

REGULAR MEETING OF THE TERRE HAUTE CITY COUNCIL
6:00 PM, THURSDAY, AUGUST 10, 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. Ed Dammon commented on the lack of help from State of Indiana for the City of Terre Haute and their financial situation.
 - b. John Abbinetti commented on how the salary of a police officer in the 1925 Police Pension Fund and their work environment.
 - c. Donald Hyde commented on the lack of communication between City of Terre Haute and Vigo County. Mr. Hyde also commented about the lifespan of government buildings.
 - d. Jerry Hoff commented on misappropriation of funds and the lack of investigation concerning the Police Pension Fund.
 - e. Don Tyler commented on retired police officers following the laws and that the Police Pension Fund should be untouched.
4. Corrections to journal.
 - a. Appropriation 5, 2017 was read into New Business with the incorrect dollar amount. Correction has been made and legal notice was sent with correct dollar amount.
5. Communications.
6. Reports from Governmental Agencies
 - a. Chief Deputy City Clerk, Michelle Edwards, commented on the schedule for the upcoming meetings for the 2018 Budget discussions and voting.
 - b. Special Meeting 9/7/17 at 5:00pm, Presentation by Umbaugh & Associates
 - c. Councilman O. Earl Elliott commented on a citizen's comments concerning Robert Clary and his health condition. He also commented on the 1782 Notice from the Department of Local Government Finance and the lack of communication and response from Mayor Duke Bennett. Councilman Elliott also commented on possible penalties for overspending the current budget. He stated he has been in contact with the Department of Local Government Finance concerning this situation. Councilman Elliott commented on the Sanitary Board's passage of bonds for \$85 million. He further stated he had received telephone calls concerning vendors not being paid on time. Councilman Elliott responded to Councilwoman Crossen's questions that he had not seen all of the correspondence and that a new law had been enacted changing the method for preparing budgets. Councilman Elliott responded to Councilman Azar's questions that the change did take place in spring of 2016 and he was unsure of why the administration did not apply it. He responded to Councilman Nation's question by stating he had attended a meeting and received a pack of information. He further stated that one of the documents contained in the packet was a copy of the 1782 notice.
 - d. Councilman Neil Garrison asked why the Council was not informed earlier of the current year's budget reduction from the Department of Local Government Finance. He asked if Council President Karrum Nasser could contact them to set up a meeting.
 - e. Council President Karrum Nasser stated the Department of Local Government Finance had stated they would meet with the Council to discuss the situation. He responded to

Councilman Morris's question that Mayor Bennett had stated there would not be a special meeting with Umbaugh and Associates earlier than originally planned. He asked Eddie Felling, City Attorney, about any penalties from overspending the budget.

- f. Councilwoman Martha Crossen asked Councilman Elliott if he received copies of the correspondence with Department of Local Government Finance and State Board of Accounts. She also question the method the administration used to prepare the 2017 budget. Councilwoman Crossen commented on the City's ability to reduce the budget and still retain all of the employees.
- g. Councilman Don Morris asked if a special meeting could be held to meet with Mayor Bennett to discuss this. He stressed the urgency of meeting sooner rather than later.
- h. Councilman George Azar questioned Councilman Elliott about the change in budget preparation started in 2016. He also asked why the administration did not apply the new law to the 2017 budget. Councilman Azar also questioned why the Council was not informed earlier about the 1782 notice.
- i. Councilman Todd Nation asked Councilman Elliott how he became aware of the 1782 notice and required budget reduction.
- j. Councilman Curtis DeBaun IV stated the Council needs answers and asked why Mayor Bennett did not attend this meeting tonight.
- k. Eddie Felling, City Attorney, responded to Council President Nasser's question concerning overspending the budget.

Old Business

GENERAL ORDINANCE 7, 2017 - Tabled as Amended September Sunshine Meeting

Amending City Code, Chapter 2, Article 9, Section 2-117, Police Pension Fund <Azar>

GENERAL ORDINANCE 8, 2017 - Passed

Amending City Code, Chapter 9, Article 5, Section 9-112, Leak Adjustments <Nasser>

