

CITY OF SIMPSONVILLE
REGULAR CITY MEETING MINUTES
CITY COMMISSION ROOM

March 1, 2021

7:00 PM

Present: Mayor Vowels, Commissioners Emmons, Garland, Hesse & McDowell, City Attorney Hays as legal counsel, City Administrator Eden, City Clerk Miller.

Mayor Vowels called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Pledge

Mayor Vowels presented, for approval, the minutes from February 16, 2021 city meeting. After review, **Commissioner Emmons made the motion to accept minutes as presented. Commissioner McDowell seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

Mayor Vowels recognized KIPDA representative, Olivia Ranssen, to share a presentation regarding the Hazard Mitigation Plan that allows eligibility for FEMA grants.

Mayor Vowels recognized the Commissioner's Report:

Commissioner McDowell (Road) – No Report

Commissioner Hesse (Sewer) – No Report

Commissioner Garland (Police/Parks) – No Report

Commissioner Emmons (Finance) – No Report

Mayor Vowels' Report:

Mayor Vowels presented to the Commission, for approval, an agreement with American Engineers, Inc., as a civil engineer to review construction plans of any future projects in the city limits involving streets and storm drainage. **Commissioner Hesse made the motion to accept the agreement as presented and authorize the Mayor to sign both agreements, Professional Service and Review of Stormwater Management Plans. Commissioner Emmons seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

Mayor Vowels presented to the Commission, for review, a letter for Triple S Planning regarding a proposed text amendment enabling legislative bodies to retain, at the expense of the developer, professional engineering consultants to verify compliance with local standards. **Commissioner Hesse made the motion to approve the letter as presented and authorize the Mayor to sign and send to Triple S Planning. Commissioner Garland seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

Mayor Vowels recognized the City Attorney's Report: No Report

Mayor Vowels recognized the City Clerk's Report: No Report

Mayor Vowels recognized the City Administrator:

City Administrator Eden presented to the Commission, for approval, Shelby County Industrial & Development Foundation's funding request of \$7,223.00 for the Workforce Development Coordinator for fiscal year end June 2022. **Commissioner Garland made the motion to approve the \$7,223.00 request for the Workforce Development Coordinator for the 21/22 fiscal budget year. Commissioner Hesse seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

City Administrator Eden presented to the Commission, for approval, an agreement with Horizons Youth Services (WMYJCC) to establish a Work-Based Learning (WBL) Program. **Commissioner Hesse made the motion to authorize the Mayor to sign the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), an executive agreement. Commissioner Emmons seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

City Administrator Eden presented to the Commission, for approval, JODA International's Payment Request #3 for 2018 (2020) Sewer Project. **Commissioner McDowell made the motion to issue payment request #3 for \$114,876.23 to JODA International. Commissioner Hesse seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

City Administrator Eden presented to the Commission, for approval, Kenvirons' invoice for 2018 Sewer Project. **Commissioner McDowell made the motion to issue payment of \$6,045.00 to Kenvirons. Commissioner Emmons seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

City Administrator Eden presented to the Commission, for review, a tax incentive extension request from the Outlet Shoppes of the Bluegrass. After discussion and confirming that the City had met their commitment with the initial 5-year incentive agreement, no action was taken on the extension request.

City Administrator Eden presented to the Commission a bond update regarding Fairway Crossings. To date, Pulte Homes had not secured a performance or cash bond to extend the April 15, 2021 bond deadline for Triple S Zoning. Knowing the developer could not complete the development within the 2-year window allowed by zoning, **Commissioner Hesse made the motion to withhold all permits (driveway and sewer) until bond issue is resolved. Seconded by Commissioner McDowell. Motion carried unanimously.**

Also, **Commissioner Hesse made the motion, if no response from Pulte Homes by March 10, 2021, to authorize the Mayor to request from Triple S Zoning a cash draw on Pulte Homes' bond if the City has not received confirmation existing bond will remain in effect until project completion. Commissioner Emmons seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

City Administrator Eden shared an update on the following:

Old hardware store was sold; 7301 Shelbyville Road is under construction; Owner of lot behind Huck's preparing for construction; Damaged streetlights are scheduled to be replaced.

Closed Session:

Mayor Vowels called for a closed session to discuss potential property acquisition by the City of Simpsonville. Based on KRS61.810(1)(b), any open discussion on the future acquisition of real property by a public agency are required to be in closed session. **Commissioner McDowell made the motion to enter into closed session. Commissioner Hesse seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

Commissioner Hesse made the motion to return from closed session. Commissioner McDowell seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner McDowell made the motion to adjourn. Commissioner Hesse seconded. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned 8:31 pm.


Denise Miller/City Clerk


Cary T. Vowels/Mayor