

**NOTICE
SPECIAL 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, and in accordance with recommended and mandated precautions related thereto and Kentucky Opinion of the Attorney General 20-05, the following Meeting Notice is issued:

I, William I. May, Jr. hereby call a Special Meeting of the Frankfort Board of Commissioners for Monday, June 8, 2020, at 5:00 p.m., in the Frankfort/Franklin County Emergency Operations Center, 300 West Second Street. This meeting will be in lieu of the Work Session scheduled for Monday, June 8, 2020. All items on the agenda will be considered and action will be taken.

Per KRS 61.826, this meeting is a video teleconference meeting. One or more members of the Board of Commissioners will participate via Skype or a similar video teleconferencing system. The primary location will be in the Frankfort/Franklin County Emergency Operations Center, 300 West Second Street.

Per KY Attorney General Opinion 20-05, public attendance will not be permitted at this meeting because, due to the highly contagious nature of COVID-19, it is not feasible for the City to provide a central physical location for public viewing. Public comments on agenda items only will still be accepted for the meeting, by emailing comments to bhecker@frankfort.ky.gov by Monday, June 8 at 4:00 PM.

The 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/William I. May, Jr.
T/Mayor

SPECIAL WORK SESSION
FRANKFORT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

June 8, 2020
5:00 P.M. (EDT)

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, Commissioner Waldrige and Commissioner Whisman all offered their thanks to the community and city staff regarding the June 5, 2020 March on Frankfort event. Special recognition was offered to the event organizers Katima McMillan, Jordon Smith, Trish Freeman, Natalee Cleveland, Barbara Petty, James McGraw and Erik Jarboe.

Chermie Maxwell, City Clerk, read the following citizens comments from Leesa Unger and Phyllis Vincent:

The first comment is for informational purposes only. At the last meeting there was an accidental oversight and the comment from Leesa Unger was not read.

I am in support of the City moving forward with the 2020 Recreation Trail Program Grant Application. This trail expansion would make access to Cove Spring Park much easier from the Wilkinson Blvd Walking Trail. ~ Leesa Unger

Many people across the nation speak in opposition to any pull back of the police force and enforcement. Let the police do their job equally for all. Sure, there are "bad apples" in every position of our society. Get rid of them as was done in Minneapolis and do not punish the police who are doing their jobs as professionally as they can. For Frankfort, I haven't heard of any complaints about our police. Leave them alone and encourage them and back them up. I want and expect law and order. The first duty of government at any level is to protect its citizens...all of its citizens. Please act accordingly.
~ Phyllis Vincent

Discussion Items

Keith Parker, City Manager, discussed the budget process for FY 2020-2021. Draft documents have been forwarded to the Board of Commissioners. A tentative Special Call meeting will be set for Friday, June 12th from 10am – 2 pm.

Mayor May welcomed the new Finance Director, Alicia Boyd.

Katie Beard, Director of Public Works, gave a brief presentation regarding the recycling program. Cost comparisons were also offered for the Lexington Recycle Center and WestRock Recycle Center in Louisville.

Approval of an amended MOU for Second Street TIGER Project – Right of Way Acquisition – Parcel #5
During the May 18, 2020 Special Regular Meeting the Board of Commissioners approved an MOU and Grant of Easement for the TIGER Project. After that meeting, Strand Associates informed us that the types of easements and the corresponding square footage areas shown in the MOU were incorrect. We have since received a corrected MOU, which has already been forwarded to you, with the correct type of easement (permanent utility) with a total area of 3,016 square feet (0.069 acres).

It was moved by Commissioner Whisman, seconded by Commissioner Sower, to approve the agreement. The question was put upon the motion and the roll called. Those voting in favor of the motion were Commissioners Waldrige, Tippet, Whisman, Sower and Mayor May (5). Those voting against the motion were none (0). The motion was thereupon adopted.

Second Street TIGER Project -- East Main Street Curb Box Inlet Project
Approval to reject bid received and re-advertise the project.

It was moved by Commissioner Sower, seconded by Commissioner Whisman, to reject the bid and re-advertise the project. The question was put upon the motion and the roll called. Those voting in favor of the motion were Commissioners Waldrige, Tippet, Whisman, Sower and Mayor May (5). Those voting against the motion were none (0). The motion was thereupon adopted.

Keith Parker, City Manager, discussed the Capitol View Park lighting RFP's and recommended that the Board of Commissioners reject the bids and re-advertise.

It was moved by Commissioner Sower, seconded by Commissioner Tippet, to reject the bid and re-advertise the project. The question was put upon the motion and the roll called. Those voting in favor of the motion were Commissioners Waldrige, Tippet, Whisman, Sower and Mayor May (5). Those voting against the motion were none (0). The motion was thereupon adopted.

