

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

October 25, 2021

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

The Franklin, Kentucky City Commission met in Regular Session at 12:00 Noon, Monday, **October 25, 2021**, 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 Finance Director Carol Riggenschach; City Police Chief Roger Solomon; Public Works Director Chris Klotter; City Clerk Cathy Dillard; Community Development Director Tammie Carey; City Personnel Director/Deputy Clerk Rita Vaughn; F-S Planning & Zoning Administrator Carter Munday; Lisa Deavers, Defra Holt and Nancy Uhls with REACH; and, Eric Walker from Franklin Community Church.

Mayor Dixon called the meeting to order at 12:00 Noon, and Eric Walker of the Franklin Community Church 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 October 11, 2021, Regular Meeting and the October 11, 2021, Special Called Meeting.

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

HEAR THE PUBLIC

Lisa Deavers addressed the Commission regarding the proposed REACH project at Lincoln Park. The proposed development is planned for the currently unused space at Lincoln Park and would potentially be developed in two phases. Some of the proposed amenities include a

performance pavilion, walking trail, sensory playground, outdoor fitness equipment, shade canopies with tables, food truck and tent space, baseball practice field, and a multipurpose practice field. Deavers indicated the cost of the project will be approximately \$3.5 million and REACH is currently seeking funding from private individuals and businesses, grant funds, and contributions from local governments.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

City Manager Kenton Powell asked the Commission for two sponsors each for two proposed ordinances rezoning properties located in the City of Franklin. The Franklin-Simpson Planning & Zoning Commission has approved the requests to rezone these properties which are located on McClendon Road and Scottsville Road.

Commissioner Powell and Commissioner Stewart asked the sponsor both ordinances with first reading taking place during the ordinance portion of the meeting.

City Manager Kenton Powell asked the Commission to discuss the proposed ordinance that would establish guidelines for parades and special events that would take place in the downtown area. Commissioner Powell and Commissioner Bennett previously asked to sponsor this ordinance and, after a short discussion, asked for first reading during the ordinance portion of the meeting.

Community Development Director Tammie Carey asked the Commission to consider appointing Susan Hughes to the Historic Preservation Committee to fill the unexpired term of Debbie Johnson.

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Bennett to appoint Susan Hughes to the Historic Preservation Committee to fill the unexpired term of Debbie Johnson which will expire on April 30, 2022.

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

City Finance Director Carol Riegenbach provided a first quarter overview of the City's financial performance. This overview included revenues and expenditures for all funds with actual versus budget statistics.

City Manager Kenton Powell asked the Commission to consider exploring the implementation of a residential rental code which would ensure residential rental properties meet certain minimum standards. The code would identify the responsibilities of owners and occupants of rental properties and establish basic standards for properties and provide procedures for inspections and appeals.

The Commission asked Powell to begin the process to develop a residential rental occupancy code.

UTILITIES

Public Works Director Chris Klotter asked the Commission to consider approval of acceptance of the streets in Fox Chase and The Retreat subdivisions which include Hunter’s Crossing, Retreat Way, Fox Ridge Way and Turnstone Way. Mr. Klotter indicated the streets had been inspected and any deficiencies had been corrected and were ready for acceptance.

Motion was made by Commissioner Stewart and seconded by Commissioner Powell to approve the acceptance of the streets in Fox Chase and The Retreat subdivisions which include Hunter’s Crossing, Retreat Way, Fox Ridge Way and Turnstone Way as City streets.

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

ORDINANCES

City Clerk Cathy Dillard held second summary reading of the following ordinances:

Ordinance No. 2021-025 titled: *An Ordinance of the City of Franklin, Kentucky Repealing and Restating the Permit and Inspection Rate Schedule for the F-S Planning & Zoning Commission*

Motion was made by Commissioner Bennett and seconded by Commissioner Powell to adopt Ordinance No. 2021-025 and was unanimously approved by the following roll call vote:

Mayor Dixon	<u>Yes</u>	Commissioner Bennett	<u>Yes</u>
Commissioner Powell	<u>Yes</u>	Commissioner Stewart	<u>Yes</u>
Commissioner Williams	<u>Yes</u>		

Ordinance No. 2021-027 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*

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Williams to adopt Ordinance No. 2021-027 and was unanimously approved by the following roll call vote:

Mayor Dixon	<u>Yes</u>	Commissioner Bennett	<u>Yes</u>
Commissioner Powell	<u>Yes</u>	Commissioner Stewart	<u>Yes</u>
Commissioner Williams	<u>Yes</u>		

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

Ordinance No. 2021-026 titled: *An Ordinance of the City Of Franklin, Kentucky Amending a Prior Ordinance Establishing a Permit System and/or Contracts Required for Parades and Special Events*

Ordinance No. 2021-028 titled: *An Ordinance Rezoning Approximately 14.84 Acres from AG to R-3; and Approximately 2.52 Acres from R-3 to B-2 Located on or Near the Intersection of West Madison Street and McClendon Road by Dan Schmucker and Tennessee Construction Associates*

Ordinance No. 2021-029 titled: *An Ordinance Rezoning Approximately 34.3 Acres Located on the South Side of KY Highway 100 (Scottsville Road) From AG (Agriculture) to R1-S (Single Family Residential) by Josh and Shellie Jones*

No action is taken on first reading of an ordinance.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 1:01 PM, motion was made by Commissioner Bennett and seconded by Commissioner Stewart to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of: (1) Business – Discussions between a public agency a representative of a business entity concerning a specific proposal, where open discussions would jeopardize the siting, retention, expansion, or upgrading of the business {KRS 61.810(1)(g)}; and, (2) 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; F-S Planning & Zoning Administrator Carter Munday; David Cummins, Leach & Cummins; Lowell M. Guthrie and Lin Guthrie.

Mr. Cummings and Mr. and Mrs. Guthrie exited Executive Session at 1:58 PM. Carter Munday exited Executive Session at 2:40 PM.

At 2:43 PM, motion was made by Commissioner Williams and seconded by Commissioner Powell to exit Executive Session and return to open session.

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

OTHER COMMISSION BUSINESS

Motion was made by Commissioner Williams and seconded by Commissioner Stewart to close John J. Johnson Avenue from Jefferson Street to the corner of West Washington Street in front of Alpha Baptist Church for the Halloween Block Party on Sunday, October 31, 2021, from 2:00 PM until 8:00 PM.

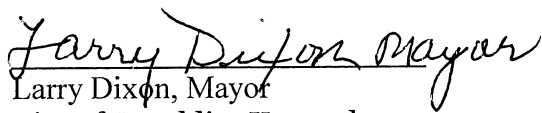
Voting Aye by Roll Call: All members present. Motion carried unanimously.

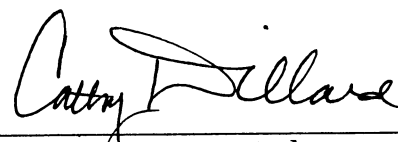
The Commission wished everyone a safe and happy Halloween.

ADJOURNMENT

At 2:47 PM, motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Stewart to adjourn the regular meeting of the Franklin City Commission.

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


Larry Dixon, Mayor
City of Franklin, Kentucky


Cathy Dillard, City Clerk
City of Franklin, Kentucky