

Special Council Meeting

December 10, 2019

5:00pm

Meeting called to order by Mayor Harley at 5:00pm.

Invocation given by Councilman Armijo.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Fire Chief Jason Jones.

Welcome extended by Mayor Harley.

Present were Mayor John R. Harley, Councilman Cameron Andrews, Councilman Justin Wright, Councilman J. Micheal Evans, Councilman Edward Armijo and City Attorney Rebecca Tydings. Absent – City Clerk Krista Bedingfield (annual leave).

Approval Center Park Contractor: Councilman Andrews/ Director of Marketing Hogan: Councilman Andrews recognized Director of Marketing Hogan who reported on the bids for the Center Park project as follows: After a productive RFP process, I am here before you to present the two project proposals received. 1. Renfroe Construction at \$2.3 million and 2. International City Builders (ICB) at \$2.6 million. As stated in an email to you on Friday, these prices are both over the \$1.9 million budgeted for Fiscal Year 2020. However, these bid amounts are still much closer to the budgeted amount than Clark, Patterson, and Lee's 2016 estimate of \$4-\$8 million. After reviewing the rubrics provided by David Selby for the proposals, it is staff's recommendation we move forward with selecting ICB as the contractor for Center Park at Centerville based on the results of the scoring criteria. ICB scored 98 out of 100 points based on their proposal package and Renfroe scored 77 out of 100 points based on their proposal package. A contract will be brought back for Mayor and Council's consideration after the project timeline and project costs are finalized with ICB. Councilman Andrews stated that he is happy to be at this stage of the project and made a motion to select ICB as the contractor for the Center Park project. Stated that he was familiar with ICB's work because of a church project he was familiar with. Councilman Micheal Evans seconded the motion, stating that he had no previous knowledge of ICB's work, but that he has confidence in staff's recommendation. Motion carried unanimously. See attached scoring sheet from Architect David Selby and letter to Mayor and Council from Director of Marketing Hogan, attached to and made a part of these minutes.

Approval of Sale of Surplus Vehicles for the PD: Councilman Wright/ Chief Hadden: Councilman Wright recognized Chief Hadden to discuss this agenda item. Chief Hadden is seeking approval to have sell four Tahoes (patrol vehicles) and is requesting that they be declared surplus with the authority to sell the vehicles. The Police Department plans to purchase (as included in budget) Charger patrol vehicles to replace the Tahoes. Going forward, Chief Hadden plans to rotate patrol vehicles out for replacement on an annual schedule. Chief Hadden is also talking with a couple of jurisdictions that may want to purchase the four Tahoes directly before the vehicles are placed on GovDeals. If Tahoes are sold with equipment (cages, etc.) left inside, they can only be sold to a law enforcement agency, not civilians. Discussion about placing the vehicles on GovDeals with stipulation that they only be sold to a law enforcement agency or stripped of equipment and sold to any high bidder on GovDeals. Motion made by Councilman Justin Wright to declare the four Tahoes surplus and sell them. Seconded

by Councilman Andrews. Motion carried unanimously. See attached Tahoe pricing sheet and GovDeals Inspections Forms attached to and made a part of these minutes.

Cancellation of the 12/17 Council Meeting: Councilman Wright made a motion to cancel the regularly scheduled 12/17/2019 Work Session, stating that tonight's Special Called Meeting takes the place of that meeting. Motion seconded by Councilman Wright. Motion carried unanimously.

Point of Information Fire Department Equipment Purchase Needs: Councilman Evans, Fire Chief Jones: Councilman Micheal Evans recognized Chief Jones. Fire Department will be purchases replacement equipment (Automated External Defibrillator "AED" and Positive Pressure Ventilation "PPV" Fan). These pieces will be purchased instead of two radios that were included in the budget at a cost of \$8,000.00. The Fire Department will still receive the two radios, however, they will be purchased with 2018 SPLOST Funds, thereby releasing funding to purchase the AED and the PPV fan while remaining within the Fire Department's approved budget. The cost for the AED is \$1874.02 and the cost for the PPV fan is \$4,487.00 for a total of \$6361.02, which is still under the \$8,000.00 available to purchase these items. This is a point of information only. No action necessary or taken. See attached memo from Fire Chief Jones attached to and made a part of these minutes.

Adoption Georgia Municipal Employees Benefit System (GMEBS) Restated Plan Documents: City Attorney Tydings – Mayor Harley recognized City Attorney Tydings to speak about this agenda item. City Attorney Tydings stated, "The Georgia Municipal Employees Benefits System (GMEBS) Defined Benefit Retirement Plan is comprised of three documents: the Master Plan document; the Adoption Agreement and the General Addendum. The Master Retirement Plan and associated documents are subject to IRS and other federal law requirements in order to remain classified as a "qualified pension benefit program" that allows employees to accrue benefits tax free until the employee's retirement benefits are distributed to them. IRS and federal law requirements change frequently. Therefore, as IRS and federal law requirements change, the Master Retirement Plan and associated documents must also be changed in order for the Plan to maintain its designation as a "qualified plan." The last amendment to the Master Plan and associated documents was approved by the IRS in 2010. Tonight, the Mayor and Council are being asked to approve an Ordinance adopting the newly amended Master Retirement Plan and associated documents drafted by GMEBS' legal staff. If approved, the draft Plan documents take effect today, the date of approval by the City. City Clerk Bedingfield will transmit the original, fully-executed documents to GMA on or before January 15, 2020 and will also transmit an electronic copy to Municode for codification."

A summary of the requisite amendments to the Plan include but are not limited to:

- Limits related to Final Average Earnings and Compensation Limits
- Opt out of mandatory participation
- Immediate participation for all eligible employees
- Withdraw contributions repayment
- In-Service Distribution
- Death Benefits – Auto and Default
- Application for Disability Benefits"

Councilman Justin Wright made a motion to adopt an Ordinance containing the amended Adoption Agreement and associated documents in accordance with Georgia law (O.C.G.A. § 47-5-40). Motion seconded by Councilman Andrews. Motion carried unanimously.

Comments from Council

Post 1 Councilman Andrews: No comments.

Post 2 Councilman Wright: No comments.

Post 3 Councilman Armijo: Merry Christmas.

Post 4 Councilman Evans: Merry Christmas. Parade was phenomenal – lots of hard work went into the parade – all staff involved did a great job.

Mayor Harley: Best parade the City has ever had; couldn't have happened without employees' efforts – thank you all.

Meeting adjourned 5:20pm.

Mayor John R. Harley

Attest by City Clerk Krista Bedingfield

Date