Canoe KY Riverboat Tours

The purpose of this agenda item is to seek Commission approval for the Parks Department to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with Canoe KY to offer Kentucky River Boat Tours, based out of River View Park, and approval for the Mayor to sign any related documents.

Following a brief discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Whisman, seconded by Commissioner Sower, to amend the agreement to add that Canoe KY pay \$1,400.00 towards a boat slip. The question was put upon the motion and the roll called. Those voting in favor of the motion were Commissioners Waldrige, Tippet, Whisman, Sower and Mayor May (5). Those voting against the motion were none (0). The motion was thereupon adopted.

Shawn Pickens, Director of Parks and Recreation, discussed the Parks Master Plan Steering Committee and that Brandstetter Carroll will target the areas of interest and groups. A draft format has been provided to the Board of Commissioners. After a lengthy discussion, Keith Parker, City Manager, recommended that the Board of Commissioners send names to staff to add. Commissioner Sower suggested two (2) names by Wednesday. Mayor May volunteered to coordinate with Brandstetter Carroll.

It was moved by Commissioner Tippet, seconded by Commissioner Whisman, to allow the Mayor to work with staff and Brandstetter Carroll to create parameters and process of the Steering Committee. The question was put upon the motion and the roll called. Those voting in favor of the motion were Commissioners Waldrige, Tippet, Whisman, Sower and Mayor May (5). Those voting against the motion were none (0). The motion was thereupon adopted. *Note: The Board of Commissioners will still have final review.*

Kenny Hogsten, Sewer Director, spoke about the efforts of sewer upgrades at Capitol View Park. Mr. Hogsten stated that everything was submitted to the Department of Water of May 1st, however, no word yet. We cannot do anything further until we hear from the Department of Water as we must have approval from them.

It was moved by Commissioner Sower, seconded by Commissioner Whisman, to get bids on a small extension of existing restrooms at Capitol View Park. The question was put upon the motion and the roll called. Those voting in favor of the motion were Commissioners Waldrige, Tippet, Whisman, Sower and Mayor May (5). Those voting against the motion were none (0). The motion was thereupon adopted.

Keith Parker, City Manager, will reach out for rough estimates and request that the Master Plan consultant assist.

Mayor May discussed the US Conference of Mayors Working group on Police Reform and Racial Justice. This group focuses on how to help in communities across America. Recommendations are in the works with ongoing conversations. The information will be shared with the community once completed.

Commissioner Katrisha Waldrige began the discussion of ordinance improvements and future activities/policies to support the Frankfort Police Department, in light of recent Black Lives Matter protests and response. Ms. Waldrige called in the Police Chief, Chuck Adams, to let the community know what we are doing and allow the Police Department to have a voice.

Chuck Adams, Police Chief, spoke about the recent incidents around the nation and how those events do not represent our Police Department. The Police Department is working to find solutions and having continual training on implicit bias, race relations and understanding the different point of views. Department policies are reviewed regularly and we are up to standards. Body cams should be in place by the end of the month.

The Frankfort Independent Schools MOA and reimbursement was discussed. Following the discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Tippet, seconded by Commissioner Whisman, to disperse the balance of monies invoiced in the 2017 MOA with Frankfort Independent Schools into the 2019 MOA irrespective of an Attorney General's opinion. We are micro targeting areas of extreme poverty and providing opportunities for kids to learn. The question was put upon the motion and the roll called. Those voting in favor of the motion were Commissioners Waldrige, Tippet, Whisman, Sower and Mayor May (5). Those voting against the motion were none (0). The motion was thereupon adopted.

Commissioner Tippet directed the City Manager and staff to come up with the MOA, either a new MOA or extended one. This MOA will come back for final approval from the Board of Commissioners.

Tentative Agenda

Commissioner Sower has questions on the Amendment No. 5 with the Sewer Department.

Commissioner Sower offered his appreciation to the Public Works Department for the Street Resurfacing item.

It was moved by Commissioner Whisman, seconded by Commissioner Sower, to go into Executive Session per KRS 61.810(1)(b) discussion on the future acquisition of real property 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 7:18 p.m.

It was moved by Commissioner Whisman, 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 Whisman, seconded by Commissioner Waldrige, that the meeting adjourn. The question was put upon the motion and the roll called. Those voting in favor of the motion were Commissioners Waldrige, Tippet, Whisman, Sower and Mayor May (5). Those voting against the motion were none (0). The motion was thereupon adopted. The meeting adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk