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## THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERPERSONS

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The special meeting of the Mayor and Board of Alderpersons was held in the Courtroom at City Hall at 4:18 p.m. on Wednesday, December 30, 2024. Mayor Betty Alford-Olive presided.

Roll call was as follows:

Present: Angela Tappin (District A), Charles Bradford (District B), James Green (District C), Darry Green (District D), Howard, Loche (District E)

Absent: None

The Invocation was given by Mr. Bradford. Mr. D. Green led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Henry Doaty, as resident of District B asked for the procedure of making public comments available to the public for items on meeting agendas. Attorney Devin Jones said public comments on items on the agenda can be made item by item or as a comment period. Comments are allowed prior to a vote being taken. Mr. Doaty asked if more streets throughout the community could be earmarked for striping or repairs. Ms. Cindy Hendrix, 10056 Lynch Lane asked that ARPA funds include tearing down delapidated buildings. Ms. Joann Bradford asked that more ARPA funds be allocated to each district. Mr. Henry Doaty asked for clarity on what would be discussed in the meeting and how much ARPA funds were remaining to allocate. Mr. Doaty also asked the Council to discuss matters with the Mayor prior to the council meetings.

Ms. Tappin warned the public that flu, pneumonia and viral infections are high in the community and asked residents to stay home if they exhibit symptoms. Mr. Bradford requested a moment of silence for former President Jimmy Carter.

The Council requested ARPA Consultant Laura Hartt provide a working draft of the allocation list. She explained funds could be allocated for use in the general fund and the specific uses determined at a later time, so long as it meets the guidelines. The remaining ARPA funds will be evenly divided for each district on a motion by Mr. Bradford, seconded by Ms. Tappin, followed by a unanimous vote.

The Council discussed making amendments to the list of allocated ARPA funds.

The Robert Rules of Order were suspended on a motion by Mr. J. Green, seconded by Mr. D. Green, followed by a unanimous vote.

During discussion, Mr. James Green left the meeting at 6:54 p.m. and returned at 6:57 p.m.

The Council discussed the transfer of IT services to Kinetix and web developer Key Marketing Solutions and the use of ARPA funds to pay for it. They concluded the removal of City Hall fountain and public works vehicle.

The Council discussed premium pay according to ARPA guidelines.

The Council discussed Resolution 24-2085 to enter into a contract for striping on Liberty Street, Marable Street, and Kammell Street. Ms. Tappin moved and Mr. D. Green seconded to accept Resolution 24-2085 to enter into a contract for striping on Liberty Street, Marable Street, and Kammell Street. The motion failed due to lack of a vote.

The meeting adjourned at 7:46 p.m. on a motion by Mr. Bradford, seconded by Mr. J. Green.