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## CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, January 24, 2023

### 1. **CALL TO ORDER:**

The Jackson City Council met in regular session in Council Chambers and was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Daniel Mahoney.

### 2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND INVOCATION:**

Council joined in the Pledge of Allegiance. Invocation was given by Fifth Ward Councilmember Karen Bunnell.

### 3. **ROLL CALL:**

Present: Mayor Daniel Mahoney, Vice Mayor Arlene Robinson, Second Ward Councilmember Freddie Dancy, Third Ward Councilmember Angelita Gunn, Fifth Ward Councilmember Karen Bunnell, and Sixth Ward Councilmember Will Forgrave.

Absent: Fourth Ward Councilmember Laura Dwyer Schlecte.

Also present: City Manager Jonathan Greene, City Attorney Matthew Hagerty, City Clerk Andrea Muray, City Assessor Jason Yoakam, Chief Equity Officer John Willis, Director of Parks and Recreation Kelli Hoover, Director of Police and Fire Services Elmer Hitt, City Engineer Jon Dowling, and Director of Community Development Shane LaPorte.

### 4. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA:**

**Motion:** Adopt the agenda.

*Moved by:* Angelita Gunn

*Seconded by:* Karen Bunnell

**Aye** Daniel Mahoney, Freddie Dancy, Angelita Gunn, Karen Bunnell, and Will Forgrave

**Carried 5-0**

**5. PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS:**

5.1 Hotel Hayes update from the Jeffers Group

**Motion:** Add item 10.5 to the agenda

*Moved by:* Angelita Gunn

*Seconded by:* Karen Bunnell

**Aye** Daniel Mahoney, Arlene Robinson, Freddie Dancy, Angelita Gunn, Karen Bunnell, and Will Forgrave

**Carried 6-0**

**6. PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

**Motion:** Open the public hearing to receive citizen comment on the City's housing and community development needs.

*Moved by:* Angelita Gunn

*Seconded by:* Freddie Dancy

**Aye** Daniel Mahoney, Arlene Robinson, Freddie Dancy, Angelita Gunn, Karen Bunnell, and Will Forgrave

**Carried 6-0**

6.1 **Conduct a Public Hearing to Receive Citizen Comment on the City's Housing and Community Development Needs**

Comments were received regarding rental housing needs and homeless prevention efforts.

**Motion:** Close the public hearing.

*Moved by:* Freddie Dancy

*Seconded by:* Arlene Robinson

**Aye** Daniel Mahoney, Arlene Robinson, Freddie Dancy, Angelita Gunn, Karen Bunnell, and Will Forgrave

**Carried 6-0**

**7. CITIZEN COMMENTS:**

Citizen comments were heard and the meeting continued.

**8. PETITIONS & COMMUNICATION FROM CITY STAFF AND OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES:**

8.1 Accept and Place on File, the CDBG, HOME and CDBG-CV Homeless Prevention financial summaries through December 31, 2022.

**Motion:** Accept and place on file the CDBG, HOME, and CDBG-CV Homeless Prevention financial summaries through December 31, 2022.

