



**CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING**

Wednesday, October 26, 2022
Council Meeting – 6:30 PM
CENTER POINT CITY HALL

MINUTES

A. Call to Order

B. Invocation

Mayor Bobby Scott

C. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

D. Roll Call

D.M. Collins, Ebonee Copeland, Glenn Williams Sr., and Tiffany Moore

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E. Evidentiary Hearing

Council President Collins turned the meeting over to city attorney, Julian Hendrix to preside over the hearing. Attorney Hendrix swore in Octavia Kuransky 2707 8th Street NE to testify regarding 2705 8th Street NE. Ms. Kuransky testified that drug fumes (crack, marijuana and meth) emit from the property. The fumes from these drugs enter into her home through the windows that face the property in question backyard. Ms. Kuransky stated she cannot sleep in that room, and she has been experiencing dizziness, rashes and depression from the drug fumes from the property. Ms. Kuransky passed copies of complaints of record since October 6th. Ms. Kuransky stated she has called Councilor Glenn Williams Sr. and Mayor Bobby Scott when she smells drug fumes from the property. The property owner's attorney, Daniel Martin interviewed Ms. Kuransky. Attorney Martin asked Ms. Kuransky for evidence of the Mayor Scott and Councilor Williams Sr. stating that they smelled drugs. Ms. Kuransky stated that both are present, and he need to ask them. Attorney Martin asked if she has any testing in her residence. Ms. Kuransky stated that Trussville Utility and Birmingham Water performed testing, and nothing was found. No environmental testing has been performed. Attorney Martin asked Ms. Kuransky if law enforcement contacted. Ms. Kuransky stated they went to the home to investigate but no evidence of drug paraphernalia found. Councilor Williams Sr. stated he drove around the property and could smell something but did not smell crack and could not confirm what he smelled was drug fumes. Attorney Martin asked Ms. Kuransky about medical and health concerns. Ms. Kuransky, she did seek, and everything was negative. Ms. Kuransky is now on medication for her symptoms. The father of the property owner, Alvis Kelle, was present to represent his son and was sworn in by attorney Hendrix. Attorney Martin asked Mr. Kelle did he find any proof of drug use on the property. Mr. Kelle manages the property for his son since he is local. Mr. Kelle performed unannounced visit to the property after 5pm to search the property. The renter freely let him conduct a thorough search and he did not find any evidence of drug use. Hearing was concluded at 7:22p. Attorney Hendrix stated that based on the evidence provided this does not meet the level of public nuisance. This complaint needs to be handled privately. Mayor Scott could not corroborate her complaint of drug fumes emitting from 2705 8th Street NE. Council President Collins agree Ms. Kuransky is being affected and it could be environmental issue that is affecting her health. Attorney Hendrix recommends an Air Quality Control test of home. The property owner's father agreed to perform environmental testing for 2705 8th Street NE to make sure nothing is emitting from the property that could be causing her health issues.

Councilwoman Moore made a motion that 2705 8th Street NE does not warrant public nuisance charge. Councilwoman Copeland seconded the motion. Upon voice vote, the agenda was adopted unanimously.

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F. Approval of Agenda

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.

G. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting

G.1. September 15, 2022, Meeting Minutes

October 18, 2022, Meeting Minutes

Councilwoman Moore made a motion to adopt the September 15, 2022, and October 18, 2022, Meeting Minutes.

Councilwoman Copeland seconded the motion. Upon voice vote, the motion was adopted unanimously.

H. Consent Agenda

I. Public Comment

1. Demille Hunt, address 908 27th Avenue NE came to discuss neighborhood safety and inquire about speed bumps along 27th Avenue and 7th Street NE in Holiday Park.
2. LaShunta Boler, 2202 2nd Avenue N, Birmingham, came to petition the residents to vote for Stephanie Floyd, Jefferson County School Board District 3
3. Jared Hudson, Gardendale, came to petition the residents to vote Jared Hudson for Jefferson County Sheriff

J. Presentation

K. Discussion/Action

K.1. Appropriation to the City of Center Point Spring Festival

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Councilwoman Moore made a motion to table the discussion on the appropriation for the Center Point Spring Festival until the work session. Councilwoman Copeland seconded the motion. Upon voice vote, the motion was adopted unanimously.

K.2. Public Hearing regarding Abatement for Capstone Realty set for December 1, 2022

L. Reports- Mayor & Committee Chairs

- L.1. Economic Development- President Collins
- L.2. Park & Recreation- Councilman Williams, Sr.
- L.3. Public Safety- Councilwoman Moore
- L.4. Education & Library- Councilwoman Jones
- L.5. Finance Report-Councilwoman Copeland


M. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting stood adjourned.



Debbie Wagner, Acting City Clerk

Approved:



D.M. Collins, President

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