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MINUTES NO. 2023-15-RG
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
OF MADISON, ALABAMA
August 14, 2023

The meeting was broadcast live on Wow! Channel 42 and online streaming at www.madisonal.gov/viewmeetings. Anyone who did not want to attend the meeting in person, but wanted to participate in Public Comments or Hearings were encouraged to contact the City Clerk or Mayor's Office via telephone or email to submit comments or questions, or text the word "Comment" to 938-200-8560

The Madison City Council met in regular session on Monday, August 14, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Madison Municipal Complex, Madison, Alabama. Noting that a quorum was present, the meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Council President Ranae Bartlett.

Pastor J.C. Hopkins from Cornerstone Word of Life Church provided the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Ranae Bartlett.

ELECTED GOVERNING OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE

Mayor Paul Finley	Present
Council District No. 1 Maura Wroblewski	Present
Council District No. 2 Connie Spears	Present
Council District No. 3 Teddy Powell	Absent
Council District No. 4 Greg Shaw	Absent
Council District No. 5 Ranae Bartlett	Present
Council District No. 6 Karen Denzine	Present
Council District No. 7 John Seifert	Present

City Officials in attendance were: City Clerk-Treasurer Lisa D. Thomas, Deputy City Clerk-Treasurer Kerri Sulyma, City Attorney Brian Kilgore, Information Technology Director Chris White, Information Technology Support Technician Garrett Gillott, Police Chief Johnny Gandy, Fire Chief David Bailey, City Engineer Michael Johnson, Deputy Revenue Officer Ivon Williams, Director of Parks & Recreation Kory Alfred, Director of Development Services Mary Beth Broeren, Director of Human Resources Megan Zingarelli and Building Director Dustin Riddle

Public Attendance registered: Margi Daly, Mark Lambert, Bebe Oetjen, Bernadette Mayer, Jocelyn Broer, Greg Fields, Dee Voelkel, Mary Lynn Wright, Joe Taylor, Stefani Williams, Amy George, Sarah Savage Jones

AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MINUTES NO. 2023-07-WS, DATED JULY 19, 2023

Council Member Spears moved to approve Minutes No. 2023-07-WS. Council Member Seifert seconded. The vote was taken and recorded as follows:

Council Member Maura Wroblewski	Aye
Council Member Connie Spears	Aye
Council Member Teddy Powell	Absent
Council Member Greg Shaw	Absent
Council Member Ranae Bartlett	Aye
Council Member Karen Denzine	Aye
Council Member John Seifert	Aye

Motion carried.

MINUTES NO. 2023-14-RG DATED JULY 24, 2023

Council Member Wroblewski moved to approve Minutes No. 2023-14-RG. Council Member Spears seconded. The roll call vote taken was recorded as follows:

Council Member Maura Wroblewski	Aye
Council Member Connie Spears	Aye
Council Member Teddy Powell	Absent
Council Member Greg Shaw	Absent
Council Member Ranae Bartlett	Aye
Council Member Karen Denzine	Aye
Council Member John Seifert	Abstain

Motion carried.

PRESENTATIONS AND AWARDS

HUNTSVILLE-MADISON FOUNDATION-CANINES FOR COPING PROGRAM NEW DOG

Spokesperson for the Huntsville-Madison Canine Coping Program thanked Mayor Finley and Council for their support. Joe Taylor was introduced as the dog's handler and Stephanie Williams was introduced as manager of the Canines for Coping program for the Huntsville Hospital system. The dog named Apple was introduced. Apple has brought joy and has made a tremendous difference with patients, family members, and employees at Madison Hospital. Council Member Wroblewski stated the program is a huge blessing for the community. Council President Bartlett asked the spokesperson how the community could support the program. The spokesperson shared the Canines for Coping website as well as the Huntsville Foundation website. Council Member Spears shared her personal experience with Apple and a family member in Madison Hospital and what a positive difference it made.

