
**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL WORK SESSION
BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN
FRANKLIN, TENNESSEE
CITY HALL BOARDROOM
MONDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2012 - 3:00 P.M.**

Board Members

Mayor Ken Moore	P		
Alderman Brandy Blanton	A	Alderman Margaret Martin	P
Alderman Clyde Barnhill	P	Alderman Dana McLendon	P
Alderman Pearl Bransford	P	Alderman Ann Petersen	P
Alderman Beverly Burger	P	Alderman Michael Skinner, Vice Mayor	P

Department Directors/Staff

Eric Stuckey, City Administrator	P	Lisa Clayton, Parks Director	
Vernon Gerth, ACA Community & Economic Dev.	P	Shirley Harmon, HR Director	
Russell Truell, ACA Finance & Administration	P	Mark Hilty, Water Management Director	
David Parker, CIP Executive/City Engineer	P	Paul Holzen, Engineering Director	P
Shauna Billingsley, City Attorney	P	Catherine Powers, Planning/Sustainability Director	
Rocky Garzarek, Fire Chief		Joe York, Streets Director	
David Rahinsky, Police Chief		Brad Wilson, Facilities Project Manager	
Fred Banner, MIT Director		Mike Lowe, Comptroller	P
Chris Bridgewater, BNS Director		Lanaii Benne, Assistant City Recorder	P
Becky Caldwell, Solid Waste Director		Linda Fulwider, Board Recording Secretary	P

1. Call to Order

Mayor Ken Moore called the Work Session to order at 3.00 p.m.

✦ **School Safety**

Mayor Moore spoke of the tragedy at the elementary school in Newtown, Connecticut, and concern regarding the safety of school children in Williamson County. County Mayor Rogers Anderson called a meeting of school officials and police chiefs across this area, which Mayor Moore and Eric Stuckey attended. They learned what measures are already in place and what the plans are going forward. A news briefing is scheduled at 7:00 p.m. to provide details to the public.

Eric Stuckey added there is a lot of preparation regarding crisis response. Preventative measures will be examined further and will likely lead to a series of recommendations in the future. Currently, Franklin is using on-duty police officers at drop-off and pick-up times at schools throughout the community and walking patrol at other times as one measure. The news briefing will keep people informed as to what is planned for the community.

✦ **Sewer Charge**

Ted Dreier, 1323 Barkleigh Lane, Franklin, requested waiver of a sewer charge. He related that while they were out-of-town for three months the sprinkler system malfunctioned and the water kept flowing. They came back to a \$325 water/sewer bill, \$170 for water and \$120 for sewer. He also mentioned the high cost for a Franklin irrigation meter as compared to a lower cost in Spring Hill. Mr. Dreier thought it seemed fair to waive the sewer bill. He previously talked with City Administrator Eric

Stuckey. Mr. Stuckey advised the policy does not allow for sprinkler malfunction. It is just for leaks.

SPECIAL WORK SESSION DISCUSSION ITEMS

2. Review and Discussion Regarding Update of Debt Capacity

Eric Stuckey, City Administrator

Russ Truell, ACA Finance & Administration

Lauren Lowe, PFM

Eric Stuckey explained that this work session was a follow up to discussions on what to do about South Carothers, apply South Carothers to a financial model and to update the financial model. All elements come together relative to projects already approved and any decisions on the South Carothers Extension.

Lauren Lowe of PFM presented the Capacity Model via Skype.

Capacity Model Updates

The following updates to the capacity model have been made:

- Actual FY 2012 Revenues and Expenditures
 - Total revenues less than originally forecasted
 - Total expenditures less than originally forecasted
 - Revenues exceed expenditures
 - Debt service savings recognized from refunding of 2008 TMBF loan
 - No new debt issuances
 - General fund higher than originally forecasted
 - Population higher than originally forecasted
- Budgeted FY 2013 Revenues and Expenditures
 - Total revenues less than originally forecasted
 - Total expenditures less than originally forecasted
- Actual construction bids
 - Many bids were lower than initial estimates
- Capital Project Amounts and Timing have been updated
 - Hillsboro Road (Del Rio to Mack Hatcher)
 - Consolidated Public Works Facility
 - Eastern Flank Battlefield Access Road
 - Fire Station 7 and 8 (Design)* (Anticipated Projects but not approved by BOMA)
 - Park at Harlinsdale Farm Improvements
 - McEwen Drive at Wilson Pike to City Limit
 - McEwen Drive at Wilson Pike Intersection
 - McEwen Drive Cool Springs to Wilson Pike – Additional Preliminary Design
 - Carothers Parkway South (multiple scenarios 1 through 3 included on this project)
 - Century Court Beasley Drive Connector
 - McEwen Drive Connector
 - Carlisle Lane Signalization

Carothers Parkway Scenarios

The following scenarios have been included related to the Carothers Parkway Project:

- Scenario 1 – Complete Project - \$13,762,970 – Cumulative new debt service to 2016 -- \$2,262,172
- Scenario 2 – North Portion Only - \$5,808,863 – Cumulative new debt service to 2016 -- \$1,928,114
- Scenario 3 – South Portion Only - \$7,954,186 – Cumulative new debt service to 2016 -- \$2,089,013

Reviewed Scenario Comparisons – Debt Service 2013-2016: Cumulative New Debt Service (\$) and All Debt Service/Budget (%)

Reviewed Affordability Matrix - \$55 Million Budget (FY 2013)

Lengthy discussion ensued with many questions asked and answered.

Discussion on Decision:

- Alderman Martin said with the predicted growth on South Carothers, need to be proactive instead of reactive and if not enough funds – raise taxes. Had taxes been raised a little all along, might not be in this predicament. Don't put it off.
- Alderman Skinner agreed with Alderman Martin. Before, infrastructure lagged behind development. This is an opportunity to get in front of developments. Revenue will help offset many of the things some are worried about.
- Alderman Burger agreed with Alderman Skinner. Previous Boards and the FMPC allowed the lag. It is a smart thing to get out ahead and go hand-in-hand with development. BUT, cannot sacrifice McEwen. People in that area say it is critical to get in tandem with development. McEwen cannot go by the wayside. Get McEwen Phase IV done. She supports Carothers, but the Board must support McEwen IV as well.
- Eric Stuckey related they will always look at the financial capacity and CIP list to see what can be done with large and small projects.
- Alderman Petersen mentioned other large projects coming along.
- Alderman Skinner asked what the next step is for Carothers.
- Eric Stuckey responded a resolution could be on the January 8 meeting agenda to recommend one of the three choices; complete roadway, North roadway, or South roadway.
- Vice Mayor McLendon was undecided, while Aldermen Blanton, Martin, Burger and Skinner were thumbs up for the complete roadway.

Eric Stuckey will have a resolution ready for the January 8, 2013 meeting.

ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned @ 4:18 p.m.

Dr. Ken Moore, Mayor

Minutes prepared by: Linda Fulwider, Board Recording Secretary, City Administrator's Office - 1/9/2013 9:40 AM