



**BOARD OF MAYOR AND COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 10TH, 2021
6:01 P.M.
VIA ZOOM**

MINUTES

Members Present: Jonathan Elmore, Mayor
Brian Fisher, Mayor Pro Tem
Lisa Shortell, Commissioner
Lionel Laratte, Commissioner
Dee Merriam, Commissioner

Staff Present: Patrick Bryant, City Manager
Paul Hanebuth, Asst. City Manager
Shannon Powell, Asst. City Manager
Rebecca Long, Communications Manager
Gina Hill, City Clerk
Stephen Quinn, City Attorney

Item #1 Meeting Called to Order

Item #2 Adoption of Agenda
Commissioner Laratte motioned to adopt. Mayor Pro Tem Fisher seconded. All ayes.

Item #3 **Final Adoption of Amendment to Ordinance Reading Process**
Discussed at previous meetings, this change to the city charter would decrease the number of readings required to pass an ordinance.

- Commissioner Laratte motioned to adopt. Commissioner Shortell seconded. Four ayes, one nay (Merriam)

Commissioner Merriam reiterated her concerns about this change. She felt more time is needed for reading proposed ordinances. Commissioner Shortell assured the community the BOMC could slow down the process of passing an ordinance at any time. No public comment.

Item #4 **Resolution to Set Commercial Sanitation Fees for 2021**
Commissioner Laratte motioned to approve. Mayor Pro Tem Fisher seconded. All ayes.

City Manager Bryant clarified that this resolution is for commercial sanitation only. The fees need to be set now in conjunction with the deadline for paying occupational taxes, which include sanitation. Assistant City Manager Hanebuth

also weighed in. Mayor Pro Tem Fisher thanked city staff for working to make sanitation funding and fees equitable. Mayor Elmore agreed. No public comment.

Item #5 **Approve Resolution, Order and Declaration of Taking for acquisition of 2950 Franklin Street (Tax ID #15-249-14-005) in fee simple by eminent domain for city street/public transportation purposes in connection with creating the Washington-Parry connector street downtown.**

Commissioner Laratte motioned to approve. Commissioner Shortell seconded. All ayes.

City Manager Bryant gave an overview of this issue. The building at this address interferes with the street grid. Commissioner Shortell said the plans for the street grid has been in the works for many years.

Item #6 **Arbor Day Proclamation**

Mayor Elmore read the proclamation. Commissioner Merriam thanked volunteers who contribute to the tree canopy in the city.

Item #7 Public Comment

Jan Hover recommended a book about trees. Commissioner Laratte also recommended one.

Item #8 Adjournment

Commissioner Shortell motioned to adjourn. Commissioner Laratte seconded. All ayes.

APPROVED THIS 24th DAY OF MARCH 2021


Jonathan Elmore, Mayor

ATTEST:


Gina Hill, City Clerk