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BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' MEETING
Tuesday, February 26, 2013 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, February 12, 2013, at 6:00 p.m., in Commission Chambers, 638 Madison Avenue, Covington, Kentucky.

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

MOTION of Commissioner Eilerman, seconded by Commissioner Rains to dispense with the reading of and approve the minutes of the February 12, 2013, meeting minutes.

Passed. 5 Yeas. Commissioners Eilerman, Frank, Rains, Williams, and Mayor Carran.

PRESENTATIONS:

- Mayor's Challenge to Covington's Youth – Project Recognition
Holmes Middle/High School – Swimmers Rock-a-thon for Cancer Cure
- Bicentennial Committee – Dr. Paul Tenkotte and NKU HIS 527 Urban History of U.S. Class
- Direction 2030 – Jenna Haverkos, NKAPC
- 2012 Audit – Chris Flaig, DeCosimo Certified Public Accountants presented the Audit report for YE 2012

OLD BUSINESS – SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES

OUTDOOR MUSIC –The Roebing Point tavern and restaurant owners have requested an extension of time when outdoor music can be allowed on the outside portion of their premises. These businesses may obtain licenses from the City that allow them to place tables and chairs on the sidewalks for their patrons. There is a fee and restrictions affiliated with obtaining a license.

COMMISSIONERS' ORDINANCE NO. O-05-13

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING § 96.70(C)(5) OF THE COVINGTON CODE OF ORDINANCES TO EXTEND THE TIME WHEN OUTDOOR MUSIC IS ALLOWED IN THE ROEBLING POINT BUSINESS DISTRICT.

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

NEW BUSINESS – FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

FINANCE DEPARTMENT NEWLY CREATED POSITIONS – A reorganization plan for the Finance Department was approved by the Commission in December 2012. As part of that reorganization, three new positions were created: Accounting/Operations Manager, Revenue/Collections Manager, and Office/Purchasing Manager. This ordinance will create these new positions.

COMMISSIONERS' ORDINANCE NO. O-06-13

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING § 34.50 OF THE COVINGTON CODE OF ORDINANCES, NON-UNIFORMED, NON-CIVIL SERVICE EMPLOYEES, CREATING NEWLY ESTABLISHED POSITIONS IN THE COVINGTON FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

FIRST READING – NO VOTE

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FINANCE DEPARTMENT SALARIES – This ordinance will establish salaries for the newly created positions in the Finance Department.

COMMISSIONERS' ORDINANCE NO. O-07-13

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING COMMISSIONERS' ORDINANCE O-40-12, THAT PROVIDES JOB TITLES AND SALARIES OF EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF COVINGTON WHOSE POSITIONS ARE NOT REPRESENTED BY ANY UNION.

FIRST READING – NO VOTE

PARKING VIOLATION HEARING BOARD – Currently, the Parking Violation Hearing Board consists of three members: the Police Chief, the Community Services Manager, and the Zoning Administrator. It has been difficult to coordinate schedules and have the entire board in attendance. KRS 82.600 provides that a local parking violation hearing board may consist of as few as one member and that the board may appoint hearing officers to act on behalf of the board.

COMMISSIONERS' ORDINANCE NO. O-08-13

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 75 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES RELATED TO PARKING VIOLATION, CITATION, AND IMPOUNDMENT TO PROVIDE FOR A ONE-MEMBER PARKING VIOLATION HEARING BOARD, PERMIT THE APPOINTMENT OF PARKING VIOLATION HEARING OFFICERS, AND PERMIT THE CITY TO DELEGATE ITS TOWING AND IMPOUNDMENT AUTHORITY.

FIRST READING – NO VOTE

RENTAL DWELLING LICENSE – The Board of Commissioners enacted a residential rental licensing ordinance in November 2012. This ordinance provided that appeals of rental license suspension would go to the Board of Housing, Building and Construction Appeals. However, with the transfer of building permits to the NKAPC, that board is no longer necessary. This ordinance will create a new Rental Dwelling License Appeals Board to hear appeals from rental dwelling license suspension.

