

Council Member Adella Gray
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Council Member Sarah Marsh
Ward 1 Position 2

Council Member Mark Kinion
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Mayor Lioneld Jordan
City Attorney Kit Williams
City Clerk Sondra E. Smith

**City of Fayetteville Arkansas
City Council Meeting
April 3, 2018**

A meeting of the Fayetteville City Council was held on April 3, 2018 at 5:30 p.m. in Room 219 of the City Administration Building located at 113 West Mountain Street, Fayetteville, Arkansas.

Mayor Jordan called the meeting to order.

PRESENT: Council Members Adella Gray, Sarah Marsh, Mark Kinion, Matthew Petty, Sarah Bunch, John La Tour, Kyle Smith, Mayor Lioneld Jordan, City Attorney Kit Williams, City Clerk Sondra Smith, Staff, Press, and Audience.

Absent: Council Member Tennant

Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor's Announcements, Proclamations and Recognitions: None

City Council Meeting Presentations, Reports, and Discussion Items:

Monthly Financial Report - Paul Becker

Paul Becker, Chief Financial Officer gave a summary of the Monthly Financial Report.

Advertising and Promotion Commission Appointment - Ching Mong Re-Appointment

Council Member Kinion presented the Advertising and Promotion Commission Appointment.

Council Member Kinion moved to approve the appointment of Ching Mong to the Advertising and Promotion Commission. Council Member Gray seconded the motion. Upon roll call the motion passed 7-0. Council Members Petty, Bunch, La Tour, Smith, Gray, Marsh, and Kinion voting yes. Council Member Tennant was absent.

Agenda Additions:

Reconsider RZN 17-6034 (2468 N. Crossover Rd./Jones)

Council Member Gray: I want to file a motion to reconsider the change of zoning for the Jones property at Township and Crossover. We always like win-win situations and this would be a win-win. I have learned in the last two weeks that Mr. Jones has been made an offer to use the property for residential purposes. We had many citizens who came forward to speak, wanting it to stay residential. As I observed all the property around this acreage, it is residential. Only less than half a mile west of this property there's lots of commercial property available. It was residential when Mr. Jones bought it and we should keep this area residential.

Council Member Gray made a motion to reconsider RZN 17-6034 (2468 N. Crossover Rd./Jones). The motion to reconsider failed due to lack of a second.

Council Member Kinion: In the current zoning we rezoned it to, it can be residential. If there's a residential offer, then we are not impeding business moving forward because it can be residential?

Garner Stoll, Development Services Director: Yes, it can.

The motion to reconsider failed due to lack of a second.

Consent:

Approval of the March 20, 2018 City Council Meeting Minutes.

Approved

Flying Investments, LLC: A resolution to approve the Agreement For Assignment of a Ground Lease for airport property located at 4564 South School Avenue from Flying Investments, LLC to Walker Flight Services, LLC.

Resolution 81-18 as recorded in the office of the City Clerk

Arkansas Department of Aeronautics 80/20 Grant: A resolution to authorize acceptance of an Arkansas Department of Aeronautics 80/20 Grant in the amount of \$135,900.00 for the Airport Terminal Parking Lot Rehabilitation Project, and to approve a budget adjustment.

Resolution 82-18 as recorded in the office of the City Clerk

Bid #18-17 Goodwin & Goodwin, Inc.: A resolution to award Bid #18-17 and authorize a contract with Goodwin & Goodwin, Inc. in the amount of \$292,955.00 for the Dinsmore Trail Water Main Replacement Project, and to approve a project contingency in the amount of \$43,943.25.

Resolution 83-18 as recorded in the office of the City Clerk

Bid #18-22 Insituform Technologies, LLC: A resolution to award Bid #18-22 and approve a one-year contract with Insituform Technologies, Inc. with the option to renew for up to four additional one-year terms for as-needed rehabilitation of sanitary sewer mains and service connections using the cured-in-place pipe method.

Resolution 84-18 as recorded in the office of the City Clerk

Land Sale Proceeds (Resolution 78-18): A resolution to approve a budget adjustment in the amount of \$5,000.00 allocating funds from the sale of city property at the northwest corner of Razorback Road and Sligo Street to the Cato Springs Trail Lighting Project.

