

**MINUTES NO. 2014-13-WS**  
**PUBLIC WORK SESSION**  
**CITY COUNCIL OF**  
**THE CITY OF MADISON, ALABAMA**  
**OCTOBER 22, 2014**

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The Madison City Council met for a public work session on Tuesday, October 22, 2014 at 5:30 p.m. in Conference Room 130 of the Madison Municipal Complex, Madison, Alabama.

The published purpose of the work session was as follows:

- CIP Update
- Any other business Council deems necessary

The work session began at 5:35 p.m. when called to order by Council President Tommy Overcash. Elected Governing Officials in attendance:

Mayor Troy Trulock	Absent
Council District No. 1 Tim Holcombe	Present
Council District No. 2 Steve Smith	Present
Council District No. 3 D. J. Klein	Present
Council District No. 4 Mike Potter	Present
Council District No. 5 Tommy Overcash	Present
Council District No. 6 Gerald Clark	Present
Council District No. 7 Ronica Ondocsin	Present

Also in attendance were: Engineering Director Gary Chynoweth, Police Chief Larry Muncey, Public Works Director Steve Abbott, Recreation Director Kory Alfred, Fire Chief Ralph Cobb, Finance Director Roger Bellomy, Building Director Jimmy Morgan, Human Resources Director Terri Towry, IT Director Jason Colee, ADEM Administrator Gina Romine, Administrative Assistant to the City Engineer Jenny Spain, City Attorney Kelly Butler and City Clerk-Treasurer Melanie Williard.

Public in attendance: Sharon Gilbreath-Heard and Bebe Oetjen.

**ATRIP & CIP REVIEW PLAN PATH FORWARD**

Council President Overcash advised that he, along with Council Member Potter met with Mayor Trulock regarding ATRIP projects and moving forward with those projects. Discussed having an update on the projects for the November work session.

City Engineer Chynoweth advised that most of the data is available and it may be possible to have an update for the November work session.

Council discussed whether to have a work session in December to look at CIP projects and related funding. City Engineer Chynoweth advised that he can have the information put together for the November work session.

Council President Overcash asked for Council opinion regarding the setting up of a steering committee on the ATRIP to work with ALDOT representatives and our State Representatives. Council Member Potter will work with Mayor Trulock on an update for the next work session.

### **LIBRARY AND RECREATION STEERING COMMITTEES**

Council Member Clark advised that he has been doing some research on the Cullman Recreation Center and stated that according to Finance Director Bellomy's review it, appears that it is not making a profit and that the City needs to look closer at this project as it relates to the our project. Council Member Clark suggested that it may be advisable to do an economic development study for the project.

Council discussed if there is a time line for going back to the bond market. Council President Overcash stated that there is nothing solid at this time.

Council Member Ondocsin updated Council on the work being done in preparation for the library project. Evaluation of the project, whether to build a new building or renovate the current library is being considered.

Council Member Smith advised Council that the School Board approved the Memorandum of Agreement for the pool project. The agreement has a 6-month time line for preparation of design and cost involved and then it will be decided if the project will be built. The agreement also stipulates that the City maintains control of the facility.

### **DOWNTOWN 2 & 3 UPDATE; PATIO, ETC.**

Council discussed that the design for Phase 3 is being prepared. Council Member Klein will prepare an update and distribute to Council.

Council discussed an issue with some of the sidewalk in Phase 2. Options are being considered to fix the issue.

Council discussed preparation of a policy for use of the patio area of the project. Cost for benches, trash cans, etc. for that area are being researched.

### **ADEM, BRIDGE, AND PAVING**

City Engineer Chynoweth informed Council that paving should have begun today. Mr. Chynoweth also reported that he along with Mayor Trulock and Council Member Potter will be meeting with ALDOT later this month regarding the Wall Triana bridge project.

Mr. Chynoweth updated Council on a meeting he had with ADEM last week regarding changing the City from a Phase I permit to a Phase II permit. This will make the requirement less stringent for the city.

Mr. Chynoweth updated Council on the project to do repairs/paving to Shelton Road from the railroad tracks to Madison Boulevard. This will be a cooperative project with Madison County.

### **HR UPDATE; POLICY CHANGES**

Council Member Ondocsin and Human Resource Director Towry updated Council on proposed changes to the City's personnel policies regarding use of E-cigarettes in the work place and carrying of firearms in the work place.

### **LEGAL UPDATE; TOP 5 ITEMS**

City Attorney Butler updated Council on miscellaneous projects she is currently working on including but not limited to: Sembler project, Inline agreement, HR issues, Madison Utilities agreement, County Hearth Inn & Suites issues, city subpoena policy, Recreation Department bus grant, PODS ordinance, storm water policies, etc.

