

AGENDA SESSION
APRIL 26, 2011
3:00 P.M.

In the absence of Chairman Ladd, Vice Chairman Benson called the meeting of the Agenda Session to order with Councilpersons Scott, Robinson, Rico, Murphy, and Berz present. Councilmen McGary and Gilbert joined the meeting later. City Attorney Michael McMahan and Shirley Crownover, Assistant Clerk to the Council, were also present.

Others present included Fire Marshall Whitmire, Dan Johnson, Larry Zender, Danny Thornton, Richard Beeland, David Johnson, Chief Parker, Steve Leach, Dennis Malone, Gary Hilbert, Daisy Madison, Jerry Stewart, Lee Norris, Officer Kennedy, Chief Flint, Jim Templeton, and Paul Page.

Mr. Johnson began with **Ordinance V (a)** concerning the Fire Code, which will be discussed in Legal and Legislative Committee.

Ordinance VI (a) concerns fees, inspection and maintenance agreements (Stormwater) and will be discussed in Public Works Committee.

Resolution VII (a) relates to Dogwood Manor and was discussed last week. **Resolution (b)** concerns Parks and Recreation and a lease for ballfields. Councilwoman Scott noted that the district was wrong—that it was not District 1. It was noted that it is actually District 2.

Resolutions © through (i) are Public Works' items.

Resolution (j) pertains to General Services and allows Hamilton County temporary access to Farmers market to perform geotechnical tests to build a healthcare clinic. It was noted that we felt it best to get our part done.

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Resolution (a) concerns an agreement for dredging of Ross' Landing Marina, which is pending.

Resolution (b) concerns Parks and Recreation to enter into an agreement with Major League Baseball for the "Reviving Baseball in Inner Cities" Program. Councilman Benson noted that this is cost free, with Mr. Johnson explaining "no direct money". Councilwoman Scott asked if they were paying us money to do this? Mr. Zehnder explained that there was no cost involved, with Councilman Benson stating "no cost at all". Mr. Zehnder added that there are no costs to Major League Baseball; that we have insurance for the kids to participate, and we pay for the balls and bats.

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Resolution © is for the Dept. of Education, Arts and Culture to enter into a contract with Family Concessions for food and beverage services for the Memorial Auditorium, Tivoli, and Community Theatre. It was noted that this does include the sale of alcoholic beverages. Councilwoman Robinson asked if we had opened this program yet and was told “no”.

Resolution (d) is a Public Works’ item.

Resolution (e) authorizes the renewal of the Personal Services Contract with Don Sneed in an estimated amount of \$15,000.00. Attorney McMahan stated that this was for appraisal services—that they appraise the cars that are involved in accidents to see how much it will cost to fix them; that we took bids in 2009 and Sneed was the lowest bid; that this is generally not over \$10,000 but because General Services will also be using the service, it costs \$15,000 and had to be brought before the Council for renewal. He stated that this is very competitive. Councilwoman Scott stated that she did not question the cost but wanted to know when the word “appraisal” was used, was it cars that were involved? Attorney McMahan responded that cars are the most frequent item—that it is claims against the City. Councilwoman Scott noted that she had learned from Traffic Engineering that when accidents are caused by motorists, we are incurring costs. She wanted to know when we have accidents such as this that are caused by a person, does their insurance company pay for damages if city property is damaged? Attorney McMahan explained that we make claims against their insurance company—that this does go both ways.

Mr. Johnson proceeded with purchases, the first one being a Police Response Boat from Zodiac of North America, Inc. for \$128,872.00. The second purchase was for General Services and a blanket contract for remote fuel purchases from Fleet One/Mapco Fleet Advantage for an estimated \$10,000 annually. Councilwoman Scott asked what the source of funds were for the boat in the first purchase. Chief Dodd explained that it was grant money, with no match. The third purchase was a blanket contract for Sig Sauer Handguns for the Police Dept. from G T Distributors for an estimated \$23,000 annually.

There were several appointments. One was for the General Pension Plan Board—Steve Perry, CPA. There were three appointments for the Board of Plumbing Examiners—Mark Stolpman, Marion Quarles, and Doug Dailey. Thomas Carmichael was appointed to the Air Pollution Control Board. William R. Miller is being recommended for the Internal Audit Committee.

The meeting adjourned at 3:15 P.M.