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The City Council, City of Fairhope, met in regular session at 6:00 p.m., Fairhope Municipal Complex Council Chamber, 161 North Section Street, Fairhope, Alabama 36532, on Monday, 8 June 2009.

Present were Council President Debbie W. Quinn, Councilmembers: Daniel Stankoski, Lonnie L. Mixon, Michael A. Ford, and Rick Kingrea, Mayor Timothy M. Kant, City Attorney Marion E. Wynne, and City Clerk Lisa A. Hanks.

There being a quorum present, Council President Quinn called the meeting to order. The invocation was given by City Attorney Marion E. Wynne and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Councilmember Stankoski read two changes for the May 26, 2009 minutes. Councilmember Stankoski then moved to approve minutes of the 26 May 2009, regular meeting with the amendments as read and the 26 May 2009, Work Session. Seconded by Councilmember Kingrea, motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Councilmember Stankoski moved to add the Tree Committee to the agenda under Reports of Special Boards and Commission. Seconded by Councilmember Mixon, motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Mike Maxwell, Eastern Shore Chamber Commerce, addressed the City Council and gave an update on the Local Business Research Task Force and the 2009 Survey. He mentioned one of the most important parts of the results is the Investment Forecast Report. Phillip Webb, Chair of the Local Business Research Task Force summarized briefly the 2009 Survey results gave the City Council the synopsis.

Council President Quinn stated that at the last City Council meeting a resolution was passed directing Mayor Kant to furnish information on the Water and Sewer System. Then, she asked Mayor Kant the status of receiving the information. Mayor Kant replied that he was still working on the numbers with staff.

Councilmember Stankoski stated he had received several citizen complaints on noise coming from pubs, bars, etc. He said maybe we should put a moratorium on these establishments. Councilmember Stankoski mentioned in a previous meeting he did not want a Dauphin Street in downtown Fairhope and wants to keep it family oriented. Council President Quinn asked Gregg Mims, Sherry Sullivan, and Chief Sanders to meet with Councilmember Stankoski to look at this issue and the City's noise ordinance. Mayor Kant said he had asked City Attorney Wynne to look at outside music ordinances because most of the complaints were pertaining to this issue.

Council President Quinn announced that Item 5. A., C., and D. are minutes from Special Boards and Commissions being presented and reviewed by the City Council:

A. Fairhope Airport Authority

Review minutes from meeting held May 19, 2009

C. Personnel Board

Review minutes from meeting held May 18, 2009

D. Chief of Police Search Committee

Review minutes from meeting held April 7, 2009 Review minutes from meeting held May 5, 2009

Councilmember Kingrea moved to re-appoint Ginny Stimpson to the Library Board. This term will end June 2013. Seconded by Councilmember Kingrea, motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Councilmember Kingrea asked why the City was charging the Library for changing out lights. Mayor Kant said he would check into this invoice and report back to the City Council. Councilmember Stankoski asked who maintains the building. Mayor Kant replied the City maintains it.

Council President Quinn stated that the Tree Committee and Mayor Kant had been sending letters back and forth. However, she asked for Mayor Kant, Gregg Mims, and Jennifer Fidler to meet together to answer the questions of the Tree Committee.

Council President Quinn mentioned that Mayor Kant had asked Hand Arendall to do the background checks on the six Chief of Police candidates instead of in-house through our Human Resources (HR) Department. Councilmember Kingrea said he had spoke with the Mayor and told him Rhonda White in our HR Department was capable of doing the background checks. Councilmember Kingrea went on to say he spoke with Ms. White and was told she has plenty of time to complete the checks. Mayor Kant responded and said he had asked an outside company to perform the checks because the HR Department had plenty to do and this would be one less thing for Ms. White.

Councilmember Kingrea moved to not retain an outside company and have Rhonda White run background checks on the candidates. Seconded by Councilmember Mixon, motion passed by the following votes: AYE – Quinn, Stankoski, Mixon, and Kingrea. NAY - Ford.

Councilmember Ford asked about the costs of the background checks. Mayor Kant said "with or without your consent, I will still do what is right for the City." Councilmember Mixon said a telephone call to investigate an issue is not violating our duties. Councilmember Stankoski asked Ms. White would she be able to get all

the information by the 20th of June. Ms. White replied yes. Council President Quinn asked Mayor Kant where the money would come from to pay for the background checks. Mayor Kant replied from the General Operating Fund; "I can spend any of the money in the \$52 million budget that you approved however I please. I was elected to run this city, and that's what I'm going to do is run this city." Councilmember Kingrea told Mayor Kant; "I heard your style was to divide and conquer and if you want to put it on a war footing, I am not going to back down. I would like to work with you and we will make the City work."

