



# City of Jonesboro

Municipal Center  
300 S. Church Street  
Jonesboro, AR 72401

## Meeting Minutes Public Works Council Committee

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Tuesday, March 6, 2018

5:00 PM

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### 1. Call To Order

### 2. Roll Call by City Clerk Donna Jackson

**Present** 5 - Gene Vance; Mitch Johnson; Chris Moore; LJ Bryant and Ann Williams

**Absent** 2 - John Street and Charles Coleman

### 3. Approval of minutes

[MIN-18:012](#) Minutes from the Public Works meeting on February 6, 2018.

**Attachments:** [Minutes.pdf](#)

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

**Aye:** 4 - Gene Vance; Chris Moore; LJ Bryant and Ann Williams

**Absent:** 2 - John Street and Charles Coleman

### 4. New Business

#### *ORDINANCES TO BE INTRODUCED*

[ORD-17:027](#) AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE JONESBORO CODE OF ORDINANCES, SECTION 117-330, FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR THE PROVISION OF SIDEWALKS WITHIN THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS, WITH THE INTENT TO PROMOTE IMPROVED PEDESTRIAN SAFETY, EXPANDED OPPORTUNITY OF RECREATIONAL WALKING AND RUNNING ACTIVITIES, MORE COHESIVE NEIGHBORHOODS AND EASIER ACCESS TO SHOPPING AND OTHER COMMERCIALY RELATED PURSUITS

**Attachments:** [Current sidewalk code](#)  
[sidewalks\\_1.mp4](#)  
[JonesboroCoC\\_Sidewalk Approval.pdf](#)  
[Sidewalks\\_Williams 03192018.pdf](#)  
[NEA Homebuilders Association Presentation on Sidewalks 04032018.pdf](#)  
[NEA Homebuilder's Association Ordinance Redline.pdf](#)  
[NEA Homebuilders Association Ordinance .pdf](#)  
[Mayor Letter.pdf](#)  
[Mayor Email.pdf](#)  
[4.12.18 redline sidewalk version](#)  
[4.12.18 clean copy sidewalk version](#)  
[Latest Version 041718\\_Home Builders Association.pdf](#)

*Councilmember Joe Hafner said since I guess I'm the one who is bringing this up, I tried to organize my thoughts so everybody would know where I was. So, if I could have the floor for a couple minutes, I have a statement I would like to read. Members of the Public Works Committee, thank you for hearing my proposed sidewalk ordinance this evening. In 2017, I listened closely to the meetings of the Metropolitan Area Planning Commission (MAPC) and the Sidewalk Committee regarding the need for a sidewalk ordinance and the comments of those both for and against such a measure. The Sidewalk Committee worked hard on the ordinance that they proposed, and when it didn't pass MAPC, I went to work trying to address the concerns that I had from both sides of the issue, and, frankly, ones I had for myself about what was proposed. I feel that walkability and connectivity are issues that Jonesboro is well behind on as a city, and, obviously, sidewalks play a huge part in creating a successful network. It's time for us to put a stake in the ground and prevent the situation from worsening.*

*I firmly believe sidewalks are needed for three reasons: Number one - Safety benefits. We need our citizens to have safe places to walk in their neighborhoods and throughout the city. Not everyone drives a car to get places. Pedestrian traffic also helps reduce crime by being the eyes and ears of the neighborhoods. Number two – Health benefits. Arkansas is low on every health-related ranking. It is a proven fact that people will exercise more when they have a safe place to do so. Number three – Economic benefits. People want to live in areas where they can have a high quality of life. An adequate infrastructure is part of that and is key to attracting employees to work in each of the many economic sectors that Jonesboro is lucky to have. Also, studies have shown that property values rise fastest in pedestrian-friendly areas. I haven't found any surveys that say sidewalks negatively impact property values. During the development phase for my ordinance, I looked at several different sidewalk ordinances from cities, both in and out of Arkansas. I looked at cities such as Fayetteville, Springdale, Jackson, TN, Austin, TX, and a few others. I also met with people in development, private citizens and other parties, such as the city planner. What I am asking to have implemented is not anything new that isn't being done in other thriving cities. Some will try to have us believe that Jonesboro's typography makes it illogical or unfeasible to have sidewalks in residential neighborhoods and other areas. While there are some situations where this is true, I do not believe Jonesboro is so unique that these exceptions should prevent a measure from being put in place regarding sidewalks. I do believe that any measure enacted should have wording to deal with exceptional situations so they can be considered, and a decision made by the appropriate ruling body. Over the weekend, I was in Franklin, TN, and during a bike ride was able to observe sidewalks and hills living in harmony. It was a beautiful sight. I realize that change is hard. Change brings fear of the unknown and change takes us out of the way we have always done things. However, change is*

