COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MINUTES

March 12, 2019

The Committee of the Whole was called to order by Mayor Robert A. B. Reichert

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:
Mayor Robert Reichert
Commissioner Joe Allen
Commissioner Bert Bivins
Commissioner Mallory Jones
Commissioner Elaine Lucas
Commissioner Larry Schlesinger
Commissioner Scotty Shepherd
Commissioner Valerie Wynn
Commissioner Virgil Watkins

OTHERS PRESENT:
Keith Moffett County Manager
Judd Drake, County Attorney
Crystal Jones, Sr. Assistant County Attorney
Michael McNeill, Assistant County Attorney
Chris Floore, Public Affairs
Janice Ross, Clerk of Commission
Christy Iuliucci, Finance
Erick D'Leon, MBC Airports
Dave Fortson, Director, Engineering Department
Clay Murphey, SPLOST Manager

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:
Mayor Pro Tem Al Tillman

GUESTS PRESENT
Jeff Jones, MBC Industrial Authority
Steven Adams, MBC Industrial Authority
Robbie Fountain, MBC Industrial Authority
Amy Tarpley, MBC Industrial Authority
Stacy Moore, Cherry Blossom Festival
Alex Habersham, Cherry Blossom Festival
Kevin Brown, MBC Industrial Authority
Adah Roberts, SPLOST Advisory Committee
Lester Miller, Chairman, Board of Education
Jan Beeland, Macon Arts Alliance
Mike Kaplan, MBC Board of Elections
Tim Thornton, MMI
Miller Heath, III, MMI

NEW MEDIA:
Eric Mock, WGXA
Abby Kousouris, 13WMAZ

Dr. Moffett stated that the Health and Retirement Benefit Committee would meet on March 27th to review the RFP for the 457 plan and the new retirement plan. He inquired if the Commission wanted to approved the RFP before putting it out to bid. It was the consensus of the Commission to allow the Health and Retirement Benefit Committee to approve and move forward with putting the plans out to bid without the Commission reviewing.

1. Approval of minutes from the February 26, 2019 meeting

   ACTION

   On motion of Commission Allen, seconded by Commissioner Wynn and carried unanimously, the minutes of the February 26, 2019 meeting were approved.

2. Executive Session

ACTION

On motion of Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Allen and carried unanimously, the Committee went into Executive Session to discuss authorizing negotiations to purchase, dispose of, or lease property as provided in O.C.G.A. 50-14-3(b)(1)(B)

3. Central City Commons

   A. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into the Master Development Agreement with the Macon-Bibb County Urban Development Authority and MMI-Thornton, LLC to provide for the design, construction, scheduling, financing and completion of the Central City Commons Development Project containing a hotel and parking deck to be known as the Macon Hyatt Place and a mixed use retail and multifamily development with a Parking Deck.

   ACTION

   On motion of Commissioner Schlesinger, seconded by Commissioner Jones and carried unanimously, the Resolution to approve the Maser Development Agreement with the Urban Development Authority and MMI-Thornton, LLC was approved.

4. Board of Elections Appointees

   A. A Resolution appointing Michael M. Kaplan as the fifth member of the Board of Elections.,

   ACTION

   On motion of Commissioner Allen, seconded by Commission Wynn and carried unanimously, Mike Kaplan was appointed as the fifth member of the Board of Elections.

5. Stormwater Management

   A. A Resolution to request that the Macon Water Authority provide a Stormwater Management Program and Utility in Macon-Bibb County, and to approve the preparation of an Intergovernmental Agreement between Macon-Bibb County and the Macon Water Authority authorizing the Authority to provide Stormwater Management Services and to operate, maintain, develop, repair and construct a Stormwater Management Program and Utility in Macon-Bibb County and perform Regulatory Services related thereto

   ACTION

   On motion of Commission Wynn, seconded by Commissioner Jones and carried unanimously, the Resolution was amended to change the word residences to properties.

   Commissioner Watkins offered an amendment to change the $5.75 rate to $1.00. The amendment did not receive a second.

   On motion of Commissioner Allen, seconded by Commissioner Wynn and carried seven to one with Commissioners Shepherd, Wynn, Lucas, Bivins, Jones Schlesinger and Allen casting the *affirmative votes and Commission Watkins casting the dissenting vote, the Resolution to allow Macon Water Authority to provide Stormwater Management was approved*

There being no further business and on motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted:

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Janice S. Ross, CMC
Clerk of the Commission