

**HAMILTON COUNTY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 4, 2019**

STATE OF TENNESSEE)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)

Regular Meeting
September 4, 2019

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this 4th day of September, 2019, a Regular Meeting of the Hamilton County Board of Commissioners was begun and held at the Courthouse, in the City of Chattanooga, in the County Commission Room, when the following proceedings were held, to wit:--

0:15 Present and presiding was the Honorable Sabrena Smedley, Chairman. County Clerk Bill Knowles called the roll of the County Commission and the following, constituting a quorum, answered to their names: Commissioner Baker, Commissioner Bankston, Commissioner Boyd, Commissioner Fairbanks, Commissioner Geter, Commissioner Mackey, Commissioner Martin, Commissioner Sharpe, and Chairman Smedley. Total present – 9. Total absent –0.

Also in attendance were County Mayor Jim Coppinger, members of the Mayor's administrative staff, County Attorney Rheubin Taylor, and County Auditor Jenneth Randall.

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Attached hereto is a copy of the Public Notice of this meeting, which was published in a local newspaper and made a matter of record of this meeting.

0:47

Commissioner Bankston introduced Pastor James P. Rushing, Temple Baptist Church, who gave the invocation. Commissioner Bankston led in the pledge to the flag.

**ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN AND CHAIRMAN PRO TEMPORE OF THE HAMILTON
COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

2:31

Chairman Smedley stated the floor was open for nominations to elect a Chairman for the ensuing year.

Commissioner Baker nominated Commissioner Randy Fairbanks.

Commissioner Boyd nominated Commissioner Greg Martin.

Chairman Smedley asked if there were any other nominations. There were none.

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County Clerk Bill Knowles called the roll on the nomination of Randy Fairbanks and Greg Martin to serve as Commission Chairman. Commissioners voted as follows: Commissioner Baker, "Randy Fairbanks", Commissioner Bankston, "Randy Fairbanks", Commissioner Boyd, "Greg Martin", Commissioner Fairbanks, "Randy Fairbanks", Commissioner Geter, "Randy Fairbanks", Commissioner Martin, "Greg Martin", Commissioner Sharpe, "Randy Fairbanks", and Chairman Smedley, "Randy Fairbanks". Commissioner Mackey was not present for the roll call. Total present – 8. Total absent – 1. Total votes for Randy Fairbanks – 6. Total votes for Greg Martin – 2.

At this time, Chairman Smedley opened the floor for nominations for Chairman Pro Tempore.

Commissioner Sharpe nominated Commissioner Chip Baker.

Commissioner Boyd nominated Commissioner Greg Martin.

Chairman Smedley asked if there were any other nominations. There were none.

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County Clerk Bill Knowles called the roll on the nomination of Chip Baker and Greg Martin to serve as Commission Chairman Pro Tempore. Commissioners voted as follows: Commissioner Baker, "Chip Baker", Commissioner Bankston, "Chip Baker", Commissioner Boyd, "Greg Martin", Commissioner Fairbanks, "Chip Baker", Commissioner Geter, "Chip Baker", Commissioner Martin, "Greg Martin", Commissioner Sharpe, "Chip Baker", and Chairman Smedley, "Chip Baker". Commissioner Mackey was not present for the roll call. Total present – 8. Total absent – 1. Total votes for Chip Baker – 6. Total votes for Greg Martin – 2.

**OATH OF OFFICE FOR CHAIRMAN AND CHAIRMAN PRO TEMPORE OF THE
HAMILTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

Clerk Knowles administered the Oath of Office to Commissioner Randy Fairbanks who was elected Chairman for the ensuing year.

Clerk Knowles administered the Oath of Office to Commissioner Chip Baker who was elected Chairman Pro Tempore for the ensuing year.

Commissioner Fairbanks took the seat as Chairman at this time.

