MINUTES OF REGULAR SESSION
OF THE
CITY OF FRANKLIN
CITY COMMISSION

October 22, 2018

City Hall
117 West Cedar Street
Franklin, Kentucky

The Franklin, Kentucky City Commission met in Regular Session at 12:00 PM, Monday, October 22, 2018, in the City Hall meeting room located at 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; Public Works Superintendent Chris Klotter; City Clerk, Cathy Dillard; F-S Human Rights Commission Director, Donzella Lee; and Franklin Favorite/WFKN media representative, Keith Pyles; Community Development Director Tammie Carey; F-S Renaissance Executive Director Amy Ellis; Kim Alexander Cundall; and, Kelly Bush.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion was made by Commissioner Dixon and seconded by Commissioner Powell to approve the minutes as presented of the October 8, 2018, regular meeting of the Franklin City Commission.

Voting aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.
RECOGNITION

Mayor Clark asked the Commission to recognize Bob Byrum who passed away on Monday, October 8, 2018. Mr. Byrum served as a City Councilman/City Commissioner from 1992 through 1996. Mr. Byrum also served his country in World War II. He was interviewed a couple of years ago by Gene Burke of WBKO, this interview highlighted Mr. Byrum’s service to our country and, most notably, his presence in Iwo Jima, Japan when the American flag was raised in victory.

Mayor Clark and Commissioners Stewart, Barnes, Dixon and Powell acknowledged and thanked Mr. Byrum for his service to our country and to the City of Franklin.

HEAR THE PUBLIC

Kim Alexander Cundall addressed the Commission regarding the development of an Ohio Valley Wooden Bat Collegiate Baseball League in Franklin. Mrs. Cundall is currently recruiting sponsorships.

Mayor Clark said the Commission would take the matter of sponsorship under advisement. No action was taken on this matter.

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Franklin-Simpson Renaissance and Franklin-Simpson Fair Board requested the Commission approve street closures for BooFest on Saturday, October 27, 2018.

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Barnes to approve the following street closures for BooFest on Saturday, October 27, 2018: (1) Close College Street from Cedar Street to Kentucky Street and West Kentucky Street from College Street to the Methodist Church Alley from 8:00 AM to 10:00 PM; and, (2) Close Kentucky Street from Main Street to College Street and close North College Street from Kentucky Street o West Washington Street including West Kentucky Street from the Methodist Church Alley to North High Street from 2:00 PM to 10:00 PM.

Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

The First United Methodist Church requested the Commission approve street closures for Trunk or Treat on Wednesday, October 31, 2018.

Motion was made by Commissioner Stewart and seconded by Commissioner Dixon to approve the following street closures for Trunk or Treat on Wednesday, October 31, 2018, from 4:30 PM until 7:30 PM: College Street in front of the Church from West Cedar Street to West Kentucky Avenue and West Kentucky Avenue from the crosswalk to the intersection of West Kentucky Avenue and College Street.

Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.
Community Development Director Tammie Carey asked the Commission to approve the Historic Overlay Standards for the City of Franklin Downtown Historic District. These guidelines were developed by the Historic Preservation Committee to assist property owners when renovating property located in the Downtown Historic District.

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Barnes and unanimously approved Resolution No. M-2018 accepting the Historic Overlay Standards for the City of Franklin Downtown Historic District as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. M-2018

RESOLUTION ADOPTING HISTORIC DISTRICT OVERLAY
DESIGN GUIDELINES AND/OR STANDARDS

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the City of Franklin, Kentucky previously adopted Ordinance No. 2018-005 establishing the Historic Preservation District and Committee; and,

WHEREAS, the aforementioned Committee has been given the authority to promulgate regulations, guidelines and/or standards or to amend existing ones, with any amendments being required to be approved by the Board of Commissioners by and through a Resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City of Franklin, Kentucky, acting by and through its Board of City Commission, that the City of Franklin, Kentucky hereby approves and adopts the Amended Historic Overlay Standards and/or Guidelines for the City of Franklin Downtown Historic District attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 22nd day of October, 2018 by a unanimous vote of the Board of City Commissioners.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

City Finance Director Shaunna Cornwell asked the Commission to approve a change of signature authority for the Police Department Evidence Account with Franklin Bank & Trust Company. The signature authority change is a result of personnel changes within the department.

Motion was made by Commissioner Barnes and seconded by Commissioner Stewart to authorize the removal of Lieutenant T. J. Burnett from the account and to further authorize adding Michael Mociotto as an authorized signer for the Police Department Evidence Account with Franklin Bank & Trust Company. Dale Adams and Shaunna Cornwell will remain as authorized signers on this account.

Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

Community Development Director Tammie Carey discussed downtown parking concerns. Mrs. Carey had an opportunity to meet with the Downtown Merchants Association and she indicated their feedback was very positive and provided a good foundation in addressing the downtown parking needs.
It was recommended that an amendment to the existing ordinance regulating downtown parking eliminate the two-hour limit and to remove the signs indicating a two-hour limit. It was further recommended that Mayor Clark send a letter to downtown merchants to encourage business owners and their employees to utilize the parking spaces facing the Courthouse or other available spaces away from storefronts. Downtown local government offices should also utilize the parking spaces facing the Courthouse and other spaces away from storefronts.

Mayor Clark indicated that some public parking spaces are available at the old Carter Moore Hospital lot but did not recommend utilizing the entire lot for parking. The County Judge had indicated to Mrs. Carey that he would ask the Fiscal Court to approve placing signage to indicate that the lot across from the Sheriff’s office and jail are public parking spaces.

Motion was made by Commissioner Barnes and seconded by Commissioner Powell to remove the two (2) hour parking limit downtown and authorize the removal of the two (2) hour parking signs and the installation of Public Parking signs as parking areas become available and accessible to the public.

Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Barnes amended the motion and the amended motion was seconded by Commissioner Powell to include authorizing City Attorney Scott Crabtree to revise the parking ordinance to be consistent with these motions.

Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

City Manager Kenton Powell provided a list of City Board appointments that will expire on December 31, 2018, and asked the Commission to review for action at a later date.

No action was taken on this matter.

**UTILITIES**

City Finance Director Shaunna Cornwell asked the Commission to approve a motion rejecting all bids received for Bid #2019-04 for the Replacement of Valves and Actuators on Filters at the Water Treatment Plant. A bid opening was held at City Hall on October 12, 2018 as 12:00 Noon and the following two bids were received: (1) Scott & Ritter - $91,145.00; and, (2) Herrick Co, Inc. - $99,250.00. Mrs. Cornwell indicated that the budgeted amount for this capital project was significantly less than both bids and asked the Commission to reject the bids and to review and reevaluate the scope of the project.

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Dixon to reject both bids received for Bid #2019-04 for the Replacement of Valves and Actuators on Filters at the Water Treatment Plant and to review and reevaluate the scope of the project.

Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.
City Attorney Scott Crabtree asked the Commission to review and approve for the Mayor’s signature the TVA’s proposed Grant of Permanent Easement for installation and maintenance of a sewer line across TVA’s property.

Motion was made by Commissioner Barnes and seconded by Commissioner Powell to authorize the Mayor to sign the Tennessee Valley Authority Grant of Permanent Easement for the installation and maintenance of a sewer line across TVA property.

Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

ORDINANCES

City Clerk Cathy Dillard provided first summary reading of Ordinance No. 2018-017 entitled: *Ordinance of the City of Franklin, Kentucky Amending a Previous Ordinance Establishing a Historic Overlay, Creating a Historic Preservation Committee, Establishing Certain Building Criterion, and Providing an Appeals Process and Penalties for Violations.*

No action is taken upon first reading of an ordinance.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 12:55 PM, motion was made by Commissioner Stewart and seconded by Commissioner Barnes to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of:

1. LITIGATION - proposed, or pending litigation {KRS 61.810(1)(c)};

2. PERSONNEL - discussions, or hearings, which might lead to the appointment, discipline, or dismissal of an individual {KRS 61.810(1)(f)};

3. BUSINESS - 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(1)(g)}; and/or

4. LAND ACQUISITION - deliberations on the future acquisition or sale of real property by a public agency where publicity would be likely to affect the value of a specific piece of property to be acquired for public use or sold by a public agency {KRS 61.810(1)(b)}.

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 and Carter Munday. Carter Munday exited Executive Session at 1:22 PM. Chris Klotter entered Executive Session at 1:23 PM and exited at 1:25 PM.
At 1:55 PM, motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Barnes to exit Executive Session and return to open session.

Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

**OTHER COMMISSION BUSINESS**

Motion was made by Commissioner Dixon and seconded by Commissioner Stewart to hire Cameron Gooch as a Water Distribution Services Maintenance Technician.

Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Barnes to approve a business request to utilize public parking for a building located on the square. It was noted that the City shall not dedicate specific parking spaces for the business.

Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioners Stewart, Dixon, Powell and Barnes reminded everyone to go to the polls to vote on November 6. Commissioner Barnes asked everyone to come downtown Saturday for BooFest, he looks forward to defending his pumpkin carving championship.

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 1:59 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.

Ronnie Clark, Mayor
City of Franklin, Kentucky

Cathy Dillard, City Clerk
City of Franklin, Kentucky