

**MINUTES OF REGULAR SESSION  
OF THE  
CITY OF FRANKLIN  
CITY COMMISSION**

**January 23, 2017**

**City Hall  
117 West Cedar Street  
Franklin, Kentucky**

The Franklin, Kentucky City Commission met in **Regular Session** at 12:00 PM, Monday, **January 23, 2017**, in the City Hall meeting room, 117 West Cedar Street, Franklin, Kentucky.

Members attending were as follows:

Mayor Ronnie Clark	Present
Commissioner Mason Barnes	Present
Commissioner Larry Dixon	Present
Commissioner Jamie Powell	Present
Commissioner Wendell Stewart	Present

Others present included City Manager Kenton Powell; City Attorney Scott Crabtree; City Personnel Director/Deputy Clerk, Rita Vaughn; City Finance Director, Shaunna Cornwell; City Police Chief, Roger Solomon; City Public Works Director, Chris Klotter; City Clerk, Cathy Dillard; F-S Human Rights Commission member, Donzella Lee; and Franklin Favorite/WFKN media representative, Keith Pyles; Pete Reckard of Scott Waste Services; and, representatives of Franklin Electric Plant Board.

Honorable Mayor Ronnie Clark called the meeting to order at 12:00 PM, and Eric Walker of Franklin Community Church offered an opening prayer.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion was made by Commissioner Barnes and seconded by Commissioner Powell to approve the minutes as presented of the January 9, 2017, regularly scheduled City Commission meeting. Voting aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

**RECOGNITIONS**

None

**HEAR THE PUBLIC**

None

**COMMUNITY SERVICES**

Pete Reckard from Scott Waste Services provided an update regarding services. Scott Waste Services has recently provided customers with a calendar for recycling dates which affixes to the recycling container. Mr. Reckard reported that 217 tons of recycled material was picked up in calendar year 2016. Commissioner Barnes asked for prior year numbers as a comparison, Mr. Reckard will provide those numbers. Following some questions, Mr. Reckard reminded everyone that bulk item pickup is every Monday.

**GENERAL GOVERNMENT**

Community Development Director Tammie Carey presented a draft of the proposed Social Media Policy and the Computer, Email and Internet Policy to the Commission for approval and placement in the employee handbook. After discussion of these policies, the Commission took action to approve the Computer, Email and Internet Policy and authorized the policy to be placed in the City of Franklin Employee Handbook. The Commission took no action at this time regarding the Social Media Policy.

Motion was made by Mayor Clark seconded by Commissioner Barnes to approve the Computer, Email and Internet Policy and authorized the policy to be placed in the City of Franklin's Employee Handbook. Voting aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

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Community Development Director Tammie Carey presented a summary of the Franklin-Simpson Code Enforcement Board's recommendation to award the surplus properties located at 502 Jefferson Street, 406 Jackson Street and 416 West Kentucky Avenue.

The Franklin-Simpson Code Enforcement Board met on Thursday, January 12, 2017, to consider the proposals submitted for surplus property. The Board recommended the following: (a) the property located at 502 Jefferson Street be awarded to The African American Heritage Center, Inc.; (b) the property located at 416 West Kentucky Avenue be awarded to ROAN Properties, LLC; and, (c) the property located at 406 Jackson Street be awarded to Jeffery Bass or a member of his family subject to contingencies to be met by June 30, 2017. Due to the contingencies for approval of the property located at 406 Jackson Street, no action was taken on this property at this time.

*RESOLUTION NO. A - 2017*

***CITY OF FRANKLIN, KENTUCKY  
RESOLUTION TO SURPLUS AND DISPOSE OF A LOT LOCATED AT  
502 JEFFERSON STREET TO  
THE AFRICAN AMERICAN HERITAGE CENTER, INC.  
PURSUANT TO KRS 82.083 AND CITY ORDINANCE NO. 2016-010***

*WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the City of Franklin, Kentucky has determined that it is in the best interest of the citizens of Franklin, Kentucky to accept the recommendation of the Franklin-Simpson Code Enforcement Board to surplus and dispose of a lot located at 502 Jefferson Street to The African American Heritage Center, Inc., a Kentucky nonprofit corporation; and,*

WHEREAS, pursuant to KRS 82.083 and City of Franklin Ordinance No. 2016-010, the Board of Commissioners shall adopt a written determination setting forth the requirements of the law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the City of Franklin, Kentucky as follows:

1. The Board of Commissioners hereby finds and determines that it is in the best interest of the City of Franklin, Kentucky to surplus and convey, for no consideration, a lot located at 502 Jefferson Street to The African American Heritage Center, Inc. pursuant to the recommendation of the Franklin-Simpson Code Enforcement Board. A copy of the deed describing the property is attached hereto as Exhibit 1 and incorporated herein by reference.

2. The City's intended use at the time of acquisition of the aforementioned lot was to eliminate blight and remove dilapidated structures located on the lot. Accordingly, KRS 82.083 allows the City to convey the property with or without compensation for economic development purposes which includes the elimination of blight.