Councilmember Mixon moved to publish the position for City Administrator with a salary range from \$89,500 to \$110,000 and the duties defined per City Ordinance No. 1378 adopted on March 9, 2009. Seconded by Councilmember Stankoski, motion passed by the following votes: AYE – Quinn, Stankoski, Mixon, and Kingrea. NAY - Ford.

Mayor Kant stated he did not need any help at this time and the position would not be posted. Council President Quinn said the City Council can direct the department to do this because we hire and fire this position. Mayor Kant replied the City Council cannot direct any staff or department.

Councilmember Ford introduced in writing, and moved for the adoption of the following resolution, a resolution that the City Council appoints Councilmember Rick Kingrea as the Council's Legal Liaison. Seconded by Councilmember Stankoski, motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

### **RESOLUTION NO. <u>1534-09</u>**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF FAIRHOPE, ALABAMA, that the City Council appoints Councilmember Rick Kingrea as the Council's Legal Liaison, whereby he shall be briefed on all pending cases in which the City of Fairhope is involved, provided with contracts and/or agreements that have been made with all legal firms with which the City does business, and will review all attorney bills that are presented to the City of Fairhope.

Adopted on this 8th day of June, 2009

Attest:

Lisa A. Nanks, City Clerk

Councilmember Mixon introduced in writing, and moved for the adoption of the following resolution, a resolution that Mayor Timothy M. Kant and Nancy Wilson, Treasurer, are hereby authorized and directed to execute, for and on behalf of the City, the acceptance approval of Proposal from BBVA Compass Bank for the Utilities line of credit. Councilmember Mixon stated we have a balanced budget and have to borrow money. Councilmember Stankoski stated historically we have done this previously. Ms. Wilson said the low months are June, July, and August with a lag time of about two months for the revenue. She said we will need this line of credit this year and hope we won't have to use next year. Council President Quinn asked; why we did not go out to all the banks in Fairhope. Ms. Wilson replied she had picked four at her discretion. After further discussion, Councilmember Stankoski seconded the motion for the following resolution, motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

# **RESOLUTION NO: 1535-09**

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF FAIRHOPE**, that Mayor Timothy M. Kant and Nancy Wilson, Treasurer, are hereby authorized and directed to execute, for and on behalf of the City, the acceptance and approval of Proposal from BBVA Compass Bank for the Utilities' line of credit in the amount of Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000.00) for available assistance with significant power costs during the summer months.

Adopted on this 8th day of June, 2009

Timothy M. Kant, Mayor

Attest:

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Councilmember Ford introduced in writing, and moved for the adoption of the following resolution, a resolution that Mayor Timothy M. Kant is hereby authorized to execute an extension of the contract dated July 14, 2007 for debris removal and disposal services, between the City of Fairhope and Pittman Tractor Company, Inc. Seconded by Councilmember Kingrea, motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

### **RESOLUTION NO. <u>1536-09</u>**

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF FAIRHOPE, ALABAMA**, that Mayor Timothy M. Kant is hereby authorized to execute an extension of the contract dated July 14, 2007 for debris removal and disposal services, between the City of Fairhope and Pittman Tractor Company, Inc. This contract will be extended for one (1) year, which will begin immediately upon the expiration of the original time period and will end on July 14, 2010.

### DULY ADOPTED THIS 8TH DAY OF JUNE, 2009

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Attest:

Lisa A. Hanks, City Clerk

Councilmember Stankoski introduced in writing, and moved for the adoption of the following resolution, a resolution to award Bid for Wood Utility Poles for the Electric Department (Bid Number 013-09). Seconded by Councilmember Kingrea, motion passed unanimously by voice vote. This purchase will be funded by the Electric Operating Funds.

# **RESOLUTION NO. 1537-09**

# BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF FAIRHOPE, ALABAMA, as follows:

- [1] That the City of Fairhope did request, receive, and open bids for Wood Utility Poles for the Electric Department (Bid Number 013-09) at 555 South Section Street in the City of Fairhope offices, Fairhope, Alabama.
- [2] At the appointed time and place, the following bids were opened and tabulated as follows:

Please see attached Bid Tabulation for Wood Utility Poles for the Electric Department

[3] After evaluating the bid proposals with the required bid specifications, Thomasson Lumber, Inc., with the total bid proposal of \$24,226.00, is now awarded the bid Wood Utility Poles for the Electric Department.

