

**MINUTES OF REGULAR SESSION
OF THE
CITY OF FRANKLIN
CITY COMMISSION**

May 23, 2022

**City Hall
117 West Cedar Street
Franklin, Kentucky**

The Franklin, Kentucky City Commission met in Regular Session at 12:00 Noon, Monday, May 23, 2022, in the City Hall meeting room located at 117 West Cedar Street, Franklin, Kentucky.

Members attending were as follows:

Mayor Larry Dixon	Present
Commissioner Jamie Powell	Present
Commissioner Herbert Williams	Present
Commissioner Brownie Bennett	Present
Commissioner Wendell Stewart	Present

Others present included City Manager Kenton Powell; City Personnel Director/Deputy Clerk, Rita Vaughn; City Finance Director Carol Riggerbach; City Assistant Finance Director, Daniel Reetzke; City Police Chief, Roger Solomon; Public Works Director Chris Klotter; City Clerk, Cathy Dillard; Tammie Carey, Community Development Director; Amy Ellis, Tourism Director; Kenny Massey, Water Distribution Superintendent; Donzella Lee, Wanda Tuck and James Tuck with the Franklin-Simpson Human Rights Commission; and, Damian Walker.

Mayor Dixon called the meeting to order at 12:00 Noon, and Commissioner Herbert Williams offered the opening prayer.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion was made by Commissioner Bennett and seconded by Commissioner Powell to approve the minutes as presented of the Franklin City Commission May 9, 2022, Regular Meeting and the May 9, 2022, Special Called Meeting and Budget Work Session.

Voting Aye by Roll Call: All members present. Motion carried unanimously.

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Amy Ellis, Executive Director of Simpson County Tourism, updated the Commission regarding Tourism activities in Franklin and asked the Commission to consider a street closing request for the Summer Vibes Music Festival to be held on Saturday, August 27, 2022. They

requested to close West Kentucky Avenue from Main Street to College Street beginning at midnight on Thursday, August 25, 2022, until Sunday, August 28, 2022, until 2:00 PM to allow time to set the stage and sound equipment for the event. In addition, they are requested to close College Street from West Washington Street to Cedar Street beginning at midnight on Friday, August 26, 2022, until midnight on Saturday, August 27, 2022.

Motion was made by Commissioner Stewart and seconded by Commissioner Bennett to authorize the street closing as presented contingent on event organizers providing acknowledgment of notification of street closings to all affected businesses and downtown residents.

Voting Aye by Roll Call: All. Motion carried unanimously.

Amy Ellis provided an updated regarding tourism activities in Franklin and Simpson County. She provided information regarding Simpson County Tourism's use of social media to highlight Franklin's tourism attributes.

City Manager Kenton Powell asked the Commission to consider a street closing for the Franklin-Simpson Renaissance Summer Nights Concert Series beginning Friday, June 3, 2022, and Renaissance requested to close South College Street from West Kentucky Avenue to West Cedar Street between the hours of 4:00 PM until 10:00 PM for the following dates:

1. Friday, June 3, 2022
2. Friday, June 17, 2022
3. Friday, June 24, 2022
4. Friday, July 8, 2022
5. Friday, July 29, 2022
6. Friday, August 12, 2022
7. Friday, August 19, 2022

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Williams to approve the request submitted by F-S Renaissance to close South College Street from West Kentucky Avenue to West Cedar Street from 4:00 PM until 10:00 PM for the Summer Nights Concert Series for the concert dates listed above.

Voting Aye by Roll Call: All members present. Motion carried unanimously

Franklin-Simpson Human Rights Commission and Squeeze the Day asked the Commission to consider a street closing request for a community event to be held on Saturday, June 18, 2022, from 10:00 am to 8:00 pm. They have requested to close John J. Johnson Street between Walker Street and Sunset Circle and Roosevelt Street from John J. Johnson Street to Brevard Street from 8:00 am until 11:00 pm for the Juneteenth Celebration of Freedom. As part of this event, they requested the Commission approve shooting fireworks.

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Williams to authorize closing John J. Johnson Street between Walker Street and Sunset Circle and Roosevelt Street from John J. Johnson Street to Brevard Street from 8:00 am until 11:00 pm on Saturday, June 18, 2022, for the Juneteenth Celebration of Freedom and further approved the fireworks display on this date contingent upon Fire Chief Goodrum's approval.

Voting Aye by Roll Call: All members present. Motion carried unanimously.

Wanda Tuck, Chairperson for the Franklin-Simpson Human Rights Commission asked the Commission to consider a on-time increase in funding for their organization in the amount of \$3,000.00. Ms. Tuck indicated their office space in the Historic Courthouse was in need of upgrades and maintenance in order to function properly for their organization. No action was taken by the Commission at that time regarding the matter.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Tammie Carey, Community Development Director, asked the Commission to consider approval to hold an Independence Day Parade on Monday, July 4, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. The parade will follow the traditional parade route beginning at the F-S High School then north on Main Street and turning left onto West Kentucky Avenue, then on to College Street and ending at the F-S High School.