3. The Board of Commissioners finds that it is in the public interest to dispose of and convey this property for no compensation to The African American Heritage Center, Inc. for its intended use as a commemorative garden and/or a community garden to be placed thereupon, and under the condition that the City will no longer be responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of said property. The Board of Commissioners further finds that the conveyance of the land is for the elimination of blight.

4. In accordance with KRS 82.083, the Board of Commissioners hereby adopts this Resolution as its written determination which describes the properties, identifies the intended use at the time of acquisition, and the reasons why it is in the public interest to dispose of and convey the property for no compensation, and the Board of Commissioners affirmatively states that the method of disposition is by and through the procedures established in City of Franklin Ordinance No. 2016-010.

5. The Mayor of the City of Franklin, Kentucky is hereby authorized and directed to sign any and all documents necessary to effectuate the intent of this Resolution including, but not limited to the deed.

This resolution was adopted by a unanimous vote of the Board of Commissioners of the City of Franklin at a meeting held on January 23, 2017.

Motion was made by Mayor Clark seconded by Commissioner Stewart to approve Resolution No. A-2017 awarding the surplus property located at 502 Jefferson Street to The African American Heritage Center, Inc. and subject to the conditions described in Resolution No. A-2017. Voting aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

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**RESOLUTION NO. B - 2017**

**CITY OF FRANKLIN, KENTUCKY  
RESOLUTION TO SURPLUS AND DISPOSE OF A LOT LOCATED AT  
416 WEST KENTUCKY AVENUE TO ROAN PROPERTIES, LLC  
PURSUANT TO KRS 82.083 AND CITY ORDINANCE NO. 2016-010**

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the City of Franklin, Kentucky has determined that it is in the best interest of the citizens of Franklin, Kentucky to accept the recommendation of the Franklin-Simpson Code Enforcement Board to surplus and dispose of a lot located at 416 West Kentucky Avenue to ROAN Properties, LLC; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to KRS 82.083 and City of Franklin Ordinance No. 2016-010, the Board of Commissioners shall adopt a written determination setting forth the requirements of the law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the City of Franklin, Kentucky as follows:

1. The Board of Commissioners hereby finds and determines that it is in the best interest of the City of Franklin, Kentucky to surplus and convey, for no consideration, a lot located at 416 West Kentucky Avenue to ROAN Properties, LLC pursuant to the recommendation of the Franklin-Simpson Code Enforcement Board. A copy of the deed describing the property is attached hereto as Exhibit 1 and incorporated herein by reference.

2. The City's intended use at the time of acquisition of the aforementioned lot was to eliminate blight and remove dilapidated structures located on the lot. Accordingly, KRS 82.083 allows the City to convey the property with or without compensation for economic development purposes which includes the elimination of blight.

3. The Board of Commissioners finds that it is in the public interest to dispose of and convey this property for no compensation to ROAN Properties, LLC for their intended use to construct a single family home on said property, and under the condition that the City will no longer be responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of said property and the new owner will

be responsible for all future property taxes on said lot. The Board of Commissioners further finds that the conveyance of the land is for the elimination of blight.

4. In accordance with KRS 82.083, the Board of Commissioners hereby adopts this Resolution as its written determination which describes the properties, identifies the intended use at the time of acquisition, and the reasons why it is in the public interest to dispose of and convey the property for no compensation, and the Board of Commissioners affirmatively states that the method of disposition is by and through the procedures established in City of Franklin Ordinance No. 2016-010.

5. The Mayor of the City of Franklin, Kentucky is hereby authorized and directed to sign any and all documents necessary to effectuate the intent of this Resolution including, but not limited to the deed.

*This resolution was adopted by a unanimous vote of the Board of Commissioners of the City of Franklin at a meeting held on January 23, 2017.*

Motion was made by Mayor Clark seconded by Commissioner Stewart to approve Resolution No. B-2017 awarding the surplus property located at 416 West Kentucky Avenue to ROAN Properties, LLC and subject to the conditions described in Resolution No. B-2017.

Voting aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

City Attorney Scott Crabtree presented the proposed amendments to the City of Franklin's Alcohol Beverage Control Ordinance. The amendments are the result of Legislative changes to Kentucky's Alcohol Laws. Commissioner Powell and Commissioner Barnes committed to sponsor this ordinance. No action was taken on this item.

At its regular meeting on January 9, 2017, the City Commission approved an adjustment in wages for City employees wearing uniforms affected by the taxing of this fringe benefit. City Finance Director Shaunna Cornwell provided an update regarding the budgetary impact of the adjustment in compensation as follows: (a) 29 City employees were affected by this change; and, (b) estimated budgetary impact is approximately \$3,050.00.

City Manager Kenton Powell presented a proposal to hire an intern for the summer. An Occupational Safety & Health student from Murray State University approached the City regarding a 500 hour internship. The intern would assist in recording OSHA rates and targets for each department, prepare accident logs with counter measures and follow-ups, safety and housecleaning inspections with scoring criteria for each department and work with the State Highway Department regarding speed control safety signage within the City limits.

