

SPECIAL MEETING
ERLANGER CITY COUNCIL
July 11, 2023

Mayor Jessica Fette called the special meeting of the Erlanger City Council to order in the City of Erlanger Council Chambers at 7:00 P.M., Tuesday, July 11, 2023.

Sheri Jackson, Erlanger Christian Church, gave the invocation.

Members of City Council and citizens pledged allegiance to the flag.

The following Members of City Council were present: Tom Cahill, Tyson Hermes, Jennifer Jasper-Lucas, Diana Niceley, Rebecca Reckers, Don Skidmore, Renee Skidmore, and Renee Wilson. City Council Member Vicki Kyle was not present.

Also present were: Mayor Jessica Fette, Chief of Police Kyle Rader, City Administrator Peter Glenn, City Clerk Sherry Hoffman, Director of Finance Kara Kramer, Director of Public Works Kevin Quinn, Fire/EMS Chief Randy Godsey, and City Attorney Jack Gatlin.

MEETING MINUTES – M/S, Reckers-Niceley, that the minutes of the regular council meeting held on June 6, 2023 be approved as written. All ayes, no nays, motion carried.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA -

M/S, Wilson-Jasper Lucas, to approve the agenda as presented. A non-roll call vote was taken. Mayor Fette stated that not everyone responded and requested a roll call vote. Two ayes (Hermes, Wilson), six nays (Cahill, R. Skidmore, Jasper-Lucas, Niceley, Reckers, D. Skidmore). Discussion followed. Mr. Gatlin suggested that instead of not passing the agenda, to remove the legislative items City Council did not want to be read.

M/S, Reckers-Cahill, to remove legislative agenda item #2, Revised Gary Meyer Emergency Fund ordinance, from the agenda. Seven ayes (Niceley, Cahill, Kyle, D. Skidmore, R. Skidmore, Reckers, Jasper-Lucas, Wilson), one nay (Hermes), motion carried. Mr. Hermes requested further discussion at the July 18, 2023 caucus meeting.

M/S, Reckers-Hermes, to remove legislative agenda item #4, Amended Sidewalk Agreement resolution, from the agenda. All ayes, no nays, motion carried.

M/S, Reckers-Cahill, that the agenda be approved with the requested amendments. All ayes, no nays, motion carried.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS – Amy Cauthen, owner of ConfiDance, spoke about her dance studio located in Erlanger and the classes they offer.

Mayor Fette administered the Fire/EMS oath of office to the following:

- Assistance Fire/EMS Chief of Training and Personnel - Craig Stewart
- Fire/EMS Shift Captain - Scott Lewis
- Fire/EMS Shift Lieutenant - Lindsay Lang, Eric McDonald, Scott Reusing

Mayor Fette proclaimed July 12, 2023 as Ella Farro and Lucy Redlinger Day in the City of Erlanger.

CITIZENS/PUBLIC COMMENTS - None.

MAYOR'S REPORT - Mayor Fette reported on the following:

- Recognized artist Kara Harper for her mural artwork on Dixie Highway at Hallam Avenue

- Recognized the Public Works Department for the beautification project located next to Bonded Lock on Dixie Highway; a plaque will be installed with the name Seven Mile Garden

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT - Mr. Glenn proposed canceling the August 1, 2023 regular council meeting and received no opposition from city council. He requested the following:

- August 15, 2023 caucus meeting to discuss property taxes
- August 22, 2023 special council meeting to have the first reading of the tax rates ordinance
- September 5, 2023 regular council meeting to have the second reading of the tax rate ordinance

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT - Mr. Gatlin reviewed legislation. Jim Parsons addressed city council regarding legislative agenda item #5, 660 Erlanger Road Bond Refinancing resolution.

REPORT ON CAPITAL PROJECTS - Mr. Quinn reported on current street projects.

Additional Department Reports - None.

REPORTS OF TASK FORCES

- Beautification - Ms. Niceley reported task force members received the proofs for the Seven Mile Garden monument
- Cherry Hill Subdivision Semi Truck Issues - Ms. Jasper-Lucas reported that another semi truck drove through the neighborhood; Chief Rader was investigating
- Park Master Planning - Mr. Hermes reported the next meeting would be held on September 5, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. at Sherbourne Park
- Diversity and Inclusion - Ms. Wilson announced she is looking for a co-chair and invited council to attend the meetings

BIDS - Mr. Quinn reported on the Road Salt Reverse On-Line Auction:

- Four bids were received; lowest bidder was Cargill for \$109.00/ton
- Lowest bid Kenton County received was \$97.66/ton
- Public Works will use the bid received by Kenton County for their primary source and the lowest bid received through the On-Line Auction as a back-up

Mr. Quinn reported on the Cahill Commons Phase 2 Improvements Bid:

- One bid was received
- The bid was awarded to Beaumont Building Group

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None.

NEW BUSINESS - Ms. Jasper-Lucas requested a special council meeting on July 18, 2023 to have the second reading of the amended park regulations ordinance.

LEGISLATION - Mr. Gatlin read the first reading of an ordinance amending Section 96 of the Erlanger Code of Ordinances and Ordinance Numbers 1603, 2153, 2302, and 2343 related to park regulations.

Mr. Gatlin read Municipal Order No. 07-11-23-01 making the written determinations required by KRS 82.083 for the sale or other disposition of property owned by the City. M/S, Reckers-Jasper Lucas, to adopt the municipal order as read. All ayes, no nays, motion carried.

Mr. Gatlin read Resolution No. 07-11-23-01 authorizing the execution of a leasehold mortgage with a fee joinder related to a mortgage granted by 660 Erlanger road, LLC to its lender, and other documents related thereto. M/S, Hermes-Reckers, to adopt the resolution as read. All ayes, no nays, motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS - MS. Reckers requested a caucus meeting on July 18, 2023 to present competing Gary Meyer Emergency Fund legislation.

ADJOURNMENT - M/S, Niceley-Reckers, to adjourn from the regular meeting at 7:48 P.M. All ayes, no nays, motion carried.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED AND ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Sherry Hoffman
City Clerk

Jessica Fette
Mayor