*sometimes needed to improve and remain relevant. I'm sure there was quite a bit of rumbling and grumbling years ago when the City started requiring hard surface driveways instead of gravel ones, but I think people will now agree that it was a pretty smart move.*

*Tonight, I ask the Committee to approve my proposed ordinance and to forward it to full council for consideration over the course of three readings. I feel that my proposed ordinance provides a solid framework for our city sidewalk ordinance, but I also know that a few tweaks may need to be made to it. This is why I would like the Council to be able to hear it, provide input, receive feedback and, if approved by the majority of the council, amend my ordinance, as necessary, to make it better and effective. My wish is that the Council would vote to pass a strong, effective sidewalk ordinance after the three readings that will benefit the citizens of Jonesboro and visitors, and we will all be able to look back in a few years and agree that the decision was the best for the long-term future of the City of Jonesboro. Thank you for your time and consideration.*

*Chairmember Johnson asked if Engineering Director Craig Light had anything to add. Mr. Light said Planning Director Derrel Smith and I met this afternoon and went over the proposed ordinance. We did find some language in there that we would like to get clarification on before it's adopted just to make it easier to administer once it is adopted. I think that is something we can do while it moves through the process.*

*Chairmember Johnson said I will open the floor for some comments, but I don't want us to be repetitive, and we do have a lot of stuff on our agenda, but I don't want to keep anybody from having the opportunity to speak if they wish to. If you wouldn't mind sir if you would come up and speak your name and address for the record, please. Dr. Tom Mulligan, 730 CR 754, Medical Director for Senior Services at St. Bernards, said I live just north of Hilltop. Back in the springtime of last year, I had the unfortunate opportunity to be up at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota, for eight weeks for treatment of cancer. It was a terrible situation, but what I stumbled upon that I really loved was they had trails all over the place and just made it so much more pleasant for me to get out, walk around, and bicycle, and start trying to run despite getting chemotherapy. More recently, this past weekend, I had the opportunity to go to Orlando for a meeting. I went some place and then I decided I wonder if I can walk back. It was four and a half miles, but I really needed the exercise because I'm getting too fat, and I was able to walk on sidewalks for four and half miles from where I was back to the hotel that I was staying, and I was safe. All along, I was safe. So, I would just like to make an appeal to the future health of Jonesboro and say, we really need sidewalks and places where people can safely walk and, by the grace of God, get their health improved. Thank you. Chairmember Johnson said thank you sir.*

*Mr. T.J. Thompson, 3816 S. Culberhouse, said, first of all, Councilmember Hafner thank you for your efforts to put this proposal together. My opinion is that this is about three major things and that's safety, health and community. People walk in Jonesboro, today. Unfortunately, in many instances, they don't do it very safely because there's not the infrastructure for them to do that safely. As Councilmember Hafner said, we have real health issues in this part of the country, as the State of Arkansas, and we also have it in this part of the State of Arkansas, which is very low on the list. Population health is something that we owe ourselves a strong look at and how a proposed ordinance, such as this, would affect that. There are studies that point toward providing opportunities for people to participate in active lifestyle choices does improve community health and does improve population health. I think that is very important for us to consider here. Finally, community. I have been a resident of Jonesboro since 2010. I have heard many times that Jonesboro is a great place, but it*

