MINUTES
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' MEETING
Tuesday, July 8, 2014 6:00 P.M.

A REGULAR MEETING of the Board of Commissioners of the City of Covington, Kentucky, was opened by Mayor Carran, on Tuesday, July 8, 2014, at 6:00 p.m., in Commission Chambers, 20 West Pike Street, Covington, Kentucky.

Mayor Carran presiding with Commissioners Chuck Eilerman, Steve Frank, Mildred Rains, Michelle Williams, City Manager Larry Klein, and City Solicitor Frank Warnock, present.

MOTION of Commissioner Rains, seconded by Commissioner Frank to dispense with the reading of and approve the minutes of the June 24 and June 25, 2014, meetings' minutes.
Passed. 5 Yeas. Commissioners Eilerman, Frank, Rains, Williams, and Mayor Carran.

PRESENTATIONS:

- Natalie Gardner, Programs and Strategic Projects Manager presented to the Commission plans for the "Pop-up Performance Park" at the parking lot located at 7th and Washington Streets which will be called "Madlot". Also presenting and involved in the project were Juliana Silvera, MKSK Design; Jim Guerie, Hub & Weber; Jay Backer, BLDG; and Richard Hunt, Roebling Point Book Store. The area will be used for evening events and will have a grand opening August 2, 2014.

NEW BUSINESS – ORDER/RESOLUTIONS

ACCEPT BID - The retaining wall along Devou Drive recently collapsed causing Devou Drive to be closed to traffic. This access point from Western Avenue is important for Devou Park and Kenton Hills neighborhood. There were four bids received for this project and Great Lakes Construction was the lowest and best bid. The project includes the replacement of both retaining walls and some storm sewer replacement work, funded by SD1, and new pavement.

COMMISSIONERS' ORDER/RESOLUTION NO. O/R-158-14

AN ORDER/RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE BID OF GREAT LAKES CONSTRUCTION COMPANY FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION OF THE RETAINING WALLS ALONG DEVOU PARK DRIVE AND WESTERN AVENUE AS THE BEST RESPONSIBLE BID AND REJECTING ALL OTHER BIDS, AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH GREAT LAKES CONSTRUCTION COMPANY IN THE AMOUNT OF $1,985,990.20, PAYABLE FROM THE CAPITAL FUND, WITH UP TO $70,000.00 TO BE REIMBURSED BY SANITATION DISTRICT NO 1 FOR STORM SEWER INSTALLATION.

MOTION of Commissioner Eilerman, seconded by Commissioner Frank.
Passed. 5 Yeas. Commissioners Eilerman, Frank, Rains, Williams, and Mayor Carran.

JOB DESCRIPTION – The current job description needed a more accurate representation of duties and skill level required for the position.

COMMISSIONERS' ORDER/RESOLUTION NO. O/R-159-14

AN ORDER/RESOLUTION APPROVING AN UPDATED JOB DESCRIPTION FOR THE POSITION OF MECHANIC IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS.

MOTION of Commissioner Eilerman, seconded by Commissioner Frank.
Passed. 5 Yeas. Commissioners Eilerman, Frank, Rains, Williams, and Mayor Carran.

ACCEPT DEED - The City had previously sold 11 Est Fifth Street to Red Mare Holdings. The developers experienced significant issues during construction of the project that prevented them from completing the project. In accordance with the terms of the development agreement, Red Mare returned the property, including existing improvements, to the City.

COMMISSIONERS' ORDER/RESOLUTION NO. O/R-160-14

AN ORDER/RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY MANAGER TO ACCEPT DELIVERY OF THE DEED TO THE REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 11 EAST FIFTH STREET, COVINGTON, KENTUCKY.

MOTION of Commissioner Eilerman, seconded by Commissioner Frank.
Passed. 5 Yeas. Commissioners Eilerman, Frank, Rains, Williams, and Mayor Carran.

TAX MORATORIUM – This program allows property owners to freeze City property taxes at pre-rehab levels for a period of five years for properties that will be undergoing rehabilitation. Paul Weckman has purchased 617 Bakewell Street and plans to fully rehab the blighted historical property into a single family home.

COMMISSIONERS' ORDER/RESOLUTION NO. O/R-161-14

AN ORDER/RESOLUTION APPROVING A PROPERTY TAX ASSESSMENT MORATORIUM FOR PAUL WECKMAN FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 617 BAKEWELL STREET, COVINGTON, KENTUCKY.

