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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, 23 March 2020.

Present were Council President Jack Burrell, Councilmembers: Jay Robinson, Jimmy Conyers, Robert Brown, and Kevin Boone, Mayor Karin Wilson, City Attorney Marcus E. McDowell, and City Clerk Lisa A. Hanks.

There being a quorum present, Council President Burrell called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m. The invocation was given by Councilmember Jimmy Conyers and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Councilmember Conyers moved to approve minutes of the 12 March 2020, regular meeting; minutes of the 12 March 2020, work session; minutes of the 12 March 2020, agenda meeting; and minutes of the 16 March 2020 special emergency meeting. Seconded by Councilmember Robinson, motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Council President Burrell said we need to come to a consensus on closure of parks and other areas. Councilmember Conyers stated he was okay to close all parks. Councilmembers Brown, Burrell, Robinson, and Boone said to leave open the ones without playgrounds. They all agreed to leave the boat ramp open.

City Clerk Hanks reminded the City Council that there were picnic tables and playground equipment in the North Beach area.

Mayor Wilson addressed the City Council and told them the Governor closed beaches. She commented when the article/posting went out, the pier was closed. She said the Pier and park area needs to be closed. Mayor Wilson said we need to keep our essential employees safe and healthy; and the Police Department is on the top of the list. She stated the most important thing is to "Flatten the Curve." Mayor Wilson said we have an elderly community who is at risk and hopefully will stay at home.

Mayor Wilson announced the Directors are putting a Pandemic Plan together. She said whatever decision is made everyone will not be happy; and we need to be consistent so everyone will be safer not just congregating, but also social distancing. She said trails and sidewalks should remain open.

Council President Burrell said the resolution is desired to protect and should read until further notice. Councilmember Robinson commented we are closing areas that would affect most of our citizens. He said Tennis and Golf should remain open.

Council President Burrell stated there was a need to add on an agenda item after Agenda Item Number11: a resolution that the City Council herby authorizes the closing of the following parks and other public places:

- 1) Parks with playgrounds
- 2) Dog Park
- 3) City Pier and North Beach area

Said closures are to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of Fairhope due to the ongoing Coronavirus Pandemic. Said public areas shall be closed until further notice.

Councilmember Boone moved to add on the above-mentioned item not on the printed agenda. Seconded by Councilmember Conyers, motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

The following individuals spoke during Public Participation for Agenda Items:

- 1) Richard Thompson, 26 N. Bayview Avenue, addressed the City Council regarding the park closures: Dog Park and North Beach. He requested the City Council to readdress the North Beach being closed.
- 2) Jim Pech, 413 Azalea Avenue, addressed the City Council and questioned if Daphne will be doing the same as we are. He asked about the American Legion beach. The reply was this is a private beach.

Councilmember Robinson told everyone to stay safe and use good judgment at this time.

Councilmember Boone moved to grant the request of Planning & Zoning Manager Hunter Simmons requesting the City Council to Cancel the Planning Commission's Meeting and Work Session for April 6, 2020 and move all items to the next meeting which is scheduled for May 4, 2020. Seconded by Councilmember Brown, motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Councilmember Conyers introduced in writing, and moved for the adoption of the following resolution, a resolution that the City Council approves the selection of O'Donnell & Associates, Inc. for Professional Consulting Services to Monitor Groundwater Levels at Well Fields for the Water Department; approves and accepts the not to exceed amount of \$5,000.00; and hereby authorizes Mayor Karin Wilson to execute an annual renewable one-year contract with O'Donnell & Associates, Inc. Annual Groundwater Level monitoring at Well Fields (PS012-20). Seconded by Councilmember Robinson, motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 3671-20

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF FAIRHOPE, ALABAMA, that the City Council approves the selection of O'Donnell & Associates, Inc. for Professional Consulting Services to Monitor Groundwater Levels at Field Wells for the Water Department; approves and accepts the not to exceed amount of \$5,000.00; and hereby authorizes Mayor Karin Wilson to execute an annual renewable one-year contract with O'Donnell & Associates, Inc. Annual Groundwater Level monitoring at Wellfields (PS012-20).

DULY ADOPTED THIS 23RD DAY OF MARCH, 2020

Karin Wilson, Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk

Councilmember Boone introduced in writing, and moved for the adoption of the following resolution, a resolution that the City Council approves the selection of BMI Audit Services for Professional Services for the Audit of Dependent Eligibility for the City of Fairhope's Health Insurance Plan per the recommendation of City Treasurer Kim Creech; and hereby authorizes Mayor Karin Wilson to execute a contract with a total cost of \$10,369.00. Seconded by Councilmember Robinson, motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 3672-20

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF FAIRHOPE. ALABAMA, that the City Council approves the selection of BMI Audit Services for Professional Services for the Audit of Dependent Eligibility for the City of Fairhope's Health Insurance Plan per the recommendation of City Treasurer Kim Creech; and hereby authorizes Mayor Karin Wilson to execute a contract with a total cost of \$10,369.00.