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Dixon to approve an internship for 500 hours with Brooklyn Meador. Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

**PUBLIC SERVICES**

No Scheduled Business

**PUBLIC SAFETY**

Police Chief Roger Solomon presented an update to the Commission regarding the proposed multi-purpose detection and service canine for the Franklin Police Department. Included in this

update were estimated costs to implement this program. Based on the updated information regarding costs and projected donations, the Commission moved to approve the purchase of the service canine for the Franklin Police Department.

Motion was made by Commissioner Stewart and seconded by Commissioner Powell to purchase a multi-purpose detection and service canine for the Franklin Police Department. Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously

### UTILITIES

Water Distribution Superintendent Daniel Brown presented a discussion regarding a fixed network operation partnering with Franklin Electric Plant Board. The network would allow meter readings for both water and electric services to be read from a computer thus eliminating manual meter reading. This partnership could have the potential to enhance operations, improve customer service, prevent water loss and increase overall efficiency. The Commission asked City personnel to continue to research this option. No action was taken on the matter at this time.

### ORDINANCES

City Clerk Cathy Dillard presented second reading of Ordinance No. 2017-002 entitled *Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 2016-012 Entitled "Property Maintenance Code Enforcement" Regarding Compensation Of Members Of The Board*

Motion was made by Commissioner Barnes and seconded by Commissioner Stewart to approve Ordinance No. 2017-002. Roll Call vote as follows: Mayor Ronnie Clark Aye; Commissioner Barnes Aye; Commissioner Stewart Aye; Commissioner Powell Aye; and, Commissioner Dixon Aye. The motion carried unanimously.

First Reading was presented of the following ordinances:

Ordinance No. 2017-001 entitled *An Ordinance of the Commission of The City of Franklin, Kentucky, Authorizing the Grant of an Inducement for the Acquisition and Construction of a Project Pursuant To the Kentucky Business Investment Program (KRS 154.32-010 To 154.32-100) Whereby the City Agrees to Forego the Collection of the One Percent (1%) City Occupational License Fee On Wages From Industrial Automation Of Kentucky, LLC dba Industrial Automation, LLC That Would Otherwise Be Due With Respect To Project Employees, Which Amounts Shall Be Collected And Retained By Said Employer Over A Term Of Not Longer Than Ten (10) Years From The Activation Date Established By Said Program; And Taking Other Related Action*

Ordinance No. 2017-003 entitled *An Ordinance Rezoning Properties Located at 319 South Main Street and 321 South Main Street from R-2 (Single Family & Two Family Residential) To B-2 (General Business)*

Ordinance No. 2017-004 entitled *An Ordinance Amending the Prior Ordinances Relating to Alcoholic Beverage Control*

City Attorney Scott Crabtree presented the Commission with a letter addressed to Regions Bank Trust Department regarding the John W. Baird Trust. Regions Bank desires to terminate the Trust and requested the City waive any further interest it has in the Trust. Attorney Crabtree requested the Commission authorize the Mayor to sign the letter to Regions Bank.

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Barnes authorizing the Mayor to sign the letter addressed to Regions Bank Trust Department waiving any further interest the City may have in the John W. Baird Trust. Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 1:00 PM, motion was made by Commissioner Barnes and seconded by Commissioner Stewart to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussion of proposed, or pending litigation {KRS 61.810(c)}, and discussions, or hearings, which might lead to the appointment, discipline, or dismissal of an individual {KRS 61.810(f)}, and to discuss business between a public agency a representative of a business entity concerning a specific proposal, where open discussions would jeopardize the siting, retention, expansion, or upgrading of the business {KRS 61.810(g)}.  
Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

Entering Executive Session were Mayor Clark; Commissioners Powell, Barnes, Dixon and Stewart; City Manager Kenton Powell; City Attorney Scott Crabtree; Finance Director Shaunna Cornwell and Public Works Director Chris Klotter.

At 1:42 PM, motion was made by Commissioner Stewart and seconded by Commissioner Powell to exit Executive Session and return to open session. Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

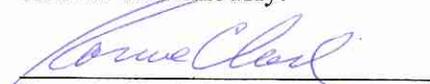
**OTHER COMMISSION BUSINESS**

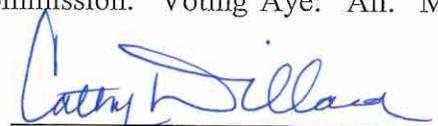
Motion was made by Commission Barnes and seconded by Commissioner Dixon to hire Keith Dinkens as a Service Maintenance Technician in the Water Distribution Department. Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Barnes and seconded by Commissioner Dixon to terminate Jon Zambrano from the Water Distribution Department. Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 1:45 PM, motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Barnes to adjourn the regular meeting of the Franklin City Commission. Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

  
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Ronnie Clark, Mayor  
City of Franklin, Kentucky

  
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Cathy Dillard, City Clerk  
City of Franklin, Kentucky