

September 21, 2021

A regular meeting of the City of Hopkinsville City Council was held Tuesday, September 21, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. in the Hopkinsville Municipal Center Council Chamber, 715 South Virginia Street, Hopkinsville, Kentucky. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Lynch.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Councilmember Martin opened the meeting with an invocation. Mayor Lynch then led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Presiding Officer: Wendell A. Lynch, Mayor

Council present: Honorable Natasha Sophia Francis
Honorable Kimberly McCarley
Honorable Alethea West
Honorable Chuck Crabtree
Honorable Amy Craig
Honorable Travis Martin
Honorable Terry Parker
Honorable Tom Johnson
Honorable Patricia Bell
Honorable Steve Keel
Honorable Jason Bell
Honorable Phillip Brooks

Staff present: Crissy Fletcher, City Clerk
H. Douglas Willen, City Attorney
Robert Martin, Chief Financial Officer
Zach Boehm, IT Systems Controller
Seth Meek, Police Captain
Steve Futrell, Fire Chief
Mike Perry, Public Works Director
Dave Herndon, Street Superintendent
Heather Braun, Beautification Coordinator
Steve Bourne, CDS Director

AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS:

Keeping Hopkinsville Beautiful Award – Ms. Braun recognized and presented awards to Lu Lu's Place, Lamb Funeral Home, and Hopkinsville Brewing Company for their beautification efforts.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

DeeAnna Sova, Executive Director, Hopkinsville-Christian County Public Library, spoke regarding a partnership with Christian County Public Schools and First Financial Bank to provide library cards to students.

William Turner, City Historian, requested City Council support restoration of the L&N Depot for future use.

Margaret Macdonald, 4879 Johnson Road, spoke in favor of renovating the L&N Depot and suggested funds received from the CSX street closures be used toward restoration.

Jim Coursey spoke in favor of renovating the L&N Depot.

MAYOR COMMENTS:

Mayor Lynch announced upcoming events and made comments.

REPORTS FROM OFFICERS, COMMITTEES, AND GUEST SPEAKERS:

Monthly Financial Statement – Mr. Martin reviewed the August 2021 financial report.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilmember Johnson moved to approve the minutes of the September 7, 2021 regular meeting; seconded by Councilmember Craig. There being no discussion, all members voted aye.

ORDINANCE 21-2021 EMPLOYEE CLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION PLAN AMENDMENT (SECOND READING):

Ms. Fletcher read Ordinance 21-2021 amending the Employee Classification and Compensation Plan to create a section regarding stipends. Moved for adoption by Councilmember Brooks; seconded by Councilmember Keel. There being no discussion, Ordinance 21-2021 passed on second reading with all members voting aye.

ORDINANCE 22-2021 FY 21-22 OPERATIONAL BUDGET AMENDMENT (SECOND READING – SUMMARY):

Ms. Fletcher read Ordinance 22-2021 amending the fiscal year 2021-2022 Operational budget. Moved for adoption by Councilmember Johnson; seconded by Councilmember Patricia Bell. There being no discussion, Ordinance 22-2021 passed on second reading with all members voting aye.

ORDINANCE 23-2021 FY 21-22 CAPITAL BUDGET AMENDMENT (SECOND READING):

Ms. Fletcher read Ordinance 23-2021 amending the fiscal year 2021-2022 Capital budget. Moved for adoption by Councilmember Jason Bell; seconded by Councilmember Keel. There being no discussion, Ordinance 23-2021 passed on second reading with all members voting aye.

OTHER:

Councilmember Parker made comments.

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS:

Councilmembers Crabtree, Craig, Keel, and West made comments.

ADJOURNMENT:

Councilmember Martin moved to adjourn at 6:52 p.m.; seconded by Councilmember Johnson. There being no discussion, all members voted aye.

Minutes approved at the City Council meeting held on the ____ day of _____ 2021.

PRESIDING OFFICER: _____
Wendell A. Lynch
Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Christine M. Fletcher, MMC
City Clerk

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