

MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MAY 5, 2009

The Jackson, Tennessee City Council met for their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, May 5, 2009, 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; Johnny Dodd; Danny Ellis; Maurice Hays; Frank Neudecker; Charles Rahm; and Randy Wallace present. Also present was Anita Brooks, recorder of the minutes.

Council member Ernest Brooks, II gave the invocation and led the audience in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

The minutes of the April 7, 2009 meeting were approved and signed.

Mayor Gist presented proclamations for YMCA Active Older Adults Day, Christopher Elizer Day, R. C. Stegall Day and National Train Day.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

On the motion of Council member Ellis, seconded by Council member Neudecker, unanimous approval was given to an Ordinance to rezone property located at 1035 Campbell Street from RG-3 (General Residential) District to O (Office) District, comprising 0.64 acres, more or less, submitted by Brenda K. Foxworth.

On the motion of Council member Rahm, seconded by Council member Brooks, unanimous approval was given to an Ordinance to amend the text of the Official Zoning Ordinance, Article V, Section 18. FH (Special Flood Hazard) District.

On the motion of Council member Bray, seconded by Council member Neudecker, unanimous approval was given to an Ordinance to amend the Official Code of the City of Jackson relative to Title 2 Boards and Commissions, Etc., Chapter 6, Community Redevelopment Agency, Section 2-602 Composition; terms; vacancies; compensation; removal.

On the motion of Council member Brooks, seconded by Council member Dodd, unanimous approval was given to an Ordinance increasing the salary of the City Court Clerk to \$52,000 per year.

SECOND READINGS:

On the motion of Council member Buchanan, seconded by Council member Rahm, unanimous approval was given to an Ordinance to rezone property located on the south side of Interstate 40, just east of Exit 85 from SC-1 (Planned Unit Commercial Development) District to B-5 (Highway Business) District, comprising 8.10 acres, more or less, submitted by Jean Haynes.

NEW BUSINESS:

On the motion of Council member Dodd, seconded by Council member Brooks, a Resolution approving Community Development's Annual Action Plan for 2009-2010 was approved 7-2, with Council members Ellis and Neudecker voting nay.

On the motion of Council member Buchanan, seconded by Council member Rahm, the transfer of property located at 544 and 546 South Liberty Street to Madison County, Tennessee was approved 7-1-1, with Council member Neudecker voting nay and Council member Wallace abstaining.

On the motion of Council member Rahm, seconded by Council member Neudecker, unanimous approval was given to a Lease Agreement between the City

of Jackson and Lee Tomlinson for 60 acres of open farmland located in the Tiger Jones Industrial Park.

Ms. Kathi Landon Leatherwood, Executive Director of the Jackson Arts Council, and Mr. Stan Harris, President of the Jackson Arts Council, gave a funding report on various programs sponsored by art coalitions of the Jackson Arts Council and expressed appreciation to the Mayor and City Council for their support of the Arts. Ms. Leatherwood recognized art supporters in the audience, read a couple of letters from school children who attended the Nutcracker and advised that the Jackson Arts Council sent over 7,000 children from public schools to see art events last year.

On the motion of Council member Rahm, seconded by Council member Brooks, unanimous approval was given to a contract with the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) for the 2010 and 2011 Division 1 Women's Basketball National Championship.

On the motion of Council member Ellis, seconded by Council member Rahm, unanimous approval was given to a contract with Verizon Wireless for cell phones and service.

On the motion of Council member Rahm, seconded by Council member Neudecker, unanimous approval was given to a contract with Wayne Holmes for photography services for the Westwood Community Center.

On the motion of Council member Dodd, seconded by Council member Rahm, unanimous approval was given to a contract with Ford Construction Company for the Street Resurfacing Program.

On the motion of Council member Rahm, seconded by Council member Dodd, unanimous approval was given to the reappointment of Jim Ferrell, Charles Garrett, Jr., and Jerry Spore to the Code Advisory /Appeals Board.

On the motion of Council member Hays, seconded by Council member Rahm, unanimous approval was given to the reappointment of Earl Anderson to the West Tennessee Healthcare Board.

On the motion of Council member Dodd, seconded by Council member Wallace, unanimous approval was given to the reappointment of Keith Absher to the Planning Commission.

On the motion of Council member Rahm, seconded by Council member Dodd, unanimous approval was given to the reappointment of Pattie Lewis and Thomas Varughes to the Board of Zoning Appeals.

On the motion of Council member Dodd, seconded by Council member Ellis, unanimous approval was given to the reappointment of Jack Wood and Ann Ewing to the Historic Zoning Commission.

On the motion of Council member Rahm, seconded by Council member Wallace, the following appointments to the Jackson Community Redevelopment Agency were approved 8-0-1, with Council member Neudecker abstaining: Nell Huntson (1 year term); Vicki Lake (3 year term); Monte Jones (2 year term); Greg Milam (3 year term); and Johnny Dodd (2 year term). Approval was also given on the same motion to designate Vicki Lake as Chairman and to designate Ray Tanner, an appointee of the Madison County Board of Commissioners, as Co-Chairman of the Jackson Community Redevelopment Agency.

On the motion of Council member Bray, seconded by Council member Buchanan, 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.

JERRY GIST, MAYOR