

BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN

August 9, 2021

The regular meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen was held on Monday, August 9, 2021, at 6 pm in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

Mayor Mike Palazzolo was present and presiding.

The following aldermen were present: Scott Sanders, Sherrie Hicks, Brian Ueleke and Jon McCreery. Staff present: Pam Beasley, Michele Betty, Paul Chandler, Reynold Douglas, Tony Fischer, Richard Hall, Jason Huisman, Patrick Lawton, Mac McCarroll, Bo Mills, Cameron Ross, Adrienne Royals, Andy Sanders and John Selberg.

Call to Order

The Mayor called the meeting to order.

Invocation

The invocation was led by Pam Beasley.

Pledge of Allegiance

Alderman Sanders led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Set Agenda

The Board is asked to set the agenda for the meeting. Any changes are to be made at this time. Mayor Palazzolo requested that Item #6 Citizens to be Heard become item #8 and Item #8 Beer Board become item #6. There was no objection from the Board.

Motion by Mr. Sanders, seconded by Mr. McCreery, to approve the August 9, 2021 agenda as amended.

ROLL CALL: Sanders-yes, Gibson-absent, Hicks-yes, Ueleke-yes, McCreery-yes. Motion approved.

Approval of Minutes

Approval is requested of the minutes of the regular meeting July 26, 2021.

Motion by Mr. Sanders, seconded by Mr. Ueleke, to approve the minutes of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen Regular Meeting held July 26, 2021.

ROLL CALL: Sanders-yes, Gibson- absent, Hicks-yes, Ueleke-yes, McCreery-yes. Motion approved.

Mayor Palazzolo recessed the Board of Mayor and Aldermen and reconvened as the Beer Board.

BEER BOARD – Public Hearing – Beer Permit – On-Premise Application – MHI Germantown HI OpCo, LLC

The City has received a request from MHI Germantown HI OpCo, LLC for a permit to sell beer for on-premise consumption at Hampton Inn & Suites, located at 1680 S. Germantown Road.

Mayor Palazzolo opened the floor for the public hearing. Having no one come forward, Mayor Palazzolo closed the public hearing

Motion by Mr. McCreery, seconded by Ms. Hicks, to approve the request of MHI Germantown HI OpCo, LLC for a permit to sell beer for on-premise consumption at Hampton Inn & Suites, located at 1680 S. Germantown Road.

ROLL CALL: Sanders-yes, Gibson- absent, Hicks-yes, Ueleke-yes, McCreery-yes. Motion approved.

Mayor Palazzolo recessed the Beer Board and reconvened as the Board of Mayor and Aldermen.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION – Resolution 21R15 – Germantown Baptist Church

Resolution 21R15 is to recognize the cooperative efforts of Germantown Baptist Church in combating the novel coronavirus outbreak that began in late 2019. Dr. Matt Brown, Senior Pastor and John Longworth, Recreation & Senior Adults Pastor were in attendance to receive the resolution.

Motion by Mr. Ueleke, seconded by Mr. McCreery, to approve Resolution 21R15.

ROLL CALL: Sanders-yes, Gibson- absent, Hicks-yes, Ueleke-yes, McCreery-yes. Motion approved.

Citizens to be Heard

The following citizens came forward regarding one or more of these topics: medical freedom, mask mandates, vaccines and first responders:

Amy Lipscomb, 1570 Blue Grass Cv.	Joanna Young, 7126 Paddock Cv.
Stephanie Shearin, 2803 Honey Tree Dr.	Billie Coppedge, 1403 Ashstone St.
Mark Sharp, 8373 Meadow Run Cv.	Kim Brown, 9481 Poplar Pike
Kristin New, 1859 Glenbuck Cv. N.	Laura Polley, 2142 Cornwall St.
Kristin Hicks, 9626 Mourning Dove Cv.	Jina Sanders, 7140 Manor Woods Ct.
Thomas Holcomb, 2164 Idlewood Cv.	Marlene Strube, 7642 Foster Ridge

Noah Wolfe, 1687 Brookside, came forward regarding hotels.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Alderman McCreery, without objection, to move to the consent agenda Item # 10 - Approval of Project Development Contract No.1237 – Madonna Learning Center – Exercise Room Addition and Item #12 Contract – Lobbying Services.

Professional Services Agreement – On-Call Stormwater Engineering

The City has some stormwater infrastructure that is approaching the end of its useful life. This coupled with the very intense, short-duration rainfall events over the past decade have led to the degradation of the stormwater infrastructure. In order to apply a lasting repair to the damaged infrastructure, the City has procured emergency design services for each repair, as needed.

MOTION: To approve a Professional Services Agreement with A2H Inc. to provide on-call stormwater engineering design and construction administration and inspection services in an amount not-to-exceed \$75,000.00.

Purchase – Annual Cloud Storage

Information Technology Department constantly monitors technology trends, market offerings and security as part of the City’s ongoing review process. In September 2018, the City began using Amazon Web Services, Inc. for cloud storage services for the City’s data backup and disaster recovery processes. Staff analysis included data backup procedures, off-site storage contract fees, disaster recovery services, and the replacement/maintenance fees for the two main data servers in use. Also considered were staff time and efforts that are not as easily quantified.

MOTION: To authorize annual cloud storage services in an amount not to exceed \$45,000.00 from CDW Government.

Purchase – GETEC In-Car Video System

In-car video systems allow the Police Department to use video technology in daily field operations. The use of this equipment would enhance the ability of the department to review probable cause for arrest, arrest procedures, evaluate Officer performance, identify training needs, and either substantiate or exonerate officers accused of inappropriate conduct or behavior. These five in-car video units are additional units to be

installed into five (5) new replacement vehicles. The current in-car camera systems are over five years old and will be used as spares.