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8:50

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ON MOTION of Commissioner Smedley, seconded by Commissioner Martin, that the minutes of the Recessed Meeting of August 14, 2019, the Agenda Preparation Session of August 14, 2019, the Regular Meeting of August 21, 2019, be approved, treat same as read, made a matter of record and filed. The foregoing Motion was adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Baker, "Aye", Commissioner Bankston, "Aye", Commissioner Boyd, "Aye", Commissioner Geter, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Martin, "Aye", Commissioner Sharpe, "Aye", Commissioner Smedley, "Aye", and Chairman Fairbanks, "Aye". Total present – 9. Total absent – 0. Total "Aye" votes – 9. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

ORDER OF DESIGNATION

An Order was recorded designating Todd Leamon to sit as the County Mayor's representative on the Planning Commission for the meeting of September 9, 2019.

REVISED TRUSTEE REPORTS

The Revised Trustee's Monthly and Excess Fee Reports for June 2019 were submitted and made a matter of record.

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TRUSTEE’S UNAUDITED FINANCIAL REPORT

The Trustee’s Unaudited Financial Report ending June 2019 was submitted and made a matter of record.

9:27

RESOLUTION NO. 919-1 A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AND ACCEPT APPLICATIONS FOR NOTARY PUBLIC POSITIONS AND THE BONDS AND OATHS OF NOTARIES PREVIOUSLY ELECTED.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Smedley, seconded by Commissioner Martin, to adopt Resolution No. 919-1. The foregoing Motion was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Baker, “Aye”, Commissioner Bankston, “Aye”, Commissioner Boyd, “Aye”, Commissioner Geter, “Aye”, Commissioner Mackey, “Aye”, Commissioner Martin, “Aye”, Commissioner Sharpe, “Aye”, Commissioner Smedley, “Aye”, and Chairman Fairbanks, “Aye”. Total present – 9. Total absent – 0. Total “Aye” votes – 9. Total “Nay” votes – 0.

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RESOLUTION NO. 919-2 A RESOLUTION RELATIVE TO THE CONSOLIDATION OF HAMILTON COUNTY AND CITY OF CHATTANOOGA DELINQUENT TAX LITIGATION AND COLLECTION.

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ON MOTION of Commissioner Martin, seconded by Commissioner Baker, to adopt Resolution No. 919-2.

10:28

Hamilton County Trustee Bill Hullander requested this Resolution be pulled. He explained delinquent property tax collection was part two of a package deal with the City of Chattanooga that would allow his office to collect and administer litigation for city delinquent property taxes. He stated City of Chattanooga officials told him the deal was off after part one, which authorized collection of the Business Improvement District (BID) fees by the Trustee's Office, was initially approved but later reconsidered and rejected by the county commission on August 21, 2019 (*Resolution No. 819-15A*).

16:35

Commissioner Boyd spoke strongly against Chattanooga Mayor Andy Berke and the City of Chattanooga's decision to reject the plan to allow Trustee Hullander's Office to collect city delinquent property taxes, which would cut costs for city residents who fall behind on their property taxes.

After some discussion, Commissioner Martin, who made the Motion to adopt Resolution No. 919-2, rescinded his Motion. Commissioner Baker rescinded his second. Chairman Fairbanks asked if there was any objection to Trustee Hullander's request to pull Resolution No. 919-2. There was none.

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In response to Commissioner Smedley's question, Attorney Taylor stated the county has no liability in how municipalities choose to collect taxes.

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Commissioner Sharpe expressed his disappointment in the decision to pull Resolution No. 919-2. He questioned if the county could act on their part and then negotiate the agreement with the city. Trustee Hullander stated the city must approve the agreement allowing his office to collect their delinquent property taxes.

Chairman Fairbanks asked that Attorney Taylor contact City of Chattanooga Attorney Phil Noblett to set up a joint meeting to discuss the deal further.

