



Meeting Minutes - Draft

City Council

Monday, January 4, 2016

4:30 PM

Conference Room

Work Session

Call to Order

Council President Wayne Trawick called the meeting to order at 4:31 p.m.

Roll Call

All Council Members were present with the exception of Council Member Ralph Hellmich, who was absent due to an illness. Council Member Rick Blackwell arrived at 4:32 p.m. Also present were: Mayor John Koniar, City Administrator Mike Thompson, Sandra Pate, Vickey Southern, Katy Taylor, Steve Smith, LaDonna Hinesley, John Jackson, Kate Embry, Leslie Gahagan, David Vosloh, David White, Joey Darby, Chad Christian, Don Staley, Jeff Rouzie and press representative Allison Woodham (Onlooker).

Present: 4 - President Wayne Trawick, Council Member Vera Quaites, Council Member Rick Blackwell and Council Member Charles Ebert III

Absent: 1 - Council Member Ralph Hellmich

Discussion Items

There were no items on the work session to discuss.

Discuss Council Meeting Agenda of January 4, 2016

15-0748 Ordinance amending Ordinance 1196 12 to Include Lot 8A and Lot 8B - This item remained on the agenda.

15-0632 Resolution authorizing employees to enter upon the property at the Meadow Run subdivision detention pond for the purpose of abating the public nuisance. - President Trawick reported this item will be removed from the agenda due to being reviewed by legal counsel.

15-0734 A RESOLUTION SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING DECLARING WEEDS TO BE A PUBLIC NUISANCE AND ORDERING ITS ABATEMENT AT VACANT LOT ON EAST AZALEA AVENUE - This item remained on the agenda.

15-0736 A RESOLUTION SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING DECLARING WEEDS TO BE A PUBLIC NUISANCE AND ORDERING ITS ABATEMENT AT 316 E. MYRTLE AVE - This item remained on the agenda.

15-0751 Ordinance to Rescind Ordinance No. 1009 07 - This item remained on the agenda.

15-0764 Consider naming the dog park - Council Member Quaites reported she like "The Foley Dog Park". Council Member Ebert, III agreed. Mr. Thompson reported the name will be put on a plaque at the entrance of the park. Mayor Koniar asked if the park will be closed at night. Mr. Thompson reported the park will be open from dawn to dusk. There was a discussion regarding locking the park after hours. Mr. Thompson reported there will be signs stating hours the park is open and suggested to first see if the public respects the dawn to dusk hours. Mr. Thompson reported there will be lights at night for added security purposes. There was a discussion of a possible security camera in the area of the park. Mr. Thompson reported he will speak with IT Director Jessica Middleton about having a security camera in the area. He also reported an exact date of opening has not been established. It depends on how fast the grass will grow after being seeded. There needs to be a firm base of grass to avoid a lot of mud. It may be closer to late January when the park will be open. This item remained on the agenda.

15-0767 Residential Sanitation Write Offs as Uncollectible in the Amount of \$128.00. - This item remained on the agenda.

16-0000 Accept LSTA (Library Services and Technology Act) Grant - Library Director John Jackson reported this item is to accept \$6,000 from Library Services and Technology Act grant. The grant has a 25% match that has been met. This item remained on the agenda.

16-0001 REQUEST TO USE MAX GRIFFIN PARK BY THE WOMEN'S CARE MEDICAL CENTER FOR THEIR ANNUAL WALK A THON - President Trawick reported this item was adopted by resolution 15-2387 during the December 21, 2015 Council meeting and this item will be removed from the agenda.

16-0002 Approves Application For FY 2015 Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) - Fire Chief Joey Darby reported the Department has applied for this grant before and have not received it. They are asking for \$100,000 from this grant to replace the Fire Department's breathing apparatuses. There will be a \$5,000 match that is budgeted. This is the FY 15 grant since the Government is a full year behind in their grant cycles. This item remained on the agenda.

President Trawick reported Sports and Tourism Executive Director Don Staley had updates he wished to report. Mr. Staley reported there will be a site visit with NIRSA (The National Intramural-Recreational Sports Association, which is an organization that regulates in various sports through the collegiate systems across the United States). They will be visiting the one field that now has sod on it. NIRSA will be bringing the collegiate soccer tournament to Foley. He reported this event was recently Phoenix, Arizona and had an economic impact of between 2.5 Million and 2.8 Million dollars to the community. He reported the site visit will be on the field at 9:30 a.m. on the field followed by a press conference at 10:30 a.m. in the office of BC Foley; however, if the weather is warm enough, it will be held on the field.

Mayor's Comments

Mayor Koniar wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Visitor's Comments

There were no visitor comments.

Adjourn

Hearing no further comments the meeting adjourned at 5:04 p.m.