PUBLIC COMMENTS-AGENDA RELATED

*Public Comments were limited to three minutes per speaker. Anyone who wanted to sign up prior to the Council meeting were able to contact the City Clerk at cityclerk@madisonal.gov or text the word "**Comment**" to 938-200-8560. Anyone who wanted to submit a presentation to the City Council were able to email it to the City Clerk by noon last Friday. Those who could not attend the meeting in person and wanted to email their written comments were advised to do so no later than noon this date via email to citycouncil@madisonal.gov.*

BEBE OETJEN (DISTRICT 7)

Ms. Oetjen appeared before Council and Mayor Finley to voice her concerns on the following items:

- Resolution No. 2023-252-R: Concern on the cost of the weather notification system
- Resolution No. 2023-245-R: Approving appropriations.

BERNADETTE MAYER (DISTRICT 5)

Ms. Mayer appeared before Council and Mayor Finley to voice her concerns on the following items:

- Invoice to Barge Design Solutions, wants clarity of Engineering project
- Draw #1 to Enfinger Development of Madison Branch Boulevard roundabout; concern of costs on cable and street lighting
- Resolution No. 2023-245-R: disagree with policy change
- Resolution No. 2023-266-R: confused on need for software upgrade
- Building Resolution No. 2023-248-R: disagrees to CMS renewal
- Recreation Resolution No. 2023-252-R: Concerns of weather notification system

MARGI DALY (DISTRICT 6)

Ms. Daly appeared before Council and Mayor Finley to voice her concerns on the following items:

- Payments to S&ME and Barge Design
- Denied of public records requests she submitted
- Payment to Enfinger Development on Madison Branch roundabout, questioning what Draw #1 entails
- Resolution No. 2023-245-R: disagrees with change policy
- Costs for Resolution No. 2023-258-R; Resolution No. 2023-264-R; and Resolution No. 2023-271-R than fixing street lighting
- Resolution No. 2023-266-R: opposed to additional costs for software upgrade
- Resolution No. 2023-248-R: opposed to renewal agreement
- Proposed Ordinance No. 2023-180: concerned of flooding in neighborhoods
- Resolution No. 2023-252-R: Recreation weather system not needed

JEFFREY JOHNSON (DISTRICT 4)

Mr. Johnson appeared before Council and Mayor Finley to voice his concerns on the following items:

- Resolution No. 2023-252-R: concerned of cost and liability for recreation weather notification system

CONSENT AGENDA AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Council Member Spears shared the Finance Committee reviewed all the periodic bills to be paid and found them all in order. Council Member Denzine asked who will maintain the sod installed at the Gillespie roundabout. Council Members advised it will be maintained by the city. Council Member Seifert clarified a question about Draw #1 to Enfinger Development, LLC for construction at Madison Branch Boulevard roundabout which is them receiving their first payment. Council Member Spears explained Resolution No. 2023-245-R is basically the same process but would no longer require excess documents that are not necessary to decide for approval.

Council Member Spears moved to approve the Consent Agenda and Finance Committee report as follows:

General Operating account	$2,244,204.36
1/2 Cent Capital Replacement	$202,755.39
1/2 Cent Infrastructure	$1,780.03
Gasoline Tax & Petroleum Inspection fees	$15,911.61
TVA Tax	$2,888.91
Street Repair and Maintenance	$5,106.02
Library Building Fund	$7,298.54
Water Distribution and Storage	$7,120.15
1/2 Cent Reserve	$3,560.10

Regular and periodic bills to be paid

Approval of payment to S&ME, Inc. in the amount of $26,096.17 for civil engineering design services completed to date on CIP No. 15-021 Balch Road Improvements (Invoice No. 1190198 Payment No. 13, Res. 2017-217-R, Res. 2018-307-R, Res. 2019-345-R, and Res. 2020-302-R) (to be paid from 2015-A Bond)

Authorization of partial payment to Barge Design Solutions, Inc. in the amount of $20,147.29 on Project No. 19-047 | Wall Triana and I-565 Improvements (Invoice No. 212661, PO No. 2023-1093, May 27, 2023 - June 30, 2023) (to be paid from 2015-A Bond account)

Authorize reimbursement payment (Draw #1) to Enfinger Development, LLC in the amount of $282,906.55 for construction of the Madison Branch Boulevard/Hardiman Road roundabout (to be paid from Fund 38)

Resolution No. 2023-245-R: Adopting a revised policy for appropriations to outside agencies