**RESOLUTION NO. 919-3 A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENTS
OF JAMES WALKER AND C. ALAN RODERICK AND THE APPOINTMENT OF
MARK MATTHEWS TO THE HAMILTON COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTRICAL
EXAMINERS FOR A TERM ENDING SEPTEMBER 7, 2023.**

ON MOTION of Commissioner Mackey, seconded by Commissioner Smedley, to adopt Resolution No. 919-3. The foregoing Motion was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Baker, "Aye", Commissioner Bankston, "Aye", Commissioner Boyd, "Aye", Commissioner Geter, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Martin, "Aye", Commissioner Sharpe, "Aye", Commissioner Smedley,

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“Aye”, and Chairman Fairbanks, “Aye”. Total present – 9. Total absent – 0. Total “Aye” votes – 9. Total “Nay” votes – 0.

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RESOLUTION NO. 919-4 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE PROPOSAL OF SYMETRA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY TO PROVIDE BASIC LIFE / AD&D, SUPPLEMENTAL LIFE, AND VOLUNTARY LONG TERM DISABILITY INSURANCE FOR HAMILTON COUNTY EMPLOYEES AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO SIGN ANY CONTRACTS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS RESOLUTION.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Baker, seconded by Commissioner Martin, to adopt Resolution No. 919-4. The foregoing Motion was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Baker, “Aye”, Commissioner Bankston, “Aye”, Commissioner Boyd, “Aye”, Commissioner Geter, “Aye”, Commissioner Mackey, “Aye”, Commissioner Martin, “Aye”, Commissioner Sharpe, “Aye”, Commissioner Smedley, “Aye”, and Chairman Fairbanks, “Aye”. Total present – 9. Total absent – 0. Total “Aye” votes – 9. Total “Nay” votes – 0.

RESOLUTION NO. 919-5 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO CONTINUE GRANT CONTRACTS BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2019 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2020, BETWEEN HAMILTON COUNTY AND THE TENNESSEE

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DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, AND TO SIGN ANY AND ALL RELATED DOCUMENTS, FOR \$299,094 IN TITLE XX SOCIAL SERVICES BLOCK GRANTS (SSBG) TO PROVIDE ADULT DAY CARE AND ADULT HOMEMAKER SERVICES TO ELIGIBLE INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES, AND TO AMEND THE REVENUE AND EXPENSE BUDGETS BY \$16,994.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Smedley, seconded by Commissioner Baker, to adopt Resolution No. 919-5. The foregoing Motion was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Baker, "Aye", Commissioner Bankston, "Aye", Commissioner Boyd, "Aye", Commissioner Geter, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Martin, "Aye", Commissioner Sharpe, "Aye", Commissioner Smedley, "Aye", and Chairman Fairbanks, "Aye". Total present – 9. Total absent – 0. Total "Aye" votes – 9. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

RESOLUTION NO. 919-6 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY TO CONTINUE TO LEASE VEHICLES UNDER THE CONTRACT WITH ENTERPRISE FLEET MANAGEMENT, INC. FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020 IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$291,000 FOR SAID NEWLY LEASED VEHICLES AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO SIGN ANY CONTRACT NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS RESOLUTION.

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ON MOTION of Commissioner Mackey, seconded by Commissioner Sharpe, to adopt Resolution No. 919-6. The foregoing Motion was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Baker, “Aye”, Commissioner Bankston, “Aye”, Commissioner Boyd, “Aye”, Commissioner Geter, “Aye”, Commissioner Mackey, “Aye”, Commissioner Martin, “Aye”, Commissioner Sharpe, “Aye”, Commissioner Smedley, “Aye”, and Chairman Fairbanks, “Aye”. Total present – 9. Total absent – 0. Total “Aye” votes – 9. Total “Nay” votes – 0.

**RESOLUTION NO. 919-16 A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN UPDATE TO THE
INVESTMENT POLICY OF HAMILTON COUNTY, TENNESSEE.**

ON MOTION of Commissioner Smedley, seconded by Commissioner Baker, to adopt Resolution No. 919-16. The foregoing Motion was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Baker, “Aye”, Commissioner Bankston, “Aye”, Commissioner Boyd, “Aye”, Commissioner Geter, “Aye”, Commissioner Mackey, “Aye”, Commissioner Martin, “Aye”, Commissioner Sharpe, “Aye”, Commissioner Smedley, “Aye”, and Chairman Fairbanks, “Aye”. Total present – 9. Total absent – 0. Total “Aye” votes – 9. Total “Nay” votes – 0.