Motion was made by Commissioner Bennett and seconded by Commissioner Powell to allow a parade to take place on Monday, July 4, 2022, in celebration of the Independence Day and to further authorize closing the City streets necessary to accommodate the traditional parade route in downtown.

Voting Aye by Roll Call: All members present. Motion carried unanimously.

Tammie Carey, Community Development Director, asked the Commission to consider approval of a resolution authorizing the City of Franklin to submit an application for funding to the Kentucky Office of Homeland Security for grant funding to enhance security of the City of Franklin's vital services facilities.

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Bennett and was unanimously approved by a roll call vote the following Resolution No. G-2022 as follows:

*Kentucky Office of Homeland Security Project
RESOLUTION G-2022*

City of Franklin, Kentucky

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF FRANKLIN, KENTUCKY AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO MAKE APPLICATION FOR AND, UPON APPROVAL, TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE KENTUCKY OFFICE OF HOMELAND SECURITY (KOHS), TO EXECUTE ANY DOCUMENTS WHICH ARE DEEMED NECESSARY BY KOHS TO FACILITATE AND ADMINISTER THE PROJECT AND TO ACT AS THE AUTHORIZED CORRESPONDENT FOR THIS PROJECT. THIS RESOLUTION ALSO ESTABLISHES PROCUREMENT POLICY FOR ANY KOHS APPROVED PROJECT FOR THE FY-2022 APPLICATION CYCLE.

WHEREAS, the City of Franklin, Kentucky desires to make an application for United States Department of Homeland Security and/or Commonwealth of Kentucky funds for a project to be administered by Kentucky Office of Homeland Security:

WHEREAS, it is recognized that an application for and approval of Kentucky Office of Homeland Security funds impose certain obligations and responsibilities upon the city:

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved this 23rd day of May 2022, by the City of Franklin, Kentucky.

The Mayor is hereby authorized to execute and furnish all required documentation, including a memorandum of agreement, as may be required by KOHS for the furtherance of the above-referenced project and to act as the authorized correspondent for said project.

For the purpose of any KOHS funded projects using FY-2022 funds the city will use the provisions of KRS 45A for the purchase of equipment and/or services. For any equipment and/or services under \$20,000, three (3) quotes will be obtained. For any equipment and/or services that exceeds \$20,000 the provisions of KRS 45A will apply.

Done this 23rd day of May, 2022.

City Manager Kenton Powell addressed the Commission regarding the fiscal year 2022-23 Municipal Aid Cooperative Agreement between the City of Franklin and the Commonwealth of Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, Department of Rural and Municipal Aid, which will provide \$186,418.03 to aid the City in the construction, reconstruction, and maintenance of certain roads and bridges for Fiscal Year 2022-2023. This agreement, along with the following resolution, must be approved annually to continue participation in the Municipal Road Aid Cooperative Program.

RESOLUTION NO. F - 2022

**CITY OF FRANKLIN, KENTUCKY
RESOLUTION ADOPTING AND APPROVING THE EXECUTION
OF A MUNICIPAL AID CO-OP PROGRAM CONTRACT BETWEEN
THE CITY OF FRANKLIN AND THE COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY,
TRANSPORTATION CABINET, DEPARTMENT OF RURAL AND MUNICIPAL
AID
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2022, AS PROVIDED IN
THE KENTUCKY REVISED STATUTES, AND ACCEPTING ALL STREETS
REFERRED TO THEREIN AS BEING STREETS WHICH ARE A PART
OF THE CITY OF FRANKLIN**

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the City of Franklin, Kentucky has determined that it is in the best interest of the citizens of Franklin, Kentucky to accept the invitation from the Department of Rural and Municipal Aid to participate in a cooperative program to aid the City in the construction, reconstruction, and maintenance of certain roads and bridges using its share of the Municipal Road Aid Funds apportioned to it by the Department of Rural and Municipal Aid; and,

WHEREAS, it has been determined that the City must enter into a Municipal Road Aid Cooperative Program Agreement in order to participate in this program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the City of Franklin, Kentucky as follows:

1. The Board of Commissioners of the City of Franklin, Kentucky does hereby accept all streets referred to in said contract as being city streets which are a part of the City of Franklin; and
2. The Board of Commissioners of the City of Franklin does hereby ratify and adopt all statements, representations, warranties, covenants, and agreements contained in said contract and does hereby accept said contract and by such acceptance agrees to all the terms and conditions therein stated; and

3. *The Chief Executive Officer (Mayor) of the City of Franklin is hereby authorized and directed to sign said contract as set forth on behalf of the Board of Commissioners of the City of Franklin, and the City Clerk of Franklin, Kentucky is hereby authorized and directed to certify thereto.*
4. *This resolution was adopted by a unanimous vote of the Board of Commissioners of the City of Franklin at a meeting held on May 23, 2022.*

The required public hearing regarding the use of these funds was held on May 22, 2022, at 11:45 AM.

