

Minutes of the Regular Work Session of the
Board of Mayor and Aldermen, City of Kingsport, Tennessee
Monday, March 7, 2022, 4:30 PM
City Hall, Boardroom, 415 Broad Street

PRESENT: Board of Mayor and Aldermen
Mayor Patrick W. Shull, Presiding
Vice-Mayor Colette George
Alderman Betsy Cooper
Alderman Darrell Duncan
Alderman Paul W. Montgomery
Alderman Tommy Olterman

City Administration

Chris McCartt, City Manager
Ryan McReynolds, Deputy City Manager
Michael Borders, Assistant City Manager
Bart Rowlett, Assistant City Attorney
Michael Thompson, Public Works Director
Lisa Winkle, City Recorder/Treasurer
Angie Marshall, City Clerk/Deputy City Recorder
Scott Boyd, Fire Chief
Dale Phipps, Police Chief
John Morris, Budget Officer
Ken Weems, Planning Manager
John Burkholder, Risk Manager
Tyra Copas, Human Resources Manager
Jessica Harmon, Assistant to City Manager
Adrienne Batara, Public Relations Director

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** 4:30 p.m. by Mayor Patrick W. Shull.
2. **ROLL CALL:** Deputy City Recorder Marshall. Absent: Alderman James Phillips
3. **DOWNTOWN KINGSFORT ASSOCIATION UPDATE.** Greg Perdue reviewed the past year of DKA events noting there was something going on every weekend. He provided details on the economic impact as well as the downtown loan program. Robin Cleary gave an update on housing and answered questions.
4. **EAST CENTER STREET CORRIDOR STUDY PRESENTATION.** Lesley Phillips, Transportation Planner, introduced Kevin Tilbury, Senior Transportation Planner with Kimley Horn, who gave a presentation on this item and provided details of the grant, pointing out a ten percent match from the city. The portion of Center Street affected is Fort Henry Drive to Sullivan Street. He discussed data collection, issues, opportunities and hotspots before presenting multiple options that align with the City's vision. He talked about the economic development potential and the phases of implementation. He stated the project can be viewed online and answered questions as discussion followed.

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5. REVIEW OF AGENDA ITEMS ON THE MARCH 8, 2022 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.

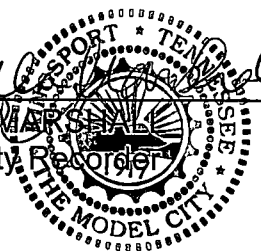
VI.B.2 Appropriate Funding from the Criminal Forfeiture Fund and the Drug Fund to Establish a Project for the Police Department and a Resolution to Authorize the Purchase of One Tactical Rescue Vehicle (AF: 65-2022). Police Chief Phipps provided information on this item. He stated the police department wants to keep their employees as safe as possible while being forward thinking with a changing society as well as technology. He gave details on the vehicle and the benefits it can provide. The Chief also pointed out the vehicle was fully financed through the criminal forfeiture fund.


VII.5 Support Restoring the Historic Revenue Sharing Relationship between the State of Tennessee and its Local Governments and to Return the Local Share of the Single Article Cap to Local Governments (AF: 66-2022). City Manager McCartt pointed out ten to twelve cities have already taken action to pass this.

VII.6 Approve an Actuarial Study for the Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System (AF: 34-2022). Human Resources Manager Tyra Copas gave a presentation on this item, providing a timeline of the City's history with TCRS and from being the first municipality to join in 1949 to opting out in 2010. She explained the benefits of going back now, noting the hybrid plan they have now addressed previous concerns. She also pointed out the strategic objective was to be competitive with recruitment and retention. Discussion ensued.

6. ADJOURN. Seeing no other matters presented for discussion at this work session, Mayor Shull adjourned the meeting at 6:03 p.m.


ANGELA MARSHALL
Deputy City Recorder




PATRICK W. SHULL
Mayor