



CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

February 9, 2016

CALL TO ORDER:

The Jackson City Council met in regular session in the City Hall and was called to order at 6:35 p.m. by Mayor Bill Jors.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - INVOCATION:

The Council joined in the Pledge of Allegiance. Invocation was given by Derek Dobies, Vice Mayor and 6th Ward City Councilmember.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Mayor Bill Jors, Councilmembers Arlene Robinson, Freddie Dancy, Daniel P. Greer, Craig Pappin, Andrew R. Frounfelker, and Derek J. Dobies.

Also present: City Manager Patrick Burtch, City Attorney Bethany Smith, City Clerk/Treasurer Andrew J. Wrozek, Jr., Senior Appraiser Jason Yoakam, City Engineer Jon Dowling, Director of Police and Fire Matthew Heins, Director of Economic Operations Jennifer Morris, and Assistant City Manager/Operations Jonathan Greene.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

Motion was made by Mayor Jors to adopt the Agenda and move Presentation and Proclamations before the Citizen Comment, seconded by Councilmember Pappin. Votes - all yeas (7). Agenda was adopted.

PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS:

The Mayor presented a Special Tribute honoring Camilla Babcock in recognition of her 100th birthday.

CITIZEN COMMENTS:

Public comment time was opened. Comments were heard and the meeting resumed.

PETITIONS & COMMUNICATION: none.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

- A. Minutes of the Regular Meeting on January 26, 2016:**
Approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of January 26, 2016.
- B. Board Reappointments - DDA:**
Mayor's recommendation to reappoint Wendy Clifton and Allan Hooper to the Downtown Development Authority for a four-year term each beginning March 30, 2016 and ending March 29, 2020.
- C. Walk for Warmth:**
Approve the request from Consumers Energy to conduct their annual Walk for Warmth on Friday, February 26, 2016, at 12:00 p.m., in downtown Jackson. (Contingent upon receipt of proper insurance coverage.)

Motion was made by Councilmember Greer, seconded by Councilmember Dobies to adopt the Consent Calendar. Votes - all yeas (7). Calendar was adopted.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

- A. Public Hearings of Necessity for Various Street Improvement Projects:**
Public hearing of necessity for street repairs on:
- Edward Avenue - Wildwood Avenue to Winthrop Street & Winthrop Street - Edward Avenue to the east end of Withington Stadium
 - Mechanic Street from Morrell Street to Washington Avenue
 - West Avenue from Michigan Avenue to Wildwood Avenue and from Ganson Street to North Street
 - Francis Street from Washington Avenue to Glick Highway.
 - Mechanic Street from Washington Avenue to Glick Highway.
 - Jackson Street from Washington Avenue to Glick Highway.

Public Hearing was opened by Mayor Jors. Comments and written letters were heard and considered. Mayor Jors closed the public hearing and resumed the meeting.

- B. Resolution ordering the preparation of a special assessment roll to defray the cost of reconstructing Edward Avenue - Wildwood Avenue to Winthrop Street & Winthrop Street - Edward Avenue to the east end of Withington Stadium.**

Motion was made to adopt the resolution by Councilmember Greer, seconded by Councilmember Dobies. Votes - Yeas: Mayor Jors, Councilmembers Dancy, Greer, Frounfelker, and Dobies (5). Nays: Councilmembers Robinson and Pappin (2). Motion carried.

- C. Resolution ordering the preparation of a special assessment roll to defray the cost of reconstructing Mechanic Street from Morrell Street to Washington Avenue.

Motion was made to adopt the resolution by Councilmember Greer, seconded by Councilmember Dobies. Votes - Yeas: Mayor Jors, Councilmembers Greer, Pappin, Frounfelker, and Dobies (5). Nays: Councilmembers Robinson and Dancy (2). Motion carried.

- D. Resolution ordering the preparation of a special assessment roll to defray the cost of reconstructing West Avenue from Michigan Avenue to Wildwood Avenue and from Ganson Street to North Street.

Motion was made to adopt the resolution by Councilmember Greer, seconded by Councilmember Dobies. Votes - Yeas: Mayor Jors, Councilmembers Robinson, Dancy, Greer, Pappin, Frounfelker, and Dobies (7). Nays: none. Motion carried.

