

Minutes of the Regular Work Session of the
Board of Mayor and Aldermen, City of Kingsport, Tennessee
Monday, September 14, 2020, 4:30 PM
Council Room – City Hall

PRESENT: Board of Mayor and Aldermen

Mayor Patrick W. Shull, Presiding
Vice-Mayor Colette George
Alderman Jennifer Adler
Alderman Betsy Cooper

Alderman Darrell Duncan
Alderman Tommy Olterman
Alderman James Phillips

City Administration

Chris McCartt, City Manager
Ryan McReynolds, Deputy City Manager
J Michael Billingsley, City Attorney
Sid Cox, City Recorder
Angie Marshall, City Clerk/Deputy City Recorder
Ken Weems, Planning Manager
David Quillin, Police Chief
Scott Boyd, Fire Chief
John Morris, Budget Officer

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** 4:30 p.m. by Mayor Patrick W. Shull.
2. **ROLL CALL:** By Deputy City Recorder Marshall.
3. A determination by the board that meeting electronically and prohibiting the physical presence of the public at the meeting is necessary to protect public health, safety and welfare of all concerned in light of the COVID-19 virus.
Mayor Shull made this declaration and each alderman verbally affirmed.
4. **KEDB/NETWORKS UPDATE.** Craig Denison and Clay Walker presented this item and answered questions from the board.
5. **JUSTICE CENTER MASTER PLAN.** Deputy City Manager Ryan McReynolds gave a presentation on this item, highlighting how the space for the courts would be repurposed as IT moved out and into the new city hall. The property where city hall currently sits would become parking. Vice-Mayor George suggested parking needs be met in the other direction as the original presentation of this project put the current city hall property, which is prime real estate, back on the tax rolls. Alderman Adler agreed. Mr. McReynolds stated staff would consult with the planning group to readjust and report back to the board. Discussion followed.
6. **REVIEW OF AGENDA ITEMS ON THE SEPTEMBER 15, 2020 REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING AGENDA.** City Manager McCartt gave a summary for each item on the proposed agenda. The following items were discussed at greater length or received specific questions or concerns:

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VI.A.1 Amend Zoning Text to Make Various Changes to the PD, Planned Development Zoning District (AF: 246-2020). Planning Manager Ken Weems provided details to the code changes and answered questions from the board.

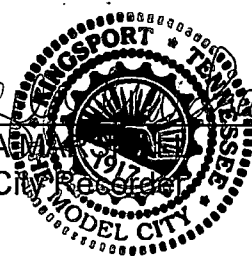
VI.B.1 Amend Kingsport City Code Sections 98-497, 98-498 and 98-499 Pertaining to Traffic Enforcement Cameras (AF: 250-2020). Mr. McCartt pointed out these changes kept the city code in line with state law and was a routine adjustment as laws were updated.

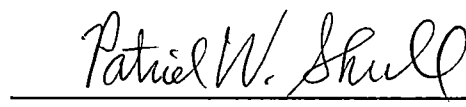
VI.D.4 Approve Termination of the Covenants and Restrictions for Miller Parke (AF: 252-2020). The city manager commented the developer needs five of the eight covenants adjusted to move forward with the project.

The City Manager commented about the City's management of COVID money. Alderman Phillips stated he was asked about Halloween activities this year in light of the pandemic and commented the board and staff should consider if any changes need to be made or addressed. It was pointed out that with many activities being cancelled there would be more kids out to trick-or-treat. Alderman Adler suggested street closures may be necessary in some areas. Vice-Mayor George commented the Sullivan County Commission would be having a called meeting concerning a proposed 15 cent tax increase for the new jail and encouraged anyone with views to communicate them beforehand. Mayor Shull commented on the debate about wearing masks, noting the current mandate had been extended.

7. ADJOURN. Seeing no other matters presented for discussion at this work session, Mayor Shull adjourned the meeting at 6:10 p.m.


ANGELA M. RESENDEZ
Deputy City Recorder




PATRICK W. SHULL
Mayor