



CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
September 14 , 2021

CALL TO ORDER:

The Jackson City Council met in regular session and was called to order at 6:31 p.m. by Mayor Derek J. Dobies.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND INVOCATION:

Council joined in the Pledge of Allegiance. Invocation was given by Fourth Ward Councilmember Laura Dwyer Schlecte in which she shared quotes by Edward Everett Hale and Eleanor Roosevelt.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Mayor Derek Dobies, Vice Mayor Arlene Robinson, Councilmembers Freddie Dancy, Jeromy Alexander, Laura Dwyer Schlecte, Karen Bunnell, and Will Forgrave.

Absent: none.

Also present: City Manager Jonathan Greene, City Attorney Matthew Hagerty, City Assessor Jason Yoakam, City Clerk Andrea Muray, Deputy Director of Police Services Serge Garcia, Deputy Director of Fire Services Chief David Wooden, Director of Public Works Mike Osborn, Director of Neighborhood and Economic Operations Shane LaPorte, and Chief Equity Officer John Willis.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

Motion was made by Mayor Dobies to adopt the agenda with the addition of Item 11W - Urban Farming Ordinance. Councilmember Schlecte moved to add Item 11X - Letter from the Attorney General. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Dancy. Vote - Yeas: Mayor Dobies, Vice Mayor Robinson, Councilmembers Dancy, Alexander, Schlecte, Bunnell, and Forgrave (7). Nays: none. Motion carried.

PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS:

A. Presentation for Possible New City Seal from the Jackson Public Arts Commission

Angela Edward of Jackson Public Arts Commission presented the proposed City Seal designed.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

A. Public Hearing Regarding the Proposed Use of \$30,600 in FY2021 JAG Funds by the City for the Purchase of a License Plate Reader to be Deployed Throughout the City

The public offered comments and the public hearing was closed.

CITIZEN COMMENTS:

Citizen comments that were submitted were read into the record and individuals present offered comments.

A motion to take a recess was made by Councilmember Alexander, seconded by Councilmember Bunnell. A voice vote was taken with all in favor.

Recess was taken from 8:04 p.m. until 8:12 p.m.

PETITIONS & COMMUNICATION FROM CITY STAFF AND OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES:

- A. Environmental Commission Meeting Minutes of June 16, 2021**
- B. Environmental Commission Meeting Minutes of July 21, 2021**
- C. Receive the Draft Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) and Authorize Dissemination for Public Comment**

Motion was made by Councilmember Forgrave, seconded by Councilmember Schlecte to accept items A, B, and C and place on file.

Motion was made by Councilmember Schlecte, seconded by Councilmember Bunnell to amend the main motion to include directing the City Manager to work with the Environmental Commission to prepare a single hauler proposal to

present to City Council by the end of 2021. Councilmember Schlecte withdrew her motion.

Motion was made by Mayor Dobies, seconded by Councilmember Schlecte to amend the main motion and additionally direct the City Manager to work with the Environmental Commission to propose policy options before the end of 2021 for changes to the local waste removal system to make it more efficient system to expand services and reduce customer costs . Vote – Yeas: Mayor Dobies and Councilmember Schlecte (2). Nays: Vice Mayor Robinson, Councilmembers Dancy, Alexander, Bunnell, and Forgrave (5). Motion failed.

Vote was taken on the main motion. Vote – Yeas: Mayor Dobies, Vice Mayor Robinson, Councilmembers Dancy, Alexander, Schlecte, Bunnell, and Forgrave (7). Nays: none. Motion carried.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

A. Minutes of the Special Meeting of August 17, 2021

Approve the minutes of the special City Council Meeting of August 17, 2021.

B. Reappointment to Administrative Hearings Bureau

Approve the Mayor's recommendation to reappoint Administrative Hearings Officer John Kane to the Administrative Hearings Bureau for a two-year term, expiring on September 21, 2023

C. Appointments to the Environmental Commission

Approve the Mayor's recommendation to appoint Cole McEldowney as an ex-officio member of the Environmental commission for a one-year term, expiring on December 31, 2022 and Councilmember Will Forgrave to a term that is concurrent with his seat on City Council.

