

City of Jonesboro

Municipal Center 300 S. Church Street Jonesboro, AR 72401

Meeting Minutes Public Works Council Committee

Tuesday, September 4, 2018 5:00 PM Municipal Center

1. Call To Order

2. Roll Call by City Clerk Donna Jackson

Mayor Harold Perrin was in attendance.

Present 5 - Gene Vance; John Street; Charles Coleman; LJ Bryant and Ann Williams

Absent 2 - Mitch Johnson and Chris Moore

3. Approval of minutes

MIN-18:078 Minutes for the Public Works Committee meeting on August 7, 2018.

Attachments: Minutes

A motion was made by Councilperson LJ Bryant, seconded by Councilperson Gene Vance, that this matter be Passed . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 5 - Gene Vance; John Street; Charles Coleman; LJ Bryant and Ann Williams

Absent: 2 - Mitch Johnson and Chris Moore

4. New Business

RESOLUTIONS TO BE INTRODUCED

Chairman John Street said next, we have got eight different resolutions involving eleven tracts of property that are concerning a road at Bowling Lane and Hill Drive. I am going to ask City Engineer Craig Light to come up and preface this and I am going to do an abbreviated reading of these. They are all dealing with the same tracts of land for the road.

City Engineer Craig Light said that this is for the Bowling Lane extension project. Bowling Lane runs by University Heights Elementary School. It currently dead ends at a tract of land. We would like, and it was budgeted this year, to extend that road about 600 ft. north to tie into Hill Drive and then approve Hill Drive to Kimberly Street. These are the required right-of-ways that we need to do that work. I think there are three that have agreed to purchase, one is donating the property, and the remaining four are condemnations. One of the condemnations, today, actually agreed to sign the offer and acceptance, but I think we just move forward with the condemnation process and just consider it being a settlement before the condemnation. We ask that you approve

these items and move them onto city council. Chairman Street asked if they need to go onto council tonight or is there any rush or can it go next time? Mr. Light said no. We still have several months after before the utilities will be out of the way. I don't anticipate construction starting until after the first of the year on the project, at least on our portion of it. I think the utility companies are saying it is going to be four months to get the utilities moved.

Councilmember Gene Vance asked if this would have to be in place though before the utilities can be moved? Mr. Light said it will be. We will have to, but I don't think two weeks is going to make or break it. We probably are not going to start construction on it until school is out, next year, given the construction traffic. We have got some time. There is no sense in walking eight of them on tonight onto city council. Chairman Street asked if there were any other questions for Mr. Light. If not, I hope you don't object, but I am going to read these by title only. They all affect the same thing. They were all outlined pretty thoroughly in Legistar. If you have any questions, I have copies of all of the resolutions. I can probably answer. If not, I know that Craig can.

RES-18:128

A RESOLUTION TO THE CITY COUNCIL OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS AUTHORIZING THE OFFER AND ACCEPTANCE TO PURCHASE ADDITIONAL RIGHT-OF-WAY LOCATED AT 505 BOWLING LANE (TRACT 2), JONESBORO, ARKANSAS FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE CONSTRUCTING AND MAINTAINING A CITY STREET

Attachments: Offer and Acceptance-Tract 2

A motion was made by Councilperson Gene Vance, seconded by Councilperson Charles Coleman, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 5 - Gene Vance; John Street; Charles Coleman; LJ Bryant and Ann Williams

Absent: 2 - Mitch Johnson and Chris Moore

RES-18:129

A RESOLUTION TO THE CITY COUNCIL OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS AUTHORIZING THE OFFER AND ACCEPTANCE TO PURCHASE ADDITIONAL RIGHT-OF-WAY LOCATED AT 3718 HILL DRIVE (TRACTS 6 & 7), JONESBORO, ARKANSAS FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE CONSTRUCTING AND MAINTAINING A CITY STREET

<u>Attachments:</u> Offer and Acceptance - Tracts 6 and 7

A motion was made by Councilperson Ann Williams, seconded by Councilperson Gene Vance, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 5 - Gene Vance; John Street; Charles Coleman; LJ Bryant and Ann Williams

Absent: 2 - Mitch Johnson and Chris Moore

RES-18:130

A RESOLUTION TO THE CITY OF JONESBORO TO CONDEMN CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE CITY OF JONESBORO AT 3713 HILL DRIVE (TRACT 8), JONESBORO, ARKANSAS FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSTRUCTING AND MAINTAINING A CITY STREET

Attachments: Appraisal - Tract 8

A motion was made by Councilperson Ann Williams, seconded by

Councilperson Charles Coleman, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 5 - Gene Vance; John Street; Charles Coleman; LJ Bryant and Ann Williams

Absent: 2 - Mitch Johnson and Chris Moore

RES-18:133

A RESOLUTION TO THE CITY COUNCIL OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS AUTHORIZING THE OFFER AND ACCEPTANCE TO PURCHASE ADDITIONAL RIGHT-OF-WAY LOCATED AT 403 BOWLING LANE (TRACT 1), JONESBORO, ARKANSAS FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE CONSTRUCTING AND MAINTAINING A CITY STREET

<u>Attachments:</u> Offer and Acceptance - Tract 1

A motion was made by Councilperson Gene Vance, seconded by Councilperson Charles Coleman, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 5 - Gene Vance; John Street; Charles Coleman; LJ Bryant and Ann Williams

