

**STATE OF TENNESSEE
COUNTY OF HAMBLLEN
CORPORATION OF MORRISTOWN
JUNE 17, 2014**

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, June 17, 2014, with the Honorable Mayor Danny Thomas, presiding and the following Councilmembers present; Bob Garrett, Chris Bivens, Dennis Alvis, Paul LeBel and Gary Chesney; absent; Councilmember Kay Senter.

Mark Campbell, Chaplain Morristown Police Department Chaplain led in the invocation and Councilmember Alvis led in the "Pledge of Allegiance".

Councilmember LeBel made a motion to approve the June 3, 2014 minutes as circulated. Councilmember Bivens seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted "aye".

Municipal Airport Commission Chairman Doe Jarvis reported to City Council that, subject to completion of the Fuel Farm, the Fixed Based Operator contract will be signed and become effective the month after it is signed.

A Public Hearing was held regarding Ordinance No. 3501.

Councilmember LeBel made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 3501 on second and final reading. Councilmember Bivens seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted "aye".

Ordinance No. 3501

An Ordinance to Amend the Municipal Code of the City of Morristown, Tennessee, Appendix B. [Rezoning of Property known as 518 McFarland Street (Hamblen County Tax Map ID of 032 033M H 00800) from Medium Density Residential (R-2) to Office, Medical & Professional (OMP).]

A Public Hearing was held regarding Ordinance No. 3502.

Councilmember LeBel made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 3502 on second and final reading. Councilmember Bivens seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted "aye".

Ordinance No. 3502

An Ordinance to Amend the Morristown Municipal Code, Title 14, Zoning and Land Use Control, Chapter 2, Zoning Ordinance: Uses Permitted on Review, Chapter 10 Intermediate Business (IB) District, Chapter 12 Light Industrial (LI) District and Chapter 14 Heavy Industrial District (HI).

A Public Hearing was held regarding Ordinance No. 3503. The following people spoke regarding Ordinance No. 3503: Rev. Nigel Marlin Reid, Sr. and Carl Murphy.

Councilmember Chesney made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 3503 on second and final reading. Councilmember LeBel seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted "aye".

Ordinance No. 3503

An Ordinance to Amend the Morristown Municipal Code Title 11, Chapter 4 (Firearms, Weapons & Missiles).

A Public Hearing was held regarding Ordinance No. 3504. The following people spoke regarding Ordinance No. 3504: Rev. Nigel Marlin Reid, Sr.

Councilmember Bivens made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 3504 on second and final reading. City Administrator Cox stated that the City had received a certified tax rate from the State of Tennessee. Jefferson County was reappraised and the State has certified a tax rate of \$1.69 it is not the recommendation of staff to adjust the tax rate at this time. As originally proposed we would recommend maintenance of the tax rate at \$1.05. Councilmember LeBel seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted "aye".

**Ordinance No. 3504
An Ordinance of the City of Morristown, Tennessee Adopting the
Annual Budget and Tax Rate for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2014
and Ending June 30, 2015.**

Mayor Thomas stated, for the record, "I asked for this Resolution to be placed on the agenda. This is a Resolution asking that City Council packets be put on the internet. The reason for it is the United States House of Representatives and the Senate post their bills and resolutions prior to their debate and voting; the State House of Representatives and the Senate post their bills and resolutions prior to debate and voting; our County does the same thing, the Morristown City Council does not. We do not post for public explanation the resolutions and ordinances and even in the meeting we only show the motion we do not show all the material behind it. I am requesting that we allow for public examination prior to vote by posting of the City Council packet's on the city web page at the same time they are sent out to City Councilmembers at that point and actually even before they are a matter and the law says all a citizen has to do is request a copy from open records. This will allow for public examination of ordinances and resolutions prior to their being voted on by our City Council. Citizens have the right to access documents and proceedings of the government to allow for a effective public oversight. Open and transparent government allows for interested citizens to be more directly involved in the legislative process. Transparency is operating in such a way that it's easy for others to see what actions are performed and we currently lack that transparency in our city government proceedings. Currently even on public hearings only the motion is posted for citizens to read prior to the public hearing another example of lack of transparency. With that said the Chair makes a motion to pass the resolution".

**Resolution No. _____
A Resolution Regarding Council Members Packet Materials.
{Motion Failed for lack of second.}**

Councilmember LeBel made a motion to approve Resolution No. 13-14.
Councilmember Bivens seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted "aye".

**RESOLUTION NO. 13-14
A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MORRISTOWN,
TENNESSEE APPROVING AN ECONOMIC IMPACT PLAN FOR CHEROKEE
CROSSING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AREA.**

WHEREAS, The Industrial Development Board of the City of Morristown, Tennessee (the "Board") has prepared an economic impact plan (the "Economic Impact Plan") regarding the development of an area known as Cherokee Crossing (the "Plan Area"); and

WHEREAS, the development of the Plan Area would include national and regional businesses including retail shopping facilities, restaurants, specialty grocery, pharmacy, medical office and high end retail; and

WHEREAS, the Economic Impact Plan would permit certain tax increment financing ("Tax Increment Financing") to be provided through the issuance of the Board's bonds, notes and other obligations in the total amount not to exceed \$1,750,000.00 pursuant to chapter 53, Title 7 of the Tennessee Code Annotated; and

WHEREAS, the Board has approved the Economic Impact Plan at a meeting on May 29, 2014 after a public hearing; and

WHEREAS, the proceeds of the Tax Increment Financing would be used to pay the costs of traffic signal improvements, sinkhole remediation, public paving, sidewalks and interior roads, storm water and drainage improvements (the "TIF Eligible Costs") relating to the development of the Project; and