D. Special Event Application – Beats in the Park

Approve a request from Double Crossed Media, LLC to host Beats in the Park on September 19, 2021 in Horace Blackman Park.

E. Special Event Application – Grand River Brewery Oktoberfest

Approve a request from Grand River Brewery to host their Oktoberfest on September 25, 2021 in the Grand River Farmers Market Pavilion and adjacent parking lot.

F. Special Event Application – Jackson District Library Bookmobile Launch

Approve a request from the Jackson District Library to host their Bookmobile Launch on September 30, 2021 in Horace Blackman Park.

G. Special Event Application – 2021 Walk to End Alzheimer’s

Approve a request from the Alzheimer’s Disease & Related Disorders Association to host their 2021 Walk to End Alzheimer’s on October 1, 2021 on the streets of Downtown Jackson.

H. Special Event Application – Queen of the Miraculous Medal Church Public Rosary

Approve a request from the Queen of the Miraculous Medal Church to host their Public Rosary on October 10, 2021 in Horace Blackman Park.

I. Special Event Application – Fall Fest & Chili Classic

Approve a request from the Downtown Development Authority and McKibben Media to host the Fall Fest & Chili Classic on October 16, 2021 in downtown Jackson.

J. Special Event Application – Orthopaedic Rehab Specialists 5/8k

Approve a request from Orthopaedic Rehab Specialists to host their Octoberfest 5/8k on October 23, 2021 in downtown Jackson.

K. A Proclamation Honoring Tamar Cain

Approve a posthumous proclamation honoring Tama Cain for her outstanding dedication, service and commitment to the City of Jackson.

Motion was made by Councilmember Forgrave, seconded by Councilmember Bunnell to approve the consent calendar.

Councilmember Schlecte asked to remove Items B and C for separate consideration. Councilmember Alexander asked to remove Item A for separate consideration.

Vote was taken on approving the consent calendar with the removal of Items A, B, C. Vote – Yeas: Mayor Dobies, Vice Mayor Robinson, Councilmembers Dancy, Alexander, Schlecte, Bunnell, and Forgrave (7). Nays: none. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Councilmember Forgrave, seconded by Councilmember Schlecte to approve the minutes of the Council meeting on August 17, 2021.

Mayor Dobies made a motion to change the minutes to reflect it was a special council meeting. The motion died from lack of support.

Vote was taken on the motion. Vote – Yeas: Mayor Dobies, Vice Mayor Robinson, Councilmembers Dancy, Schlecte, Bunnell, and Forgrave (6). Nays: Councilmember Alexander (1). Motion carried.

Motion was made by Councilmember Forgrave, seconded by Councilmember Dancy to reappoint Administrative Hearings Officer John Kane to the Administrative Hearings Bureau for a two year term expiring on September 21, 2023. Vote – Yeas: Mayor Dobies, Vice Mayor Robinson, Dancy, Alexander, Schlecte, Bunnell, and Forgrave (7). Nays: none. Motion carried.

Councilmember Schlecte requested to divide the question on Item C. Motion was made by Councilmember Alexander, seconded by Councilmember Forgrave to appoint Cole McEldowney as an ex-officio member of the Environmental Commission for a one year term expiring on December 31, 2022. Vote – Yeas: Mayor Dobies, Vice Mayor Robinson, Councilmembers Dancy, Alexander, Schlecte, Bunnell, and Forgrave (7). Nays: none. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Councilmember Schlecte, seconded by Councilmember Bunnell to appoint Councilmember Forgrave to the Environmental Commission for a term that is concurrent with his seat on City Council. Vote – Yeas: Mayor Dobies, Vice Mayor Robinson, Councilmembers Dancy, Alexander, Schlecte, and Bunnell. (6). Nays: none. Abstain: Councilmember Forgrave. Motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Traffic Control Order 2367

Recommendation: *Approval of Traffic Control Order 2367 to restrict parking on the north side of Pearl Street from Jackson Street to Mechanic Street*

Motion was made by Councilmember Dancy, seconded by Councilmember Alexander to approve Traffic Control Order 2367. Vote – Yeas: Dobies, Vice Mayor Robinson, Councilmembers Dancy, Alexander, Schlecte, Bunnell, and Forgrave (7). Nays: none. Motion carried.