APPROPRIATION 4, 2017 - Passed

\$85,851.53 from EMS N/R #0270 to Training Academy #0511 <Elliott>

APPROPRIATION 5, 2017 - Passed

\$392,351.64 from EDIT #0404 to Margaret Ave. Corridor, #450.521 <Elliott>

SPECIAL ORDINANCE 28, 2017 - Passed

Rezoning of property located at 1120 Beech Street <Auler>

RESOLUTION 12, 2017 - Passed

Transfer of \$16,000.00 in the EMS N/R Fund #0270 Budget <Elliott>

RESOLUTION 13, 2017 – Tabled September Regular Meeting

Transfer of \$140,000.00 in the CCD Fund #0402 <Elliott>

RESOLUTION 16, 2017 - Passed

Supporting the placement of Terre Haute City Hall on the National Register of Historic Places <Crossen>

RESOLUTION 17, 2017 - Adopted

Designating an area commonly identified as 1450 Wabash Avenue and 1451 Eagle Street, Terre Haute, Indiana as an Economic Revitalization Area for the purpose of a Nine (9) Year Real Property Tax Abatement (Miller Parrot Lofts, LP) <For Adoption> <Crossen>

New Business

APPROPRIATION 6, 2017 - Finance

2018 City of Terre Haute Budget <Elliott>

SPECIAL ORDINANCE 33, 2017 - Zoning

Rezoning of property located at 1450 Wabash Avenue and 1451 Eagle Street <Crossen>

SPECIAL ORDINANCE 34, 2017 – Zoning

Rezoning of property located at 1387 Wheeler Avenue <Auler>

SPECIAL ORDINANCE 35, 2017 - Finance

Authorizing the issuance of Indiana Multifamily Housing Revenue Bonds (Silver Birch of Terre Haute Project) <Nasser>

Charles P. Hanley, City Clerk

ATTENDANCE		
	Present	Absent
Auler	X	
Azar	X	
Crossen	X	
DeBaun	X	
Elliott	X	
Garrison	X	
Morris	X	
Nasser	X	
Nation	X	
TOTAL:	9	

GO 7, 2017		
	YES	NO
Auler	X	
Azar	X	
Crossen	X	
DeBaun	X	
Elliott	X	
Garrison	X	
Morris	X	
Nation	X	
Nasser	X	
TOTAL:	9	
Motion to Amend: Crossen		
Second:	Garrison	

GO 7, 2017 AS AMENDED		
	YES	NO
Auler		
Azar		
Crossen		
DeBaun		
Elliott		
Garrison		
Morris		
Nation		
Nasser		
TOTAL:	VOICE	
Motion to Table Sept. Sunshine: Auler		
Second:	Azar	

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

AP 4, 2017		
	YES	NO
Auler		
Azar		
Crossen		
DeBaun		
Elliott		
Garrison		
Morris		
Nation		
Nasser		
TOTAL:	VOICE	
Motion to Pass: Garrison		
Second:	Morris	

AP 5, 2017		
	YES	NO
Auler		
Azar		
Crossen		
DeBaun		
Elliott		
Garrison		
Morris		
Nation		
Nasser		
TOTAL:	VOICE	
Motion to Pass: Auler		
Second:	Nation	

SO 28, 2017		
	YES	NO
Auler		
Azar		
Crossen		
DeBaun		
Elliott		
Garrison		
Morris		
Nation		
Nasser		
TOTAL:	VOICE	
Motion to Pass: Auler		
Second: Garrison		

RS 12 , 2017		
	YES	NO
Auler		
Azar		
Crossen		
DeBaun		
Elliott		
Garrison		
Morris		
Nation		
Nasser		
TOTAL:	VOICE	
Motion to Pass: Auler		
Second: Morris		

RS 13, 2017		
	YES	NO
Auler		
Azar		
Crossen		
DeBaun		
Elliott		
Garrison		
Morris		
Nation		
Nasser		
TOTAL:	VOICE	
Motion to Table Sept. Regular: Crossen		
Second: DeBaun		

RS 16, 2017		
	YES	NO
Auler		
Azar		
Crossen		
DeBaun		
Elliott		
Garrison		
Morris		
Nation		
Nasser		
TOTAL:	VOICE	
Motion to Pass: Morris		
Second: Auler		

RS 17, 2017		
	YES	NO
Auler		
Azar		
Crossen		
DeBaun		
Elliott		
Garrison		
Morris		
Nation		
Nasser		
TOTAL:	VOICE	
Motion to Adopt: Nation		
Second: DeBaun		

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	YES	NO
Auler		
Azar		
Crossen		
DeBaun		
Elliott		
Garrison		
Morris		
Nation		
Nasser		
TOTAL:	VOICE	
Motion: Azar		
Second: Auler		