*doesn't have identity. I think one way we can help Jonesboro have identity is to improve our sense of community. In order to that, we're gonna have to get out. We're gonna have to get out together, and I think sidewalks are a great way to do that. There's a lot of research and there's a lot of data that supports something like this, I'm sure. In the age of the internet, there's probably research out there that maybe doesn't. Tonight, to me, this is about giving it its due chance in front of Council. So, I just ask that you please do that and please vote to forward this to Council, and give it its time on the Council floor to be heard. Thank you.*

*Mr. Todd Wilcox, 3924 Thousand Oaks, said I'm a developer and builder here in Jonesboro and I've been here and doing this job for 18 years. I think I can speak for every builder and developer in Jonesboro that we're not against sidewalks, at all. I totally agree with the gentleman who went to the Mayo Clinic and was able to walk four and a half miles from the Mayo Clinic back to his hotel. This ordinance does not do that for Jonesboro, at all. Okay. Putting a sidewalk in a new residential subdivision is a dead-end. It's maintenance the city has to pay for, for the longevity. For the rest of the city's life, you have to pay for it. You have to maintain it. I agree there's problems. We need sidewalks in certain areas, but mandating them in single-family residential subdivisions does nothing to fix the problem we have. It creates more issues for the City of Jonesboro. We don't have a problem with putting them in commercial. We don't have a problem with putting them in multi-family or industrial, but putting them in a single-family residential subdivision presents issues.*

*Jonesboro is one of the top five area cities in the State of Arkansas. I am not sure of the exact number, but I'm sure you all know, as far as land mass goes. I don't think the City of Jonesboro has the funds to take a subdivision say located at the Farville curve or located past the Valley View School District and connect that down a state highway with a sidewalk. Do you realize how many millions of dollars that would take? We are not against sidewalks. We're against mandating them in residential subdivisions. Because you're not penalizing us, you are penalizing the people here who are going to come to a builder or a real estate agent next year, or in five years, and say I want to buy a house. They say okay. This house right here sold for, just say, \$200,000 last year. Well, sorry, your house is going to cost \$3,000, \$5,000 or \$10,000 more. They say why. Because we built a sidewalk in front of your house. I mean our only recourse is to pass it along to the homebuyer. Everybody says they want them, but nobody wants to pay for them. We feel like we do need sidewalks in certain areas. We are all about connectivity, but there has to be a better solution than this ordinance, the way it is written. I think there needs to be some more talking and some more studying, and we can find a solution, but I don't think this is the answer. This is not going to fix the problem that these people are here to get fixed. Thank you.*

*Councilmember Chris Moore said let me ask Mr. Wilcox a couple questions. Like Mr. Wilcox, I'm a contractor, also. Mr. Wilcox, when I go down and look at Beaver Creek, there's 300 to 400 houses in Beaver Creek, an all single-family subdivision. There's no sidewalks. When the school bus, at the end of the day lets it out, there's probably 200 children. You don't think that in Beaver Creek sidewalks that would lead up to Flemon Road would be a benefit where the kids can get off and walk through the neighborhood without being in the middle of the street. Mr. Wilcox said Councilmember Moore, I can't say whether it would or wouldn't be. Councilmember Moore said well wait a minute. You just said you were not in favor of them in single-family residences or subdivisions, and I'm giving you an example of probably the biggest single-family subdivision in Jonesboro. Mr. Wilcox said correct. Councilmember Moore said and it's probably one of the largest problems. At 3:30, when the bus lets off, you can't get down Beaver Run or Wisteria or any of those streets from the children having to walk in the road. Mr.*

*Wilcox said right. I think you can go around Jonesboro and see buses stop and drop kids off where there are sidewalks. Are every one of those kids on the sidewalks? You can't make them. Mr. Wilcox said kids will play in the street when sidewalks are available. Councilmember Moore said I'm not saying you can make them. What I'm saying is there's no option, and when I was listening to you talk, it appears to me that single family is where the largest need would be for sidewalks, and I think about Beaver Creek and I think about the large subdivisions where lots of kids live. Mr. Wilcox said right. Councilmember Moore said to me that looks like it would be the main place you would need them, not the exception. What I'm trying to pick your brain is what do you think the solution is for pedestrian traffic in Beaver Creek Subdivision. Mr. Wilcox said if you're gonna talk about Beaver Creek, this ordinance does not fix Beaver Creek. Councilmember Moore said no, but it would have if we would have passed it 10 years ago.*

