

July 14, 2021

The City Council of the City of Murfreesboro, Rutherford County, Tennessee, met in regular session in the Business Center at the Murfreesboro Municipal Airport at 11:30 a.m. on Wednesday, July 14, 2021, with Mayor Shane McFarland present and presiding and with the following Council Members present and in attendance, to wit:

Madelyn Scales Harris
Rick LaLance
Ronnie Martin
Bill Shacklett
Kirt Wade
Shawn Wright

The following representatives of the City were also present:

Craig Tindall, City Manager
Adam Tucker, City Attorney
Jennifer Brown, City Recorder/
Finance Director
Gary Whitaker, Assistant City Manager
Darren Gore, Assistant City Manager
Angela Jackson, Executive Director/
Community Services
Sam Huddleston, Executive Director/
Development Services
Roman Hankins, Assistant City Attorney
Trey Duke, City Schools Director
Erin Tucker, Budget Director
Kayla Walker, Project Development Director
Chad Gehrke, Airport Director
Pam Russell, Human Resources Director
Jim Kerr, Transportation Director
Kim Williams, City Schools Finance Director
Karen Lampert, Grant Coordinator
Joshua Miller, Administrative Assistant

Mayor McFarland commenced the meeting with a prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following letter from the Human Resources Director was presented to the Council:

(Insert letter dated July 14, 2021 here with regards to options for mitigating future health care insurance costs.)

Ms. Pam Russell, Human Resources Director, introduced Mr. Jake Davis and Mr. Alden Davenport, Mercer Health & Benefits LLC, who presented options the City could consider for mitigating future health care insurance premium increases which included introducing High Performance Narrow Networks to the City's insurance plan and introducing a Specialty Spend – Managed Copay Program as well as a Non-Essential Drug Program to the City's pharmacy plan.

The following letter from the Grant Coordinator was presented to the Council:

(Insert letter dated July 14, 2021 here with regards to Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds.)

Ms. Karen Lampert, Grant Coordinator, presented an overview of the suggested uses for the American Rescue Plan Act Funds which included a 24/7 mental or behavioral health

crisis services location; aid to households, small businesses, nonprofits and tourism; violence intervention programs, affordable housing assistance and addressing education disparities; premium pay for essential workers and water/stormwater projects. Council discussed the anticipated funds and Mayor McFarland suggested not taking any of the money until the spending rules for the American Rescue Plan Act are finalized in September, with Council in agreeance with the Mayors suggestion.

The following letter from the Transportation Director was presented to the Council:

(Insert letter dated July 14, 2021 here with regards to Transit System Rebrand.)

Mr. Jim Kerr, Transportation Director, presented the proposed logo for the City's public transit buses. Council discussed the logo with staff, voicing their approval for the design and suggested adding a phone number to the side of the bus and the potential to utilize unused space on the back of the bus to display messages and advertisements from the City.

The following letter from the Budget Director was presented to the Council:

(Insert letter dated July 14, 2021 here with regards to May 2021 Dashboard packet.)

The May 2021 Dashboard update, which included Financial, Building & Codes, Risk Management, Construction Data, City Schools Cash Flow Statements, and Revenue & Expenditure Budget Comparison Reports, was presented to Council with no discussion taking place.

Mr. LaLance addressed his concern with the potential for a liquor store to be located within 100 feet of a residence based on the City's current Alcohol Ordinance. Council discussed with staff the potential to revise the City's Alcohol Ordinance, asked staff to research surrounding municipalities rules regarding liquor stores and requested that revisions to the City's Alcohol Ordinance be a topic for discussion at the August workshop session.

The following letter from the Finance Director/City Recorder was presented to the Council:

(Insert letter dated July 14, 2021 here with regards to Certificate of Compliance – Liquor and Wine Outlet.)

Ms. Jennifer Brown, City Recorder/Finance Director, presented the request to consider a Retail Liquor Certificate of Compliance for Arvindkumar Patel at Liquor and Wine Outlet, 2003 South East Broad Street. Ms. Brown indicated that the application was in order and recommended approval.

Mr. Wade made a motion to approve a Retail Liquor Certificate of Compliance for Arvindkumar Patel at Liquor and Wine Outlet, 2003 South East Broad Street. Mr. Wright seconded the motion and all members of the Council voted "Aye".

The following letter from the Finance Director/City Recorder was presented to the Council:

(Insert letter dated July 14, 2021 here with regards to Certificate of Compliance – Warrior Wine and Spirits.)

Ms. Jennifer Brown, City Recorder/Finance Director, presented the request to consider a Retail Liquor Certificate of Compliance for Karan Patel at Warrior Wine and Spirits, 1433 Warrior Drive Suites F, G and H. Ms. Brown indicated that the application was in order and recommended approval.

Mr. Wright made a motion to approve a Retail Liquor Certificate of Compliance for Karan Patel at Warrior Wine and Spirits, 1433 Warrior Drive Suites F, G and H. Mr. Martin seconded the motion and all members of the Council voted "Aye".

The following letter from the City Recorder/Finance Director was presented to the Council:

(Insert letter dated July 14, 2021 here with regards to Beer Permit Application for Evolve Smoke Shop at 902 Memorial Boulevard.)

Mr. LaLance made a motion to approve the Beer Permit for Evolve Smoke Shop, 902 Memorial Boulevard (New Location), pending building and codes completion. Mr. Wright seconded the motion and all members of the Council voted "Aye".

The City Recorder/Finance Director announced that there were no statements to consider.

Under other business the following letter from the Airport Director was presented to the Council:

(Insert letter dated July 14, 2021 here with regards to Contract extension with Eastern Aviation Fuels.)

Mr. Chad Gehrke, Airport Director, presented the recommendation to approve the final extension of the Contract with Eastern Aviation Fuels (Titan Aviation Fuels) extending the Contract an additional year with an expiration date of June 30, 2022.

Mr. Shacklett made a motion to approve the final extension of the Contract with Eastern Aviation Fuels (Titan Aviation Fuels) extending the Contract an additional year with an expiration date of June 30, 2022. Mr. LaLance seconded the motion and all members of the Council voted "Aye".

Mr. Craig Tindall, City Manager, provided an update on the discussion taking place between MTSU and the City regarding airport usage. He stated MTSU is reaching out to neighboring airports and that the safety officer position is being considered again.

Mayor McFarland announced that Ms. Jennifer Garland has requested to step down from her position on the Planning Commission and that Council will be receiving applicants for the open position by email.

Mayor McFarland addressed the decision of the Solid Waste Board and addressed the efforts of Ms. Donna Barrett and Mr. Darren Gore.

There being no further business, Mayor McFarland adjourned this meeting at 1:02 p.m.

SHANE MCFARLAND – MAYOR

ATTEST:

JENNIFER BROWN - CITY RECORDER