Resolution No. 2023-251-R: Accepting a settlement in the amount of $35,000.00, minus $1,000 deductible, from Alabama Municipal Insurance Corporation for Claim No. 059721CG (damage that occurred on March 20, 2023, to traffic signal/pre-emption system at Zierdt Road and Madison Boulevard)

Resolution No. 2023-264-R: Authorizing expenditures for placement of sod at the Gillespie Roundabout ($1,500 to be paid from Council Special Projects Fund)

Resolution No. 2023-258-R: Appropriating funds to the Madison Police Advisory Committee for brochures to be distributed at the Madison Street Festival in the amount of $1,153.08 (to be paid from the Council Special Projects Fund)

Resolution No. 2023-266-R: Authorizing contract with Red Sage for software upgrade in an amount not to exceed $6,000 (to be paid from Planning & Economic Development budget)

Resolution No. 2023-271-R: Authorizing purchase of winter holiday decorations not to exceed $27,000 (to be paid from Council Special Projects Fund)

Council Member Wroblewski seconded. The roll call vote to approve the Consent Agenda was taken and recorded as follows:

Council Member Maura Wroblewski	Aye
Council Member Connie Spears	Aye
Council Member Teddy Powell	Absent
Council Member Greg Shaw	Absent
Council Member Ranae Bartlett	Aye
Council Member Karen Denzine	Aye
Council Member John Seifert	Aye

Motion carried.

PRESENTATION OF REPORTS

MAYOR PAUL FINLEY:

Mayor Finley reported on the following activities, events, and newsworthy items:

- The redistricting meeting was held today at 4pm; Slaughter and Associates received input from Council and the community. Hopefully to have a public hearing October 9
- Looking at October 23 for Council vote of approval on the new districts to become effective in 30 days. City Attorney Brian Kilgore advised after review of the statute it specifically states that it does not become effective until the next election. Mayor Finley responded that Districts would stay the same until 2025 and we'll know what the new districts will be Oct 23
- "Celebrate Madison" is this Thursday night at Toyota Field at 6 pm concluding with a fireworks

COUNCIL DISTRICT NO. 1 MAURA WROBLEWSKI

Council Member Wroblewski reported on the following activities, events, and newsworthy items:

- Shared her condolences for the loss of Council Member Spears mother and Council Member Denzine's husband
- Last concert in the park this Friday at 7pm, performance by Kelly Joiner

COUNCIL DISTRICT NO. 2 CONNIE SPEARS

Council Member Spears reported on the following activities, events, and newsworthy items:

- Thanked Council Member Wroblewski for pointing out the Senior Life magazine which is available at Kroger and the Library. It has an article from TARCOG (Top of Alabama Regional Council of Governments) regarding back-to-school tips for grandparents
- Just recently TARCOG donated one of their retired vehicles to Madison City Schools to assist students at James Clemens High School to utilize for appointments.
- The city has a great partnership with TARCOG and their commitment to the North Alabama District

COUNCIL DISTRICT NO. 3 TEDDY POWELL

Absent

COUNCIL DISTRICT NO. 4 GREG SHAW

Absent

COUNCIL DISTRICT NO. 5 RANAE BARTLETT

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-256-R: AUTHORIZING THE ARCHIVING AND STREAMING OF THE AUGUST 14, 2023 WORK SESSION MEETING

Council Member Wroblewski moved to approve Resolution No. 2023-256-R. Council Member Spears seconded. The vote was taken and recorded as follows:

Council Member Maura Wroblewski	Aye
Council Member Connie Spears	Aye
Council Member Teddy Powell	Absent
Council Member Greg Shaw	Absent
Council Member Ranae Bartlett	Aye
Council Member Karen Denzine	Aye
Council Member John Seifert	Aye

Motion carried.

