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OXFORD CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING

DATE: July 14, 2020
TIME: 6:32 P.M.
PLACE: Oxford Performing Arts Center
PRESENT: Mayor Alton Craft
Mr. Chris Spurlin, Council President
Mr. Steven Waits, Council President Pro Tempore
Mrs. Charlotte Hubbard, Council Member
Mr. Phil Gardner, Council Member
Mr. Mike Henderson, Council Member

The City Council of the City of Oxford, Alabama, met in Regular Session in the Oxford Performing Arts Center of the City of Oxford, Alabama, on Tuesday, July 14, 2020, at approximately 6:32 o'clock p.m. Council President Spurlin called the meeting to order.

Ron Allen, City Attorney, was present.

Alan Atkinson, City Clerk, was present.

Greg Ford, Grace Baptist Church, prayed the Invocation.

Council President Spurlin led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Council President Spurlin stated each member of the Council had previously received a copy of the minutes of the June 23rd, 2020 meeting. Council Member Henderson made a motion that the minutes be approved as presented. The motion was seconded by Council Member Gardner.

Council President Spurlin called for any comments or questions; there being none, on roll call the votes of the Council were as follows: ayes: Council Members Hubbard, Gardner, Waits, Henderson and Spurlin; nays: none. The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Council President Spurlin announced that was the time for the public hearing to consider a rezoning request from Marsha Ellen Ireland to rezone property located at 1724 Lake Street from Residential District (R-2) to General Business District (GB), declared the hearing open and asked if anyone wished to address the Council either in favor of or in opposition to said rezoning request from Marsha Ellen Ireland to rezone property located at 1724 Lake Street from Residential District (R-2) to General Business District (GB).

Ellen Ireland, 4002 Evans Lane, addressed the Council in favor of said rezoning request from Marsha Ellen Ireland to rezone property located at 1724 Lake Street from Residential District (R-2) to General Business District (GB). She stated she would like to sell the property to someone

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with an interest in putting a business there. She stated most of the residential properties in the area were rentals and the neighborhood had declined. She stated her home was directly behind Cobb Automotive and it was extremely loud there and would be hard for someone to have a quiet home life there. She stated there had been a lot of theft in the area.

Council President Spurlin asked if anyone else wished to address the Council either in favor of or in opposition to said rezoning request from Marsha Ellen Ireland to rezone property located at 1724 Lake Street from Residential District (R-2) to General Business District (GB).

No one else addressed the Council either in favor of or in opposition to said rezoning request from Marsha Ellen Ireland to rezone property located at 1724 Lake Street from Residential District (R-2) to General Business District (GB).

Council President Spurlin declared the public hearing hearing to consider a rezoning request from Marsha Ellen Ireland to rezone property located at 1724 Lake Street from Residential District (R-2) to General Business District (GB) closed.

Ordinance No. 2020 – 16 – Rezoning property located at 1724 Lake Street from Residential District (R-2) to General Business District (GB).

Council Member Gardner made a motion for the unanimous consent of the Council for the immediate consideration of Ordinance Number 2020-16. The motion was seconded by Council Member Hubbard; and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Members Hubbard, Gardner, Waits, Henderson and Spurlin; nays: none. The motion carried.

Unanimous consent of the Council having been given for the immediate consideration of Ordinance Number 2020-16, Council Member Henderson made a motion to approve Ordinance Number 2020-16. The motion was seconded by Council Member Hubbard; and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Members Hubbard, Gardner, Waits, Henderson and Spurlin; nays: none. The motion carried and Ordinance Number 2020-16 was approved.

Council President Spurlin stated the next item on the agenda was the Consent Agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Resolution No. 2020 – 59 – Resolution authorizing the use of the DS200 ballot scanner and vote tabulator in City elections.

Resolution No. 2020- 60 – Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a Tobacco Tax Revenue Administration Agreement with Avenu Insights and Analytics.

Resolution No. 2020 – 61 – Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute documents for a U. S. Economic Development Administration application and committing \$417,079.92 in matching funds.

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Council Member Gardner made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, Resolution Numbers 2020-59 through 2020-61. The motion was seconded by Council Member Henderson; and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Members Hubbard, Gardner, Waits, Henderson and Spurlin; nays: none. The motion carried and the Consent Agenda, Resolution Numbers 2020-59 through 2020-61, were approved.

Resolution No. 2020 – 62 – Resolution declaring certain vehicles surplus and authorizing the Mayor or his designee to dispose of said vehicles.

Council Member Waits made a motion to add to the agenda and approve Resolution No. 2020-62. The motion was seconded by Council Member Henderson; and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Members Hubbard, Gardner, Waits, Henderson and Spurlin; nays: none. The motion carried and Resolution Number 2020-62 was approved.

There being no further business to come before the Council, Council Member Henderson made a motion to adjourn into Executive Session to discuss the possible sale or purchase of real estate. The motion was seconded by Council Member Hubbard; and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Members Hubbard, Gardner, Waits, Henderson and Spurlin; nays: none. The motion carried and the Council adjourned into Executive Session at approximately 6:42 o'clock p.m.

APPROVED
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
OXFORD, ALABAMA


Chris Spurlin, Council President

AUTHENTICATED:


Alan B. Atkinson, City Clerk
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