



City of Jonesboro

Municipal Center
300 S. Church Street
Jonesboro, AR 72401

Meeting Agenda Finance & Administration Council Committee

Tuesday, September 8, 2015

4:00 PM

Municipal Center

1. Call To Order

2. Roll Call by City Clerk Donna Jackson

3. Approval of minutes

[MIN-15:077](#) Minutes for the Finance Committee meeting on August 11, 2015

Attachments: [Minutes](#)

[MIN-15:078](#) Minutes for the special called Finance Committee meeting on August 18, 2015

Attachments: [Minutes](#)

[MIN-15:080](#) Minutes for the Finance Committee meeting on August 26, 2015

Attachments: [Minutes](#)

4. New Business

5. Pending Items

6. Other Business

7. Public Comments

8. Adjournment



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Minutes for the Finance Committee meeting on August 11, 2015



City of Jonesboro

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300 S. Church Street
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Meeting Minutes Finance & Administration Council Committee

Tuesday, August 11, 2015

4:00 PM

Municipal Center

1. Call To Order

2. Roll Call by City Clerk Donna Jackson

Councilman Woods arrived at 4:05 p.m.

Mayor Perrin was also in attendance.

Present 5 - Ann Williams; John Street; Darrel Dover; Charles Coleman and Rennell Woods

Absent 1 - Todd Burton

3. Approval of minutes

[MIN-15:074](#)

Minutes from Finance Committee meeting on July 28, 2015

Attachments: [Minutes](#)

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

Aye: 3 - Ann Williams; John Street and Charles Coleman

Absent: 2 - Todd Burton and Rennell Woods

4. New Business

[COM-15:052](#)

Presentation by Mayor Perrin concerning proposed 2015 sales tax election

Attachments: [Presentation](#)

Mayor Perrin presented information concerning the proposed sales tax, how much money will be generated and what it will be used for. (See attached presentation)

He explained the 0.875% sales tax will be project specific tax that will be used to improve the infrastructure in Jonesboro. It will be a two-ballot. In addition to the 0.875% tax, they will also be proposing a 0.125% sales tax that to benefit The Economic Development Corporation of Jonesboro to secure and develop industry in the city. He then outlined the projects that they are looking at funding with the tax. Fisher & Arnold was hired to look at the 20 projects proposed by the city and confirm

costs and designs. That project is still ongoing with Fisher & Arnold, but should be completed within the next few weeks. The final list of projects include \$187 million in improvements.

This item was Read.

Ordinances To Be Introduced

ORD-15:041

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE LEVY OF A SEVEN-EIGHTHS OF ONE PERCENT (0.875%) SALES AND USE TAX WITHIN THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS; AND PRESCRIBING OTHER MATTERS PERTAINING THERETO.

Sponsors: Finance

Harold Carter stated he sees the necessity for the money being raised, but expressed concern about increasing sales tax. He noted this will be a flat tax that everybody will have to pay as opposed to an income tax. He stated taxes approaching 10% is a lot of money, collectively, and its being taken from people who need all of their money to live on, but not from the wealthy. This tax is an imposition to the poorest of citizens.

A motion was made by Councilman John Street, seconded by Councilman Rennell Woods, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 4 - Ann Williams;John Street;Charles Coleman and Rennell Woods

Absent: 1 - Todd Burton

ORD-15:042

AN ORDINANCE CALLING A SPECIAL ELECTION IN THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS ON THE QUESTION OF LEVYING A CITY-WIDE SEVEN-EIGHTHS OF ONE PERCENT (0.875%) SALES AND USE TAX; AND PRESCRIBING OTHER MATTERS PERTAINING THERETO.

Sponsors: Finance

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

Aye: 4 - Ann Williams;John Street;Charles Coleman and Rennell Woods

Absent: 1 - Todd Burton

ORD-15:043

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE LEVY OF A ONE-EIGHTH OF ONE PERCENT (0.125%) SALES AND USE TAX WITHIN THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS; AND PRESCRIBING OTHER MATTERS PERTAINING THERETO.

