



City of Jonesboro

Municipal Center
300 S. Church Street
Jonesboro, AR 72401

Meeting Minutes Public Works Council Committee

Tuesday, May 5, 2020

5:00 PM

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1. Call To Order

2. Roll Call by City Clerk Donna Jackson

Present 7 - Gene Vance; Mitch Johnson; John Street; Chris Moore; Charles Coleman; LJ Bryant and Ann Williams

3. Approval of minutes

[MIN-20:026](#)

Minutes for the Public Works Council Committee on March 3, 2020.

Attachments: [Minutes](#)

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

Aye: 6 - Gene Vance; Mitch Johnson; Chris Moore; Charles Coleman; LJ Bryant and Ann Williams

4. New Business

ORDINANCES TO BE INTRODUCED

[ORD-20:014](#)

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 117-139(d) OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO ZONING CODE

Sponsors: Planning and Engineering

Chairman John Street asked if Planning Director Derrell Smith was present, and if so would he speak on this ordinance.

Planning Director Derrell Smith explained that sometime between when the current code came out, and in between the old code and what we are dealing with now in C2 which, is the down town fringe commercial uses is to allow residential. When they copied the old code into the new code they showed that residential was still allowed in the schedule of uses, they took it out of there, but it showed it in the lot area requirements. So, if you look you will see that C2 has lot size, lot set-back, and density, all of that is included. When you go into the residential portion it doesn't show that it is allowed. It appears to me that when they did that, they were cutting and pasting, and failed to put it into the schedule and uses portion of the document.

Planning Director Derrell Smith continued to explain that by definition down town fringe

is a mix of uses, and you would think that by definition that residential would be allowed. We did hold out the C2 of what they call the hotel corridor zone that is out along I-555, there is a strip of C2 on both sides where the hotels are. So, we did not allow the residential in that. The areas around down town where we still have C2 zoning, which is where we want to still include residential. Chairman John Street said, 'okay and thank you Sir'. Chairman Street ask if there was any more questions regarding this.

Councilmember LJ Bryant commented that he has worked a little bit with Planning Director Derrell Smith on this. I think it is a really good and important issue, it seems like that it was just a technicality problem. I think if you look at what Heather Clark and others have done on Huntington, which I think is C1, but just a couple of lots down from there it is C2, and then like Krewson, which butts up against the Cavanaugh property. A lot of that property is prime for redevelopment. Councilmember Bryant explained that until we fix this I don't see that anyone can do anything with those tiny lots. Core projects will be able to be done if we fix this.

Chairman John Street asked Deputy April Leggett to show Councilmember Chris Moore present in the meeting. Deputy Clerk Leggett said "yes sir". Chairman Street asked if there were any more comments. Mayor Harold Perrin said, one thing we need to do is allow 35 to 40 seconds for the public to call in or make comments since this is a virtual meeting. Chairman John Street asked Deputy Clerk April Leggett to please be the time keeper of that.

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

Aye: 6 - Gene Vance; Mitch Johnson; Chris Moore; Charles Coleman; LJ Bryant and Ann Williams

RESOLUTIONS TO BE INTRODUCED

[RES-20:054](#)

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING FREE UTILITY SERVICES FROM CITY WATER AND LIGHT FOR A POLICE DEPARTMENT FACILITY

Sponsors: Police Department

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

Aye: 6 - Gene Vance; Mitch Johnson; Chris Moore; Charles Coleman; LJ Bryant and Ann Williams

5. Pending Items

6. Other Business

7. Public Comments

8. Adjournment

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

Aye: 6 - Gene Vance; Mitch Johnson; Chris Moore; Charles Coleman; LJ Bryant and Ann Williams