*Moved by:* Angelita Gunn

*Seconded by:* Freddie Dancy

**Aye** Daniel Mahoney, Arlene Robinson, Freddie Dancy, Angelita Gunn, Karen Bunnell, and Will Forgrave

**Carried 6-0**

**9. CONSENT CALENDAR:**

**Motion:** Approve the Consent Calendar.

*Moved by:* Freddie Dancy

*Seconded by:* Will Forgrave

**Aye** Daniel Mahoney, Arlene Robinson, Freddie Dancy, Angelita Gunn, Karen Bunnell, and Will Forgrave

**Carried 6-0**

- 9.1 **Minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 10, 2023**  
*Approve the minutes of the regular City Council Meeting of January 10, 2023*
- 9.2 **Release of Jackson Police Department K9 to Det. Michael Galbreath**  
*Approve resolution authorizing the release of Jackson Police Department K9 'Gleeson' to Det. Michael Galbreath.*
- 9.3 **Local Governing Body Resolution for Charitable Gaming License**  
*Approve resolution supporting the request from Lean Rocket Lab to be recognized as a nonprofit organization for the purpose of obtaining a charitable gaming license.*
- 9.4 **Accept with regret, the resignation of Kenneth Robinson from the Affordable Housing Development Board**
- 9.5 **Appointment to the Affordable Housing Development Board**  
*Approve the Mayor's recommendation to appoint Toby Berry to the Affordable Housing Development Board for a five-year term, beginning immediately and ending on December 31, 2027.*
- 9.6 **Appointment to the Environmental Commission**  
*Approve the Mayor's recommendation to appoint Conner Wood as the City Planning Commission's representative on the Environmental Commission for a concurrent term, beginning immediately and ending on December 31, 2025.*
- 9.7 **Appointment to the Historic District Commission**  
*Approve the Mayor's recommendation to appoint Jacob Stressman to the Historic District Commission for a term of three-years beginning immediately and ending on December 31, 2025.*
- 9.8 **Appointment to the Local Development Finance Authority**  
*Approve the Mayor's recommendation to appoint Finance Director Heather Ehnis to the Local Development Finance Authority/Brownfield Redevelopment Authority for a four-year*

term, beginning immediately and ending on June 3, 2026.

**10. OTHER BUSINESS:**

**10.1 Evaluate City Homeless Efforts (Discussion)**

City Manager Jonathan Greene provided an update on the homeless efforts.

**10.2 Second Reading/Final Adoption Ordinance No. 2023-01**

**Recommendation:** *Approve the second reading/final adoption of an ordinance amending Chapter 18 - Offenses, Article VI - Offenses Against Public Morals, Division 2, Marihuana and Drug Paraphernalia to Correct Section 18-156.*

**Motion:** Approve the second reading and final adoption of Ordinance No. 2023-01.

*Moved by:* Angelita Gunn

*Seconded by:* Will Forgrave

**Aye** Daniel Mahoney, Arlene Robinson, Angelita Gunn, Karen Bunnell, and Will Forgrave

**Nay** Freddie Dancy

**Carried 5-1**

**10.3 Second Reading/Final Adoption Ordinance No. 2023-02**

**Recommendation:** *Approve the second reading/final adoption of an ordinance amending Chapter 2, Article IV of the City of Jackson Code of Ordinances to revise the record disposal schedule for tax rolls and special assessment ledgers.*

**Motion:** Approve the second reading and final adoption of Ordinance No. 2023-02.

*Moved by:* Angelita Gunn

*Seconded by:* Will Forgrave

**Aye** Daniel Mahoney, Arlene Robinson, Freddie Dancy, Angelita Gunn, Karen Bunnell, and Will Forgrave

**Carried 6-0**

10.4 **Second Reading/Final Adoption Ordinance No. 2023-03**

**Recommendation:** *Approve the second reading/final adoption of an ordinance amending Chapter 28 - Zoning of the City of Jackson Code of Ordinances.*

**Motion:** Approve the second reading and final adoption of Ordinance No. 2023-03.

*Moved by:* Will Forgrave

*Seconded by:* Karen Bunnell

**Aye** Daniel Mahoney, Arlene Robinson, Freddie Dancy, Angelita Gunn, Karen Bunnell, and Will Forgrave

**Carried 6-0**

10.5 **Contract Extension - Hayes Hotel**

**Motion:** Direct the City Manager and City Attorney to execute an extension of the previously executed purchase agreement dated April 11, 2022 between the City and J. Jeffers & Co. extended to December 31, 2023

*Moved by:* Will Forgrave

*Seconded by:* Angelita Gunn

**Aye** Daniel Mahoney, Arlene Robinson, Freddie Dancy, Angelita Gunn, Karen Bunnell, and Will Forgrave

**Carried 6-0**

**11. NEW BUSINESS:**

11.1 **Approval of First Extension of the 2022 As Needed Materials Testing Services Contract**

**Recommendation:** *Approval of the first extension of the 2022 As Needed Materials Testing Services Contract with Professional Services Industries (PSI), Inc. of Lansing, Michigan in the estimated amount of \$125,000.00, and authorization for the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the appropriate document(s) in accordance with the Purchasing Agent.*

**Motion:** Approve the first extension of the 2022 As Needed Material Testing Services Contract in the amount of \$125,000.00.

