

MINUTES
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' MEETING
Tuesday, August 27, 2013 6:00 P.M.

A **SPECIAL MEETING** of the Board of Commissioners of the City of Covington, Kentucky, was opened by Mayor Carran, on Tuesday, August 27, 2013, at 6:00 p.m., in Commission Chambers, 638 Madison Avenue, Covington, Kentucky, per Special Meeting Notice of August 26, 2013.

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

OLD BUSINESS – SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES

TEXT AMENDMENT - A number of proposals for the residential reuse of non-residential structures in the RU-2B zoning district have surfaced. However, the current requirements for non-residential structures to be used as multi-family residential uses do not allow for a feasible number of units for a project to move forward and the building to be reused. This amendment is necessary in order to permit redevelopment of the Lincoln Grant School building.

COMMISSIONERS' ORDINANCE NO. O-31-13

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A TEXT AMENDMENT TO THE OFFICIAL ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF COVINGTON, KENTUCKY (O-37-06) TO ALLOW NON-RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURES TO BE USED AS MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL USES IN THE URBAN RESIDENTIAL (RU-2b) ZONING DISTRICT, SUBJECT TO MINIMUM GROSS FLOOR AREA REQUIREMENTS.

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

AD VALOREM TAX RATE – The tax rate for the fiscal year 2013-2014 will be \$0.3045 per \$100.00 valuation. This is the “compensating rate” and not the “compensating rate plus 4%” which the City Commission is permitted to adopt by law. The “compensating rate” is intended to produce the same amount of revenue from property tax as the rate from last year. A higher compensating rate is necessary to produce the same amount of revenue as last year, since the overall property valuation in the City has declined since last year, following many national and local trends.

COMMISSIONERS' ORDINANCE NO. O-32-13

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE GENERAL REVENUE AND LEVYING AND FIXING AN AD VALOREM TAX RATE ON ALL PROPERTY ASSESSED OR ASSESSABLE SUBJECT TO TAXATION FOR MUNICIPAL PURPOSES IN THE CITY OF COVINGTON, KENTUCKY TO MEET THE GENERAL EXPENSES OF SAID CITY; PROVIDING A SINKING FUND FOR PAYMENT OF INTEREST ON THE BONDED INDEBTEDNESS OF THE CITY; AND TO REDEEM BONDS MATURING DURING THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2014.

MOTION of Commissioner Eilerman, seconded by Commissioner Frank. Passed. 4 Yeas. Commissioners Eilerman, Frank, Rains, and Mayor Carran. Commissioner Williams present, not voting.

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NEW BUSINESS – ORDER/RESOLUTIONS

TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT

COMMISSIONERS' ORDER/RESOLUTION NO. O/R-235-13

AN ORDER/RESOLUTION TERMINATING ROBERT J. DUE AS FINANCE DIRECTOR IN THE CITY OF COVINGTON, EFFECTIVE AUGUST 23, 2013.

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

INTERIM FINANCE DIRECTOR

COMMISSIONERS' ORDER/RESOLUTION NO. O/R-236-13

AN ORDER/RESOLUTION APPOINTING ACCOUNTING AND OPERATIONS MANAGER JEROME HEIST AS INTERIM DIRECTOR OF THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT, EFFECTIVE AUGUST 26, 2013.

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

ACCEPT BID – Three bids were received for these services necessary for the relocation of City Hall.

COMMISSIONERS' ORDER/RESOLUTION NO. O/R-237-13

AN ORDER/RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE BID OF RAY HAMILTON COMPANIES FOR THE PURCHASE OF NEW FURNITURE AND MOVING/RELOCATION SERVICES IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$90,900.00 PAYABLE FROM CAPITAL FUND.

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

TASK FORCE - This Order/Resolution will establish a Task Force of experienced professionals to review the City's financial operations and make recommendations for the improvements within a 90 day period and allows the process to recover any and all misappropriated City funds to begin.

COMMISSIONERS' ORDER/RESOLUTION NO. O/R-238-13

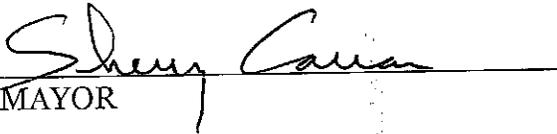
AN ORDER/RESOLUTION APPOINTING A TASK FORCE TO REVIEW THE CITY'S POLICIES AND PROCEDURES RELATED TO THE PROCESSING OF CITY'S FINANCES.

MOTION of Commissioner Eilerman, seconded by Commissioner Frank. Passed. 3 Yeas. Commissioners Eilerman, Frank, and Mayor Carran. 2 Nays. Commissioners Rains and Williams.

ADJOURNMENT

MAYOR CARRAN adjourned the meeting at 7:50 p.m.

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MAYOR

ATTEST:


ACTING CITY CLERK

APPROVED: 9-10-13