

Bentonville City Council
Meeting Minutes
November 26, 2019

The City Council of Bentonville, Arkansas, met in regular session Tuesday, November 26, 2019, at 6:00 p.m., at the Community Development Building, 305 Southwest A Street, Bentonville, Arkansas.

Present were council members Tim Robinson, Chad Goss, Cindy Acree, Chris Sooter, Aubrey Patterson, Bill Burckart, Octavio Sanchez and Jonathan Terlouw. Also present were Mayor Stephanie Orman, City Attorney George Spence, City Clerk Linda Spence, the press, city staff and the audience.

At 6:00 p.m., prior to calling the meeting to order, Mayor Orman invited public comments. There was no response so the Mayor declared the comment period closed. The Mayor then invited questions or comments from the Council about items on the agenda and there were none.

Mayor Orman called the meeting to order. The Mayor led everyone present in the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence in support of our armed forces.

Motion was made by Council Member Acree to approve the minutes of the November 12, 2019 meeting as presented, second by Council Member Sanchez. There was no discussion. Motion carried (8-0).

Motion was made by Council Member Sooter to suspend the rules regarding the reading of all ordinances on three separate days and further that all ordinances and resolutions be read by title only, second by Council Member Burckart. There was no discussion. Motion carried (8-0).

1. The Netherlands study tour presentation was made at the November 25, 2019 Committee of the Whole meeting.

- 2a. Ordinance No. 2019-170: Ordinance accepting a lot split of Lots 1-2 of Featherston Farms Subdivision to the City of Bentonville, Arkansas. (Project No. LS19-37)

[Applicant: Sunrise Homes NWA;
Location: 9163 Featherston Road]

City Attorney Spence read the ordinance by title only.
Motion to pass by Council Member Sanchez, second by Council Member Goss. There was no discussion. Motion carried (8-0).

- 2b. Ordinance No. 2019-171: Ordinance accepting a property line adjustment of Lot 22 Block 7 of Deming's Addition to the City of Bentonville, Arkansas. (Project No. PLA19-34)

[Applicant: Eve Isbell;
Location: 303 Northwest C Street]

City Attorney Spence read the ordinance by title only.
Motion to pass by Council Member Sanchez, second by Council Member Goss. There was no discussion. Motion carried (8-0).

- 2c. Ordinance No. 2019-172: Ordinance changing real estate in the City of Bentonville, Arkansas, from its present zoning classification of R-1, single family residential to DN-2, downtown medium-density residential. (Project No. RZ19-33)

[Applicant: North Arkansas Wholesale Co., Inc.;
Location: Southwest 5th Street and Southwest E Street]

City Attorney Spence read the ordinance by title only.
Motion to pass by Council Member Sanchez, second by Council Member Robinson. There was no discussion. Motion carried (8-0).

- 2d. Ordinance No. 2019-173: Ordinance accepting a property line adjustment of Lot 5 of Thaden Addition and Lot 15A of Seals Addition to the City of Bentonville, Arkansas.
(Project No. PLA19-35)

[Applicant: Game Engines, LLC;
Location: 3201 Southwest I Street]

City Attorney Spence read the ordinance by title only.
Motion to pass by Council Member Sanchez, second by
Council Member Goss. There was no discussion. Motion carried
(8-0).

3. Resolution No. 11-26-19 A: Resolution accepting a right-of-way dedication from Lot 13 Block 7 of Gilmore's Addition at 502 Southwest D Street to the City of Bentonville, Arkansas.

City Attorney Spence read the resolution by title only.
Motion to pass by Council Member Sanchez, second by
Council Member Acree. There was no discussion. Motion carried
(8-0).

4. Ordinance No. 2019-174: Ordinance authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to enter into an agreement with artist Matthew Duffy for the purchase and installation of his artwork titled "Open Heart" in the roundabout at the intersection of Southwest Bright Road and Southwest Gator Boulevard.

City Attorney Spence read the ordinance by title only.
Motion to pass by Council Member Sanchez, second by
Council Member Burckart. There was no discussion. Motion
carried (8-0).

5. Approval to award Bid No. 19-79 to Hansen's Tree Service, at the rate of \$550 per hour, to provide on-site yard waste grinding services for the City of Bentonville compost facility. The awarded contract would be for one year from the date of the bid award, renewable annually upon mutual agreement for a maximum total of three years.

Motion to approve by Council Member Sanchez, second by
Council Member Burckart. There was no discussion. Motion
carried (8-0).