*Mr. Wilcox said but you just made my point. Councilmember Moore said it will address the future Beaver Creeks. Mr. Wilcox said you just addressed my point. There are some issues, but this doesn't fix it. We feel like something that is fair across the board for every person in this city. There's got to be a way to generate some money to build sidewalks where you need them. Councilmember Moore said what I'm asking is your practical suggestion of what you would think the solution would be if Beaver Creek subdivision started tomorrow. What would be the solution for pedestrian traffic in there? Mr. Wilcox said most subdivisions I have seen, people walk down the street. Councilmember Moore said okay. Mr. Wilcox said I'm being honest with you. Councilmember Moore said and I'm being honest with you and I'm not being a smart-aleck. I'm saying if you don't think the sidewalks are the solution, I'm asking you what the solution in a 300 household subdivision is to get the pedestrians out of the road, if it's not a sidewalk. Mr. Wilcox said if you want to get them out of the road, I guess a sidewalk is the only solution.*

*Councilmember Moore said I would ask that the applause be held because we're having a serious conversation and I'm not trying to demean you. I'm asking what, as a builder, you think the solution is and I think you just stated it. It would be a sidewalk in that subdivision. Mr. Wilcox said my point would be Councilmember Moore, are they going to use it? Councilmember Moore said that's like saying the speed limit is 35 mph and are people going to drive 35 because we provide the signage and law to enforce it. Mr. Wilcox said the simple fact is builders, developers and realtors have their thumb or their finger on the pulse of the market, and I'm a developer and I'm a builder and I think if that sidewalk is going to sell that house faster then I'll put two in front of that house. But, people do not come looking for a house and say, Man, I'd buy that house if it had a sidewalk in front of it. I've never had that question posed to me in 18 years. I've never had someone come up and say, Man, here's a contract, but I'm gonna tear it up because there's no sidewalk. That has never come up. Councilmember Moore said I guess we're coming at it from two different sides. You're worried about selling the house and I'm worried about the children in the street.*

*Mr. Wilcox said I hear two arguments. Councilmember Moore said mine's purely public safety. Mr. Wilcox said and people throw around the term quality of life. Councilmember Moore said I'm not even worried about quality of life. I'm purely public safety. Get the people out of the street and up on a sidewalk. Mr. Wilcox said I understand, but this issue has been labeled as a quality of life issue. People say if we were like Northwest Arkansas. I don't want to be like Northwest Arkansas. Jonesboro has experienced great growth. Even through 2007 to 2009, when the housing market downturned, we kept growing. People come here for a reason. I don't think the people who portray Jonesboro as all bad have the picture right. If Jonesboro is so bad, why do*

*we keep growing? Why do people keep coming here? If it's so bad and the infrastructure is horrible that you can't walk anywhere in this town, why do people keep coming to Jonesboro, Arkansas? Can anybody up here answer that for me?*

*Chairmember Johnson said we could probably debate this for a while, we have a pretty long agenda and we're going on some time. It's obvious this is something that's going to be a heavy discussed item. I would ask the committee to give me a recommendation on what they would like to do and we will reserve all these comments for the council meetings. Councilmember Moore said I would think that if time allows we should hear from as many people for or against it, like Mr. Wilcox or anybody else. Chairmember Johnson said that is strictly up to you all. I mean we can postpone the regular scheduled meeting because we're 10 minutes out. We have a long agenda. It doesn't bother me. Whatever the committee wants to do.*

*Councilmember L.J. Bryant said I would say quickly, too. I think Councilmember Hafner said you're committed to having it at three readings even when it goes to full Council, so I know the Council wants input from folks to make sure we get it right. Councilmember Moore asked so you want to reserve our time and have comments then at the three readings of the Council. Chairmember Johnson said that's kind of what I think would be the thing. We would just have to set that time aside. We definitely want to hear from everybody, but we just don't really have the time in committee to do it tonight. Councilmember Moore said I would say call the roll. You have a motion and a second.*

