



City of Fairburn
Mayor and Council Special Called Meeting- Zoom
July 27, 2020
7:00pm

- I. The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by the Honorable Mayor Carr-Hurst.
- II. Roll Call was taken by City Clerk, Arika Birdsong-Miller with the following members present:

Mayor Elizabeth Carr-Hurst

The Honorable Mayor Pro-Tem Ulysses J. Smallwood
The Honorable Linda J. Davis
The Honorable Alex Heath

The Honorable Pat Pallend
The Honorable Hattie Portis-Jones
The Honorable James Whitmore

The attendance of Council constituted a quorum and the meeting proceeded.

City Attorney Randy Turner was also present.

- III. The invocation was led by Mayor Pro-Tem Ulysses J. Smallwood.
- IV. Adoption of City Council Minutes:
Motion to approve June 22, 2020, Council Meeting Minutes (Zoom) was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Smallwood and the second was provided by Councilwoman Davis.
Vote: 6-0: Motion Carried.

Motion to approve the June 22, 2020, Executive Session Minutes (WebEx) was made by Councilwoman Davis and the second was provided by Mayor Pro-Tem Smallwood.
Vote: 6-0: Motion Carried.

Motion to approve the July 8, 2020, Special Called Meeting Minutes (Zoom) was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Smallwood and Councilwoman Davis.
Vote: 6-0: Motion Carried.

- V. Adoption of the Council Agenda:
Attorney Randy Turner stated that an Item #2 needed to be added to the agenda regarding appointment of an EEO Officer. Motion to approve the Council Agenda with additions was made by Councilman Heath and the second was provided by Mayor Pro-Tem Smallwood.
Vote: 6-0: Motion Carried.

- VI. Agenda Items:

1. Community Development

Mr. Lester Thompson

For Mayor and Council to approve the Fairburn Train Depot Parking Lot Expansion Project Contract Award in the amount of \$211,333.59. Mr. Thompson explained that after completion of the bid evaluation, it was determined that Summit Construction & Development was the lowest responsive and responsible bidder with a bid price of

\$211,333.59. Mr. Thompson project expenditures will come out of the GO Bond Economic Development account. Councilwoman Portis-Jones questioned the difference in the highest bid and the lowest bid. Mr. Thompson went through the bid tabulation by category to explain the price difference. Motion to approve the Fairburn Train Depot Parking Lot Expansion Project Contract Award in the amount of \$211,333.59 to Summit Construction & Development was made by Councilman Heath and the second was provided by Councilman Whitmore.

Vote: 5-1: Motion Carried.

Councilwoman Portis-Jones voted in opposition.

2. City Attorney

Attorney Randy Turner

For Mayor and Council approve the Engagement Letter for Outside Counsel for EEO Investigation with Jamala McFadden. Attorney Turner stated there was a complaint between two employees at City Hall of workplace harassment. Attorney Turner stated that the HR Director works closely with the two individuals and would like to utilize outside Counsel to do the investigation. Attorney Turner informed Mayor and Council that the rate for Attorney McFadden was \$270/hour. Motion to approve Engagement Letter for EEO Investigation with Attorney Jamala McFadden was made by Councilwoman Davis and the second was provided by Mayor Pro-Tem Smallwood.

Vote: 6-0: Motion Carried.

VII. Council Comments:

Mayor Pro-Tem Smallwood thanked everyone for attending the Council Meeting.

Councilwoman Portis-Jones congratulated Planning and Zoning Director Tarika Peeks on the article in the Atlanta Business Chronicle.

Councilwoman Davis congratulated Ms. Tarika Peeks on the article written in the Atlanta Business Chronicle.

Councilman Pallend had no comment.

Councilman Whitmore congratulated Ms. Peeks on the article in the Atlanta Business Chronicle and Chief Stoney Mathis on his election victory in Georgia Association of Chiefs of Police 4th Vice President.

Councilman Heath congratulated Ms. Peeks on her accomplishment.

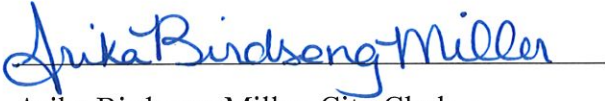
Mayor Carr-Hurst informed Council that there will be a This Is It Food Truck event on July 30th on Lightning Street. Mayor Carr-Hurst also congratulated Ms. Peeks and Chief Stoney Mathis for their accomplishment.

VIII. Executive Session: At 8:09pm a Motion to enter Executive Session for Litigation was made by Councilman Whitmore and the second was provided by Mayor Pro-Tem Smallwood.

At 8:22pm a Motion to reconvene the Regular Meeting was made by Councilman Whitmore and the second was provided by Councilman Heath.

- IX. Adjournment: At 8:24pm, with no further business of the City of Fairburn, the Motion to adjourn was made by Councilwoman Davis and the second was provided by Councilman Heath.

Vote: 6-0: Motion Carried.



Arika Birdsong-Miller, City Clerk



Elizabeth Carr-Hurst, Mayor