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FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING TUESDAY, MAY 24, 2016

The City Council of the City of Florence, Kentucky met in Regular Session on Tuesday, May 24, 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 six (6) members of Council registered present: Mel Carroll, Gary Winn, J. Kelly Huff, Vice Mayor Dr. Julie Metzger Aubuchon, Duane Froelicher, and David A. Osborne.

Also present were Mayor Diane E. Whalen, City Coordinator Richard J. Lunnemann, City Attorney Hugh O. Skees, Finance Director Linda J. Chapman, Fire/EMS Chief Kelly Joe Aylor, Police Chief John McDermond, Public Services Director Eric Hall, City Engineer Bill Viox, Police Officer Lyndi Trischler, St. Paul School Lego League Team (Coach David Rice and members John Couch, David Olberding, Trey Rice, and Michael Ross), St. Paul School Principal Dr. Anthony Riegling, Kelly Rice (St. Paul School), Angie Ross (St. Paul School), Tara Johnson (Skyward), Boone County Planning Commission Executive Director Kevin Costello, Healthpoint Family Care Director of Development Rob Thiemann, Videographer Jerry Schrepfer, Videographer Tom Lape, Videographer George Caldwell, and City Clerk Joe Christofield.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

May 10, 2016 Business Meeting

Mayor Whalen called for a motion to approve the minutes of the May 10, 2016 business meeting of Council. Councilmember Winn so moved, with second from Councilmember Huff. **Council approved by unanimous vote.**

RECOGNITION:

St. Paul School Lego League Team (Coaches Kelly & David Rice; Members John Couch, Tyler O'Daniel, David Olberding, Trey Rice, & Michael Ross)

Mayor Whalen recognized St. Paul School Lego League Team Coach David Rice who introduced Team Members John Couch, David Olberding, Trey Rice, and Michael Ross (Team Member Tyler O'Daniel was not present) regarding the Team's recent competition. Additional discussion followed.

PRESENTATION:

Skyward Nano Grant Program (Tara Johnson)

Mayor Whalen recognized Tara Johnson of Skyward who gave a presentation regarding the Skyward Nano Grant Program. Additional discussion followed. Mayor Whalen and City Council gave Ms. Johnson and the Program the okay to move forward on the project in Florence.

BUDGET PRESENTATION:

Boone County Planning Commission (Executive Director Kevin Costello)

Mayor Whalen recognized Boone County Planning Commission Executive Director Kevin Costello who spoke to City Council regarding the Boone County Planning Commission Preliminary Budget for Fiscal Year 2016-2017. Additional discussion followed.

FIRST READINGS:

Ordinance No. O-6-16

Mayor Whalen presented the following Ordinance for first reading:

ORDINANCE NO. O-6-16:
AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AND APPROVING A ZONING MAP AMENDMENT FROM COMMERCIAL TWO (C-2) TO COMMERCIAL TWO/SMALL COMMUNITY (C-2/SC) FOR AN APPROXIMATE 0.68 ACRE SITE LOCATED AT 12 GIRARD STREET, FLORENCE, KENTUCKY, TO ALLOW THE PROPERTY TO BE USED AS A SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENCE IN ADDITION TO C-2 USES. (K. BARR INVESTMENTS, LLC PROPERTY)

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 (C-2) to Commercial Two/Small Community (C-2/SC) for a 0.68 acre site located at 12 Girard Street, Florence, Kentucky, to allow the property to be used as a single family residence in addition to C-2 uses.

The full text of Ordinance No. O-6-16, 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-6-16 on first reading. Vice Mayor Metzger Aubuchon moved, with second from Councilmember Osborne, that Ordinance No. O-6-16 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-7-16

Mayor Whalen presented the following Ordinance for first reading:

ORDINANCE NO. O-7-16:
AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AND APPROVING A ZONING MAP AMENDMENT FOR A SPECIAL SIGN DISTRICT IN A COMMERCIAL ONE (C-1) ZONE FOR A 2.96 ACRE SITE LOCATED AT 7607 DIXIE HIGHWAY, FLORENCE, KENTUCKY, TO ALLOW THE ADDITION OF ELECTRONIC MESSAGE BOARDS ON A FREESTANDING SIGN. (HEALTHPOINT FAMILY CARE INC. PROPERTY)

Mayor Whalen read aloud the following summary of the Ordinance:

The effect of this Ordinance is to allow a zoning map amendment for a Special Sign District in a Commercial One (C-1) zone, which would allow the addition of electronic message boards on a freestanding sign. This Ordinance does not change the zoning of the site, but approves a zoning map amendment for a Special Sign District based on its current zoning.

The full text of Ordinance No. O-7-16, 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-7-16 on first reading. Councilmember Winn moved, with second from Councilmember Huff, that Ordinance No. O-7-16 be approved on first reading and be held for second and final reading at the next meeting of Council. **Council approved by unanimous vote.**

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Diane E. Whalen

Mayor Whalen advised the Family Aquatic Center opening is scheduled for Saturday, May 28 at 11am.

Mayor Whalen advised of the City's annual Memorial Day Parade and Program, scheduled for Monday, May 30 with the parade at 10:00am (Boone County High School) followed by the Program at 11:00am (Boone County Veterans Memorial).

Mayor Whalen advised of the Senior Activity Center's 4th Anniversary, scheduled for Saturday, June 11 from 9:00am-1:00pm (including the retirements of managers Marty & Geri Herbert).

Mayor Whalen advised of the City's first Neighborhood Night Out of the summer, scheduled for Tuesday, June 14 from 5:00pm-7:00pm at South Fork Park.

Mayor Whalen recognized and thanked videographer Tom Lape who is retiring from the City after 27 years with the Public Services Department.

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; Councilmember Carroll asked regarding the U.S. 42/Weaver Road intersection; Public Services Director Eric Hall said he would bring a plan/drawing to a future council meeting to help better explain the project (with bids at the end of the year followed by construction in spring 2017).

Fire/EMS Chief Kelly Joe Aylor advised Firefighter/Paramedic Mark Ober recently received the St. Elizabeth Healthcare's "Lifesaver's EMS Award" for successfully resuscitating a cardiac arrest victim at a local business. Chief Aylor added Jerry Williams, the employee who called 911 and began CPR prior to FF/PM Ober's arrival on the scene, also received the "Citizens Lifesaver Award".

Police Chief John McDermond advised of the Department's upcoming CSI Camp (June 13-17) and added there are still several openings for kids ages 12-14.

Mayor Whalen asked if any department head desired recognition; Public Services Director Hall advised the Mall Road ramp construction (Mall Road to I-75 SB) was underway and scheduled to be completed at the end of August.

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 Winn, and **unanimous approval of Council,** the time being 7:46 p.m.

APPROVED:

Diane E. Whalen

Diane E. Whalen, Mayor

ATTEST:

Joseph A. Christofield, City Clerk

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