

**MINUTES**

**TELEPHONIC MEETING OF APRIL 7, 2020 RECESSED MEETING TO  
APRIL 21, 2020 MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL CITY OF MEMPHIS**

**April 7, 2020**

**3:30 P.M. MEETING RECONVENED**

**(After the meeting was re-opened for the transaction of business and a quorum was declared present, Councilman Colvett made a motion to adjourn the April 7, 2020 Council Meeting; this was seconded by Councilman Canale; without objection.)**

**(Chairwoman Robinson adjourned the April 7, 2020 Council Meeting being that there weren't any unfinished business; without objection.)**

**CITY OF MEMPHIS  
NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING  
OF  
THE MEMPHIS CITY COUNCIL  
Tuesday, April 7, 2020, 3:30 p.m.**

Due to the declarations of a State of Emergency by the President of the United States, the Governor of Tennessee and the Mayor of Memphis relating to Covid-19 Epidemic the Council has determined that is necessary that the meeting be conducted by electronic or other means of communication in order to protect the health, safety and welfare of the public, City employees, Council staff and Members of the Council.

**THERE WILL BE NO PHYSICAL MEETING**

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**ADJOURNED MEETING AT 3:31 P.M.**

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Upon statement of the Chairman, without objection, the meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Chairman.

Patrice J. Robinson  
CHAIRMAN

Attest:

Valerie C. Squires  
Deputy Comptroller/Council Records

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**TELEPHONIC MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL**

**CITY OF MEMPHIS**

**April 21, 2020**

**3:30 P.M. SCHEDULED SESSION**

**3:31 P.M. MEETING COMMENCED**

**ROLL CALL:** J. Ford Canale, Chase Carlisle, Frank Colvett, Jr., Michalyn Easter-Thomas, Edmund Ford, Sr., Cheyenne Johnson, Martavius Jones, Rhonda Logan, Worth Morgan, JB Smiley, Jr., Jamita Swearingen, Jeff Warren and Chairwoman Patrice Robinson.

**THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER  
BY SERGEANT-AT-ARMS**

**INVOCATION**

The meeting was opened with telephonic prayer by Rev. Dr. Gina M. Stewart of Christ Missionary Baptist Church. Councilwoman Swearingen thanked Rev. Dr. Stewart for being the Chaplain of the Day.

**These minutes record the agenda items and the action taken by the Council on such items. The full text of the original of the ordinances, resolutions and supporting documents, including an audio recording of Council's deliberations are filed and maintained in the office of Council Records/Records Management, Room 2B-08. The original ordinances and/or resolutions adopted by the Council shall control in the event of any conflict between the description in these minutes and the original documents, ordinances and/or resolutions.**

Approval of the Minutes of the regular meeting of April 7, 2020 with the following motion:

**MOTION:** Colvett  
**SECOND:** Canale  
**AYES:** Canale, Carlisle, Colvett, Easter-Thomas, Ford, Johnson, Jones, Logan, Morgan, Smiley, Swearingen, Warren and Chairwoman Robinson

**APPROVED**

**PRESENTATION OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2021 BUDGET BY MAYOR JIM STRICKLAND.**

**CONSENT AGENDA – Items #1 & #2 may be acted upon by one motion: See Page 5443 for Roll Call Consent Items.**

**1. RESOLUTION ACCEPTING MESSICK ROAD – WIDENING AND AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF THE LETTER OF CREDIT.**

Resolution approves accepting the public improvements as shown on the engineering plans located on the northeast corner of Messick Road/Kirby Road intersection, in the City of Memphis, Tennessee. Resolution also authorizes the release of the SunTrust Bank Letter of Credit No. 70003621 in the amount of \$98,300.00 held as security for the standard improvement contract.

City Engineer recommends approval

**APPROVED**

**2. RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ENGINEERING PLANS FOR COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS.**

CONTRACT NO. CR-5327

Resolution approves the engineering plans located at Saffarans Avenue, Front Street, Keel Avenue, Second Street and Chelsea Avenue in the City of Memphis, Tennessee. Cost of the required improvements to be borne by the Developer. Resolution also authorizes the proper officials to execute the attached standard improvement contract and accept the Tri-State Bank of Memphis Letter of Credit No. 200 in the amount of \$1,826,400.00 on behalf of the City of Memphis.