Resolution 85-18 as recorded in the office of the City Clerk

Razorback Regional Greenway - Fulbright Expressway Tunnel Improvements: A resolution to express the willingness of the City of Fayetteville to utilize Federal-Aid Recreational Trails Program funds for Razorback Regional Greenway - Fulbright Expressway Tunnel improvements.

Resolution 86-18 as recorded in the office of the City Clerk

Gulley Park Trail Lighting: A resolution to express the willingness of the City of Fayetteville to utilize Federal-Aid Transportation Alternatives Program funds in an amount up to \$140,000.00 for lighting of the trail around Gulley Park.

Resolution 87-18 as recorded in the office of the City Clerk

Rupple Road Trail Lighting: A resolution to express the willingness of the City of Fayetteville to utilize Federal-Aid Transportation Alternatives Program funds in an amount up to \$440,000.00 for lighting of the Rupple Road Trail from Persimmon Street to Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard.

Resolution 88-18 as recorded in the office of the City Clerk

Park Land Dedication Funds: A resolution to approve a budget adjustment in the total amount of \$360,000.00 recognizing parkland dedication fees from the Northeast, Northwest, and Southwest park quadrants to be used for a rowing dock with canoe and kayak launch area at Lake Fayetteville, improvements to Gregory Park, and replacement of two trail bridges at Wilson Park.

Resolution 89-18 as recorded in the office of the City Clerk

RFQ 18-01, Dewberry, Martin and Martin Consulting Engineers: A resolution to approve a contract with Dewberry, Martin and Martin Consulting Engineers, pursuant to RFQ 18-01, for an update to the 2005 Facilities Need Assessment for the Fayetteville Police Department in the amount of \$19,900.00, and to approve a budget adjustment.

Resolution 90-18 as recorded in the office of the City Clerk

Bid #18-18 Petroleum Traders Corporation: A resolution to award Bid #18-18 and approve a one-year contract with Petroleum Traders Corporation for bulk fuel purchases with the option to renew for up to four additional one-year terms.

Resolution 91-18 as recorded in the office of the City Clerk

Council Member Marsh moved to accept the Consent Agenda as read. Council Member Gray seconded the motion. Upon roll call the motion passed 7-0. Council Members Petty, Bunch, La Tour, Smith, Gray, Marsh, and Kinion voting yes. Council Member Tennant was absent.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

Dinosaur Sr., Inc. d/b/a Prairie Street Bar & Taproom Private Club Permit: An ordinance to approve the application of Dan G. Daniel, on behalf of Dinosaur Sr., Inc. d/b/a Prairie Street Bar & Taproom for a permit to operate as a private club in the City of Fayetteville at 495 West Prairie Street #103.

City Attorney Kit Williams read the ordinance.

Greg Tabor, Chief of Police gave a brief description of the ordinance.

Council Member Petty: I will be the landlord for this bar when it opens. I am recusing myself from the discussion and vote.

City Attorney Kit Williams: Chief, you looked over the application and everything looked satisfactory to you?

Greg Tabor, Chief of Police: Correct, with the stipulations that are in the ordinance, we recommend approval.

Council Member Marsh moved to suspend the rules and go to the second reading. Council Member Kinion seconded the motion. Upon roll call the motion passed 6-0. Council Members Bunch, La Tour, Smith, Gray, Marsh, and Kinion voting yes. Council Member Petty recused. Council Member Tennant was absent.

City Attorney Kit Williams read the ordinance.

Council Member Marsh moved to suspend the rules and go to the third and final reading. **Council Member Kinion** seconded the motion. Upon roll call the motion passed 6-0. **Council Members Bunch, La Tour, Smith, Gray, Marsh, and Kinion** voting yes. **Council Member Petty** recused. **Council Member Tennant** was absent.

City Attorney Kit Williams read the ordinance.

Mayor Jordan asked shall the ordinance pass. Upon roll call the ordinance passed 6-0. **Council Members Bunch, La Tour, Smith, Gray, Marsh, and Kinion** voting yes. **Council Member Petty** recused. **Council Member Tennant** was absent.

Ordinance 6055 as Recorded in the office of the City Clerk

Vacation of a Tree Preservation Easement: A resolution to approve the vacation and abolishment of the .67-acre tree preservation easement dedicated as part of the large-scale development for the construction of the JD China Restaurant on Martin Luther King Boulevard in 2001.

