

PRESENT: Commissioner Kyle Thompson  
Commissioner Leesa Unger  
Commissioner Katrisha Waldrige  
Commissioner Kelly May  
Mayor Layne Wilkerson (5)

ABSENT: None (0)

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

### **Ceremonial & Recognition**

Commissioner Waldrige had several items of recognition: Happy early birthday to Ed Powe. Congratulations to all elected officials. Congratulations to the KSU Baseball team for their NCAA-D2 2023 Award of Excellence. A moment of silence was observed for everyone that was lost in 2022.

Commissioner Unger acknowledged the Martin Luther King holiday this month. Congratulations to Firefighter Lightfoot and his new baby boy.

Commissioner Thompson spoke about his aunt, Phyllis Liebman who was lost recently and recognized several of her important accomplishments in the community. Also, acknowledged the Buffalo Bills football player and his miraculous recovery thanks to the medical staff, EMT and Police Department.

Commissioner May said thank you to Scotty Manns who secured the area during a recent sinkhole downtown and thanks to Emergency Management for their speedy actions.

Mayor Wilkerson requested to move Action Item No. 7 – Mayor Pro Tem to before Staff Reports. The item was moved without objection.

It was moved by Commissioner Waldrige, seconded by Commissioner Unger, to nominate Kelly May to serve as Mayor Pro Tem. The question was put upon the motion and the roll called. Those voting in favor of the motion were Commissioners Thompson, Unger, Waldrige, May and Mayor Wilkerson (5). Those voting against the motion were none (0). The motion was thereupon adopted.

Commissioner May thanked the Board of Commissioners, staff, the community, and he will not take this responsibility lightly.

### **Staff Reports**

Penny Peavler, Strategic Initiatives Consultant, spoke about an earmark through Congressman Barr's office and a program with KCDC for a Cyber Security Grant which is through the Department of Labor. Ms. Peavler is also working with KSU to design a course and with Interapt to meet their budget requirements. The KCDC Board will vote on January 17, 2023, on these apprenticeships.

Chuck Knowles, Project Manager, talked about a proposed epoxy coating for the Transit Parking Garage which is recommended for an additional cost of \$60,000.00. Mr. Knowles will bring this back for approval at the January voting meeting.

Rebecca Hall, Community Relations/Grants Manager, gave an event recap for 2022 which was the first full event season since COVID. 48 events, 17 major road closures, 28 City sponsored events. There will be several MOU's coming at the January voting meeting for Board of Commissioners approval regarding events for this year.

### **Discussion Items**

#### *KCDC Quarterly Update - Terri Bradshaw*

Terri Bradshaw, Director of KCDC, gave a quarterly update to the Board of Commissioners. Currently Ms. Bradshaw has 66 active projects and 12 RFI's. A Workforce Grant, CDL Training, focus on youth leadership at the college and high school levels, Regional Economic Development Strategies, Brownfields, Annual Employee Appreciation Event, Comp Plan Advisory Committee, Product Development of a \$ 1.25 million dollar grant.

#### *KLC Presentation on Investment - Steven Pickarski of KLC; Mark Snyder and Bill Seifrit of PNC*

There was a presentation on the City's participation in the Kentucky League of Cities (KLC) Investment Pool Program. Several items were reviewed such as Investment Pool Options, Money Market Fund Option, Investment Pool, Participation and Reinvestment into KLC and Financials.

#### *FPB Presentation - John Cubine and Vent Foster*

John Cubine and Vent Foster of the Frankfort Plant Board gave a PowerPoint presentation regarding FPB Supporting Renewable Energy Sources.

#### *Medicaid Transport Contract Presentation & Transit Update - Jennifer Hall & Jackie Johnson representing BGCAP*

A PowerPoint presentation was giving regarding the proposed program of NEMT (Non-Emergency Medical Transport) which is an important benefit for Medicaid participants who need to get to and from medical services and other qualifying plan of care associated services but have no means of transportation. There are several steps to qualify for this program which begins with the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet that oversees Medicaid transportation. The contract will come before the Board of Commissioners at the January voting meeting for approval.

#### *Police Departmental Update - Police Chief, Dustin Bowman*

Dustin Bowman, Police Chief, gave a PowerPoint regarding the progress of the Police Department in 2022 and the vision for 2023. The year 2022 had several high points such as: completed the 21<sup>st</sup> Citizens Police Academy, Community Events, 1 year with Community Policing Advocate (342 cases), \$134k DOD Micro grant aimed at addiction recovery, introduced FrankfortConnects program with Phone Bank for at risk individuals, Angel Program aided 30 individuals in locating treatment, Invertis Virtual Reality (VR) Training for Officers. Points of emphasis for 2023: Recruiting, Retention, Staffing, Expansion of Community Policing Advocacy and Angel Program, Community Outreach and budget.

#### *Strategic Plan Update - Penny Peavler, Strategic Initiatives Consultant and Jordan Miller, Planning & Community Development*

Penny and Jordan gave the Strategic Plan Quarterly Report speaking about the structure of the plan, focus priorities and highlighted the status of the item: planning, ongoing or complete. Ms. Peavler and Mr. Miller will be back in the next quarter for another update on the Strategic Plan.

### **Discussion of Tentative Agenda**

The Board of Commissioners requested the Medicaid Item and several first and second ordinance readings on the January voting meeting agenda.

### **Other Business**

Commissioner Thompson requested that the City hold a CPR Event at all the schools and look at community organizations and the schools to have new defibrillators at each school.

It was moved by Commissioner Waldrige, seconded by Commissioner May, to go into Executive Session per KRS 61.810(1)(b), deliberations on future acquisition of real property related to riverfront development, where publicity would likely affect the value of the property. Action may be taken in open session. The motion was adopted by voice vote. The meeting went into closed session at 8:05 p.m.

It was moved by Commissioner Thompson, seconded by Commissioner Waldrige, that the meeting return to open session. The motion was adopted by voice vote. The meeting returned to open session at 8:43 p.m.

It was moved by Commissioner May, seconded by Commissioner Waldrige, to authorize the Mayor to sign an Option contract on the purchase of 101 Main Street, with a \$10,000 option price, and an Option Term of 180 days to perform due diligence on necessary inspections and studies, with other contract details to be negotiated through the City Attorney. The question was put upon the motion and the roll called. Those voting in favor of the motion were Commissioners Thompson, Unger, Waldrige, May and Mayor Wilkerson (5). Those voting against the motion were none (0). The motion was thereupon adopted.

It was moved by Commissioner Waldrige, seconded by Commissioner May, that the meeting adjourn. The question was put upon the motion and was adopted by voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 8:44 p.m.

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Mayor

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City Clerk