STATE OF ALABAMA ) ( : COUNTY OF BALDWIN )(

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, 10 August 2020.

Present were Council President Pro Tempore Jay Robinson, Councilmembers: Jimmy Conyers, Robert Brown, and Kevin Boone, Mayor Karin Wilson, City Attorney Marcus E. McDowell, and Revenue Manager Jennifer Olmstead.

Council President Pro Tempore Robinson called the meeting to order at 4:31 p.m.

The following topics were discussed:

- The Discussion of the 2021 Fairhope Public Utility Electric Industrial Rate by Operations Director Michael Allison was first on the agenda. Mr. Allison addressed the City Council with a couple of options needed to align the Electric Industrial/Commercial customer rates to be competitive with surrounding Electric providers. This new Industrial Rate would apply to customers pulling a load of 1,000 kwh or more for any interval. Mr. Allison also would like to do a rate study on the Electric Department for next fiscal year. Councilmember Brown, Councilmember Conyers and Council President Pro Tempore all said they would like to see the rates adjusted after the Rate Study next year, so they all change at one time.
- The second item on the agenda was Committee Updates. Councilmember Conyers did not have any Committee Updates but would like to walk an item on the Council Agenda to donate extra picnic tables that were not in use anymore to the Rotary Youth Club and Fairhope West Elementary. Council President Pro Tempore suggested the City ask all of our local schools if they are in need of them. Mayor Wilson stated that the Rotary Youth Club was in most need of the tables. Councilmember Boone reported from the Street and Traffic Control Committee and suggested citizens slow down or calming devices may be placed if traffic studies deem necessary.
- The third item on the agenda was Department Head Updates. Special Projects Manager Lynn Maser stated the Mayors Tournament held at Quail Creek Golf Course went well and the golf course is projected to have 40,000 rounds by the end of 2020. Ms. Maser said she will be working with the new Golf Professional, Bryan Williamson to develop plans to increase revenue. Ms. Maser provided an update on the work being done at the Fairhope Docks as well as current occupancy and reviewed the wait list for dry storage.

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Police Chief Stephanie Hollinghead requested an add on item for the Council agenda. The Police Department is needing to replace the current Review Officer with Major Jimmy Milton with Baldwin County Sheriff's Office.

Operations Director, Michael Allison is requesting an add on item to complete the requirements of the Public Safety Commission. Councilmember Conyers inquired about the target cost of the project. Mr. Allison did state that the bids came back a little higher than he was thinking. Thirty percent of the unprotected services must be completed before the end of 2020 to meet compliance. Councilmember Brown inquired as to why two of the bidders did not to respond. Mayor Wilson did state that the work that will be completed will keep the City from paying fines for non-compliance.

City Treasurer Kim Creech addressed the Council regarding debt. Ms. Creech would like to reach out to local banks to refinance the \$12,935,000 utility warrant.

Public Works Director Richard Johnson provided an update of the work that was done at the corner of Fairhope Avenue and Section Streets. The project will be completed once the City has received results from the soil testing and ADEM has provided a letter of compliance for the removal of subterranean fuel tanks. Mr. Johnson also stated he sent the clock off to be powder blasted and painted.

Director of Economic & Community Development, Jessica Walker provided an update stating the National Parks Service work will be resumed after a delay due to COVID-19. Ms. Walker stated that the bids will be opened on Wednesday for the Restore Act Sewer project and the first round of evaluations will be completed within the next ten days.

There being no further business to come before the City Council, the meeting was duly adjourned at 4:52 p.m.

Jay Robinson, Council President Pro Tempore

Lisa A. Hanks, MMC City Clerk