B. Budget Amendment for Fire Department

Recommendation: *Approve a budget amendment for the Fire Department for funds awarded by FEMA through the Assistance to Firefighters Grant*

Motion was made by Councilmember Alexander, seconded by Councilmember Dancy to approve a budget amendment for the Fire Department for funds awarded by FEMA through the Assistance to Firefighters Grant. Vote – Yeas: Mayor Dobies, Vice Mayor Robinson, Councilmembers Dancy, Alexander, Schlecte, Bunnell, and Forgrave (7). Nays: none. Motion carried.

C. Approval of Purchase of 4,000 Tons of Road Salt from Detroit Salt Company

Recommendation: *Approve of the purchase of 4,000 tons of road salt from Detroit Salt Company for \$68.52 per ton for a total amount of \$274,080.00 for the 2021/2022 winter season through a cooperative bidding with the Jackson County Department of Transportation.*

Motion was made by Councilmember Dancy, seconded by Councilmember Alexander to approve the purchase of 4,000 tons of road salt from Detroit Sale Company for \$68.52 per ton for a total amount of \$274,080.00 for the 2021/2022 winter season through a cooperative bidding with the Jackson County Department of Transportation. Vote – Yeas: Mayor Dobies, Vice Mayor Robinson, Councilmembers Dancy, Alexander, Schlecte, Bunnell, and Forgrave (7). Nays: none. Motion carried.

D. Approval for the Water Treatment Plant to Replace Four Sludge Recirculation Pumps, and one Pump End, Utilized in the Water Treatment Process from Professional Pump Inc., at the Cost of \$44,970.92

Recommendation: *Approve the replacement of four (4) sludge recirculation pumps, and one (1) pump end, utilized in the water treatment process at the Water Treatment Plant, from Professional Pump, Inc., at a cost of \$44,970.92. The replacement costs will be funded with American Rescue Plan funds.*

Motion was made by Councilmember Alexander, seconded by Councilmember Schlecte to approve the purchase of four sludge recirculation pumps and one pump end utilized in the water treatment process at the Water Treatment Plant from Professional Pump, Inc. at a cost of \$44,970.92. Vote – Yeas: Mayor Dobies, Vice Mayor Robinson, Councilmembers Dancy, Alexander, Schlecte, Bunnell, and Forgrave (7). Nays: none. Motion carried.

E. Dismiss the Balance of the City's Portion of the Emergency Rehabilitation Loan in the Amount of \$9,750.66 for the Residence Located at 1015 First Street

Recommendation: *Recommend dismissal of the balance of the City's portion of the Emergency Rehabilitation Loan in the amount of \$9,750.66 for the residence located at 1015 First Street, once belonging to Margaret Price (deceased), now owned by Linda O'Neill by inheritance*

Motion was made by Councilmember Alexander, seconded by Councilmember Schlecte to dismiss the balance of the City's portion of the Emergency Loan in the amount of \$9,750.66 for the residence located at 1015 First Street once belonging to Margaret Price and now owned by Linda O'Neil by inheritance. Vote – Yeas: Mayor Dobies, Vice Mayor Robinson,

Councilmembers Dancy, Alexander, Schlecte, Bunnell, and Forgrave (7).
Nays: none. Motion carried.

- F. Sale of City Owned Property located at 430 Madison Street, for \$17,000**
Recommendation: *Approve the sale of City owned property located at 430 Madison Street to Nicholas Fuller for \$17,000. Authorize the City Manager to sign all sale documents associated with the Property Transfer and make minor modifications.*

Motion was made by Councilmember Alexander, seconded by Councilmember Bunnell to approve the sale of City owned property located at 430 Madison Street to Nicholas Fuller for \$17,000 and authorize the City Manager to sign all sale documents associated with the property transfer and make minor modifications. Vote – Yeas: Mayor Dobies, Vice Mayor Robinson, Councilmembers Dancy, Alexander, Schlecte, Bunnell, and Forgrave (7). Nays: none. Motion carried.