City Attorney Kit Williams read the resolution.

John Scott, Urban Forester gave a brief description of the resolution. He stated the applicant requested for the item to be tabled. He stated he recommends denial of the request for the vacation of the easement. He stated it would set a precedent and would allow people to skirt around the tree preservation easements. He believes it will create a loop hole if the developer is allowed to vacate the tree preservation easement. He stated it's not in the best interest of the city.

There was a brief discussion about the item being a resolution.

Council Member Petty: Did the applicant give a reason for the tabling? Did they request it to be tabled temporarily or indefinitely?

John Scott: They requested it to be tabled temporarily and they did not give a reason.

Council Member Petty: I think we should vote on this tonight.

Council Member La Tour: I believe we should table the item for a couple of weeks. It came before us because of the landowner. He should control if he wants to go forward with it. He probably had a reason for asking to table.

Council Member Kinion: My concern is we are setting a precedent to skirt around the tree preservation issue. The lot split is not a buildable lot. If it is vacated, then suddenly trees are being removed that are protected. This would create a loophole in our current tree preservation ordinance.

Council member Petty: I read in the packet that the owner wants to make the lot buildable. Were there any other reasons given verbally that might be extenuating circumstances or unusual reasons we might not anticipate?

John Scott: They would also like to sell the property.

Council Member La Tour: We are only hearing one side of the argument. Maybe the owner has no arguments. Maybe they are trying to skirt the tree ordinance and if that's the case we can vote it down. I would like for the applicant to be heard, instead of voting it down tonight.

Mayor Jordan requested to know if the applicant was in attendance and it was confirmed he was not.

Council Member La Tour moved to table the resolution to the April 17, 2018 City Council meeting. Council Member Bunch seconded the motion. Upon roll call the motion to table failed 2-5. Council Members Bunch and La Tour voting yes. Council Members Petty, Smith, Gray, Marsh, and Kinion voting no. Council Member Tennant was absent.

Will Dockery, 4149 Bradstreet stated he was an Urban Forestry Board member. He spoke in opposition to the resolution.

City Attorney Kit Williams discussed what a yes or no vote would mean.

Council Member Petty: I don't know what circumstances the owner bought this. Giving the owner the benefit of the doubt that they were unaware of this, I'm not unsympathetic to that. If somebody were to come forward and propose a swap with an equivalent parcel in a similar location or a parcel of greater value to our tree canopy, I'd consider it if they needed to build on this parcel. I agree with everything in the city staff report.

Council Member Kinion: Looking at this specific piece of property, this is a tree buffer behind the property into a residential area.

Council Member Smith: Was this the owner when the tree preservation easement was put in place?

John Scott: Yes.

Council Member Smith: This is the owner who dedicated the easement?

John Scott: Yes.

Council Member La Tour: Under our tree ordinance, is it true that in lieu of planting trees, I can pay a sum of money into a Tree Escrow fund?

John Scott: Correct, but that's if you are developing and you go below your minimum requirement. That is not the case on this.

Council Member La Tour: There are exceptions to the rule on having to have trees. We don't want to be a real harsh rule, so we allow for some exceptions to that rule. Right?

John Scott: Yes.

Don Marr, Chief of Staff: Tree preservations when dedicated can only be changed by this Council. There is no ordinance provision or variance to allow for that because it was given as a preservation in a prior development request.

Council Member La Tour: I would like to see us a be a little bit lenient. I wanted him to have two weeks to come and make his argument, but he's not going to have that. He can always bring it back for another request?

City Attorney Kit Williams: I don't see anything in the code preventing that. I'll probably propose an amendment to the Unified Development Code so it's not required for the Urban Forester to bring it forward when somebody asks, but instead get a Council Member to sponsor it.

Council Member La Tour: He still has some options.

Mayor Jordan: When did he buy this property?

John Scott: In 2001 when it developed as JD China, it was the same owner.

Mayor Jordan: I was on the City Council at that time. It used to be almost completely tree covered. They dug into that bank and this tree preservation was salvaged as a buffer for the neighborhood. That promise was made by this owner and now they want to change it?

John Scott: Correct.

Mayor Jordan: My position hasn't changed since 2001.

