

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

**October 28, 2019**

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

The Franklin, Kentucky City Commission met in Regular Session at 12:00 Noon, Monday, **October 28, 2019**, in the City Hall meeting room located at 117 West Cedar Street, Franklin, Kentucky.

Members attending were as follows:

Mayor Larry Dixon	Present
Commissioner Jamie Powell	Present
Commissioner Herbert Williams	Present
Commissioner Brownie Bennett	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; Franklin Favorite/WFKN media representative, Keith Pyles; Michael Carder; Troy Lamastus; Jenna Trodglan; Canaan Scott; Jean Kamuf; Kenny Massey; Carter Munday; Donna Dixon; and, Javarius Rogan.

Mayor Dixon called the meeting to order at 12:00 Noon, and Dr. John Whitaker of Franklin First Baptist Church offered the opening prayer.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Bennett to approve the minutes as presented of the October 14, 2019, special called meeting of the Franklin City Commission

Voting aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

**RECOGNITION**

Mayor Dixon introduced Javarius Rogan and asked the Commission to recognize Javarius for his leadership skills. Javarius was recently invited to meet President Trump and Vice President

Pence in Washington, D.C. at the Youth Black Leadership Summit in October. Javarius was one out of only five selected from 300 attending to stand on stage alongside the President and Vice President.

The Commission congratulated Javarius and encouraged him to continue to be a leader in his community, school and family.

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Chief Roger Solomon asked the Commission to recognize and congratulate Franklin Police Department's most recent graduates from the Department for Criminal Justice Training in Richmond, Kentucky. Troy Lamastus graduated on September 19, 2019, and Michael Carder and Jenna Trodglen graduated on October 24, 2019.

Chief Solomon also thanked the Commission for their continued support of the Police Department and their desire to train and retain newly hired officers.

### **GENERAL GOVERNMENT**

Kentucky Downs, LLC is applying for incentive funding through the Kentucky Enterprise Initiative Act ("KEIA") and asked the City to submit a letter in support of their application. The City has no financial obligations under this program.

Motion was made by Commissioner Bennett and seconded by Commissioner Stewart to authorize the Mayor to sign a letter of support for Kentucky Downs, LLC application for incentive funding under the Kentucky Enterprise Initiative Act ("KEIA") program.

Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

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City Manager Kenton Powell asked the Commission to approve Alpha Baptist Church request for a street closure for their Halloween event. The Church asked to close John J. Johnson Street from West Washington Street to West Jefferson Street and West Jefferson Street from John J. Johnson to Pelham Street on Thursday, October 31, 2019 from 6:00 PM until 9:00 PM.

In addition, Franklin-Simpson Renaissance asked to revise their street closing request for Boo Fest. Due to inclement weather Boo Fest was rescheduled from Saturday, October 26 to Monday, October 28 and asked to close North College Street from West Cedar Street to West Kentucky Avenue from 5:00 PM until 8:00 PM.

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Williams to close John J. Johnson Street from West Washington Street to West Jefferson Street and West Jefferson Street from John J. Johnson to Pelham Street on Thursday, October 31, 2019 from 6:00 PM until 9:00 PM for the Alpha Baptist Church and to close North College Street from West Cedar Street to West Kentucky Avenue from 5:00 PM until 8:00 PM for F-S Renaissance Boo Fest.

Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

City Finance Director Shaunna Cornwell asked to Commission to approve Resolution No. G-2019 authorizing the transfer of a vehicle to the Southcentral Kentucky Drug Task Force.

Upon motion by Commissioner Williams, seconded by Commissioner Powell the Commission unanimously approved Resolution G-2019 as follows:

**RESOLUTION NO. G-2019**

**CITY OF FRANKLIN, KENTUCKY**

*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 dispose of a 2017 Ford Explorer XLT, VIN #1FM5K7D83HGA46462: formerly used by the Franklin Police Department to the South Central Kentucky Drug Task Force; and,*

*WHEREAS, the vehicle shall be used by the South Central Kentucky Drug Task Force for their operations, and the property will be transferred to them without compensation.*

*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 convey, without compensation, to the South Central Kentucky Drug Task Force a 2017 Ford Explorer XLT, VIN #1FM5K7D83HGA46462.*
2. *The intended use of the vehicle shall be to benefit the operation and maintenance of the drug task force to the benefit of all of the residents of Franklin, Kentucky.*
3. *All maintenance and upkeep of the vehicle shall be the responsibility of the South Central Kentucky Drug Task Force.*
4. *In accordance with KRS 82.083, the Board of City Commissioners hereby adopts this Resolution as its written determination which describes the property, identifies the intended use and the reasons why it is in the public interest to dispose of the property, and the Commission affirmatively states that the method of disposition is by and through the transfer of title of the vehicle to the South Central Kentucky Drug Task Force for no compensation.*
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 title.*

*This resolution was adopted by a unanimous vote of the Franklin City Commission at a meeting held on October 28, 2019.*

City Finance Director Shaunna Cornwell asked the Commission to ratify the Mayor’s signature on two Notices of Redemption for the Series 2009 General Obligation Bond and the Series 2009 Water & Sewer Revenue Bond. The Notice of Redemption required delivery to the paying agent no later than October 15, 2019.

