

**RICHMOND CITY COMMISSION
MINUTES
WORKSHOP MEETING
JULY 17, 2018
CITY HALL
CONFERENCE ROOM
9:30 AM**

Mayor called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

PRESENT: Commissioner Blythe, Eaves, Newby and Mayor Barnes

ALSO PRESENT: Richard Thomas; City Manager, Garrett Fowles; City Attorney, Lisa Cassity; City Clerk

ABSENT: Commissioner Morgan

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

Review Only

No comments

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.

Review Only

Mayor Barnes announced that this budget was not submitted in time with the other budgets. He also questioned Ms. Lillis as to when their budget would be effective since it's after July 1. Ms. Lillis responded that this board can decide if it's retroactive to be effective July 1. Commission agreed that it will be effective July 1, 2018.

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.

Review Only

Planning & Zoning Commission Chair, Dr. Miller and Department Head Jason Hart were present for the discussion. Items that were discussed such as setbacks, parking and the zoning process for the business district. Dr. Miller discussed that the board is interested in expanding the H1 overlay district for this area will look just like the other buildings downtown.

Dr. Miller asked the Commission to hold off on the 2nd reading for approximately 1 month as the Planning & Zoning Commission complete revisions to the Development Ordinance and Comprehensive Plan.

Commission agreed to give them time to complete revisions as requested.

Richmond Utility Rates

Scott Althaus explained the utility rate changes effective July 1, 2018.
(Attached)

City Manager's Report

Mr. Minerich discussed the following:

1. Water Street Project Update- Explained that there is a Geotech onsite today accessing the bricks and gravel pavement. The street is closed for approximately 30 feet to make necessary assessments. This project maybe bigger than first expected.
2. Replacement needed of K9 Dog.

Board of Commissioner's Discussion

Mayor Barnes

1. County is preparing to implement a 10% insurance premium tax in order to generate revenue for the Jail Healing Center. He noted that the city already has an 8% insurance tax which may mean that the extra 2% in the city will go toward the county. He asked to commission to think about this process and how the city wants to proceed. Mayor suggested maybe asking for a joint government meeting to discuss.
2. Water Street- Mayor noted that this may not be an easy fix since this area is already a detention basin and the project was to FEMA specifications.

Adjournment: 10:25 a.m.

Motion: Commissioner Eaves

Seconded: Commissioner Blythe

VOTING:

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



MAYOR

ATTEST: 

City Clerk