Council Member Kinion moved to deny the resolution. Council Member Smith seconded the motion. Upon roll call the resolution was denied 6-1. Council Members Petty, Bunch, Smith, Gray, Marsh, and Kinion voting yes. Council Member La Tour voting no. Council Member Tennant was absent.

This resolution was denied.

VAC 18-6119 (2021 E. Mission Blvd./Mission Heights): An ordinance to approve VAC 18-6119 for property located at 2021 E. Mission Boulevard to vacate a portion of a water and sewer right of way grant.

City Attorney Kit Williams read the ordinance.

Garner Stoll, Development Services Director gave a brief description of the ordinance. Planning Commission and staff are in favor of the request.

Lawrence Finn, Applicant's Representative gave an overview of the vacation.

Council Member Gray moved to suspend the rules and go to the second reading. **Council Member La Tour** seconded the motion. Upon roll call the motion passed 7-0. **Council Members Petty, Bunch, La Tour, Smith, Gray, Marsh, and Kinion** voting yes. **Council Member Tennant** was absent.

City Attorney Kit Williams read the ordinance.

Council Member Gray moved to suspend the rules and go to the third and final reading. **Council Member Smith** seconded the motion. Upon roll call the motion passed 7-0. **Council Members Petty, Bunch, La Tour, Smith, Gray, Marsh, and Kinion** voting yes. **Council Member Tennant** was absent.

City Attorney Kit Williams read the ordinance.

Mayor Jordan asked shall the ordinance pass. Upon roll call the ordinance passed 7-0. **Council Members Petty, Bunch, La Tour, Smith, Gray, Marsh, and Kinion** voting yes. **Council Member Tennant** was absent.

Ordinance 6056 as Recorded in the office of the City Clerk

VAC 18-6120 (Nettleship Between Graham & Razorback/Nettleship St. Row): An ordinance to approve VAC 18-6120 for property located along Nettleship Street between South Graham Avenue and South Razorback Road to vacate a portion of street right-of-way.

City Attorney Kit Williams read the ordinance.

Garner Stoll, Development Services Director gave a brief description of the ordinance. He stated staff doesn't have any utility objections. He stated the four conditions recommended by the Planning Commission have some issues with the University of Arkansas in terms of the sequencing of their construction. He stated the street submission from the U of A doesn't meet City of Fayetteville street standards. He requested for the item to be left on the first reading to work on resolving some issues.

This item was left on the First Reading.

ADM 18-6123 (751 N. Salem Rd./Forest Hills PZD Amend): An ordinance to amend the Forest Hills Residential Planned Zoning District (07-2793) to add Use Unit 14, Hotels, Motel, and Amusement Facilities to the permitted uses within Planning Area 2.

City Attorney Kit Williams read the ordinance.

Garner Stoll, Development Services Director gave a brief description of the ordinance. Planning Commission and staff are in favor of the request.

Council Member Petty moved to suspend the rules and go to the second reading. **Council Member Marsh** seconded the motion. Upon roll call the motion passed 7-0. **Council Members Petty, Bunch, La Tour, Smith, Gray, Marsh, and Kinion** voting yes. **Council Member Tennant** was absent.

City Attorney Kit Williams read the ordinance.

Council Member Gray moved to suspend the rules and go to the third and final reading. **Council Member La Tour** seconded the motion. Upon roll call the motion passed 7-0. **Council Members Petty, Bunch, La Tour, Smith, Gray, Marsh, and Kinion** voting yes. **Council Member Tennant** was absent.

City Attorney Kit Williams read the ordinance.

Mayor Jordan asked shall the ordinance pass. Upon roll call the ordinance passed 7-0. **Council Members Petty, Bunch, La Tour, Smith, Gray, Marsh, and Kinion** voting yes. **Council Member Tennant** was absent.

Ordinance 6057 as Recorded in the office of the City Clerk

Welcoming Fayetteville Plan: A resolution to approve and adopt the Welcoming Fayetteville Plan.

Augusta Branham, Website Content Manager gave a brief description of the resolution. She stated the mission is to create a plan focused on the inclusion and integration of new Americans in the community. She stated it is to help break down barriers and make everyday life easier for those who are new to the United States and the community. She stated there are 25 strategies in the plan and are split up into short-term, mid-term, and long-term categories. She spoke about the region relying on new Americans who play a role in supporting industries. She stated there is value in the diversity and cultures new Americans bring into the schools and workplace. She spoke about the City of Fayetteville being designated as the first welcoming city in Arkansas by Welcoming America. She spoke about the expected outcomes of the plan.

