CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING

Thursday, June 16, 2022
Pre-Council Meeting - 6:15 PM
Council Meeting - 6:30 PM
CENTER POINT CITY HALL

MINUTES

A. Call to Order

B. Invocation

B.1. Pastor Charles Kennedy, One Truth Kingdom led the invocation

C. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

D. Roll Call

Councilwoman Copeland Councilwoman Jones
Councilwoman Moore Councilman Williams, Sr
President Collins

E. Approval of Agenda

Council President Collins presented the agenda for consideration. Councilwoman Moore made a motion to adopt the agenda. Councilwoman Copeland seconded the motion. Upon voice vote, the agenda was adopted unanimously.

F. Public Hearings

F.1. Multani Malkeet- Everyday Store 12 Polly Reed Road NE

President Collins opened the Public Hearing for the Everyday Store located at 12 Polly Reed Road NE. and established protocol. We will only receive comments regarding this property. Mr. Malkeet, the owner, stated he had rectified the loitering issue. Three people who didn't want to abide by the no loitering policy were arrested. If the loitering issue returns, he will install cameras and increase

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security.
President Collins stated the council will continue to monitor the loitering issue. If the situation worsens, the council will revisit it. With no one else present to speak in favor of or against the Everyday Store, President Collins closed the public hearing.

F.2. Dale & Meredith Cleveland- 1829 1st Street NE

Dale & Meredith Cleveland were not present. The council tabled the hearing for a subsequent meeting.

F.3. Alvis Kellie- 2075 8th Street

President Collins opened the Public Hearing for 2075 8th Street NW. and established protocol. We will only receive comments regarding this property. President Collins yielded the floor to Attorney Hendrix to speak on behalf of the city in the hearing. Attorney Hendrix stated he had been in constant contact with Attorney Daniel Martin, who represents Mr. Alvis Kellie, property owner of 2075 8th Street NW. Mr. Alvis Kellie stated he conducted a thorough investigation of the aforementioned property without any interference from the lessee or occupants. He took photographs of the interior and exterior property and did not find any drug paraphernalia. Manuel Kellie is the lessee and his parents live there. Mr. Kellie stated his parents work and take care of the property and would not engage in illegal practices.

Mayor Scott stated the city takes the concerns of the residents seriously and that is why the city had to take action by investigating the issue. We appreciate you doing your due diligence.

President Collins closed the public hearing.

G. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting

G.1. May 19 & June 2, 2022, Meeting Minutes

Councilwoman Jones made a motion to adopt the May 19th & June 2, 2022, Meeting Minutes. Councilwoman Copeland seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

H. Consent Agenda

Councilwoman Moore made a motion to adopt the consent agenda. Councilwoman Copeland seconded the motion. Upon voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

H.1. ATRIP Agreement

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H.2. Alcohol License Transfer-Shell Service Station

I. Public Comment

Anthony Carter expressed his frustration with the lack of debris and bulk service. He has 22 bags of yard vegetation and has been waiting for over a month.
Councilwoman Moore thanked him for coming and stated that she completely understands and empathizes with him. It is frustrating for her as well. This has been an ongoing issue with Waste Management. The city is actively trying to do all it can to rectify the situation.

J. Presentation

K. Discussion/Action

K.1. RSA's Employees' Retirement System One-time bonus for retirees

Councilwoman Moore made a motion for unanimous consent to consider a one-time bonus of $1,284.00 for retirees. Councilwoman Copeland seconded the motion. President Collins called for a roll call vote. The motion passed unanimously.

Yes: Copeland, Moore, Jones, Williams and Collins

No: None

Councilwoman Moore made a motion to approve a one-time bonus of $1,284.00 for retirees. Councilwoman Copeland seconded the motion. President Collins called for a roll call vote. The motion passed unanimously.
Yes: Copeland, Moore, Jones, Williams and Collins

No: None

K.2. Sheriff's Enhanced Agreement

Councilwoman Moore stated the city has had several conversations with Jefferson County Sheriff's Department trying to add more accountability to the contract. The Sheriff's Department is unwilling to accept any of our recommended changes and they increased the monthly cost of service. Councilwoman Moore asked Attorney Hendrix to expound on what it will look like if the council decides not to renew the contract. Attorney Hendrix stated the city will no longer have a say so on how resources are allocated for the city. We will not have dedicated deputies to enforce the city ordinances.

President Collins stated this put the council in a hard spot with this enhanced agreement. More accountability is needed and the residents will suffer if we do not accept it.

Councilwoman Copeland made a motion to consider the Sheriff's Enhanced Agreement. Councilwoman Moore seconded the motion. President Collins called for a roll call vote. The motion failed due to a lack of a majority.

Yes: None

No: Copeland, Jones, Moore, Williams and Collins

K.3. Waste Management

The city is waiting for a response to our counter proposal for service.

L. Reports- Mayor & Committee Chairs

L.1. Economic Development- President D.M. Collins

L.2. Park & Recreation- Councilman Glenn Williams, Sr.

L.3. Public Safety- Councilwoman Tiffany Moore

L.4. Education & Library- Councilwoman Sharon Jones

L.5. Finance Report-Councilwoman Ebonee Copeland, Chair

M. Adjournment

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There being no further business, the meeting stood adjourned.

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Tameeka Vann, City Clerk

Approved:

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D.M. Collins, President

Date: ______________________________