



REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

MONDAY, APRIL 01, 2024 at 7:00 PM

CITY HALL BUILDING

MINUTES

Present: Mayor, Council Members, City Attorney, Directors & Christine Dobbs

Absent: Marlin Lamar & Darrell Weaver

1. CALL TO ORDER

- A. Invocation by Pastor John Bailey - Gospel Nation Christian Fellowship Church
- B. Pledge of Allegiance
- C. Add Items to Agenda

7 B - Purchase/Installation of Fencing

15 B - Resolution for Cobb Service Delivery Strategy

Motion made by Anderson, Seconded by Adams.

Voting Yea: Anderson, Leverette, Myrick, Adams, Elder

2. CONSENT AGENDA – INFORMATION AND UPDATE

(No action required by Council – See Specific Department Director before a Meeting)

3. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approve Bills
- B. Approve Legal Bills
- C. Approve Minutes of Regular Council Meeting

Motion made by Myrick, Seconded by Anderson.

Voting Yea: Anderson, Leverette, Myrick, Adams, Elder

4. EXCEPTION TO CONSENT AGENDA

5. CITIZENS REPORT

Tim Adams - Charter questions - Mr. Kimbrough stated this cannot be discussed due to possible litigation.

Sarah Parker asked if there were plans to have a drop box at the Threadmill for water payments. Mayor Clemons stated this was in the works.

Derek Caffé reminded everyone about the downtown walking tour on April 6 and also asked for an update on Jefferson Street Park. Zach Evans stated there was no update at this time. Mr. Caffé asked about the RFP for the Threadmill. Mrs. Dobbs stated they have met internally but no decisions have been made yet.

Ann Turner is concerned about patrol cars being visible in the city. Chief Hamilton stated the officers were patrolling the city as they normally would.

6. GAS SYSTEM REPRESENTATIVE

Ollie Clemons

Mr. Kimbrough stated the Gas system is doing good so far this year.

7. FINANCE REPORT

Valerie Anderson, Chairperson

Denise Lowe, Director

A. Monthly Financial Report

B. Purchase & Installation of Fencing

The city would like to effectively secure the assets held by the police department. Therefore, the city requests to purchase and install fencing for the following areas. 1)property/evidence room, 2) armory, and 3) new police vehicles.

The City requests to waive the closed bid rules according to our purchasing procedures and allow the Council to decide based on the proposals below attained by the City's community affairs department.

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Summit Fence	\$71,000.00
Allied Fence	\$74,264.00
Adams Fence, LLC	\$58,250.00

The funds to pay for the above fence would be paid for by the reallocation of the E911 unused budget.

RECOMMENDATION

Waive the lowest bid and select the Summit Fence proposal for \$71,000.00.

Motion made by Anderson, Seconded by Leverette

Voting Yea: Anderson, Leverette, Myrick, Adams, Elder

8. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Devon Myrick, Chairperson

Elizabeth Young, Director

A. No Report

9. POLICE DEPARTMENT

Sandra Leverette, Chairperson

Scott Hamilton, Police Chief

A. Monthly Patrol and CIU Stats

10. FIRE DEPARTMENT

Meredith Adams, Chairperson

Brandon Merritt, Fire Chief

A. Monthly Fire Report

11. PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Marlin Lamar, Chairperson

Bo Garrison, Director

A. No Agenda

12. PARKS DEPARTMENT

Devon Myrick, Chairperson

Darrell Weaver, Director

A. Beavers Park Renovation Information Only

The Parks Department has started the demolition process at Beavers Park. The fence has been taken down and some cleanup has been started. We will continue to move forward in the weeks to come.

13. COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

Melanie Elder, Chairperson

Darrell, Weaver, Director

A. March 2024 Code Enforcement Report

14. HUMAN RESOURCES

Melanie Elder, Chairperson

Michelle Page, Director

A. No Report

15. ATTORNEY, DUPREE & KIMBROUGH

A. Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Austell & the City of Smyrna

This is the agreement between the City of Austell & the City of Smyrna for the purpose of data entry into the Georgia Criminal Justice Information System (CJIS) by the City of Smyrna.

Motion made by Elder, Seconded by Myrick.

Voting Yea: Anderson, Leverette, Myrick, Adams, Elder

B. Resolution for Cobb County Service Delivery Strategy

The Cobb County Service Delivery Strategy gives the mayor the authority to enter into agreements with the other cities to move forward with hopes of getting this matter resolved with the county.

Motion made by Anderson, Seconded by Adams

Voting Yea: Anderson, Leverette, Myrick, Adams, Elder

16. MAYOR'S REPORT

A. No Report

Mayor & Council went into Executive Session for employment and litigation matters. No motions were made, and no votes were taken.

Motion made by Anderson, Seconded by Adams

Voting Yea: Anderson, Leverette, Myrick, Adams, Elder

17. ADJOURN

Motion made by Myrick, Seconded by Adams.

Voting Yea: Anderson, Leverette, Myrick, Adams, Elder

Mayor

Olivia Clemons

Attest

Edmund Young

Date

5.10.2024