

MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SYLACAUGA HELD JUNE 30, 2020

This special meeting of the City Council was called by the City Council President for consideration of certain business items as follows:

- Approval of TAP Grant application for project consisting of design/construction of sidewalks and installation of lighting along James Payton Blvd. from Hwy 280 to Hwy 511;
- Acceptance of proposal from Michael Rice, EEFS Company, PC, for services related to preliminary prep and filing related TAP application;
- To consider and act upon any other general business of the City that may be required.

MEETING AGENDA

1. Council President, Lee Perryman, called the meeting to order at 4:03 p.m.
2. Roll Call: Council Members Present: Ashton Fowler, Donnie Blackmon, Dallas Davenport, and Lee Perryman. Absent: Tiffany Nix. Mayor James Heigl and City Clerk/Treasurer Patricia Carden were also present.
3. District 3 Councilman, Donnie Blackmon, gave the invocation.
4. Council President Perryman led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
5. Adopt Agenda:
A motion by Councilman Fowler, second by Councilman Blackmon to adopt the agenda was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.
6. Action that is necessary to approve resolution authorizing/approving FY 2021 Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside Program (TAP Grant) Application for a project consisting of design/construction of sidewalks and installation of lighting along James Payton Blvd. from Hwy 280 to Hwy 511:
Council discussed the proposed project by phone with Michael Rice (EEFS Company, PC). Mr. Rice explained the scope of the proposed project and how it complies with the City's proposed Comprehensive Plan by providing pedestrian access to the retail developments near Hwy 280 and improved lighting along James Payton Blvd. He added that the proposed project will be designed to work with the City's plan to pursue a future project to widen and further improve the street. Rice stated that the best funding available for this particular project would be through a TAP grant with maximum funding of up to \$800,000.00 at 80% with a 20% required local match. City's obligation will include design and procurement costs. Rice expects the project cost to be in the \$650,000.00 to \$700,000.00 range.

Resolution #47-2020 was introduced by Councilman Fowler; Read by City Clerk.

A motion by Councilman Blackmon, second by Councilman Davenport to suspend the rules and give immediate consideration was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.

Upon unanimous consent by Council to give the resolution immediate consideration:

A motion by Councilman Fowler, second by Councilman Blackmon to approve Resolution 47-2020 was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.

7. Action that is necessary to approve resolution accepting proposal in the amount of \$2,800.00 from Michael Rice, EEFS Company, PC, for professional services related to preliminary prep and filing of related FY 2021 TAP Grant application for

a project consisting of design/construction of sidewalks and installation of lighting along James Payton Blvd. from Hwy 280 to Hwy 511:

Resolution #48-2020 was introduced by Councilman Blackmon; Read by City Clerk.

A motion by Councilman Fowler, second by Councilman Davenport to suspend the rules and give immediate consideration was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.

Upon unanimous consent by Council to give the resolution immediate consideration:

A motion by Councilman Blackmon, second by Councilman Fowler to approve Resolution 48-2020 was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.

Mayor James Heigl commended the Council for moving forward with and seeking funding for this project, adding that ALDOT will be making improvements to the intersection at Hwy 280 and this project will help with the anticipated growth in that area. Council President Perryman commented that this project will be the first phase of improvements to enhance that important corridor and that Council intends to pursue additional grant funds to be used for widening and paving. Perryman added that Mayor Heigl has already secured a separate commitment from ALDOT for \$250,000.00 to use on those additional improvements to James Payton Blvd.

8. Having no further business to discuss,

A motion by Councilman Fowler, second by Councilman Davenport to adjourn was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.

(Time of adjournment 4:20 p.m.)

APPROVED BY COUNCIL JULY 9, 2020:



Lee Perryman, President of City Council

CERTIFICATION:

I, PATRICIA G. CARDEN, as City Clerk-Treasurer of the CITY OF SYLACAUGA, ALABAMA, do hereby certify that the foregoing document constitutes a true and correct permanent record of the action taken during a special meeting of the Sylacauga City Council held June 30, 2020.


Patricia G. Carden, City Clerk-Treasurer