

Work Session  
City Hall  
Fayette, Alabama  
March 27, 2018

The City Council of the City of Fayette held a work session at 4:00 o'clock, p.m. on March 27, 2018, in the Council Chambers of the City Hall.

Upon roll call the following were found to be present: Mayor Ray Nelson, Councilmembers Linda McCraw, Eddy Campbell, Jason Cowart, Cedric Wilson and Jerry Nichols. Also present were City Attorney Dale Lawrence, City Clerk Dawn Clapp, and City Engineer Dewayne Roby.

The opening prayer was given by Mayor Ray Nelson.

Mayor Ray Nelson announced that a quorum was present and that the meeting was open for the transaction of business.

#### FAYETTE AQUATIC CENTER

Park and Recreation Director Lance Holliman had previously recommended that the charge for private parties be increased to \$500.00. For the last three years, the charge has been \$400.00 for a two-hour private party. The estimated costs associated with a private party is \$293.82 which includes labor, electrical, water, chemicals and cleaning supplies. Last year 140 parties were scheduled with 166 available slots. 26 parties were not booked. After a general discussion, Mayor Nelson recommended that the Aquatic Center continue to charge \$400.00 for private parties. It was the consensus of the Council that the charge for private parties remain at \$400.00.

As far as the lifeguard pay increase request, a comparison from a past season under the current pay was presented to the Council. This was a pay week that was on the high end in terms of total gross pay. The first column showed what each lifeguard earned in gross pay for the week. The second column showed what their gross pay would be based on the requested increase. The difference between the two was \$593.61. This figure multiplied by 12 weeks (84 operating days this season) would be an approximate increase of just under \$7,125 for the season. The supervisors and certified pool operators were not included in the pay raise. After a general discussion, it was the consensus of the Council to increase the pay for the lifeguards as recommended.

It was reported to the Council that a private company (Marathon Equipment of Vernon) was interested in renting the Aquatic Center for a full day (10 a.m. – 5 p.m.) for a private company party. The Aquatic Center requested the Council provide input on how much to charge. Three of the five prior years, a different private company (Metalsa of Tuscaloosa) did a similar rental. The first year Metalsa rented the Aquatic Center, it paid \$5,000.00. The other two years, Metalsa paid \$7,000.00. As far as the Aquatic Center personnel needed for the event, it would be like a normal seven hour operating day, with 14 lifeguards, one supervisor and one certified pool operator. The Aquatic Center's cost for labor, utilities and cleaning supplies would be approximately \$1,150.00. After a general discussion, it was the consensus of the Council to charge Marathon Equipment \$5,000.00 to rent the Aquatic Center for a full day.

#### PROJECTS

City Engineer Dewayne Roby reported there will be a utility overrun with the 2015 TAP Project. The City did not pay for underground surveys to be conducted and did not meet with the Water Board concerning its water lines. Mr. Paul Burkhalter stated the problem with the sidewalks is that the water lines are too shallow. The cost to relocate the water lines is \$49,915.00. It was also reported to the Council that the overall cost of the ongoing sewer project may be less than anticipated and this could be used to offset the overrun with the TAP Project.

#### STREET DEPARTMENT REQUEST

Street Superintendent Marty Weeks reported Robert Smalley's truck had quit and that the motor is inoperable. He has been using an old truck, but it has problems. The only truck available is Curt Moore's old truck which is also in bad condition. Councilmember Nichols stated the request is a necessity and not a want. Councilmember Wilson said Superintendent Weeks had said he could wait until the next fiscal year before purchasing a truck for the Street Department. The City Engineer recommended the City purchase the truck with the dump bed from ALDOT at a cost of \$23,300.00.

#### SECURITY SYSTEM REQUEST

Mayor Nelson stated he would like for the Council to consider a security system for City Hall. Mrs. Dorrie Rushing reported on the quotes for the security system. The quote for the key pad and video cameras was \$5,245.00. She said the Municipal Court would pay for one-half of this system.

Mrs. Rushing also reported on the bullet proof glass for the payment windows. She stated it would be \$12,000.00 (\$3,000.00 per window) for the windows if they are installed by the team from the Department of Corrections. A contractor had provided a quote to do the Clerk's window for \$15,600.00 and at the Court's window for \$7,405.00.

PAYMENT OF REQUESTS

Mr. Rick McCabe discussed with the Council how the City can pay for the different requests and projects.

**2015 Sewer Rehab Project**

**Total Project Cost** 1,883,706

**Funding Source**

CDBG	450,000	
ARC Grant	200,000	
Match	<u>1,233,706</u>	
<b>Total Funding</b>		<u><b>1,883,706</b></u>

**Match Funding Source**

County Reimbursement	400,000	
Estimated Cash Reserves	420,000	
WABT Paving Note	300,000	
Gasoline Tax-for paving	75,000	
Alcohol Tax Cash Account	<u>38,706</u>	
<b>Total Funding for Match</b>		<u><b>1,233,706</b></u>

**2015 TAP Downtown Sidewalk Project**

**Project Cost – Base Bid** 806,704

**Additional Costs:**

WATVC	3,572	
AL Power	22,201	
CenturyTel	12,750	
Water Board	<u>50,000</u>	
<b>Total Additional Cost</b>		<u><b>88,523</b></u>

**Total Project Cost – Adjusted** 895,227

**Funding Source**

TAP Grant	400,000	
Match	<u>495,227</u>	
<b>Total Funding</b>		<u><b>895,227</b></u>

**Match Funding Source**

Cash Reserves/Long Term Note	<u>495,227</u>	
<b>Total Funding for Match</b>		<u><b>495,227</b></u>

**SUMMARY OF MATCH REQUIREMENTS FOR 2018**

2015 Sewer Rehab Project	1,233,706
2015 TAP Project	495,227
2017 Airport Grant	88,296
Rail to Trails Grant	<u>85,000</u>

Total 2018 Match Requirements 1,899,229

Match Funds Currently Available/Allocated:

2015 Sewer Rehab Project	1,233,706
2015 TAP Project	38,523
2017 Airport Grant	62,000
Rail to Trails Grant	_____

Total Match Available 1,334,229

**REMAINING MATCH FUNDS REQUIRED** **565,000**

**Remaining match funds to be funded via long term financing or utilizing existing cash reserves**

Mr. McCabe stated the amount of funds the City will have to provide is \$565,000.00. The two options the City has is to either borrow the money or use its reserves. Mr. McCabe said the City has \$2,000,000.00 in cash reserves.

Mr. McCabe stated the estimate for the City's match for the U.S. Highway 43 North project is approximately \$660,000.00.

Councilmember Cowart and Councilmember Campbell expressed the idea of taking the money out of reserves.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, upon the motion to adjourn being made by Councilmember McCraw and seconded by Councilmember Cowart, the same was unanimously adopted.

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Mayor

Attest:

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City Clerk