



City Commission Meeting Study Session Minutes

Thursday, October 16, 2025 at 6:00 PM

The Tom Hardin Room – 100 Public Square, Mount Pleasant, TN

1. Call to Order

Mayor White called the meeting to order.

PRESENT

Mayor Bill White

Vice Mayor Willie Alderson

Commissioner Mike Davis

Commissioner Loree Knowles

ABSENT

Commissioner Pam Johnston

2. Awards/Presentations/Appointments

A. Proclamation for Sanofi.

Mayor White stated they are going to defer it until November. So, someone from Sanofi will be able to be here.

3. Completion / Review of Unfinished Business from prior meeting

There was no unfinished business.

4. Monthly report from Mayor

Mayor White stated he would probably talk about how well he hopes this weekend went.

5. Monthly Financial / Budget report

Mrs. Cox stated she would go over it in more detail on Tuesday.

6. Monthly report from City Manager

Mr. Grooms stated he would have a full report on Tuesday unless they have any questions now.

7. Special reports from other City Departments or Committees if applicable

A. Wastewater Liaison Report - Barge Design Monthly Report

Mr. Grooms stated he will have a full report on Tuesday. We are very close to completion. We actually have a meeting scheduled to get rid of the consent order this month.

Mayor White stated the grand opening is October 29th at 9:00 am.

Commissioners discussed. No action taken. For more details refer to the audio/visual recording attached to the agenda.

B. Mount Pleasant Gas System Report

Mr. Grooms stated there will be a full presentation in just a minute.

Commissioners discussed. No action taken. For more details refer to the audio/visual recording attached to the agenda.

8. New Business

(Comments from citizens may or may not be included, dependent on the issues.)

A. Ordinance 2025-1136 - (First Reading) - An Ordinance regarding model codes.

Mayor White stated this will be the first reading.

Mrs. Jones stated the purpose of this ordinance is just to adopt the 2024 Version of the International Building Code, fuel gas code, mechanical code, plumbing code, property maintenance code, swimming pool and spa code, energy conservation code and residential code and to make certain modifications to those codes as adopted. These have been presented by the Building and Codes Department. This is the first reading.

Mr. Grooms added they have adopted these the last seven years and a lot of the modifications are their adoptions as well. He thinks Columbia is pretty much doing the same thing, so it is consistent across Maury County.

Mrs. Jones stated there will be another ordinance right here for the fire codes.

Commissioners discussed. No action taken. For more details refer to the audio/visual recording attached to the agenda.

B. Ordinance 2025-1137 - (First Reading) - An Ordinance regarding Gas Rate.

Mayor White asked Rob Ellis with Tri Star Energy Solutions.

Mr. Ellis gave a presentation on the Rate Study for the Natural Gas Department Rates. For more details on this refer to the audio/visual recording attached to the agenda.

Commissioners discussed. No action taken. For more details refer to the audio/visual recording attached to the agenda.

C. Resolution 2025-48 - A Resolution to set public hearing for plan of services and annexation. (Old Zion/Trotwood)

Mrs. Jones stated the last time this was in front of them they called off the public hearing that was set for this annexation. The public hearing was for the plan of services and also for the zoning of this property. The reason for doing this was because we had insufficient notice and also because we needed to look at annexing a portion of Old Zion Road extension the portion that runs in between the two parcels in order to make the parcel that is furthest away from Mount Pleasant City limits be contiguous with the existing City limits of Mount Pleasant. Since then, we have been trying to revise the plan of services and figure out the appropriate legal process for considering the annexation that would include a portion of Old Zion Road extension. She has been working with the County specifically with the County Attorney and also with the Maury County Road Superintendent on how that process will work. This is on their agenda so we can talk about it. She thinks it will be the agenda for Tuesday, but that voting item will be to set a public hearing sometime in the future. The public hearing will not be Tuesday. The annexation will not happen Tuesday; the voting will not happen Tuesday. It will strictly be to set the public hearing. What she wanted them to think about is if they decide to set a public hearing and for clarity you have to have a public hearing either if you are going to vote yes or no. That has to happen before this annexation period. The date that you would set for this Commission would have to be at least 37 days away from the date we sent the first notice. The reason that is, is because we have to send a letter to the school system giving them notice of the public hearing, but 30 days ahead of time of the Planning Commission meeting and then there has to be 7 days in between the Planning Commission meeting and this Board. So, everybody thinks that we are having a timeline, we are not the plan of services has to be what y'all want it to be and what is accurate before we send it back to the Planning Commission and then back to this Commission to have a public hearing. That is something for them to think about as far as when they would want to have that hearing. She thinks that the earliest date that they could have it would be November 17th for the Planning Commission, but

she would prefer November 24th for the Planning Commission and then December 1st for this Board. Those are both special called meeting dates for Planning Commission dates and for this Board. There is also the option to do this at the regular meeting. She knows this has been drawn out for a long time and people are anxious to have one and move on after that. If there is something on this agenda on Tuesday, it will be because she feels like the plan of services is in final form and she will ask them what date to set the public hearing on, but she thinks the earliest they could have the hearing is the 24th, the 1st or the 8th of December would be a better date.

Commissioners discussed. No action taken. For more details refer to the audio/visual recording attached to the agenda.

- D. Resolution 2025-49 - A Resolution authorizing the City of Mount Pleasant, Tennessee, to participate in Public Entity Partners "Safety Partners" Matching Grant Program.

Mr. Grooms stated we get this every year it is \$2,000 of matching funds and our utility department get boots every year.

Commissioners discussed. No action taken. For more details refer to the audio/visual recording attached to the agenda.

- E. Resolution 2025-50 - A Resolution regarding Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation Grant Award - (Mount Pleasant Fire Department).

Mrs. Jones stated the City applied for and was awarded funds from Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation to purchase new fire safety equipment. The grant is for specifically for Amkus Spreader, Cutter, Ram, Extended Reach Tips and Accessories valued at almost \$40,000.00. The purpose of the resolution is to accept the award.

Commissioners discussed. No action taken. For more details refer to the audio/visual recording attached to the agenda.

- F. Resolution 2025-51 - A Resolution to approve the THSO Grant.

Mr. Grooms stated this is for the Police Department. This is one they get awarded every year. It is \$9,988.00 one hundred percent. They are upgrading computer equipment in cars.

Commissioners discussed. No action taken. For more details refer to the audio/visual recording attached to the agenda.

- G. Downtown Change Order #4

Mr. Grooms stated this will be the last change order. It is for \$44,531.00 and there are a couple of different things in there. He pointed out some of those to the Commissioners. He stated the good thing about this is there is a silver lining in that we were awarded another \$400,000+ from GNRC for matching funds.

Commissioners discussed. No action taken. For more details refer to the audio/visual recording attached to the agenda.

9. General comments from citizens (May be limited in time and/or number of comments.)

There were no citizen comments.

10. Board / Staff Comments / Adjournment

Mayor White asked for comments from the Board or Staff.

Mrs. Knowles reminded all the City Staff that Milton and Darrell Cooper will be cooking barbecue for all of them on Saturday. She also wanted to ask about honoring and recognizing Mt. Pleasant High School for their status.

Mr. Grooms stated he will put it for November.

Mr. Davis stated Marvel Hudspeth wanted him to pass it along she appreciated what the City did putting everything up there. It was nice.

Commissioner Alderson said she just hoped to see all of them at the BBQ Festival.