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

**Aye:** 4 - Gene Vance;Chris Moore;LJ Bryant and Ann Williams

**Absent:** 2 - John Street and Charles Coleman

[ORD-18:014](#)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE JONESBORO CODE OF ORDINANCES, SECTION 117-259, SUBSECTION (m), ENTITLED OFF-PREMISES OUTDOOR ADVERTISING SIGN STANDARDS, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CLARIFYING SIGN PERMIT FEES

*Councilmember Chris Moore said is Planning Director Derrel Smith going to speak on this. Mayor Harold Perrin said yes, he is. Mr. Smith said what we found on this is last year when we did our revenue enhancement we thought we had found all the places that we had fees tucked in that Code of Ordinances. We missed a \$250 fee that was raised for a sign permit for the billboard signs. What we're asking is to make that change in our ordinance to make it equal to what our fee schedule says. Councilmember Moore said I will make a motion to recommend that to full council, but I think, in light of City Attorney Carol Duncan's latest e-mail on emergency clauses, she needs to rule whether or not it's an emergency. Ms. Duncan asked can you justify any emergency that requires this to take effect before waiting the 30 days. I couldn't think of one. Mr. Smith said I don't think there has to be an emergency clause. Ms. Duncan said so, I would ask that we remove that.*

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

**Aye:** 4 - Gene Vance;Chris Moore;LJ Bryant and Ann Williams

**Absent:** 2 - John Street and Charles Coleman

[ORD-18:015](#)

AN ORDINANCE TO MODIFY ARTICLE 1, SECTION 101-1 OF THE JONESBORO CODE OF ORDINANCES AND ADOPT THE FUTURE LAND USE PLAN FOR THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS BY REFERENCE AS RECOMMENDED BY THE METROPOLITAN AREA PLANNING COMMISSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF GUIDING THE GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE CITY AS PART OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING PROCESS

**Attachments:**     [Land Use Plan.pdf](#)

*Councilmember Chris Moore said I will make a motion to recommend to full council pending City Attorney Carol Duncan make a decision on the emergency clause. Ms. Duncan said same question. Planning Director Derrel Smith said no. Ms. Duncan said I would ask that we remove that emergency clause. Chairmember Mitch Johnson said Mr. Smith do you have anything else to add. Mr. Smith said we started this back last January with the Land Use Advisory Committee. We met every month up until November and then we had a public hearing in January. The Metropolitan Area Planning Commission (MAPC) looked at it on February 13, and then we brought it before you all. This is the work of a lot of people who have put it together over about a year. Mayor Harold Perrin said I would like to say thanks to the committee. They did a great job on this. If you all remember, the way we set this up, the Master Street Plan and Master Land Use Plan will be upgraded every other year. Therefore, you never go more than two years on any plan to be updated, and that's good. But, they did a great job on this. Chairmember Johnson said Thanks Derrel.*

**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:** 4 - Gene Vance;Chris Moore;LJ Bryant and Ann Williams

**Absent:** 2 - John Street and Charles Coleman

#### RESOLUTIONS TO BE INTRODUCED

[RES-18:015](#)

A RESOLUTION TO THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH SHANNON KEE CONSTRUCTION, LLC FOR THE UHI EMERGENCY SERVICES ACCESS (2018:11)

**Attachments:**     [Contract Documents 2018 11](#)

*Chairmember Mitch Johnson said it looks like Shannon Kee Construction was the low bidder at \$53,572.50. Mayor Harold Perrin said that's correct.*

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

**Aye:** 4 - Gene Vance;Chris Moore;LJ Bryant and Ann Williams

**Absent:** 2 - John Street and Charles Coleman

[RES-18:025](#)

A RESOLUTION TO THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO ACCEPT A PERMANENT CONSTRUCTION EASEMENT FROM DENNIS & NANCY BURKS FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSTRUCTING AND MAINTAINING A WALKING TRAIL

**Attachments:**     [Permanent Construction Easement - Lots 4 and 5.pdf](#)

*Councilmember Chris Moore asked where is that located. Mayor Harold Perrin said this is on Phase III coming out of the back of Craighead Forest Park. Councilmember Moore said is this one and the next one the same trail. Mayor Perrin said yes, it is.*