Sponsors: Finance

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

Aye: 4 - Ann Williams;John Street;Charles Coleman and Rennell Woods

Absent: 1 - Todd Burton

ORD-15:044

AN ORDINANCE CALLING A SPECIAL ELECTION IN THE CITY OF JONESBORO,

ARKANSAS ON THE QUESTION OF LEVYING A CITY-WIDE ONE-EIGHTH OF ONE PERCENT (0.125%) SALES AND USE TAX; AND PRESCRIBING OTHER MATTERS PERTAINING THERETO.

Sponsors: Finance

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

Aye: 4 - Ann Williams;John Street;Charles Coleman and Rennell Woods

Absent: 1 - Todd Burton

Resolutions To Be Introduced

RES-15:113

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE 2015 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PUBLIC SERVICE PROGRAM AGREEMENT WITH CITY YOUTH MINISTRIES

Sponsors: Grants

Attachments: [City of Ministries Contract.pdf](#)

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

Aye: 4 - Ann Williams;John Street;Charles Coleman and Rennell Woods

Absent: 1 - Todd Burton

RES-15:115

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE 2015 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PUBLIC SERVICE PROGRAM AGREEMENT WITH HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Sponsors: Grants

Attachments: [Habitat Contract.pdf](#)

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

Aye: 4 - Ann Williams;John Street;Charles Coleman and Rennell Woods

Absent: 1 - Todd Burton

RES-15:116

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE 2015 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PUBLIC SERVICE PROGRAM AGREEMENT WITH HISPANIC COMMUNITY SERVICES INC

Sponsors: Grants

Attachments: [HCSI Contract.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Councilman Charles Coleman, seconded by

Councilman John Street, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 4 - Ann Williams;John Street;Charles Coleman and Rennell Woods

Absent: 1 - Todd Burton

RES-15:117

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE 2015 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PUBLIC SERVICE PROGRAM AGREEMENT WITH LIFE SKILLS CENTER INC

Sponsors: Grants

Attachments: [LSC Contract.pdf](#)

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

Aye: 4 - Ann Williams;John Street;Charles Coleman and Rennell Woods

Absent: 1 - Todd Burton

RES-15:118

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE 2015 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PUBLIC SERVICE PROGRAM AGREEMENT WITH NEW LIFE EMPOWERMENT DEVELOPMENT CENTER

Sponsors: Grants

Attachments: [NLEDC Contract.pdf](#)

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

Aye: 4 - Ann Williams;John Street;Charles Coleman and Rennell Woods

Absent: 1 - Todd Burton

RES-15:119

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE 2015 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PUBLIC SERVICE PROGRAM AGREEMENT WITH THE FOUNDATION OF ARTS

Sponsors: Grants

Attachments: [FOA contract.pdf](#)

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

Aye: 4 - Ann Williams;John Street;Charles Coleman and Rennell Woods

Absent: 1 - Todd Burton

RES-15:120

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE 2015 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PUBLIC SERVICE

PROGRAM AGREEMENT WITH THE WEST END NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

Sponsors: Grants

Attachments: [West End Contract.pdf](#)

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

Aye: 4 - Ann Williams;John Street;Charles Coleman and Rennell Woods

Absent: 1 - Todd Burton

RES-15:121

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE 2015 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PUBLIC SERVICE PROGRAM AGREEMENT WITH THE NORTH JONESBORO NEIGHBORHOOD INITIATIVE

Sponsors: Grants

Attachments: [NJNI Contract.pdf](#)

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

Aye: 4 - Ann Williams;John Street;Charles Coleman and Rennell Woods

Absent: 1 - Todd Burton

RES-15:122

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF JONESBORO TO AMEND THE CONTRACT WITH 1ST SECURITY BANK, INTRUST, N.A. AND NESTEGG CONSULTING INC, TO PROVIDE SERVICES FOR THE CITY OF JONESBORO NON UNIFORMED EMPLOYEES 401 (a) DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PLAN AND 457 (b) RETIREMENT SAVINGS PLAN AND TRUST

Sponsors: Finance and Human Resources

Attachments: [City of Jonesboro 401\(a\) DCP - Cycle E 2 Restatement \(2\)](#)

HR Director Gloria Roark explained this ordinance along with RES-15:123 will clean up the 2012 contract with NestEgg. It will add a couple of changes to allow employees to get distributions monthly, quarterly or yearly instead of all or none. Also, it will change the force out from \$1,000 to \$5,000.

