

SPECIAL SESSION

MARCH 18, 2015

The City Council of the City of Athens met in Special Session on Wednesday, March 18, 2015, 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the City Hall Annex with the following members present, to-wit:

Jerry D. Vaught, Mayor
Monte Montgomery, Mayor Pro-Tem
Charles Elliott
Tres Winn

David Hopkins, Interim City Administrator
Bonnie Hambrick, City Secretary
Conor Bateman, City Attorney

others present: Glen Herriage, Gary Crecelius, Buddy Hill, John McQueary, Haven Cox, Sherri Skeeters, Corey Frentress, Lisa Denton, and Greg Mason;

with the following member absent: Joe Whatley;

constituting a quorum at which time the following proceedings were enacted, to-wit:

The invocation was given by Councilmember Montgomery.

DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

No action was taken.

DIRECTOR OF PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT'S REPORT

A) STATUS REPORT ON CURRENT & PROPOSED PROJECTS

Gary Crecelius, Director of Planning & Development, updated on the following:

- 1) Merrill Jensen, Hwy. 31 West, is moving equipment in and nearing start of production
- 2) David Thomas, 1311 Mill Run Road extensive house remodeling
- 3) 407 Timber Hills, new permit for new single family home
- 4) 408 Timber Hills, starting sheetrock and painting
- 5) 813 Timber Hills, placing mechanical electrical plumbing systems
- 6) 908 Maxine, new permit
- 7) 616 Lantana, new home
- 8) 307 Madole Street and 708 E. College, Athens Independent School District, remodeling
- 9) 311 E. Tyler Street, Bacon Chevrolet, remodeling
- 10) 1220 S. Palestine, old Wulf Sporting Goods building, waiting to be permitted
- 11) Country Place Living, Wood Street; plans approved
- 12) Timber Hills, new construction
- 13) Henderson County Tax building on the corner of Prairieville Street and Tyler Street, walk-thru with future buyer and realtor

FINANCIAL REPORT

David Hopkins, Director of Finance presented the January financials.

DISCUSS ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS;

- A) DISCUSS PUBLIC HEARING CONCERNING ANNEXATION OF 30.00 ACRES LOCATED IN THE DANIEL HARRISON SURVEY, ABSTRACT 279 (650 SOUTH EAST LOOP 7)

Gary Crecelius explained that this property is being annexed at the request of the property owner and the first required public hearing will appear on the agenda Monday, March 23, 2015.

- B) DISCUSS PUBLIC HEARING CONCERNING ANNEXATION OF 296.142 ACRES LOCATED IN THE WILLIAM TRIMMER SURVEY, ABSTRACT 758, MARY ANN PICKETT SURVEY, ABSTRACT 628, AND NELSON BOX SURVEY, ABSTRACT 58 (1271 COUNTY ROAD 4500)

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- C) DISCUSS POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF ATHENS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION'S BUSINESS ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION SUBMITTED BY ATHENS SCREEN PRINTING

Lisa Denton, Executive Director of Athens Economic Development Corporation explained Athens Screen Printing has purchased the building at 112 N. Palestine and is seeking the Business Assistance Grant to do sign work, painting and door replacement. Ms. Denton explained the grant is \$10,000 and A.E.D.C. has approved the funding and they are requesting approval by the City Council. The item will appear on the agenda Monday

- D) DISCUSS AWARDDING BID FOR CAPITAL LEASE PROGRAM TO PURCHASE FIVE (5) POLICE PACKAGE VEHICLES AND RELATED EQUIPMENT.

David Hopkins, explained that three (3) bids were received for the capital lease program to purchase the five (5) police package vehicles and related equipment, recommending that the bid be awarded to low bidder, Commerce Bank Shares of St. Louis, MO at an interest rate of 1.72%. The item will appear on the agenda Monday.

DISCUSS ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSENT AGENDA;

- A) DISCUSS APPROVING MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 27, 2015 SPECIAL SESSION; MARCH 4, 2015 (1) SPECIAL SESSION, MARCH 4, 2015 (2) SPECIAL SESSION; AND MARCH 9, 2015 REGULAR SESSION

These items will appear on the Consent Agenda Monday.

OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO EXPRESS ITEMS OF CONCERN RELATING TO THE CITY OF ATHENS

There was no discussion.

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS THE 13TH DAY OF APRIL, 2015.

Jerry D. Vaught, Mayor

ATTEST:

Bonnie Hambrick, City Secretary