- G. Amendment to Article V of Chapter 18 of the City Code of Ordinances by adding Section 18-109 in order to Regulate the Aggressive Solicitation of Money or Goods within the City**
Recommendation: *Consider first reading of amendment to Article V of Chapter 18, Sec. 18-109, Aggressive Solicitation, of the City of Jackson Code of Ordinances.*

Motion was made by Councilmember Forgrave, seconded by Councilmember Bunnell to approve the first reading and move to a second reading and final adoption of an amendment to Article V, Chapter 18, Section 18-109, Aggressive Solicitation, of the City of Jackson Code of Ordinances.

Motion to amend was made by Councilmember Schlecte, seconded by Councilmember Bunnell to postpone to the November 9, 2021 Council meeting, seek input from the Racial Equity Commission, and get input from the Continuum of Care and business owners.

A point of order was made by Councilmember Alexander.

Vote was taken on the motion to amend. Vote – Yeas: none. Nays: Mayor Dobies, Vice Mayor Robinson, Councilmembers Dancy, Alexander, Schlecte, Bunnell, and Forgrave (7). Motion failed.

Vote was taken on the main motion. Vote – Yeas: Councilmembers Bunnell and Forgrave (2). Nays: Mayor Dobies, Vice Mayor Robinson, Councilmembers Dancy, Alexander, and Schlecte (5). Motion failed.

- H. First Reading of an Ordinance Amending Article XVIII Marihuana Uses**
Recommendation *Approve the first reading and advance to a second reading/final adoption of an ordinance amending Section 16-516 – License applications process and submissions.*

Motion was made by Councilmember Alexander, seconded by Councilmember Forgrave to approve the first reading and advance to a second reading/final adoption an ordinance amending Section 16-516. Vote – Yeas: Mayor Dobies, Vice Mayor Robinson, Councilmembers Dancy, Alexander, Schlecte, Bunnell, and Forgrave (7). Nays: none. Motion carried.

- I. Marihuana Fee Resolution – Additional Fees**
Recommendation *Approve a resolution that establishes the cost associated with the renewal of all medical and adult use marihuana facility applications, the Facility Transfer Fee, and the License Transfer Fee.*

Motion was made by Councilmember Alexander, seconded by Councilmember Schlecte to approve a resolution that establishes the costs associated with the renewal of all medical and adult use marihuana facility applications, the facility transfer fee, and the license transfer fee. Vote – Yeas: Mayor Dobies, Vice Mayor Robinson, Councilmembers Dancy, Alexander, Schlecte, Bunnell, and Forgrave (7). Nays: none. Motion carried.

- J. City Property Ownership Transfer for 221 N. Grinnell Street to Grinnell Mid-Michigan Health Center LLC**
Recommendation *Approve the transfer of City Owned property located at 221 N. Grinnell Street to Grinnell Mid-Michigan Health Center LLC in exchange for property located at 912 Norfolk Street and approved the associated development agreement. Authorize the City Manager to sign all sale documents and development agreement associated with the Property Transfer and to make minor modifications.*

Motion was made by Councilmember Schlecte, seconded by Councilmember Alexander to approve the transfer of City owned property located at 221 N. Grinnell Street to Grinnell Mid-Michigan Health Center LLC in exchange for property located at 912 Norfolk Street, approve the associated development agreement, and authorize the City Manager to sign all sale documents and development agreement associated with the property transfer and make minor modifications. Vote – Yeas: Mayor Dobies, Vice Mayor Robinson, Councilmembers Dancy, Alexander, Schlecte, Bunnell, and Forgrave (7). Nays: none. Motion carried.

- K. Traffic Control Order 2355 – Wisner Street, south of Michigan Avenue**
Recommendation *Approval of Traffic Control Order 2355 to extend parking*

restrictions on South Wisner Street to a total of 222 feet south of Michigan Avenue.

Motion was made by Councilmember Alexander, seconded by Councilmember Schlecte to approve Traffic Control Order 2355. Vote – Yeas: Mayor Dobies, Vice Mayor Robinson, Councilmembers Dancy, Alexander, Schlecte, Bunnell, and Forgrave (7). Nays: none. Motion carried.

