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, 13 December 2021.

Present were Council President Jimmy Conyers, Councilmembers: Jack Burrell (Arrived at 4:40 p.m.), Corey Martin, Jay Robinson, and Kevin Boone, Mayor Sherry Sullivan, City Attorney Marcus E. McDowell, and City Clerk Lisa A. Hanks.

Council President Jimmy Conyers called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

The following topics were discussed:

- The first item on the Agenda was the Discussion of Water/Sewer System Development Charges. Water and Sewer Superintendent Jason Langley explained what the charges are for and how he compared to other Cities. (See attached handout) Mayor Sherry Sullivan said it is a flat rate; and right now, the ordinance is cumbersome and you have to calculate the rate. She said the rate is an investment in the system.
- Councilmember Martin mentioned the Fairhope Environmental Advisory Board discussion of the "Litter Getter" at the Winn Dixie pond. The Board also discussed the deed for the Triangle. Councilmember Martin said an appointment for a new Recreation Board member is on the City Council agenda tonight.
- Councilmember Robinson gave an update on the Historic Preservation Committee; and said the Committee wants to change its mission statement.
- Councilmember Burrell said the Fairhope Airport Authority meets tomorrow. He said he spoke with a citizen regarding bump outs and the Streets and Traffic Control Committee.
- Councilmember Burrell said he has spoken with others that have other charges than just the SDC charges. He stated there are tools to use to slow growth down; and this is not unusual.
- City Clerk Lisa Hanks addressed the City Council and introduced Jenny Wilson as her new Assistant City Clerk.
- Recreation Director Pat White addressed the City Council regarding Agenda Items No. 30, No. 31, No. 32, No. 33, No. 34, and No. 36; and to answer any of their questions.
- Public Works Director Richard Johnson addressed the City Council regarding the Arts Alley Project bid that came in \$400,000.00 less than the previous bid. He then explained Agenda Items No. 18, and No. 41; and answered any questions if needed.

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> Mr. Johnson said they looked at each request and made geometrics work. Councilmember Burrell commented speed bumps were not needed; and the bump out for bullet #2 would be on City property. He said it would be small and visually appealing.

- Electric Superintendent Jade Fleming addressed the City Council regarding the Morphy Substation and the AMEA Project. Mr. Fleming explained Agenda Items No. 15 and No. 29; and answered any questions if needed. Assistant Electric Superintendent Jeremy Morgan explained in detail Agenda Item No. 29; and answered any questions if needed. Mayor Sullivan said once implemented, she wants an "Outage Center."
- Water and Sewer Superintendent Jason Langley addressed the City Council regarding the VTScada and said it is more complexed; and we can do this inhouse. He commented he gets an e-mail on every issue; and we have checks and balances. Mr. Langley told the City Council about all of the water outages and the reason for same. He commented we need a second boring crew; and needs to use funds from the pickup not purchased. Mr. Langley said he wants to repurpose a 2016 freightliner to a dump body (approximately \$22,000.00).
- Special Projects and Grant Manager Jessica Walker addressed the City Council regarding the Church Street Project; and said it will be completed and paved for the New Year's Eve Celebration.
- Community Affairs Director Paige Crawford addressed the City Council regarding the new Shuttle on the streets today. She said we are test driving for a few weeks. Mayor Sullivan said we are working out logistics with a part-timer helping to test. Ms. Crawford explained Agenda Items No. 12 and No. 13; and answered any questions if needed.
- IT Director Jeff Montgomery addressed the City Council regarding Agenda Items No. 14, No. 26, No. 27, and No. 28; and answered any questions if needed.
- Police Chief Stephanie Hollinghead addressed the City Council regarding Agenda Items No. 19, No. 21, and No. 25; and answered any questions if needed.
- Fire Chief Chris Ellis addressed the City Council regarding fire calls last month, four firefighters receiving certifications; and four firefighters passing the test to be Certified Volunteer Firefighters.
- Assistant Gas Superintendent Jeremy Little addressed the City Council regarding the County Road 13 and County Road 32 Project; and announced the City of Fairhope's Gas Department is the 152nd largest Gas Company in the United States. He explained Agenda Item No. 20; and answered any questions if needed.
- Human Resources Manager Traveis Cunningham addressed the City Council regarding Agenda Items No. 8 and No. 9; and answered any questions if needed.

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- Planning Director Hunter Simmons addressed the City Council regarding the CAPZO Training and the two Public Hearing items; and answered any questions if needed.
- City Treasurer Kim Creech addressed the City Council regarding Agenda Items No. 16 and No. 23; and to answer any questions.

Council President Conyers said Agenda Item No. 38 has been pulled from the Agenda.

The Agenda Meeting was held during the Work Session under Department Head Updates.

There being no further business to come before the City Council, the meeting was duly adjourned at 5:37 p.m.

James Reid Convers, Jr. Council President

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