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Chairman Fairbanks asked that Resolution Nos. 919-7 through 919-15 be heard at this time.

RESOLUTION NO. 919-7 A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PURCHASE OF FOOD PRODUCTS AND RELATED SUPPLIES, FROM OMNIA PARTNERS PUBLIC SECTOR FOR THE HAMILTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE AND HAMILTON COUNTY JUVENILE COURT DETENTION CENTER, AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO SIGN ANY CONTRACTS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS RESOLUTION.

RESOLUTION NO. 919-8 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ELECTRONIC MONITORING INDIGENCY FUND ("EMIF") RELATIVE TO THE PAYMENT OF COSTS FOR ELIGIBLE TRANSDERMAL MONITORING DEVICES, OTHER ALTERNATIVE DRUG AND ALCOHOL MONITORING DEVICES, AND GLOBAL POSITIONING MONITORING DEVICES FOR ITS INDIGENT DEFENDANTS AND TO SIGN A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE STATE OF TENNESSEE ("STATE") ABOUT THE PAYMENT COSTS AND COMMIT A BUDGETED AMOUNT OF \$80,000 THAT WILL BE MATCHED BY THE STATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2019.

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RESOLUTION NO. 919-9 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE BID OF CARGILL, INC. FOR ONE (1) YEAR CONTRACT UNIT PRICING, BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 15, 2019, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 14, 2020, FOR BULK DE-ICING SALT FOR THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO SIGN ANY CONTRACTS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS RESOLUTION.

RESOLUTION NO. 919-10 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE BID OF EVANS-AILEY CONSTRUCTION FOR THE MOWBRAY VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT AMOUNTING TO \$5,995,000.00, FOR THE HAMILTON COUNTY ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO SIGN ANY CONTRACTS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS RESOLUTION.

RESOLUTION NO. 919-11 A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY MAYOR ON BEHALF OF HAMILTON COUNTY TENNESSEE, THE HEALTH SERVICES DIVISION, OPERATING AS THE CHATTANOOGA-HAMILTON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO ACCEPT AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN HAMILTON COUNTY AND THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA TO AMEND BOTH THE EXPENSE, AND REVENUE BUDGETS OF EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS WITH AN INCREASE OF \$92,728.00 NOT TO EXCEED \$132, 728.00 FOR THE BUDGET PERIOD BEGINNING JULY 1, 2019 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2020 TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO FAMILIES AND INDIVIDUALS TO PREVENT THOSE FAMILIES AND INDIVIDUALS FROM BECOMING HOMELESS.

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RESOLUTION NO. 919-12 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR ON BEHALF OF HAMILTON COUNTY, TENNESSEE, THE HEALTH SERVICES DIVISION, OPERATING AS THE CHATTANOOGA-HAMILTON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO ACCEPT A GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$144,367.00 FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES FOR THE PURPOSE OF EXPANDING MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES AT THE HOMELESS HEALTH CARE CENTER AND TO AMEND THE REVENUE AND EXPENSE BUDGET BY \$144,367.00.

RESOLUTION NO. 919-13 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR ON BEHALF OF HAMILTON COUNTY, TENNESSEE, THE HEALTH SERVICES DIVISION, OPERATING AS THE CHATTANOOGA-HAMILTON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO SIGN A CONTRACT AGREEMENT WITH THE TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO PROVIDE A CONTINUATION OF FUNDING FOR EMERGENCY DENTAL CARE FOR UNINSURED ADULTS AGES 19-64 YEARS FOR THE TIME PERIOD JULY 1, 2019 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2020.