Adopted on this 8th day of June, 2009

Timothy M. Kant, Mayor

Attest:

CITY OF FAIRHOPE BID TABULATION AND RECOMMENDATION BIO NO. : 014-08

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Councilmember Mixon introduced in writing, and moved for the adoption of the following resolution, a resolution to award Bid for Underground Primary Distribution Conductors for the Electric Department (Bid Number 012-09). Seconded by Councilmember Stankoski, motion passed unanimously by voice vote. This purchase will be funded by the Electric Operating Funds.

## **RESOLUTION NO. 1538-09**

# BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF FAIRHOPE, ALABAMA, as follows:

- [1] That the City of Fairhope did request, receive, and open bids for Underground Primary Distribution Conductors for the Electric Department (Bid Number 012-09) at 555 South Section Street in the City of Fairhope offices, Fairhope, Alabama.
- [2] At the appointed time and place, the following bids were opened and tabulated as follows:

  Please see attached Bid Tabulation for Underground Primary

  Distribution Conductors for the Electric Department
- [3] After evaluating the bid proposals with the required bid specifications, Craft Turf Farms, with the total bid proposal of \$1.83 per Linear Foot, is now awarded the bid Underground Primary Distribution Conductors for the Electric Department

Adopted on this 8th day of June, 2009

Timothy M. Kant, Mayor

Attest:

Lisa A. Hanks, City Clerk

CITY OF PAIRHOPE BIO TABULATION AND RECOMMENDATION BIO NO. - 012-00

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Councilmember Kingrea questioned if the work was already completed on the sewer force main regarding the Thompson Engineering Contract. Mayor Kant replied the preliminary work was done and getting the permits. Dan McCrory, Water & Sewer Supervisor stated he had already started the work. Councilmember Ford stated the City acted properly with beginning the work. Councilmember Kingrea said he would like get more information on this job before approving the contract.

After further discussion, Councilmember Kingrea moved to table the resolution to authorize Mayor Timothy M. Kant to execute an Agreement for Engineering Services with Thompson Engineering for extension of Sewer Force Main (Project Name Highway 98 and Highway 181 F.M.) until the June 22, 2009 regular City Council meeting. Seconded by Councilmember Kingrea, motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Councilmember Kingrea moved to table the ordinance to amend Zoning Ordinance No. 1253, requesting to rezone the property of Thomas Toombs of Black Angus Development, LLC from R-2 Medium Density Single Family Residential to PUD Planned Unit Development. This property known as Dogwood Subdivision is located on the northeast corner of Valley Street and Middle Street (Introduced at the May 26, 2009 City Council Meeting) until the June 22, 2009 regular City Council meeting. Councilmember Kingrea mentioned he wanted more time to review the documents. Seconded by Councilmember Stankoski, motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Councilmember Mixon moved to table the ordinance to amend and add to Article VI, Garbage and Trash, Sections 21-71 and 21-72, Fairhope Code of Ordinances (Introduced at the May 26, 2009 City Council Meeting) until the June 22, 2009 regular City Council meeting. Councilmember Mixon said the City Council needs to know how we will charge citizens, what are you going to charge, do we need to switch to larger cans, when will this happen, etc. Jennifer Fidler, Public Works Director, replied it could be pay-as-you-go or whatever the Council chooses and August 1, 2009 would be a good starting date. Councilmember Stankoski asked Ms. Fidler; what will it save. Ms. Fidler replied approximately \$250,000 and mentioned she had already received numerous calls for larger cans. Seconded by Councilmember Kingrea, motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Councilmember Mixon moved for final adoption of <u>Ordinance No. 1390</u>, an ordinance to amend and add to Article VI, Garbage and Trash, Sections 21-70 and 21-73, Fairhope Code of Ordinances. (Introduced at the May 26, 2009 City Council Meeting). Seconded by Councilmember Kingrea, motion for final adoption passed by the following votes: AYE – Quinn, Stankoski, Mixon, Ford, and Kingrea. NAY - None.

Councilmember Mixon moved for final adoption of <u>Ordinance No. 1388</u>, an ordinance to exempt certain "Covered Items" from the Municipal Sales and Use Tax during the first weekend of August, 2009, as authorized by Act 2006-574, generally referred to as the State Sales Tax Holiday Legislation (Introduced at the May 26, 2009 City Council Meeting). Seconded by Councilmember Stankoski, motion for final adoption passed by the following votes: AYE – Quinn, Stankoski, Mixon, and Ford. NAY - Kingrea.