MOTION of Commissioner Eilerman, seconded by Commissioner Frank.
Passed. 5 Yeas. Commissioners Eilerman, Frank, Rains, Williams, and Mayor Carran.

ACCEPT BID – The sign machine and equipment will allow DPI to undertake signage production in Devou Park and throughout the City, including banners and customized signs which previously had to be outsourced.

COMMISSIONERS' ORDER/RESOLUTION NO. O/R-162-14

AN ORDER/RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE BID OF ADVANTAGE SIGN & GRAPHIC SOLUTIONS FOR A SIGN MACHINE AND OTHER RELATED EQUIPMENT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AS THE BEST RESPONSIBLE BID AND REJECTING ALL OTHER BIDS, AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH ADVANTAGE SIGN & GRAPHIC SOLUTIONS, IN THE AMOUNT OF $38,589.60, PAYABLE FROM DEVOU PARK MASTER PLAN FUNDS.

MOTION of Commissioner Eilerman, seconded by Commissioner Frank.
Passed. 5 Yeas. Commissioners Eilerman, Frank, Rains, Williams, and Mayor Carran.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS – The City plans to request proposals from qualified, competent, knowledgeable, and experienced insurance companies that provide or underwrite public official's liability and fidelity and crime coverage.

COMMISSIONERS' ORDER/RESOLUTION NO. O/R-163-14

AN ORDER/RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PUBLICATION OF A REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR PUBLIC OFFICIALS' LIABILITY AND FIDELITY AND CRIME COVERAGE.

MOTION of Commissioner Eilerman, seconded by Commissioner Frank.
Passed. 5 Yeas. Commissioners Eilerman, Frank, Rains, Williams, and Mayor Carran.

SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT – The City filed a lawsuit against Nationwide Specialty Health, Nationwide Life Insurance Company, RMTS, LLC and related entities on March 11, 2011. The lawsuit involves medical services provided for a child of a City employee in which substantial costs were incurred. The City paid its deductible, and then sought payment for the medical care from its then stop loss carrier, Nationwide. Nationwide denied coverage. The City filed suit. Nationwide is no longer the City's stop loss carrier. A settlement agreement has been reached subject to the Board of Commissioners' approval that will satisfy outstanding medical bills.

COMMISSIONERS' ORDER/RESOLUTION NO. O/R-164-14

AN ORDER/RESOLUTION APPROVING A SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT WITH NATIONWIDE SPECIALTY HEALTH, NATIONWIDE LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, RMTS, LLC AND RELATED ENTITIES.

MOTION of Commissioner Rains, seconded by Commissioner Williams.
Passed. 5 Yeas. Commissioners Eilerman, Frank, Rains, Williams, and Mayor Carran.

BOARD REAPPOINTMENT – Mr. Rouse's reappointment will allow him to continue to serve on the Board which has not yet met during his term. He has expressed his desire for reappointment so that he has the opportunity to participate actively.

COMMISSIONERS' ORDER/RESOLUTION NO. O/R-165-14

AN ORDER/RESOLUTION APPROVING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF JEFF ROUSE TO THE NON-UNIFORM CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION, FOR A FOUR-YEAR TERM, EFFECTIVE MAY 18, 2014, AND EXPIRING MAY 17, 2018.

MOTION of Commissioner Frank, seconded by Commissioner Eilerman.
Passed. 5 Yeas. Commissioners Eilerman, Frank, Rains, Williams, and Mayor Carran.

BOARD REAPPOINTMENT – Ms. Horine's reappointment will allow her to continue to serve on the Board which has not yet met during her term. She has expressed her desire for reappointment so that she has to opportunity to participate actively.

COMMISSIONERS' ORDER/RESOLUTION NO. O/R-166-14

AN ORDER/RESOLUTION APPROVING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF DONNA HORINE TO THE NON-UNIFORM CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION, FOR A THREE-YEAR TERM, EFFECTIVE JUNE 28, 2014, AND EXPIRING JUNE 27, 2017.

MOTION of Commissioner Frank, seconded by Commissioner Eilerman.
Passed. 5 Yeas. Commissioners Eilerman, Frank, Rains, Williams, and Mayor Carran.

ADJOURNMENT

MAYOR CARRAN adjourned the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

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Sherry Carear
MAYOR

ATTEST:

Margaret M Nyhan
CITY CLERK

APPROVED: 7-22-14