

CITY OF SIMPSONVILLE
CITY MEETING MINUTES
CITY MEETING ROOM
SEPTEMBER 3, 2024
7 PM

Present: Mayor Sowder, Commissioners Emmons, Garland, Hesse, & McDowell, City Attorney Hays, City Administrator Eden, City Clerk Miller.

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

Pledge

Mayor Sowder presented, for approval, the minutes from August 20, 2024 city meeting. After review, **Commissioner McDowell made the motion to accept the minutes as presented. Commissioner Hesse seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

Mayor Sowder recognized ShelbyKY Tourism President & CEO Janette Marson who shared the following: State Fair attendance was good at the Tourism booth, would like to add Simpsonville as a participant next year; Transient tax up for the year; Two new videos are in progress and to view in the next few months.

Mayor Sowder recognized Dwight Clayton, with American Engineers, Inc.:

Dwight Clayton, with AEI, presents to the Commission, for approval, the recommendation to accept the bid from Flynn Bros, of \$178,892.99 (base \$166,904.50, alternate \$11,988.49) for the road repair on Meadow Ridge Drive, Reserves Court, Fairview Drive, Citizens Blvd., Champions Way, & Aristocrat Court.

Commissioner Hesse made the motion to accept the total bid from Flynn Bros, of \$178,892.99 and to authorize the Mayor to sign documents. Commissioner Garland seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Dwight Clayton shared the second TAPPS grant for the Todds Point Sidewalk Project had been approved and still waiting for a right-of-way to be signed.

Mayor Sowder recognized Amy Williams, with Taylor Swift Williams, who shared now that the Simpsonville Comprehensive Plan has been approved by Triple S Zoning, Simpsonville is now ready to adopt the plan by ordinance.

Mayor Sowder recognized the Commissioner's Report:

Commissioner McDowell (Road) - No Report

Commissioner Hesse (Sewer) -

Commissioner Hesse shared with the Commission the following: A request for consideration to use "consent agenda" for the city meetings, to be discussed at the October 7 meeting; Montclair sewer discussion for next meeting, Mayor Sowder to reach out to Judge Ison for Shelby County's interest.

Commissioner Garland (Police/Parks) - No Report

Commissioner Emmons (Finance) - No Report

Mayor Sowder's Report:

Mayor Sowder presented to the Commission, for approval, the recommendation to cancel the September 17, 2024 Regular City Meeting due to lack of quorum. **Commissioner Emmons made the motion to cancel the September 17, 2024 Regular City Meeting. Commissioner Hesse seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

Mayor Sowder recognized the City Attorney's Report:

City Attorney Hays presented to the Commission Ordinance #2024-010 pertaining to the sale of cannabis in the city limits. City Attorney Hays read the ordinance in summary. **Commissioner McDowell made the motion to accept the second reading and adoption of Ordinance #2024-010. Commissioner Garland seconded. A roll call vote is as follows:**

Commissioner Emmons - Yes

Commissioner Garland - Yes

Commissioner Hesse - Yes

Commissioner McDowell - Yes

Mayor Sowder - Yes

Ordinance #2024-010 will be effective upon publication in the Sentinel News.

City Attorney Hays presented to the Commission, for approval, the findings of fact regarding the zone change request from Golden Creek Farm. **Commissioner McDowell made the motion to accept Triple S Zoning's findings of fact and zone change recommendation. Commissioner Garland seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

City Attorney Hays presented to the Commission, for approval, Ordinance #2024-006 regarding the annexation of property from Golden Creek Farms by consent 243.09 acres north of 1-64 and 1.77 miles east of Buck Creek Road and in conjunction with Triple S Zoning's letter of recommendation. City Attorney Hays read the ordinance in summary. **Commissioner McDowell made the motion to accept the second reading and adoption of Ordinance #2024-006. Commissioner Emmons seconded. A roll call vote is as follows:**

Commissioner Emmons - Yes

Commissioner Garland - Yes

Commissioner Hesse - Yes

Commissioner McDowell - Yes

Mayor Sowder - Yes

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City Attorney Hays presented to the Commission, for approval, the findings of fact regarding the zone change request from Santana Lass LLC. **Commissioner Emmons made the motion to accept Triple S Zoning's findings of fact and zone change recommendation. Commissioner McDowell seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

City Attorney Hays presented to the Commission, for approval, Ordinance #2024-007 regarding the annexation of property from Santana Lass by consent 225.455 acres, Tract #18, north of CSX Railroad and East of Todds Point Road and in conjunction with Triple S Zoning's letter of recommendation. City Attorney Hays read the ordinance in summary. **Commissioner Garland made the motion to accept the**

second reading and adoption of Ordinance #2024-007. Commissioner McDowell seconded. A roll call vote is as follows:

Commissioner Emmons - Yes

Commissioner Garland - Yes

Commissioner Hesse - Yes

Commissioner McDowell - Yes

Mayor Sowder - Yes

Ordinance #2024-007 will be effective upon publication in the Sentinel News.

