



City of Jonesboro

300 S. Church Street
Jonesboro, AR 72401

Meeting Minutes - Final Public Works Council Committee

Thursday, October 3, 2013

5:00 PM

Municipal Center

1. Call To Order

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Mayor Perrin was also in attendance.

Present 5 - Gene Vance; John Street; Mitch Johnson; Darrel Dover and Charles Coleman

Absent 1 - Chris Moore

2. Approval of minutes

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MIN-13:078

Minutes for the Public Works Committee meeting on September 3, 2013

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Attachments: [Minutes](#)

A motion was made by Councilman Mitch Johnson, seconded by Councilman Charles Coleman, that this matter be Passed . The motion PASSED with the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Gene Vance; Mitch Johnson; Darrel Dover and Charles Coleman

Absent: 1 - Chris Moore

3. New Business

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Resolutions To Be Introduced

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RES-13:156

A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT A MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT FOR STORMWATER MANAGEMENT FACILITIES FOR LINDEL TURNER'S 2ND APT DRIVE MINOR PLAT, A COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT

Sponsors: Engineering

Attachments: [Maintenance Agreement.pdf](#)
 [Plat.pdf](#)

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

Aye: 4 - Gene Vance;Mitch Johnson;Darrel Dover and Charles Coleman

Absent: 1 - Chris Moore

RES-13:157

A RESOLUTION TO THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO ACCEPT PROPERTY FROM DAVID D. CONRAD & EMILY S. CONRAD FOR USE AS PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY ALONG SOUTH MATTHEWS AVENUE

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Attachments: [Dedication Deed.pdf](#)
 [David Conrad - R-W Dedication Map.pdf](#)
 [Donation Acknowledgement.pdf](#)

City Engineer Craig Light explained this property is located between Nettleton Avenue and Turtle Creek Mall. He noted this was not a platted right-of-way, but the owner has agreed to donate this to the City.

A motion was made by Councilman Gene Vance, seconded by Councilman Mitch Johnson, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Gene Vance;Mitch Johnson;Darrel Dover and Charles Coleman

Absent: 1 - Chris Moore

RES-13:160

A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT A MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT FOR STORMWATER MANAGEMENT FACILITIES FOR ARKANSAS BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOME MINOR PLAT, A COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT

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Chairman Street stated this is a standard agreement.

A motion was made by Councilman Mitch Johnson, seconded by Councilman Gene Vance, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Gene Vance;Mitch Johnson;Darrel Dover and Charles Coleman

Absent: 1 - Chris Moore

RES-13:163

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT TO RELOCATE STRAWFLOOR ROAD

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Attachments: [Agreement.pdf](#)

Mr. Light explained this is for the part of Strawfloor Road from Tall Birch Road through the gravel pits that were closed several years ago. He added this will move the road to the North, which will open up additional property for mining by the City. He further explained this addresses the maintenance and construction agreements with the affected property owners and also includes what will happen to the road when it reopens.

A motion was made by Councilman Mitch Johnson, seconded by Councilman Gene Vance, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Gene Vance;Mitch Johnson;Darrel Dover and Charles Coleman

Absent: 1 - Chris Moore

RES-13:165

A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT A MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT FOR STORMWATER MANAGEMENT FACILITIES FOR WILDWOOD ADDITION PHASE 3A, A RESIDENTIAL SUBDIVISION

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Attachments: [Maintenance Agreement.pdf](#)
[Plat.pdf](#)

Chairman Street stated that Mr. Robert Troutt asked that this be walked on tonight's Council agenda because his client would like to start the work before the weather gets bad.

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

Aye: 4 - Gene Vance;Mitch Johnson;Darrel Dover and Charles Coleman

Absent: 1 - Chris Moore

RES-13:166

RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO SELL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 417 SOUTH PATRICK, JONESBORO, ARKANSAS TO MARMAC CONSTRUCTION.

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Attachments: [Building Facilities Minutes](#)

Councilman Vance noted this lot is located on Patrick Street and has been in the works for several years.

A motion was made by Councilman Gene Vance, seconded by Councilman Mitch Johnson, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion

PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 4 - Gene Vance; Mitch Johnson; Darrel Dover and Charles Coleman

Absent: 1 - Chris Moore

RES-13:167

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH GARVER, LLC TO PERFORM PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES

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Sponsors: Engineering

Attachments: [Agreement](#)

Mr. Light explained this for the Aggie and Airport Road traffic study and design. He added this project will be funded with funds from the Arkansas Highway Department.

Mayor Perrin stated this will not require any funds from the City. He added this is for a roundabout.

Councilman Vance asked if this is located east of the new Nettleton School. Mayor Perrin answered yes.

A motion was made by Councilman Gene Vance, seconded by Councilman Mitch Johnson, that this matter be Recommended to Council. The motion PASSED with the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Gene Vance; Mitch Johnson; Darrel Dover and Charles Coleman

Absent: 1 - Chris Moore

4. Pending Items

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RES-13:112

RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS FOR THE SUGGESTED RENAMING OF STADIUM BOULEVARD TO RED WOLF BOULEVARD AS REQUESTED BY ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY.