A motion was made by Councilman John Street, seconded by Councilman Rennell Woods, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 4 - Ann Williams;John Street;Charles Coleman and Rennell Woods

Absent: 1 - Todd Burton

RES-15:123

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF JONESBORO TO AMEND THE CONTRACT WITH 1ST SECURITY BANK, INTRUST, N.A. AND NESTEGG CONSULTING INC, TO PROVIDE SERVICES FOR THE CITY OF JONESBORO NON UNIFORMED EMPLOYEES 401 (a) DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PLAN AND

457 (b) RETIREMENT SAVINGS PLAN AND TRUST

Sponsors: Finance and Human Resources

Attachments: [Amendment One to COJ 457\(b\) Plan](#)

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

Aye: 4 - Ann Williams;John Street;Charles Coleman and Rennell Woods

Absent: 1 - Todd Burton

RES-15:126

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF JONESBORO TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT TO IMPLEMENT THE FY 2015 CDBG ACTION PLAN

Sponsors: Grants

Attachments: [FINAL submitted action plan 2015.pdf](#)
[CDBG Agreement 2015.pdf](#)

Councilman Woods asked if the agreement is on the website. Mayor Perrin stated he's not sure, but he'll check.

A motion was made by Councilman John Street, seconded by Councilman Rennell Woods, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 4 - Ann Williams;John Street;Charles Coleman and Rennell Woods

Absent: 1 - Todd Burton

RES-15:127

A RESOLUTION TO CONTRACT WITH PEPSI BEVERAGES COMPANY FOR EXCLUSIVE POURING RIGHTS AT SOUTHSIDE SOFTBALL COMPLEX

Sponsors: Parks & Recreation

Attachments: [Southside Softball Complex Pepsi Contract.pdf](#)

Parks Director Wixson Huffstetler noted the city's contract is up at the end of the year, so this will renew the contract for five years. Pepsi also helps with sponsorships and promotions. The contract for Southside is for five years, while the contract with the Miracle Field is for ten years.

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

Aye: 4 - Ann Williams;John Street;Charles Coleman and Rennell Woods

Absent: 1 - Todd Burton

RES-15:128

A RESOLUTION TO CONTRACT WITH PEPSI BEVERAGES COMPANY FOR EXCLUSIVE POURING RIGHTS AT JONESBORO MIRACLE LEAGUE PARK

Sponsors: Parks & Recreation

Attachments: [Jonesboro Miracle League Park Pepsi Contract.pdf](#)

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

Aye: 4 - Ann Williams;John Street;Charles Coleman and Rennell Woods

Absent: 1 - Todd Burton

5. Pending Items

6. Other Business

Chairman Dover asked that a date be set for the next Salary/Longevity Committee meeting within the next week or so. Most of the data has been received, so a meeting needs to be held to review the information before the city starts the budget process.

Further discussion was held concerning the proposed sales tax. Mayor Perrin stated he hopes Jonesboro will get more than a 25% match from the state on the projects, but he wasn't sure so he is only budgeting for a 25% match.

Councilman Woods addressed Mr. Carter and referred to his earlier statements. He stated we are living in a whole new economy and while he's not for more taxes, the community is changing from day to day. He thinks everyone should look at how they can help the community move forward. Mr. Carter stated there is nothing wrong with graduated taxes based on income. He is against taxes in this way.

Chairman Dover noted there will be numerous public hearings regarding the sales tax. There will be plenty of opportunities for people from the public to ask questions and have discussion concerning the tax.

