

PRESENT: Commissioner Katrisha Waldrige  
Commissioner Scott Tippet  
Commissioner Eric E. Whisman  
Commissioner John R. Sower  
Mayor William I. May, Jr. (5)

ABSENT: None (0)

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

Mayor May called for citizen comments and reminded everyone to use the sign in sheet.

*Note: Commissioner Waldrige arrived at 5:10 pm*

### **Citizen Comments**

Kelly Everman, Director of DFI, spoke about Entertainment Destination Center (EDC) and has already presented a letter of support from the DFI Board.

The following citizens commented in support of the bike trail at Fort Hill:

- Jim Daniel
- David Stumbo
- Katherine Mueller
- Greg Crabtree

The following citizens commented against the bike trail at Fort Hill:

- Charles Bogart
- Martha Moore
- Nicky Hughes
- Louis McClain
- John Carlton
- Steve Brooks
- Gippy Graham
- Buddy Bennett

Tom Bennett spoke about final edits to the MOA for Bourbon on the Banks (BOB) event. Mr. Bennett also believes the City should protect the historic resources at Fort Hill.

It was moved by Commissioner Sower, seconded by Commissioner Waldrige, to move Item 2, Mountain Bike Trail at Fort Hill as the next item of business. The motion was adopted by voice vote.

It was moved by Commissioner Sower, seconded by Commissioner Tippet, that we reaffirm Fort Hill as an historic site in its entirety, the use of bicycles of any description inside the park proper are prohibited. Furthermore, all trails either completed or under construction on the property shall be maintained for walking, hiking and pet use only. The question was put upon the motion and the roll called. Those voting in favor of the motion were Commissioners Tippet, Sower and Mayor May (3). Those voting against the motion were Commissioners Waldrige and Whisman (2). The motion was thereupon adopted.

Commissioner Whisman requested from the City Manager a report of how the Fort Hill trail happened, a management plan, define the use and actions of historic areas, have a plan to preserve and possibly adopt a park. Mayor May spoke about voting during a Work Session. Also, there is no need to rush to a vote on Fort Hill trails.

Commissioner Whisman would like to request the Parks Director develop a management plan for Fort Hill.

It was moved by Commissioner Sower, seconded by Commissioner Whisman, to take a five minute recess at 6:50 p.m. The motion was adopted by voice vote.

The meeting was called back to order at 7:02 p.m. with all members present.

### **Staff Reports**

Rebecca Hall, Community Relations/Grants Manager, stated that bids have been received for the Pinsley Trail; however, two bids were over estimates. The new estimates have been turned in to the Transportation Cabinet for review.

Wayne Briscoe, Fire Chief, stated the EMS Interlocal Agreement with Franklin County does not have an update at this time. The Class 2 designation was maintained in our recent Fire Protection ISO Audit, we are moving in the right direction.

Katie Beard, Director of Public Works, gave an update on 2-way West Main Street and the City will be taking a minimalist approach with signing and striping. This project may require a small budget amendment to the Vaughn and Melton contract. The Transit Grant amendment that is currently listed on the Regular Meeting agenda should be taken off; there is no need at this time.

Commissioner Whisman offered several locations of potholes downtown, striping that needs to be redone, stop signs at intersections checked.

Kenny Hogsten, Sewer Department Director, gave an update to the East Main construction. The Frankfort Plant Board should be finished by the end of June. There will be a sewer line transition once FPB is done. Versailles Road lane closures on a project will be minimal. Sewer is currently looking at a full reimbursement program for citizens that fill their pools. Mr. Hogsten requested to add an item regarding erosion control project on Louisville Road. The Commission agreed without objection.

Jennifer Jenkins, Finance Director, offered an update after being in her position for three weeks. Ms. Jenkins is seeking to improve efficiencies, realign accounting for the sewer fund, cost cutting, fund revenue, new financial software, and eliminate several of the general fund bank accounts.

Charles Adams, Police Chief, stated the body cam grant has been submitted and the Department of Homeland Security grant resolution completed. There will be Cookie with a Cop at Chick-fil-A this Thursday night. August 6<sup>th</sup> is National Night Out at Second Street School. Currently FPD is finalizing the accreditation on June 26<sup>th</sup> which helps with insurance rates and ensures officers are following best practices.

Tommy Russell, Emergency Management Director, stated the emergency homeless shelter went live on May 31<sup>st</sup> and has been full the entire time. We are on the right track.

**Discussion Items**

Katie Beard, Director of Public Works and Byron Roberts, Solid Waste Superintendent, gave an update on the recycle program. Public Works would like to lower the fee to change carts to \$25.00 for the months of July and August. Also, lower the prices for the overflow bags to \$4.00 per roll and slowly begin to phase out the small carts. These recommendations will be placed on the June 24<sup>th</sup> Regular Meeting agenda.

Laura Ross, City Solicitor, stated that she would like to remove the FIS/KCDC Tech Grant from the agenda tonight as additional time is needed to look at the documents that were provided.

Keith Parker, City Manager, presented the opportunity to create an Entertainment Destination Center in Downtown Frankfort. Staff, along with representatives from partner organizations, had met with officials for preliminary discussions. Mr. Parker will keep the Board of Commissioners informed on this program.

**Tentative Agenda**

Commissioner Sower suggested that the Police and Fire Departments reach out to each other to receive better uniform bids.

**Unfinished Business**

Commissioner Whisman requested an update on the Open Records/Open Meetings and Certified City of Ethics Training. Chermie Maxwell, City Clerk, has supplied all the necessary documents to KLC and is working towards dates for training.

Commissioner Whisman would like an update on the Broadway Bridge. Keith Parker, City Manager, stated the inspection is not completed and will notify the Board of Commissioners on the findings.

**New Business**

Commissioner Whisman would like staff to restart the Weekly Update to the Board of Commissioners. Keith Parker, City Manager, stated this will be a bi-weekly update.

Commissioner Whisman suggested that staff look at a policy that changes taxation from net to gross value, City of Paducah is a good place to review.

Commissioner Waldrige invited all high schoolers to a swim party at the Aquatic Center on June 28<sup>th</sup> from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Commissioner Waldrige offered prayers for the child that fell in the water recently at the Aquatic Center and thank you to staff that handled the incident.

Commissioner Whisman would like staff to investigate having Police call buttons at each of the Parks.

It was moved by Commissioner Whisman, seconded by Commissioner Sower, to go into Executive Session per KRS 61.810(1)(b) property, discussion on potential acquisition of real property related to the downtown master plan when publicity would be likely to affect the value of the property. The motion was adopted by voice vote. The meeting went into closed session at 7:55 p.m.

It was moved by Commissioner Tippet, 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 8:05 p.m.

It was moved by Commissioner Waldrige, seconded by Commissioner Tippet, that the meeting adjourn. The question was put upon the motion and was adopted by voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Attest:

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Mayor

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City Clerk