L. Traffic Control Order 2356 – Wisner Street, near Cascades School

Recommendation *Approval of Traffic Control Order 2356 to maintain restricted parking on the east side of Wisner Street from Oakdale Avenue to High Street and reinstate parking on the west side of Wisner Street in front of Cascades School. This would rescind TCO 1793.*

Motion was made by Councilmember Forgrave, seconded by Councilmember Alexander to approve Traffic Control Order 2356. Vote – Yeas: Mayor Dobies, Vice Mayor Robinson, Councilmembers Dancy, Alexander, Schlecte, Bunnell, and Forgrave (7). Nays: none. Motion carried.

M. Change Order 1 to the Clinton Street and Glick Highway Construction Contract with Bailey Excavating, Inc.

Recommendation *Approve Balancing Change Order 1 to the Clinton Street and Glick Highway Construction contract with Bailey Excavating, Inc. in the increased amount of \$341,979.30 to add the replacement of water main on Blackstone from Glick Highway to Van Buren Street and authorize the City Manager and City Engineer to execute the appropriate document.*

Motion was made by Councilmember Alexander, seconded by Councilmember Schlecte to approve Balancing Change Order 1 to the Clinton Street and Glick Highway Construction contract with Bailey Excavating, Inc. in the increased amount of \$341,979.30 to add the replacement of water main on Blackstone from Glick Highway to Van Buren Street and authorize the City Manager and City Engineer to execute the appropriate document. Vote – Yeas: Mayor Dobies, Vice Mayor Robinson, Councilmembers Dancy, Alexander, Schlecte, Bunnell, and Forgrave (7). Nays: none. Motion carried.

N. Change Order 2 to the Clinton Street and Glick Highway Construction Contract with Bailey Excavating, Inc.

Recommendation *Approve Balancing Change Order 2 to the Clinton Street and Glick Highway Construction contract with Bailey Excavating, Inc. in the increased amount of \$489,662.00 to add the Brown and Randolph intersection improvements and authorize the City Manager and City Engineer to execute the appropriate document.*

Motion was made by Councilmember Alexander, seconded by

Councilmember Forgrave to approve Balancing Change Order 2 to the Clinton Street and Glick Highway Construction contract with Bailey Excavating, Inc. in the increased amount of \$489,662.00 to add the Brown and Randolph intersection improvements and authorize the City Manager and City Engineer to execute the appropriate document. Vote – Yeas: Mayor Dobies, Vice Mayor Robinson, Councilmembers Dancy, Alexander, Schlecte, Bunnell, and Forgrave (7). Nays: none. Motion carried.

O. Change Order 3 to the Clinton Street and Glick Highway Construction Contract with Bailey Excavating, Inc.

Recommendation *Approve Balancing Change Order 3 to the Clinton Street and Glick Highway Construction contract with Bailey Excavating, Inc. in the increased amount of \$14,564.95 to add the modification to the drive approach off Losey Avenue and authorize the City Manager and City Engineer to execute the appropriate document.*

Motion was made by Councilmember Schlecte, seconded by Councilmember Bunnell to approve Balancing Change Order 3 to the Clinton Street and Glick Highway Construction contract with Bailey Excavating, Inc. in the increased amount of \$14,564.95 to add the modification to the drive approach off Losey Avenue and authorize the City Manager and City Engineer to execute the appropriate document. Vote – Yeas: Mayor Dobies, Vice Mayor Robinson, Councilmembers Dancy, Alexander, Schlecte, Bunnell, and Forgrave (7). Nays: none. Motion carried.

P. Changes to the Standard Lighting Contract for Streetlights with Consumers Energy

Recommendation *Approve the Resolution for Changes to the Standard Lighting Contract for streetlights with Consumers Energy and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the appropriate documents.*

Motion was made by Vice Mayor Robinson, seconded by Councilmember Bunnell to approve the resolution for changes to the Standard Lighting Contract for streetlights with Consumers Energy. Vote – Yeas: Mayor Dobies, Vice Mayor Robinson, Councilmembers Dancy, Alexander, Schlecte, Bunnell, and Forgrave (7). Nays: none. Motion carried.

