# MINUTES FOR THE CITY COUNCIL BUDGET MEETING OF AUGUST 25, 2022

The regular meeting of the Mandeville City Council was called to order by the Council Chairman at 6:00 p.m. followed by roll call.

ROLL CALL - present: Jason Zuckerman, Jill McGuire, Rick Danielson, Skelly Kreller, Rebecca Bush

Also present: Elizabeth Sconzert, City Attorney, Cara Bartholomew, Planning Director, Keith LaGrange, Public Works Director, Joanna Anderson, HR Director, Kathleen Sides, Finance Director, Mayor Madden

#### **MINUTES:**

Adoption of the August 10, 2022, Budget Meeting Minutes. A motion was made by Mrs. Bush and seconded by Mrs. McGuire. With no further comments or questions a vote was taken and the minutes were adopted 5-0.

Adoption of the August 11, 2022, Regular Meeting Minutes. A motion was made by Mrs. Bush and seconded by Mrs. McGuire. With no further comments or questions a vote was taken and the minutes were adopted 5-0.

#### REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The mayor stated the Fall concerts will begin mid-September.

Mr. Danielson asked if there were no objections, to begin with new business. There were no objections from the council.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- 1. Re-Appointment of Simmie Fairley as Commissioner to the Planning & Zoning Commission for a 7-year term. A motion was made by Dr. Kreller and seconded by Mrs. McGuire. Mr. Danielson explained Mr. Fairley has asked to be re-appointed and is eligible for another term. Ms. Bartholomew discussed the CLURO and stated prior to 2018 there were no term limits. If a commissioner wants to stay, they can be reappointed. Reappointments are not vacancies. Mr. Fairley's term ends 8/31 and we are reappointing him. Had Mr. Fairley not wished to be reappointed, it would result in a vacancy and therefore have to be advertised. Mrs. Sconzert explained every council established rules for vacancies and this is a re-appointment. Mrs. bush stated she did a different process when she was re-appointed. Mrs. Sconzert explained that was before the new term limit regulations went into effect. With no further comments or questions, a vote was taken, and the motion was approved 5-0.
- 2. Appointment of Leah Quinn to the Historic District Commission for a 4 yr. term. A motion was made by Mrs. Bush and seconded by Mrs. McGuire. The mayor explained Ms. Quinn was interested in this position last year, however there was not an opening. The mayor told her she would be next on his list. With no further comments or questions, a vote was taken, and the motion was approved 5-0.
- 3. Approval of the special event Pink with a Purpose, Saturday, October 8, 2022, from 4-11pm to be located at 22 St. Ann suite 2. A motion was made by Mrs. Bush and seconded by Mrs. McGuire. Dr. Kreller explained this is a fundraiser for breast cancer awareness. Mr. Jeff James explained he has joined with UNITE which assists patients once surgery has been completed. The stroll will start at St. Ann's Wine Bar, go to George's, Fazio's, the Post Office and back to St. Ann

Wine Bar. The route has been approved by the police department. With no further comments or questions, a vote was taken, and the application was approved 5-0.

4. Approval of Wine and Dine with Hospice to be held Thursday, November 10, 2022, from 6-9pm to be located at Benedicts Plantation. . A motion was made by Mrs. Bush and seconded by Dr. Kreller. Dr. Kreller explained this is a fundraiser benefiting Hospice and all paperwork is in order. With no further comments or questions, a vote was taken, and the application was approved 5-0.

5. Approval of Resolution No. 22-33; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MANDEVILLE TO EXECUTE A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH RICHARD C. LAMBERT CONSULTANTS, LLC AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH. A motion was made by Mrs. Bush and seconded by Mrs. McGuire. Mr. Zuckerman explained this is for inspection services. The project will go out for bid on September 14, 2022. The estimated cost of the contract is \$198K. With no further comments or questions, a vote was taken, and the resolution passed 5-0.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

1.Adoption of Ordinance No. 22-17; AN ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS RELATIVE TO AND FOR ADOPTION OF THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF MANDEVILLE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023; AND TO ESTABLISH THE ADMINISTRATION OF EXPENDITURES THEREOF AND TO PROVIDE FOR RELATED MATTERS. A motion was made by Mrs. McGuire and seconded by Mrs. Bush. Mr. Danielson stated this is the capital budget ordinance and we have had 5 work sessions prior to tonight. The mayor explained many projects were not started because of covid and Hurricane Ida. He wanted to get updated plans and present-day numbers. He stated just because we design something does not mean we build it right away. Many projects he will try and get external funding. Once we have hard numbers, we will see what direction we will go to. The current capital budget is around \$19 million, not all of that money gets spent every year.

Mr. Danielson made a motion to remove \$1 million from the Lakefront Restoration project; seconded by Mrs. Bush. This is for surge protection and wetland restoration. This does not include the bridge, sidewalk, etc. With no further comments or questions, a vote was taken, and the motion passed 5-0.

Mr. Danielson made a motion to remove \$175K for the High-water vehicle; seconded by Dr. Kreller. With no further comments or questions, a vote was taken, and the motion passed 5-0.

