

Council Meeting Minutes

June 18, 2018

The regularly scheduled meeting of the City Council of Audubon Park was held on Monday, June 18, 2018 at 3340 Robin Road, with the following present: Mayor Dorn Crawford and Councilors Darrell Shelton, Brittney Gorter, Lisa Weaver, Camden Shipley and Andrew Klump. Also present were Chief of Police Mike Minniear, and City Clerk Janette Mercer.

Call to Order

Mayor Crawford called the meeting to order at 7 PM. The Mayor opened the floor for public comments.

Opening Public Comments

Tony Williams, 3220 Eagle Pass – Mr. Williams repeated a previous remark about the Contingency Reserve appropriation reflecting \$40K instead of the total amount in the reserve. The Mayor thanked him for his comment and stated he would take it under advisement and discuss when it comes up on the agenda.

Legal Affairs

The Mayor spoke about the Louisville Regional Airport Authority suit and the findings. He suggested that in the future a special meeting would be held to discuss with the public.

Financial Report

The Mayor noted the written financial report and opened the floor for discussion. Andrew Klump questioned the relabeling of “City Attorney” to “Legal Affairs”. Mr. Klump suggested that it be two separate lines. There were comments pro and con about adding separate lines. Darrell Shelton asked about the Road Fund Replenishment line no longer appearing on the Budget to Actual report. The Mayor replied that the apparent omission will be corrected. Darrell Shelton made a motion to accept the report with the one correction to add the Road Fund Replenishment line. Brittney Gorter seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Public Safety

The Mayor noted the written report and opened the floor to Chief Minniear for discussion. Andrew Klump repeated an earlier remark about the new stop sign at the corner of Robin and Cardinal being too short and a different color. There was a long discussion about graffiti in the Preston corridor.

Forest Board

The Mayor noted the written report and opened the floor for discussion. He reminded everyone of the scheduled work day on June 30th.

Parks and Recreation Board

Mayor Crawford noted the written report and opened the floor for discussion. Andrew Klump questioned the funds to sponsor the movie night. He feels that all events should be approved by the Council in the budget process. Sarah Bhatia, chair of the Parks and Recreation Board, asked if all events need to be approved since the board has just been re-established. The Mayor and the Council agreed that the budget can be amended, once the board is able to make a full budget request.

Unfinished Business

Mayor Crawford presented the May 21st meeting minutes for approval. Camden Shipley made a motion to approve the minutes. Andrew Klump seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. The next set of

minutes presented was the Town Hall meeting on May 24th. Andrew Klump made a motion to approve the minutes. Camden Shipley seconded. Lisa Weaver asked if the issues brought up at the Town Hall Meeting about code enforcement were being addressed. Chief Minniear replied that he is keeping a spreadsheet to track all reported issues. The motion passed unanimously.

New Business

Mayor Crawford opened the floor for discussion on the proposed amendment to the pending City budget for Fiscal Year 2019 introduced by motion at the May meeting. There were discussions about the presented changes to incorporate updated information. Andrew Klump asked about the Contingency Reserve balance. There was continued conversation about the total amount in the Contingency Reserve and how it appears in the ordinance. Andrew Klump suggested that \$10K be moved from the proposed Contingency Reserve to Public Works to repair and construct sidewalks. He also suggested that another \$10K be moved to Administration for a tax rebate program for the businesses on Preston Highway, for a total of \$20K from the proposed Contingency Reserve.

There were discussions about both Mr. Klump's ideas. Brittney Gorter stated that the City needs to develop a strategic plan, so the Mayor and Council can make informed decisions. Andrew Klump made a motion first to approve the originally proposed amendment to the tabled budget. Darrell Shelton seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. Andrew Klump then made a motion to further amend the amended budget to reduce the proposed Contingency Reserve \$10K and add to Public Works for a sidewalk program. This motion passed, with 4 in favor and 1 opposed. (Brittney Gorter, Lisa Weaver, Darrell Shelton and Andrew Klump in favor; Camden Shipley opposed). Andrew Klump then made a motion to reduce the proposed Contingency Reserve another \$10K and to add \$10K to Public Administration for a business tax rebate program. Darrell Shelton seconded. This motion was not agreed, with 3 opposed and 2 in favor. (Brittney Gorter, Lisa Weaver and Camden Shipley opposed; Darrell Shelton and Andrew Klump in favor).

Darrell Shelton questioned the increase in Public Works salary. There were several comments about the increase and job performance. Darrell Shelton asked for a job description or a working task list for public works. Mayor Crawford agreed to produce a job description. There were remarks about the entrance lighting project and the budget amount justifiable for completion. Andrew Klump suggested that the revenue reflected in monthly reporting under Proceeds of Community Activities be added to a new line item of Parks and Recreation Reserve. The Mayor asked the City Clerk for the second reading of the Budget ordinance, as amended. The City Clerk executed the seconded reading, and the budget was unanimously adopted as amended above.

Mayor's Report

The Mayor reminded everyone about the newsletter for this quarter; if anyone has articles to submit, please do so quickly.

Closing Public Comments

Tony Williams, 3220 Eagle Pass - Mr. Williams indicated that several problems could be resolved if there were job descriptions and training. He suggested bonuses instead of hourly increases for employees.

Laura Kelty – Ms. Kelty is in favor of sidewalks along Cardinal. There were remarks about speed on Cardinal Drive.

Brittney Gorter made a motion to adjourn. Andrew Klump seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 9: 39 PM.

The next scheduled meeting will be July 16, 2018 at 7:00 PM.

Attested

Approved