Q. City Manager and City Attorney Employment Agreement Amendments

Recommendation *Approve the proposed amendments from the Rules and Personnel Committee to the employment agreements between the City of Jackson and Jonathan Greene, City Manager and Matthew Hagerty, City Attorney.*

Councilmember Schlecte requested to divide the question.

Motion was made by Councilmember Alexander, seconded by Mayor Dobies to approve the proposed amendments from the Rules and Personnel Committee to the Employment Agreement between the City of Jackson and Jonathan Greene.

Motion was made by Councilmember Schlecte to amend the main motion to change the 12 months of medical severance to 9 months and eliminate the \$300 month education stipend. Motion died from lack of support.

Vote was taken on the main motion. Vote – Yeas: Mayor Dobies, Vice Mayor Robinson, Councilmembers Dancy, Alexander, Bunnell, and Forgrave (6). Nays: Councilmember Schlecte (1). Motion carried.

Motion was made by Councilmember Alexander, seconded by Councilmember Dancy to approve the proposed amendments from the Rules and Personnel Committee to the Employment Agreement between the City of Jackson and Matthew Hagerty.

Motion was made by Councilmember Schlecte to amend the main motion to maintain the vehicle allowance at \$200, to have 6 months of medical severance, eliminate the educational stipend, and keep the vacation at 4 weeks. Motion died from lack of support.

Vote was taken on the main motion. Vote – Yeas: Mayor Dobies, Vice Mayor Robinson, Councilmembers Dancy, Alexander, Bunnell, and Forgrave (6). Nays: Councilmember Schlecte (1). Motion carried

R. Purchase of SCBA Equipment for Jackson Fire Department

Recommendation: *Accept the bid submitted by West Shore Fire of Allendale, Michigan, for the amount of \$191,498 for the purchase of SCBA and associated equipment as per the attached bid.*

Motion was made by Councilmember Bunnell, seconded by Councilmember Alexander to accept the bid submitted by West Shore Fire of Allendale, Michigan, for the amount of \$191,498 for the purchase of SCBA and associated equipment as per the bid. Vote – Yeas: Mayor Dobies, Vice Mayor Robinson, Councilmembers Dancy, Alexander, Schlecte, Bunnell, and Forgrave (7). Nays: none. Motion carried.

S. Approval to Award the Contract for the Replacement of the Medium Voltage Main Switchgear at the Wastewater Treatment Plant to Expo Technologies, LLC of Pontiac, Michigan, at a cost of \$336,898.00

Recommendation *Award the contract for the replacement of the Medium Voltage Main Switchgear at the Wastewater Treatment Plant to Expo Technologies, LLC of Pontiac, Michigan, at a cost of \$336,898.00*

Motion was made by Councilmember Bunnell, seconded by Councilmember Alexander to award the contract for the replacement of the Medium Voltage Main Switchgear at the Wastewater Treatment Plant to Expo Technologies, LLC of Pontiac, Michigan, at a cost of \$336,898.00. Vote – Yeas: Mayor Dobies, Vice Mayor Robinson, Councilmembers Dancy, Alexander, Schlecte, Bunnell, and Forgrave (7). Nays: none. Motion carried.

T. Approval for a First Reading of a Proposed PILOT for the Blackstone Limited Dividend Housing Association LLC

Recommendation *Consider approval of a PILOT Ordinance for First Reading for the Blackstone Limited Dividend Housing Association LLC*

Motion was made by Councilmember Alexander, seconded by Councilmember Forgrave to approve the first reading and advance to a second reading/final adoption a PILOT Ordinance for Blackstone Limited Dividend Housing Association, LLC. Vote – Yeas: Mayor Dobies, Vice Mayor Robinson, Councilmembers Dancy, Alexander, Schlecte, Bunnell, and Forgrave (7). Nays: none. Motion carried.