Council Member Gray: Is the student population figured into the foreign-born population?

Augusta Branham: I do not believe it is. The U of A is around 5%, which is lower than the city overall. I think they have 1,500 international students.

Council Member La Tour: It is important we have a welcoming attitude and people feel welcome in our city. You patterned our welcoming program after other cities. Did you look at any cities in California?

Augusta Branham: No.

Council Member La Tour: What was the largest city you looked at?

Augusta Branham: Chicago. They have done a great job.

Council Member La Tour: When we are working with foreign born nationals, are we concerned if they are legal or illegal immigrants?

Augusta Branham: Related to this plan, no, because it doesn't matter. We are not concerned about someone's status in any of the work we do at the city. If we put a utility bill in Spanish, there is no telling who could benefit from that. We are not going to ask them whether they are here legally or not. It doesn't relate.

Council Member La Tour: I agree. We should print them in Spanish to accommodate our users.

Council Member Smith: I commend everybody that was involved in this. It shows that city staff can put together a thorough and thoughtful report as any consultant brought in. This is full of natural fits for Fayetteville. A lot of the actions items call for work from the chamber or schools. Please tell us about the relationship you have built with them over this plan.

Augusta Branham: They have been very involved from the beginning. We have met one-on-one with people from the chamber and school. About a year ago the schools hired two new ESL Co-Directors and they have been invaluable in this process. We also met with the folks at Adult Education.

Council Member Smith: The big difference I noticed in looking at this and other plans, is there's not a lot of City Council policy changes asked for. It is mostly administrative issues. Besides passing a resolution of support and you all have free reign to implement, how can we ensure the efforts survive any future change in administration?

Augusta Branham: We would like for you all to make sure we are getting these items checked off over the next five years. We hope all the stakeholders, we have built good relationships with, help us get these items checked off too no matter who is in the Mayor's office in five years. Beyond that, our community holds values such as diversity and inclusion at the heart of our community. This is something we think the community wants, not just our administration.

Haley Allgood, Representative for Startup Junkie stated her company believes in supporting immigrant and new American entrepreneurs and should be a part of the economic development for the city. She spoke in favor of the resolution.

Margot Lemaster, Director of Welcome Northwest Arkansas stated she believes the City of Fayetteville's plan can serve as a roadmap for other cities. She spoke in favor of the resolution.

Diane Williams, Compassion Fayetteville Board President spoke in favor of the resolution.

Mireya Reith, 1819 North Hunters Ridge stated she was grateful for the plan. She spoke in favor of the resolution.

Emily Crane Linn, 867 South Washington Avenue, Executive Director of Canopy Northwest Arkansas stated she was grateful to be a stakeholder in the process. She spoke about the challenges that new Americans face. She spoke in favor of the resolution.

Taylor Shelton, Fayetteville Chamber of Commerce Director of Government Affairs stated that the Chamber of Commerce supports the plan. He spoke in favor of the resolution.

Ahmad Mehal, 2475 Riverwater Lane spoke in favor of the resolution.

Lorraine O'Neal, 2070 East Spinel stated to make Fayetteville a welcoming city is an exercise in absurdity because it is a welcoming city already. She stated to designate it as such, is a bit ridiculous.

Council Member Gray: Internationals have always been very close to my heart. When I moved here in 1973 I was wondering what I could do to help. I was told that we needed an international wife's organization. I started that and it is still flourishing today. There have been many wonderful opportunities visiting with international wives and helping them to integrate into our community. Thank you for the strong work on putting this together and helping to show the state how to be a progressive city.

Mayor Jordan: We have been working on this for a couple of years. Thank you to Augusta for her work on this. She has spent many hours working on this and without her dedication, this plan would not be what it is today. This may not be a perfect plan and exactly where we need to be right now, but tomorrow will be another day and we will go forward. The consistent drip of equality, diversity, and inclusion erodes away intolerance and breaks down barriers of prejudice and discrimination. We are making a statement that we are a welcoming, tolerant, giving, and loving city.

Council Member Marsh moved to approve the resolution. **Council Member Smith** seconded the motion. Upon roll call the resolution passed 7-0. **Council Members Petty, Bunch, La Tour, Smith, Gray, Marsh, and Kinion** voting yes. **Council Member Tennant** was absent.