City Engineer recommends approval

**APPROVED**

**ROLL CALL CONSENT ITEMS**

- MOTION: Warren
- SECOND: Swearngen
- AYES: Canale, Carlisle, Colvett, Easter-Thomas, Ford, Johnson, Jones, Logan, Morgan, Smiley, Swearngen, Warren and Chairwoman Robinson

**APPROVED**

**FISCAL CONSENT AGENDA – Items #3 - #5 may be acted upon by one motion:**

**3. RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT GRANT FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10,000.00 FROM THE NIKE FOUNDATION VIA CHARITIES AID FOUNDATION FOR SUPPLIES FOR YOUTH SPORTS CAMPS. (ALL COUNCIL DISTRICTS). THIS RESOLUTION IS SPONSORED BY PARKS AND NEIGHBORHOODS DIVISION.**

**APPROVED**

- 4. **RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT GRANT FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$150,000.00 FROM THE TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR PHYSICAL ACTIVITY IMPROVEMENTS AT CHANDLER, SOUTHSIDE, AND GASTON PARKS. (DISTRICT 6). THIS RESOLUTION IS SPONSORED BY PARKS AND NEIGHBORHOODS DIVISION.**

**APPROVED**

- 5. **RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT GRANT FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,500.00 FROM THE MEMPHIS MEDICAL DISTRICT COLLABORATIVE FOR SPECIALTY PROGRAMING AT MORRIS PARK. (DISTRICT 7). THIS RESOLUTION IS SPONSORED BY PARKS AND NEIGHBORHOODS DIVISION.**

**APPROVED**

(Councilman Warren made a motion to approve the Fiscal Consent Items #3 - #5 with Same Night Minutes; without objection.)

**ROLL CALL FISCAL CONSENT ITEM**

- MOTION: Warren
- SECOND: Johnson
- AYES: Canale, Carlisle, Colvett, Easter-Thomas, Ford, Johnson, Jones, Logan, Morgan, Smiley, Swearingen, Warren and Chairwoman Robinson

**APPROVED**

**MLGW FISCAL CONSENT AGENDA – Items #6 - #11 may be acted upon by one motion:**

- 6. **RESOLUTION APPROVING CHANGE NO. 2 TO CONTRACT NO. 11800, INFOWATER HYDRAULIC MODEL IMPLEMENTATION SERVICES WITH INNOVYZE, INCORPORATED, IN THE FUNDED AMOUNT OF \$11,040.00. (THIS CHANGE IS TO RENEW ANNUAL LICENSE, MAINTENANCE AND SUPPORT SERVICES FOR THE WATER MODELING SOFTWARE FOR THE PERIOD COVERING MAY 15, 2020 THROUGH MAY 14, 2021, WITH A 2.98% INCREASE IN RATES FROM THE PREVIOUS RENEWAL DUE TO INCREASED MAINTENANCE COSTS. INNOVYZE, INCORPORATED IS THE SOLE OWNER, DEVELOPER, AND DISTRIBUTOR OF THE INFOWATER SOFTWARE PACKAGE. MLGW IS REQUESTING CONTINUOUS MAINTENANCE OF THE ACQUIRED SYSTEM, WHICH CAN ONLY BE PERFORMED BY INNOVYZE, INCORPORATED.)**

**APPROVED**

- 7. **RESOLUTION APPROVING CHANGE NO. 2 TO CONTRACT NO. 11682, CUSTOMER CARE CENTER BACK-UP COMMUNICATIONS PLAN WITH AT&T**

**BUSINESS SYSTEMS, IN THE FUNDED AMOUNT OF \$200,000.00. (THIS CHANGE IS TO RENEW THE CURRENT CONTRACT TERM FOR THE FIRST OF TWO ANNUAL RENEWAL TERMS COVERING THE PERIOD AUGUST 16, 2020 THROUGH AUGUST 15, 2021 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$150,000.00 FOR THE MONTHLY SERVICE FEE FOR LOCAL DIAL TONE SERVICES, WITH NO INCREASE IN RATES FROM THE INITIAL TERM. THIS CHANGE IS TO ALSO ADD \$50,000.00 TO THE EXISTING CONTRACT FOR THE INSTALLATION AND MONTHLY SERVICE FEE OF 48 SIP TRUNKS FOR THE SPITFIRE DIALER OUTBOUND CALLING SERVICES FOR THE CUSTOMER CARE CENTER AT 1665 WHITTEN ROAD.)**

**APPROVED**

8. **RESOLUTION APPROVING AMENDMENTS AND DELEGATING AUTHORITY TO THE PRESIDENT OR VP OF ENGINEERING AND OPERATIONS OR HIS APPROVED STAFF, TO EXECUTE AND DELIVER THE CONTRACT AMENDMENTS TO STREAMLINE THE INVOICING PROCESS FOR REMAINING PURCHASES OF NATURAL GAS AT THE DISCOUNTS TO MARKET PRICE INCLUDED IN THE ORIGINAL CONTRACTS WITH PUBLIC ENERGY AUTHORITY OF KENTUCKY AND TENNERGY CORPORATION.**