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RESOLUTION NO. 919-14 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR ON BEHALF OF HAMILTON COUNTY, TENNESSEE, THE HEALTH SERVICES DIVISION, OPERATING AS THE CHATTANOOGA-HAMILTON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO SIGN A CONTRACT AGREEMENT WITH THE TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO PROVIDE A CONTINUATION OF FUNDS FOR HEALTH CARE SAFETY NET PRIMARY CARE SERVICES TO UNINSURED ADULTS IN HAMILTON COUNTY AT THE HOMELESS HEALTH CARE CENTER FOR THE TIME PERIOD JULY 1, 2019 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2020.

RESOLUTION NO. 919-15 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR ON BEHALF OF HAMILTON COUNTY, TENNESSEE, THE HEALTH SERVICES DIVISION, OPERATING AS THE CHATTANOOGA-HAMILTON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO SIGN A CONTRACT AGREEMENT WITH THE TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO PROVIDE A CONTINUATION OF FUNDS FOR PRIMARY CARE SERVICES TO UNINSURED ADULTS AGES 19 - 64 YEARS AT THE BIRCHWOOD HEALTH CENTER FOR THE TIME PERIOD JULY 1, 2019 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2020.

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Chairman Fairbanks, Chairman of the Finance Committee, provided details regarding Resolution Nos. 919-7 through 919-15 and stated the Finance Committee reviewed and recommended approval.

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ON MOTION of Commissioner Baker, seconded by Commissioner Sharpe, to adopt Resolution No. 919-7. The foregoing Motion was adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Baker, "Aye", Commissioner Boyd, "Aye", Commissioner Geter, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Martin, "Aye", Commissioner Sharpe, "Aye", Commissioner Smedley, "Aye", and Chairman Fairbanks, "Aye". Commissioner Bankston was absent. Total present – 8. Total absent – 1. Total "Aye" votes – 8. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

It was noted Commissioner Bankston had left and would not be returning to today's meeting.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Baker, seconded by Commissioner Smedley, to adopt Resolution No. 919-8. The foregoing Motion was adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Baker, "Aye", Commissioner Boyd, "Aye", Commissioner Geter, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Martin, "Aye", Commissioner Sharpe, "Aye", Commissioner Smedley, "Aye", and Chairman Fairbanks, "Aye". Commissioner Bankston was absent. Total present – 8. Total absent – 1. Total "Aye" votes – 8. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

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ON MOTION of Commissioner Baker, seconded by Commissioner Smedley, to adopt Resolution No. 919-9. The foregoing Motion was adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Baker, "Aye", Commissioner Boyd, "Aye", Commissioner Geter, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Martin, "Aye", Commissioner Sharpe, "Aye", Commissioner Smedley, "Aye", and Chairman Fairbanks, "Aye". Commissioner Bankston was absent. Total present – 8. Total absent – 1. Total "Aye" votes – 8. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Baker, seconded by Commissioner Smedley, to adopt Resolution No. 919-10.

40:00

In response to Commissioner Boyd's question, Administrator of Public Works and County Engineer reported the bid for the new Mowbray Volunteer Fire Department came in above the initial budget amount by approximately \$1 million, with a \$400,000 contingency. He stated factors including the facility being larger and including a training structure, remoteness of the site, and a busy job market contributed to the cost. He expressed his disappointment in the bid coming in above budget.

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Mayor Coppinger stated his staff would continue to monitor to keep project costs down when possible. He emphasized that higher costs are driven by the busy market.

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In response to Commissioner Sharpe's question, Mayor Coppinger stated fire halls are standardized, but must be constructed to meet the specific needs of the community. He noted Mowbray is an isolated area and the fire hall has to be large enough to store equipment and have space for first responders to sleep, which improves response times.

In response to Commissioner Mackey's question, Mayor Coppinger stated the current Mowbray fire hall has outlived its usefulness.

In response to Commissioner Martin's question, Mayor Coppinger confirmed the larger facility could improve the Insurance Services Office (ISO) rating for the fire department.

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The foregoing Motion to adopt Resolution No. 919-10 was adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Baker, "Aye", Commissioner Boyd, "Aye", Commissioner Geter, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Martin, "Aye", Commissioner Sharpe, "Aye", Commissioner Smedley, "Aye", and Chairman Fairbanks, "Aye". Commissioner Bankston was absent. Total present – 8. Total absent – 1. Total "Aye" votes – 8. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Baker, seconded by Commissioner Smedley, to adopt Resolution No. 919-11.