Council President Bartlett reported on the following activities, events, and newsworthy items:

- Attended a regional collaboration meeting at the Cook Museum with Launch 23-5 on July 26th. Director of Developmental Services Mary Beth Broeren was recognized from the presenters for her work with developers on the 'Singing River Trail' project.
- July 27 attended a Korean War Veterans Luncheon. July 27 was the 70th anniversary of the Korean Armistice signing
- Expressed condolences for Council Member Spears and Council Member Denzine for the loss of their family member and will continue to lift them up in prayer
- August 16 at 10am will be a ribbon cutting for the reopening of Main Street Café

COUNCIL DISTRICT NO. 6 KAREN DENZINE

Council Member Denzine reported on the following activities, events, and newsworthy items:

- Madison Police Advisory Committee meeting at the Library on August 22 at 6pm with a presentation about School Resource Officers and to answer questions
- Expressed her appreciation for all the compassion and care offered and received to her family for the loss of her husband

COUNCIL DISTRICT NO. 7 JOHN SEIFERT

Council Member Seifert reported on the following activities, events, and newsworthy items:

- Recreation Department currently having registration for the basketball program
- Interested in hearing more about the weather alert notification from Recreation Department

BOARD/COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

None

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Speakers and public hearing applicants who wanted to address agenda items listed under this section of the agenda were instructed to reserve their comments for the public hearing. Before or during the Council Meeting they were asked to sign up for the public hearing at which they wanted to address Council by texting the word "COMMENT" to the City's automated SMS system at 938-200-8560 or by filling out a card available in the vestibule or from the City Clerk. The project initiator, applicant, owner or agent of the business or property that is the subject of the hearing was allowed to speak for 15 minutes. Residents within the noticed area of the subject property, as well as all other members of the public, were allowed to speak for 5 minutes.

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-265-R: REQUEST FOR AN ON-PREMISES BEER AND WINE LICENSE FROM MISO HAPPY LLC., DOING BUSINESS AS MISO HAPPY, FOR THEIR LOCATION AT 104 INTERCOM DRIVE

Deputy Revenue Officer Ivon Williams informed Council that this is a new request for this location and added that everything is in order for Council action and if any questions the

owner is not here in attendance. Council President Bartlett opened the floor for public comments regarding this request. City resident Margi Daly requesting mapping of all new and existing liquor licenses and not having them near a school. With no other questions or comments Council President Bartlett closed public comments

Council President Bartlett asked if there were any other questions from Council. With none, Council Member Wroblewski moved to approve Resolution No. 2023-265-R. Council Member Spears seconded. The roll call vote was taken and recorded as follows:

Council Member Maura Wroblewski	Aye
Council Member Connie Spears	Aye
Council Member Teddy Powell	Absent
Council Member Greg Shaw	Absent
Council Member Ranae Bartlett	Aye
Council Member Karen Denzine	Aye
Council Member John Seifert	Aye

Motion carried.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

BUILDING

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-248-R: AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL OF AN AGREEMENT WITH CENTER FOR MUNICIPAL SOLUTIONS (CMS) FOR TECHNICAL REVIEW OF CELL TOWER PERMITTING.

Council Member Wroblewski moved to approve Resolution No. 2023-248-R. Council Member Spears seconded. Council Member Seifert asked what all goes into the technical review. Building Director Dustin Riddle replied they do load and structure analysis of new and existing towers to make sure out of the fall zone of any structure and if any new and existing antennas is added it can handle the load. The vote was taken and recorded as follows:

Council Member Maura Wroblewski	Aye
Council Member Connie Spears	Aye
Council Member Teddy Powell	Absent
Council Member Greg Shaw	Absent
Council Member Ranae Bartlett	Aye
Council Member Karen Denzine	Aye
Council Member John Seifert	Aye

Motion carried.

COURT

PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 2023-261: AMENDING THE MUNICIPAL COURT'S SCHEDULE OF FINES TO INCLUDE NEW OFFENSES CREATED BY THE ALABAMA LEGISLATURE (FIRST READING)

This is a first reading only

ENGINEERING

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-236-R: AUTHORIZING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH GTEC, LLC IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $17,550.00 FOR A GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEERING STUDY ON PROJECT NO. 23-019 | SPENCER GREEN – SUBGRADE EVALUATION (TO BE PAID FROM ENGINEERING BUDGET)

Council Member Spears moved to approve Resolution No. 2023-236-R. Council Member Seifert seconded. The vote was taken and recorded as follows:

Council Member Maura Wroblewski	Aye
Council Member Connie Spears	Aye
Council Member Teddy Powell	Absent
Council Member Greg Shaw	Absent
Council Member Ranae Bartlett	Aye
Council Member Karen Denzine	Aye
Council Member John Seifert	Aye

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-247-R: AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF PROPERTY FOR BROWNS FERRY ROAD CULVERT PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF $4,500 (TO BE PAID TO THE HERITAGE STATION HOA)

Council Member Spears moved to approve Resolution No. 2023-247-R. Council Member Seiferft seconded. The vote was taken and recorded as follows:

Council Member Maura Wroblewski	Aye
Council Member Connie Spears	Aye
Council Member Teddy Powell	Absent
Council Member Greg Shaw	Absent
Council Member Ranae Bartlett	Aye
Council Member Karen Denzine	Aye
Council Member John Seifert	Aye

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-255-R: AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH BARGE DESIGN SOLUTIONS, FOR CONSTRUCTION, ENGINEERING AND INSPECTION SERVICES ON PROJECT 19-047 | WALL TRIANA HIGHWAY FROM GRAPHICS DRIVE TO I-565 (ATRIP ATRIP2-45-2020-327) IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $117,244.00 (TO BE PAID FROM ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT BUDGET)

Council Member Spears moved to approve Resolution No. 2023-255-R. Council Member Seifert seconded. The vote was taken and recorded as follows:

Council Member Maura Wroblewski	Aye
Council Member Connie Spears	Aye
Council Member Teddy Powell	Absent
Council Member Greg Shaw	Absent

Council Member Ranae Bartlett	Aye
Council Member Karen Denzine	Aye
Council Member John Seifert	Aye

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-270-R: AWARD BID FOR PROJECT 2023-006-ITB, DOWNTOWN DITCH DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENT, TO GRAYSON CARTER & SON CONTRACTING, INC., IN THE AMOUNT OF $114,253.13 (TO BE PAID FROM 10-150-000-2951-00 - ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT BUDGET)

Council Member Spears moved to approve Resolution No. 2023-270-R. Council Member Seifert seconded. The vote was taken and recorded as follows:

Council Member Maura Wroblewski	Aye
Council Member Connie Spears	Aye
Council Member Teddy Powell	Absent
Council Member Greg Shaw	Absent
Council Member Ranae Bartlett	Aye
Council Member Karen Denzine	Aye
Council Member John Seifert	Aye

Motion carried.

HUMAN RESOURCES

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-262-R: AUTHORIZING CHANGES TO THE CITY'S JOB CLASSIFICATION PLAN

Council Member Wroblewski moved to approve Resolution No. 2023-262-R. Council Member Spears seconded. Council Member Wroblewski thanked Director of Human Resources Megan Zingarelli and her staff considering these positions that are very hard to fill. The vote was taken and recorded as follows:

Council Member Maura Wroblewski	Aye
Council Member Connie Spears	Aye
Council Member Teddy Powell	Absent
Council Member Greg Shaw	Absent
Council Member Ranae Bartlett	Aye
Council Member Karen Denzine	Aye
Council Member John Seifert	Aye

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-263-R: AUTHORIZING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH EVERGREEN SOLUTIONS, LLC, TO CONDUCT A CLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION STUDY IN THE AMOUNT OF $42,500 (TO BE PAID FROM H.R. DEPARTMENT BUDGET)

Council Member Wroblewski moved to approve Resolution No. 2023-263-R. Council Member Spears seconded. Council Member Denzine expressed appreciation for this study and

believes it will help the retention and finding new employees. The vote was taken and recorded as follows:

Council Member Maura Wroblewski	Aye
Council Member Connie Spears	Aye
Council Member Teddy Powell	Absent
Council Member Greg Shaw	Absent
Council Member Ranae Bartlett	Aye
Council Member Karen Denzine	Aye
Council Member John Seifert	Aye

Motion carried.

LEGAL

PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 2023-240: AUTHORIZING MADISON UTILITY'S REQUEST TO DISPOSE OF .0007-ACRE PROPERTY ON WALL-TRIANA HIGHWAY NO LONGER BEING UTILIZED (FIRST READING 07/24/2023)

Council Member Spears moved to approve Ordinance No. 2023-240. Council Member Wroblewski seconded. The vote was taken and recorded as follows:

Council Member Maura Wroblewski	Aye
Council Member Connie Spears	Aye
Council Member Teddy Powell	Absent
Council Member Greg Shaw	Absent
Council Member Ranae Bartlett	Aye
Council Member Karen Denzine	Aye
Council Member John Seifert	Aye

Motion carried.

PLANNING

PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 2023-241: ASSENTING TO THE ANNEXATION OF CERTAIN PROPERTY OWNED BY BRIAN AND KELLEY HAYES LOCATED AT 29396 TRIBBLE ROAD (FIRST READING)

This is a first reading only

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-242-R: SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 2023-243; ZONING CERTAIN PROPERTY OWNED BY BRIAN AND KELLEY HAYES LOCATED AT 29396 TRIBBLE ROAD TO R-1A (LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT) UPON ANNEXATION (FIRST PUBLICATION 8/23/2023, SYNOPSIS 8/30/2023, PUBLIC HEARING 9/25/2023)

Council Member Wroblewski moved to approve Resolution No. 2023-242-R. Council Member Spears seconded. The vote was taken and recorded as follows:

Council Member Maura Wroblewski	Aye
Council Member Connie Spears	Aye

Council Member Teddy Powell	Absent
Council Member Greg Shaw	Absent
Council Member Ranae Bartlett	Aye
Council Member Karen Denzine	Aye
Council Member John Seifert	Aye

Motion carried.

PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 2023-180: VACATION OF FLOODPLAIN EASEMENT LOCATED WITHIN COMMON AREA 4 AND LOTS 27, 65-82, AND 91-96 OF THE ACADIA AT ARLINGTON PARK SUBDIVISION (FIRST READING)

This is a first reading only

PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 2023-246: VACATION OF UTILITY AND DRAINAGE EASEMENT LOCATED WITHIN LOT 3 OF HERITAGE HILLS-PHASE 1 SUBDIVISION (FIRST READING)

This is a first reading only

POLICE

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-244-R: AUTHORIZING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH STERICYCLE, INC. FOR MONTHLY SHREDDING SERVICES IN THE AMOUNT OF $130 PER MONTH (TO BE PAID FROM POLICE DEPARTMENT BUDGET)

Council Member Wroblewski moved to approve Resolution No. 2023-244-R. Council Member Denzine seconded. Mayor Finley asked if this can be coordinated with the City Clerk-Treasurer if they need shredding done also. City Clerk-Treasurer Lisa D. Thomas stated we currently have a company we have been using. Mayor Finley asked what the costs were. City Clerk-Treasurer Lisa D. Thomas replied the cost is $250 for (6) large full bins along with a smaller bin in our office, they are only called after completion of annual destruction schedule. Council Member Wroblewski commented it would be one time for the majority of their destruction. Mayor Finley stated we'll coordinate with both. The vote was taken and recorded as follows:

Council Member Maura Wroblewski	Aye
Council Member Connie Spears	Aye
Council Member Teddy Powell	Absent
Council Member Greg Shaw	Absent
Council Member Ranae Bartlett	Aye
Council Member Karen Denzine	Aye
Council Member John Seifert	Aye

Motion carried.

RECREATION

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-252-R: APPROVING THOR GUARD WEATHER NOTIFICATION SYSTEM FOR DUBLIN AND PALMER PARKS IN THE AMOUNT OF $86,470 (TO BE PAID FROM RECREATION DEPARTMENT BUDGET)

Director of Parks & Recreation Kory Alfred explained the difficulty of notifying citizens to clear or close parks, pools and other events when severe weather is approaching. The weather notification is site specific and beneficial with all the features.

Council Member Wroblewski moved to approve Resolution No. 2023-252-R. Council Member Spears seconded. Mayor Finley asked how citizens will be alerted. Director of Parks & Recreation Kory Alfred stated a speaker is in the park and a siren will be triggered automatically, also an App will be on staff's phone eliminating decision making. President Renae Bartlett inquired staff will be trained when a siren goes off to clear the fields. Mayor Finley commented that this process would be explained at coaches and parent meetings of what to expect and follow for safety reasons. Council Member Seifert with the multiple fields at both parks is essential to clear. Council Member Wroblewski asked how many sirens are there. Director of Parks & Recreation Kory Alfred stated Palmer Park would have two and Dublin one and the sirens would be set during park hours. Council Member Denzine asked why this weather system was picked. Director of Parks & Recreation Kory Alfred replied that this system is predictive instead of reactive. Council Member Denzine asked if this was a yearly cost or one-time fee. Director of Parks & Recreation Kory Alfred advised a one-time fee, the only additional expense would be the battery every 7 years after. The vote was taken and recorded as follows:

Council Member Maura Wroblewski	Aye
Council Member Connie Spears	Aye
Council Member Teddy Powell	Absent
Council Member Greg Shaw	Absent
Council Member Ranae Bartlett	Aye
Council Member Karen Denzine	Aye
Council Member John Seifert	Aye

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-253-R: AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF MATERIALS FOR AIR SUPPORTED STRUCTURE FROM ARIZON BUILDING SYSTEMS IN THE AMOUNT OF $15,250 (TO BE PAID FROM RECREATION DEPARTMENT BUDGET)

Council Member Spears moved to approve Resolution No. 2023-253-R. Council Member Seifert seconded. The vote was taken and recorded as follows:

Council Member Maura Wroblewski	Aye
Council Member Connie Spears	Aye
Council Member Teddy Powell	Absent
Council Member Greg Shaw	Absent
Council Member Ranae Bartlett	Aye
Council Member Karen Denzine	Aye
Council Member John Seifert	Aye

Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

BERNADETTE MAYER (DISTRICT 5) HEATHERWOOD SUBDIVISION

Ms. Mayer appeared before Council and Mayor Finley to voice her concerns on the following items:

- Appreciates explanation on weather system from Recreation Department
- Involve Police to assist clearing citizens from fields rather than park staff
- Concerned with city development, flooding and drainage easements
- Mapping for liquor licenses

GREG FIELDS (UNKNOWN DISTRICT)

Mr. Fields appeared before Council and Mayor Finley to voice his concerns on the following items:

- Upset about a book his son brought home from Madison Elementary School and read some excerpts from the book to Council.

Council Member Spears asked Mr. Fields if he had spoken with the School Board and Superintendent. Inaudible response from Mr. Fields. Council Member Wroblewski asked Mr. Fields for the name of the book. Mr. Fields replied (Inaudible - goes to Birmingham) commented wanted the book out of the school and it portrays bullying.

BEBE OETJEN (DISTRICT 7)

Ms. Oetjen appeared before Council and Mayor Finley to voice her concerns on the following items:

- Concern of shredding expense
- Opposed of agenda approval for Enfinger Development, LLC
- Upset about the cost of sod at roundabout when city denied her sod at cemetery lot where husband was buried, then eventually installed sod
- Opposed of cost for winter decorations for Downtown Madison and not enough parking spaces
- No fence causing trash blown into cemetery
- Questioned how far lighting is detected from weather system
- Excessive recreation expenses

MARGI DALY (DISTRICT 6)

Ms. Daly appeared before Council and Mayor Finley to voice her concerns on the following items:

- Opposed to Recreation weather system
- Thanked Council Member Seifert and Mayor Finley for answering her questions
- Inquisitive about change over and first draw to Enfinger
- Upset regarding her rights under the 1st and 14th Amendments of the Constitution

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Council Member Wroblewski asked about the next work session meeting. President Ranae Bartlett advised there will be one next week and send out an agenda.

ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business to discuss Council Member Wroblewski moved to adjourn. The roll call vote was taken and recorded as follows:

Council Member Maura Wroblewski	Aye
Council Member Connie Spears	Aye
Council Member Teddy Powell	Absent
Council Member Greg Shaw	Absent
Council Member Ranae Bartlett	Aye
Council Member Karen Denzine	Aye
Council Member John Seifert	Aye

Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Minutes No. 2023-15-RG, dated August 14, 2023, read, approved and adopted this 28th day of August 2023.

Council Member Maura Wroblewski
District One

Council Member Connie Spears
District Two

Council Member Teddy Powell
District Three

Council Member Greg Shaw
District Four

Council Member Ranae Bartlett
District Five

Council Member Karen Denzine
District Six

Council Member John Seifert
District Seven

Concur:

Paul Finley, Mayor

Attest:

Lisa D. Thomas
City Clerk-Treasurer

Lisa Ritz
Recording Secretary