

**STATE OF TENNESSEE
COUNTY OF HAMBLEN
CORPORATION OF MORRISTOWN
DECEMBER 15, 2020**

The City Council for the City of Morristown, Hamblen County, Tennessee, met in regular session at the regular meeting place of the Council in the Morristown City Center at 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, December 15, 2020, with the Honorable Mayor Gary Chesney presiding and the following Councilmembers present: Chris Bivens, Bob Garrett, Tommy Pedigo, Kay Senter and Ken Smith. Absent: Al A'Hearn

Mayor Chesney led in a moment of silence and "Pledge of Allegiance".

Councilmember Senter made a motion to approve the December 1, 2020 minutes as circulated. Councilmember Smith seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted "aye".

Mayor Chesney recognized Tuff Torq Corporation for their donation of additional Yoshino Cherry trees at Fulton-Hill Park and expressed appreciation for the contributions they have made.

Mayor Chesney opened the floor for citizens comments related to Agenda items: no one spoke.

A Public Hearing was held relating to Resolution 11-21; Richard Peoples spoke and presented a petition signed by 44 residents from Lee Hills Subdivision in opposition of connecting the proposed subdivision into Apple Blossom Lane.

Councilmember Bivens asked for the record to reflect that Council has concerns over the use of Apple Blossom Lane as a connection and exit and that other exits for the proposed subdivision should be considered.

Councilmember Pedigo made a motion to approve Resolution 11-21. Councilmember Bivens seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted "aye".

Resolution 11-21

Being a Resolution of the City of Morristown, Tennessee adopting a Plan of Services for the annexation of properties located along the east side of Morelock Road in Morristown Tennessee.

A Public Hearing was held relating to Ordinance No. 3661; Alex Morgan spoke.

Councilmember Pedigo made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 3661 on second and final reading. Councilmember Smith seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted "aye".

Ordinance No. 3661

Entitled an Ordinance to Annex Certain Territory and to Incorporate same within the Corporate Boundaries of the City of Morristown, Tennessee, Hamblen County Tax Parcel ID# 025 160.00, property located east of Morelock Road and north of John Hay Elementary School.

Councilmember Bivens made a motion to approve Resolution No. 17-21 implementing the Market Survey Update. Councilmember Smith seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted “aye”.

Resolution No. 17-21

A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Morristown, Tennessee to approve implementing the Market Survey Update as presented by The Austin Peters Group, Inc. with an additional two percent cost-of-living adjustment added to the updated survey.

Councilmember Garrett made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 3665 on first reading and schedule a public hearing relative to final passage of said ordinance for January 5, 2021. Councilmember Bivens seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted “aye”.

Ordinance No. 3665

An Ordinance to Amend the Municipal Code of the City of Morristown, Tennessee, Appendix B and that the rear portion of 2307 West Andrew Johnson Highway currently designated as Light Industrial thereby, resulting in Hamblen County Tax Parcel ID# 041B B 006.00, as being rezoned as Intermediate Business in its entirety.

Councilmember Bivens made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 3651.03 on first reading and schedule a public hearing relative to final passage of said ordinance for January 5, 2021. Councilmember Senter seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted “aye”.

Ordinance No. 3651.03

An Ordinance to Amend Ordinance 3651, the City of Morristown, Tennessee Annual Budget for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 and to appropriate/reclassify funds totaling \$695,230 for the implementation of the Market Survey Update as presented by the Austin Peters Group, Inc. with a two percent cost of living adjustment added to the updated survey retroactive to July 1, 2020.

Councilmember Smith made a motion to approve Amendment No. 2 to change the expiration date of the agreement for the Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT) Surface Transportation Program Activity {West Andrew Johnson Highway, North Fairmont Avenue to West Morris Boulevard}. Councilmember Senter seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted “aye”.

Councilmember Senter made a motion to accept the best and lowest bid submitted by Dell Technologies for Desktop Computers. Councilmember Pedigo seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted “aye”.

Councilmember Senter made a motion to accept the best and lowest bid submitted by Dell Technologies for Laptop Computers. Councilmember Pedigo seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted “aye”.

Councilmember Bivens made a motion approving that the Morristown Police Department and Fire Department declare inventory items as surplus and sell on GovDeals, an online auction, or dispose of properly. Councilmember Smith seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted “aye”.

Councilmember Senter made a motion to approve the contract with David Purkey to perform an Emergency Communications Assessment for the City of Morristown in an amount not to exceed \$7,200. Councilmember Smith seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted “aye”.

Councilmember Bivens made a motion to confirm the disciplinary action requested by the Police Department. Councilmember Senter seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted "aye".

City Administrator, Anthony Cox reported on the Fiscal Year 2019/2020 Consolidated Annual Plan Evaluation and Review (CAPER) and noted that the City should be proud of the work that has been accomplished through the grant program.

Mayor Chesney opened the floor for members of the audience to speak subject to the guidelines provided; no one spoke.

Mayor Gary Chesney adjourned the December 15, 2020 Morristown City Council meeting at 5:55 p.m.


MAYOR

ATTEST:


CITY ADMINISTRATOR