**APPROVED**

9. **RESOLUTION AWARDED CONTRACT NO. 12153, EXECUTIVE SEARCH FIRM TO PRENG & ASSOCIATES, IN THE FUNDED NOT-TO-EXCEED AMOUNT OF \$65,000.00.**

**APPROVED**

10. **RESOLUTION AWARDED A PURCHASE ORDER TO VERMEER MIDSOUTH, INC., VIA THE SOURCEWELL PUBLIC UTILITY, FOR A DIRECTIONAL BORING SYSTEM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$357,991.00.**

**APPROVED**

11. **RESOLUTION AWARDED A PURCHASE ORDER TO BRIGHTER DAYS AND NITES, INC. FOR THREE PHASE LOW ENERGY RECLOSERS, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,021,016.20.**

**APPROVED**

**ROLL CALL MLGW FISCAL CONSENT ITEMS**

MOTION: Morgan  
SECOND: Carlisle  
AYES: Canale, Carlisle, Colvett, Easter-Thomas, Ford, Johnson, Jones, Logan, Morgan,

Smiley, Swearingen, Warren and Chairwoman Robinson

**APPROVED**

- 12. **RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE UNCLAIMED BALANCE OF ACCOUNTS FROM THE STATE OF TN UNDER THE UNCLAIMED PROPERTY ACT. THIS RESOLUTION IS SPONSORED BY THE FINANCE DIVISION. (REQUEST FOR SAME NIGHT MINUTES)**

MOTION: Jones  
 SECOND: Colvett  
 AYES: Canale, Carlisle, Colvett, Easter-Thomas, Ford, Johnson, Jones, Logan, Morgan, Smiley, Swearingen, Warren and Chairwoman Robinson

**APPROVED**

- 13. **RESOLUTION REQUESTING APPROVAL OF FINANCING AGREEMENT OVER 5 YEARS AT ZERO PERCENT INTEREST FOR PURCHASE OF AUDIO/VISUAL EQUIPMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,117,510.20, NEEDED IN RESPONSE TO COVID-19. THIS RESOLUTION IS SPONSORED BY FIRE SERVICES. (REQUEST FOR SAME NIGHT MINUTES)**

MOTION: Swearingen  
 SECOND: Colvett  
 AYES: Canale, Carlisle, Colvett, Easter-Thomas, Ford, Johnson, Jones, Logan, Morgan, Smiley, Swearingen, Warren and Chairwoman Robinson

**APPROVED**

**(Special Item #1 – Chairman Colvett made a motion to approve same night minutes for Items #3, #4, #5, #12 and #13 from tonight’s meeting)**

MOTION: Colvett  
 SECOND: Canale  
 AYES: Canale, Carlisle, Colvett, Easter-Thomas, Ford, Johnson, Jones, Logan, Morgan, Smiley, Swearingen, Warren and Chairwoman Robinson

**APPROVED**

**(Vice Chairman Colvett made a motion to recess the meeting. This was seconded by Councilman Canale.)**

**(Chairwoman Robinson made a motion to recess the meeting until Tuesday, April 28, 2020 - Executive Session at 2:00PM; without objection.)**

**RECESSED MEETING AT 4:26 P.M.**

**(After the meeting was re-opened for the transaction of business and a quorum was declared present, Vice Chairman Colvett made a motion to call the April 21, 2020 Council Meeting back into Session at 4:20 P.M. on April 28, 2020; without objection.)**

- 14. **RESOLUTION CREATING AND FUNDING THE COUNCIL EMERGENCY RELIEF PROGRAM. THIS RESOLUTION IS SPONSORED BY COUNCILMAN JONES. (REQUEST FOR SAME NIGHT MINUTES)**

MOTION: Jones  
 SECOND: Colvett  
 AYES: Canale, Carlisle, Colvett, Easter-Thomas, Ford, Johnson, Jones, Logan, Morgan, Smiley, Swarengen, Warren and Chairwoman Robinson

**APPROVED**, as amended

- 15. **RESOLUTION OF THE MEMPHIS CITY COUNCIL STRONGLY ENCOURAGING ALL BUSINESSES TO REQUIRE THEIR EMPLOYEES TO WEAR NON-MEDICAL FACIAL COVERINGS WHILE AT WORK AT THE EXPENSE OF THE EMPLOYER. THIS RESOLUTION IS SPONSORED BY COUNCILMEMBERS EASTER-THOMAS AND WARREN. (REQUEST FOR SAME NIGHT MINUTES)**