Absent: 2 - Mitch Johnson and Chris Moore

RES-18:135

A RESOLUTION TO THE CITY OF JONESBORO TO CONDEMN CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE CITY OF JONESBORO AT 3714 HILL DRIVE (TRACT 5), JONESBORO, ARKANSAS FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSTRUCTING AND MAINTAINING A CITY STREET

Attachments: Appraisal - Tract 5

A motion was made by Councilperson Gene Vance, seconded by Councilperson Ann Williams, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 5 - Gene Vance; John Street; Charles Coleman; LJ Bryant and Ann Williams

Absent: 2 - Mitch Johnson and Chris Moore

RES-18:136

A RESOLUTION TO THE CITY OF JONESBORO TO CONDEMN CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE CITY OF JONESBORO AT PT LOT 20 LOYD 2ND SUB (TRACT 9), JONESBORO, ARKANSAS FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSTRUCTING AND MAINTAINING A CITY STREET

Attachments: Apprasial - Tract 9

A motion was made by Councilperson Ann Williams, seconded by Councilperson Gene Vance, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 5 - Gene Vance; John Street; Charles Coleman; LJ Bryant and Ann Williams

Absent: 2 - Mitch Johnson and Chris Moore

RES-18:138

A RESOLUTION TO THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS TO AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO ACCEPT RIGHT-OF-WAY LOCATED ON THE WEST SIDE OF BOWLING LANE (TRACT 4), JONESBORO, ARKANSAS FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSTRUCTING AND MAINTAINING A CITY STREET

<u>Attachments:</u> Dedication Deed - Tract 4

A motion was made by Councilperson Gene Vance, seconded by Councilperson LJ Bryant, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 5 - Gene Vance; John Street; Charles Coleman; LJ Bryant and Ann Williams

Absent: 2 - Mitch Johnson and Chris Moore

RES-18:141

A RESOLUTION TO THE CITY OF JONESBORO TO CONDEMN CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE CITY OF JONESBORO AT PT LOTS 21 & 22 LOYD 2ND SUB (TRACTS 10 & 11), JONESBORO, ARKANSAS FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSTRUCTING AND MAINTAINING A CITY STREET

Attachments: Appraisal - Tracts 10 & 11

A motion was made by Councilperson Ann Williams, seconded by Councilperson Gene Vance, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 5 - Gene Vance; John Street; Charles Coleman; LJ Bryant and Ann Williams

Absent: 2 - Mitch Johnson and Chris Moore

5. Pending Items

ORD-18:008

AN ORDINANCE TO TERMINATE AND DISSOLVE THE DOWNTOWN JONESBORO IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 1

Attachments: ORD-77 2446

Chairman John Street said we had talked about this once before. Mayor Harold Perrin said we discussed this back on the floor in 2008. There was discussion about that. The reason it was tabled, I think, was because, at that time, we had a Jonesboro Parking Authority which basically some of those funds would come back into. As you all know, at the last council meeting, we dissolved that Parking Authority. We put LED lights in all of our parking spaces downtown, so there really is no need for that. I will say that I have met with Brock Cline with the Downtown Association. They are looking at some ideas and I told her once she got some ideas on paper of what they wanted to do, to get with me and Carol Duncan, our city attorney and let's take a look at it. There is no need for her to use this when she would have to go back and get all of property owners and to make sure she had all the parameters there that were there before in the legal description and get everyone or at least 2/3's of them to sign off on that. I talked to her this afternoon. She concurred with that. What we need to do is just dissolve this downtown improvement district. There has been no money since ten years ago. They have not assessed anyone in ten years.

City Attorney Carol Duncan said they wanted to change the title. Councilmember Gene Vance asked if there was money there now. Ms. Duncan and Mayor Perrin said no. Ms. Duncan said I think Councilmember Chris Moore wanted to amend that title to show that once we had confirmed there was no money. No where else in the body of it does it talk about money. It is only in the title where it says pay any related expenses. He wanted to amend that title to remove that sentence because there are no related expenses and there is no money. Mayor Perrin said right. Ms. Duncan said that if you

want to amend that before we move on, I think that would be helpful. Mayor Perrin said that would be good.

Councilmember Gene Vance motioned, seconded by Councilmember LJ Bryant, to amend ORD-18:008 and remove the section that states: "And to pay all expenses associated with the dissolution and termination of the district." All voted aye.

A motion was made by Councilperson Gene Vance, seconded by Councilperson Charles Coleman, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Ave: 5 - Gene Vance; John Street; Charles Coleman; LJ Bryant and Ann Williams

Absent: 2 - Mitch Johnson and Chris Moore

6. Other Business

Chairman John Street said I know that Councilmember Chris Moore is not here, but I am sure he would ask. Is there any update on the old Citizen's Bank building? Mayor Harold Perrin said not at this time. We are trying to visit with a group out of Mississippi. We had Labor Day hit us this weekend. I am going to try to get back with them to see if they still have a deep interest in that. Also, if they do, then I would like to go down to Mississippi and look at what they have done in Oxford, Cleveland, and other towns. I would like to go down and look at this business and see what they have done down there. Chairman Street said ok and thank you.

7. Public Comments

8. Adjournment

A motion was made by Councilperson Ann Williams, seconded by Councilperson LJ Bryant, that this meeting be Adjourned . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 5 - Gene Vance; John Street; Charles Coleman; LJ Bryant and Ann Williams

Absent: 2 - Mitch Johnson and Chris Moore