COMMISSIONERS' ORDINANCE NO. O-09-12

AN ORDINANCE REPEALING REENACTING CHAPTER 155 OF THE CITY OF COVINGTON CODE OF ORDINANCES, RENTAL DWELLING LICENSING, TO ESTABLISH A RENTAL DWELLING LICENSE APPEALS BOARD.

FIRST READING – NO VOTE

NEW BUSINESS – ORDER/RESOLUTIONS

HOUSE BILL 200 – House Bill 200 provides local governments a new way to collect delinquent property taxes, a faster and less expensive foreclosure process for tax delinquent property, and expanded power for land banks. HB 200 provides local government with the option to collect delinquent property taxes themselves rather than selling the right to private tax collectors. If a particular city or county government chooses to continue its present tax collection process, it can do so.

COMMISSIONERS' ORDER/RESOLUTION NO. O/R-50-13

AN ORDER/RESOLUTION SUPPORTING KENTUCKY HOUSE BILL 200 THAT WILL PROVIDE LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AN OPTION TO COLLECT DELINQUENT PROPERTY TAXES RATHER THAN SELLING

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THE TAX BILLS TO PRIVATE TAX COLLECTORS, PROVIDE A STREAMLINED TAX FORECLOSURE PROCESS, AND EXPAND THE POWER OF LAND BANKING.

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

RECREATION TRIAL PROGRAM GRANT APPLICATION – The City was awarded a 2010 RTP grant for \$80,000 to construct Phase 1 of the LRG from East Avenue to Thomas Street, which was construction in November 2012. Along with the paved portion of trails, construction was completed on the nature trails. This grant for Phase 2 will extend the already completed Phase 1 of the trails to 15th Street.

COMMISSIONERS' ORDER/RESOLUTION NO. O/R-51-13

AN ORDER/RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE 2013 RECREATION GOVERNMENT FOR PHASE 2 OF THE LICKING RIVER GREENWAY PAVED LEVEE TRAILS, EXTENDING FROM CLAYTON MEYER PARK AT THOMAS STREET TO AUSTINBURG PARK AT EAST 15TH STREET.

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

CSI CONTRACT EXTENSION – The City entered into a contract with Republic Services of Kentucky, Inc. for solid waste collection for a five year term with the option of a two year contract extension. Included in this contract extension, CSI has agreed to provide every residential unit a recycling toter, at the resident's request and will expand the availability of recycling toters in the City. CSI has also agreed to a reduction in the scheduled contract price increases for the next two years from 3.75% to 1.75%.

COMMISSIONERS' ORDER/RESOLUTION NO. O/R-52-13

AN ORDER/RESOLUTION APPROVING A CONTRACT EXTENSION WITH REPUBLIC SERVICES OF KENTUCKY, INC., DBA CSI WASTE SERVICE, A KENTUCKY LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, FOR TWO YEARS, EFFECTIVE MAY 1, 2013, THROUGH APRIL 30, 2015.

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

SURPLUS PROPERTY – The properties to be sold are vacant lots and the individuals are purchasing them to expand their side yards or to provide off-street parking. The properties to be sold are located at 1315 Scot Blvd., 1317 Scott Blvd., 913 Cherry St., 1411 Chesapeake St., 1415 Chesapeake St., and 1417 Chesapeake St.

COMMISSIONERS' ORDER/RESOLUTION NO. O/R-53-13

AN ORDER/RESOLUTION DECLARING CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY CONSISTING OF VACANT LOTS AS SURPLUS PROPERTY, AUTHORIZING ITS SALE BY SEALED BIDS PURSUANT TO KRS 82.083, AND AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF SAID PROPERTY TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER IN GOOD STANDING AND BY MEANS OF COMPETITIVE NEGOTIATION WHERE NO BIDS WERE RECEIVED FROM BIDDERS IN GOOD STANDING.