Mr. Danielson made a motion to adjust City Hall to \$243,413K for the High-water vehicle; seconded by Mrs. Bush. Dr. Kreller feels the concentration should be on rebuilding the Police station. City Hall is not a need. With no further comments or questions, a vote was taken, and the motion passed 5-0

Mr. Danielson made a motion to change the Police Building to Police Building Design; seconded by Mrs. Bush. With no further comments or questions, a vote was taken, and the motion passed 5-0

Mr. Danielson made a motion to amend the street sweeper to \$300K this fiscal year and remove the prior year appropriation; seconded by Mrs. Bush. With no further comments or questions, a vote was taken, and the motion passed 5-0.

Mr. Danielson made a motion to remove the roof at the UV; seconded by Dr. Kreller. With no further comments or questions, a vote was taken, and the motion passed 5-0.

Mr. Danielson made a motion to amend the fence at WWTP to \$175K this fiscal year and remove the prior year appropriation; seconded by Mrs. Bush. With no further comments or questions, a vote was taken, and the motion passed 5-0.

Mr. Danielson made a motion to remove \$175K for the High-water vehicle; seconded by Dr. Kreller. With no further comments or questions, a vote was taken, and the motion passed 5-0. Mr. Danielson made a motion to add \$400K for Old Golden Shores drainage; seconded by Mrs. McGuire. With no further comments or questions, a vote was taken, and the motion passed 5-0. Mr. Danielson made a motion to add \$75K for Montgomery drainage; seconded by Mrs. Bush. With no further comments or questions, a vote was taken, and the motion passed 5-0. Mr. Danielson made a motion to add in the body of the ordinance "Quarterly budget review sessions will be scheduled for the month of December, March and June followed by the regular budget work sessions for the next fiscal year."; seconded by Mrs. Bush. With no further comments or questions, a vote was taken, and the motion passed 5-0. Mr. Danielson made a motion to add in the body of the ordinance "A portion of the funds under Land Acquisition shall be dedicated to the purchase of Square 91 and 92 (Florida to Montgomery, Colbert to Soult) for the purpose of taking it out of commerce, returning it to green space and using it for drainage and absorption purposes: seconded by Mrs. Bush. Mrs. McGuire wanted to add an end date for an appraisal to be executed. Mrs. Sconzert stated an appraisal has already been requested. Mrs. McGuire made a motion to add "Appraisal to be executed by October 31, 2022."; seconded by Mr. Danielson. With no further comments or questions, a vote was taken, and the motion passed 5-0. With no further comments or questions, a vote was taken, and the amended motion passed 5-0.

Mr. Danielson made a motion to add in the body of the ordinance: "Projects greater than \$1 million dollars are subject to approval of location, character, and review by the Planning Commission and final approval by the Council. Approval must be obtained before the project is bid."; seconded by Mrs. Bush. Mr. Zuckerman would like to amend the motion to read "Projects greater than \$1 million dollars, specifically to include but not limited to the Lakefront Wetlands Restoration Project, are subject to approval of location, character, and review by the Planning Commission and final approval by the Council. Approval must be obtained before the project is bid with a recommendation to the Council by the Planning Commission"; seconded by Mrs. McGuire. Mrs. Rohrbough would like to see Design Review added to the requirement. Mr. Zuckerman does not feel it is necessary for all projects. If the council has design concerns, then they can ask for a review. Mr. Buck Abbey asked the council why \$1 million? Some of the landscape projects are crucial to the city and he thinks they should be included. Mr. Danielson just thought that was a threshold for some major projects, but the council can review others if they feel the need. Ms. Bartholomew stated she holds public meetings for the projects and the council has time to review the project and ask questions.

Mr. Danielson made a motion to approve the capital budget as amended; seconded by Mrs. Bush. Dr. Kreller explained they have made a lot of changes and he has a problem approving the budget because all is not on the website and has not been presented to the public. He would like all the changes to be made and the council can come back next week before the start of the fiscal year and approve once changes have been verified and the public has time to review. He does not think we are ready, and the public deserves better and he wants to be transparent. Mr. Danielson is not opposed to adding time, but he is comfortable with the adoption. He asked Mrs. Sconzert if the budget meets all state laws and adheres to the charter. Mrs. Sides feels the answer is yes and the only changes since last week have been to remove \$1 million and Big Moe. Mrs. Sconzert stated they are compliant with state law. Mrs. Abbey agreed with Mr. Runyon about not having all the updated documents on Friday. She agrees with Dr. Kreller that the public should see the revisions and she stated they were not there. Mrs. Sides stated she emailed the IT guy on Friday and asked him to upload the changes and she verified the posting. The mayor explained the new budget software was

well researched by the administration and includes more information. The new web site was modeled after several other municipalities. The important links will need to be reformatted to get things on the landing page. Mr. Danielson explained the capital budget started around \$22 million and is now around \$18.5. With no further comments or questions, a vote was taken, and the amended ordinance passed 4-1 (Kreller against).