7. Public Comments

8. Adjournment

A motion was made by Councilman John Street, seconded by Councilman Rennell Woods, that this meeting be Adjourned . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 4 - Ann Williams;John Street;Charles Coleman and Rennell Woods

Absent: 1 - Todd Burton



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Minutes for the special called Finance Committee meeting on August 18, 2015



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Meeting Minutes Finance & Administration Council Committee

Tuesday, August 18, 2015

5:15 PM

Municipal Center

Special Called Meeting

1. Call To Order

2. Roll Call by City Clerk Donna Jackson

Present 5 - Ann Williams; John Street; Darrel Dover; Todd Burton and Rennell Woods

Absent 1 - Charles Coleman

3. New Business

Resolutions To Be Introduced

RES-15:129

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CITY OF JONESBORO TO SUBMIT THE FY 2016 OUTDOOR RECREATION MATCHING GRANT APPLICATION

Sponsors: Parks & Recreation and Grants

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

Aye: 4 - Ann Williams; John Street; Todd Burton and Rennell Woods

Absent: 1 - Charles Coleman

4. Adjournment

A motion was made by Councilman John Street, seconded by Councilman Rennell Woods, that this meeting be Adjourned . The motion PASSED with the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Ann Williams; John Street; Todd Burton and Rennell Woods

Absent: 1 - Charles Coleman



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Minutes for the Finance Committee meeting on August 26, 2015



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300 S. Church Street
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Meeting Minutes Finance & Administration Council Committee

Wednesday, August 26, 2015

4:00 PM

Municipal Center

Special Called Meeting

1. Call To Order

2. Roll Call by City Clerk Donna Jackson

Mayor Perrin was also in attendance.

Present 5 - Ann Williams; John Street; Darrel Dover; Todd Burton and Rennell Woods

Absent 1 - Charles Coleman

3. New Business

Resolutions To Be Introduced

RES-15:133

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF JONESBORO TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND TOURISM FOR THE FY 2015 OUTDOOR RECREATION GRANT PROGRAM

Sponsors: Parks & Recreation

Attachments: [Parks and Toursim Grant2015.pdf](#)

Parks Director Wixson Huffstetler explained this is a grant that was applied for last year, but is in the budget for this year. It is a 50/50 matching grant for the new trail at Craighead Forest Park.

Chairman Dover questioned whether the project would be completed this year. Mr. Huffstetler answered yes.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Ann Williams, seconded by Councilman Rennell Woods, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 4 - Ann Williams; John Street; Todd Burton and Rennell Woods

Absent: 1 - Charles Coleman

RES-15:135

A RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION 09:201 AND CREATING THE POSITION OF FINANCE OFFICE MANAGER AND ELIMINATING THE POSITION OF BUDGET SPECIALIST AND SETTING SALARY

Sponsors: Mayor's Office

Attachments: [Finance Office Manager](#)

Mayor Perrin explained former Chief Financial Officer Ben Barylske put the position in the budget for this year, but never made the title change. It is for Christy Wall in the Finance Department. He further explained the Council already approved the position in the budget, but they are just now acting on it and giving her the position.

Chairman Dover clarified the position of budget specialist will no longer exist in the salary schedule. Mayor Perrin stated that is correct.

Chairman Dover then asked if Ms. Wall is currently being compensated with the office manager salary. Mayor Perrin answered no, she won't get the raise until after the resolution is passed by City Council. The mid-range for the office manager position is \$40,000 with a maximum of \$50,681. Ms. Wall's salary will be \$46,512, a 5% increase from her current salary. He noted the money for her salary is already in the budget.

Councilman Burton further clarified that the budget specialist position will no longer be filled after this is approved. Mayor Perrin answered that is correct.

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

Aye: 4 - Ann Williams;John Street;Todd Burton and Rennell Woods

Absent: 1 - Charles Coleman

RES-15:139

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE UNITED WAY OF GREATER JONESBORO TO LEASE SPACE AT 407 UNION AVENUE

Sponsors: Mayor's Office

Attachments: [UNITED WAY LEASE AGREEMENT](#)

Mayor Perrin explained the city entered into a lease with the United Way for the Union Street property in 1990, but it was never taken to the City Council. They are just cleaning up the lease agreement so there is an executed lease between the city and United Way. He noted the United Way also sublets the property for \$1 per year to the Downtown Jonesboro Association and the Craighead County Community Foundation. But, the lease will only be between the city and United Way, with the city approving the subletting.

Councilman Street asked how long the lease will be for. Mayor Perrin answered five years.