DULY ADOPTED THIS 23RD DAY OF MARCH, 202

Karin Wilson, Mayor

Attest:

Lisa A. Hanks, MMC

Councilmember Conyers introduced in writing, and moved for the adoption of the following resolution, a resolution that the Governing Body of the City of Fairhope, Alabama, hereby rescinds Resolution No. 3654-20 and awards Bid No. 015-20 for Consecutive Replacement of Wells #1 and #8 for the Water Department to Griner Drilling Services, Inc. with a total bid proposal of \$159,960.00 for both Wells; and due to budget amounts the Water and Sewer Superintendent is requesting to use budget from "Three Million Gallon Tank-Outside Cleaning and Painting Repair (\$100,000.00). Seconded by Councilmember Brown, motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 3673-20

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 Consecutive Replacement of Wells #1 and #8 for the Water Department (Bid Number 015-20) at 555 South Section Street in the City of Fairhope offices, Fairhope, Alabama.
- [2] On February 27, 2020, at the request of the Water Department, the City Council awarded the bid for only Well #8 to Griner Drilling Service, Inc. with a total bid proposal of \$83,214.00.
- [3] The Water Department is desirous for the City Council to rescind Resolution No. 3654-20 and award the total bid for Consecutive Replacement of Wells #1 and #8 to Griner Drilling Services, Inc. with a total bid proposal of \$159,960.00 for both Wells.
- [4] That the Governing Body of the City of Fairhope, Alabama, hereby rescinds Resolution No. 3654-20 and awards Bid No. 015-20 for Consecutive Replacement of Wells #1 and #8 for the Water Department to Griner Drilling Services, Inc. with a total bid proposal of \$159,960.00 for both Wells; and due to budget amounts the Water and Sewer Superintendent is requesting to use budget from "Three Million Gallon Tank-Outside Cleaning and Painting Repair (\$100,000.00).

Adopted on this 23rd day of March, 2020

Karin Wilson, Mayor

Attest:

Lisa A. Hanks, MMC

Councilmember Robinson introduced in writing, and moved for the adoption of the following resolution, a resolution that the City of Fairhope has voted to purchase a Backhoe under a lease/purchase contract associated with Bid No. 035-15, Backhoe (CAT 420F2ST Backhoe Loader HWC00723) for Gas Department Lease/Purchase at a cost of \$48,615.00; and to authorize the Mayor to execute the buyout provision of the contract. Seconded by Councilmember Boone, motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 3674-20

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

[1] That the City of Fairhope has voted to purchase a Backhoe under a lease/purchase contract associated with Bid No. 035-15, Backhoe (CAT 420F2ST Backhoe Loader HWC00723) for Gas Department Lease/Purchase at a cost of \$48,615.00; and to authorize the Mayor to execute the buyout provision of the contract.

Adopted on this 23rd day of March, 2020

Karin Wilson, Mayor

Attest:

Lisa A. Hanks, MMC

City Clerk

Councilmember Robinson introduced in writing, and moved for the adoption of the following resolution, a resolution that the City of Fairhope has voted to purchase a Backhoe under a lease/purchase contract associated with Bid No. 038-15, Backhoe (CAT 420F2ST Backhoe Loader HWC00722) for Water Department Lease/Purchase at a cost of \$48,615.00; and to authorize the Mayor to execute the buyout provision of the contract. Seconded by Councilmember Boone, motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 3675-20

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

[1] That the City of Fairhope has voted to purchase a Backhoe under a lease/purchase contract associated with Bid No. 038-15, Backhoe (CAT 420F2ST Backhoe Loader HWC00722) for Water Department Lease/Purchase at a cost of \$48,615.00; and to authorize the Mayor to execute the buyout provision of the contract.

Adopted on this 23rd day of March, 2020

Karin Wilson, Mayor

Attest:

Lisa A.) Hanks, MMC

City Clerk

City Council reviewed an application for a Restaurant Liquor License by Robert Evans for The Hope Farm, LLC d/b/a The Hope Farm, located at 915 Nichols Avenue, Fairhope, Alabama. Councilmember Conyers moved to approve the issuance of the license. Seconded by Councilmember Robinson, motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Councilmember Boone introduced in writing, and moved for the adoption of the following resolution, a resolution that the City Council herby authorizes the closing of the following parks and other public places:

- 1) Parks with playgrounds
- 2) Dog Park
- 3) City Pier and North Beach area

Said closures are to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of Fairhope due to the ongoing Coronavirus Pandemic. Said public areas shall be closed until further notice. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Convers.

Councilmember Boone rescinded his motion.

Councilmember Boone moved to amend the resolution to add the words "Public property to be limited to 10 people or less" after the names public areas to be closed. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Robinson. Chief Hollinghead addressed the City Council and said she is trying to keep the Police Department personnel safe too. After further discussion, motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Councilmember Boone moved for the adoption of the following resolution as amended above. Seconded by Councilmember Robinson, motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 3676-20

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF FAIRHOPE, ALABAMA, That the City Council herby authorizes the closing of the following parks and other public places:

- 1) Parks with playgrounds
- 2) Dog Park
- 3) City Pier and North Beach area

Public property to be limited to 10 people or less.

Said closures are to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of Fairhope due to the ongoing Coronavirus Pandemic. Said public areas shall be closed until further notice.

Adopted on this <u>23rd</u> day of <u>March</u>, 2020

Karin Wilson, Mayor

Attest:

Lisa A. Hanks, MMC

The following individual spoke during Public Participation for Non-Agenda Items:

1) Richard Thompson, 26 N. Bayview Avenue, addressed the City Council and questioned closing the sandy beaches due to play toys. He said you can remove the swings and other playground items.

Councilmember Robinson stated the Governor closed the beaches.

Councilmember Boone moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Councilmember Brown, motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

There being no further business to come before the City Council, the meeting was duly adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Jack Burrell, Council President

Lisa A. Hanks, MMC