2. Adoption of Ordinance No. 22-18; AN ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS RELATIVE TO AND FOR ADOPTION OF THE OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF MANDEVILLE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023; AND TO ESTABLISH THE ADMINISTRATION OF EXPENDITURES THEREOF AND TO PROVIDE FOR RELATED MATTERS. A motion was made by Mrs. McGuire and seconded by Mrs. Bush. Mrs. Sides explained the original budget had a deficit and since then the administration has removed the deficit and they are not in any violation. Mr. Danielson explained the operating budget is for the day-to-day operation of the city. We have had recommendations from the civil service board and others regarding expenditures. The mayor explained the capital budget is based upon a lot of forecasting and the operating is not as flexible. Mr. Danielson stated we can take the tools given and if they decide to restart the MFOC commission, they can assist with the quarterly budget sessions and be a valuable asset. Mr. Danielson stated there were several items proposed and he will do this in different sections:

Mr. Danielson made a motion to amend in general gvt: seconded by Mrs. Bush:

FRANCHISE TAXES 239,326
POLICE FEES 231,374
CONTRACTOR LICENSES 5,000
BUILDING PERMITS 50,000

With no further comments or questions, a vote was taken, and the motion passed 5-0.

Mr. Danielson made a motion to amend in general gvt proposed expenditure additions; seconded by Mrs. Bush

COMP LAND USE PLAN REVISION
POLICE
SALARIES
OVERTIME
FICA
RETIREMENT
MEDICAL INSURANCE
-125,000
-125,000
-125,000
-125,000
-1,1378
-7,500
-3,930
-21,193
-26,310

With no further comments or questions, a vote was taken, and the motion passed 5-0.

Mr. Danielson made a motion to amend in general gvt proposed expenditure reductions; seconded by Mrs. Bush:

1,000
22,980
8,000
5,000
273,214
26,500
30,000
11,000
2,000
2,000
20,000

With no further comments or questions, a vote was taken, and the motion passed 5-0.

Mr. Danielson made a motion to amend in general gvt proposed expenditure reductions; seconded by Mrs. Bush

Membership dues & subscriptions \$1,000

Computer supplies & programs \$22,980

Office Supplies \$8,000

Community Center \$5,000

Planning & Development \$273,214

Trailhead \$26,500

Travel Convs & Confs. \$30,000

Social Services \$11,000

Uniforms \$2,000

Equipment Maintenance \$2,000

Contracted Services \$20,000

With no further comments or questions, a vote was taken, and the motion passed 5-0.

Mr. Danielson made a motion to amend in Police; seconded by Mrs. Bush

Membership & dues \$1,000

Computer supplies & programs \$150,005

Office supplies \$5,000

Travel convs & confs \$5,000

Radio maintenance \$78,276

Uniforms \$5,000

Equipment maintenance \$3,000

Equipment rental \$5,000

With no further comments or questions, a vote was taken, and the motion passed 5-0.

Mr. Danielson made a motion to amend in Streets; seconded by Mrs. Bush

Computer supplies & programs \$23,097

Building maintenance \$5,000

Radio maintenance \$2,000

Vehicle maintenance \$2,000

Contracted Services +\$10,899

Signs & Lights \$30,000

Sand Asphalt & Gravel \$15,000

With no further comments or questions, a vote was taken, and the motion passed 5-0

Mr. Danielson made a motion to add \$10,824 to the base salary for council clerk; seconded by Dr. Kreller

With no further comments or questions, a vote was taken, and the motion failed 2-3 (Zuckerman, McGuire, Bush against)

Mr. Danielson made a motion to adopt the amended budget; seconded by Mrs. Bush.

With no further comments or questions, a vote was taken, and the ordinance passed 4-1 (Kreller against)

3. Adoption of Ordinance No. 22-22; AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MANDEVILLE REAPPORTIONING THE CITY COUNCIL DISTRICTS ESTABLISHED BY THE CITY CHARTER IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE POPULATION OF THE CITY OF MANDEVILLE REPORTED AS A RESULT OF THE 2020 FEDERAL CENSUS: DEFINING THE DISTRICTS CREATED AS A RESULT THEREOF; SUBMITTING THE SAID DISTRICTS FOR REVIEW BY THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE; AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH. A motion was made by Mrs. Bush; seconded by Mrs. McGuire. Mr. Chad Whatley stated the administration decided to move all of Barbara into District 2 and all of West Beach Parkway into District #. The new numbers would be District 1: 4,442; District 2: 4,439; District 3: 4,306. Mr. Danielson made a motion to amend the ordinance to shift Barbara to District 2; seconded by Mrs. Bush. With no further comments or questions, a vote was taken, and the motion passed 5-0. With no further comments or questions, a vote was taken, and the ordinance passed 5-0.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT:** none

**ADJOURNMENT:** 

Mrs. Bush made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mrs. McGuire. Mr. Danielson

adjourned the meeting at 8:05 p.m.

Kristine Scherer Council Clerk Rick Danielson

Council Chairman