



City of Jonesboro

900 West Monroe
Jonesboro, AR 72401

Meeting Minutes Public Services Council Committee

Monday, April 14, 2008

4:00 PM

Huntington Building

1. Call To Order

Mr. Tony Thomas from the Mayor's Office was also in attendance.

Present 5 - Ann Williams; Cecil Province; Jim Hargis; Charles Frierson and Faye McCall

Absent 1 - Tim McCall

2. Approval of minutes

MIN-08:106

Minutes for the March 10, 2008, Public Services Committee meeting.

Attachments: [Minutes](#)

A motion was made by Councilwoman Faye McCall, seconded by Councilman Jim Hargis, that this Minutes be Passed. The motion CARRIED by a Voice Vote.

Aye: 4 - Ann Williams; Cecil Province; Jim Hargis and Faye McCall

Absent: 1 - Tim McCall

3. New Business

Ordinances To Be Introduced

ORD-08:015

AN ORDINANCE WAIVING COMPETITIVE BIDDING AND AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF A SINGLE UNIT GFI GENFARE SYSTEM FOR JETS.

Sponsors: JETS

JETS Director Joel Gardner stated that the funds come from 80% federal and 20% local. He added that it was added in the federal budget in August, 2007. Councilman Hargis asked how long will it take to pay for this. Mr. Gardner stated that it should take between 11 and 12 weeks at the current rate.

A motion was made by Councilman Jim Hargis, seconded by Councilwoman Ann Williams, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED by an unanimous vote

Aye: 4 - Ann Williams; Cecil Province; Jim Hargis and Faye McCall

Absent: 1 - Tim McCall

ORD-08:020

AN ORDINANCE WAIVING COMPETITIVE BIDDING AND AUTHORIZE PURCHASE OF AVL UNITS FOR JETS.

Sponsors: JETS

Attachments: [Relitivity document001](#)

Mr. Gardner stated two more AVLs are needed with cost including installation will be \$3,200. He added they will be able to keep track of the vehicles at the 911 office and the JETS viewing station.

A motion was made by Councilman Cecil Province, seconded by Councilwoman Faye McCall, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED by an unanimous vote

Aye: 4 - Ann Williams;Cecil Province;Jim Hargis and Faye McCall

Absent: 1 - Tim McCall

Resolutions To Be Introduced

RES-08:067

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS TO CONTRACT WITH NRS CONSULTING ENGINEERS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A COMPREHENSIVE MASTER PLAN FOR TURTLE CREEK GREENWAY SECTIONS, ENGINEERING DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION INSPECTION

Sponsors: Parks & Recreation

Attachments: [Contract with NRS for Comprehensive Plan for Phase I and Engineering Secti](#)
[Engineer Score Sheets for Phase I Comprehensive Plan Project 4-1-2008](#)

Parks Director Jason Wilkie explained the contract will be with NRS Engineering to continue the greenway from the north end of Turtle Creek Mall to ASU and then on to the downtown area. He further explained they have the funding in the budget but are waiting on AHTD to approve the construction. Mr. Wilkie stated there is a need for a Master Conceptual Plan to show the most feasible way to go from Turtle Creek to ASU. Mr. Wilkie added the study should take 3 months to complete.

Mr. Wilkie asked to take the resolution to the Council meeting tomorrow and put it on under new business. City Clerk Donna Jackson expressed concern over walking the item on, noting the Council has a policy regarding the process. She added the policy should be looked for circumstances such as this in order to protect the City.

A motion was made by Councilman Jim Hargis, seconded by Councilwoman Faye McCall, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED by an unanimous vote

Aye: 4 - Ann Williams;Cecil Province;Jim Hargis and Faye McCall

Absent: 1 - Tim McCall

RES-08:068

A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE WILLINGNESS OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO TO UTILIZE FEDERAL AID MONEYS TO CONSTRUCT SECTION FOUR THROUGH SIX OF THE TURTLE CREEK GREENWAY

Sponsors: Parks & Recreation

Mr. Wilkie explained the resolution is for the recreation trails grant. He stated that the deadline is May 1st to apply for the grant to receive 80% of the funds and the City will pay the other 20%. He also stated that the City's 20% of the cost will be coming out of the 2009 budget.

A motion was made by Councilman Cecil Province, seconded by

**Councilwoman Ann Williams, that this matter be Recommended to Council .
The motion PASSED by an unanimous vote**

Aye: 4 - Ann Williams; Cecil Province; Jim Hargis and Faye McCall

Absent: 1 - Tim McCall

RES-08:069

A RESOLUTION TO REQUEST FREE UTILITIES AT CRAIGHEAD FOREST PARK CAMPGROUND

Sponsors: Parks & Recreation

Mr. Wilkie explained the utilities will be for the new bath house.

**A motion was made by Councilman Cecil Province, seconded by Councilwoman Ann Williams, that this matter be Recommended to Council .
The motion PASSED by an unanimous vote**

Aye: 4 - Ann Williams; Cecil Province; Jim Hargis and Faye McCall

Absent: 1 - Tim McCall

RES-08:070

A RESOLUTION TO CREATE A POOL AND WATER PARK TASK FORCE FOR THE PURPOSE OF STUDYING THE FEASIBILITY OF NEW AQUATIC FACILITIES

Sponsors: Parks & Recreation

Attachments: [Aquatic Center Committee](#)

Mr. Wilkie stated the task force will work with the consultant for the aquatics facility study.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Ann Williams, seconded by Councilman Jim Hargis, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED by an unanimous vote

Aye: 4 - Ann Williams; Cecil Province; Jim Hargis and Faye McCall

Absent: 1 - Tim McCall

4. Pending Items

5. Other Business

Arkansas State University project

Councilman Province questioned whether any progress was being made with ASU. Mr. Gardner answered yes, they are waiting for ASU to turn in Phase II on the overpass structure. He explained after Phase 2 is done JETS will have transportation service for the outer parking area. Councilman Hargis questioned whether payment has been made to ASU. Mr. Tony Thomas stated they have paid ASU for the two \$500,000 payments.

6. Public Comments

7. Adjournment

The meeting was Adjourned.