WHEREAS, the incremental property tax revenues (the "TIF" Revenues") that result from the development of the Plan Area under the Economic Impact Plan will be allocated to the Board to be used to pay debt service of the Tax Increment Financing; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Economic Impact Pan, the Board would issue the Tax Increment Financing to a lender or lenders to finance the TIF Eligible Costs and would pledge the TIF Revenues to such lender or lenders to apply to the debt service on the Tax Increment Financing; and

WHEREAS, the Tax Increment Financing shall not represent or constitute a debt or pledge of the faith and credit or the taxing power of the Board, the City of Morristown, or Hamblen County; and

WHEREAS, the Board has approved and submitted the Economic Impact Plan to the City Council of the City of Morristown Tennessee for approval in accordance with *Tennessee Code Annotated § 7-53-312*;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Morristown, Tennessee:

That the Economic Impact Plan, in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A, being in the interests of the citizens of the City of Morristown, Tennessee is hereby approved by the City Council; and

That the officers of the City are hereby authorized to take all appropriate action to carry out the terms of the Economic Impact Plan.

PASSED THIS THE 17TH DAY OF JUNE, 2014.


MAYOR

ATTEST


CITY ADMINISTRATOR

Councilmember Alvis made a motion to approve adding four phone lines at the Public Works Department in the estimated monthly amount of \$117.84 to MUS Fiber. Councilmember LeBel seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted "aye".

Councilmember Chesney made a motion to re-appoint Bill Brittain, Ann Cranford and Carol Reams to the Morristown-Hamblen Library Board for three (3) year terms to expire on July 1, 2017. Councilmember Alvis seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted "aye".

Councilmember Chesney made a motion to open the agenda. Councilmember LeBel seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted "aye".

Councilmember Alvis made a motion to approve Resolution No. 14-14. Councilmember LeBel seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted "aye".

RESOLUTION NO. 14-14

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DISBURSEMENT TO THE ALPS, BOYS & GIRLS CLUB INC, CEASE, CHILD ADVOCACY, GIRLS INC., HELPING HANDS, KAB, M-H CHILD CARE CENTERS, NEW HOPE RECOVERY, ROSE CENTER, SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER, SENIOR CITIZENS HOME ASSISTANCE, STEPPING OUT, YOUTH EMERGENCY SHELTER, BOYS & GIRLS CLUB SWIM TEAM, TENNESSEE ACHIEVES, CROCKETT TAVERN, DIVERSITY TASK FORCE, WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT, HCEXCEL IMAGINATION LIBRARY AND HUMANE SOCIETY ANIMAL SHELTER OF THOSE FUNDS ALLOCATED TO THESE NON-PROFIT CHARITABLE AND CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS IN THE CITY OF MORRISTOWN'S 2014/2015 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET.

WHEREAS, as a part of its annual budget process the City of Morristown allocates to be disbursed to deserving non-profit charitable and civic organizations; and,

WHEREAS, as a part of the city of Morristown's budget adopted for the 2014/2015 fiscal year Three Hundred Ninety Three Thousand Two Hundred Fifteen Dollars (\$393,215) were allocated to be disbursed to the ALPS, Boys & Girls Club Inc., Central Services, Child Advocacy, Girls Inc., Helping Hands, KAB, H-H Child Care Centers, New Hope Recovery, Rose Center, Senior Citizens Center, Senior Citizens Home Assistance, Stepping Out, Youth Emergency Shelter, Boys & Girls Club Swim Team, Tennessee Achieves, Crockett Tavern, Diversity Task Force, WorkForce Development, HCEXCEL Imagination Library and Humane Society Animal Shelter; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Morristown in accordance with Tennessee Code Annotated 6-54-111 does hereby pass this Resolution authorizing the disbursement to these non-profit charitable and civic organizations of the funds appropriated and budgeted for their use and benefit in the City of Morristown's 2014/2015 fiscal year budget; and,

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest and welfare of the citizens and residents of the City of Morristown that this Resolution shall be passed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Morristown, Tennessee, meeting in regular session on this the 1st day of July, 2014, with a lawful quorum of said Council being present and with a majority of said Council voting in the affirmative as follows:


1. That the Three Hundred Ninety Three Thousand Two Hundred Fifteen Dollars (\$393,215) appropriated and budgeted by the City of Morristown Council in its 2014/2015 fiscal year budget for the use and benefit of deserving non-profit charitable and civic organizations shall be disbursed and is authorized to be disbursed as follows:

ALPS	\$9,500.00
Boys & Girls Club	\$15,675.00
CEASE	\$16,625.00
Child Advocacy	\$950.00
Girls Inc.	\$11,400.00
Helping Hands	\$7,125.00
KAB	\$19,950.00
M-H Child Care Centers	\$22,800.00
New Hope Recovery	\$4,750.00
Rose Center	\$11,875.00
Senior Citizens Center	\$47,500.00
Senior Citizens Home Assistance	\$4,750.00
Stepping Out	\$1,425.00

Youth Emergency Shelter	\$30,875.00
Boys & Girls Club Swim Team	\$10,000.00
Tennessee Achieves	\$5,000.00
Crockett Tavern	\$8,125.00
Diversity Task Force	\$7,000.00
Workforce Development	\$10,000.00
HCEXCEL Imagination Library	\$10,000.00
Humane Society Animal Shelter	\$137,890.00

2. This Resolution shall be effective from and after its adoption.

PASSED on this the 17th day of June, 2014.



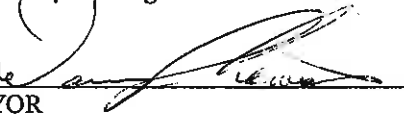
 MAYOR

ATTEST:



 CITY ADMINISTRATOR/RECORDER

Mayor Thomas adjourned the June 17, 2014 meeting



 MAYOR

ATTEST:



 CITY ADMINISTRATOR