

Minutes of the Regular Work Session of the
Board of Mayor and Aldermen, City of Kingsport, Tennessee
Monday, November 30, 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 (via zoom)

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 (via zoom)

Sid Cox, City Recorder

Angie Marshall, City Clerk/Deputy City Recorder

Bart Rowlett, Assistant City Attorney

David Quillin, Chief of Police (via zoom)

Terry Arnold, Assistant Fire Chief

John Morris, Budget Officer

George DeCroes, Human Resources Manager (via zoom)

Jessica Harmon, Assistant to City Manager

Chris Campbell, Public Transportation Manager

Adrienne Batara, Public Information & Communications Director

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. **TRANSIT STUDY RECOMMENDATIONS.** Chris Campbell presented this item. Michelle Poyourow and Ricky Angueira from Jarrett Walker and Associates provided additional information via zoom and answered questions from the board. Discussion followed.
5. **ANIMAL ORDINANCE DISCUSSION.** Assistant City Attorney Rowlett gave a presentation on this item, pointing out the four primary categories that focus on the majority of complaints and what other local municipalities are doing. There was some discussion.
6. **REVIEW OF AGENDA ITEMS ON THE DECEMBER 1, 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.D.1 Amend the Stonegate Redevelopment District Plan and Approve Tax Increment Financing for the West Gate Project (AF: 307-2020). Vice-Mayor George commented on the vote by the county and noted the expectations for future projects such as these.


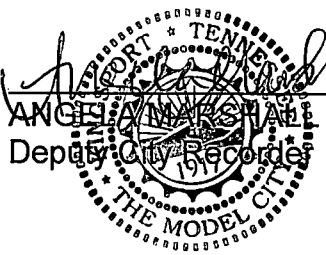
VI.D.2 Extend Via Temporary Policy the Expiration Date of the Emergency Paid Sick Leave Act (AF: 309-2020). Assistant City Attorney Rowlett discussed this item, noting the Governor's previously approved exceptions for COVID-19 mandates expire on December 31. This will allow the city to extend it to June 1 or until the State of Emergency is lifted. He noted the main goal was to incentivize people to stay home if they're sick to keep the workplace as safe as possible.

VI.D.3 Amendment to an Economic Development Contribution to the Industrial Development Board of Kingsport and Authorizing One or More Agreements Pertaining to the Same (AF: 301-2020). The city manager provided details stating this would allow for the loan to be restructured because it was originally set up for industrial use.

VII.2 Reject Bids for Property at 1725 Netherland Inn Road (AF: 291-2020). City Recorder Cox noted the bids were not near the appraisal price. He stated staff would reevaluate and move forward.

VIII.C Report on Debt Obligation - GO Refunding Bonds, Series 2020. City Recorder Cox explained this was a standard report required by the comptroller when debt is issued. He noted the city got a great rate and would be saving 1.8 million dollars over a 10-12 year period.

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


ANGELA ANNARSALE
Deputy City Recorder



PATRICK W. SHULL
Mayor