

**REGULAR MEETING  
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NASHVILLE  
COUNTY OF BERRIEN  
JANUARY 23, 2012**

**INVOCATION:** Mayor Travis Harper

**PLEDGE:** Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Travis Harper

**WELCOME:** Mayor Travis Harper

**ROLL CALL:** Members of the City Council present included Mayor Travis Harper, Aldermen Eric Gaither, Antonio Carter, Michael Richbourg, and Scott Stalnaker.

**STAFF PRESENT:** Tina Ward, Randy Lane, Mandy Luke, Henry Yawn, Tommy Davis, Dawn Morrison, and City Attorney, Mitchell Moore.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Randall Milton, Frank Watts, John Black, Allen Davis, John Hunkele, Cheryl Bonham, Margie Tygart, Luanne Walker, Donald Harris, and Pearlene Daniels.

**ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING:** Alderman Richbourg made the motion to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. Alderman Stalnaker seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

**ADOPTIONS OF FORMAL AGENDA-** Alderman Richbourg asked the Council to move item number three, Coastal Engineering update, to item number one on the formal agenda. Also, add an Executive Session to the formal agenda. Alderman Richbourg made the motion to adopt the formal agenda with the changes. The motion was seconded by Alderman Gaither and the motion carried unanimously.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**1. Update on the Waste Water Treatment Plant-** John Hunkele from Coastal Engineering made the follow-up report to Council.

**WWTP Improvements – Contract A, Main Lift Station (Southern Champion)**  
The General Contractor (Southern Champion Construction Company, Inc.) has not started. Contractor is getting all submittals approved and ordering materials. Currently plans to be on site by the end of February or the first of March.

**WWTP Improvements – Contract B, Treat Plant (BRW Construction Group LLC)**  
The project is on schedule and Contractor has submitted three Payment Requests to date totaling \$992,439.45. The City is withholding retainage in the amount of \$99,243.94 and has or will make payments to the contractor totaling \$893,195.51. A summary of the project status is as follows:

1. Old headwork's has been demolished, influent force main has been re-routed and tested and a temporary bar screen structure is in place and being operated by the Contractor.
2. All existing site piping in conflict with new construction has been demolished or relocated.

3. Concrete work for new headworks is approximately 95% complete and new screen equipment has been delivered and is being stored by the City until it is ready to be installed.
4. Flow Control Structure (FCS-1) is approximately 50% complete
5. The foundation slab for the new operations building has been poured and interior and exterior walls are being framed.
6. A portion of the site fill has been placed.
7. All sheet piling has been installed around the site of the new SBR structure and excavation has begun. Precast panels have been manufactured and are being stored at the fabrication plant. They will be shipped as soon as the excavation is completed.
8. Off-site sanitary sewer has been installed and connected to the existing sewage collection system at Middle School Circle – pavement has been replaced but curb and gutter and sidewalk needs to be replaced.
9. New water line has been installed and tested from Middle School Circle to the treatment plant site
10. Chemical containment structure has been started and the first concrete pour is scheduled for later this week.

All materials testing are being performed by TTL from Valdosta. No issues with compaction or concrete strength have been found.

City staff requested that the existing ditch between the water tower and the operations building be filled in since this area will now be enclosed by a common fence around both the treatment plant site and the water tower and appurtenances. This was not included in the original design plans and in order to accomplish the work a change order will be required. A proposal has been obtained from the Contractor in the Amount of \$14,812.98. Council approval is required should the City wish to proceed with this change. Then the change must also be approved by GEFA.

#### **WWTP Improvements – Contract C Outfall Sewer (Standard Contractors, Inc.) -**

The project is on schedule and Contractor has submitted two Payment Requests to date. The first, in the amount of \$80,583.85, was submitted for the period ending November 25, 2011 and covered materials stored on site. The City is withholding retainage in the amount of \$8,058.39 and has made payment to the contractor in the amount of \$72,525.47. A payment request has been submitted for the period ending January 25, 2012 and is currently being reviewed. A summary of the project status is as follows:

1. Outfall structure OS-1 has been installed at the river
2. Outfall sewer has been installed from OS-1 through SSMH OS-2 and approximately 160 LF beyond.
3. Outfall sewer has been installed from SSMH OS-8 through SSMH OS-12 at the treatment plant.
4. A conflict has been encountered between the outfall sewer and the existing effluent force main which conveys sewage to the City's land application system. This old line is not located as the original construction plans indicated. The new outfall line between SSMH OS-2 and SSMH OS-8 will need to be shifted 3 to 4 feet north or south to avoid the existing force main. Moving to the south would place the new outfall outside of the Georgia Power right of way. Moving north is preferred placing the new line 5.5 to 6.5 feet north of the southern boundary of

the Georgia Power company right of way. The encroachment agreement calls for the new line to be within 5.0 feet of the southern boundary of the Georgia Power right of way. The approximate cost of this change will be anywhere from \$2,000 to \$6,800 depending upon how many additional manholes are required to resolve the conflict. I have spoken with Mitchell Moore regarding this change and feel that this decision should be made in consultation with the Council. The Contractor is waiting for our response.