MOTION: Easter-Thomas  
 SECOND: Warren  
 AYES: Canale, Carlisle, Colvett, Easter-Thomas, Ford, Johnson, Jones, Logan, Morgan, Smiley, Swarengen, Warren and Chairwoman Robinson

**APPROVED**

**(Special Item #1 – Vice Chairman Colvett made a motion to approve same night minutes for Items #14 and #15 from tonight’s meeting.)**

MOTION: Colvett  
 SECOND: Canale  
 AYES: Canale, Carlisle, Colvett, Easter-Thomas, Ford, Johnson, Jones, Logan, Morgan, Smiley, Swarengen, Warren and Chairwoman Robinson

**APPROVED**

**(Councilman Canale made a motion to recess the April 21, 2020 meeting until May 5, 2020. This was seconded by Councilman Warren.)**

**RECESSED MEETING AT 4:31 P.M.**

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Upon statement of the Chairman, without objection, the meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Chairman.



Patrice J. Robinson  
CHAIRMAN

Attest:

Valerie C. Spies  
Deputy Comptroller/Council Records

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**INSTRUCTIONS OF STEPS TO VIEW THE APRIL 21, 2020 MEMPHIS CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

Take notice, the Memphis City Council will meet on **Tuesday, April 21, 2020 at 1:00 p.m.** However, due to Coronavirus disease (COVID-19) health and safety concerns, the public is not permitted to attend the meeting in-person. Instead, the public is permitted to participate in the meeting in the following manner: (I) Electronically, via live-stream, (II) Radio, via 88.5 FM (WQOX), and (III) Electronically, via digital archive.

**A. Electronically, via live-stream**

**To view the Tuesday, April 21, 2020 Memphis City Council meeting electronically, via live-stream, follow the steps below:**

- (1) Access the internet,
- (2) Go to the Memphis City Council's "Watch Meetings Online" page at <https://www.memphistn.gov/cms/One.aspx?portalID=11150816&pageID=15334953>
- (3) At 1:00 p.m., click on the April 21, 2020 Memphis City Council meeting

- (4) Begin viewing the April 21, 2020 Memphis City Council meeting electronically via live-stream
- (5) Click on the April 21, 2020 “Agenda” tab to view the agenda documents

**B. Radio, via 88.5 FM (WQOX)**

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- (1) Access a radio with FM-capabilities,
- (2) At 3:30 p.m., turn the radio dial to 88.5 FM (WQOX),
- (3) Begin listening to the April 21, 2020 Memphis City Council meeting by radio via 88.5 FM (WQOX)

**C. Electronically, via digital archive**

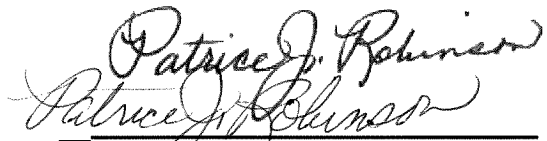
**To listen to the Tuesday, April 21, 2020 Memphis City Council meeting electronically, via digital archive, follow the steps below:**

- (1) Access the internet **after** the April 21, 2020 Memphis City Council meeting,
- (2) Go to the Memphis City Council’s “Archived Videos” page at [https://www.memphistn.gov/government/city\\_council/watch\\_public\\_meetings\\_online/city\\_council\\_archived\\_videos](https://www.memphistn.gov/government/city_council/watch_public_meetings_online/city_council_archived_videos)
- (3) Press play on the April 21, 2020 “City Council Full Meeting” tab
- (4) Begin viewing the April 21, 2020 Memphis City Council meeting electronically via digital archive
- (5) Click on the April 21, 2020 “Agenda” tab to view the agenda documents
- (6) Click on the April 21, 2020 “Minutes” tab to view the meeting minutes

**Note: Public comments may be submitted to the Memphis City Council twenty-four (24) hours prior to the April 21, 2020 meeting. To submit your public comment, please email [Patrice.robinson@memphistn.gov](mailto:Patrice.robinson@memphistn.gov) with your (a) full name, (b) full street address, (c) phone number, (d) agenda item, if applicable, and (e) comment. For more information, please call (901) 636-6786.**

**Thank you for your patience during this time. We look forward to continuing our work on your behalf as a thirteen-member council working to make Memphis a safe, healthy, and prosperous city for all!**

**With earnest appreciation,**

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Patrice J. Robinson". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

**Patrice Jordan Robinson**  
**Chairwoman, Memphis City Council**