City Attorney Hays presented to the Commission, for approval, Ordinance #2024-012 pertaining to the Comprehensive Zoning Regulations and Map. City Attorney Hays read the ordinance in its entirety.

Commissioner Hesse made the motion to accept the first reading of Ordinance #2024-012. Commissioner McDowell seconded. Ordinance #2024-012 will be placed on the October 7, 2024 meeting agenda for the second reading and possible adoption.

Mayor Sowder recognized the City Clerk's Report:

City Clerk Miller presented to the Commission Ordinance #2024-011 pertaining to the Ad Valorem Tax.

City Clerk Miller read the ordinance in its entirety. **Commissioner McDowell made the motion to accept the second reading and adoption of Ordinance #2024-011. Commissioner Emmons seconded. A roll call vote is as follows:**

Commissioner Emmons - Yes

Commissioner Garland - Yes

Commissioner Hesse - Yes

Commissioner McDowell - Yes

Mayor Sowder - Yes

Ordinance #2024-011 will be effective upon publication in the Sentinel News.

Mayor Sowder recognized the City Administrator's Report:

City Administrator Eden recognized PW/Park Director Truelock who presented to the Commission, for approval, a request to proceed with the playground bid process for Simpsonville Park next to the Purnell Shelter. **Commissioner Garland made the motion to approve for PW/Park Director Truelock to proceed with the playground bid process. Commissioner Hesse seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

PW/Park Director Truelock presented to the Commission, for approval, an invoice from Earth Planter for \$5,823.00 for six hanging baskets, six brackets, and six square planters. **Commissioner McDowell made the motion to approve the Earth Planter invoice for \$5,823.00. Commissioner Garland seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

City Administrator Eden presented to the Commission, for approval, the annual cleaning contract for City Hall from Corvus Janitorial Services for \$440.00 per month. **Commissioner Hesse made the motion to approve the contract as presented and to authorize the Mayor to sign document. Commissioner Emmons seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

City Administrator Eden presented to the Commission, for approval, the annual salt contract for the City from Compass Minerals for 100 tons of salt at \$89.91/ton. **Commissioner McDowell made the motion to**

approve the contract as presented and to authorize the Mayor to sign document. Commissioner Hesse seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

City Administrator Eden presented to the Commission, for approval, to surplus the following items: Hobart Welder handler 140#MD341379Y, L-Tec Arch Welder #JE7601271, Worldwide Snow Blower 22" 2 stage Briggs and Stratton engine 800 #SAejl940, John Deere Gator 2 x4#W004x2xo35726, Charter Power Lift Battery Charger #FR18CE640S, Miller Mobile Welder #WS6HZK41315225, Global Industrial Floor Scrubber #GE18C-2101, Western Tornado (locked up) Salt Spreader I.Scuyd. Items will be placed on GovDeals. **Commissioner Hesse made the motion to approve the items for surplus. Commissioner McDowell seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

City Administrator Eden presented to the Commission, for approval, an invoice from Raytech for \$9,755.00 for the Microsoft and email changeover and cybersecurity updates. **Commissioner Hesse made the motion to approve the Raytech invoice as presented. Commissioner McDowell seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

City Administrator Eden presented to the Commission a letter of resignation from Officer Shelby Saunders with projected resignation date of October 20,2024. **Commissioner Garland made the motion to accept the letter of resignation from Officer Saunders effective October 20, 2024. Commissioner McDowell seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

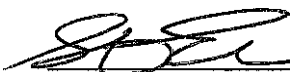
City Administrator Eden presented to the Commission, for approval, a request to begin the hiring process, as stated in the City Employee Handbook, for the replacement of Officer Saunders. **Commissioner Garland made the motion to approve the hiring process to begin for a replacement for Officer Saunders. Commissioner Emmons seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

City Administrator Eden presented to the Commission, for approval, a request from Police Chief Brummer for an available impounded 2020 Toyota Camry to be titled to the City of Simpsonville and be used as a city pool car for departmental use. **Commissioner Garland made the motion to approve as presented. Commissioner McDowell seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

City Administrator Eden reminded the Commission Kentucky League of Cities (KLC) Legal Representative Michael Simons will lead a workshop with the Commission to review and discuss the revised Personnel Policy, Wednesday October 2,2024,6 pm. A special meeting will be required. **Commissioner Hesse made the motion to approve the special meeting on Wednesday, October 2, 2024, 6 pm. Commissioner Emmons seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

Commissioner McDowell made the motion to adjourn. Commissioner Emmons seconded. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned 8:22 pm.

ATTEST:



Steve Eden/City Administrator

APPROVED:



Ronnie Sowder/Mayor