**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:** 4 - Gene Vance;Chris Moore;LJ Bryant and Ann Williams

**Absent:** 2 - John Street and Charles Coleman

[RES-18:026](#)

A RESOLUTION TO THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO ACCEPT A PERMANENT CONSTRUCTION EASEMENT FROM DENNIS & NANCY BURKS FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSTRUCTING AND MAINTAINING A WALKING TRAIL

**Attachments:** [Permanent Constrution Easement - Lot 2](#)

**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:** 4 - Gene Vance;Chris Moore;LJ Bryant and Ann Williams

**Absent:** 2 - John Street and Charles Coleman

[RES-18:029](#)

A RESOLUTION TO THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH SHANNON KEE CONSTRUCTION, LLC FOR LACY PARK ACCESS DRIVE (2018:08)

**Attachments:** [Bid Tsb](#)  
[Contract Documents 2018 08](#)

*Chairmember Mitch Johnson said it looks like Shannon Kee Construction was the low bidder on that, as well, at \$221,946.*

**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:** 4 - Gene Vance;Chris Moore;LJ Bryant and Ann Williams

**Absent:** 2 - John Street and Charles Coleman

[RES-18:031](#)

A RESOLUTION TO THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS TO ADOPT PERMANENT LAND USE RESTRICTION FOR THE JONESBORO SHOOTING SPORTS COMPLEX

**Attachments:** [PERMANENT LAND USE RESTRICTION](#)

*Councilmember Chris Moore asked if somebody would explain that. Mayor Harold Perrin said that's a part of the grant through our Arkansas Game and Fish and United States Wildlife. Basically, what it's saying is that property can only be used for the purposes of the shooting complex we would be building. Engineering Director Craig Light said in our agreement with Arkansas Game and Fish, part of the agreement was we put a deed restriction on 38 acres, which is going to be north of the rifle and pistol range, that it will stay wooded and undeveloped for perpetuity. Councilmember Moore said is it just deed restriction on the property. Mr. Light said on the 38, the just over 38*



acres just north. It's a block of woods, but it is a perpetual deed restriction on the property. It cannot be developed in the future.

**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:** 4 - Gene Vance;Chris Moore;LJ Bryant and Ann Williams

**Absent:** 2 - John Street and Charles Coleman

[RES-18:033](#)

A RESOLUTION TO THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID AND ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH BAILEY CONTRACTORS, INC. FOR THE COMPLEX 4 CONCESSION BUILDING, JOE MACK CAMPBELL PARK (2018:13)

**Attachments:** [Bid Tab](#)  
[Agreement.pdf](#)

**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:** 4 - Gene Vance;Chris Moore;LJ Bryant and Ann Williams

**Absent:** 2 - John Street and Charles Coleman

**5. Pending Items**

**6. Other Business**

**7. Public Comments**

*Councilmember Chris Moore said let me ask one question. Mayor Harold Perrin, when is the projected time, do you think, for the completion of the paving down on Harrisburg Road, right there where they have been doing the overlay on the overpass with the Arkansas Highway and Transportation Department (AHTD)? Chairmember Mitch Johnson said they were doing the other lane this morning. Councilmember Moore said when do you think that's going to be. Mayor Perrin said I can't tell you the exact time, but they got the one in front of Harps. Is that what you're talking about on Highway 1? Councilmember Moore said yes. Mayor Perrin said that's been completed all the way up. That was the biggest deal with the potholes. Councilmember Moore said traffic was a nightmare there the last few days. Mayor Perrin said all that has been done because I went by it yesterday. Councilmember Gene Vance said they're making good progress on it. They've only been working on it the last couple of days and it looked to me like today they had just about finished the intersection or overpass work. Chairmember Johnson said they were working on that side this morning first thing already working on one lane of it. Councilmember Moore said I had a couple people call about the traffic there and, of course, too, the other situation that was back over the weekend with the cars. That was the only question I had. Chairmember Johnson said it's been a mess for a while.*

**8. Adjournment**

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

**Aye:** 4 - Gene Vance;Chris Moore;LJ Bryant and Ann Williams

**Absent:** 2 - John Street and Charles Coleman