove, comprising a total of 22.25 acres, more or less. The proposed zoning for this annexation area is RS-1/FH (Single Family Residential/Special Flood Hazard) District.

Robert McKenzie was present and expressed concern for potential drainage issues for the H & H and Harts Creek Annexation Areas. Stan Pilant, Director of Planning, advised that the items presented at this time were annexation of the areas and once the final plans were submitted, drainage would be one of the many aspects evaluated by the staff and submitted for consideration by the Planning Commission.

On the motion of Council member Bannister, seconded by Council member Brooks, unanimous approval was given to an Ordinance to amend to the text of the Official Zoning Ordinance, Article V, Specific District Regulations, Section 12. SC-1 (Planned Unit Commercial Development) District, E. Height Regulations. (The public hearing on this matter will be held on May 1, 2007.)

On the motion of Council member Bray, seconded by Council member Brooks, unanimous approval was given to an Ordinance to zone property located on the west side of Wallace Road, just south of Old Hickory Boulevard from a RS-1 (Single Family Residential) District to an O (Office) District and containing 1.8 acres more or less, submitted by R. Joel McAlexander. (The public hearing on this matter will be held on May 1, 2007.)

On the motion of Council member Cisco, seconded by Council member Bray, unanimous approval was given to an Ordinance to zone property located on the east side of Country Club Lane, just north of Vann Drive from an RG-1/FH (General Residential/Special Flood Hazard) District to an RG-2/PRD/FH (General Residential/Planned Residential Development/Special Flood Hazard) District and

containing 4.02 acres, more or less, submitted by Danny Cole. (The public hearing on this matter will be held on May 1, 2007.)

On the motion of Council member Rahm, seconded by Council member Buchanan, unanimous approval was given to an Ordinance to rezone property located at the southeast quadrant of Campbell Street and Ridgecrest Road from an RS-1 (Single Family Residential) and A-O (Agriculture Open Land) District to an SC-1 (Planned Unit Commercial Development) District and containing 21.3 acres, more or less, submitted by Laura A. Williams. (The public hearing on this matter will be held on May 1, 2007.)

On the motion of Council member Rahm, seconded by Council member Cisco, unanimous approval was given to an Ordinance to amend the Official Code of the City of Jackson Relative to Title 7, Chapter 2 Fire Prevention Code. (The public hearing on this matter will be held on May 1, 2007.)

SECOND READINGS:

On the motion of Council member Buchanan, seconded by Council member Bray, unanimous approval was given to an Ordinance to amend Title 15, Chapter 8, Section 804(1) of the Jackson Municipal Code, Relative to Parking Regulations in Jackson, Tennessee.

On the motion of Council member Rahm, seconded by Council member Neudecker, unanimous approval was given to an Ordinance to amend Title 15, Chapter 8, Section 802 of the Jackson Municipal Code, Relative to Angle Parking in Jackson, Tennessee.

NEW BUSINESS:

John Allen was present and gave a summary of the plans for the proposed parking garage at the corner of Highland Avenue and Lafayette Street. Mr. Allen showed a schematic of the exterior of the buildings and discussed the anticipated number of spaces and entrance and exit points to the garage. On the motion of Council member Bannister, seconded by Council member Rahm, a Letter of Intent from John Allen, David Horton and Lori Horton for a proposed parking garage was approved 8-1, with Council member Neudecker voting nay.

Mary Bearden, Executive Director of Jackson Downtown Development Corporation, gave a report on the activities of the JDDC and thanked the Mayor and City Council for their assistance.

On the motion of Council member Buchanan, seconded by Council member Bannister, the request to close out the City's Industrial Development Fund #310 and transfer the negative fund balance to the General Fund due to inactivity for the last five years and no identified activity in the foreseeable future was approved 8-1, with Council member Neudecker voting nay.

On the motion of Council member Cisco, seconded by Council member Hays, unanimous approval was given to a contract in the amount of \$810,084 with Delta Contracting, LLC, for the Spring 2007 Street Resurfacing Project.

On the motion of Council member Bannister, seconded by Council member Dodd, unanimous approval was given to Change Order 1 in the amount of \$15,000 to Askew Hargraves Harcourt and Associates for increase in project scope, bridge design and observation for the Anderson Creek Mitigation Area Multipurpose Trail.

On the motion of Council member Cisco, seconded by Council member Rahm, the following board appointments were approved 8-1, with Council member Neudecker voting nay:

- Code Advisory/Appeals Board – Reappointment of Wendy Braxter, Hal Crocker and Ronald Smith.
- Jackson Transit Authority – Appointment of Estelle Davis to replace Clarence Boone.
- Jackson Energy Authority Board – Appointment of Mike McWherter to replace Harbert Alexander, whose term expires in June.

On the motion of Council member Bray, seconded by Council member Rahm, the payment of invoices over \$10,000 was approved 8-1, with Council member Neudecker voting nay.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

CHARLES H. FARMER, MAYOR