

STATE OF ALABAMA            )  
  :  
COUNTY OF BALDWIN        )

The City Council met in a Work Session at 4:30 p.m.,  
Delchamps Room, 161 North Section Street,  
Fairhope, Alabama 36532, on Monday, 23 November 2015.

Present were Council President Jack Burrell, Councilmembers: Rich Mueller, Diana Brewer, Michael A. Ford, and Kevin Boone, Mayor Timothy M. Kant, City Attorney Marion E. Wynne, and City Clerk Lisa A. Hanks.

Council President Burrell called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

The following topics were discussed:

- Councilmember Brewer gave an update on the Education Advisory Committee and said two proposals for the study were received and on December 9, 2015 presentations will be made at a special called meeting. She mentioned the Recreation Board's main discussion was tennis and tennis courts. A special-called meeting for the Recreation Board will be held on December 2, 2015 regarding a franchise agreement.
- Councilmember Ford commented that the Recreation Board discussed tennis courts, tennis association, and a proposed franchise agreement for tennis lessons. He said the Recycling Committee is waiting on case for single source recycling. Council President Burrell replied we need a buyer not just one company and if it goes out of business where do we sell our recyclables. Mayor Kant commented we need to meet with the company to see if they take glass. Councilmember Mueller said that we need to get the best value we can; and no one expects us to make a profit. Council President Burrell stated the breakeven point is supposed to be in one and a half years per the Committee; and the savings are in not have tipping fees. Mayor Kant stated we need a Work Session just on recycling and our options. Councilmember Ford commented the Museum Advisory Board is doing well.
- President Burrell gave an update on the Airport Authority and mentioned they awarded the bid for the second hangar; and are looking at parcel they could lease.
- Community Affairs and Recreation Director Sherry Sullivan addressed the City Council regarding the past weekend being busy and gave an update on the events.
- Building Official Erik Cortinas addressed the City Council regarding the demolition of a building on Northrop Street and a resolution for the cost to come before the City Council.
- Planning Director Jonathan Smith addressed the City Council and gave an update on the proposed amendment to the Fly Creek PUD. Mr. Smith stated he thought the density would decrease with the change, but it actually increased. He also stated there would be a detailed traffic study requested for the new revision.

Thursday, 23 November 2015

Page -2-

- Chief Joseph Petties addressed the City Council and mentioned there is an increase with car burglaries in our area and wanted everyone to be aware.
- Councilmember Mueller brought up the noise ordinance and the proposal to repeal the ordinance in our Code and replace with the ordinance we previously codified. He said one main difference is the discretion would be up to the Police Officer instead of using the decibel meters. Councilmember said he was speaking louder than 50 decibels right now. If we keep decibel meters, the noise level needs to be raised higher in certain areas.

Chief Petties stated that disorderly conduct is enforceable; and gave an example of how on a clear night noise travels far. Councilmember Mueller said we need to lighten up the one we have.

City Attorney Wynne said we could lessen decibels and still have an objective standard that would hold up in Court. Mayor Kant explained the history of the noise ordinance and how we came to using the decibel meters.

Councilmember Mueller and Council President Burrell both agreed we need to complement the ordinance we have and not change it.

There being no further business to come before the City Council, the meeting was duly adjourned at 5:34 p.m.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Jack Burrell, Council President

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Lisa A. Hanks, MMC  
City Clerk