Mitchell and John Hunkele had some discussion about the above number (4) request. Mitchell said he will get with John Hunkele and report back to the Council as needed.

**2. Resolutions for Urban Redevelopment Plan for the City of Nashville-** Mayor Harper presented the Council with the Resolutions for the Urban Redevelopment Plan. This Plan was approved at the last Council meeting and Todd Miller from Southern Regional Commission sent over the Resolutions for Council to sign. Mitchell said he wants to clarify something before Council signs the Resolutions. Randy Lane said it was his understanding that the Council will be the Governing body, and Mitchell agreed. Mitchell said he wanted some clarification on the word commission in the last paragraph. He said he will get with Todd Miller and present the Resolutions again at the January 30<sup>th</sup> Special Called Meeting.

**3. 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of the GMEBS Retirement Plan Restatement-** Mayor Harper told the group GMA has sent the GMEBS Retirement Plan Restatement with a list of slight changes to the Master Plan. Randy Lane pointed out the Council must decide and appoint a Pension Committee. The group had some discussion about this matter and decided to name the members if needed at the next Council meeting. This will constitute the first read.

## REPORTS

**4. City Manager's/Finance Director's Report-** Mandy Luke informed the group the City's auditors are finishing up the City's Audit, and so far everything looks good. The Auditors have a deadline which is the end of this month.

**5. City Attorney's Report-** Mitchell Moore told the group the properties on the square are under contract and he have the title's checked and should be closing on those properties soon. Mitchell also wanted to have the approval of the Council on allowing Mandy Luke to sign the CSA Agreement for the additional beaver control. Alderman Stalnaker said the Council has already given Mandy that approval.

**6. Department Head's Report-** Dawn Morrison wanted to discuss where the Council has decided to hold the Cancer Walk this year. The walk is scheduled for April 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>. Council needs to decide if the walk can be held around the square downtown, or if the event will continue to be held at the High Schools Track. She said since DOT has given their ok, the Chief and I have a map which will reroute traffic so this event can be held downtown. She added all of the downtown merchants and the cancer society is in favor of holding the event downtown. The group discussed this issue and some of the concerns about holding this event downtown were public safety and the rerouting of traffic during the event. The group decided to put this item on the work session which is scheduled for January 30<sup>th</sup> at 5:30p.m.

Mitchell Moore told the group the Downtown Development Authority's needs to do some "house cleaning" on its membership. He said the DDA was revitalized in 2004 and each member serves a four year term. DDA will revisit the list of members and make the necessary changes so that the official members list is correct. Once those changes are made we will come back to Council to ratify the new official members list. The DDA Board can have seven official members on its board and right now we have ten who are willing to serve. We have three official members who are resigning their official position, Henry Yawn, Dan Perkins, and Frank Sutton. Terry Danforth and Jane Knight were nominated but Mrs. Knight declined. Dawn told Mitchell Julie Jones was nominated at the last DDA meeting and she accepted but she has not been presented to the Council for approval. Mitchell said once these gentlemen submit their resignation then we can bring the nominees before the City Council for their approval. Alderman Richbourg made the motion to approve the nominees subject to a slot becoming available on the DDA board. Alderman Stalnaker seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously. Mitchell said he will draw something up and present it to the Council.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC/COUNCIL**

Luanne Walker shared her concerns about the noise from the rerouted traffic if the City holds the Cancer walk downtown. She also asked for a clean Rebel since the one she received over a year ago was dirty. Ms. Walker asked the Council if they are working on new employment for Nashville. Mayor Harper said Dawn Morrison with Better Home Town and Crissy Staley with the Chamber of Commerce are working on bring new businesses to Nashville.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Alderman Richbourg made the motion to go into Executive Session at 6:35p.m. The motion was seconded by Alderman Stalnaker and the motion carried unanimously. Alderman Stalnaker made the motion to come out of Executive Session at 6:50p.m. The motion was seconded by Alderman Richbourg and the motion carried unanimously.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to conduct, Alderman Richbourg made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:58pm. Alderman Stalnaker seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

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Mayor Travis Harper

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Alderman Eric Gaither

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Alderman Dick Perryman

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Alderman Antonio Carter

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Alderman Billy Retterbush

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Alderman Scott Stalnaker

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Alderman Michael Richbourg

**ATTEST**

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Tina Ward, City Clerk