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Sponsors: Mayor's Office

Attachments: [ASU letter October 2, 2013](#)
[Stadium Blvd Street Name Change Letter](#)
[Hwy Dept Response Letter Stadium Blvd](#)
[Stadium Blvd Retailers](#)
[Postal Service Response Letter](#)
[ASU letter asking for postponement of resolution](#)

Mayor Perrin explained he has received several letters from places that endorse this resolution and the information is in Legistar. He added Arkansas State University is not in a hurry for this to be presented to Council so it can wait till the City Council meeting on October 15.

Councilman Vance stated the City needs to back the name change because it is a positive thing. He added he would like to have the information of when Stadium Boulevard was renamed to Stadium.

It was discovered that this item did not have a majority vote so it will be go back to the Public Works Committee at the next meeting.

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

Aye: 3 - Gene Vance;Darrel Dover and Charles Coleman

Nay: 1 - Mitch Johnson

Absent: 1 - Chris Moore

5. Other Business

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COM-13:075

Discussion Update: Text Amendment: Mobile Vending Ordinances: Itinerant Street Vendors Units, to allow hot dog vending units in the C-1 Downtown Core Area

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Attachments: [Proposed Text Amendments](#)
[Existing Mobile Vending Ordinance_ ORD 08 005](#)
[Illustrations](#)
[Slides_Vending_Sept 2013B](#)
[Ordinance to amend ORD-08-005](#)

Chairman Street stated the Health Department has given their approval of this. He added there are a few areas the vendors will be allowed to start serving and the locations could possibly expand.

City Planner Otis Spriggs noted the City currently has an ordinance dealing with mobile vending. He noted what the City has been doing concerning this has worked since 2008.

Mr. Spriggs explained the ordinance will not allow for truck vending or vending of nonfood items. He stated that small food carts are approved by the Health Department. He also discussed several locations where food carts could be setup at (see attached). He stated the City has picked 14 locations that would work for food carts, which can be decreased if the City feels like it is to many at one time. He further explained the ordinance will allow the City to develop a permitting process. Permits will expire in 1 year and can be renewed. He noted they will have name tags and the City could make those if need be.

He discussed the IberiaBank property and noted the vendor indicated that the property owner stated he will sign an agreement allowing for the vendor to use that spot.

Mr. Spriggs explained the City has received requests to allow food carts within the City's parks. He added he spoke with the Parks Department and they have concerns

about allowing the carts in the parks. He recommended doing this as a model project to see how it goes, but they could change the ordinance if need be.

Councilman Vance asked if the City could possibly allow food trucks in the future. Mr. Spriggs answered the Mayor has forwarded a link to him concerning food trucks and what he is finding is they are perfect for festivals and they are used in the Industrial Park at lunch time. He added the concern he has is the downtown area will not have the room for them.

Craighead County Environmental Specialist Danny Eddy explained his concern is with mobile vending and not hot dog carts due to substandard equipment. He further explained he does not think it would be in Jonesboro's best interest to allow mobile vending. He added he would recommend looking at each mobile vending vendor on a individual basis before making a decision.

Mr. Eddy stated that if the City lets the food trucks stay they would have to have access to public restrooms and access to public water, sewer and electricity if they are allowed to stay for any length of time.

Chairman Street asked if Mr. Eddy had any problems with the hot dog carts. Mr. Eddy answered he has looked at of Mr. Carson's cart, but he does have several more that he will look at next week. He added Mr. Carson has passed Health Department regulations and does not have an issue with him.

Chairman Street asked if the ordinance strictly pertains to Mr. Carson's hot dog stand. Mr. Spriggs answered yes.

Chairman Street then questioned if Mr. Spriggs was ok with how this ordinance is setup and with the Health Department's opinion. Mr. Spriggs answered they fall in a class by themselves and City Attorney has not reviewed the ordinance so he recommends if the committee sends this to Council it will need the City Attorney's approval.

Councilman Vance asked if the City is doing an ordinance that directly targets Mr. Carson's hot dog carts. Chairman Street answered no, but this ordinance deals with those kinds of carts. Councilman Vance asked if it would cover a taco cart that met all Health Department regulations. Chairman Street answered it should cover those kind of carts too. Mr. Eddy explained the Health Department will only allow hot dog carts like Mr. Carson's.

Councilman Gene Vance motioned, seconded by Councilman Charles Coleman, that this be Recommended to Council upon approval by the City Attorney. All voted aye. Councilman Moore was absent.

This item was Read.

Discussion concerning ORD-13:054

Councilman Vance explained he discussed with Mr. Spriggs concerning how Ord-13:054 requires a screening wall or hedges if a property owner stores a boat or other equipment in their backyard. He added Mr. Spriggs stated he has no problem with the wording concerning the screening being removed from the ordinance.

Mr. Spriggs explained the screening requirement is currently in the existing code and the amendment will allow anything in the side yard not to have the screening. He added there is another section like that and it can be removed.

Councilman Vance read the section of the ordinance that deals with the screening and recommended only removing the wording "and shall be effectively screened from view" Chairman Street concurred.

6. Public Comments

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7. Adjournment

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A motion was made by Councilman Gene Vance, seconded by Councilman Darrel Dover, that this meeting be Adjourned. The motion CARRIED with the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Gene Vance; Mitch Johnson; Darrel Dover and Charles Coleman

Absent: 1 - Chris Moore