Councilmember Mixon introduced in writing Ordinance No. 1389, an ordinance amending Ordinance No. 1385, known as The City of Fairhope's Sales and Use Tax Ordinance, by amending certain Sections and all other Section within this ordinance remain as written and adopted. In order to take immediate action, Councilmember Kingrea moved for immediate consideration. Seconded by Councilmember Mixon, motion for immediate consideration passed unanimously by the following votes: AYE – Quinn, Stankoski, Mixon, Ford, and Kingrea. NAY – None. Councilmember Stankoski then moved for final adoption of Ordinance No. 1389. Seconded by Councilmember Mixon, motion for final adoption passed unanimously by the following votes: AYE – Quinn, Stankoski, Mixon, and Ford. NAY - Kingrea.

Council President Quinn stated that next item on the agenda was the request to name the alley. Gregg Mims, General Superintendent, addressed the City Council and said he had met with Jennifer Fidler and Jonathan Smith regarding this request. The naming of the right-of-way is consistent with the last three years and it appears that only the name is the issue. He said they were working on a step-by-by written policy for naming an alley and/or easement.

Jerry Roberts, 118 Magnolia Avenue, addressed the City Council and suggested the name of E. B. Gaston whose house was built in 1902. Councilmember Mixon agreed we needed a procedure for naming a street. Mr. Mims stated they were working on more formal written procedures with approving the name and getting approval of name from the Baldwin County 9-1-1 Center. Councilmember Stankoski said to get procedure prepared and report back to the City Council.

After further discussion, Councilmember Ford moved table the request of Richard F. Pate requesting permission to name an easement off N. Summit Street, (Introduced at the May 11, 2009 City Council Meeting). Seconded by Councilmember Mixon, motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Councilmember Mixon moved to grant the request of Tonya Newman requesting permission to serve alcohol at reception, which will be held on The Bluff (Henry George Park), on September 12, 2009 from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Ms. Newman will have to hire security to handle traffic and safety issues as well as provide insurance for the event. Seconded by Councilmember Kingrea, motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Councilmember Mixon moved to grant the request of The Eastern Shore Art Center requesting permission to use Fairhope Avenue between Bancroft and Church and North Section Street between Magnolia and Fairhope Avenue for the Grand Festival of Art on October 17, 2009 and October 18, 2009. Sherry Sullivan, Senior Services Director, addressed the City Council and mentioned that a poll was taken of the downtown merchants and the results were favorable of the Grand Festival of Art. Seconded by Councilmember Kingrea, motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Councilmember Mixon moved to pay bills as presented. Seconded by Councilmember Ford, motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Paul Ripp addressed the City Council regarding accountability and never getting answers to his questions. He said the City Councilmembers are not listening to your own committees. Mr. Ripp stated this will be the last time you see me and that he would pursue a lawsuit against the City of Fairhope.

Councilmember Mixon stated we have reached an impasse with the Mayor and the Council. This is a disgrace to the City. We can't go on like this. It may take the Attorney General's Office to come down here and tell the Mayor what he is supposed to do and what the Council is supposed to do. I apologize to the citizens and am deeply embarrassed.

City Attorney, Marion E. Wynne read the following memorandum to enter into an Executive Session for approximately <u>1.0</u> hour:



June 8, 2009

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Council President Quinn City Councilmembers

As City Attorney Marion E. Wynne, I hereby request the Fairhope City Council go into executive session based on Section 36-25A-7(a)(3) to hear an update of all the legal issues (current and pending).

City Attorney Wynne does hereby declare that the City Council of the City of Fairhope rise from a Regular City Council meeting, on Monday, June 8, 2009, to go into Executive Session.

The City Council shall be in Executive Session for approximately / hours minutes/hour(s). At the end of the Executive Session the City Council shall return to the City Council Chambers to resume the Regular City Council meeting.

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Councilmember Stankoski moved to go into Executive Session. Seconded by Councilmember Ford, motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Exited the dais at 7:17 p.m. Returned at 8:06 p.m.

Councilmember Mixon moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Councilmember Stankoski, motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

There being no further business to come before the City Council, the meeting was duly adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

Debbie W. Quinn, Council President

Lisa A. Hanks, City Clerk