

**RICHMOND CITY COMMISSION
MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
JULY 10, 2018
CITY HALL
COMMISSION CHAMBERS
6:00 PM**

Mayor called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Commissioner Blythe, Morgan, Newby and Mayor Barnes
ALSO PRESENT: Rob Minerich; City Manager, Garrett Fowles; City Attorney, Lisa Cassity; City Clerk,
ABSENT: Commissioner Eaves
Pledge of Allegiance

Minute Approval:

1) Regular Commission Meeting held on June 26, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

Motion: Commissioner Newby

Seconded: Commissioner Blythe

VOTING:	YES	NO
Commissioner Newby	x	
Commissioner Blythe	x	
Commissioner Eaves	absent	
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Mayor Barnes	x	

Ordinance 18-15: An Ordinance of the City of Richmond, Kentucky Re-Naming a Portion of Georgia Street in the City.

First Reading

Read by City Attorney

Motion: Commissioner Newby

Seconded: Commissioner Morgan

Mayor presented street sign to the 1982 Madison Central High School Baseball Coach Don Richardson.

VOTING:	YES	NO
Commissioner Blythe	x	
Commissioner Eaves	absent	
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Commissioner Newby	x	
Mayor Barnes	x	

Ordinance 18-16: An Ordinance of the City of Richmond Adopting an Annual Budget for the Section 8 Housing Department for the Fiscal Year 2019 by Estimating Revenues and Resources and Appropriating Funds for the Operation of City Government.

First Reading

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Blythe

Seconded: Commissioner Newby

VOTING:	YES	NO
Commissioner Eaves	absent	
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Commissioner Newby	x	
Commissioner Blythe	x	
Mayor Barnes	x	

Ordinance 18-17: An Ordinance of the City of Richmond, Kentucky Changing the Zoning for Properties Located within the City: 400 E. Main, 404 E. Main, 408 E. Main, 111 Smith Ballard, 113 Smith Ballard, and 115 Smith Ballard, Owned by John W. Hamilton; 613 E. Main and 615 E. Main Owned by Gary Rose and Marvena Rose; 412 E. Main, 428 E. Main and 432 E. Main Owned by Ahmad Chadh; and 310 E. Main Owned by Madison County Investment Co., Inc.

First Reading

Read by City Attorney

Motion: Commissioner Blythe

Seconded: Commissioner Newby

Commissioner Morgan questioned the B2 downtown business district minimal lot size and would lots need to be combined for anything to even be able to fit currently. Mr. Fowles responded that yes, the lots would need to be combined. Commissioner Morgan questioned then should that be done first.

Commissioner Morgan noted that no citizens were in opposition of the zone change but did raise traffic and storm water concerns on Smith Ballard.

Commissioner Morgan questioned why the last set of Planning & Zoning Minutes were not included in the meeting packets. Mr. Fowles responded that they are not yet approved but will be provided prior to the second reading of the ordinance.

Mayor Barnes questioned if this is considered spot zoning. Mr. Fowles responded that the Planning & Zoning Commission is currently reviewing a large area of town to be re-zoned to create a more business district along Main Street. Currently these are the properties that have responded to the letters and town hall meetings to discuss re-zoning their properties. The remaining properties may be involuntary changed or classified as conditional use at a later time.

Mayor requested that the Chairman of Planning & Zoning Commission and the Department Head attend next weeks Workshop to discuss further.

No Vote Taken

Order 18-83: An Order of the City of Richmond Accepting a Resignation from an Employee in the Fire Department.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Blythe

Seconded: Commissioner Newby

VOTING:	YES	NO
Commissioner Newby	x	
Commissioner Blythe	x	
Commissioner Eaves	absent	
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Mayor Barnes	x	

Order 18-84: An Order of the City of Richmond Hiring a Candidate for the Police Department.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Newby

Seconded: Commissioner Blythe

VOTING:	YES	NO
Commissioner Blythe	x	
Commissioner Eaves	absent	
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Commissioner Newby	x	
Mayor Barnes	x	

Order 18-85: An Order of the City of Richmond Committing Funds Toward the Richmond Main Street Streetscape Project.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Newby

Seconded: Commissioner Blythe

Commissioner Morgan questioned if the city was going to solicit bids for construction.

VOTING:	YES	NO
Commissioner Eaves	absent	
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Commissioner Newby	x	
Commissioner Blythe	x	
Mayor Barnes	x	

Order 18-86: An Order of the City of Richmond Appointing an Alternate Member to the Tax Board.

Read by City Clerk

Motion: Commissioner Newby

Seconded: Commissioner Morgan

VOTING:	YES	NO
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Commissioner Newby	x	
Commissioner Blythe	x	
Commissioner Eaves	absent	
Mayor Barnes	x	

Mayor brought one additional item for discussion. Mayor announced that the County is applying for a Tiger Grant of 25 million dollars for a connector road between Richmond and Lancaster. In order for the application to be reviewed favorably, the county is asking Richmond city and the county to commit \$500,000.00 each if the grant is approved.

Commissioner Morgan noted that he saw this project benefiting the airport and land on Duncannon Lane.

Resolution 18-01: A Resolution for Application for and Administration of 2018 Build Transportation Grant Project

Motion: Commissioner Newby

Seconded: Commissioner Morgan

VOTING:	YES	NO
Commissioner Newby	x	
Commissioner Blythe	x	
Commissioner Eaves	absent	
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Mayor Barnes	x	

Public Comments

1. Lee Williams- Smith Ballard Drive Resident

Ms. Williams expressed concerns in regards to zone change and storm water issues with the gorge area.

2. Glenna Dryden- Baker Court Resident

Ms. Dryden expressed concerns in regards to zone change with traffic flow in the neighborhood area.

Departmental Reports

No reports

City Manager's Report

Mr. Minerich discussed the following items:

1. Thanked city employees for making the July 4th event a success.

2. Complimented the new website design and announced that the city has tripled the viewers.

Board of Commissioner's Discussion

Commissioner Eaves

Absent

Commissioner Morgan

No report

Commissioner Newby

1. Commented that employees are excited about Mr. Minerich being the new city manager.

Commissioner Blythe

1. Commended staff for how quickly and effective Lake Reba Park was cleaned up after the July 4th event.

2. Commended the Commission for allocating funds for the Kentucky Changers program and announced that he's seen them in town this week already fixing up citizens properties.

3. City Owned Alley ways- Requested that several of the old city alley's needs to be cleaned up and trimmed brush back for better access.

Mayor Barnes

1. City Owned Alley ways- Noted that his office has also been getting calls in request for either to clean up the alley's or officially close them.

2. Thanked staff for July 4th event and said he was very proud of the success for this years event.

Adjournment: 7:08 p.m.

Motion: Commissioner Newby

Seconded: Commissioner Blythe

VOTING:

	YES	NO
Commissioner Blythe	x	
Commissioner Eaves	absent	
Commissioner Morgan	x	
Commissioner Newby	x	
Mayor Barnes	x	



MAYOR

ATTEST:


City Clerk