U. Community Police Oversight Commission

Recommendation *Move approval and advance to second reading, an ordinance creating Article V and Sections 21-100 through 21-125 in Chapter 21 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Jackson, Michigan to create a city Community Police Oversight Commission and set the powers and duties thereof.*

Motion was made by Councilmember Alexander, seconded by Vice Mayor Robinson to approve and advance to seconding reading an ordinance creating Article V and Sections 21-100 through 21-125 in Chapter 21 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Jackson, Michigan to create a city Community Police Oversight Commission and set the powers and duties thereof. Vote – Yeas: Mayor Dobies, Vice Mayor Robinson, Councilmembers Dancy, Alexander, Schlecte, Bunnell, and Forgrave (7). Nays: none. Motion carried.

V. Approve the Sale of City Owned Properties

Recommendation *Approve the sale of City owned properties located at 116 W. Prospect St, to Rodney Hamilton Investments for \$8,000. 1402 S. Elm Avenue to Andrew Berlin for \$20,000. 776 Tomlinson Street to Nick Fuller for \$11,500 and 326 Carr Street for \$30,000. 314 Carr Street to Mark Hodshire for \$15,000. Authorize the City Manager to sign all sale documents associated with the Property Transfer and to make minor modifications.*

Motion was made by Councilmember Alexander, seconded by Councilmember Bunnell to approve the sale of City owned properties located at 116 W. Prospect St, to Rodney Hamilton Investments for \$8,000. 1402 S. Elm Avenue to Andrew Berlin for \$20,000, 776 Tomlinson Street to Nick Fuller for \$11,500 and 326 Carr Street for \$30,000, 314 Carr Street to Mark Hodshire for \$15,000, and authorize the City Manager to sign all sale documents associated with the property transfers and make minor modifications. Vote – Yeas: Mayor Dobies, Vice Mayor Robinson, Councilmembers Dancy, Alexander, Schlecte, Bunnell, and Forgrave (7). Nays: none. Motion carried.

W. Urban Farming Ordinance

Motion was made by Mayor Dobies, seconded by Councilmember Forgrave to move the first reading and advance to second reading and final adoption an ordinance amending Section 4-1 through 4-12 of Chapter 4 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Jackson, Michigan to allow for urban farming and the keeping of certain animals within the City limits.

Motion to amend was made by Mayor Dobies, seconded by Councilmember Alexander to change Section 4-9(e), third sentence, to read “This shall be considered a renewal and will require neighboring property permission and all other requirements in place at the time of renewal will apply including a new permit and inspection fee, and subsequent inspections.”, Section 4-10(e), third sentence, to read “This shall be considered a renewal and will require neighboring property permission and all other requirements in place at the time of renewal will apply including a new permit fee and independent verification of hive inspection.”, Section 4-12(a) to read “In addition to any remedy available under Michigan law, the City of Jackson Charter or the Jackson Code of Ordinances, a law enforcement officer may issue a citation against the permit holder containing a fine for any violation of Sections 4-9, 4-10, and 4-11 of this Chapter.”, and Section 4-12(e) to read “Unless the violation is corrected in five (5) business days of the posting of the notice, a citation shall be issued to the permit holder.” Vote - Yeas: Mayor Dobies,

Vice Mayor Robinson, Councilmembers Dancy, Alexander, Bunnell, and Forgrave (6). Nays: Councilmember Schlecte (1). Motion carried.

X. Letter from the Attorney General

Motion was made by Councilmember Schlecte, seconded by Councilmember Alexander to have the letter that was received by the Attorney's Office from the Attorney General regarding the ethics complaint be placed on the next agenda in the same fashion that previous correspondence has been put on for full transparency. Vote - Yeas: Mayor Dobies, Vice Mayor Robinson, Councilmembers Dancy, Alexander, Schlecte, Bunnell, and Forgrave (7). Nays: none. Motion carried.

CITY COUNCILMEMBER'S COMMENTS:

Vice Mayor Robinson, Councilmembers Alexander, Schlecte, and Forgrave all offered comments. Mayor Dobies, Councilmembers Dancy, and Bunnell declined to offer comments.

MANAGER'S COMMENTS:

City Manager Jonathan Greene offered comments.

ADJOURNMENT:

With no other business being offered, a motion to adjourn was made by Councilmember Dancy, seconded by Councilmember Alexander. Vote was done by voice with all in favor. Mayor Dobies adjourned the meeting at 10:45 p.m.