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

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ARBOR DAY – To continue receiving the designation as a “Tree City USA”, which allows us opportunities for grant money, the city must formally declare Arbor Day each year.

COMMISSIONERS' ORDER/RESOLUTION NO. O/R-54-13

AN ORDER/RESOLUTION DECLARING SATURDAY, APRIL 27, 2013 AS
ARBOR DAY IN THE CITY OF COVINGTON.

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

EMPLOYMENT DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS – As part of the departmental reorganization for the Department of Development, Commission approved the concept of discontinuing contractual relationships for property maintenance and making use of seasonal workers through the Department of Public Improvements. Mr. Koeninger will lead a group of seasonal and community service volunteers in assisting the Community Services Division in board up first floor windows, litter control, and lawn maintenance of vacant properties throughout the City. This will result in a substantial savings on contractual expenses previously expended for these types of services.

COMMISSIONERS' ORDER/RESOLUTION NO. O/R-55-13

AN ORDER/RESOLUTION APPROVING THE EMPLOYMENT OF
MICHAEL KOENINGER AS A PART-TIME COOP FOR THE
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS, AT AN HOURLY RATE
OF \$12.50, EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 27, 2013.

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

EMPLOYMENT HOUSING CONSORTIUM DEPARTMENT – Ms. Thompson will be filling the position vacated by the resignation of Nicole Marksberry for employment elsewhere.

COMMISSIONERS' ORDER/RESOLUTION NO. O/R-56-13

AN ORDER/RESOLUTION APPROVING THE EMPLOYMENT OF
KATHERINE THOMPSON AS A CLERK TYPIST I IN THE HOUSING
CONSORTIUM DEPARTMENT, AT AN ANNUAL SALARY OF
\$24,368.24, EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 27, 2013, CONTINGENT UPON
POST OFFER REQUIREMENTS.

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

JOB DESCRIPTIONS FINANCE DEPARTMENT – A reorganization plan for the Finance Department was approved by the Commission in December 2012. As part of that reorganization, three new positions were created: Accounting/Operations Manager, Revenue/Collections Manager, and Office/Purchasing Manager. This O/R will provide job descriptions for the new positions and update existing job descriptions.

COMMISSIONERS' ORDER/RESOLUTION NO. O/R-57-13

AN ORDER/RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ADOPTION OF NEW JOB
DESCRIPTIONS FOR POSITION IN THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT AND
UPDATING EXISTING JOB DESCRIPTIONS.

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MOTION of Commissioner Frank, seconded by Commissioner Eilerman.
Passed. 4 Yeas. Commissioners Eilerman, Frank, Rains, and Mayor Carran.
1 Nay. Commissioner Williams.

TERMINATION DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS – Ms. Petrey's employment status with the City of Covington will be terminated subject to the processing of a waiver.

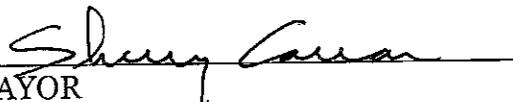
COMMISSIONERS' ORDER/RESOLUTION NO. O/R-58-13

AN ORDER/RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TERMINATION OF THE EMPLOYMENT STATUS OF KIMBERLY PETREY, CLERK TYPIST VI, FROM THE COVINGTON DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS, EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2013.

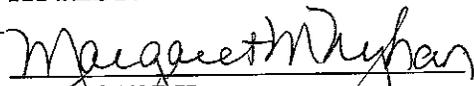
MOTION of Commissioner Frank, seconded by Commissioner Eilerman.
Passed. 5 Yeas. Commissioners Eilerman, Frank, Rains, Williams, and Mayor Carran.

ADJOURNMENT

MAYOR CARRAN adjourned the meeting at 8:35 p.m.


MAYOR

ATTEST:


CITY CLERK

APPROVED: 3-12-13