REGULAR MEETING OF THE TERRE HAUTE CITY COUNCIL 6:00 PM, THURSDAY, MARCH 9, 2017 CITY HALL COURTROOM AGENDA

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- 1. Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance
- 2. Rollcall
- 3. Comment on non-agenda items.
 - a. Mark Thompson, Waste Water Treatment Plant director, commented on raises for his department's employees. Mr. Thompson responded to Council President Nasser that the negotiations are stalled and the employees are working without a contract. Mr. Thompson commented the employees could work without new equipment. He commented that the Council is the City's fiscal body. He then asked if a department's employees negotiate a raise, would the Council approve it? He responded to Councilman Nation's comments by asking if there is a possibility of a raise for his employees because there had been a councilmember telling his employees they could approve a raise for them. Mr. Thompson responded to Councilwoman Crossen's comment regarding budget process and raises. He commented that members of the Council should not promise anything to the employees.
 - b. Council President Karrum Nasser asked for an update on the negotiations. Council President Nasser commented he hoped the negotiations resumed soon. He stated he had discussed with workers concerning their request for a raise and their working environment.
 - c. Eddie Felling, City Attorney, commented the negotiations began last fall. Mr. Felling commented that the Council cannot lower salaries. Mr. Felling responded to Councilman Morris's question on bonuses.
 - d. Councilman Don Morris asked Mr. Thompson if the employees would be able to work efficiently without purchasing new equipment. He also commented the employees deserved a raise and they have a tough work environment. Councilman Morris asked if the employees could receive a bonus.
 - e. Councilman Neil Garrison commented that it had been awhile since they received a raise. He also commented the Council's role during negotiations is to observe and the current financial situation is tight. He responded to Mr. Thompson that the Council would vote on an ordinance but could not determine what the vote would be. Councilman Garrison commented the workers should prepare a list of duties and reasons for a raise. He stated any improvement in efficiencies should be noted as well as safety issues with the work the employees face.
 - f. Councilman Todd Nation commented about previously being involved as an observer during negotiations. He asked Mr. Thompson if the union representative was working to resolve the issue of a raise. He commented the normal process is for the negotiations to be complete then the Council would take action and why would that be deviated from. Councilman Nation commented there is a process in place and it needs to be followed.
 - g. Councilwoman Martha Crossen commented on the current year budget being adopted last year without raises being included. Councilwoman Crossen also commented that not purchasing equipment this year in order to give a raise will just create a problem in next year's budget.

- h. Councilman George Azar commented it is an unfortunate circumstance but the Council is not involved in the negotiation process. He further stated the Council may only vote on the ordinance that is presented to them.
- i. Councilwoman Amy Auler asked if the negotiations will resume.
- 4. No corrections to journal.
- 5. No communications.
- 6. Reports from Governmental Agencies
 - a. Councilman O. Earl Elliott discussed the handout he presented last week concerning the City's finances. Councilman Elliott asked how many companies responded to the RFI. He responded to Councilman Nation's question by stating it would be just enough funds.
 - b. Councilman Don Morris asked Mayor Duke Bennett about the cash balances, Hulman and Rae Parks, and the status of the bids for those parks. He also asked why the RFP was not ready.
 - c. Mayor Duke Bennett responded to Councilman Morris's questions concerning the bidding process. He stated he expected the final draft of the RFP back this week. Mayor Bennett stated they issued an RFI first. He responded to Councilman Elliott's question by stating six had responded. He also commented it would be approximately one month to receive responses to the RFP. Mayor Bennett responded to Councilman Nation's question concerning the City's finances by stating the packets were sent to the banks last Friday and waiting to hear from them. He also commented that he will know if the interest rate is high enough in about two weeks.
 - d. Councilman Nation asked Councilman Elliott if the tax anticipation warrant and redevelopment loan would be enough to help the City. He also asked Mayor Bennett the status of the tax anticipation warrant loan. Councilman Nation also asked Mayor Bennett if the interest rate in the ordinance was high enough for the tax anticipation warrant loan.

Old Business

GENERAL ORDINANCE 1, 2017 - Withdrawn

Amending City Code, Chapter 7, Article 3, Fire Prevention Code and Chapter 2, Article 9, Funds and Fiscal Procedures <Azar>

GENERAL ORDINANCE 2, 2017 - Passed 6 Yes 3 No

Amending City Code, Chapter 7, Article 3, Fire Prevention Code and Chapter 2, Article 9, Funds and Fiscal Procedures <Azar>

SPECIAL ORDINANCE 8, 2017 - Passed

Vacating a portion of Carl Avenue commonly located by 2800 North 6 ½ Street < Garrison>