*Moved by:* Freddie Dancy

*Seconded by:* Will Forgrave

**Aye** Daniel Mahoney, Arlene Robinson, Freddie Dancy, Angelita Gunn, Karen Bunnell, and Will Forgrave

**Carried 6-0**

11.2 **Overhead Doors Project at Jackson Fire Department Station #1**

**Recommendation:** *Accept bid by Overhead Door Company for Fire Department Station #1.*

**Motion:** Approve overhead doors project at Jackson Fire Department Station #1

*Moved by:* Karen Bunnell

*Seconded by:* Arlene Robinson

**Aye** Daniel Mahoney, Arlene Robinson, Freddie Dancy, Angelita Gunn, Karen Bunnell, and Will Forgrave

**Carried 6-0**

11.3 **Windows Update Project at Jackson Fire Department Station #1**

**Recommendation:** *Accept bid by R.W. Mercer for window replacement at Fire Department Station #1.*

**Motion:** Approve windows update project at Jackson Fire Department Station #1

*Moved by:* Angelita Gunn

*Seconded by:* Will Forgrave

**Aye** Daniel Mahoney, Arlene Robinson, Freddie Dancy, Angelita Gunn, Karen Bunnell, and Will Forgrave

**Carried 6-0**

11.4 **Approval of Doug Jones and Chris Turner Community of Shapes Art Sculpture for the MLK Boulevard Roundabout and for the City Attorney and the Parks and Recreation Director to move forward with the artists agreement including delivery and installation. Not to exceed \$30,000.00**

**Recommendation:** *Approval of Doug Jones and Chris Turner Community of Shapes Art Sculpture for the MLK Boulevard Roundabout and for the City Attorney and the Parks and Recreation Director to move forward with the artists agreement including delivery and installation. Not to exceed \$30,000.00.*

**Motion:** Postpone item to the next meeting.

*Moved by:* Arlene Robinson

*Seconded by:* Will Forgrave

**Aye** Arlene Robinson and Will Forgrave

**Nay** Daniel Mahoney, Freddie Dancy, Angelita Gunn, and Karen Bunnell

**Denied 2-4**



**Motion:** Approval of Doug Jones and Chris Turner Community of Shapes Art Sculpture for the MLK Boulevard Roundabout and for the City Attorney and the Parks and Recreation Director to move forward with the artists agreement including delivery and installation for not to exceed \$30,000.00.

*Moved by:* Daniel Mahoney

*Seconded by:* Freddie Dancy

**Aye** Daniel Mahoney

**Nay** Arlene Robinson, Freddie Dancy, Angelita Gunn, Karen Bunnell, and Will Forgrave

**Denied 1-5**

**Motion:** Purchase the piece submitted that has the popular vote by Emcays with a not-to-exceed \$30,000 and recommendation to staff to request a budget be submitted before moving forward.

*Moved by:* Daniel Mahoney

*Seconded by:* Angelita Gunn

**Aye** Daniel Mahoney, Freddie Dancy, Angelita Gunn, Karen Bunnell, and Will Forgrave

**Nay** Arlene Robinson

**Carried 5-1**

**12. CITY COUNCILMEMBER'S COMMENTS.**

Mayor Mahoney, Councilmembers Bunnell, Forgrave, and Gunn all offered comments.

Vice Mayor Robinson and Councilmember Dancy declined to offer comments.

**13. MANAGER'S COMMENTS.**

City Manager Jonathan Greene offered comments

**14. ADJOURNMENT.**

**Motion:** Adjourn

*Moved by:* Freddie Dancy

*Seconded by:* Karen Bunnell

**Vote was done by voice with all in favor.**

Mayor Mahoney adjourned the meeting at 9:08 p.m.

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Mayor