

Minutes of the Regular Work Session of the  
Board of Mayor and Aldermen, City of Kingsport, Tennessee  
Monday, November 4, 2013, 3:00 PM  
Council Room – City Hall

PRESENT: Board of Mayor and Aldermen

Mayor Dennis Phillips

Alderman John Clark

Alderman Colette George

*(arrived at 4:35 p.m.)*

Vice-Mayor Mike McIntire

Alderman Tom C. Parham

Alderman Tom Segelhorst

City Administration

John G. Campbell, City Manager

J. Michael Billingsley, City Attorney

James H. Demming, City Recorder

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** 3:00 p.m. by Mayor Phillips.
2. **ROLL CALL:** By Deputy City Recorder Angie Marshall. Absent: Alderman Jantry Shupe.
3. **STRATEGIC PLANNING SESSION.** City Manager for Development Jeff Fleming presented the first part of this item discussing past strategies and current conditions. He provided details on the history of past vision planning and the progress that has been made over the years. City Manager Campbell then presented a financial update to the BMA describing the elements of the city's financial framework and answered questions from the board. Discussion followed.
4. **OVERVIEW OF CAROUSEL PROJECT.** Assistant to the City Manager Chris McCart stated the city will be moving forward on the closing of the property. Assistant Public Works Director Michael Thompson provided details on the necessary roadwork that will be taking place and portrayed the timeline. Mr. Reggie Martin then provided information on the status of the carvings. He also discussed details on the site plan as well as the plans for operation, noting the carousel should be open in the fall of 2014.
5. **WORK SESSION TICKLER.** Mayor Phillips noted that Cleek Road is almost finished.
6. **REVIEW OF AGENDA ITEMS ON THE NOVEMBER 5, 2013 REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING AGENDA.** City Manager Campbell, members of staff and community members provided a summary or presentation for each item on the proposed agenda. Those items the Board discussed at greater length or which received specific questions or concerns included:  
  
**VI.AA.1 Public Hearing and Consideration of Ordinances to Annex/Amend Zoning of the Airport Parkway South Area 1 Annexation (AF: 280-2013).** City Planner Corey Shepherd gave details on this annexation, confirming it was staff initiated. City Attorney Billingsley noted the ordinance would have to be amended since it stated this was owner requested. Mr. Shepherd stated the property owners affected did not have a problem with it.

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**VI.AA.2 Public Hearing and Consideration of Ordinances to Amend Zoning of Parcel 1, Tax Map 46A, Located off West Stone Drive in the 11<sup>th</sup> Civil District of Sullivan County (AF: 277-2013).** City Planner Ken Weems presented this item, noting a firearms store would be locating on the property. He confirmed there were no legal reasons to not rezone to accommodate this business, even though a school is located close by.

**VI.AA.3 Public Hearing and Consideration of Ordinances to Amend Zoning of a Portion of Parcel 125, Tax Map 32J, Located off East Stone Drive in the 10<sup>th</sup> Civil District of Sullivan County (AF: 278-2013).** City Planner Ken Weems provided information on this item, stating the planning department has not received any calls from the public. He stated the owner has requested to be down-zoned in order to sell cars. Discussion followed.

**VI.D.9 Consideration of a Resolution Approving the Renewal of an Agreement with Humana, Inc. and Authorizing the Mayor to Execute Renewal Documents with Humana, Inc. for Administration Services for the City's Health Insurance Plan (AF: 275-2013).** City Manager Campbell discussed this item, noting a 2.9% increase. He stated staff felt this was reasonable at this time and it will be rebid next year. Risk Manager Terri Evans provided further details regarding the Affordable Care Act which mandates the maximum limit for out of pocket expenses.

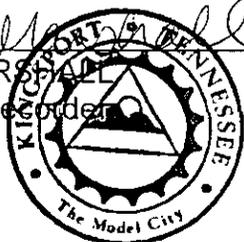
**VI.D.10 Consideration of a Resolution Approving a Mural for the Signature Properties Building at 115 New Street (AF: 288-2013).** Cultural Arts Director Bonnie MacDonald gave details on the artist who will be doing this work.

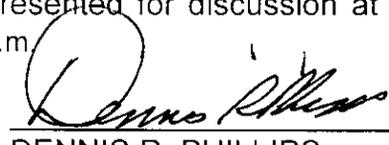
**BOARD COMMENT.** Alderman George clarified a comment from a previous meeting regarding how she would benefit from new housing in Kingsport. She stated she did not mind when negative comments were directed toward her, but it was inappropriate and mean to insult her company and her employees, especially when facts are misunderstood. Mayor Phillips agreed that many times half of what is said is untrue or misleading, pointing out that the board has to act on what the city manager or the public brings before them. Some discussion followed.

**PUBLIC COMMENT.** Ms. Mary McNabb commented.

**7. ADJOURN.** Seeing no other matters presented for discussion at this work session, Mayor Phillips adjourned the meeting at 6:25 p.m.

  
ANGELA MARSHALL  
Deputy City Recorder



  
DENNIS R. PHILLIPS  
Mayor