SPECIAL ORDINANCE 9, 2017 – Passed As Amended

Rezoning of property located at 825 South 7th Street <Nation>

SPECIAL ORDINANCE 11, 2017 - Passed

Authorizing the issuance of Economic Development Solid Waste Facility Revenue Bonds (Pyrolyx USA Inc Project) <Nasser>

SPECIAL ORDINANCE 12, 2017 – Tabled Until April Regular Meeting

Rezoning of property located at 3073 North 16th Street < Nasser>

RESOLUTION 5, 2017 – Adopted As Amended

Designating an area commonly identified as 3701 N. Fruitridge Avenue, Terre Haute, Indiana as an Economic Revitalization Area for the purpose of a Ten (10) Year Personal Property Tax Abatement (Ampacet Corporation) <For Adoption>

Jadcore CF-1 Form for Resolution 19, 2011 – In Substantial Compliance **Jadcore CF-1 Form** for Resolution 5, 2015 – In Substantial Compliance

New Business

GENERAL ORDINANCE 3, 2017 - Traffic

Amending City Code, Changing Flashing Intersection Control Beacons at 10th Street and Margaret Avenue <Auler>

SPECIAL ORDINANCE 13, 2017 - Finance

Amending Special Ordinance 23, 2016, As Amended, City Hall Employee Salaries < Elliott>

SPECIAL ORDINANCE 14, 2017 - Traffic

Vacating a portion of a East-West Public Alley located north of 2749 South 3rd Street and 208-212 Helen Avenue and south of Railroad Tracks <Auler>

SPECIAL ORDINANCE 15, 2017 - Zoning

Rezoning of property located at 208-212 Helen Avenue and the portion of East-West public alley to be vacated that is located north of 2749 South Third Street and 208-212 Helen Avenue and south of Railroad Tracks <Auler>

SPECIAL ORDINANCE 16, 2017 - Zoning

Rezoning of property located at 1509 Washington Avenue < Crossen>

SPECIAL ORDINANCE 17, 2017 - Zoning

Rezoning of property located at 4355 East Wabash Avenue < Elliott>

SPECIAL ORDINANCE 18, 2017 - Zoning

Rezoning of property located at 771, 781 and 791 North 40th Street < Nasser>

Charles P. Hanley, City Clerk

ATTEN	DANCE	
	Present	Absent
Auler	Х	
Azar	Х	
Crossen	Х	
DeBaun	Х	
Elliott	Х	
Garrison	Χ	
Morris	Х	
Nasser	Х	
Nation	Х	
TOTAL:	9	

GO 2, 2017		
	YES	NO
Auler		Х
Azar		Х
Crossen	Х	
DeBaun		X
Elliott	Х	
Garrison	Х	
Morris		Х
Nation	Х	
Nasser		Х
TOTAL:	4	5
Motion to Amend Defeated: Garrison		
Second: Crossen		

SO 8, 2017			
	YES	NO	
Auler			
Azar			
Crossen			
DeBaun			
Elliott			
Garrison			
Morris			
Nation			
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TOTAL:	VOICE		
Motion to Pass: Garrison			
Second: Morris			

GO 1, 2017			
	YES	NO	
Auler			
Azar			
Crossen			
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Elliott			
Garrison			
Morris			
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TOTAL:	VOICE		
Motion to Withdraw: Azar			
Second: Garrison			

GO 2, 2017			
	YES NO		
Auler	Х		
Azar	X		
Crossen		Х	
DeBaun	Х		
Elliott	Х		
Garrison		Х	
Morris		Х	
Nation	Х		
Nasser	Х		
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Motion to Pass: Azar			
Second: DeBa	aun		

SO 9, 2017			
	YES	NO	
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Motion to Amend: Garrison			
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SO 9, 2017 AS AMENDED		
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Motion to Pass: Garrison		
Second: Crossen		

SO 12, 2017		
	YES	NO
Auler		
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TOTAL:	VOICE	
Motion to Table until April Reg Mtg: Azar		
Second: Auler		

RS 5, 2017 AS AMENDED		
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Motion to Adopt: Auler		
Second: DeBaun		

SO 11, 2017			
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TOTA	AL: VC	ICE	
Motion to Pass: Garrison			
Second: Mor	ris		

RS 5, 2017		
	YES	NO
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TOTAL:	VOICE	
Motion to Amend: Auler		
Second: Nation		

JADCORE RS 19, 2011 CF-1		
	YES	NO
Auler		
Azar		
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Elliott		
Garrison		
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Nation		
Nasser		
TOTAL:	VOICE	
Motion In Substantial Compliance: Morris		
Second: Nation		

JADCORE RS 5, 2015 CF-1		
	YES	NO
Auler		
Azar		
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TOTAL:	VOICE	
Motion In Substantial Compliance: Nation		
Second:	Morris	

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Motion: Azar			
Second: Auler			