

The City Council of the City of Murfreesboro, Rutherford County, Tennessee, consistent with the Governor's order, members of the City Council are participating by electronic means as has been determined necessary to protect public health, safety, and welfare in light of the coronavirus pandemic at 11:30 a.m. on Wednesday, March 10, 2021 in the Community Room at Murfreesboro Municipal Airport, with Mayor Shane McFarland present and presiding and with the following Council Members present and in attendance, to wit:

Madelyn Scales Harris
Rick LaLance
Ronnie Martin
Bill Shacklett
Kirt Wade
Shawn Wright

Vice-Mayor Scales Harris participated telephonically at this meeting. Council Member Ronnie Martin arrived late to the meeting.

The following representatives of the City were also present:

Craig Tindall, City Manager
Adam Tucker, City Attorney
Melissa Wright, City Recorder/
Finance Director
Gary Whitaker, Assistant City Manager
Darren Gore, Assistant City Manager
Sam Huddleston, Executive Director/
Development Services
Erin Tucker, Budget Director
Chad Gehrke, Airport Director
Matthew Blomeley, Assistant Planning Director
Joshua Miller, Administrative Assistant

Mayor McFarland announced that Item No. 6 on the Agenda, January Dashboard Information, was to be heard first.

The following letter from the Budget Director was presented to the Council:

(Insert letter dated March 10, 2021 here with regards to January 2021 Dashboard packet.)

The January 2021 Dashboard update, which included Financial, Building & Codes, Risk Management, Construction Data, City Schools Cash Flow Statements, and Revenue & Expenditure Budget Comparison Reports, was presented to Council with no discussion taking place.

The following letter from the City Recorder/Finance Director was presented to the Council:

(Insert letter dated March 10, 2021 here with regards to approval of Minutes of City Council Meetings from November 5, 2020 through January 21, 2021.)

Mr. LaLance made a motion to approve the minutes as written and presented for the public comment meeting held on November 5, 2020; the regular meeting held on November 5, 2020; the regular meeting held on November 12, 2020; the regular meeting held on

November 19, 2020; the public comment meeting held on December 3, 2020; the regular meeting held on December 3, 2020; the regular meeting held on December 9, 2020; the regular meeting held on December 17, 2020; the public comment meeting held on January 7, 2021; the regular meeting held on January 7, 2021; the regular meeting held on January 13, 2021; and the regular meeting held on January 21, 2021. Mr. Wade seconded the motion. A roll call vote was conducted and all members of the Council present voted "Aye".

Mr. Sam Huddleston, Executive Director, Development Services, announced that a public comment meeting was to be held on March 30, 2021 regarding the City's Community Development 2020-2024 Five-Year Consolidated Plan and the 2020 Action Plan.

The following letter from the Assistant Community Development Director was presented to the Council:

(Insert letter dated March 10, 2021 here with regards to CDBG Property Acquisition of 734 North Walnut Street.)

Mr. Sam Huddleston, Executive Director, Development Services, presented the request of the Community Development Department to approve Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) assistance to Greenhouse Ministries for the purchase of 734 North Walnut Street.

Mr. Wade made a motion to approve Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) assistance to Greenhouse Ministries by providing \$125,000 to assist with the purchase of 734 North Walnut Street in which the City will enter into a Sub-recipient agreement with Greenhouse Ministries and Greenhouse Ministries will provide a minimum 25% match in purchase and improvements and will enter a 10-year rental agreement which will end with Greenhouse Ministries receiving the title to the property. Mr. Shacklett seconded the motion. A roll call vote was conducted and all members of the Council present voted "Aye".

Mr. Martin arrived at this time.

The following letter from the Assistant Planning Director was presented to the Council:

(Insert letter dated March 10, 2021 here with regards to potential renaming of Mercury Boulevard.)

Mr. Matthew Blomeley, Assistant Planning Director, presented the report from the Planning Department regarding the potential renaming of Mercury Boulevard to Dr Martin Luther King Jr Boulevard. Mr. Blomeley stated that the impact to emergency service providers would be minimal, that there would be some impact to property owners and tenants and that this name change would provide an opportunity to rectify a confusing situation with a 600' segment of Mercury Boulevard that is east of South Rutherford

Boulevard. If the name change is implemented staff will recommend incorporating that 600' segment into John Bragg Highway.

Mr. Wade made a motion to send a recommendation to the Planning Commission that they rename Mercury Boulevard to Dr Martin Luther King Jr Boulevard. Mr. Shacklett seconded the motion. A roll call vote was conducted and all members of the Council voted "Aye".

Mr. LaLance asked that the City consider providing monetary acknowledgement to the property owners and tenants for the hassle involved with changing an address.

The following letter from the City Manager was presented to the Council:

(Insert letter dated March 10, 2021 here
with regards to Impact Fees Analysis.)

Mayor McFarland stated that he would abstain from any discussion regarding the impact fees decision.

Mr. L. Carson Bise II, President of TischlerBise, presented an analysis of the potential revenue that could be produced with the implementation of development impact fees to the City, presented how the computation to determine impact fee amounts is developed, presented a maximum amount that could be charged for recreation and street capital improvement projects, and provided a fee comparison with other municipalities. Mr. Bise answered questions from Council regarding collecting data for implementing fees for schools and emergency services as well as justifying the recreation fee amount. Based on questions and discussion with Mr. Bise, Council directed him to gather data regarding implementing fees for schools and emergency services as well as develop a timeframe for gathering the data and conducting stakeholder meetings.

The following letter from the City Manager was presented to the Council:

(Insert letter dated March 10, 2021 here with
regards to MED Proceeds Committee.)

Mayor McFarland announced that nine people had submitted questionnaires to serve on the MED Proceeds Committee. He suggested that each Council Member select their top four choices and the top four choices would serve on the MED Proceeds Committee with Council Member Rick LaLance as the Council representative. Mr. Bob Mifflin, Mr. Andy Womack, Ms. Amy Farrar, and Mr. Eric Meriwether were selected as the four members of the MED Proceeds Committee.

The following letter from the City Recorder/Finance Director was presented to the Council:

(Insert letter dated March 10, 2021 here with regards to Beer Permit applications for Rock N Roll Sushi at 3053 Medical Center Pkwy., Ste. D, Pisco 305 at 452 N Thompson Ln., Ste. C, Fresh Bite at 451 N Thompson Ln, Ste. A and Walmart Fuel Station #5148 at 1157 Fortress Blvd.)

Mr. Wade made a motion to approve Beer Permits for Rock N Roll Sushi, 3053 Medical Center Parkway, Suite D (New Location); Pisco 305, 452 N Thompson Lane, Suite C (New Location); Fresh Bite, 451 N Thompson Lane, Suite A (Ownership and Name Change) and Walmart Fuel Station #5148, 1157 Fortress Boulevard (New Location), pending building and codes inspections. Mr. Martin seconded the motion. A roll call vote was conducted and all members of the Council voted "Aye".

Mr. Chad Gehrke, Airport Director, demonstrated the airport's new aviation tracking software, VirTower, that collects real time data regarding flight patterns, flight touchdowns, flight takeoffs, and that the data shows the activity of the Murfreesboro Municipal Airport.

There being no further business, Mayor McFarland adjourned this meeting at 1:32 p.m.

SHANE MCFARLAND - MAYOR

ATTEST:

MELISSA B. WRIGHT - CITY RECORDER