MOTION: To approve the purchase of five (5) GETEC in-car camera systems, accessories and services from Brite Computers in the amount of \$33,595.00.

Purchase – Horse Show East Arena Lighting

Multiple wooden poles have severely deteriorated and are too hazardous to remain in use. As part of the FY22 capital improvement program, installation of the MUSCO LED sports lighting and controls will be scheduled during the fall months of this calendar year with minimal disruption to scheduled events.

MOTION: To approve the purchase and the installation of Musco LED sports lighting and controls at The Germantown Charity Horse East Arena Musco Sports Lighting, LLC in the amount of \$219,800.00.

Purchase – Main Stage Theater Curtains

As part of the 2022 IRP Budget Process, staff has developed a three-year plan to replace all outdated curtains in the Duncan-Williams Performance Hall. Prioritization was given first to the curtains that needed replacement or treatment for fire retardancy.

MOTION: To approve the purchase of theater curtains for GPAC from Rose Brand Inc. in the amount of \$99,689.00.

Purchase – Sports Lighting & Controls

Numerous fiberglass poles have severely deteriorated and are hazardous to remain in use. As part of the project, the electrical distribution center and circuitry will be replaced to eliminate direct-bury wiring, along with meeting electrical code requirements. Installation of the LED sports lighting and controls will be scheduled during the fall months of this calendar year with minimal disruption to users of this facility.

MOTION: To approve the purchase and installation of Musco LED sports lighting and controls at Dogwood Tennis Courts with Musco Sports Lighting, LLC in the amount of \$101,990.00.

Shelby County Property Reappraisal Payment

On June 28, 2021, the Board of Mayor and Aldermen approved the certified tax rate of \$1.678. As part of the process to establish the certified tax rate, the Shelby County Assessor of Property completed the 2021 countywide reappraisal of property. As a result, municipalities are required to calculate a state certified tax rate or “roll back rate” that produces a “tax neutral” effect for the current taxpayers. Per TCA 67-5-1601, the Shelby County Assessor performs a reappraisal of property within Shelby County every four years. Local cost of the reappraisal within a city is to be paid one-half (1/2) by the county and one-half (1/2) by the city. The City’s one-half (1/2) payment must be paid directly to the county government within jurisdiction over the property being reappraised and shall pay those cost during the fiscal year in which the reappraisal is finalized.

MOTION: To authorize the payment to Shelby County in the amount of \$168,535.00 for Germantown’s share of the 2018-2021 continuous cycle reappraisal program.

Approval of Project Development Contract No.1237 – Madonna Learning Center – Exercise Room Addition

The addition to the existing school would increase the total building square footage by 3,825 sq. ft. and will be single story with several exercise rooms. The design and placement of the building addition is compatible with and will complement the existing school campus.

MOTION: To approve Project Development Contract No. 1237 for the Madonna Learning Center – Exercise Room Addition.

Contract – Lobbying Services

The City has engaged the services of Farris Bobango Branan, PLC Attorneys at Law for the past eleven years. Administration has worked closely with senior partner in the firm, John Farris, and his staff in advancing the City’s legislative agenda as well as monitoring legislation that could impact the City of Germantown.

MOTION: To authorize the mayor to execute a twenty-four (24) month lobbying services contract with Farris Bobango Branan, PLC Attorneys at Law, for lobbying services on behalf of the City of Germantown beginning August 1, 2021, and ending on July 31, 2023, in the total amount of \$116,000.00.

Motion by Mr. McCreery, seconded by Ms. Hicks, to approve the consent agenda as amended.

ROLL CALL: Sanders-yes, Gibson- absent, Hicks-yes, Ueleke-yes, McCreery-yes. Motion approved.

REGULAR

Approval of the Final Plan for Thornwood Planned Development, Phase 6 and Project Development Contract No. 1236

There is only one undeveloped parcel (2.98 ac) remaining within this Planned Development (Lot 5). The current request is to approve the development contract and final plan for Phase 6 to allow a hotel and additional retail uses to be constructed on a 1.22-ac. lot (portion of Lot 5) within the Outline Plan boundaries of the Thornwood PD.

Motion by Mr. McCreery, seconded by Ms. Hicks, to approve the final plan (hotel/retail uses) for Thornwood Planned Development, Phase 6 and Project Development Contract No. 1236.

ROLL CALL: Sanders-yes, Gibson- absent, Hicks-yes, Ueleke-yes, McCreery-yes. Motion approved.

Resolution 21R13 – Authorizing Resolution for General Obligation Bonds

Included in the City’s Capital Improvements Program are anticipated bond issues to support financing of the more significant capital improvements that are expected to have a long useful service life. Bond financing for school facilities, drainage improvements and public works utility projects is included in the recently adopted FY22 Budget. The City proposes to issue up to \$14,500,000.00 of General Obligation and refunding bonds, Series 2021. This amount is inclusive of a not to exceed \$9,000,000.00 which will be used for current capital projects identified in FY22 budget (expansion of Houston Middle School, drainage improvement and the construction of a water tower), with the balance the subject of refunding.

Motion by Mr. Ueleke, seconded by Ms. Hicks, to approve Resolution 21R13, authorizing the execution, terms, issuance, sale, and payment of not to exceed \$14,500,000.00 General Obligation and Refunding Bonds, Series 2021 of the City of Germantown, Tennessee, and providing the details thereof, pursuant to state law under Title 9, Chapter 21, Tennessee Code Annotated.

ROLL CALL: Sanders-yes, Gibson- absent, Hicks-yes, Ueleke-yes, McCreery-yes. Motion approved.

Meeting adjourned.