

REGULAR MEETING
ERLANGER CITY COUNCIL
September 5, 2023

Mayor Jessica Fette called the regular meeting of the Erlanger City Council to order in the City of Erlanger Council Chambers at 7:00 P.M., Tuesday, September 5, 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, Vicki Kyle, Jennifer Jasper-Lucas, Diana Niceley, Don Skidmore, Renee Skidmore, and Renee Wilson. City Council Member Rebecca Reckers 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, Cahill-Wilson, that the minutes of the special council meeting held on July 11, 2023 and the special council meeting held on July 18, 2023 be approved as written. All ayes, no nays, motion carried.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA - Mr. Hermes made the motion to table legislative item # 1, Resilience Fund Ordinance. There was no second, motion failed.

M/S, Cahill-Niceley, that the agenda be approved as presented. Seven ayes (Niceley, Cahill, Kyle, R. Skidmore, D. Skidmore, Jasper-Lucas, Wilson), one nay (Hermes), motion carried.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS – Mayor Fette gave Firefighter/EMS Oath to the following:

- FF/EMT Jeremy Mathis
- FF/EMT Joseph Melville

Chief Rader presented the Police Service Exemplary Performance Award to Officer Robbie Martin.

CITIZENS/PUBLIC COMMENTS - None.

MAYOR'S REPORT - Mayor Fette reported that she had proclaimed August 26, 2023 as Wert Music Day in celebration of their fifty years of business.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT - Mr. Glenn reported on the following upcoming events and meetings:

- Summer Sendoff September 23, 2023
- Special Council Meeting September 12, 2023
- Caucus Meeting September 19, 2023

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT - Mr. Gatlin discussed 3140 Dixie Highway's foreclosure initiation.

REPORT ON CAPITAL PROJECTS - Mr. Quinn reported on the following:

- Street projects
- Park projects
- Public Works' facility project
- Railroad bridge painting project

Additional Department Reports - Chief Rader reported Maryann Moore was hired as the police social worker.

Ms. Hoffman reported on the following:

- City Wide Yard Sale September 29-30, 2023
- Fall Clean-Up October 2-6, 2023

REPORTS OF TASK FORCES

- Fire/EMS - Next meeting October 11, 2023, 5:30 p.m., at the Central Firehouse
- Beautification - Next meeting September 19, 2023, 5:00 p.m., at the Public Works Facility
- City Government Month - Ms. Wilson requested a resolution to participate in this event

BIDS - Mr. Quinn reported on the following bid projects:

- Circlewood Concrete Street and Sidewalk Project: six bids received, project awarded to Jefferson Contracting
- Crestside, Summitridge, Spire Circle Resurfacing Project - two bids received, project awarded to Riegler Blacktop
- Central Firehouse HVAC Replacement Project - One bid received, project awarded to Airforce One
- Crack Filling of Various Streets Project - Five bids received, project awarded to Scodeller Construction
- Pleasure Isle Drilled Shaft Wall Project - Two bids received, project awarded to JTM Smith Construction
- Public Street Striping and Markings Project - Two bids received, project awarded to A&A Safety

Chief Rader reported on the police vehicle surplus property online auction. The City received \$6,670.00.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - Mr. Hermes discussed changes or modifications to the Resilience Fund Ordinance. Mr. Gatlin called for a recess at 8:10 P.M. M/S, Hermes-Cahill, to take a recess. All ayes, no nays, motion carried. M/S, Jasper Lucas-Hermes to return to session at 8:22 P.M. All ayes, no nays, motion carried. Mr. Gatlin presented an updated Resilience Fund Ordinance with Mr. Hermes' suggestions.

NEW BUSINESS - Ms. Jasper-Lucas requested a caucus meeting to discuss the reduction of insurance premium fees.

LEGISLATION - Mr. Gatlin read the first reading of an ordinance (Resilience Fund Ordinance) repealing in its entirety Ordinance No. 2548 which transferred \$5,000,000 to the capital fund and replacing with a comprehensive fund balance policy.

Mr. Gatlin read the first reading of an ordinance providing for the annual assessment of all real estate and personal property within the City of Erlanger, which is subject to taxation thereby, for the fiscal year beginning on July 1, 2023, and ending on June 30, 2024, and providing for the payment and collection of such taxes, and the penalties and interest thereon; and describing the purpose for which the taxes so collected shall be appropriated and used, and continuing to fund a special fund, called the Park Improvement Fund to support the ongoing development of new and existing parks.

Mr. Gatlin read the first reading of an ordinance amending Ordinance No. 2556 and the pay plan to change and add job titles and pay bands.

M/S, Cahill-Jasper Lucas, to table the reading of the Amended Sidewalk Grant Agreement resolution. All ayes, no nays, motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS - Mr. Quinn announced Summer Sendoff yard signs were available.

ADJOURNMENT - M/S, Hermes-Kyle, to adjourn from the regular meeting at 8:30 P.M. All ayes, no nays, motion carried.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED AND ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Sherry Hoffman
City Clerk

Jessica Fette
Mayor