- E. Resolution ordering the preparation of a special assessment roll to defray the cost of resurfacing Francis Street from Washington Avenue to Glick Highway.

Motion was made to adopt the resolution by Councilmember Greer, seconded by Councilmember Dobies.

Mayor Jors asked for motion to suspend the rules and accept additional public comment. Declaring a motion and second, asking for a vote with all voting yeas (7), Mayor Jors opened Public Hearing again. Councilmember Greer called for the question. Votes - Yeas: Mayor Jors, Councilmembers Robinson, Greer, Pappin, and Dobies (5). Nays: Councilmembers Dancy and Frounfelker (2). Motion carried. Vote on the motion to adopt the resolution - Yeas: Mayor Jors, Councilmembers Robinson, Greer, Pappin, and Dobies (5). Nays: Councilmembers Dancy and Frounfelker (2). Motion carried.

- F. Resolution ordering the preparation of a special assessment roll to defray the cost of resurfacing Mechanic Street from Washington Avenue to Glick Highway.

Motion was made to adopt the resolution by Councilmember Greer, seconded by Councilmember Dobies. Votes - Yeas: Mayor Jors,

Councilmembers Greer, Pappin, and Dobies (4). Nays: Councilmembers Robinson, Dancy, and Frounfelker (3). Motion carried.

- G. Resolution ordering the preparation of a special assessment roll to defray the cost of resurfacing Jackson Street from Washington Avenue to Glick Highway.

Motion was made to adopt the resolution by Councilmember Greer, seconded by Councilmember Dobies. Votes - Yeas: Mayor Jors, Councilmembers Greer, Pappin, Dobies (4). Nays: Councilmembers Robinson, Dancy, and Frounfelker (3). Motion carried.

H. Public Hearing to Rezone 144 Price Street:

Public hearing on the request to rezone from I-1 (Light Industrial District) to R-1 (One-Family Residential District).

1. Ordinance amending Chapter 28, Section 28-32, City Code, to rezone 144 Price Street from I-1 to R-1. (City Planning Commission recommends denial.) (First Reading.)

Public Hearing opened by Mayor Jors. No comments were received. Public Hearing was closed.

Motion was made to concur with the Planning Commission and deny the re-zoning of 144 Price Street by Councilmember Greer, seconded by Councilmember Dobies. Votes: all yeas (7). Motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS:

A. Ordinance - Amending Chapter 28, Section 28-32 (Second/Final Adoption):

Recommendation: Final adoption of Ordinance No. 2016-03, amending Section 28-32, Chapter 28, City Code, rezoning 1310 Losey Street from R-1 to I-2.

Motion was made to adopt Ordinance No. 2016-03 by Councilmember Greer, second was declared by Mayor Jors. Votes - all yeas (7). Motion carried.

B. Second Contract Renewal to Provide Lawn Care Services at the WWTP and the Water Treatment Plan:

Recommendation: Approve the second contract renewal with Picture Perfect Lawn Care, LLC, Jackson, in the amount of \$37,040.00 to provide lawn care services at the City of Jackson Wastewater Treatment Plant and Water Treatment Plant facilities.

Motion was made to approve by Councilmember Frounfelker, second by Councilmember Greer. Votes: all yeas (7). Motion carried. Revisited the issue to renew the contract by request of Councilmember Robinson. Councilmember Greer made the motion to reconsider for purpose of a roll call vote, seconded by Councilmember Dobies. Motion was made by Councilmember Greer, seconded by Councilmember Dobies to approve the contract. Roll call vote was taken - all yeas (7). Motion carried.

C. Special Events Policy Proposed Revisions:

Recommendation: Approve the revisions to the Special Events Policy.

Motion made by Councilmember Frounfelker, seconded by Councilmember Greer to approve the revisions of the policy. Votes - all yeas (7). Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Resolution - MDOT Contract - Wisner Street Rehabilitation - Argyle Street to Boardman Road:

Recommendation: Approve a resolution to enter into a contract with the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) for rehabilitation work along Wisner Street from Argyle Street to Boardman Road, and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk/Treasurer to execute the appropriate contract documents.

