

I. Call to Order and Roll Call

The meeting began at 5:36 pm. Mayor Reynolds, and Councilmembers Sheppard, Wynn, Honore, and Howard were all present at the time of roll call.

Mayor Pro Tem Inman arrived at 5:39 pm.

II. Moment of Silence

III. Approval of Agenda

Motion – made by Councilmember Sheppard to approve the April 15, 2024 work session agenda. Councilmember Howard seconded.

Motion passed 4-0.

IV. Public Hearings

a. For Decision – 7526 Conyers Street – Bill Johnston, Zoning Administrator

Motion – made by Councilmember Howard to open the public hearing for 7526 Conyers Street. Councilmember Sheppard seconded.

Motion passed unanimously.

Bill Johnston, Zoning Administrator, gave a presentation of his report for the rezoning of 7526 Conyers Street from R-60 Residential to C-1 Commercial. He provided the details of his report and supported the rezoning application approval with several conditions.

Mr. Vason spoke in favor of his rezoning application.

Motion – made by Councilmember Howard to exit the public hearing. Councilmember Wynn seconded.

Motion passed unanimously.

Motion – made by Mayor Pro Tem Inman to approve the rezoning of 7526 Conyers Street from R-60 Residential to C-1 Commercial with the conditions recommended from Bill Johnston. Councilmember Sheppard seconded.

The motion passed 3-2. Councilmembers Wynn and Howard voted against.

V. Discussion Items

a. For Discussion - Bond Ordinance 2nd Read - Ashley Waters, City Clerk

Motion – made by Councilmember Honore to approve the Bond Ordinance. Councilmember Sheppard seconded.

Motion passed unanimously.

b. For Discussion - Wigging Street Parking Lot - Lowe Engineering

Motion – made by Mayor Pro Tem Inman to approve the Wiggins Street Parking lot project with the inclusion of the adjustment of time, no later than July 1st, and penalty being added by Denmark Ashby. Councilmember Howard seconded.

Motion passed unanimously.

c. For Discussion – Parkway Drive – Lowe Engineering

There was discussion about the widening of Parkway Drive to accommodate the new entrance of Lucious Sanders Park. Chief Dejarnette explained civil engineering plans/designs will need to be completed. Council agreed to continue this discussion at a later meeting.

d. For Discussion – Banking Options – Chief Dejarnette, City Administrator Chief Dejarnette requested that the council allow city staff to explore new banking options to help better meet the needs of the city. He stated that Regions and Chase bank were two banks that he would be considering.

VI. Reports and Updates

a. Mayor's Report

The Reach Back group gave a presentation of their nonprofit program that encourages entrepreneurship.

b. City Administrator Update

Chief Dejarnette announced that all new police vehicles are here now.

VII. Executive Session (If Necessary)

(When an executive session is required, one will be called for the following issues: 1) Personnel, 2) Litigation, 3) Real Estate)

Motion – made by Mayor Pro Tem Inman to enter Executive Session for Real Estate. Councilmember Sheppard seconded.

Motion passed unanimously.

Motion - made by Councilmember Howard to exit Executive session. Councilmember Wynn seconded.

Motion passed unanimously.

VIII. Adjournment

Attest;

Motion – made by Councilmember Howard to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Sheppard seconded.

The motion passed 5-0.

The meeting adjourned at 7:37 pm.

Ashley Waters, City Clerk