

Work Session  
 City Hall  
 Fayette, Alabama  
 May 28, 2019

The City Council of the City of Fayette held a work session at 6:00 o'clock, p.m. on May 28, 2019, in the Council Chambers of the City Hall.

Upon roll call the following were found to be present: Mayor Ray Nelson, Councilmembers Eddy Campbell, Jason Cowart and Cedric Wilson. Also present were Police Chief Danny Jenkins, City Attorney Dale Lawrence, Assistant City Clerk Sherry Fowler and Fire Chief Shannon Taylor. Councilmembers Linda McCraw and Jerry Nichols were absent. City Clerk Dawn Clapp was also absent.

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

RAILS TO TRAIL PROJECT

Mr. Terry Acuff reported on the Rails to Trails Project. He provided a financial summary sheet concerning the funds available for the purchase of the property. The summary is as follows:

**RTP RAILS TO TRAIL PROJECT  
 FINANCIAL SUMMARY SHEET  
 28-May-19**

BUDGET

RTP FUNDS	\$100,000.00
LOCAL CASH	<u>\$25,000.00</u>
TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE	\$125,000.00

<u>Budget</u>	Application <u>Budget</u>	Projected <u>Cost</u>	Over Budget <u>Option #1</u>	Over Budget <u>Option #2</u>
Land Acquisition-Cash Corridor Market Value Across the Fence Value	\$105,000.00	\$186,990.00 \$353,960.00	\$81,990.00	
Appraisal	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$248,960.00 \$5,000.00
Administration	<u>\$15,000.00</u>	<u>\$15,000.00</u>	<u>\$15,000.00</u>	<u>\$15,000.00</u>
	\$125,000.00	\$206,990.00	\$101,990.00	\$268,960.00

Mr. Acuff stated once the grant is received and the City spends the grant funds for the purchase of the property, then the City is committed to build the trail regardless of whether the City receives grants for its construction. The estimated cost to build it approaches one million dollars. Mayor Nelson asked could the project be purchased and completed in segments. Mr. Acuff stated he would have to check with ADECA to see if they would allow the grant to be used for smaller segments.

Councilmember Wilson said the bottom line was where the money was going to come from to pay for the construction of the trail. Councilmember Cowart said the dilemma was deciding whether to spend money on a walking trail or spend money on paving streets within the City.

Mr. Luke Porter suggested the City buy the property without using grant funds. This would allow the City to pursue grants for the construction of the trail and construct it in segments.

SUMMER WORK PROGRAM

Councilmember Wilson asked about the summer work program. There is money in the budget for this program. Mayor Nelson said he thought it should be an eight week program and have six students and one supervisor.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Attest:

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 Mayor

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 City Clerk