CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING

Thursday, October 17, 2024

Council Meeting - 6:30 PM
CENTER POINT CITY HALL

MINUTES

A. Call to Order

President Collins called the meeting to order.

B. Invocation

President Collins led the invocation.

C. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

D. Roll Call

Councilwoman Copeland, Councilwoman Moore, Councilman Williams, President Collins

E. Public Comment

Sam Nasse petitioned the council to address the pothole issues at 1600 Center Point Parkway. The mayor stated he would get with him after the meeting to discuss further.

F. Approval of Agenda

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

G. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting

Councilwoman Moore made a motion to adopt all sets of meeting minutes. Councilman Williams seconded the motion. Upon voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

G.1. September 19, 2024, 5:30 p.m. Meeting

G.2. September 19, 2024 2nd Meeting

All items designated as "Consent" are routine and non-controversial and will be approved by one motion. NO separate discussion of these items will be permitted unless a Councilmember, the Mayor, or citizen interested in further discussion or hearing so requests, if so, such item (s) will revert to its normal place on the Agenda Order of Business.

G.3. October 3, 2024, Meeting

H. Consent Agenda

Councilwoman Moore made a motion for unanimous consent to consider the consent agenda. Councilman Williams seconded the motion. President Collins called for a roll call vote:
Yes: Copeland, Moore, Williams, and Collins

No: None
The motion passed unanimously.

Councilwoman Moore made a motion to adopt the consent agenda. Councilman Williams seconded the motion. President Collins called for a roll call vote:
Yes: Copeland, Moore, Williams, and Collins

No: None
The motion passed unanimously.

H.1. Resolution No. 2024-83 Travel Advance

H.2. Resolution No. 2024-84 Authorize a vehicle purchase for the Public Works Department

H.3. Resolution No. 2024-85 Contract with the Greater Birmingham Humane Society for animal control

I. Presentation

I.1. 2023 Audit Report presented by Banks, Finley & White

Wandalyn Wright, Banks, Finley & White Firm, presented the city's FY2023 Audit Report. The City reported a net position of $16,965,258 on September 30, 2023, which is an increase of $544,665.00 over the prior fiscal year. The City's net position represents the amount by which its assets and deferred outflows of resources exceeded its liabilities and deferred inflows of resources at the end of the current fiscal year. The City's governmental funds reported a total ending fund balance of $7,847,719 on September 30, 2023, which is an increase of

$547,636 from the prior fiscal year.

There were no questions or comments from the council or attendees.

J. Discussion/Action

J.1. Consider the 2024 BCBS Alabama Campaign Grant Award

Councilwoman Moore made a motion to accept the BCBS Alabama Campaign Grant and select the additional studio option at a cost of $155,000.00. Councilman Williams seconded the motion. President Collins opened the floor for discussions. Mayor Scott stated that the outdoor fitness equipment would be placed at Civitan Park, which will undergo a complete renovation and upgrade. This initiative will allow the city to provide recreational activities for residents on this side of town.
Councilman Williams expressed concerns about the city's expenditure on fitness equipment, suggesting that the focus should instead be on improving lighting and supporting the police department. Mayor Scott responded by reminding Councilman Williams that, in a previous meeting, the council had approved additional lighting for the city's northeast side and reassured him that no area was being neglected. Additionally, we just approved funding for two apost certified police officers.
Councilwoman Moore then stated, "We just had a successful financial audit. We're discussing improving the quality of life for our citizens. This is a positive venture, and our residents won't have to go to other cities for the amenities that we will now be able to offer."
Councilwoman Moore asked, "Mayor, have you spoken to Amy Green?"
Mayor Scott replied, "Yes, I spoke with Amy and Courtney, and they both said this will be a great asset for the city."
President Collins called for a roll call vote:
Yes: Copeland, Moore, Collins

No: Williams
The motion passed by majority consent.

J.2. Consider an agreement with Goodwyn, Mills & Caawood for design services to update the city's Master Plan

Councilwoman Moore made a motion to table the approval of the agreement and asked Mayor Scott to negotiate the price. Councilman Williams seconded the motion. Upon voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

J.3. Consider repairs to Hillcrest Manor's deck and front windows and paint the interior.

Councilwoman Moore made a motion for unanimous consent to consider the quotes for the repair of Hillcrest Manor. Councilman Williams seconded the motion. President Collins opened the floor for discussion.
Amy Green submitted a letter of recommendation to the council. Mayor Scott explained the venue is in serious need of repairs. President Collins called for a roll call vote:

Yes: Copeland, Moore, Williams, Collins

No: None

The motion passed unanimously.

Councilwoman Moore made a motion to accept the following quotes: Ecoview for the windows, Flowers Construction for the deck, Alatract for the interior & exterior painting and to replace the doors, and True Renovations to repair the retaining wall. Councilman Williams seconded the motion.

Yes: Copeland, Moore, Williams, Collins

No: None

The motion passed unanimously.

J.4. Consider BJCTA Agreement

Councilwoman Moore made a motion to table the consideration of BJCTA Agreement until they attend the upcoming council meeting. Councilman Williams seconded the motion. Upon voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

K. Reports- Mayor & Committee Chairs

K.1. Economic Development/Park & Recreation- President D.M. Collins

The Trunk a Treat is scheduled for October 24th at 6:30 p.m.

K.2. Public Safety- Councilman Glenn Williams, Sr.

No report

K.3. Public Works- Councilwoman Tiffany Moore

No report

K.4. Education & Library- Councilwoman Sharon Jones

No report

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

No report

L. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting stood adjourned.

Tameeka Vann, City Clerk

Approved:

D. M. Collins, President

Date: 12/19/24