REGULAR MEETING CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NASHVILLE COUNTY OF BERRIEN AUGUST 23, 2021 6:00 P.M.

INVOCATION: Mitchell Moore

PLEDGE: Mayor Pro-Tem John Clayton

WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Pro-Tem John Clayton

ROLL CALL: Members of the City Council present included Mayor Pro-Tem John Clayton, Scott Stalnaker, Billy Retterbush, Antonio Carter, Walt Steward, Eric Gaither.

STAFF PRESENT: Peter Schultz, Police Chief Edwards, Mitchell Moore

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING(s):

Regular City Council-August 9, 2021 and Public Hearing-August 9, 2021: Eric Gaither made a motion to adopt the minutes. Billy Retterbush seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

ADOPTION OF FORMAL AGENDA:

Scott Stalnaker made a motion to adopt the formal agenda. Walt Steward seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

1- Interview Process for City Manager Position – Mayor Pro-tem John Clayton: Mayor Pro-tem Clayton opened the discussion by asking the Council their thoughts on how to proceed with the selection process for the City Manager position. City Attorney Moore explained Georgia Municipal Association (GMA) had narrowed the nine (9) resumes down to five (5) candidates and provided eleven (11) questions for the potential candidates at his request as he was instructed by the Council. A brief discussion ensued regarding whether to submit the questions to all nine (9) candidates or only the five (5) selected by GMA, who should submit the questions to the candidates, who should receive the responses and who should forward the responses to the Council in addition to a dead line for candidates to respond and for the Council to proceed. A motion was made by Walt Steward for the City Attorney to submit the questions received from GMA to the remaining nine (9) candidates with instructions to respond to the City Clerk by 4:00 p.m. on September 3, 2021 and the response to each question should be no more then five hundred (500) words. The City Clerk is to forward the responses to the Council Friday afternoon on September 3, 2021 and have a called meeting on September 6, 2021 to go into executive session to finalize the choice of the top three (3) candidates to schedule personal interviews. Billy Retterbush seconded the motion. Roll call: Walt Steward, Billy Retterbush, Scott Stalnaker and Antonio Carter voted in favor of the motion; and, Eric Gaither voted against the motion. After the City Manager report, Walt Steward amended his motion changing the called meeting date from September 6th to September 8th at 6:00

due to the Labor Day holiday on September 6th. Billy Retterbush seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

City Manager Report:

Mr. Schultz updated the Council that Mauldin and Jenkins are in the final stages of the FY2020 audit and will be back in contact with him once complete. Mr. Schultz mentioned the review by Municode regarding the discrepancies between the Charter and Ordinances previously discussed stating the attorney fees in the budget are not solely for the City attorney but can be used on any legal fees the City has. After brief discussion, Walt Steward asked to put the item on the next Agenda.

City Attorney Report:

Mr. Moore discussed a grant for facades for the DDA (Downtown Development Authority) and Mainstreet at the Brown Bag. He stated Nancy Pesce has some names of people to serve on the DDA board and asked the Council to provide her with any names they may have so she can present the list of names to the Council in order for the Council to vote for the authority members.

Department Head's Report:

None

Public Comments:

Maxine Carter asked for help concerning the utility bill amount for Zion Wall Freewill Baptist Church located at 917 East Marion Avenue. Mr. Schultz said he would get with Mr. Reynolds and they would research it.

Pearline Daniels questioned GMA's input for the City Manager position and Walt Steward explained the Council received several resumes and they requested GMA's input but the Council will be the ones to determine who is interviewed and the Council will be the one to make the decision.

Lavonne Shaw had asked about a property on Avera and said it has been cleaned up for which she thanked them.

Mary Brumbley asked the Council if anyone had listened to the recording and determined whether the action previously taken regarding the race track was an Ordinance or a Resolution. Mr. Steward said it was a Resolution and the Council is not telling them the hours they can operate but it specifies the hours when enforcement can be taken under the existing noise/nuisance Ordinance. Mrs. Brumbley also asked again about the ditch on Hazel Avenue and Peter replied the locate order has been turned in and they are having to wait for it to be done before the ditches can be cleaned.

Council Comments:

Walt Steward asked about the start and stop times for alcohol sales and Peter told him he would look it up and let him know.

ADJOURNMENT:

Billy Retterbush made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:55 p.m. Antonio Carter seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously. *August 23, 2021.*

Alderman Billy Retterbush Mayor Pro-Tem John Clayton Alderman Scott Stalnaker Alderman Walt Steward Alderman Eric Gaither Alderman Antonio Carter **ATTEST:** Jackie Jordan, City Clerk