



City of Jonesboro

Municipal Center
300 S. Church Street
Jonesboro, AR 72401

Meeting Minutes Finance & Administration Council Committee

Tuesday, March 8, 2022

4:00 PM

Municipal Center, 300 S. Church

1. Call To Order

2. Roll Call by City Clerk April Leggett

Present 6 - Charles Coleman; John Street; David McClain; LJ Bryant; Joe Hafner and Brian Emison

Absent 1 - Ann Williams

3. Approval of minutes

[MIN-22:016](#)

Minutes for the Finance Committee meeting on February 22, 2022

Attachments: [Finance Minutes 02222022_PB revised](#)

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

Aye: 5 - Charles Coleman; John Street; David McClain; LJ Bryant and Brian Emison

Absent: 1 - Ann Williams

4. New Business

ORDINANCES TO BE INTRODUCED

[ORD-22:015](#)

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT REVENUE BONDS UNDER THE MUNICIPALITIES AND COUNTIES INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT REVENUE BOND LAW FOR THE PURPOSE OF SECURING AND DEVELOPING INDUSTRY; TO AUTHORIZE THE SALE OF THE BONDS AND THE APPROVAL OF BOND PURCHASE AGREEMENTS, A PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TAXES AGREEMENT AND RELATED AGREEMENTS; TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF TRUST INDENTURES SECURING THE BONDS; TO AUTHORIZE AND PRESCRIBE CERTAIN MATTERS PERTAINING TO THE PROJECT, THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION, AND EQUIPPING THEREOF, AND THE FINANCING THEREOF; TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A LEASE AGREEMENT RELATING TO THE PROJECT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Attachments: [Bond Ordinance - Colson Series 2022A, B & C \(2\)](#)
[Redline Page - Colson Ordinance](#)
[Bond Ordinance - Colson Series 2022A, B & C](#)
[PILOT Agreement - Colson Series 2022C](#)
[Letter of Offer and Representations - Colson Series 2022B](#)
[Bond Purchase Agreement - Colson Series 2022A](#)
[Bond Purchase Agreement - Colson Series 2022C](#)
[Intercreditor Agreement - Colson Series 2022B and Guaranties](#)
[Lease Agreement - Colson Series 2022A, B & C](#)
[Preliminary Official Statement - Jonesboro-Colson Series 2022A v2](#)
[Trust Indenture - Colson Series 2022A & B](#)
[Trust Indenture - Colson Series 2022C](#)
[Memo to Jonesboro re Colson Caster](#)
[RES-20-205 Colson Bonds Redacted](#)

(At 4:02 p.m., Councilmember Dr. Charles Coleman stepped out of the Council Chambers during this discussion and vote.) Councilmember David McClain asked, is there a certain project that this is for? Can I ask that? Chairman Joe Hafner said, it is for Colson. Michele Allgood with Friday, Eldridge, & Clark, counsel for the proponent, said, I will be happy to answer any questions or give you a little, quick overview. Chairman Hafner said, that is fine, that would be great. Ms. Allgood said, so this was originally before this committee and the city council back in November of 2020. And, at that time, Colson was finalizing its decision to rebuild here because it had damaged, its' facility was damaged by the tornado and at that time, the city council expressed its support of the project and intent to support the project with tax abatement. Since that time, Colson has had an internal management change and that new management went and talked to the state and to the local community banks and have attained the support of that State of Arkansas for various parts of this project and so they are getting a guarantee from Arkansas Development Finance Authority for \$6 million worth of the debt and from the Arkansas Economic Development Commission for \$5 million worth of the debt and First Security Bank has agreed to lend them \$4 million. So, their total project is \$24 million and that is what you had agreed to do tax abatement for, but we have some little quirks in this one, some little extras so that they can take advantage of the state support and the local bank support. It does not change your liability. Chairman Hafner said, which is zero. Ms. Allgood said, which is zero. Chairman Hafner said, let the record reflect that Dr. Coleman has stepped out of the room.

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

Aye: 4 - John Street; David McClain; LJ Bryant and Brian Emison

Absent: 2 - Charles Coleman and Ann Williams

RESOLUTIONS TO BE INTRODUCED

[RES-22:052](#)

RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS TO AMEND THE CONTRACT WITH BRACKETT KRENNERICH FOR ARCHITECTURAL SERVICE RELATED TO THE RENOVATION OF THE JONESBORO RECREATIONAL CENTER

Attachments: [Amendment 2 - Jonesboro Recreational Center](#)

(At 4:04 p.m., Councilmember Dr. Coleman re-entered the council chambers.)
Chairman Joe Hafner said, the Jonesboro Recreational Center is the old YMCA. Chief Administrative Officer Brian Richardson said, so it's what everyone in here affectionately knows it as the old YMCA building. So, we are obviously looking at bringing that back to service. Chairman Hafner said, I think that would be great. I mean that part of town does not have a community center and as somebody that grew up at the YMCA, I know as I know you all have heard me say, it kept me out of a lot of trouble. Those kids and adults over there need something to do, a place where they can go. Councilmember David McClain asked, is it going to be for the inside and outside? Mr. Richardson said, yes. Councilmember McClain said, perfect. Councilmember Dr. Charles Coleman asked, are we going to build five more? Mr. Richardson said, hey, that is a council decision. We are excited about getting this building back into service because Councilmember Hafner is correct. There is a need over that way for programming and after-school programming. There is definitely a need and a demand over there for additional indoor recreation and some outdoor recreation facilities as well for that area.

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

Aye: 5 - Charles Coleman;John Street;David McClain;LJ Bryant and Brian Emison

Absent: 1 - Ann Williams

5. Pending Items

6. Other Business

7. Public Comments

8. Adjournment

A motion was made by Councilperson John Street, seconded by Councilperson Brian Emison, that this meeting be Adjourned. The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 5 - Charles Coleman;John Street;David McClain;LJ Bryant and Brian Emison

Absent: 1 - Ann Williams