A motion was made by Councilman John Street, seconded by Councilman Todd Burton, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 4 - Ann Williams;John Street;Todd Burton and Rennell Woods

Absent: 1 - Charles Coleman

RES-15:140

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF JONESBORO TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT WITH THE ARKANSAS STATE POLICE AND ACCEPT THE 2016 STEP GRANT

Sponsors: Grants

Attachments: [2016 STEP Subgrant Agreement.pdf](#)
[e-CFR 49.pdf](#)

Grants Administrator Kimberly Marshall explained the city received the grant on Monday. It's due September 8th to the State Police. They will be using the funding to pay for additional overtime as well as setting aside \$12,000 for safety seats for children, two tasers and four breathalyzers. The grant starts October 1, 2015, and ends September 30, 2016.

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

Aye: 4 - Ann Williams;John Street;Todd Burton and Rennell Woods

Absent: 1 - Charles Coleman

RES-15:141

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH SG360 JANITORIAL SERVICES

Sponsors: Mayor's Office

Attachments: [SG 360 Contract](#)

Mayor Perrin explained the city currently uses a company out of Little Rock for the janitorial services, but they've been having problems with staffing and being able to keep the buildings clean. The city would like to contract with SG360 to perform janitorial services. SG360 is a local company that will be paid about \$80 more per month than what the city is currently paying.

Chairman Dover asked if the city is out of the contract with the current company. Mayor Perrin answered no, the current contract won't end until September 2nd. But, the new company can start the next day if this resolution is passed by Council on September 1st. They have already notified the existing company that the contract will not be renewed. The cleaning services do not include the second floor occupied by CUSI.

Councilman Woods then questioned if this is for just one year. Mayor Perrin stated yes, it's just for one year with a 60-day out clause. But, the company came highly recommended.

A motion was made by Councilman John Street, seconded by Councilman Rennell Woods, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 4 - Ann Williams;John Street;Todd Burton and Rennell Woods

Absent: 1 - Charles Coleman

4. Other Business

COM-15:051

Presentation by Mike Smith from Iberia Bank

Sponsors: Mayor's Office

Attachments: [Presentation](#)

Mayor Perrin explained the city sometimes has funds they could invest in things other than the checking account the city currently has. Cities can now invest in things with banks other than just a checking account. He and former Chief Financial Officer Ben Barylske have been visiting with Iberia Bank to discuss the city's options.

Mr. Mike Smith discussed the presentation with the committee (see information attached to communications file). He explained the cash management solution is a customized solution in order to make the city run better and be an enhancement to cash. He discussed what they've done with other clients to help them in during this economy knowing the Fed may increase interest rates in the future. He stated they would like to customize a portfolio to meet the needs of the City of Jonesboro. This is a very viable way to increase the yield on the portfolio as long as people don't look at this as operating cash. There is no credit risk, is within state guidelines and the city will be able to increase the yield on the city's portfolio.

Chairman Dover asked what monetary increments are needed to invest in the portfolio that was discussed. Mr. Smith answered, generally speaking, they like to have a minimum of \$5 million because it works better.

Councilman Woods asked if the investment term of 3 to 5 years would be the Council's choice. Mr. Smith answered yes, the term length would be whatever the Council is comfortable with. They like to ladder the investments so they matter at different times in consecutive years, such as a portion maturing in 2016, another portion maturing in 2017, etc. This allows the city to re-invest part of the money quickly if the Fed decides to increase the interest rates. If the city didn't go out 5 years, then they would be sacrificing yield.

Mr. Smith explained most of their clients are thinking the Fed will raise the interest rates at some point, but will probably be at a slow pace of increase. They're proposal is for a long-term solution showing if the Fed does raise rates then the city will do better with this type of portfolio investment.

Chairman Dover then questioned who picks how the money will be invested. Mr. Smith stated Iberia will pick the investments with the Council stating what their comfort level is with duration and maturity.

Mayor Perrin stated he just wanted the committee to hear the presentation with a decision being made after a chief financial officer is hired. At this time, he just wanted to see how the committee felt about the option. Chairman Dover stated he thinks it's an interesting concept as a way to invest some money the city isn't currently doing anything with.

This item was Read.

5. Adjournment

A motion was made by Councilman John Street, seconded by Councilman Rennell Woods, that this meeting be Adjourned . The motion PASSED with the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Ann Williams; John Street; Todd Burton and Rennell Woods

Absent: 1 - Charles Coleman