Motion was made by Commissioner Stewart seconded by Commissioner Williams to approve the Municipal Road Aid Cooperative Program Agreement for Fiscal year 2022-2023 and to adopt Resolution No. F-2022 and authorize the Mayor to sign any documents necessary to effectuate this motion.

Voting Aye by Roll Call: All members present. Motion carried unanimously.

City Finance Director Carol Riegenbach provided the Commission with proposed revisions to the fiscal year 2021-2022 operating budget and asked for two sponsors for the fourth budget amendment ordinance. This proposed budget amendment reflects final changes to the operating budget based on the latest estimates for revenues and expenditures.

Commissioner Powell and Commissioner Williams asked to sponsor the ordinance with first reading taking place during the ordinance portion of the meeting.

UTILITIES

Tammie Carey, Community Development Director, provided the Commission with an update regarding the Kentucky Community Development Block Grant Utility Assistance Grant program. On April 25, 2022, the Department for Local Government informed the City the program funds had been adjusted from \$200,000.00 to \$50,000.00.

No action was required by the Commission regarding this matter.

Kenny Massey, Water Distribution Superintendent, asked the Commission to consider approval to award the bid for water tank cleaning and inspection. The bid notice was advertised pursuant to KRS 424.260 and three (3) sealed bids were received at the bid opening held on Wednesday, May 11, 2022, as follows:

Pittsburg Tank & Tower Maintenance Co., Inc.	\$ 59,615.00
Currens Construction Services, LLC	75,655.00
Complete Restoration, LLC	65,400.00

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Bennett to award the contract for water tank cleaning and inspection to Pittsburg Tank & Tower Maintenance

Co., Inc. in the amount of \$59,615.00 and further authorized the Mayor to sign any and all documents related to this service.

Voting Aye by Roll Call: All members present. Motion carried unanimously.

ORDINANCES

City Clerk Cathy Dillard held first summary reading of the following ordinance:

Ordinance No. 2022-016 titled: *An Ordinance Amending the Annual Budget for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2021, and Ending June 30, 2022, by Estimating Revenues and Appropriations*

No action was taken on first reading of these ordinances.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 12:42 PM, motion was made by Commissioner Williams and seconded by Commissioner Powell to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of: (1) Land Acquisition – Deliberations on the future acquisition or sale of real property by a public agency where publicity would be likely to affect the value of a specific piece of property to be acquired for public use or sold by a public agency {KRS 61.810(1)(b)}; (2) Litigation – Discussion of proposed or pending litigation {KRS 61.810(1)(c)}; and, (3) Personnel – Discussions or hearings which might lead to the appointment, discipline, or dismissal of an individual employee or member {KRS 61.810(1)(f)}.

Voting Aye by Roll Call: All members present. Motion carried unanimously.

Entering Executive Session were Mayor Dixon; Commissioners Powell, Bennett, Williams and Stewart; City Manager Kenton Powell; Police Chief Roger Solomon and Public Works Director Chris Klotter.

Solomon and Klotter exited Executive Session at 1:15 PM.

At 1:22 PM, motion was made by Commissioner Bennett and seconded by Commissioner Stewart to exit Executive Session and return to open session.

Voting Aye by Roll Call Vote: All members present. Motion carried unanimously.

OTHER COMMISSION BUSINESS

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Bennett to approve to hire Ethan Cook and Kelci Keen as officers with the Franklin Police Department beginning on June 13, 2022, contingent on meeting the requirements of Peace Officers Professional Standards (“POPS”) certification.

Voting Aye by Roll Call Vote: All members present. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Stewart and seconded by Commissioner Bennett to accept the resignation of Tyrone Edmonds from the Water Distribution Department effective May 13, 2022.

Voting Aye by Roll Call Vote: All members present. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Stewart and seconded by Commissioner Powell to approve a Lease Agreement with Mill House Café to allow the operation of a sidewalk café contingent on review by the City Manager of plan drawing or schematic of table and chair placements; and further authorize the Mayor to sign any and all documents necessary to effectuate the lease agreement.

Voting Aye by Roll Call Vote: All members present. Motion carried unanimously.

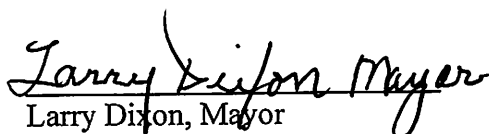
Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Williams to rescind the award of a bid to Infinity Pipeline and award the bid to Innovative Demolition Service, LLC for the Police Station Site Work and Rough Grading and further authorized the Mayor to sign the agreement on behalf of the City.

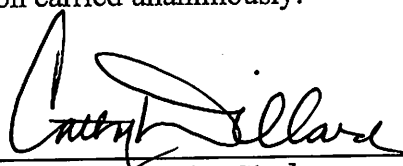
Voting Aye by Roll Call Vote: All members present. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

At 1:33 PM, motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Williams to adjourn the regular meeting of the Franklin City Commission.

Voting Aye by Roll Call Vote: All members present. Motion carried unanimously.


Larry Dixon, Mayor
City of Franklin, Kentucky


Cathy Dillard, City Clerk
City of Franklin, Kentucky