



BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN WORK SESSION MINUTES

**Monday, February 06, 2023 at 4:30 PM
City Hall, 415 Broad Street, Boardroom**

Board of Mayor and Aldermen

Mayor Patrick W. Shull, Presiding

Vice Mayor Colette George

Alderman Betsy Cooper

Alderman Darrell Duncan

Alderman Paul W. Montgomery

Alderman Tommy Olterman

Alderman James Phillips

I. CALL TO ORDER 4:30 p.m. by Mayor Patrick W. Shull

II. ROLL CALL by City Recorder/Treasurer Lisa Winkle. All present.

III. DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Board Room Naming

Alderman Montgomery presented this item, asking the board to consider naming the boardroom after a previous member of the BMA and asked staff to develop a process. He suggested former Mayor Ruth Montgomery and former Vice-Mayor Richard Waterson. There was discussion on naming rooms in a facility versus naming a building.

At this time, the mayor informed the board of a recent proposed change to the Tennessee legislation that will result with partisan municipal elections. He pointed out this would not be compatible with the city's current council-manager form of government and this decision should be up the individual cities. There was considerable discussion. Vice-Mayor George suggested a resolution be passed to oppose the change. The City Manager stated staff would research and see the progress of this amendment to determine when such a resolution would need to be presented.

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IV. REVIEW OF BUSINESS MEETING AGENDA

City staff gave a summary for each item on the February 7, 2023 proposed agenda. The following items were discussed at greater length or received specific questions of concerns.

VIII.1 Conduct the Six-Month Plan of Services Update for the Fieldcrest Annexation (AF-23-2023) Planning Manager Ken Weems this item is being presented to comply with state law and will be completed within five years.

XII.1 Consideration of a Resolution to Temporarily Give Management and Staff More Flexibility to Work with Utility Customers Who Accumulated Delinquent Balances During COVID-19 and During our Billing Delays Related to Meter Replacement (AF-25-2023) City Manager McCartt explained the previous federal program temporarily suspending a customer's account will sunset on December 31 if no action is taken. City Recorder Winkle further stated this does not give the authority to write off a balance, but just extend the time to pay. Vice Mayor George commented we need to get this out to the public so they know it's available.

XII.3 Consideration of a Resolution to Amend the Payment Terms for the Employee Physical Wellness Contract with Med Fit (AF-32-2023) Deputy City Manager McReynolds stated this program was started years ago to provide exercises to defer injuries. He explained the contract changes from the vendor to still support the program and pointed out the cost was still under the original numbers.

Mayor Shull recognized and welcomed the Boy Scouts in attendance for today's meeting.

V. ITEMS OF INTEREST

1. Sales Tax Report
2. Projects Status in Pictures
3. Projects Status Report

VI. ADJOURN

Seeing no other matters presented for discussion, Mayor Shull adjourned the meeting at 5:18 p.m.

ANGELA MARSHALL
Deputy City Recorder

PATRICK W. SHULL
Mayor