CITY OF LAFAYETTE

PUBLIC HEARING AND COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS JUNE 22, 2020

The LaFayette City Council held a Public Hearing on Monday June 22, 2020 at 6:00p.m. at the Farmers Federation (ALFA) Building located at 1006 Avenue A S.E. LaFayette, Alabama 36862 with Mayor Barry D. Moody presiding. Councilmembers present: Neal McCurdy, Toney B. Thomas, and Tammie B. Williams.

Absent: Councilmember Michael C. Ellis and Councilmember Charlotte B. Blasingame.

City Attorney Joseph M. Tucker was also present.

Public Hearing Mayor Moody turned the Public Hearing over to Mrs. Louise Campbell of L.P. Campbell Company. Mrs. Campbell stated that the purpose of the Public Hearing was to obtain citizen input and suggestions on community development needs that could be assisted with grant funding. Mrs. Campbell stated that the City of LaFayette was categorized as a large city and as a result the maximum grant amount was \$ 450,000.00. Mrs. Campbell also stated that the City would like to begin renovation on the most critical needs at the Water Treatment Plant, which would benefit the entire City. Mrs. Campbell asked if anyone was in attendance specifically for the public hearing. No one answered. Mrs. Campbell then asked that the public hearing be closed. A motion was made by Councilmember Williams and seconded by Councilmember McCurdy to close the public hearing at 6:08p.m. Mayor Moody called the regular City Council Meeting to order.

Minutes

A motion was made by Councilmember Thomas and seconded by Councilmember Williams to approve the minutes of the June 8, 2020 Regular City Council Meeting. Mayor Moody called for a vote: All voted aye. Motion carried.

Notice of Election

City Clerk Louis T. Davidson announced that on Tuesday August 25, 2020 an election would be held for the purpose of electing a mayor and a city council member for each of the five City Council districts (District A, District B, District C, District D, and District E). If necessary, a run-off election will be held on Tuesday October 6, 2020.

LaFayette Housing Authority Appointment A motion was made by Councilmember Williams and seconded by Councilmember Thomas to reappoint Mrs. Mary Owens-Lyerly to another 4 year term on the LaFayette Housing Authority Board. Mayor Moody called for a vote: All voted aye. Motion carried.

Council's Comments Councilmember Williams thanked former City of LaFayette employee Katie Hill, who now works for Alabama Rural Water Works Association (ARWA), for assisting the City with obtaining masks for the employees. Councilmember Williams also thanked ARWA, FEMA, and EPA.

Mayor Moody Comments Mayor Moody stated that around June 1, 2020 some of the cities surrounding LaFayette had started allowing some of the recreation programs to start practicing. Mayor Moody stated the governor had lifted some restrictions, and during this past Saturday and Sunday in Alabama some tournaments were held. Mayor Moody stated that social distancing and hand sanitizing was still being practiced. As a result, Mayor Moody stated that he would like the Council to reopen the City Park to the public while emphasizing that people follow the safety guidelines recommended by Governor Ivey. Mayor Moody added that he would, however, like the Senior Citizen's Building to remain closed. Councilmember Williams stated that she was opposed to reopening the City Park because Coronavirus numbers were high, continuing to rise, and the City would be unable to police social distancing guidelines. Councilmember Thomas stated that without having a recreation director, you would have to ask volunteers to monitor the kids. Mayor Moody clarified that he wasn't talking about opening up the recreation programs, but just the playground area at the City Park. Mayor Moody stated since no

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motion was made to reopen the City Park, that the recommendation would be tabled.

Audit Accounts A motion was made by Councilmember Thomas and seconded by Councilmember Williams to pay claims in the amount of \$ 332,291.88. Mayor Moody called for a vote: All voted aye. Motion carried.

Ordinance No. 459 Set Disconnect

Date

A motion was made by Councilmember Williams and seconded by Councilmember Thomas to allow the First Reading of Ordinance No. 459 (Set Fixed Utility Disconnect Date and Late/ Disconnect Charges) Mayor Moody called for a roll call vote. Ayes: McCurdy, Thomas, Williams, and Mayor Moody. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 2020-06-22-01 (Voting Machines) A motion was made by Councilmember Thomas and seconded by Councilmember McCurdy to adopt Resolution No. 2020-06-22-01 (Voting Machines). Mayor Moody called for a vote: All voted aye. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 2020-06-22-02 (Emergency Election Manager A motion was made by Councilmember Williams and seconded by Councilmember McCurdy to adopt Resolution No. 2020-06-22-02 (Emergency Election Manager Agreement). Mayor Moody called for a vote: All voted aye. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 2020-06-22-03 (CDBG Grant

Agreement)

A motion was made by Councilmember Williams and seconded by Councilmember McCurdy to adopt Resolution No. 2020-06-22-03 (CDBG Grant Application Submission). Mayor Moody called for a vote: All voted aye. Motion carried.

Application Submission) League Business

Session Voting

Delegate

A motion was made by Councilmember Williams and seconded by Councilmember Thomas to appoint Michael C. Ellis as the Voting Delegate for the Alabama League of Municipalities Annual Business Session. Mayor Moody called for a vote: All voted aye. Motion carried.

League Business Session 1st and 2nd Alternate A motion was made by Councilmember Williams and seconded by Councilmember Thomas to appoint Mayor Barry D. Moody as the $\mathbf{1}^{\text{st}}$ Alternate and Councilmember Charlotte B. Blasingame as the $\mathbf{2}^{\text{nd}}$ Alternate for the Alabama League of Municipalities Annual Business Session. Mayor Moody called for a vote: All voted aye. Motion carried.

Executive Session

A motion was made by Councilmember Thomas and seconded by Councilmember McCurdy to enter into Executive Session to discuss pending litigation. Mayor Moody called for a roll call vote: Ayes: McCurdy, Thomas, Williams, and Mayor Moody. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Entered into Executive Session at 6:30p.m.

Exited at 6:52p.m.

No Action Was Taken.

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Adjourn

A motion was made by Councilmember Williams and seconded by Councilmember McCurdy to adjourn at 6:53p.m. Mayor Moody called for a vote: All voted aye. Motion carried.

I, Barry D. Moody, Mayor of the City of LaFayette, certify that the above minutes are true and correct and was taken at the June 22, 2020 Regular City Council Meeting.

_/s/ Barry D. Moody Barry D. Moody, Mayor

Attest:

_____/s/ Louis T. Davidson
Louis T. Davidson, City Clerk