



Mayor Carlos Duffey
Councilman Theodore Patterson: District 1
Councilman Lewis Sims: District 2
Councilman Ricky “P-Nut” Johnson: District 3
Councilman Don Cook: District 4
Councilwoman Beth S. Weaver: District 5
Regular Meeting
Minutes

June 20, 2023

7:04 pm

Present:

Mayor Carlos Duffey
Councilman Theodore Patterson, District 1
Councilman Lewis Sims, District 2
Councilman Ricky Johnson, District 3
Councilman Don Cook, District 4
Councilwoman Beth Weaver, District 5

The City Council of Jackson met in a regular session on Tuesday, June 20, 2023, at 625 W. Third St. The meeting was open to the public and called to order at 7:04 P.M. by Mayor Carlos Duffey

1. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilman Theodore Patterson made the motion to approve the agenda with the amendment to add the vote to approve the dead end on College St. as new business item 6 seconded by Councilman Don Cook. The motion passed unanimously.

2. CONSENT AGENDA:

- 1. Approval Work Session Minutes June 6, 2023.**
- 2. Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes June 6, 2023.**

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilman Don Cook made the motion to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Councilman Lewis Sims. The motion passed unanimously.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

- 1. Gabbie Ivey a resident of the City of Jackson wanted to confirm if the rumor of business licenses not being renewed for certain businesses that do not meet the features the City of Jackson is looking for. This rumor was addressed by Mayor and council, and this is not true.**
- 2. Melissa Middleton addressed the Council to confirm she had heard this rumor as well.**
- 3. Ian Patten addressed the council and wanted to confirm the parameters of Jackson Square. Sylvia Redic addressed his comment.**
- 4. Jerry Cope a food truck vendor wanted to know what the status was on the Food Trucks and if would they be coming back.**

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

- 1. Zoning Ordinance 2023-023: Amendments to the Zoning Ordinance Article X: Sign Regulations: Section 10-20 Permits**

Public Hearing Opened: 7:22

Sylvia Redic the City of Jackson Zoning Administrator presented the Mayor and Council with the amendments to the Sign code that are a part of the City of Jackson Zoning Ordinance.

Public Comments:

Clay Fitzgerald expressed that he feels that this should not be allowed and any issues with signs should be addressed with the Business Owner before the CO is issued for the business.

Public Hearing Closed: 7:25

5. ORDINANCES:

- 1. Second Read of Ordinance 2023-022**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE JACKSON CODE OF ORDINANCES ARTICLE V. STREET LIGHTING PROGRAM DIVISION 1: AUTHORITY AND RESPONSIBILITY SECTION 50-177: AUTHORITY AND SECTION 50-178: RESPONSIBILITY; TO PROVIDE FOR SEVERABILITY; TO PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilman Theodore Patterson made the motion to adopt Ordinance 2023-022 seconded by Councilman Lewis Sims. The Motion passed unanimously.

2. First Read of Ordinance 2023-023

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CITY OF JACKSON ZONING ORDINANCE ARTICLE X: SIGN REGULATIONS; SECTION 10-20: PERMITS TO PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

3. First Read of Ordinance 2023-023

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CITY OF JACKSON CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 18: BUSINESSES; ARTICLE I; IN GENERAL; SECTION 18-31: DEFINITIONS; TO ADD RESIDENTIAL SHORT-TERM RENTALS; SECTION 18-32; REGULATORY FEE; TO ADD AS ITEM 32 UNDER SECTION (C) RESIDENTIAL SHORT TERM RENTALS; TO ADD TO THE CITY OF JACKSON ADMINISTRATIVE FEE SCHEDULE RESIDENTIAL SHORT TERM RENTALS PERMIT FEE; TO DEFINE PERMIT REQUIREMENTS; TO IDENTIFY RESPONSIBLE PARTY; PROVIDE FOR RELATED MATTERS; TO REPEAL INCONSISTENT PROVISIONS; TO PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

6. RESOLUTIONS:

1. RESOLUTION NO. 2023-015

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE MATCHING FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$100,000 FOR THE LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION FUND GRANT TO FUND THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT AT PEPPER TON PARK; TO AUTHORIZE MAYOR DUFFEY TO CREATE AND EXECUTE ANY ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY FOR THE GRANT; TO PROVIDE FOR AN ADOPTION DATE AND EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilman Theodore Patterson made the motion to adopt Resolution 2023-015 seconded by Councilman Lewis Sims. The Motion passed with Councilwoman Beth Weaver in opposition.