Resolution 92-18 as recorded in the office of the City Clerk

Mitchell, Williams, Selig, Gates & Woodyard PLLC: A resolution to approve the amendment to agreement for legal services with Mitchell, Williams, Selig, Gates & Woodyard PLLC for legal

services to the Northwest Arkansas Nutrient Trading Research & Advisory Group with the City of Fayetteville's portion of the fees not to exceed the total amount of \$35,000.00.

Tim Nyander, Utilities Director gave a brief description of the resolution. He stated the Water, Sewer & Solid Waste Committee unanimously recommended in favor to send it to the City Council for consideration.

Teresa Turk, 1408 West Cleveland stated the proposed regulation has many problems. She spoke in opposition of the resolution.

Council Member Kinion: This was discussed at the Water, Sewer & Solid Waste meeting and we recognized the issues brought to our attention. Because of these issues, we have to move forward as a region to try to handle the loop holes. We want to make sure we are getting our money's worth once we have a final understanding of what the possibilities are. This is not an endorsement of the current information that has been presented on the regional level.

Council Member La Tour: There is some benefit in participating with the entire region, instead of the citizens of Fayetteville funding the entire effort. This is probably not a perfect plan, but it is what we have right now. City staff are in favor if this and it gives us an opportunity to make the plan better.

Don Marr, Chief of Staff: The important part about our participation in this contract is there's business ethical requirements of lawyers to not represent against their client's interest. For us to be a part of having our concerns expressed, we need to be at the table paying the client. This is giving us the opportunity to address these items. We are listening closely to public comment and Beaver Water District. The advocacy this firm does takes this all the way through every approval chain. It's important to be engaged in the process. The alternative is we can do it on our own and hire our own attorney, but we can have more influence and share the bill with this proposed approach. When we advocated at the state level for the passage of this legislation with our environmentalist support, one of the things talked about was the writing of the regulatory requirements. We have to stay engaged to be able to benefit from it. Our concern about having certain minimum ratio requirements is there may be projects people are motivated to do to just get a credit, when there are projects we can get significant ratio improvements. Right now, we are wanting to learn a lot about this. If we don't participate in this contract, we don't have influence over what will be lobbied by the other three cities. We would be paying the bill on our own, as opposed to participating and having the ability to influence it and not let interest against our interest be lobbied.

Council Member Smith: Besides buying our seat at the table, do you feel we are getting our money's worth from the representation?

Tim Nyander: Yes, by representation and we are all getting to talk about how our cities are. Fayetteville is very environmental and we want a regulation that provides for water quality improvement. We need the public input to help us look at everything. This is a great process and I think it's going to go well.

Council Member Smith: This is contingent on unanimous approval by all the cities involved. What is the status on the other three cities?

Tim Nyander: They have all three passed it already.

Council Member Kinion: This is not an endorsement of what we have been presented with. It is a commitment that we want to be involved as we move forward.

Council Member Marsh moved to approve the resolution. Council Member Gray seconded the motion. Upon roll call the resolution passed 7-0. Council Members Petty, Bunch, La Tour, Smith, Gray, Marsh, and Kinion voting yes. Council Member Tennant was absent.

Resolution 93-18 as recorded in the office of the City Clerk

2018 Employee Compensation: A resolution to approve a budget adjustment in the amount of \$1,800,600.00 to fund the city-wide 2018 Employee Compensation Adjustment, and to approve updated Police and Fire pay plan grids.

Paul Becker, Chief Financial Officer gave a brief description of the resolution.

Leonard Graves, Fraternal Order of Police Representative thanked the Mayor and Council for the support. He spoke about the benefits of the Salary Survey Committee. He requested for the committee to remain in place to continue to look for viable solutions for employee pay compensation.

Jimmy Vinyard, Firefighters Association Representative thanked the Mayor and Council for participating in the Salary Survey Committee. He stated an accomplishment of the committee was the line of communication. He believes the pay increase and benefit package would help with recruitment and retention.

Council Member Petty: Would we have concluded the next round of pay studies prior to this time next year?

Paul Becker: Yes, we will. It will specifically be addressing Police and Fire. The year after that we will address merit.

