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The City Council met in a Work Session
at 4:30 p.m., Fairhope Municipal Complex Council Chamber,
161 North Section Street, Fairhope, Alabama 36532,
on Monday, 25 March 2019.

Present were Council President Jack Burrell, Councilmembers: Jay Robinson, Jimmy Conyers, Robert Brown, and Kevin Boone (arrived at 4:35 p.m.), Mayor Karin Wilson, City Attorney Marcus E. McDowell, and City Clerk Lisa A. Hanks.

Council President Burrell called the meeting to order at 4:35 p.m.

The following topics were discussed:

- Councilmember Conyers began the Discussion of K-1 Center Master Plan. He said we should have a conversation as a group. Mayor Wilson mentioned Amy Chester with Rebuild by Design. Council President Burrell questioned if we were paying her; and was it over \$2,500.00. Mayor Wilson said there was no contract and it was not a professional service. Councilmember Conyers asked the Council what type of format they wanted for discussions. Councilmember Robinson stated it cannot be for all suggestions; and suggested a series of Town Hall meetings. Councilmember Conyers said we need to get it right and not rush into anything. The consensus of the City Council was to purchase the properties and then move forward with input. Some of the citizens’ suggestions have been a Performing Arts Center, FEEF STEAM, and Hatch.

Mayor Wilson commented she was not included in the HATCH grant and the City has other things that could be used by that grant. Councilmember Robinson replied that HATCH came to the City and we were not aware of the grant until then. Councilmember Brown stated FEEF will use its own money and has been with the City for a long time; and could use the North side of property. Both Councilmembers Brown and Boone stated we need a structural analysis.
- The Discussion of a Conservation Easement of Triangle Property was brought up by Councilmember Brown; and said we already have a \$35,000.00 donation towards one. Council President Burrell commented we need to narrow down usage of property. Mayor Wilson said we are going to have a Comprehensive Land Use Plan do and don’t need to rush to put as a conservation easement. Councilmembers Conyers and Brown agreed to put both parcels in a conservation easement. The consensus of the City Council was to move forward with input from citizens for ideas for the Triangle Property and a conservation easement.
- Terryl Reeves and Angela Shilston addressed the City Council regarding the Sign Ordinance Discussion. He made several suggestions: exclude flowerbeds and beautification sites/areas; timing of placement of signs; flowerbeds not mentioned in ordinance; and design of signs. Planning Director Wayne Dyess explained the case for directional signs and if you do for one you must do for all. He said the main issue is cluttering of right-of-way. Councilmember Conyers suggested after 5:00 p. m. on Fridays and ending on Sunday at 5:00 p.m.

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- Jeff Marks, Director of Golf, addressed the City Council and explained the Quail Creek Clubhouse/Patio Rental Rates; and questioned whether or not the 2017 Resolution covered these rates too. Council President Burrell replied that the City Council sets rental rates for City facilities. Councilmember Robinson commented it will protect you in a long way. The consensus of the City Council was for a half day to be \$350.00 and a full day to be \$650.00 with the \$100.00 cleaning fee.
- Councilmember Robinson said there would be a new Recreation Board member on the next agenda.
- Public Works Director Richard Johnson asked the City Council about maintenance and landscaping in the interim for the K-1 Center.
- Operations Director Richard Peterson addressed the City Council regarding the Pole Cat Bridge Project and the Baldwin County Reimbursable Agreement for relocating two water mains. City Clerk Lisa Hanks said a resolution is prepared for adding to the agenda.
- Electric Superintendent Michael Allison addressed the City Council regarding the boring machine being damaged; and the pole inspection and inventory services rebid on tonight's agenda.
- Building Official Erik Cortinas addressed the City Council regarding small cell towers and vault on sidewalk in front of K-1 Center. He said there is room to avoid these on the sidewalk. Council President Burrell said to check with our other utilities first to make sure the area will not be needed in the future.

There being no further business to come before the City Council, the meeting was duly adjourned at 5:59 p.m.



Jack Burrell, Council President



Lisa A. Hanks, MMC
City Clerk