NOTICE
MEETING VIA VIDEO TELECONFERENCE

As a result of the state of emergency declared by the President of the United States, Governor of Kentucky, and Mayor of the City of Frankfort due to the global COVID-19 pandemic, the following Meeting Notice is issued:

I, Layne Wilkerson hereby call a meeting of the Frankfort Board of Commissioners for Monday, February 14, 2022, at 5:00 p.m., via GoToMeeting. All items on the agenda will be considered and action will be taken.

Per KRS 61.826, this meeting is a video teleconference meeting. The Board of Commissioners will participate via GoToMeeting. The City will provide a central primary physical location for public viewing of the virtual meeting in the City Hall Commission Chamber, 315 West Second Street. The Board of Commissioners will not be there in person, but the televisions in the Commission Chamber will be broadcasting the virtual meeting.

Public comments will still be accepted for the meeting, by submitting a citizen comments form via the City of Frankfort Website – www.frankfort.ky.gov (Government > Board of Commissioners> Citizen Comments) by Monday, February 14 at 4:00 PM.

The virtual meeting will be broadcast via Frankfort Plant Board Cable 10 Live and Facebook Live: Frankfort, Kentucky - City Hall www.facebook.com/CityofFrankfortKY/.

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S/Layne Wilkerson
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WORK SESSION
FRANKFORT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
February 14, 2022
5:00 P.M. (EST)

PRESENT: Commissioner Katrisha Waldridge
Commissioner Kyle Thompson
Commissioner Kelly May
Commissioner Leesa Unger
Mayor Layne Wilkerson

ABSENT: None (0)

Following roll call, Mayor Wilkerson called the Work Session to order.

Commissioner Katrisha Waldridge recognized Black History Month and played a recording of the KSU Concert featuring the Black National Anthem.

Citizen Comments

City Clerk Chermie Maxwell read the following citizen comments that were submitted virtually:

- Dawn Hale spoke about several items such as Parcels B & C and the need for a convention center in Frankfort.
- Mike Fitzpatrick encouraged the Board of Commissioners to support an aquatic/sports indoor facility.

Staff Reports

Blair Hecker, Special Projects, gave a recap of Special Events of this past year and a look ahead for this year’s events. In 2021 we hosted 28 events with over 10,000 people. Ms. Hecker thanked all the departments involved and will be bringing several Memorandums of Agreement to the voting meeting for the larger scale events.

Chuck Knowles, TIGER Project Manager, gave an update on Wayfinding signage on the inside and outside of downtown Frankfort. The signs have been received and will be installed in the next month.

Discussion Items

Just Say Yes Presentation
Amelia Berry, Just Say Yes, gave a PowerPoint presentation of their services and what they offer to the community of Frankfort. The focus of the organization which is part of the Franklin County Health Department is preventing substance abuse with youths.

Draft Scope of Services for NREL
Laura Hagg, City Manager, and Scott Haase with NREL, have been working on the draft scope and Mr. Hasse stated he preferred a summary of a scope of services. It would only take a small monetary effort to get started of $30,000.00. There will be additional conversations with the Frankfort Plant Board and their involvement in this project.

The Grand Theatre Presentation
Bill Cull with the Grand Theatre spoke about the scheduling during COVID-19, tickets and how the numbers were down, and revenues will be 75% down. Mr. Cull is looking to move forward and reviewed some of the upcoming events. The Grand Theatre is ready to book the new season, however, they will still need the city's continued help.

Franklin County/Frankfort Joint Task Force on Invasives Presentation
Chris Schimmelman spoke about the Invasive Task Force that was formed last spring and have been meeting over the last 9 months. There were several suggestions made and a resolution of support was requested. Mayor Wilkerson stated the resolution will be placed on the regular meeting agenda for 2/28/22.

Simon House Presentation
Rachelle Foley, Executive Director of the Simon House, gave an update and stated the emergency shelter has not been open due to COVID-19. A temporary shelter was set up at the Days Inn a year ago. Ms. Foley requested $24,500.00 from the city to assist the shelter.

Strategic Plan Update
Penny Peavler, Strategic Initiatives Consultant, reviewed the draft of the Strategic Plan. The Mayor requested staff to place this item on the February voting meeting agenda for adoption.

Sewer Department Project Update
Kenny Hogsten, Director of Sewer, gave an update on current and upcoming Sewer projects.
Discussion of Tentative Agenda

The Mayor spoke about several items for the voting meeting agenda such as: Invasive Species Resolution, NREL, Special Events MOU’s.

New Business/ Unfinished Business

Commissioner Waldridge spoke about putting a line item in the budget for the Town and Gown Association of $25,000.00 and possibly a line item for special events.

Commissioner Waldridge talked about the indoor sports facility and the city needs an action plan. It was suggested that the City Manager create a committee.

Commissioner Thompson requested an update on the development plan for Parcels B & C.

Commissioner Thompson would like to speak about transient room tax.

Commissioner Unger suggested that we set the stage cost and labor.

Commissioner Waldridge suggested that any IRB’s moving forward to include language to be energy focused.

It was moved by Commissioner May, seconded by Commissioner Waldridge, that the meeting adjourn. The question was put upon the motion and was adopted by voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 8:01 p.m.