

City of Natchez
Minutes
Mayor and Board of Aldermen
Special Call Board Meeting

Monday, April 19, 2021

3:00 PM

NATCHEZ CONVENTION CENTER
& VIA TELECONFERENCE

Board Secretary, Sevetrius Dillon

1. Call to Order
2. Prayer by Mayor Dan M. Gibson
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Roll Call by City Clerk:

Present:

- Mayor Dan Gibson
- Alderwoman Valencia Hall
- Alderman Billie Joe Frazier
- Alderwoman Sarah Carter-Smith -Via Conference Call
- Alderwoman Felicia Bridgewater-Irving
- Alderman Benjamin Davis- Via Conference Call
- Alderman Daniel Dillard

Also Present:

- Attorney, Bryan Callaway
- Servia Fortenberry- City Clerk
- Sevetrius Dillon-Chief Deputy City Clerk

#167:04/21

A motion was made by Alderwoman Hall, seconded by Alderman Frazier to approve Bike Trail renovations by Kiwanis Club. **The vote carried with the Board voting as follows:**

Alderwoman Hall: Aye
Alderman Frazier: Aye
Alderwoman Smith: Aye
Alderwoman Irving: Aye
Alderman Davis: Aye

#168:04/21

A motion was made by Alderman Frazier, seconded by Alderwoman Hall to take under advisement a **new IT contract** to allow time to discuss with the Fire and Police Department.

The vote carried with the Board voting as follows:

Alderwoman Hall: Aye
Alderman Frazier: Aye
Alderwoman Smith: Aye
Alderwoman Irving: Aye
Alderman Davis: Aye
Alderman Dillard: Aye

#169:04/21

A motion was made by Alderman Dillard, seconded by Alderwoman Irving to enter into Closed Determination. **The vote carried with the Board voting as follows:**

Alderwoman Hall: Aye
Alderman Frazier: Aye
Alderwoman Smith: Aye
Alderwoman Irving: Aye
Alderman Davis: Aye
Alderman Dillard: Aye

Executive Session

#170:04/21

A motion was made by Alderwoman Hall, seconded by Alderwoman Irving to enter into Executive Session regarding a perspective business opportunity for the City which involves confidential information at this time especially recognizing that the potential donor has stated that he will not complete the transaction if specific information regarding his potential donation is revealed to the public at this time. **The vote carried with the Board voting as follows:**

Alderwoman Hall: Aye
Alderman Frazier: Aye
Alderwoman Smith: Aye
Alderwoman Irving: Aye
Alderman Davis: Aye
Alderman Dillard: Aye

#171:04/21

A motion was made by Alderwoman Hall, seconded by Alderwoman Irving to end Executive Session and return to Regular Session. **The vote carried with the Board voting as follows:**

Alderwoman Hall: Aye
Alderman Frazier: Aye
Alderwoman Smith: Aye
Alderwoman Irving: Aye
Alderman Davis: Aye
Alderman Dillard: Aye

The Mayor reported that no actions were taken.

#172:04/21

City Attorney Callaway stated that the **executive session** was warranted because the City is negotiating the donation and the potential Donor has demanded that the circumstances regarding the potential donation remain confidential or the donor would not complete the transaction.

A motion was made by Alderwoman Hall, seconded by Alderman Dillard to approve **Project Phoenix**, Potential donation of property to City of Natchez, and authorize an appraisal and a Phase I inspection if warranted. The vote carried with the Board voting as follows:

Alderwoman Hall: Aye
Alderman Frazier: Aye
Alderwoman Smith: Aye
Alderwoman Irving: Aye
Alderman Davis: Aye


Alderman Dillard: Aye

A motion was made by Alderman Davis, seconded by Alderwoman Irving to adjourn the Special Call Board Meeting. **The vote carried unanimously.**



DAN M. GIBSON, MAYOR

ATTEST:


SERVIA FORTENBERRY, CITY CLERK