Motion was made by Councilmember Greer, seconded by Councilmember Dobies to approve the contract with MDOT. Vote - All yeas, except Councilmember Robinson abstaining (6). Motion carried.

B. Resolution - Administrative Hearings Bureau Amnesty:

Recommendation: Approve a resolution granting a judgment reduction for unpaid Administrative Hearings Bureau judgments entered prior to January 1, 2016.

Motion was made by Councilmember Greer, seconded by Dobies to approve a resolution for AHB Amnesty. Votes - all yeas (7). Motion carried.

C. Resolution - Opposing Senate Bill 720 and House Bill 5232 Regarding Changes to the Local Historic Districts Act:

Recommendation: approve a resolution in opposition to Senate Bill 720 and House Bill 5232 regarding changes to the Local Historic Districts Act.

Motion was made by Councilmember Dobies, seconded by Councilmember Robinson. Votes - all yeas (7). Motion carried.

D. Item Deleted.

E. Ordinance - Lead Assessment (First Reading):

Recommendation: Consider an ordinance amending Section 14-7, Article I, Chapter 14, City Code, to require that a property owner submit a lead risk assessment before a property owner is allowed to register his or her property under this Article to protect the safety of the citizens of Jackson.

Motion was made by Councilmember Dobies, seconded by Councilmember Greer to approve consideration of the Ordinance and advance to the 2nd reading and final adoption with amendment before the 2nd reading and final adoption the City Manager be directed to organize and host a public forum with qualified experts on the extent of lead poisoning in Jackson and the impact of lead paint and lead abatement in our city so as to better inform the public and the Council as the potential ways to allow this proposed ordinance to better secure the health, safety, and welfare of tenants and residents of the city. Votes - all yeas (7). Motion carried.

F. Gravimetric Belt Feeders for Water Treatment Plant Lime Slakers:

Recommendation: Approve the purchase of two gravimetric belt feeders and associated components from Integrity Municipal Systems, Poway, California, in the amount of \$70,160.00 to be installed on the lime slakers at the Water Treatment Plant.

Motion was made by Councilmember Greer, seconded by Councilmember Pappin to approve the purchase. Votes - all yeas (7). Motion carried.

G. Accept Payment From Sale Proceeds and Forgive Balance of CDBG Rehabilitation Loan for 811 Burr Street:

Recommendation: Approve the property owner's request to accept the proceeds from the sale of 811 Burr Street and forgive the balance of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) rehabilitation loan issued March 18, 1999.

Motion was made by Councilmember Greer, seconded by Councilmember Frounfelker to approve request and payment. Votes - all yeas (7). Motion carried.

H. JHC Executive Director's Recommendation Regarding Three Positions:

Recommendation: Approve the recommendations made by the Jackson Housing Commission Executive Director regarding three positions:

Maintenance Team Lead, Comptroller, and Human Resources Specialist, in concurrence with the Mayor's recommendation.

Motion was made by Councilmember Dobies, seconded by Councilmember Greer to approve recommendations for JHC. Votes - all yeas (7). Motion carried.

I. Parks, Recreation, and Cemeteries New Special Events and Youth Programs From 2016:

Recommendation: Approve the special events youth programs for the Spring and Summer of 2016 through program fees and the recreation millage fund.

Motion was made by Councilmember Greer, seconded by Councilmember Frounfelker to approve as presented. Votes - all yeas (7). Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: to discuss collective bargaining, pending litigation, and purchase of real property.

Motion was made to suspend the regular open meeting and go into executive session by Councilmember Greer, seconded by Councilmember Frounfelker. Roll call vote. Yeas: Mayor Jors, Councilmembers Robinson, Dancy, Greer, Pappin, Frounfelker, and Dobies (7). Motion carried.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Motion to return to the regular open meeting by Councilmember Greer, seconded by Councilmember Dobies. Votes - all yeas (7). Motion carried.

Motion was made by Councilmember Greer, seconded by Councilmember Dobies to accept the recommendation of the City Attorney made in executive session regarding Legacy 5. Votes - all yeas (7).

CITY COUNCILMEMBERS' COMMENTS

MANAGER'S COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT:

No further business being presented, Motion was received to adjourn and a second. Motion carried. Mayor Jors closed the meeting at 10:10 p.m.