WORK SESSION

FRANKFORT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

June 12, 2023
5:00 P.M. (EDT)

PRESENT: Commissioner Kyle Thompson

Commissioner Leesa Unger Commissioner Katrisha Waldridge Commissioner Kelly May

Mayor Layne Wilkerson (5)

ABSENT: None (0)

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

Ceremonial & Recognition

Commissioner Unger stated happy Pride month. Also, the Franklin County Humane Society will be moving into their new location soon, very exciting.

Commissioner Waldridge said congratulations to all Frankfort High School graduates. Juneteenth is coming up and there will be events with FORR, check out Facebook for details. Congrats to the new Kentucky State University President who will begin on July 1, 2023.

Citizen Comments

Jim Terry offered comments on short term rentals and concerns regarding the downtown parking enforcement.

John Carlton spoke about the upcoming program to honor 250 years and the details of the 250 KY Celebration.

Staff Reports

Katie Beard, Director of Public Works, gave an update on Solid Waste services. The update included staffing, clean up week and collection of items. Ms. Beard is targeting July 1st to reinstate services with all pickups for brush and bulky items to be scheduled ahead of time.

Mayor Wilkerson would like to table Item No. 2 -US 127 Road Improvement Project. It was moved by Commissioner Waldridge, seconded by Commissioner Unger, to table the item. The motion was adopted by voice vote.

Discussion Items

Presentation on Study that Measures how Historic Preservation Impacts the Local Economy - Vicki Birenberg and Donovan Rypkema of PlaceEconomics

Donovan Rypkema of PlaceEconomics gave a PowerPoint presentation on the study of impacts of historic preservation in Frankfort. There will be a full report available during a presentation at the Paul Sawyier Public Library on June 22, 2023.

Flock Camera Presentation - Dusty Bowman and Flock Representatives

Dustin Bowman, Police Chief and Flock Representatives Amy Cornell and Laura Ann Holland, spoke about the benefits of the Flock Camera System. There will be public meetings held on June 22, 2023, both AM and PM sessions. Once confirmed the information will be sent out to the community.

Riverview Park Bank Stabilization - Katie Beard

Katie Beard Director of Public Works and Shawn Pickens Director of Parks and Recreation, spoke about the cost of the stabilization of Riverview Park. The cost that was approved is \$700,000.00 and \$400,000.00 should be allocated to help with the FEMA proposal. It will cost \$1.7 million for full bank stabilization. The City Manager will offer additional options at individual meetings with the Board of Commissioners.

Action Items

First Reading

"AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE REVENUE TO BE RECEIVED BY THE CITY OF FRANKFORT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024" was presented, read and sponsored by Commissioner Unger. Summary: This ordinance appropriates revenue to be received by the City of Frankfort for Fiscal Year 2023-24 in accordance with the budget submitted and hereby approved.

First Reading

"AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 9, 2022 SERIES APPROPRIATING THE REVENUE TO BE RECEIVED BY THE CITY OF FRANKFORT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023" was presented, read and sponsored by Commissioner Unger. Summary: This ordinance amends Ordinance No. 9, 2022 Series, appropriating the revenue to be received by the City for the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 by adding the following expenditures and transfers as noted:

- 1) General Fund-\$1,150,649 (aggregate total)
- 2) Transfers from General Fund-\$52,420 to Capital Improvements (aggregate total)
- 3) Capital Improvements-\$98,753 (aggregate total)

And by adding the following revenue and transfers as noted above:

- 1) General Fund-\$2,925,000 (aggregate total)
- 2) Capital Improvements-\$60,910 (aggregate total)

Fencing Replacement - Juniper Hill Tennis/Pickleball Court Renovation

The purpose of this agenda item is to seek Board of Commissioners approval for the Parks Department to approve a response to an Invitation to Bid for fencing for the Juniper Hill Tennis Court / Pickleball project at Juniper Hill Park. When the original project began last year, the fence was not included due to budgetary restraints as well as an attempt to salvage the current fence to save on overall expenses. As the project began in May 2023, Tennis Technology highly recommended that a new fence be installed prior to the final finishing sport coat surface being applied to the tennis / pickleball courts. If the fence is installed after the finished surface, considerable damage could result to the freshly installed surface. The current (old) fence is in poor condition, over 20 years old, and not feasible to re-use or refurbish moving forward.

The Parks Department initially planned to add the new fence as part of the insurance premium tax process after July 1st, 2023, but Tennis Technology is ahead of schedule and has begun the project. If we wait, this will delay the project by months. In May, Parks issued an Invitation to Bid (IFB) for the fence replacement. Parks received 2 responses to the IFB. The lowest bid came in from Tennis Technology for \$50,312.00. The 2nd bid came in from Precision Construction & Contracting out of Missouri for \$134,564.00. The fence is a completely new perimeter fence, 10-foot-tall commercial grade black vinyl coated chain link and will include 2 smaller 4-foot fences separating the tennis and pickleball courts. The fences are constructed of higher quality material as the previous 20+ year old fence. A budget amendment is required for this project. Funds are available in the 530 Capital Improvement Fund. Staff recommends approval.

It was moved by Commissioner Unger, seconded by Commissioner Waldridge, to approve the fencing replacement. The question was put upon the motion and the roll called. Those voting in favor of the motion were Commissioners Thompson, Unger, Waldridge, May and Mayor Wilkerson (5). Those voting against the motion were none (0). The motion was thereupon adopted.

Discussion of Tentative Agenda

The Board of Commissioners stated a few items that should be on the voting meeting agenda such as; second reading of ordinances, Flock Cameras and Short-Term Rentals.

New Business

Commissioner Waldridge stated there were signs at the Franklin County Humane Society spelled wrong. Laura Ross, City Attorney, said it has been taken care of.

Commissioner Waldridge suggested a one-page flyer for the free week and solid waste updates to all citizens.

Commissioner Unger brought up "Noise for Jordon" which is an event for Jordon Ellis.

Commissioner Unger said a bench should be added to the bus stop at Shelby Street and State Street.

Commissioner Unger stated there have been audio issues at the Planning Commission meetings and also KCDC has not been streaming their meetings. Bobby Ripy, IT Director, said it will be taken care of.

Commissioner Waldridge said that the ITGA Conference was great with really good information. Many conversations on mental health and the need for more social workers, possibly a dispatcher dedicated as a social worker.

It was moved by Commissioner Unger, seconded by Commissioner Waldridge, to go into Executive Session per KRS 61.810(1)(b), "deliberations on the future acquisition of real property related to the implementation of the downtown master plan when publicity would be likely to affect the value". Action may be taken in open session. The motion was adopted by voice vote. The meeting went into closed session at 6:54 p.m.

It was moved by Commissioner Waldridge, seconded by Commissioner Unger, that the meeting return to open session. The motion was adopted by voice vote. The meeting returned to open session at 7:40 p.m.

Mayor Wilkerson stated that no action will be taken.

It was moved by Commissioner Waldridge, seconded by Commissioner Thompson, that the meeting adjourn. The question was put upon the motion and was adopted by voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

	Mayor
Attest:	
City Clerk	