

CALLED MEETING, MAYOR AND COUNCIL, CITY OF COVINGTON, GEORGIA, TELECONFERENCE, OCTOBER 23, 2020, 5:30 PM.

Mayor Steve Horton presided with Mayor Pro-Tem Susie Keck, Council members: Hawnethia Williams, Kenneth Morgan, Anthony Henderson, Fleeta Baggett, and Don T. Floyd, City Manager Scott Andrews, City Clerk Audra M. Gutierrez, and City Attorney Frank Turner, Jr. present.

Mayor Horton called the meeting to order and gave the invocation.

Mr. Archie Shepherd inquired as to why the Newton County Board of Commissioners did not mention the City was also donating for homeless assistance at their meeting on Tuesday.

Mayor Horton stated at the previous Board of Commissioner's meeting, the Chairman and Board requested to receive a detailed account of how the donated funds are spent.

Chairman Banes was in attendance via teleconference to confirm the Board requested an accounting of monies spent and would forward to the City.

1. Motion made by Council member Morgan, seconded by Council member Williams to approve a resolution amending the 2020-2021 Budget for \$30,000.00 donation to the Newton County BOC for homeless assistance.

Council members Morgan, Henderson, and Williams voting for. Council members Keck, Baggett, and Floyd voting against. Motion carried with Mayor Horton voting for, breaking 3-3 tie.

2. Motion made by Council member Keck, seconded by Council member Floyd to approve the first reading of an ordinance for the City of Covington:

“AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF COVINGTON, GEORGIA, TO AMEND THE COVINGTON MUNICIPAL CODE, ENACTED AND ADOPTED ON THE 16TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2001, AS AMENDED BY PREVIOUS AMENDMENTS, TO ALTER CERTAIN PROVISION OF TITLE 8 OF THE SAID CODE OF ORDINANCES FOR THE PURPOSE OF **ADOPTING CHAPTER 8.20 (NOISE CONTROL)** THERETO, TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.”

Motion carried unanimously.

3. Motion made by Council member Floyd, seconded by Council member Keck to approve a change order No. 5 to the LCI Pace Street Project contract to reconcile the contract quantities and the installed quantities, which decreased the current contract by \$22,083.07.

Motion carried unanimously.

4. Motion made by Council member Floyd, seconded by Council member Baggett to approve the response letter to Georgia Public Service Commission in regards to a probable violation due to inadequate records regarding the documentation of MAOP (maximum allowable operating pressure), which advises the PSC that the City has responded to their request and will contact them for re-inspection upon completion.

Motion carried unanimously.

5. Motion made by Council member Williams, seconded by Council member Keck to adjourn the Regular Session at 6:08 PM and enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing land.

Motion carried unanimously.

Steve Horton, Mayor

Audra M. Gutierrez, City Clerk