2. RESOLUTION NO. 2023-016

A RESOLUTION TO SET AND ADOPT THE 2023 EVENT CALENDAR, LOCATIONS, ROAD CLOSURES, AND FEES TO BE SPENT ON EACH EVENT.

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilman Beth Weaver made the motion to adopt Resolution 2023-016 with the amendment of taking the First Friday events off until the council has

further time to discuss and to increase the amount for the Lighting on the Square seconded by Councilman Don Cook. The Motion passed unanimously.

7. NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. Approval of the two quotes in the amount of \$44,750.00 and \$5,200.00 for repairs and painting of the City of Jackson Public Works and Electric Department Buildings to be paid from SPLOST and to authorize Mayor Duffey to execute any related documents.**

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilman Theodore Patterson made the motion to approve new business item number 1, seconded by Councilwoman Beth Weaver. The Motions Passed unanimously.

- 2. Approval to renew the contract with Evoqua for the City of Jackson Wastewater Treatment Plant to run lab samples and to authorize Mayor Duffey to execute any related documents.**

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilman Don Cook made the motion to approve new business item number 2, seconded by Councilwoman Beth Weaver. The Motions Passed unanimously.

- 3. Approval of the Special Events Agreement with Butts County Recreation Department in the amount of \$125.00 for the Fourth of July Fireworks Show and to authorize Mayor Duffey to execute any related documents.**

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilman Don Cook made the motion to approve new business item number 3, seconded by Councilman Ricky Johnson. The Motions Passed unanimously.

- 4. Approval to award the bid for the Carter Avenue Water Main project to Roberts Hauling & Pipeline Construction, Inc in the amount of \$141,900.00 to come from SPLOST fund and to authorize Mayor Duffey to execute any related documents.**

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilman Ricky Johnson made the motion to approve new business item number 4, seconded by Councilman Theodore Patterson. The Motions Passed unanimously.

- 5. To approve the Handicapped Ramp design for Jackson Square in the amount of \$6,185.00 to come from SPLOST and to authorize Mayor Duffey to execute any related documents.**

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilman Don Cook made the motion to approve new business item number 5, seconded by Councilman Theodore Patterson. The Motions Passed unanimously.

- 6. To approve the proposed dead end on College St. from GDOT and to authorize Mayor Duffey to execute any related documents.**

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilman Theodore Patterson made the motion to approve new business item number 6, seconded by Councilman Don Cook. The Motions Passed unanimously.

8. Public Comments:

- **Tyler Garland a member of the Butts County Library Board and a resident of College St. expressed her gratitude that we will be dead ending the street where the roundabout is going.**
- **Chassie Chrisley a resident of Freeman St. Spoke in opposition of the Roundabout going on College St.**

- 9. MOTION AND VOTE:** Councilman Theodore Patterson made the motion to add the approval of the proposed truck parking on the square to new business item number 7, seconded by Councilwoman Beth Weaver. The Motions Passed unanimously.

10. New Business

- 7. To approve the designated truck parking for deliveries up to an hour around Jackson Square and to authorize Mayor Duffey to execute any related documents.**

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilman Theodore Patterson made the motion to approve new business item number 7, seconded by Councilman Lewis Sims. The Motions Passed unanimously.

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Personnel, litigation, and real estate.

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilman Don Cook made the motion to enter into Executive Session, seconded by Councilman Theodore Patterson. The Motions Passed unanimously.

Time Entered: 7:47

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilman Don Cook made the motion to exit Executive Session and reconvene the regular meeting, seconded by Councilman Theodore Patterson. The Motions Passed unanimously.

Time Exited: 8:27

12. EXECUTIVE SESSION NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Approval of the personnel discussion in Executive Session and to authorize Mayor Duffey to execute any related Documents.**

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilman Theodore Patterson made the motion to approve Executive Session new business item number 1, seconded by Councilman Lewis Sims The Motions Passed unanimously.

13. MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

The Mayor and Council discussed the style of benches and the number of benches to go around the square. They all agreed that 16 benches. Councilman Don Cook announced the next City Clean-up day will be Neiron Ball Day on August 19th. Councilman Cook also recapped the I75 Corridor Meeting. Mayor Duffey spoke of the huge turnout for the Juneteenth Celebration.

14. ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilman Theodore Patterson made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Lewis Sims. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm.

Carlos L Duffey, Mayor

ATTEST:

Marjorie Stansell, City Clerk