During the FY2020 Budget Work Session, City personnel discussed the possibility of paying off two bond issues. The General Obligation Bonds became callable in October 2019 and the Water and Sewer Bonds became callable in December 2019. The City has made preliminary plans to call/pay off these bonds on December 1, 2019 with a transfer of funds scheduled for November 15, 2019. The principal amounts due to pay these bonds in full are \$525,000 and \$265,000, respectively and the expenditure of cash to execute these payoffs has been budgeted.

Motion was made by Commissioner Stewart and seconded by Commissioner Bennett to authorize the redemption of the 2009 General Obligation Bonds and the 2009 Water & Sewer Revenue Bonds, ratify the Mayor's signature on the Notice of Redemption remitted to the paying agent on October 15, 2019, and authorize the Mayor to sign any further documents necessary to execute these transactions.

Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

**PUBLIC SAFETY**

Chief Roger Solomon asked the Commission to review for approval the AIA Owner/Architect Agreement with Brandstetter Carroll, Inc., for the planning and design of the new police station. This agreement includes the feasibility study to located City Hall administrative staff to the same site.

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Stewart to approve the AIA Owner/Architect Agreement with Brandstetter Carroll, Inc. for the planning and design of the new police station in the amount of \$18,500.00, with the fee credited against the feel for the overall project.

Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

**UTILITIES**

Public Works Director Chris Klotter asked the Commission to approve a contract with Strand Associates, Inc. for the design of the sewer rehabilitation project on Cardinal Drive. The cost of the design of this project is \$43,260.00.

Motion was made by Commissioner Stewart and seconded by Commissioner Powell to approve the contract with Strand Associates, Inc., in the amount of \$43,260.00 for the Cardinal Drive sewer rehabilitation project and to further authorize the Mayor to sign any and all documents necessary for this contract.

Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

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City Manager Kenton Powell asked the Commission to review and approve the Deed of Conveyance and Sanitary Sewer Line Agreement between the City of Franklin and Newcomb Oil Co., LLC. Acquiring the property will allow the City to maintain control of storm water at the Hoy's Cave entrance. The Sanitary Sewer Line Agreement provides that the City will be responsible for maintaining the sewer lines and grinder pumps with the four property owners being financially responsible for the sewer line and grinder pump maintenance.

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Bennett to approve the Deed of Conveyance and Sanitary Sewer Line Agreement and to authorize the Mayor to sign both documents and any other document necessary for this transaction.

Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

**ORDINANCES**

City Clerk Cathy Dillard provided second summary reading of Ordinance No. 2019-024 titled: *An Ordinance of the City of Franklin, Kentucky Repealing and Restating the Permit and Inspection Rate Schedule and Expanding the Local Inspection Jurisdiction to Include Commercial Inspections for the Franklin-Simpson Planning & Zoning Commission.*

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Stewart to approve Ordinance No. 2019-024 and was approved by the following roll call vote:

Mayor Dixon	<u>Yes</u>	Commissioner Bennett	<u>Yes</u>
Commissioner Powell	<u>Yes</u>	Commissioner Stewart	<u>Yes</u>
Commissioner Williams	<u>Yes</u>		

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 12:33 PM, motion was made by Commissioner Bennett and seconded by Commissioner Powell to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of:

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)}

LITIGATION – Discussion of proposed or pending litigation {KRS 61.810(1)(c)}

BUSINESS – Discussions 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)}

PERSONNEL – Discussions or hearings which might lead to the appointment, discipline, or dismissal of an individual employee or member {KRS 61.810(1)(f)}

Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

Entering Executive Session were Mayor Dixon; Commissioners Powell, Bennett, Williams and Stewart; and City Manager Kenton Powell.

At 1:08 PM, motion was made by Commissioner Williams and seconded by Commissioner Stewart to exit Executive Session and return to open session.

Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

**OTHER COMMISSION BUSINESS**

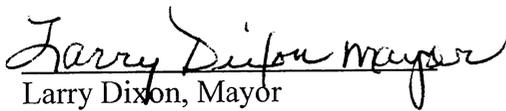
Motion was made by Commissioner Stewart and seconded by Commissioner Williams to accept the resignation of Cameron Gooch from the Water Distribution Department.

Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 1:10 PM, motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Bennett to adjourn the regular meeting of the Franklin City Commission.

Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

  
Larry Dixon, Mayor  
City of Franklin, Kentucky

  
Cathy Dillard, City Clerk  
City of Franklin, Kentucky