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FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING TUESDAY, APRIL 26, 2016

The City Council of the City of Florence, Kentucky met in Regular Session on Tuesday, April 26, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the Florence Government Center with Mayor Diane E. Whalen presiding in the Chair.

CALL TO ORDER & WELCOME:

Mayor Whalen called the regular meeting to order and declared the Regular Session to be open for the presentation of all City business.

ROLL CALL:

The roll was called and the following five (5) members of Council registered present: Gary Winn, J. Kelly Huff, Vice Mayor Dr. Julie Metzger Aubuchon, Duane Froelicher, and David A. Osborne. Absent was Mel Carroll.

Also present were Mayor Diane E. Whalen, City Coordinator Richard J. Lunnemann, City Attorney Hugh O. Skees, Assistant City Coordinator/Business and Community Development Director Joshua R. Wice, Finance Director Linda J. Chapman, Fire/EMS Assistant Chief Scott Knoll, Police Chief John McDermond, Public Services Director Eric Hall, City Engineer Bill Viox, Police Officer Christopher Boone, Collins Elementary School Students Tanner Adkins, DeSean Clifton, Cacey Gosney, Natalie Gossett, Leondro Mata, Jenna McDonald, Alex Mendoa, Donnell Mlavih, Nola Turner, Isabella Vogel, and Haley Wright, Collins Elementary School 5th Grade Teacher Amanda Sigmon, Collins Elementary School Principal Thomas Loring, Boone County High School Executive Director of Student Services Kathy Reutman, Boone County Schools Board of Education Member Karen Byrd, Richard Crist, Ravi Narsinghani, Northern Kentucky Tribune Reporter Mark Hansel, Videographer Jerry Schrepfer, Videographer Tom Lape, and City Clerk Joe Christofield.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

March 8, 2016 Business Meeting

Mayor Whalen called for a motion to approve the minutes of the March 8, 2016 business meeting of Council. Councilmember Huff so moved, with second from Councilmember Winn. **Council approved by unanimous vote.**

PRESENTATION:

Collins Elementary

Mayor Whalen recognized Collins Elementary School Principal Thomas Loring who introduced 5th Grade Teacher Amanda Sigmon and the "In the Community Group". The group provided a presentation on what they've been working on this year and what they plan to work on in the future. Additional discussion followed.

FIRST READINGS:

Ordinance No. O-4-16

Mayor Whalen presented the following Ordinance for first reading:

ORDINANCE NO. O-4-16:
AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AND APPROVING A CHANGE IN AN APPROVED CONCEPT DEVELOPMENT PLAN IN A COMMERCIAL TWO/PLANNED DEVELOPMENT/HOUSTON-DONALDSON STUDY OVERLAY (C-2/PD/HDO) ZONE FOR AN APPROXIMATE 24 ACRE SITE LOCATED AT 7625 DOERING DRIVE, FLORENCE, KENTUCKY, TO ALLOW TWO ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATIONS. (NRG eVgo/WALMART REAL ESTATE BUSINESS TRUST)

Mayor Whalen read aloud the following summary of the Ordinance:

The effect of this Ordinance is to allow two electric vehicle charging stations in a Commercial Two/Planned Development/Houston-Donaldson Study Overlay (C-2/PD/HDO) zone.

The full text of Ordinance No. O-4-16, including its exhibits, is available for examination in the office of the City Clerk of the City of Florence, Kentucky, in the Florence Government Center, 8100 Ewing Blvd., Florence, Kentucky, during regular office hours.

Mayor Whalen called for a motion to approve Ordinance No. O-4-16 on first reading. Councilmember Huff moved, with second from Vice Mayor Metzger Aubuchon, that Ordinance No. O-4-16 be approved on first reading and be held for second and final reading at the next meeting of Council. **Council approved by unanimous vote.**

Ordinance No. O-5-16

Mayor Whalen presented the following Ordinance for first reading:

ORDINANCE NO. O-5-16:
AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AND APPROVING A ZONING MAP AMENDMENT FROM COMMERCIAL TWO/PLANNED DEVELOPMENT/HOUSTON-DONALDSON STUDY CORRIDOR OVERLAY (C-2/PD/HDO) TO OFFICE TWO/PLANNED DEVELOPMENT/HOUSTON-DONALDSON STUDY CORRIDOR OVERLAY (0-2/PD/HDO) FOR A 3.0236 ACRE SITE GENERALLY LOCATED ON THE NORTH SIDE OF MERCHANTS STREET BETWEEN THE PROPERTIES AT 5885 AND 5915 MERCHANTS STREET, AND ON THE EAST SIDE OF SELIGMAN DRIVE TO THE IMMEDIATE NORTH OF THE PROPERTY AT 5915 MERCHANTS STREET, FLORENCE, KENTUCKY, TO ALLOW A HOTEL AND USES PERMITTED BY THE CURRENT CONCEPT DEVELOPMENT PLAN. (RAVI NARSINGHANI, SEVA AT MERCHANTS SQUARE, LLC/RICHARD CRIST, DC KY18 PARTNERSHIP)

Mayor Whalen read aloud the following summary of the Ordinance:

The effect of this Ordinance is to allow a zoning map amendment from Commercial Two/Planned Development/Houston-Donaldson Study Corridor Overlay (C-2/PD/HDO) to Office Two/Planned Development/Houston-Donaldson Study Corridor Overlay (0-2/PD/HDO) for a 3.0236 acre site generally located on the north side of Merchants Street between the properties at 5885 and 5915 Merchants Street, and on the east side of Seligman Drive to the immediate north of the property at 5915 Merchants Street, Florence, Kentucky, to allow a hotel and uses permitted by the current concept development plan.

The full text of Ordinance No. O-5-16, including its Exhibits, is available for examination in the office of the City Clerk of the City of Florence, Kentucky, in the Florence Government Center, 8100 Ewing Boulevard, Florence, Kentucky, during regular office hours.

Mayor Whalen called for a motion to approve Ordinance No. O-5-16 on first reading. Councilmember Winn moved, with second from Councilmember Osborne, that Ordinance No. O-5-16 be approved on first reading and be held for second and final reading at the next meeting of Council. **Council approved by unanimous vote.**

MUNICIPAL ORDER:

Municipal Order No. MO-5-16

Mayor Whalen presented the following Municipal Order for consideration:

MUNICIPAL ORDER NO. MO-5-16:
A MUNICIPAL ORDER APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF JAMIE NIEVES TO THE FLORENCE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS AND ZONING APPEALS TO SERVE THE REMAINDER OF LARRY BROWN'S TERM.

Councilmember Huff moved, with second from Councilmember Winn, that Municipal Order No. MO-5-16 be approved as reviewed. **Council approved by unanimous vote.**

RESOLUTION:

Resolution No. R-1-16

Mayor Whalen presented the following Resolution for consideration:

RESOLUTION NO. R-1-16:
A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE DECISION OF THE NORTHERN KENTUCKY INDEPENDENT DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO PURCHASE PROPERTY ON THE FLORENCE GOVERNMENT CENTER CAMPUS AND CONSTRUCT A HEADQUARTERS BUILDING; AUTHORIZING APPROPRIATE OFFICIALS OF THE CITY TO COOPERATE WITH THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT IN CONDUCTING NECESSARY DUE DILIGENCE INVESTIGATIONS AND NEGOTIATING THE TERMS OF A FORMAL PURCHASE CONTRACT; AND, RATIFYING AND AFFIRMING THE MAYOR'S LETTER TO THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT DATED MARCH 11, 2016.

Councilmember Osborne moved, with second from Councilmember Huff, that Resolution R-1-16 be approved as reviewed. **Council approved by unanimous vote.**

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Diane E. Whalen

Mayor Whalen advised of the annual Public Services Night Out, scheduled for Tuesday, May 17 at 4pm at the Florence Mall.

Mayor Whalen advised of the Heroin Town Hall Meeting held Monday night.

Mayor Whalen, on behalf of the City, offered her condolences to the family and friends of Dr. James Schrand, who recently passed away.

CITY COORDINATOR'S REPORT:

City Coordinator Richard J. Lunnemann

There was no report given by City Coordinator Richard J. Lunnemann.

OTHER:

Mayor Whalen asked if any councilmember desired recognition; no one responded.

Mayor Whalen asked if any department head desired recognition; no one responded.

Mayor Whalen asked if anyone in the audience desired recognition; no one responded.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

There was no need for City Council to go into Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Whalen called for a motion to adjourn. Councilmember Huff so moved, with second from Councilmember Osborne, and **unanimous approval of Council,** the time being 7:19 p.m.

APPROVED:

Diane E. Whalen

Diane E. Whalen, Mayor

ATTEST:

Joseph A. Christofield, City Clerk

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