Mayor Jordan: We will get input from everybody. Thank you to the people that served on the committee. It was a lot of good discussion. This was not an easy decision for me because if a mistake is made it can be costly. I'm doing this as a leap of faith. We have folks in our city that put their lives on the line every day for us. I'm willing to risk something for them as well. We'll look at it again next year. If it doesn't work out, then we will have to make some tough decisions.

Council Member Marsh moved to approve the resolution. Council Member Kinion seconded the motion. Upon roll call the resolution passed 7-0. Council Members Petty, Bunch, La Tour, Smith, Gray, Marsh, and Kinion voting yes. Council Member Tennant was absent.

Resolution 94-18 as recorded in the office of the City Clerk

Announcements:

Don Marr, Chief of Staff: Matthew Cabe was appointed as our Fayetteville Building Safety Director. Before joining the City of Fayetteville, he gained experience in the private sector as the Director of the Northwest Arkansas Office for Allison Architects, Inc. He served on the Fayetteville Housing Authority and Planning Commission. He is a licensed architect and holds a Bachelor of Science in Architecture from the Fay Jones School of Architecture and is licensed as a plumbing, HVACR, and electrical inspector.

Garner Stoll: This position is one of the hardest positions to fill in city government. It takes a unique skill set of people skills. It requires an outstanding technical background, knowing building codes and building practices. We are pleased that Matthew joined us.

Matthew Cabe: Thank you. I look forward to working with all of you.

Don Marr: On April 7, 2018 from 7:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. we have our second Bulky Waste Clean Up. The information is on the city website.

There is a closed section of East Dickson Street for sidewalk improvements. It started last week and will last approximately four weeks.

The City of Fayetteville was honored as a 2017 Tree City USA. There are new tree plantings that will be taking place in Wilson Park. Arbor Day is celebrated every year on the last Friday in April.

The city is seeking nominations for our 2018 Historic Preservation Awards and artist proposals for the Utility Box Art Program. The information is on the city website.

Fayetteville residents are invited to join in on the Parks Strategic Planning Process. The information is on the city website.

City Attorney Kit Williams spoke about filing the City of Fayetteville's brief in response to the Attorney General's appeal about the Civil Rights ordinance. He stated he would be filing another brief because they moved to quash the subpoenas of where he wanted to question a couple of the sponsors of the state law. He stated he felt the city has a very strong argument that there's no irreparable harm that has been caused to anyone because of the ordinance.

City Council Agenda Session Presentations:

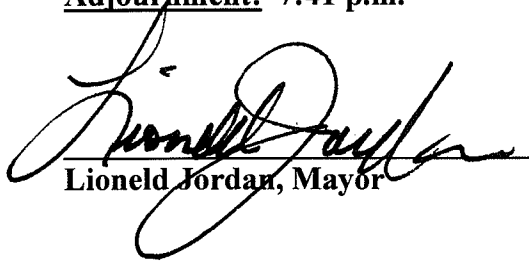
Agenda Session Presentation - Sales Tax Report, Paul Becker, Chief Financial Officer.

Agenda Session Presentation - 2017 Energy and Sustainability Update.

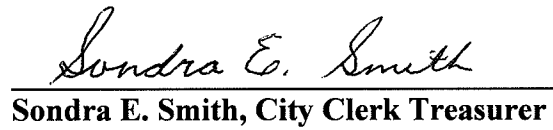
Agenda Session Presentation by Greg Weeks and Steve Carpenter and Mark Ascher providing an update on CH2M and recent organizational changes.

City Council Tour: None

Adjournment: 7:41 p.m.



Lioneld Jordan, Mayor



Sondra E. Smith, City Clerk Treasurer

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To whom it may concern,

At its March 19, 2018 meeting, the Fayetteville Advertising and Promotion Commission unanimously voted to re-appoint Ching Mong to fill a tourism industry position. A minimum of three of the commission's four tourism seats must be held by owners or managers of hotels, motels, or restaurants. Mr. Mong is an owner of Apple Blossom Brewing Company.

Per state statute:

Vacancies on the commission, whether resulting from expiration of a regular term or otherwise, in any of the four (4) tourism industry positions provided for in subdivision (a) (1) or in the at-large position provided for in subdivision (a) (3) shall be filled by appointment of the remaining members of the commission, with the approval of the governing body of the city.

Best Regards,

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