

**CALLED MEETING
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NASHVILLE
COUNTY OF BERRIEN
OCTOBER 1, 2020
6:00 P.M.**

*~Limited Access to City Hall, RingCentral (RC) Teleconference and Facebook Live Stream on
The Berrien Press~*

INVOCATION: Earl Miles

PLEDGE: Mayor Taylor Scarbrough

WELCOME: Mayor Taylor Scarbrough

ROLL CALL: Members of the City Council present included Mayor Taylor Scarbrough, Aldermen John Clayton, Billy Retterbush, Antonio Carter, Walt Steward and Eric Gaither

STAFF PRESENT: Jackie Jordan, John Reynolds (RC), Henry Yawn (RC), Mitchell Moore, Richard Varn

NEW BUSINESS

A special called meeting was held October 1, 2020 to discuss nominations for the Nashville Historic Preservation Commission and the Nashville Historic Preservation Commission Ordinance.

Mayor Scarbrough called the meeting to order and explained there had been an abrupt resignation of four (4) members of the (5-member) Commission in January or February leaving the Commission without a quorum. The topic of the Commission and the Ordinance has come up several times and Margaret Perry, the Chairperson of the Nashville Mainstreet Board spoke to the Mayor and Council on the topic in March but then COVID-19 pandemic ensued. Mayor Scarbrough said he had spoken with thirty-eight (38) individuals seeking qualified candidates for the Commission. He invited Rick Postell and Michael Acree and presented them to the Council asking the Council to appoint them to the Commission which would provide a quorum. A discussion ensued and the consensus of the Council was while they think highly of Mr. Postell and Mr. Acree and considered them to be qualified, they would like the opportunity to first speak with them individually and would like to advertise for candidates to reach more people who may not be aware of the openings. Discussions also included a current Certificate of Appropriateness (COA) that had been turned in to the Commission and other considerations than the just the qualifications listed in the Ordinance such as ability to deal with the public and charisma. Mitchell Moore, City Attorney, clarified the COA will not lapse but will be granted by default after forty-five (45) days had lapsed.

After further discussion, Walt Steward made a motion to advertise for candidates to serve on the Commission who meet the requirements under the current Ordinance. Billy Retterbush seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously. Upon further discussion, it was decided to run the advertisement in the Berrien Press for the weeks of October 7 and October 14 with a deadline of October 16 for applications, with applications to be sent to the attention of the City Manager who will then circulate the information to the Mayor and Council, with a possible meeting to be called on October 26 depending on the responses to the advertisement.

ADJOURNMENT:

Billy Retterbush made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:12 p.m.
Antonio Carter seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.
October 1, 2020

Mayor Taylor Scarbrough

Alderman John Clayton

Alderman Antonio Carter

Alderman Walt Steward

Alderman Scott Stalnaker

Alderman Billy Retterbush

Alderman Eric Gaither

ATTEST:

Jackie Jordan, City Clerk