Attorney Butler updated Council on the different approaches to a possible solution of the issues with the Country Hearth Inn & Suites. Council favored the more permanent path to solving the issues.

### **CEMETERY, PW COMPLEX, AND BUNDLED SERVICES**

Public Works Director Abbott updated Council on the proposed changes to the cemetery ordinance. This is being worked by Attorney Intern Zingarelli.

Mr. Abbott also updated Council on information regarding a new Public Works Complex, cooperative fueling station with Madison Utilities and Madison County and work being done on the bid to bundle trash services.

### **MISCELLANEOUS OTHER BUSINESS**

#### **ANIMAL SHELTER**

Council Member Potter updated Council on his understanding of the Mayor's meeting concerning the need for a no kill animal shelter. He understands Mayor Trulock is working the issue. Council also discussed that this could be a collaborative project between Madison County, City of Huntsville and the City of Madison.

#### **ADA STICK UPS**

Council was updated regarding a meeting with attorneys from Montgomery involved in a lawsuit regarding ADA compliance. Building Official Jimmy Morgan advised Council that there is really nothing that the City can assist with in this matter.

### **NEW FIRE TRUCK**

Chief Cobb advised that approval for purchase of the new fire truck is included on the agenda for approval on Monday night. Chief Cobb informed Council that funding is included in the current budget and he is satisfied with the specifications for the truck.

### **SAFE ROOM**

Council Member Smith updated Council on the use of the safe room at James Clemens High School during severe weather. Council Member Smith advised that the public is not using this facility.

### **RECREATION GRANT FOR PURCHASE OF NEW VAN**

Council discussed the process involved with the purchase of a new van with the grant that the Recreation Department has been awarded. Following discussion of the regulations, etc. it was the consensus of the Council that the City not use the grant for this purchase and that it be returned.

### **DIZZY DEAN TOURNAMENT FUNDING**

Council discussed commitment of funding to assist with securing the Dizzy Dean tournament again this year.

### **TOWN MADISON**

Council President Overcash updated Council on the Town Madison project. He advised that meetings are held on the first Wednesday of each month at 11:30 am in Conference Room 130. Council was advised that the bids for the grading have been opened and the contract was awarded to Reed. Board Member Haraway felt that it was a very good bid that was submitted.

Council President Overcash advised that representatives will be meeting with ALDOT regarding the I565 interchange at Zierdt Road along with other aspects of the plan.

### **CHRISTMAS TREE EVENT**

Council discussed if they want to participate again this year. It was decided that if there are employees who would like to decorate a tree that Council will chip in and pay the entry fee.

### **TOWN HALL MEETING**

Council discussed the idea of having a town hall meeting for residents to come and ask questions of the Council. This would be held once a year in the March/April timeframe.

## **MISCELLANEOUS**

Sharon Gilbreath-Heard was in attendance and thanked Council for having the historic marker on Pension Row moved.

Council Member Klein informed Council that the Clearview house has been sold. He also advised that he will not be in attendance at the 10/27 Council meeting.

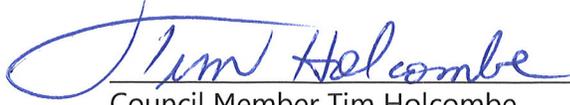
Council Member Klein and Council discussed some ongoing issues with the Slyman property.

Council briefly discussed selling the City's property at 204 Main Street.

Having no further business, the work session was adjourned at 7:30 pm.

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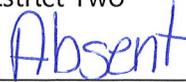
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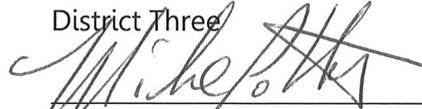
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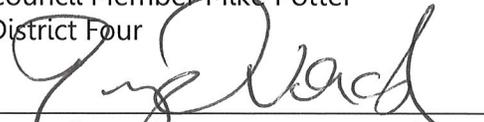
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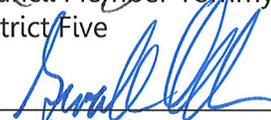
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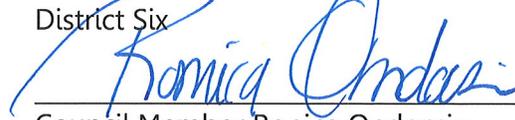
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District Seven

Concur:



Troy Trulock  
Mayor

Attest:



Melanie A. Williard  
City Clerk-Treasurer