55:05 In response to Commissioner Boyd's question, Assistant Administrator of Finance Lee Brouner confirmed the matching funds for the grant come from pass through funds from the City of Chattanooga.

The foregoing Motion to adopt Resolution No. 919-11 was adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Baker, "Aye", Commissioner Boyd, "Aye", Commissioner Geter, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Martin, "Aye", Commissioner Sharpe, "Aye", Commissioner Smedley, "Aye", and Chairman Fairbanks, "Aye". Commissioner Bankston was absent. Total present – 8. Total absent – 1. Total "Aye" votes – 8. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

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ON MOTION of Commissioner Baker, seconded by Commissioner Geter, to adopt Resolution No. 919-12. The foregoing Motion was adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Baker, "Aye", Commissioner Boyd, "Aye", Commissioner Geter, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Martin, "Aye", Commissioner Sharpe, "Aye", Commissioner Smedley, "Aye", and Chairman Fairbanks, "Aye". Commissioner Bankston was absent. Total present – 8. Total absent – 1. Total "Aye" votes – 8. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Baker, seconded by Commissioner Smedley, to adopt Resolution No. 919-13. The foregoing Motion was adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Baker, "Aye", Commissioner Boyd, "Aye", Commissioner Geter, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Martin, "Aye", Commissioner Sharpe, "Aye", Commissioner Smedley, "Aye", and Chairman Fairbanks, "Aye". Commissioner Bankston was absent. Total present – 8. Total absent – 1. Total "Aye" votes – 8. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

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ON MOTION of Commissioner Baker, seconded by Commissioner Sharpe, to adopt Resolution No. 919-14. The foregoing Motion was adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Baker, "Aye", Commissioner Boyd, "Aye", Commissioner Geter, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Martin, "Aye", Commissioner Sharpe, "Aye", Commissioner Smedley, "Aye", and Chairman Fairbanks, "Aye". Commissioner Bankston was absent. Total present – 8. Total absent – 1. Total "Aye" votes – 8. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Baker, seconded by Commissioner Smedley, to adopt Resolution No. 919-15. The foregoing Motion was adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Baker, "Aye", Commissioner Boyd, "Aye", Commissioner Geter, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Martin, "Aye", Commissioner Sharpe, "Aye", Commissioner Smedley, "Aye", and Chairman Fairbanks, "Aye". Commissioner Bankston was absent. Total present – 8. Total absent – 1. Total "Aye" votes – 8. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairman Fairbanks asked for announcements from members of the Commission.

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Several Commissioners, Attorney Taylor, and Mayor Coppinger congratulated Chairman Fairbanks and Chairman Pro Tempore Baker on their election.

58:23 Commissioner Mackey asked that Chairman Fairbanks consider referring more items to committees to be thoroughly vetted rather than being heard as a Committee of the Whole.

59:15 Commissioner Boyd agreed with Commissioner Mackey's comments. He questioned if proper procedure was followed in pulling Resolution No. 919-2 earlier in today's meeting.

1:00:42 In response to Commissioner Baker's question, Mayor Coppinger stated Hamilton County EMS has sent an ambulance to assist with Hurricane Dorian relief efforts in Florida. He commended emergency responders for always stepping up to assist where they are needed. Mayor Coppinger added Erlanger Hospital sent the helicopter Life Force 1 to assist.

1:03:27 Chairman Fairbanks thanked Commissioner Smedley for her service as Chairman over the last year.

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DELEGATIONS

Chairman Fairbanks asked for delegations on matters other than zoning. There were none.

There being no further business, Chairman Fairbanks declared the meeting in recess until Wednesday, September 11th, 2019 at 9:30 AM.

Respectfully submitted:



William F. (Bill) Knowles, County Clerk

Approved:

09-18-19
Date

WJK
Clerk's Initials