6. Approval of a budget adjustment for the Water and Sewer Department, in the amount of \$951,000, to recognize sewer capacity fees to fund the easement purchases for and

construction of a sanitary sewer interceptor in southwestern Bentonville identified as the Nomad interceptor.

Motion to approve by Council Member Burckart, second by Council Member Sanchez. There was no discussion. Motion carried (8-0).

7. Approval to award Bid No. 19-74, in the amount of \$23,949.84, for the purchase of two truck-mounted salt brine applicators for the Street Department.

Motion to approve by Council Member Sanchez, second by Council Member Robinson. There was no discussion. Motion carried (8-0).

8. Approval of a budget adjustment for the Street Department, in the amount of \$13,627.83, to purchase three snow plows to complete the outfitting of three F550 trucks that were purchased earlier this year.

Motion to approve by Council Member Sanchez, second by Council Member Goss. There was no discussion. Motion carried (8-0).

9. Approval of a budget adjustment for the Street Department, in the amount of \$12,118, to recognize an insurance reimbursement to be used to cover contract labor and materials utilized to repair a traffic signal cabinet as a result of a vehicle accident.

Motion to approve by Council Member Sanchez, second by Council Member Robinson. There was no discussion. Motion carried (8-0).

10. Approval of a budget adjustment for the Parks and Recreation Department, in the amount of \$181,000, to recognize a grant from the Walton Family Foundation for construction of the McCollum Trail project.

Motion to approve by Council Member Sanchez, second by Council Member Goss. There was no discussion. Motion carried (8-0).

11. Approval of a Parks and Recreation Department change order, in the amount of \$7,051, for the purchase and installation of LED lights at Lawrence Plaza.

Motion to approve by Council Member Sanchez, second by Council Member Goss. There was no discussion. Motion carried (8-0).

12. Approval to award the bid to Motorola Solutions, Inc., (bid price obtained through participation in the Houston Galveston Area Council Co-op), in the amount of \$34,957.33, to purchase thirty Motorola handheld radios for Fire Department personnel.

Motion to approve by Council Member Sanchez, second by Council Member Burckart. There was no discussion. Motion carried (8-0).

13. Ordinance No. 2019-175: Ordinance accepting an amendment to the Personnel Policy for the City of Bentonville, Arkansas. [Recognizing thirty plus years of consecutive service]

City Attorney Spence read the ordinance by title only.

Motion to pass by Council Member Sanchez, second by Council Member Robinson. There was no discussion. Motion carried (8-0).

14. Resolution No. 11-26-19 B: Resolution authorizing the establishment of accounts with Arvest Wealth Management for the purpose of investing City funds and naming responsible parties to perform actions on said accounts for the City of Bentonville, Arkansas.

City Attorney Spence read the resolution by title only.

Motion to pass by Council Member Acree, second by Council Member Goss. There was no discussion. Motion carried (8-0).

15. Resolution No. 11-26-19 C: Resolution adopting the 2020 budget for the City of Bentonville, Arkansas.

City Attorney Spence read the resolution by title only.
Motion to pass by Council Member Sanchez, second by
Council Member Burckart.

Council Member Sanchez suggested that the Council have more
participation in budget preparation going forward.
Council Member Burckart suggested formation of a finance
committee.

City Attorney Spence noted that it was the Mayor's
responsibility to first propose a budget, in consultation with
the City's staff, and that thereafter the Council had the
responsibility to ask questions regarding what was proposed,
make amendments, and the ultimate authority to adopt the City's
budget.

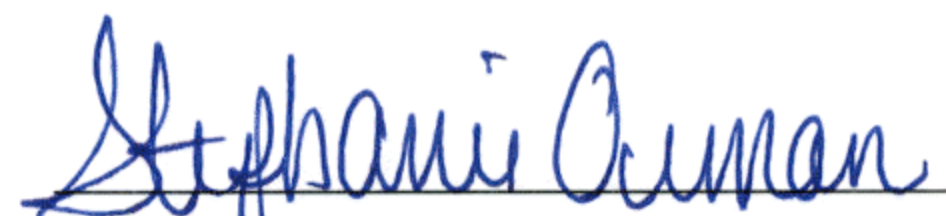
Council Member Robinson asked about how this would apply with
regard to a bond proposal thought to be likely in the future.
City Attorney Spence stated that he expected the Mayor would
lead the discussions concerning any such proposal, but would of
course have to do so in close consultation with the Council.

There was no further discussion. Motion carried (8-0).

The meeting was adjourned.

There were no committee reports or public comments.


Linda Spence, City Clerk


Stephanie Orman, Mayor

