

MINUTES
King City Council
Special Session
June 29, 2020

The King City Council met in a special session at King City Hall and via Zoom on Monday, June 29, 2020, at 9:00 a.m. Present were: Councilman Charles Allen, Councilman Wesley Carter, Mayor Pro Tempore Rick McCraw, Mayor Jack Warren, City Manager Homer Dearmin, City Clerk Nicole Branshaw, City Engineer Scott Barrow. Present virtually via Zoom were: Councilwoman Terri Fowler, Director of Finance and Personnel Susan O'Brien, Water Treatment Plant Superintendent Ben Marion, Chief of Police Jordan Boyette, Police Captain Ian Tedder, Fire Chief Steven Roberson, Parks & Recreation Director Olivia Smith.

Mayor Warren called the meeting to order.

The invocation was offered by Councilman Carter.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

No announcements made

ADJUSTMENTS TO AGENDA

It was the consensus of the Council to readdress the discussion of opening or closing Recreation Acres for the 4th of July Fireworks.

City Manager Homer Dearmin addressed the Council that the Governor's Executive Order 147 Phase 2 is now extended until July 17, 2020, with an added mandatory face masking requirement. Our Public Safety Leadership recommendation is to keep the parks closed so that we do not have an overflow of folks gathering in that one place during the 4th of July celebration. The City will close off Recreation Acres that evening with signage and Police Officers to let people know that there will be no parking for the fireworks display.

Motion

Councilman Carter made a motion that we close the park prior to the fireworks display with the time to close to be determined by the Incident Managers. Mayor Pro Tempore Rick McCraw seconded the motion which carried by a vote of 4-0.

PUBLIC HEARING – FY 2020-21 ANNUAL BUDGET

Mayor Warren opened the public hearing for the FY 2020-21 budget.

The new law enacts GS 166A-19.24, which authorizes any public body to conduct remote meetings in accordance with the rules set out in the act, as well as with the provisions of the open meetings law. "Remote meeting" is defined as: *An official meeting, or any part thereof, with between one and all of the members of the public body participating by simultaneous communication.* "Simultaneous communication" is defined as: *Any communication by conference telephone, conference video, or other electronic means.* Official meeting and public body are defined as set out in the open meetings law.

Mayor Warren turned the meeting over to City Manager Dearmin, who reviewed the budget changes.

Enterprise Fund – Water Plant

Remove one truck – deduct \$29,600

Enterprise Fund – Debt Service

Remove principal and interest for vehicles and gator – deduct \$18,878 principal and \$1,965 interest

Enterprise Fund Revenues

Remove Proceeds from Installment Purchase – deduct \$98,240

Use Fund Balance (Net Position) to pay for two trucks and one gator – Add \$47,797 to Fund Balance Appropriated

General Fund Planning

Add \$13,500 to Group Insurance per City Manager

General Fund – Police Department

Remove 2 vehicles – deduct \$120,000

General Fund – Solid Waste

Consider removing \$8,500 for grinding brush, contingent upon finding an alternate location to dump brush. Otherwise, the service will remain, and the brush will be dumped on city property.

General Fund – Recreation Acres

Add \$12,000 for fireworks on July 4

General Fund – Central Park

Add \$85,000 for fountain repairs

General Fund – Parks and Recreation

Deduct \$2,175 for software; to be split ½ with EF Finance and first-year payment will be for 9 months

General Fund – Debt Service

Deduct \$23,059 principal and \$2,400 interest for removal of 2 police cars from PD budget

Add \$16,334 principal and \$1,700 interest to finance repairs at Veteran's Memorial fountain

General Fund Revenues

Deduct \$120,000 from Proceeds from Installment Purchases for removal of 2 police cars from PD budget

Add \$85,000 to Proceeds from Installment Purchase to add repairs to Veteran's Memorial fountain.

Mayor Warren reviewed the budget and offered comments concerning the FY 2020-21 Schedule of Fee's, and stated he felt we might have raised our Parks Facility Rental Fees too high and they may cause the facilities not to be rented but felt this could be readdressed later in the year if we see this is happening.

Being no one else present wishing to speak, Mayor Warren closed the public hearing for the FY 2020-21 budget.

Action

Mayor Pro Tempore Rick McCraw moved that we adopt the budget ordinance, provided members of the public submit no comments on the subject by 9:30 a.m. on June 30, 2020. Councilman Carter seconded the motion which carried by a vote of 4-0.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Allen moved to recess the meeting. Mayor Pro Tempore McCraw seconded the motion which carried by a unanimous vote of 4-0. The meeting stood adjourned at 9:22 a.m.

CLERKS NOTE

As of 9:30 a.m. on June 30, 2020, no public comments were received concerning the FY 2020-21 Budget. Following the General Assembly's enactment of G.S. 166A-19.24, the required 24-hour waiting period after the public hearing has concluded, and the City of King FY 2020-21 Budget Ordinance adopted.

Approved by:

Attest:

Jack Warren
Mayor

Nicole Branshaw
City Clerk