



City of Jonesboro

Municipal Center
300 S. Church Street
Jonesboro, AR 72401

Meeting Minutes Finance & Administration Council Committee

Tuesday, January 28, 2020

4:00 PM

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1. Call To Order

2. Roll Call by City Clerk Donna Jackson

Present 5 - Charles Coleman; Ann Williams; John Street; David McClain and Joe Hafner

Absent 1 - LJ Bryant

3. Approval of minutes

[MIN-20:005](#)

Minutes for the Finance & Administration Committee Meeting on January 14, 2020

Attachments: [Finance Minutes 01142020](#)

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

Aye: 4 - Charles Coleman; Ann Williams; John Street and David McClain

Absent: 1 - LJ Bryant

4. New Business

[RES-20:014](#)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS TO ACCEPT THE AWARD FROM THE JONESBORO-UNIVERSITY ROTARY TO UPGRADE THE ALLEN PARK COMMUNITY CENTER SKATE PARK AND AMEND THE 2020 BUDGET

Sponsors: Parks & Recreation

Attachments: [Rotary Award Letter-Skate Park](#)

Chair Joe Hafner said, I have been asked to get some clarification on the grants for these projects. The question is, what line item in the budget will these grants appear, and were any expenses budgeted for these items in the current budget?

The Community Development Director, Regina Burkett said, no, there was not money put back for these items. They are all new grants that we just received. We put money in the budget for grants that we normally get, but we apply for other grants all the time and that money is not reflected in the budget.

Chair Hafner said, so if these are approved the monies will show up in a line item under grants? Ms. Burkett said, yes. The other question was, will the city have to add any monies to this project out of the current budget? Ms. Burkett said, no, there is no match. Mr. Hafner said, I think the other thing they were trying to get at is, these two grants add up to \$15,500, is that all that we are going to spend on the project or would there be an additional cost?

Mayor Harold Perrin said, Mr. Chairman back several years ago the skate park was down town where we have the parking lot now. A citizen demolished that skate park, and the city filed a suit. We were able to get money for that and that money has been in a restricted fund under the grants department. Somewhere around \$20,000 plus. So that \$20,000 will be going into this project to make this skate park a very nice place. Mr. Hafner said, so that has just been sitting in reserves? Mayor Perrin said yes, there is nothing coming out of the general fund.

Councilmember David McClain asked, what are some of the upgrades that we are planning on making to the skate park? I know that we have these two grants but, there is another one I thought we applied for recently. Mayor Perrin said, are you talking about the one for the United Way Building? Mr. McClain said no, this one was for the skate park as well. Mayor Perrin said, we did not get that grant from the Parks and Tourism this year.

Danny Kapales, Director of Parks said, we are actually going to expand on that skate park. Currently if you go to the skate park now you will notice there is a large bowl, a few steps, and a couple of ramps there. The goal is actually expand that flat surface, and create another ramp. Mr. McClain asked, at one time didn't we look at the Tony Hawk Foundation for a grant for the skate park? Mr. Kapales said, we did but, they had very strict rules on how a skate park should be built and it was not feasible for us to do that. With this money that we have we are going to be able to make a really nice skate park, and do it within the specks and guidelines that we can do inside the City of Jonesboro.

A motion was made by Councilperson John Street, seconded by Councilperson Ann Williams, that this meeting be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 4 - Charles Coleman;Ann Williams;John Street and David McClain

Absent: 1 - LJ Bryant

[RES-20:015](#)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT WITH THE WALMART FOUNDATION TO RECEIVE THE COMMUNITY GRANT FUNDS TO UPGRADE THE ALLEN PARK COMMUNITY CENTER SKATE PARK AND AMEND THE 2020 BUDGET

Sponsors: Parks & Recreation

Attachments: [Walmart Facility# 128 Community Grant Request Status_ Request ID 57190](#)
[Walmart Facility# 6876 Community Grant Request Status_ Request ID 57190](#)
[Walmart Facility# 6943 Community Grant Request Status_ Request ID 57726](#)

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

Aye: 4 - Charles Coleman;Ann Williams;John Street and David McClain

Absent: 1 - LJ Bryant

5. Pending Items

6. Other Business

7. Public Comments

8. Adjournment

A motion was made by Councilperson John Street, seconded by Councilperson David McClain, that this matter be Adjourned . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 4 - Charles Coleman;Ann Williams;John Street and David McClain

Absent: 1 - LJ Bryant